



The Peach State Traveler

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Future SEA (Southeast Area) Rally

www.seafmca.org

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SEA Georgia VP –

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

Future FMCA International Convention

Winter 2023 – March 15-18, Perry, GA

Summer 2023 – August 23-26, Gillette, WY

Winter 2024 – March 20-23, Tucson, AZ

* Summer 2024 – Sedalia, Missouri

Winter 2025 – March 12-15, Perry, GA

Summer 2027 – July 14-17, Gillette, WY

* = Contingent on successful contract negotiations.

2023 RALLY HOSTS



Wagon Master – Libba Gruba

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.

2023 RALLY HOSTS

February 4 Luncheon Cajun Blues Atlanta, GA 30341
Simons

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

April 7-9 – Leisure Acres, Cleveland, GA
706-865-6466
Vangys, Sawyers

May 5-7 – Hard Labor Creek State, Rutledge, GA
800-864-7275
Gruba

June 2-4 – TBD
Simons

July 7-9 – Luncheon, Dawsonville
Carlyle

August 4-6 – TBD
Esposito

September 1-3 – TBD
Glenn

October 6-8

November 3-5

December 1-3 Club Officers

PRESIDENTS CORNER – January 2023

By

NATIONAL DIRECTOR REPORT

By Marvin Voyna

SECRETARY REPORT- January 2023

By Kenlyn Sawyer

The January 2023 Luncheon was held at the Mad Italian Restaurant in Chamblee, GA on January 7, 2023. Bobby and Brenda Moreman for the weekend. There was a total of 14 people camping for the weekend. Names of those in attendance are at the end of this report.

Secretary Kenlyn Sawyer thanked Bobby and Brenda Moreman for organizing the luncheon. There was no formal meeting held.

Here is the link to the new Facebook page to invite your friends and chapters.

<https://www.facebook.com/SEAFMCA>

Wagon Master: Please contact Libba Gruba to sign up for a 2023 rally. Please contact your hosts to confirm your attendance after the campground reservations are made.
 February 4, 2023 – Luncheon 12 NOON – Cajun Blues – 2197 Savoy Dr, Atlanta, GA 30341 - Alan and Debi Simons
 March 14, 2023 – FMCA’s Chapter Fair – March 14, 2023 - 3:45 PM – Reaves Arena
 March 13 or 14 Luncheon in Perry – Voyna’s
 March 15 – 18, 2023 FMCA International Rally – Perry, GA
 March 16, 2023 – FMCA Block Party 5:00 PM – Perry, GA
 April 7 – 9, 2023 – Leisure Acres, Cleveland, GA – VanGys, Sawyer
 May 5-7, 2023 - Hard Labor State Park, Rutledge, GA - Gruba
 Please continue to keep our sick members in your prayers.
 MEMBERS: Gruba; Loudermilk; Moreman; Sawyer; Simons; Voyna
 NEW MEMBER: Judy Current
 GUEST: Karen Dhenens

RALLY REPORT – January 2023

By Bobby Moreman

Our January 2023 rally was held at the MAD ITALIAN restaurant in Chamblee. This is a locally owner restaurant, having served us for over 35 years. Karen Dhaenens was the guest of Brenda and Bobby Moreman. She entertained us with her tales of her RV being stolen while locked in a secure fenced in area. Sad story but something we all should keep in mind. We got to meet Peach Travelers with our newest member, Judy Current. Welcome Judy and we look forward to camping with you many times in the future. Kenlyn gave up some copies of future PST rallies as well as some valuable information of our upcoming National FMCA rally in Perry. This is simply the best rally in the nation and we hope for a big turnout from PST members and their guest. The rally host were Brenda and Bobby Moreman

Attending: Moreman, Dhaenens, Gruba, Voyna, Loudermilk, Simons, Sawyer, Current

SUNSHINE REPORT – January 2023

By



Add New Member to your Directory

Judy Current
 15 Riverside Pkwy, Sharpsburg, GA 30277
 Telephone-Home 210-481-2994, Cell – 210-289-1848
 Birthday 07/02 email: judycurrent@zero.com
 Coach – MB Sprinter, Year. 2004. Length 24
 Emergency Contact – Anna Current (Powers after 4-15-2023
 Relationship – Daughter, phone 210-716-1824



TREASURES’S REPORT February 2023

By: Terry Carlyle



Beginning Balance 03-07-2022 \$2,549.45

Receipts:	
May Rally	30.85
Sept. Rally	7.08
Jan. Rally	7.00
Anniversary FMCA	150.00
New Member	15.00
Dues	200.00

Disbursements:	
Signs	159.00
Stamps for Sunshine	72.00

Ending Balance 02-01-2023 \$2,728.38

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

Birthdays

- 01-13 – Phil Newton
- 01-20 – Beth Bennett
- 01-21 – Cecil Mallory
- 01-30 – Margie Esposito



Anniversaries

Blonde



Jack walks into a bar and sits down next to it lovely blond lady just has the news comes on. An alert said showed a picture of a man standing on the ledge of a building.

The blond turns and says do you think he will jump?

Jack says I think he will in fact I'll bet he does.

The blonde says I don't think he will.

Jack says I'll bet \$30 he'll jump and put the money on the bar.

The blonde says you're on and just as she puts her money on the bar the man doesn't nosedive off the building. She says fair's fair here's your money.

Jack says I can't take your money I saw this on the 5:00 news and he jumped.

The blonde said that's okay I said I saw it too but I didn't think he would jump again.

Jack took the money.

TECH TALK: Water Wisdom for your RV

A water system is a modern convenience in your RV and familiarity with all the parts and inner workings can help identify any issues that crop up. One of the best comforts an RV has to offer is the convenience of free-flowing water for cooking, cleaning and bathing. The water system in your RV has similarities to a residential water supply in that the home can be part of a city water service line or be supplied by a well on the property.

Firstly, an RV water system consists of a water storage tank constructed of polyethylene, a durable, lightweight and impact-resistant material. The average RV water storage tank has a capacity of about 40 gallons or about 150 litres. It may be installed to the exterior between the frame rails, or in the interior under dinettes, couches and beds.

The sum of the parts An important feature of an RV water tank is the vent line, which can cause a few problems if not operating properly. If the water fill hose is installed properly to the tank and there is kickback out the filler access when adding water, the vent may be clogged or kinked, which doesn't allow air inside the tank to exit. The tank will actually swell and push the water back out, sending the misleading signal to the owner that the tank is full. The city water inlet allows the owner to utilize a park or resort water service to draw water from. The city water inlet may be positioned beside the water tank fill or elsewhere on the exterior of the RV. This assembly will have a back flow device which has a spring-operated O-ring assembly to prevent water loss when the onboard RV water pump is operating. There will usually be a screened washer installed to reduce dirt and debris from entering the water lines and plugging screened faucets, which should be cleaned or replaced, if required. ...

Leakage or spraying of water from the city water inlet when the water pump is turned on is usually caused by an owner forcefully pushing the plunger assembly inward while under pressure from the water pump and dislocating the O-ring during the winterizing procedure. A highly recommended addition to the city water inlet is a water pressure regulator, which is available in a basic 45 psi set unit, or you can upgrade to a regulator with a gauge, to monitor the incoming water pressure at a park or resort. In regards to filling the water tank or hooking it up to the city water inlet, you should always use an approved RV-specific water hose and not an ordinary rubber garden hose.

The RV water hose is lead-free, safe for drinking water and available as a kink-, twist- and tangle-resistant product. The RV water pump will be powered by the 12-volt DC system and will most often be found in close proximity to the water storage tank. The two most common manufacturers are SHURflo and Flojet; these are both very reliable and durable units. They are available in many different models with some offering improved gallons-per-minute (GPM) flow or decreased noise levels.

An RV water pump can be an excellent indicator of a water leak in your RV. If the pump cycles on and off in short bursts frequently with all the faucets closed, you should be concerned and start opening cupboard doors, drawers and other access panels to check all water fittings and piping.

Don't forget to check the pressure relief valve at the water heater; it can weep slightly if there is not a proper air space at the top of the tank.

If your pump is excessively noisy, you have some options available to allow the pump to operate quietly. There is a hose kit available to create a soft line connection to pump at the water tank and the main line or you can purchase an accumulator tank which will minimize water system pulsation and on/off cycling at low level water flow. Both SHURflo and Flojet have these units to offer at your local RV parts store. Frequently check the inline filter on your water pump to ensure it is clean and debris-free for improved water flow.

Clean and pure water Many full-time RV folks will add water filters to their RV for improved water quality. These units can be installed temporarily to the outside city water inlet—either permanently to the city water feed line or as a designated water faucet at the kitchen sink. Both will reduce sediment, chlorine, unpleasant taste and odours. You can even purchase a digital water purity tester if you're concerned or curious about the water quality where you're parked. To further enhance water quality you can purchase a water softener that in some cases will use common table salt to produce softer water characteristics. This prevents scale build-up and rust stains and increases the life of components like the water heater, dishwasher, clothes washer and ice makers. Source:

https://www.rvwest.com/article/rv_tech_talk/water_wisdom_for_your_rv



Street savvy

An Englishman and an Irishman go to a bakery. The Englishman steals three buns and puts them into his pockets and leaves. He says to the Irishman: "That took great skill and guile to steal those buns. The owner didn't even see me." "That's just simple thievery," the Irishman replied. "I'll show you how to do it the honest way and get the same results." The Irishman then proceeded to call out the owner of the bakery and says: "Sir, I want to show you a magic trick." The owner was intrigued so he came over to see the magic trick. The Irishman asked him for a bun and then he proceeded to eat it. He asked two more times and after eating them again the owner says: "Okay my friend, where's the magic trick?" The Irishman then said: "Look in the Englishman's pockets."

Brain Teaser

What is higher without the head than with it?
(answer on page 4)

Try some of these unusual ways to put that sponge to use:

When washing our RV, we use a pole extender in order to reach up high. To prevent calluses, I used a rubber band to fasten a sponge to the pole. By holding the sponge, I reduce the risk of a blister or callus on my hands. (It helps me keep a good grip, too.)

Sponges are relatively cheap. I bought several from our local dollar store and use them as padding to cushion glassware when we travel in the RV.

If Hubby bumps his head or hand (Hey! It happens!), I retrieve a sponge from our freezer. It works better than ice wrapped inside a towel. All I do is soak the sponge in water. Then I put it into a plastic, self-zip freezer bag and put it in the freezer until it's needed.

A dry sponge will help remove pet hair from your RV furniture. Simply rub the sponge over the fabric and it will attract the fur.

I like to put a dry sponge into the RV's refrigerator crisper. The sponge absorbs excess moisture and keeps those veggies nice and crisp.

It's almost time to send out those holiday cards. Use a damp sponge to moisten the glue on the envelopes. (Your tongue will thank you!)

Did you know that a dampened sponge will help garden seeds to sprout? It's true. Use a sharp knife to make small slits in the sponge. Wet the sponge and place seeds inside the slits. You'll see sprouts in no time. (Smaller seeds can simply be sprinkled on the top of the damp sponge.)

Speaking of plants, you can put a small square of sponge in the bottom of indoor plant pots before adding the soil. The sponge will absorb excess water, store needed moisture, and keep dirt from spilling out all over the RV's floor.

Many RVers put an open box of baking soda inside their fridge to keep it smelling fresh. Did you know that a sponge can help? Wet the sponge and wring out most of the moisture. Sprinkle a liberal amount of baking soda on top of the sponge and set it inside the fridge in a location where it won't get bumped. Repeat the method about every two weeks and that box of baking soda will last quite a long time!

Got a toothache? Soothe it until you can get to the dentist. Cut a small piece of sponge and dip it into vanilla extract or whiskey. It will reduce pain. Really!

Use glue to attach sponge pieces to the bottom of the furniture legs. The sponge will prevent the furniture feet from scratching your RV's floors.

OK, those RV window blinds aren't going to clean themselves! Grab your tongs and a sponge, and get ready to clean. Slice the sponge to make it thinner. (The thin slices cannot be thicker than the gap between each blind slat.) Use rubber bands to affix the "skinny" sponge pieces, one piece to the inside of both sides of the tongs. Dampen the sponge pieces and "grab" each blind slat with the sponge-tongs. It will dust both the top and bottom of each slat in one swipe!

A sponge can serve as a makeshift dryer sheet. Soak the sponge in fabric softener. Store the wet sponge inside a plastic bag. To use, squeeze out excess liquid and toss the sponge into the dryer.

Want to rid your picnic of flies? Make a fly repellent like this: In one cup of water, place one tablespoon vinegar and one tablespoon of baking soda. Add three drops of dish soap.

Gently mix. Dip a sponge into the mixture and wring out the excess liquid. Place the sponge on your picnic table and flies shouldn't bother you.

You can use a large, car wash-sized sponge to help you with the outside RV hoses. When we reel in the electric cord or water hose, Hubby always uses a big, dampened sponge to wipe the dirt and/or sand off of the hoses. It keeps our RV basement much cleaner!

If you have a sponge with a "scratchy side," you can use it to remove "pills" from sweaters. Just rub the dry, rough side of the sponge over the garment. It will pick up the "pills."

A sponge is a great place to store earrings. Clip-on earrings can simply snap along the edges of the sponge. Pierced earrings can easily poke through the sponge, so you can fasten the back of the earring to the opposite side.

I use a specially-cut sponge to clean the shower track in our RV. First, I held a sponge so that it touched the track. Using a felt-tipped marker, I noted places where the track is divided. I use a knife to cut slits along the marks and the sponge is now custom-fit to clean my shower. One wipe and it's done. Easy-peasy!

Doctor's Office

I walked into a doctor's office and the receptionist asked me what I had. I said: 'Shingles.' So she wrote down my name, address, medical insurance number and told me to have a seat.

Fifteen minutes later a nurse's aide came out and asked me what I had.

I said, 'Shingles.' So she wrote down my height, weight, a complete medical history and told me to wait in the examining room.

A half hour later a nurse came in and asked me what I had. I said, 'Shingles...'

So the nurse gave me a blood test, a blood pressure test, an electrocardiogram, and told me to take off all my clothes and wait for the doctor.

An hour later the doctor came in and found me sitting patiently in the nude and asked me what I had.

I said, 'Shingles.' The doctor asked, 'Where?'



I said, 'Outside on the truck. Where do you want me to unload 'em??'

Brain teaser answer:

A pillow.

Today's thought

"Hope is a walk through a flowering meadow. One does not require that it lead anywhere." —Robert Breault

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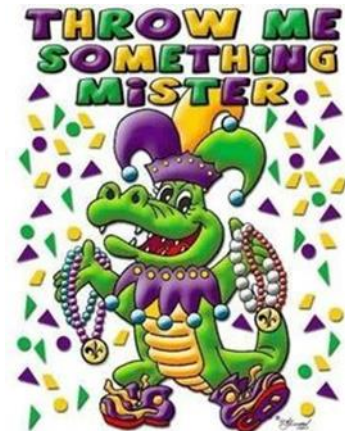
Africa is the only continent that is in all four hemispheres.



PST Feb 4
Mardi Gras Lunch
12 noon
Cajun Blues
2197 Savoy Dr
Atlanta, GA 30341
(770) 674-4240



Wear a costume
Be a local, not a
tourist
Be a part of the fun,
not just an observer
Prize for best
costume
\$3 per coach
King cake dessert to
follow



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