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www.seafmca.org

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February 9-12, 2022, SUN n FUN, Lakeland, Florida

Future FMCA International Convention

Summer 2021 – July 7-10, Gillette, WY

Winter 2022 – March 23-26, 2022, Tucson, AZ

Summer 2022 – August 22-26 Lincoln, Nebr.

Winter 2023 – March 15-18, Perry, GA

Summer 2023 – August 23-26, Gillette, WY

Summer 2024 – July 17-20, Gillette, WY

Summer 2027 – July 14-17, Gillette, WY

* = Contingent on successful contract negotiations.

2021 RALLY HOSTS



Wagon Master –

* Weekend different from 1st weekend.

**Special rally due to distance from Atlanta

###Our Bylaws require members to host a rally. Ideally, three couples should be able to manage a great rally weekend.

May 7-9 – Coastal Georgia RV Resort, Brunswick, GA
Jones, Youngs

June 4-6

July 2-4 - TBD

Ralston, Sawyer

August 6-8 – Willow Valley RV Resort, Rabun Gap, GA
Esposito

September 3-5 - TBD. Charleston
Ralston, Gruba

October 1-3 -TBD
Simons

November 5-7

December 3-5 – TBD
Officers

New Wagon Master

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Please Contact and sign up to host a rally.
Don't forget all attendees sign Covid Release

PRESIDENTS CORNER – April 2021

By Wiley Bowman

NATIONAL DIRECTOR REPORT

By Patricia Voyna

As I said in last month's newsletter, I may have an announcement in April. Well, I do have announcement. I have been nominated for the International VP representing the Southeast Area (SEA) I will also become the President for the SEA. This is a two-year term.

As your National Director through the Gillette meeting, I will have to give that up for 2 years. May I suggest at the July Rally you elect a new National Director to take the office after the Gillette Convention. Marvin has said he will accept that position. Someone else may want it. Just heads up what is coming our way.

SECRETARY REPORT- March 2021

By Kenlyn Sawyer

The March 10, 2021 luncheon was held at the Oil Lamp Restaurant in Perry, GA. Hosts were Marvin and Patricia Voyna. There was a total of 19 people in attendance for the luncheon. Names of those in attendance are at the end of this report.

There was no meeting.

MEMBERS: Hollis; Loudermilk; Miller; Moreman; Sawyer; Voyna

GUESTS: Jim and Betty Duncan; Denise Ramsey

SECRETARY REPORT- April 2021

By Kenlyn Sawyer

The April 2021 Rally was held at the River Rocks Landing Resort & Venue in Gadsden, GA from April 2 - 4, 2021. Hosts were Wiley and Carolyn Bowman; Jim and Jan Hollis. There was a total of 22 people in attendance for the weekend. Names of those in attendance are at the end of this report.

The PST meeting was held on Saturday, April 3, 2021 morning at the campground clubhouse. President Wiley Bowman opened the meeting by welcoming the guests and thanked Jim and Jan Hollis for co-hosting the weekend with Wiley and Carolyn this weekend.

President Bowman announced that Libba Gruba is the new Wagon Master. Discussion was held regarding upcoming rallies.

Upcoming rallies – **Please contact your hosts to confirm your attendance.**

May 7 - 9, 2021 – Coastal Georgia RV Resort – Brunswick, GA (Jones, Young)

June 4 - 6, 2021 - **Need Hosts**

July 2 - 4, 2021 – Ralston, Sawyer – Location TBD

August 6 - 8, 2021 – Rabun Gap - Esposito

September 3 - 5, 2021 – Gruba, Ralston

October 1 - 3, 2021 - **Need Hosts**

November 5 - 7, 2021- **Need Hosts**

December 3 - 5, 2021 – PST Officers

Sunshine Report: Keep the sick PST members in your thoughts and prayers.

MEMBERS: Bowman; Gruba; Hollis; Jones; Moreman; Sawyer; Young

GUESTS: Jim & Betty Duncan; Manny & Mikki Quinones; Tony & Marissa Trindal; Nikki & Greyson Young

RALLY REPORT – April 2021

By

SUNSHINE REPORT – April 2021

By Wanda Hollenbeck



Wish we could be there, that is one of Al's favorite campgrounds. AL is having heart surgery on the 22nd, I think the rally is too soon afterward to be safe.

Love to y'all, Mary Ann and Al Miller

Grandson of Ron and Linda Castor



Obituary for Brendan Taylor

Brendan James Taylor, age 27, of Acworth, Georgia passed away April 7, 2021. Funeral Service will be held at 11:00 am on Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at Due West United Methodist Church in Marietta with Dr. David Campbell officiating. Interment will follow at Pine

Ridge Memorial Park in Kennesaw, Georgia.

The family will receive friends on Tuesday, April 13, 2021 from 10:00 am until 11:00 am at Due West United Methodist Church in Marietta, GA.

Brendan was born February 8th, 1994 at Arnold Palmer Hospital in Orlando, Florida. From the day he was born, he was a fighter. He continued his fight throughout his life. He loved sports of all kinds but particularly he loved the University of Georgia football and University of Kentucky basketball.

His first UGA football game was the fall of 1994 practically before he could walk. The matchup that day was against UK; a foreshadow of things to come.

He excelled at baseball and started playing at age 4. When he entered Allatoona High School he switched sports and was the starting goalie in lacrosse.

He graduated with a Marketing degree from the University of Kentucky in 2016 and was an active member of the Kappa Sigma fraternity.

He is survived by his parents, Jim and Lori, and his brother Mason; grandparents Ron and Linda Castor; Reverend Leland and Vonda Lockhart as well as many aunts, uncles and cousins.

His family loves him very much and he was and will always be our hero.

In lieu of flowers, Brendan would be honored if you would consider a gift in his memory to support Dr. John Gearhart and his incredible team at the Brady Urological Institute at Johns Hopkins as they work tirelessly to help children from around the world.

Visit <https://secure.jhu.edu/form/urology> to make a gift online, or to send a check, make it payable to Johns Hopkins and mail it to:

Johns Hopkins at Keswick
Attn: RevMgmt – The Brady Urological Institute
Office of Advancement Services
3910 Keswick Road, Suite N2100
Baltimore, MD 21211

Visitation

APR 13, 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (EST)
Due West United Methodist Church
3956 Due West Road
Marietta, GA 30064

Funeral Ceremony

APR 13, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (EST)
Due West United Methodist Church
3956 Due West Road
Marietta, GA 30064

TREASURES'S REPORT November 2019

By: Terry Carlyle

Beginning Balance 06-09-2020 \$1,993.90



Receipts:

June Rally	5.41
December Rally	12.00
Dues	390.00

Disbursements:

Jones Memory	100.00
Annual Corp. Registration	30.00

Ending Balance 04-07-2021 \$2,271.31

REMEMBER EVERYONE MUST FILL OUT RALLY REPORTS AND SEND THEM TO ME. YOU MUST ALSO SEND RECEIPTS FOR EXPENSES!!!!!!!!!!!!
PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU KEEP UP WITH THE RECEIPTS!!!!

Birthdays

04-01 – Ted Young
04-04 – Beth Richardson
04-05 – Bill Esposito
04-06 – Garry Yaffe
04-10 – Judy Hughes
04-21 - Mike Hughes
04-23 - Tori Bray
04-25 – Doug Ralston



Anniversaries

A DUCK WALKS INTO A BAR ...



"Got any bread?"

"No."

"Got any bread?"

"No."

"Got any bread?"

"No."

"Got any bread?"

"No, and if you ask me again, I'll nail your beak to the bar!!"

"Got any nails?"

"No."

"Got any bread?"

URBANSPEECHBUBBLE/FACEBOOK



Brain teaser

In what scenario does $8+8=4$?

(See page 5)

Mature Ladies

A mature (over 50) woman gets pulled over for speeding....

Older Woman: Is there a problem, Officer?

Officer: Ma'am, you were speeding.

Older Woman: Oh, I see.

Officer: Can I see your license please?

Older Woman: I'd give it to you but I don't have one.

Officer: Don't have one?

Older Woman: Lost it, 4 years ago for drunk driving.

Officer: I see...Can I see your vehicle registration papers please.

Older Woman: I can't do that.

Officer: Why not?

Older Woman: I stole this car.

Officer: Stole it?

Older Woman: Yes, and I killed and hacked up the owner.

Officer: You what?

Older Woman: His body parts are in plastic bags in the trunk if you want to see.

The Officer looks at the woman and slowly backs away to his car and calls for back up. Within minutes 5 police cars circle the car. A senior officer slowly approaches the car, clasp his half drawn gun.

Officer 2: Ma'am, could you step out of your vehicle please!

The woman steps out of her vehicle.

Older woman: Is there a problem sir?

Officer 2: One of my officers told me that you have stolen this car and murdered the owner.

Older Woman: Murdered the owner?

Officer 2: Yes, could you please open the trunk of your car, please.

The woman opens the trunk, revealing nothing but an empty trunk.

Officer 2: Is this your car, ma'am?

Older Woman: Yes, here are the registration papers. The officer is quite stunned.

Officer 2: One of my officers claims that you do not have a driving license.

The woman digs into her handbag and pulls out a clutch purse and hands it to the officer.

The officer examines the license. He looks quite puzzled.

Officer 2: Thank you ma'am, one of my officers told me you didn't have a license, that you stole this car, and that you murdered and hacked up the owner.

Older Woman: Bet the liar told you I was speeding, too.

Don't Mess With Mature Ladies.

Son: Mom, can I sleep with you? I'm scared.

Me: No, I can't risk the monster following you into my room and killing me.

11 Critical Tips on How to Detect Carbon Monoxide in Your RV



By Mike Wendland

All of us must know how to detect carbon monoxide in your RV. This is serious if you want to make sure you are safe in your RV. **Please read:**

Carbon monoxide is an invisible, odorless gas that you don't expect to encounter when traveling the great outdoors. However, some of your RV appliances emit carbon monoxide, which can be dangerous to your health. It's important to be aware of the risks of carbon monoxide poisoning and how to prevent it while enjoying your RV.

There are fewer topics more important than how to detect carbon monoxide in your RV. So pardon me for this just-the-facts article.

With so many newbies embracing the RV Lifestyle these days, we need to talk about this. Besides, even longtime RVers need to refresh themselves on how to detect carbon monoxide in your RV and making sure all our CO2 emitting appliances are well maintained.

Dangers of Carbon Monoxide

Jennifer and I took the RV out one weekend and heard an incessant beeping in the middle of the night. I had immediately assumed it was the smoke detector, but it wasn't the source. It took me a few minutes (perhaps in my sleepy haze) to realize it must be the carbon monoxide detector.



Thankfully, the beeping was just a warning that the CO detector's battery was low. If it had been a warning for CO

saturation, my sleepy haze could have actually been a sign of carbon monoxide poisoning.

According to the **CDC**, approximately 50,000 people end up in the emergency room each year due to accidental CO poisoning. Worse, at least 430 people die. CO poisoning is a serious risk, especially where any fuel-burning machines or appliances exist. As we all know, an RV itself is a fuel-burning machine with plenty of fuel-burning accessories in and around it!

CO Risks in an RV

Essentially, any fuel-burning source contributes to the danger of carbon monoxide poisoning. The following are common culprits for carbon monoxide poisoning:

The towing vehicle (if you have an RV trailer)

Generators

Ranges

Refrigerators

Camping stoves

Heaters

Grills

Lanterns

and more

Some of these risks are located inside your RV, but many surround your RV at camp. So, you must be mindful of things that emit CO not only in your RV, but around it. Including your neighbors' equipment! Do the first rule in how to detect carbon monoxide in your RV is.. be aware of the sources of CO2.

How to Detect Carbon Monoxide in Your RV

Gas burning from a kitchen gas stove

You can't. Humans cannot detect carbon monoxide. It is odorless and colorless, which is why it's called the quiet killer. We must rely on sensors to detect carbon monoxide.

If your RV is not already outfitted with a CO detector, you must invest in one right away. A good CO detector costs from \$15 to \$30, and it can save your life. Talk about a great investment! If the detector senses an unsafe amount of CO, it will sound the alarm. The alarm is much louder than the beep that warns of a low battery. Since carbon monoxide makes people light-headed and pass out, it takes a loud noise to bring them to their senses.

Early Signs of CO Poisoning

Though humans can't detect carbon monoxide, we certainly show symptoms of it. If you are aware of these symptoms, you can realize there's a serious problem more quickly. Besides the detector, the symptoms are another way to detect carbon monoxide in your RV. These symptoms progress fast— Don't try to "shake them off"!

Carbon monoxide poisoning symptoms include:

Dull headache

Weakness

Dizziness

Nausea or vomiting

Shortness of breath

Confusion

Blurred vision

Loss of consciousness

Who's at Risk of CO Poisoning?

Of you are looking for the best way to detect carbon monoxide in your RV, make sure you have a good CO2 monitor. This one from Alert Plus costs around \$18 on Amazon

— <https://amzn.to/34wAMjY>

Everybody is at risk of CO poisoning, though some succumb more quickly to its effects. CO poisoning is particularly dangerous for people who are sleeping, intoxicated, older, young, or unwell. Plus, humans aren't the only ones at risk!

An intoxicated person could easily dismiss the symptoms as being tipsy.

A sleeping person may lose consciousness before ever realizing any symptoms.

The elderly, children, and infants are also more susceptible to CO poisoning. The poison will normally affect them more quickly due to their underdeveloped or weakened constitutions. People with pre-existing health conditions will also be at greater risk. For example, people with chronic heart disease, anemia, or respiratory issues, like asthma.

And don't forget about your pets! Despite their superior sense of smell, dogs and other pets cannot detect carbon monoxide either. They will be affected much more quickly than humans due to their smaller size.

How to Prevent CO Poisoning

Setting up a CO detection system is essential, but it shouldn't stop there. The best way to ensure your safety is to get ahead of the problem. Which means you should take regular precautions to prevent CO from saturating your RV.

11 Tips to Keep Your RV Safe from Carbon Monoxide

The CDC provides a **CO Poisoning Prevention Guide**, but here are 11 main tips for CO safety.

Replace the batteries in your CO detector every 6 months.

Keep all vents free of debris.

Try to place your generator away from your RV (and your neighbors).

Point your generator's exhaust away from your RV (and your neighbors).

Inspect your generator's exhaust system every time to ensure it's not damaged.

Keep any windows and vents closed if in close proximity to a running vehicle or generator.

Never use range burners to heat your RV.

When cooking with the range, use the range fan and keep a nearby window cracked open.

Follow all directions and warning if using gas-powered heaters.

Be aware of your neighbor's setup, and make sure they are not directing any exhaust your way.

Regularly inspect and keep up with maintenance for your appliances.

RV Safety

RVing is often considered luxury camping, but that doesn't mean it's without risk. Driving on the open, road, dirt roads, and even being parked, can cause damage to your RV and equipment. In some cases, damage or improper maintenance results only in repair costs. But other times, it can have catastrophic results. Since we're talking safety...

You never really know the true impact you have on those around you. You never know how much someone needed that smile you gave them. You never know how much your kindness turned someone's entire life around. You never know how much someone needed that long hug or deep talk. So don't wait to be kind. Don't wait for someone else to be kind first. Don't wait for better circumstances or for someone to change. Just be kind, because you never know how much someone needs it.



A blonde goes into work one morning crying her eyes out. Her boss asked sympathetically, 'What's the matter?'

The blonde replies, 'Early this morning I got a phone call saying that my mother had passed away.'

The boss, feeling sorry for her, says, 'Why don't you go home for the day? Take the

day off to relax & rest.'

'Thanks, but I'd be better off here. I need to keep my mind off it & I have the best chance of doing that here.'

The boss agrees & allows the blonde to work as usual. A couple of hours pass & the boss decides to check on the blonde. He looks out from his office & sees the blonde crying hysterically... 'What's so bad now? Are you gonna be okay?' he asks.

'No!' exclaims the blonde. 'I just received a horrible call from my sister. Her mother died, too!'



Joke of the Week

A couple went out for dinner in a fine restaurant. After being seated the husband noticed a woman a few tables over, sitting alone and drinking but not eating. There were several empty cocktail glasses in front of her and she could barely sit up. The husband kept glancing over and finally his wife asked, "Do you know her?" The husband replied, "Yes. That's my ex-wife. When we divorced 7 years ago, I heard she took to drinking and hasn't been sober a day since." The wife replied, "My goodness. You would think the woman couldn't go on celebrating that long."



Brain teaser answer:

If you're thinking in terms of time: 8 a.m. plus 8 more hours equals 4 p.m.

Here's the stinkin' plan to get free food...



In the morning before you leave for the day, feed your kids hot dogs and beans. Lots of beans. LOTS OF BEANS!!! Then, at lunch, fuel up the Minnie Winnie at this

service station. Then park the rig and haul the stinkin' kids inside. It'll be real obvious to management that the kiddos are full of gas, which, as the sign states, means "THEY EAT FREE!" Good plan, huh?

Trivia

Volvo gave away the 1962 patent for its revolutionary three-point seat belt for free, in order to save lives.

Bumper sticker of the week

I know my sleep number – It's 6 glasses of wine.

Worth Pondering

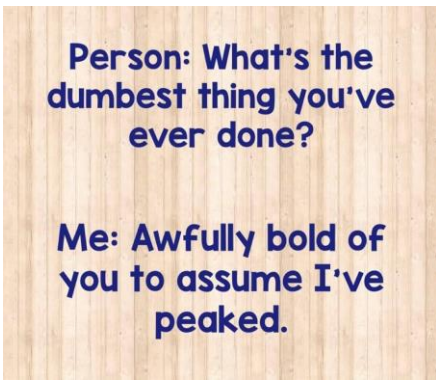
"Life is ours to be spent, not to be saved." —D. H. Lawrence

Speeding Ticket



One day a state patrolman pulled a car over for speeding. When the officer asked the driver why he was speeding, the driver answered that he was a juggler and was on his way to perform and didn't want to be late. The patrolman told the driver that he was fascinated by juggling and if the driver could juggle for him he wouldn't give him a ticket. The juggler told him that he had sent all of his equipment on ahead and didn't have anything to juggle. The patrolman told him that he had some flares in the trunk that he would light for him. While the man was doing his juggling act with

the flares, a car pulled up behind the patrol car and a very drunk man got out and started watching the show. He then went to the patrol car, opened the back door and got in. The patrolman saw him do this and went over to his car, opened the door and asked the drunk what he thought he was doing. The drunk man replied, "You might as well take me to jail 'cause there ain't no way I'm passing *that* test!"



Clean RV window screens without water

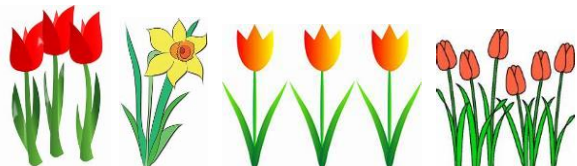


To thoroughly clean my RV window screens I remove them and wash them with soap and water. If they are merely dusty, a micro fiber towel will do a great job without using water. Simply wipe the dry towel across the surface of the screen and it will pick up the dust. I couldn't believe how easy it was to clean the screens the first time I tried it.



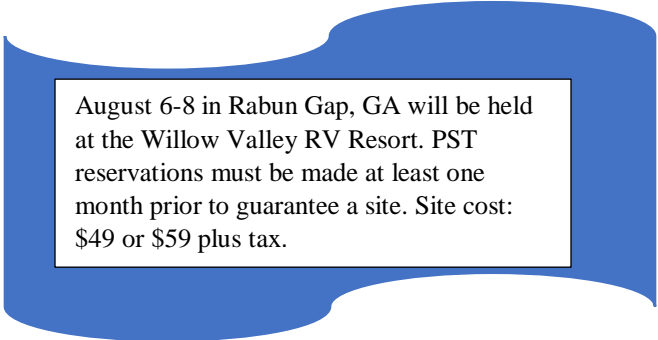
Micro fiber towels are also available at auto parts stores, WalMart, Home Depot, Lowe's

and many other outlets, but the best price I've found is at COSTCO. They are also great for washing and waxing, and general purpose cleanup



Today I wish you a day of ordinary miracles:

A fresh pot of coffee you didn't make yourself...
An unexpected phone call from an old friend
Green stoplights on your way to work...
The fastest line at the grocery store...
A good sing-along song on the radio...
Your keys found right where you left them.



August 6-8 in Rabun Gap, GA will be held at the Willow Valley RV Resort. PST reservations must be made at least one month prior to guarantee a site. Site cost: \$49 or \$59 plus tax.

Information On September Rally

I've reserved 15 sites for the September Rally at the Lake Aire RV Park & Campground <https://www.lakeairerv.com/> located west of Charleston, SC. Doug

Your reservation is all set. We have you arriving on Thursday, September 2, 2021 and departing on Sunday, September 5, 2021, staying on a 50 amp full hook up site. Your rate is \$61.60 per night and this includes taxes. Please let us know if we can answer any questions for you. NOTE: The rate will be \$52 per night if a person qualifies for additional discounts such as military, AAA, etc.

I've got all these sites on my credit card to hold them for us. Each PST member must call and change the reservation into their name/credit card. The sites are under Doug Ralston/Peach State Travelers.

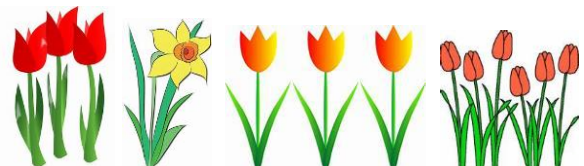
We have a 7-day cancellation policy. If you fail to cancel before this period, you will be charged for the first night.

If you arrive after 6 p.m., our office will be closed. Come to the front door of the office and get the site map with your last name on it out of the top box to the right of the door. This map will give you all the information you need for that night including site number and directions to the site. Please check in with the office the following morning.

Our address is 4375 Highway 162 Hollywood, SC 29449. If you are using a GPS, spell out the word "highway" so that you receive the best directions to our location. If you have any questions, please give our office a call at (843) 571-1271.

We look forward to meeting you! Have a safe trip!

Sincerely,
Lake Aire RV Park



PEACH STATE TRAVELERS
MAY 7 – 8 – 9-2021
COASTAL GEORGIA RV RESORT
287 SOUTH PORT PARKWAY
BRUNSWICK, GA. 31523

FOR RESERVATIONS: CALL 912-264-3869

BUDDY SITES ARE AVAILABLE- RESERVE UNDER "JONES" SO THAT YOU CAN BE PARKED NEAR THE GROUP

RATES FROM \$48.00 TO \$52.00 PER NIGHT (W/OR WITHOUT GOOD SAMS DISCOUNT)
ALL SITES ARE PULL THRU WITH 30/50 AMP, FULL HOOKUPS

PLEASE TRY TO CALL ASAP AS ALL CAMPGROUNDS ARE FILLING UP FAST AND WE WANT YOU THERE.

FRIDAY – MAY 7 – 1:00PM -PUTT PUTT TOURNAMENT ON GROUNDS-REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

5:30 – DINNER TO BE ANNOUNCED

SATURDAY – MAY 8 – 9:00 AM – BREAKFAST LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED

12:00 NOON – BINGO BASKET LUNCH AT CLUBHOUSE- BRING YOUR MOM'S FAVORITE SANDWICH SHE USED TO MAKE FOR YOU. CHIPS, PICKLES AND COOKIES WILL BE PROVIDED BY HOSTS (BYOB) PRIZE FOR MOST CREATIVE SANDWICH!!!

5:30 PM – DINNER TO BE ANNOUNCED

SUNDAY – MAY 9- 9:00 AM – BREAKFAST -OUT THE DOOR STYLE-JUST LIKE MOM USE TO HAND IT TO ME..HAHAHAHA-(BYOB)

ALL EATERY WILL BE PROVIDED.

CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!!!!!!

HOSTS: TERRI JONES - 404-925-6440

TED AND DARLENE YOUNG - 770-468-6177



This is darn cute, but we don't think it would be in the fast lane headed over a pass in the Rocky Mountains!

From

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IN GOD WE TRUST

