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### **Future SEA (Southeast Area) Rally**

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February 7-10, 2024, SUN n FUN, Lakeland, Florida

### **Future FMCA International Convention**

Summer 2022 - August 24-27 Lincoln, Nebr. Winter 2023 - March 15-18, Perry, GA Summer 2023 - August 23-26, Gillette, WY Winter 2025 – March 12-15, Perry, GQ Summer 2027 - July 14-17, Gillette, WY \* = Contingent on successful contract negotiations.

#### 2022 RALLY HOSTS



Wagon Master – Libba Gruba Weekend different from 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

August 5-7 – Willow Valley, Rabun Gap, GA Esposito & Castor

September 2-4 Lake Blackshear, Cordele, GA Loudermilk & Simons

#### October 7-9

#### November 4-6

December -Club Officers TBA

### **2023 RALLY HOSTS**

January 7 Luncheon TBD

February 4 Luncheon TBD

March 15-18 FMCA International Convention, Perry, GA *Voyna* & ? (Lunch on March 13 or 14<sup>th</sup>)

April 7-9 - Leisure Acres, Cleveland, GA Vangys

May 5-7

June 2-4

July 7-9

August 4-6

September 1-3

October 6-8

November 3-5

December 1-3 Club Officers

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# **PRESIDENTS CORNER – July 2022**

By Terri Jones

Hello from Sunny Florida!!! Thanks to Terry and Boyd Carlyle for organizing the July luncheon in Dawsonville.

From the pictures that have been shown I know there was great food and good fellowship. Lots of new faces to me and glad that so many were able to attend.

It seems that with the current economic situation and concerns of travel and prices of gas, we somehow find that getting together with friends old and new is still just as important as it always has been. There are those who were not able to make the trip but know that we hoped to be thought of in spirit. I look forward to seeing those who will be attending the August rally hosted by Bill and Marge Esposito. Hopefully it will be cooler for some of us.

As you may be aware, we will be supporting Ron and Linda Castor with a difficult time they are going through personally that will make it a challenge to continue in their present roles with Peach State Travelers. I feel that we are a supportive group and we will work through this time with everyone's willingness to step in and move us forward. We hope and pray for their family to heal and deal with these issues as they need to. We are all faced with changes in our personal lives and our families that make us step back and look at the world in a different light. I too feel that sometimes the journey is long and lonely, what do people think, am I doing it right, what should I be doing and so on. But we guided by the faith of our beliefs and supported by friends and family that show us the strength within us will and can get us through these times. Let us continue to lift each other up in prayers of healing and spirit and continue to check on each other from time to time in this ever-changing world we are living in.

Until we meet again, Terri Jones-President PST 2022

# NATIONAL DIRECTOR REPORT

By Marvin Voyna

Moving towards Lincoln. Hope we have a quorum.

## **SECRETARY REPORT- July 2022**

By Kenlyn Sawyer

The July 2022 Rally was a luncheon held at The Kani House in Dawsonville, GA on Saturday, July 2. 2022. Hosts were Boyd and Terry Carlyle and John and Susie Hamilton. There was a total of 25 people in attendance for the luncheon. Names of those in attendance are at the end of this report.

There was no meeting held just at the luncheon only a time of announcements.

Secretary Kenlyn Sawyer welcomed our Alum back for the luncheon: Wayne and Wanda Hollenbeck, Doug and Brenda Ralston, Jim and Annabelle Repp, and Pauline Wood. She also thanked the hosts for picking a fun place with good food for the luncheon.

Wagon Master, Libba Gruba made announcements for upcoming 2022 rallies. Please contact Libba Gruba to sign up for a 2022 or 2023 rally. Please contact your hosts to confirm your attendance after the campground reservations are made. August 5 - 7, 2022 – Willow Valley RV Resort, Rabun Gap, GA September 2 – 5, 2022 – Lake Blackshear Resort and Golf Club, Cordele, GA – Don & Donna Loudermilk and Alan & Debbi Simons

October 7 – 9, 2022 - Need hosts and location.

November 4 - 6. 2022 – Need hosts and location.

December 2 – 4, 2022 – Stone Mountain Campground - PST Officers

Sunshine Report: Margie Esposito presented a small gift to Wiley Bowman to let him know we are continuing to keep him in our prayers and thoughts as he continues his medical challenges. Announcements were also made for July Birthdays and Anniversaries.

MEMBERS: Bowman; Carlyle; Esposito; Glenn; Gruba; Hamilton; Sawyer; Simons; Voyna.

ALUM: Hollenbeck; Ralstons; Repp; Pauline Wood

# **RALLY REPORT – July 2022**

By Carlyle/Hamilton

## **SUNSHINE REPORT – July 2022** By



### **TREASURES'S REPORT March 2022**

By: Terry Carlyle

Beginning Balance 09-302021	\$2,343.92
Receipts:	
Sept. Rally	3.70
Oct. Rally	8.18
Nov. Rally	49.65
Dec. Rally	12.00
Jan. Rally	15.00
Feb. Rally	10.00
March Rally	17.00
Dues	270.00
Disbursements:	
Presidents Gift	50.00
Registration with state	30.00
Barbara VanGuys Memor	ial 100.00

\$2,549.45

EVERYONE MUST COMPLETE A RALLY REPORT AND SEND TO ME FOR THEIR RALLY. PLEASE SEND ALL RECEIPTS WITH IT!!!!!.3

# **Birthdays**

7-07 – Marvin Voyna

Ending Balance 03-07-2022

- 7-12 Ginny Cooke 7-14 – Terry Carlyle
- 7-24 Debbi Simons
- 7-29 Jan Taylor
- 7-31 John Hamilton

# Anniversaries

7-08 – Alan & Debbi Simons 7-13 – TJ & Ginny Cooke 7-24 – Ron & Linda Castor







# 5 Weirdest Rules You'll Find in RV Parks

Most RV park rules exist for a reason,

but some are downright ridiculous. If you've ever checked in at a campground and received a welcome packet with three-plus pages of rules and regulations, you know what we mean! We've heard of and encountered many strange rules in the time we've spent RVing. Here are the five most bizarre campground rules that we've ever heard of, and number five might blow your mind! These RV Park Rules Are Pretty Weird

Every RV park has its own rules, and some are more strict than others. Since most RV parks have private owners, it's up to the



property owner to decide what rules their guests must follow! Here are some of the strangest rules from RV parks and resorts around the United States.

#### 1. The RV Park 10-Year Rule

The 10-year rule is one of the most feared (and sometimes misunderstood) rules out there. RV parks that use the 10-year rule don't allow RVers with rigs ten years old or older to camp at their campground. Some RV parks are strict with this rule, and others are more lenient. The 10 Year Rule & Why RVers Hate It. For example, many RVers travel with renovated or **restored vintage campers** that are much older than ten years; however, many campgrounds with this rule will make an exception for well-maintained RVs in good condition. Others will not.

Why does this rule exist? RV park owners probably think that the rule will keep "unsightly" RVs out of their campground. Keeping up the appearance of the campground may increase the perception that it is a "nicer" or cleaner campground. Many parks with this rule have more expensive nightly rates, so perhaps they are trying to cater to a higher-income clientele with new rigs. Little do they realize that some 10+ year old rigs look udge a book by its cover, and you can judge an RVer by their RV of choice.

#### 2. Name Tag Rules

Believe it or not, some RV resorts require guests to wear name tags any time they're outside their RVs. This is one of the strangest rules of all! The name tag rules are likely to facilitate community-building, but it's a little odd since many people go camping to enjoy solitude on their terms. We imagine the fun would be taken out of getting to know your neighbors if you're being scolded for forgetting your nametag.

#### 3. Weird Pet Rules

Many RV parks have rules about pets. We acknowledge that pet rules and breed restrictions exist for a reason, but they can also be discriminatory.

Some RV parks don't allow cats, even if they never leave the RV. This rule doesn't make logical or economic sense, especially since more and more RVers are **camping with their** 

# especially since more and more RVers are <u>cats</u>.

Many RV resorts have size and breed restrictions for dogs, which may be due to local jurisdiction laws and rules. However, it can seem pretty unfair that you can't stay in a campground just because of your dog's size.

#### 4. Campers Not Allowed to Receive Mail



Some RV parks and campgrounds don't allow RVers to receive mail. And others will charge campers a fee for having mail sent there, which can create a hassle for full-time RVers

who need to receive their mail while on the road. In extreme cases RVers have been kicked out and escorted by police out of their campground for receiving a package! Kicked Out of Montrose San-Juan RV Resort for Receiving a Package! | RV Miles

If you need your mail when staying at an RV park, always ask about this rule when booking. You don't want to get a surprise charge just for having your mail sent to you!

#### 5. Not Allowed to Wear Masks in Buildings

This might be the weirdest rule of all: one campground in Wisconsin has **banned guests from wearing masks** in campground buildings during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The campground bundings during the COVID-19 pandemic. The campground owner stated in a Facebook post that maskwearers would be treated as a "robbery in progress." Although she did not elaborate, we hate to think what that might mean! **Most RV Park Rules Exist for a Reason** 

It's true: Most rules exist for a reason. Whether it's to keep campers safe or maintain a certain standard of cleanliness at a campground, many RV park rules are pretty reasonable. But there are always exceptions, and some rules can seem downright ridiculous!



Familiarize yourself with the rules in the welcome packet you receive at each campground to avoid trouble, hassles, or fines.





#### How to Easily Get Rid of Cockroaches By: AuthorThe Drivin' & Vibin' Team



You go to war the second you see a cockroach run across your kitchen floor. These tough and speedy insects have a less than stellar reputation, and you'll likely want to evict them from

your home immediately. Depending on the situation, getting rid of cockroaches can be challenging. However, if you take action immediately, you give yourself the best chance of having a cockroach-free home.

#### What Is a Cockroach?

Cockroaches have existed since dinosaurs walked the planet. Out of over 4,000 types of cockroaches globally, 70 species reside in the United States. They look for warm environments close to food and water sources for their homes. These mostly nocturnal insects like dark and damp places. Cockroaches are unattractive and disgusting, but they can also cause allergic reactions and induce asthma attacks. They can carry and spread 33 types of bacteria. If you spot a cockroach, you should take action.

#### What Smell Will Keep Cockroaches Away?

Certain smells keep cockroaches away. Strong scents like peppermint, cedar, and citrus are all very effective for keeping cockroaches at bay. However, you can also use essential oils and spices like cayenne, garlic, and onion powder to create homemade cockroach deterrents. Using cleaning products with these scents can also help. Use these products to clean surfaces and the inside of cabinets. Keep cockroaches out of your RV or sticks and bricks house for good!

#### What Kills Cockroaches Overnight?

Most people take a "whatever it takes" approach to ridding their home of cockroaches. They don't like having these pesky and creepy insects roaming around. We have a handful of effective options to consider.

#### **Boric Acid**

While Boric Acid may sound intimidating, it's harmless to humans and pets. This is a natural compound of water and boron. Simply sprinkle a dusting of this mixture onto a disposable plate and include a dab of peanut butter or an orange peel as bait. Any cockroach that smells the bait will come looking for its next meal. However, when they touch the boric acid, it will stick to their legs, wings, and bodies. They'll eventually ingest the boric acid, which will take a toll on their nervous and digestive system.

This is a highly effective and non-toxic way to rid your home of cockroaches. However, it can be messy and require an extended amount of effort. Boric acid may not be the best option if you have small children or pets.

#### Borax

Another common way to deal with cockroaches is by using Borax. This is typically an ingredient found in laundry detergents but can dehydrate cockroaches and kill them relatively quickly. Combine a 50/50 mixture of borax and table sugar, and you have a recipe for a cockroach's last meal. Sprinkle this anywhere you've seen cockroach activity, then keep an eve out to clean up dead roaches.

#### **Diatomaceous Earth**

Diatomaceous earth is a crushed mixture of microscopic algae fossils. The crushed fossils are very sharp and can easily damage a roach's exoskeleton. This causes them to dehydrate and die. You can find this at big-box retailers like Walmart or home improvement stores. Sprinkle the diatomaceous earth in any areas where you notice roaches. Using diatomaceous earth can get messy. We recommend using this outside of your home to prevent roaches from finding their way inside. You don't have to worry about if you have pets or kids, as it is harmless to both. **Insecticide Spray** 

One walk through the pest control aisle at your favorite retailer, and you'll see many insecticide sprays. You must be careful with these as they can be very dangerous to kids, pets, and other animals. However, spraying them around the outside and even in some locations inside your home can kill and keep roaches away. Many pest control companies will use insecticide sprays when treating your home. These can last for months and kill roaches and other insects on contact. They're so effective that you'll likely discover dead bugs near any areas sprayed by the insecticide.

#### **Baited Traps**

Finally, you can also get baited traps. These traps often contain smells that will attract roaches and other insects. Some have glues that make it impossible for an insect to escape once they land on them. You'll want to place them in any locations where you have seen cockroaches and other insect activity. Placing them near garage doors and behind refrigerators works well as they like dark places. Don't forget to check them every few days during the peak battle and every few weeks afterward.

#### How Can You Naturally Get Rid of Cockroaches?

You can effectively and naturally get rid of cockroaches in several ways. Using products like diatomaceous earth, baking soda, boric acid, borax, citrus products, and many essential oils can do the job. These either contain compounds that will dehvdrate the cockroaches or be unattractive smells that will have them running for cover. If you don't want to use harmful products in your home, start with one of these natural methods. However, if you battle a severe cockroach infestation, you may need to start with a more intense and lethal option. Use natural products to easily get rid of cockraoches.

Will Cockroaches Come Back After You Get Rid of Them? Eliminating the cockroaches in your home is only half of the battle. Once you rid your home of roaches, you need an effective defense to keep them away for good. Failing to do so will only result in battling them again down the road. No matter what method you choose to protect your home, consistency will keep your home roach free in the future. You must monitor for any signs of roaches and take the necessary precautions. Create a barrier between you and the invading insects.

# You're Invited! Peach State Travelers Rally, AUGUST 5-7 WILLOW VALLEY RV RESORT: 323 Yorkhouse Rd, Rabun Gap, GA 30568. Phone: 706-746-0078

PST rates: \$49 or \$59 plus tax. Reservation deadline: July 29 but sites are limited so reservations should be made sooner, if possible.

#### Schedule:

**Friday: 5 PM**: Meet n' Greet Wine & Cheese Happy Hour followed by Italian Night dinner menu: Stuffed Shells w/ Meatsauce, tossed salad & bread. Dessert: Blue Bell ice cream cup sundaes. Set up provided. BYO beverage. After dinner: White Elephant Gift Exchange. Bring one wrapped item per person, preferably not purchased but rather a re-gift, something funny or something nice.

**Saturday: 9 AM**, Breakfast at the Clayton Café: 48 N. Main St, Clayton. We will meet in back room of café. Will line up to carpool at 8:30 AM.

**Saturday: 6 PM** Market Fresh Supper: Menu- Hot dogs, baked beans, potato salad & dessert. Bring market fresh vegetable or fruit as addition if you'd like. Set up provided. BYO beverage. Diner followed by game(s).

Sunday: 8:30 AM: Donuts & Coffee followed by devotional & PST meeting. BYO coffee.

Activities to enjoy in the area: Black Rock Mountain State Park, 12 Spies Winery, Osage Farmer's Market, Rabun Flea Market, shops in Clayton & Dillard as well as pool at RV resort. Rally fee: \$15 per person. Advanced payment appreciated when possible.

Send to: Margaret Esposito, 4449 Blowing Wind Drive NW, Acworth, GA 30101. Cash preferred. Thank you!



PST Members, September Rally September 2 – 4, 2022

Georgia Veterans Memorial State Park Lake Blackshear Resort & Golf Club 2459 Highway 280 West Cordele, GA Campground Reservation line: 229-276-2371

This is **Labor Day weekend** and Park expects to fill up quickly. You may make your campground reservation to arrive earlier and leave Monday or Tuesday. RV rate \$55.00 per night. I encourage you to call ASAP and make your reservation with group. Mention PST when making a RV reservation. Do NOT make an online RV reservation. Cottages and guest rooms can be reserved.

The shady campground has predominately 30-amp sites in Area #3 held for PST; however, you can ask if there are any available 50-amp sites. They may have 2 or 3 left. View the campground map.

There is a beautiful 18-hole golf course, restaurants on-site, veteran's museum, archery range, beach, fishing, disc golf, hiking trails and more.

Once you make your reservation, please email <u>donna.loudermilk@me.com</u> with details: site number and arrival & departure dates

Planned agenda will be provided later.

Thank you,

www.lakeblackshearresort.com

Hosts: Don & Donna Loudermilk (site #54) Alan & Debbi Simons Hot off the presses - I just received from Libba!! Make your reservations now.

October rally info Please send out. Sign up asap Crossroads RV park Perry GA The fair will be at the fair grounds. Oct 7-9 No host 478-987-3141

# PEACH STATE TRAVELERS DECEMBER RALLY DECEMBER 2-3-4 STONE MOUNTAIN RV CAMPGROUND 4003 STONEWALL JACKSON DRIVE STONE MOUNTAIN, GA 30083 770-498-5710

JOIN US FOR A GREAT WEEKEND CELEBRATING THE HOLIDAY SEASON!!

FRIDAY DECEMBER 2- POTLUCK DINNER, GAMES AND WHITE ELEPHANT SWAP!! \$5 LIMIT GIFT

SATURDAY DEEMBER 3 – LUNCHEON AT THE COMMONS RESTAURANT – 1:00 PM

TAKE IN THE SIGHTS AND DECORATIONS AROUND THE PARK. TRAIN RIDES, SHOPPES AND FIREWORKS IN THE EVENING.

SUNDAY - DECEMBER 4 - CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST IN CLUBHOUSE 9:00 AM

PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS ASAP..ASK FOR PURPLE AREA - \$67.00 NIGHTLY

PARK FEE REQUIRED..SEE WEBSITE OR ASK TO USE PASS IF APPLICABLE

HOSTS FOR RALLY – OFFICERS – TERRI JONES-KENLYN SAWYER -TERRY CARLYLE

PLEASE NOTIFY HOSTS OF RESERVATION AND SEATING FOR LUNCHEON.

HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE THERE.

RESPECTFULLY,

Terri Jones President



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