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MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL SECRETARY



Happy Spring VIP's!

Wow! If you attended our FMCA Convention in Perry, GA, you know we all had a blast with our first ever Chapter Block Party! During the Chapter Fair, each chapter invited attendees to their Chapter gatherings. Our intent was to show them how much fun we all have by getting to know us better. Many Chapters recruited new members. As you have heard me before, advertise your chapter every opportunity that presents itself!

Entertainment was absolutely fantastic whether it was evening or daytime, there was something for everyone. We had Hands-On Driving School, Backing-Up Driving School, and of course RV Basics. Inform your chapters of the opportunities that exist by attending our conventions. Don't forget, our 100th Convention will be in Minot, North Dakota, August 14th-17th. Besides the guest star, Captain "Sully" Sullenberger, many special events are underway for an incredible summer convention. Come join us!

Speaking of Minot, our Governing Board will be meeting on August 14th. A Roll Call Sheet will be mailed to you shortly for verification of your National Director, Alternate National Director or temporary delegate. Sign, date and mail it back. July 24th, which is 21 days prior to the Governing Board Meeting, is the cutoff for changes to be received by the national office. Afterwards, if something prevents your delegate from attending, your Chapter President may appoint a member of your chapter as a temporary delegate; which must be received at least 7 working days (August 5th) prior to the Governing Board Meeting to represent your chapter.

So, Very Informed Persons (VIPs), your main responsibilities are chapter meeting minutes, chapter certification, changes in officers, Governing Board Roll Call Sheets, and advertising your Chapter/Area (in many ways) and other items your President may request. Remember, you are the person that everyone goes to for information in all various forms.

I thank you for stepping up and carrying the torch to brighten your chapter flame so that others will see the vibrant chapter that you represent.

We're here to assist you with your needs, call us!

Gaye Young, FMCA National Secretary

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Minot Magic—100 Times the Fun!

We are excited to announce that the FMCA Chapter Services will be coordinating a Chapter Fair at our 100th International Convention in Minot, North Dakota! Registration for the event is open, and if your chapter is interested in participating, please contact Kaitlyn Krol at kkrol@fmca.com or 800-543-3622. Registration will close on July 29, 2019, and NO REGISTRATIONS WILL BE TAKEN ON SITE. If you are not planning to attend the Convention, please let your fellow Chapter Officers know about this opportunity, so we can have as many Chapters represented as possible! More details will become available in the upcoming weeks, but sign up now because space will be limited!

A Few Things To Remember ...

- If your chapter has not yet submitted the 2018 Certification Paperwork, please submit it so that you are able to have your chapter represented at our Governing Board Meeting on August 14, 2019.
- If you attended the Perry Convention, or have had any Chapter Events in the recent months, FMCA would love to see some photos! You can send them to marketing@fmca.com.
- Please continue to review and send us updates for your chapter's profile on FMCA.com.
- Please continue to send in updates to your Chapter's roster. You can use the form on FMCA.com or email the changes to chapters@fmca.com.

CHAPTER ANNIVERSARIES

FMCA congratulates the following chapters that celebrated special anniversaries in January, February, and March.

10 YEARS

Certificate

Vegas Blackjacks RV Club (2/10)

15 YEARS

Certificate

Coaches for Christ Southeast (2/4)

Florida Fun Seekers (2/20)

Roamin' Catholics Southwest (2/29)

Just Friends (3/17)

Chai-Chavurat Yehudim (3/18)

Diesel RV Club (3/18)

Carolina Pelicans (3/27)

30 YEARS

Certificate & \$150 Check

Southwinders (1/14)

Airstream Southeast and Friends (2/21)

River City Travelers (1/21)

Monaco Travelers (1/25)

Pacemakers (1/25)

Heartland Travelers (2/18)

Florida Panhandlers (2/25)

Elk International (3/7)

Spartan Chassis International (3/8)

The Dolphins (3/9)

California FMCA HMC (3/31)

45 YEARS

Certificate & \$300 Check

Yankee Travelers (1/9)

Florida Roll'n Gators (2/9)

Hoosier Cruisers (2/9)

Your Area National Vice President is responsible for coordinating the anniversary materials, so you will need to make arrangements with him or her for presentation.

25 YEARS

Certificate & \$100 Check

Outdoor Resorts Palm Springs (2/17)

Cruisin' Condos (3/5)

35 YEARS

Certificate & \$200 Check

Sun Roamers of Florida (2/6)

Puget Sounders (3/11)

Full Timers (3/28)

Roll Call Sheet

Governing Board Meeting
Wednesday, August 14, 2019

The Roll Call Sheet that details your chapter's current Governing Board voting delegate, along with a postage-paid return envelope, will be mailed out to each Chapter Secretary in the coming weeks.

The Roll Call Sheet will have your chapter name, area of representation, and the names of your chapter national director and alternate national director. If the names are correct, simply sign and date the sheet and return via the postage-paid envelope. If the names are incorrect, or if your chapter has elected a temporary delegate, please fill out the information with the correct name, member number, and address. Then sign and date the form and return it in the postage-paid envelope.

The chapter secretary is responsible for notifying the National Secretary (in care of the national office) in writing via USPS mail, email, or fax by July 24, 2019, of any election held that would result in a change to the national director, alternate national director, or temporary delegate who will be attending the Governing Board meeting.

Both the national director and alternate national director are invited to attend the Governing Board meeting, but it is not necessary that both be in attendance. The national director will be the voting delegate for the chapter. If the national director is unable to attend the meeting, the alternate national director would assume this duty and would receive the voting credentials when he or she checks in for the Governing Board meeting.

If **neither** the national director nor alternate national director can attend the Governing Board meeting, another chapter member may be elected as a temporary delegate for this Governing Board meeting only. A temporary delegate may be elected only if your chapter would not have representation otherwise. If it is necessary for your chapter to have a temporary delegate, he or she **must be elected**, must be a member of your chapter, and can only represent one chapter.

If an event occurs after the 21-day notice requirement has passed on July 24, 2019, that prevents the national director, or temporary delegate from attending the Governing Board meeting, the chapter president may appoint a member of the chapter as a temporary delegate to represent the chapter for the next Governing Board meeting only. Notice of the chapter president's appointment of this temporary delegate shall be received by FMCA at least seven working days prior to the Governing Board meeting to be valid. Change must be received by close of business on August 5, 2019. Notice must be in writing. Fax or email is acceptable.

If you have any questions, please contact Dianna Mitts at 513-474-3622, 800-543-3622, ext 210; dmitts@fmca.com.

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Information



How do I update my chapter's online profile on FMCA.com?

Should you need to update your chapter description, hobbies & interests or membership restrictions, you can submit changes via email to chapters@fmca.com. A PDF version of the Hobbies & Interests form can be found under Documents & Forms on the FMCA website.

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- *Recruitment Mailings*
- *Chapter Certification*
- *Chapter Directory*
- *Chapter Anniversary Materials*

UPCOMING EVENTS

GREAT LAKES AREA RALLY

June 5-8, 2019

Allegan County Fairgrounds

Allegan, MI

NORTHWEST AREA RALLY

June 6-9, 2019

Linn Country Fair & Expo

Albany, OR

NORTHEAST AREA RALLY

July 25-28, 2019

New York State Fairgrounds

Syracuse, NY

FMCA 100TH INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION & RV EXPO

August 14-17, 2019

North Dakota State Fairgrounds

Minot, ND

SOUTH CENTRAL AREA RALLY

September 18-21, 2019

Louisiana State Fairgrounds

Shreveport, LA

ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA RALLY

October 17-20, 2019

Pima County Fairgrounds

Tucson, AZ

INTERNATIONAL AREA RALLY

October 21-25, 2019

Lakewood Resort

Myrtle Beach, SC

WESTERN AREA RALLY

January 8-12, 2020

Riverside County Fairgrounds

Indio, CA

SOUTHEAST AREA RALLY

February 5-8, 2020

Sun N' Fun Expo Campus

Lakeland, FL

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we can use articles from your area's/
chapter's publications. Articles used for
publication may be edited for space and
clarity, and they will also appear on
FMCA's website: www.fmca.com.