



# The Peach State Traveler

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## FMCA National Officers

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## Future SEA (Southeast Area) Rally

[www.seafmca.org](http://www.seafmca.org)

SEA President–Patricia Voyna email:

[pfvoyna@marvsdiesel.com](mailto:pfvoyna@marvsdiesel.com)

SEA Georgia VP – Marvin Voyna

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 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.

May 5-7 – Hard Labor Creek State, Rutledge, GA

800-864-7275

*Gruba*

June 2-4 – Chattanooga Travel Park

*Simons*

July 7-9 – Luncheon, Dawsonville

*Carlyle*

August 4-6 – Talona Ridge RV Resort in Elijay

*Esposito*

\*September 8-10 – TBD

*Glenn*

October 6-8

November 3-5

December 1-3 Club Officers

## PRESIDENTS CORNER – April 2023

By Terri Jones

## NATIONAL DIRECTOR REPORT

By Marvin Voyna

## SECRETARY REPORT- March 2023

By Kenlyn Sawyer

March 2023 Luncheon was held at the Oil Lamp Restaurant in Perry, GA on March 17, 2023. Marvin and Patricia Voyna were hosts for the luncheon. There was a total of 11 people camping for the luncheon. The names of those in attendance are at the end of this report.

There was no formal meeting held.

Please contact your hosts to confirm your attendance after the campground reservations are made.

April 7 – 9, 2023 – Leisure Acres, Cleveland, GA – VanGys, Sawyer

May 5-7, 2023 - Hard Labor State Park, Rutledge, GA – Gruba, Bennett

Please continue to keep our sick members in your prayers.

MEMBERS: Bennett; Cooke; Jones; Loudermilk; Sawyer; Voyna

GUEST: John David Sylves

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

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

## SECRETARY REPORT- April 2023

By Kenlyn Sawyer

The April 2023 Rally was held at the Leisure Acres Campground in Cleveland, GA on April 7 - 9, 2023. Dick VayGys and Carole and Kenlyn Sawyer were hosts for the weekend. There was a total of 10 people camping for the weekend. The names of those in attendance are at the end of this report.

There was no formal meeting held this weekend.

Please contact your hosts to confirm your attendance after the campground reservations are made.

May 5-7, 2023 - Hard Labor State Park, Rutledge, GA – Gruba, Bennett

June 2-4, 2023 - Holiday Travel Park, Rossville, GA – Simons

July 8, 2023 - LUNCHEON – Carlyle

August 4-6, 2023 – Talona Ridge (Hawk Valley), Ellijay, GA – Esposito

September 8-10, 2023 – Need Hosts (please note date change approved by President Jones due to holiday weekend)

October 6-8, 2023 – Location TBD – Glenn

November 3-5, 2023 – Location TBD – Cooke

December 1-3, 2023 – Location TBD – PST Officers

Please continue to keep our sick members in your prayers.

MEMBERS: Bennett; Gruba; Sawyer; Simons; VanGys; Voyna

## RALLY REPORT –April 2023

By Richard VanGys – Host

Carole & Kenlyn Sawyer – Co-hosts & Chaperons

Our April Campout was held at Leisure Acres Campground in Cleveland, GA. April 6 – 9, 2023.

We had six coaches and ten attendees: Beth Bennett, Ed & Libba Gruba, Carole & Kenlyn Sawyer, Alan & Debbi Simons, Dick VanGys and Marvin & Patricia Voyna.

Although the weather throughout the camping weekend was very wet, we welcomed a beautiful sunny Easter Sunday.

Thursday, we went to Nacoochee Grill in Helen. The food was quite good, however, pricey.

Friday's dinner, along with two rounds of left, center, right and friendly conversation was pleasurable. We enjoyed a 'special recipe' Tomato and Clam Chowder soups prepared by our Resourceful Chef – Carole. Everyone returned for seconds!

Dick served as MasterChef, grilling hot, bubbly, cheesy – grilled cheese sandwiches. BLT's were also available. Beth's homemade brownies, cookies, Easter decorated cupcakes, and Dick's chocolate pudding with Cool Whip topped off the delicious meal. After dinner we enjoyed everyone's company by sharing their camping experiences.

Saturday's Potluck dinner included: A hot mac & cheese casserole, Easter Ham, a hot mashed potato casserole, salads and more desserts. As always, everyone's dishes were delicious. After dinner we again enjoyed sharing experiences and general discussions. Nice to get to know more about our dear friends!

On Easter Sunday, we were greeted by a beautiful sunrise – He Is Risen! We relished warm egg and cheese croissants complete with either ham or bacon. Fresh orange juice and oranges rounded out the brunch. In celebration of Easter, we listened to two Easter Hymns and shared our families Easter traditions before everyone packed up and returned home.

A very enjoyable weekend with our small group.

## SUNSHINE REPORT – April 2023

By



## 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

04-04 – Beth Richardson

04-05 – Bill Esposito

04-23 - Tori Bray

## Anniversaries



### **New members, please add to your directory**

Ben & Nancy Walthall

403 Loraine Woods Dr. Macon, GA 31210

[nancywalthall@bellsouth.net](mailto:nancywalthall@bellsouth.net)

His cell #478-955-5442 Hers cell #478-957-2088

Birthday – His 11/25 Hers 5/25 Anniversary 7/2

RV – Coachmen Coach, Yr. 06, Length 40 foot

Emergency – Kristin Birdsong, 478-808-6416, Daughter

Kim Eckert

PO Box 203, Ellenslie, GA 31807

[waysouth77@gmail.com](mailto:waysouth77@gmail.com)

Her cell #706-573-2771

Birthday – Hers 8/30

RV – Discovery Coach, Yr. 16, Length 40 foot

Emergency – Beverly Lamee 706-888-1624, Friend

Dennis Buchanan

2655 Braithwood Rd NE, Atlanta, GA 30345

[Dennis.Buchanan@comcast.net](mailto:Dennis.Buchanan@comcast.net)

His cell #770-402-9669, Home 770-938-5912

Birthday – His 8/23

RV – CC Magna Coach, Yr. 1999, Length 36 foot

Emergency – Lanita C. Stoot, 770-367-6231, Daughter

## “Sanctus” from Fauré’s Requiem

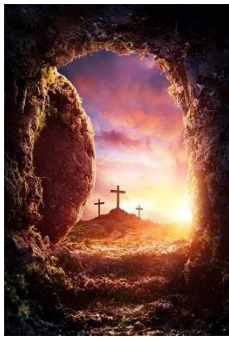
The Sanctus has been a part of the Mass from the first century AD, and its Jewish roots go back even further.

The first part of the chant is based upon Isaiah 6:3 and Daniel 7:10.

The second part is based on Matthew 21:9. The chant unites our voices with those of the saints and angels in heaven into one song of praise of God.

SANCTUS, Sanctus, Sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth. Pleni sunt caeli et terra gloria tua. Hosanna in excelsis. Benedictus qui venit in nomine Domini. Hosanna in excelsis.

Translation: HOLY, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.



**Easter Prayer 2023**

by Rev. Adam Rick, Chaplain, Hillsdale College

Eternal Son of the Father, you are the image of the invisible God, and in the fullness of time, you entered into the world as one of us, glorifying our human nature by making it your own: restore the image of God in us by granting us a right faith in you, that we may enjoy the miracle of your incarnation.

Jesus Christ, Savior of the world, who for the joy set before you consented to be handed over by sinful men to be mocked and scourged and spit upon and lifted high upon a cross for our redemption: cleanse us with your atoning embrace, that we might die to sin and hold fast to you forever.

Exalted Lord, Son of David, you trampled down death by death, restored life to those in the tomb, and are exalted on high to reign at your Father’s right hand: grant us your empowering Spirit to conform us to your likeness, that we might at last attain to your eternal glory.

Grant us the grace of your Easter Victory, O Christ, that we might be free of sin, live for righteousness, and attain to the glory of the saints in light, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



## Is RV Toilet Paper Really Necessary?



When we first embarked on our RV adventure, we never dreamed that one of the most burning questions that would plague us is “what kind of toilet paper should we use?”

After several brand trials, we’ve found a few favorites and, guess what, you don’t have to suffer through roll after roll of John Wayne TP that is more punishment than functional. The last thing you want, though, is to use a toilet paper that will cause problems in your black tank. Trust me, you do not want that – we’ve been there.

### What makes RV toilet paper so special?

Toilet paper that is made for RV or marine use, breaks down much faster than the toilet paper that you use in your home. It doesn’t have to be uncomfortable or abrasive, but it does have to break down quickly. Regular toilet paper can wind up sitting in the bottom of your black tank which means it holds the odor and can attract moth flies and other insects. Trust me, this is not what you want going on in your RV.

That isn’t all that can happen with the wrong toilet paper though. Oh, no, it gets way better. If the wads of intact paper become lodged in the hose leading to the septic system, it can cause a backup and prevent the waste from moving into the septic system efficiently. This too can lead to that awful smell, insects, and a clogged black tank. That is a whole world of trouble that you never want to experience – I promise you.

### Toilet paper brands that work well for RVs

I’ve read lots of forums and many RVers say Angel Soft is great. I have not found that to be true, but if you’re really attached to your TP then go ahead and do the TP test (see below) to find out for yourself.

We prefer [Aqua Soft 2 ply by Thetford](#). It’s soft, it breaks down well, and if I close my eyes I can almost believe that it is regular TP. Thetford also has a [1 ply RV/Marine Toilet Tissue](#) that is pretty good. We have not tried [Dometic’s Ultra Enviro Soft](#) but it looks promising. I hear great things about it plus it’s environmentally responsible. The last toilet paper that many RVers say is great is [Scott’s Rapid Dissolve Toilet Tissue](#).

### Find the best with the TP test.

The TP test is easy and takes just a few minutes – but it can save you a lot of headaches. Fill an empty jar or glass with water straight out of the tap. Put a couple of sheets of your toilet paper in the water. Now watch. After just a few minutes, maybe 3 to 5 minutes, the paper should start to break down. You should be able to see it start to fall apart. Some people say to shake the jar but I don’t do that. I prefer to simulate the process the toilet paper will go through and I don’t believe it is going to be shaken vigorously. But that’s just me.

You meet so many [wonderful people on the road](#)! You’ll run across RVers who claim they have used regular toilet paper without problem since the beginning of time. That is all well and good, but I have one question for you. Do you really want to find out the hard (very hard, disgusting, and smelly) way that your toilet paper isn’t good for your RV?



# PST RALLY

## MAY 5 – 7

### CINCO de MAYO



Please let me know if you will be attending for headcount purposes.

If NOT camping and would like to join for a meal, also let me know. Libba Thx

#### ***Thursday, May 4***

Early Bird Special

5:30 @ Host Site Hors D'oeuvres

Carol's wonderful new tomato soup, pimento cheese, chicken salad, chips & dip, pizza roll

(or something similar)

If you would like to contribute your favorite appetizer, please bring it along.

Bring your setups and drinks.

#### ***Friday, May 5 – Cinco De Mayo***

2:00 Lunch at Willy's Mex Mex Grill

123 S Cherokee Rd Social Circle, Ga 770-4642600

Rutledge is hosting Vendors for Cinco de Mayo in the downtown area. Please check them out.

6:30 @ Pavilion Desert and Meeting & Games

#### ***Saturday, May 6***

5:00 Riccados Kouzzina Restaurant

271 W. Washington St., Madison, Ga 706-342-0729

Sunday, May 7

9:00 Breakfast @ Host Site

Juice, pastries, Fruit and maybe something else Safe Travels Home!

## **MAY RALLY**

Also, if you are going to the May rally at Harbor Labor Creek, those reservations need to be made quickly. The spots are filling up since it is a state park. Please let me know if you are attending so I can make plans accordingly. Thx. Libba

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## **JUNE RALLY**

June Rally will be held at the Chattanooga Travel Park. Activities to follow. A block of sites is being held for a short period of time, so make your reservation ASAPO.

Holiday Travel Park Of Chattanooga

Phone: +1 (706) 891-9766 Toll Free: +1 (800) 693-2877

Email: [reservations@chattacamp.com](mailto:reservations@chattacamp.com)

Address: 1623 Mack Smith Road  
Rossville, Georgia, 30741

Please make your reservations for the June rally and let Alan and Debbi know that you are coming in. The rally is from June 2 - June 4, but people may arrive earlier like June 1.. Updated agenda will be sent out when it gets closer.





**From**

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**IN GOD WE TRUST**

