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Kay Dudding



PRESIDENT

As I am writing to you, the temperature is 64 degrees, and the snow is melting. We are packing and getting ready to travel to Perry, Georgia to FMCA's 102nd International Convention and volunteering our time to help while we are there.

We are about 52 days until our first rally at Natural Springs Resort. Can't wait to see everyone and I'm sure Judy has been missing the card games.

It's been 60 days since I became your President and I want to let you know how hard your Board Members have been working and putting up with my constant phone calls. Each position is equally important, but each has different duties.

Our 1st VP of Activities has a lineup of things to do to keep the rally interesting and most important is, if I cannot continue as President, she will grab the reins and take over my position.

Our 2nd VP in charge of food will contact restaurants in the area and/or help find people willing to provide a home cooked meal. Everyone knows we eat well, and the food chair has everything we need. During the virus, things will be safer.

Our 3rd VP Wagon Master works for months before the season begins and each month to check up on upcoming rallies.

Our Treasurer has already begun to make sure the State Parks are getting the required deposits, and her duties are month to month.

Our Secretary will be needed during our meetings to record the issues that need to be conveyed to the members.

Our National Director will get quite a few miles going to rallies and meetings. Also, will the **alternate director** in his place.

Our Membership Chair has a work schedule right now that is not allowing her time needed in recruiting new members. Judy has stepped up to help until Elizabeth can transition into the position.

Photographer I also want to recognize our **Photographer**, Stacey Yingling, who spends a lot of time during meals to get our pictures, and our Chaplain, Kay Dudding who has a direct line to the man upstairs.

There is one special position that we don't think a lot about, and that is our **Newsletter Editor**. Ours is one of the best. Lois Tucker does a great job, she can correct my spelling and wording and arranges the paragraphs where they need to be. She spends many hours each month assembling the newsletter and making sure we receive it. Thank you, Lois, for going above and beyond the call of duty. When we talk next month, I will have information about Glama, but in closing, be safe and healthy in your endeavors.

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1ST VP (ACTIVITIES) CORNER

Hello all from the Sunny warm state of Florida. I have been busy working on the Branson trip and researching activities for the 2021 outings. During February I was elected to the treasurer's position here in Camp Florida and assumed those responsibilities immediately. Therefore, I have not had adequate time to complete a research on the activities for New Paris but will have detailed information to share in the April newsletter.

Cindy Donovan, VP Activities





VP (FOOD)



Hello from Allen Donahue your food chairman (THE FUN GROUP).

No club information for this month's newsletter.

Allen Donahue, VP Food



Do Not let them take your temperature going into the store!

It's a scam!

They're erasing your memory. I went for bread and eggs and came home with Ice Cream and Snickers.



SECRETARY'S CORNER



No club info for this month's newsletter.

Beth Short, Secretary



TREASURER'S CORNER

March Treasurer Report

Well, we have made it another month through the pandemic without symptoms. Ron and I had our initial COVID-19 vaccine, with no complications, and look forward to our second vaccine March 19.

TST financial status remains stable and current balance is \$13,000 and awaiting payment of future rallies. Thanks to all who made the deadlines for early payment required by the state run and Branson campgrounds. I know it is difficult to think this far ahead, especially in these uncertain times.

Looking forward to seeing everyone soon,

Stephanie Binz, Treasurer

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WAGON MASTER'S CORNER

FROM YOUR WAGON MASTER GREETINGS:

Tri-State Traveliers 2021 Rally/Event Schedule

<u>Jan 13 - 17</u>	<u>RV Supper Show</u> <u>Tampa, FL</u>	
<u>Mar 10 - 13</u>	<u>FMCA's 102nd Int'l Convention</u> <u>Perry, GA</u>	<u>FMCA</u>
<u>Apr 21 - 25</u>	<u>Natural Springs</u> <u>New Paris, OH</u>	<u>Click Here for Registration</u> <u>TST</u>
<u>May 19 - 23</u>	<u>Charlestown State Park</u> <u>Charlestown, IN</u>	<u>Full</u> <u>Click Here for Registration</u> <u>TST</u>
<u>Jun 2 - 6</u>	<u>Shipshewana Campground South Park</u> <u>Shipshewana, IN</u>	<u>Click Here for Registration</u> <u>TST</u>
<u>Jun 9 - 13</u>	<u>GLAMARAMA 2021</u> <u>Allegan, Michigan</u>	<u>On Hold</u> <u>GLAMA</u>
<u>Jul 7 - 10</u>	<u>FMCA's 103rd Int'l Convention</u> <u>Gillette, WY</u>	<u>FMCA</u>
<u>Jul 21 - 25</u>	<u>Grand Lake St Park</u> <u>St Marys, OH</u>	<u>Full</u> <u>Click Here for Registration</u> <u>TST</u>
<u>Aug 9 - 14</u>	<u>Americas Best Campground</u> <u>Branson, MO</u>	<u>Full</u> <u>TST</u>
<u>Sep 15 - 19</u>	<u>Lively Lady Campground</u> <u>Aberdeen, OH</u>	<u>TST</u>
<u>Oct 13 - 16</u>	<u>FMCA Campground</u> <u>Cincinnati, OH</u>	<u>TST</u>
<u>Nov 3 - 7</u>	<u>Follow The River</u> <u>Florence, IN</u>	<u>TST</u>

With all the problems we have had this past year with the COVID-19 Virus and this year being rough with the cold weather and snow. Hope everyone is surviving!

Hopefully, in a short time, the weather will be getting warmer.

In a few more weeks, we can start planning our camping season with our first trip to Natural springs. I CAN'T WAIT!

I have sent out the registrations as needed for April - August. Charlestown in May and St Mary in July is sold out. Last month I sent the registration for Shipshewana. I need this one sent back to me by April 2. Everyone has been wonderful returning them to me quickly.



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I'm not sending a registration out this month as the next one is for Lively Lady, Sept 15-18. So, we have a little time to reserve our spots. You get a little break. ("HA! HA!")

Looking forward to seeing all your warm, smiling faces at Natural Springs in April.

Thanks for your support.

Keith "Red" Hable, Rally Master





National Director:

Happy March to everyone!

Winter has finally announced its presence. I just completed my third or fourth session with my snowblower. Each time I have wondered if it will be my last as Linda and I are set to move to our new condo over the next couple of weeks.

There have been weather delays in construction, but by the time this comes out, we should be in the middle of our move.

I recently renewed my FMCA Roadside Rescue for another year. This is a reasonably priced benefit of FMCA membership that I am glad to have in my "arsenal." Although I haven't had to use it, whenever that "far from home middle of nowhere" thing happens it will be nice to have some help.

The Perry Convention is still a go but GLAMARAMA registration has been put on hold until the GLAMA Board can review how Perry pans out. As we all know, COVID-19 has put a serious hurt on our event planning. Check the FMCA website for updates on both Perry and GLAMARAMA.

We recently switched cell providers from Verizon to T-Mobile. We haven't been very satisfied with T-Mobile coverage but their 55+ unlimited plan was attractive. I am wondering if anyone has experimented with cell signal boosters in their home or RV. I have looked at several (WeBoost being one) but am leery of making the investment without hearing from someone who has used such a product. With Gillette, Wyoming coming in July, I want to be sure I have a working phone on the road.

Hoping everyone is safe and well and WARM! Looking forward to our new season.

Mark Griffith, National Director

Please click on this photo to see how amazing it is for babies to receive hearing aids and to be able to hear for the first time.

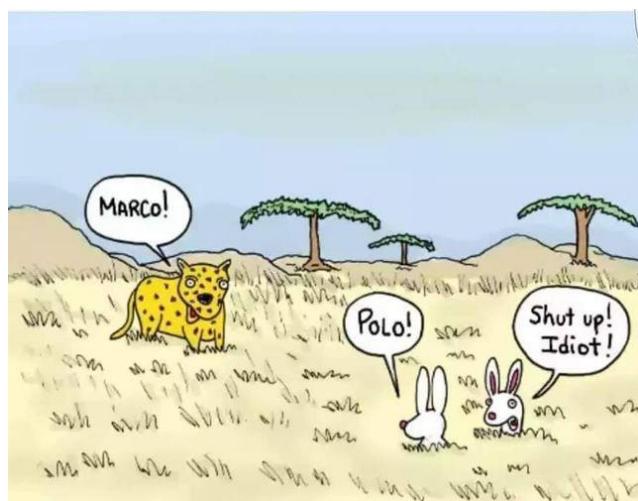




ALTERNATE NATIONAL DIRECTOR

Motorhome recalled for hydraulic leveling system frame supports. Nothing for the TST newsletter either.

David Short, Alternate National Director





DON'T MESS WITH OLD LADIES

"An older lady 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, clasping 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.



EDITOR'S CORNER

THE NUMBERS FOR THE COVID-19 VIRUS ARE COMING DOWN. The vaccines seem to be doing what they are supposed to do. Protect us. Bob and I had our 2nd vaccine shot yesterday. Arm a little sore but no other reactions to the vaccine.

I am just wondering. Since we have our vaccines, is anyone planning to go out a little more. I for one would love to have a Texas Roadhouse steak. We have been ordering our meals and either eating them at home or sometimes in the car. That is usually a sandwich though.

Speaking of food, I have a great recipe for you. It says it is a salad, but in my opinion, it is a dessert.

PRETZEL SALAD

1 c Pretzels, broken up	$\frac{1}{2}$ c Sugar
$\frac{1}{2}$ c Sugar	8 oz Cool Whip
1 stick Margarine, melted	1 sm can crushed Pineapple drained
8 oz Cream Cheese, softened	

Mix together: pretzels, $\frac{1}{2}$ c sugar, and margarine.

Bake in a shallow pan for 7 min. at 325, let cool, and break apart.

Mix together: cream cheese, $\frac{1}{2}$ c sugar, and cool whip.

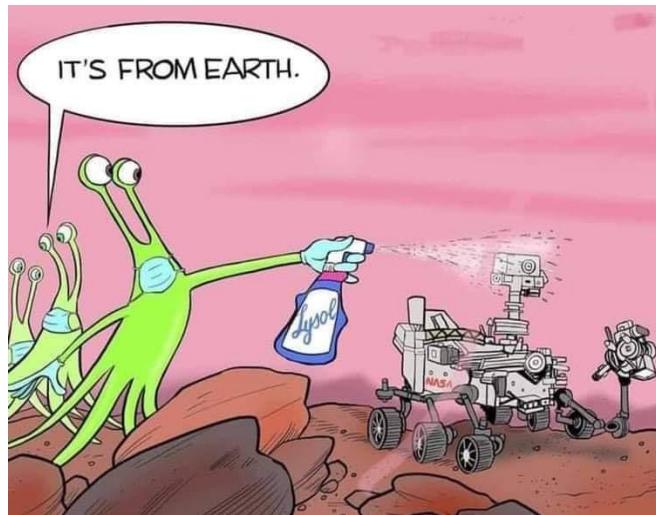
Add pineapple. If cream cheese mixture is not mixing well put in microwave for about 20 seconds.

Add pretzel mixture when ready to serve.

This does not make a large salad. I usually make two batches when we have company.

After you taste it, you will know I got it from a church function. Boy, can those ladies cook.

Lois Tucker, Editor





MEMBERSHIP'S CORNER

Please let [us](#) know if your birthdays or anniversaries are incorrect.

March Birthdays	March Birthdays (Continued)
Joe White 3/7	Fred Dudding 3/23
Jack Morgan 3/15	Cathy Genung 3/28
Stephanie Binz 3/16	
Kris Jackson 3/18	March Anniversaries
Ken Lewis 3/21	Bev & Don Donohoo 3/8
Karen Gadzala 3/21	Larry & Brenda Kinnett 3/19
Judy Overbeck 3/22	

Elizabeth Smith, Membership Judy Overbeck, Assistant Membership

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A graphic artist living in Germany works from home.

His wife leaves their baby girl with him each day as she goes off to work.

A few months ago, he got tired of her texting to check on how he was doing with the baby. So, he started photo shopping responses to text back to her.



1955, The first WALK/DON'T WALK signs are installed in a city.



Facts Can Be Revolving

How many remembered what this little yellow thing does?

This is called a 45 RPM record adaptor. You place it in the hole of a 45 record to place it on your record player.



The History of the 45 RPM Adapter

The 45 revolutions per minute (rpm) adapter for records has much more of an interesting history than most assume. It is a small metal or plastic piece that is placed in the center of a 45-rpm record. The adapter allows for the record to be played on a turntable's 78 rpm or LP size spindle. Some 45 rpm adapters are diminutive solid circles that slide onto the spindle's bottom. Others are larger and fit over the full spindle.

The 45 rpm was first brought to the market by the Webster-Chicago Corporation, sometimes referred to as Webcor. These inserts were comprised of solid zinc and somewhat difficult to connect to records. Removing them was nearly impossible without cracking the disc.

Fidelitone soon created a **45-rpm adapter** of a different shape. Unfortunately, this version was just as difficult to use. Capitol Records followed up Fidelitone's 45 rpm adapter with a new version referred to as the Optional Center. Its name was usually shortened to O.C. 45. This version was comprised of a triangular cardboard insert along with a spindle hole that was about the same size as an LP. It was possible to punch out this adapter's cardboard center to allow for playing with 45 rpm spindles, yet it could not be replaced.



RCA Corporation brought a new insert to the market known as the spider. This yellow and red plastic insert snapped in to allow 45 rpm records to be compatible with the comparably small 33½ rpm record player's spindle. Thomas Hutchison created this device. His spider was quite popular during the 60s, with sales breaching the 10 million mark per year. The adapter was designed with little bumps known as drive pins that securely connected the adapters to one another during revolutions. This stopped the stacked records from slipping into one another.

Fast forward to the 80s and Mark McLaughlan's SX2 and Extender adapters were all the rage. McLaughlan designed and manufactured each while working as a DJ in Boston. He invented these adapters to facilitate the use of 7" discs when mixing for performances. The Extender was the initial design. It was made with a platter die-cut derived from plastic sheets.

The SX2, also referred to as the Single Extender, followed. This adapter was created at Spirit, Inc. with plastic injection. The adapter featured a number of ridges along the platter's underside to combat warping resulting from major alterations in temperature throughout the plastic injection process. McLaughlan also made use of a raised barrier to keep the head contained. The SX2 featured a polished surface within the barrier to reduce stylus damage. The SX2 ended up becoming quite popular amongst DJs throughout the 80s and beyond.

The History of The 45 RPM Record

In the late 1940s, record sales were great. The Depression and the war had passed, and America was entering a new period of comfort and affluence. Just sit back and relax, Truman was going to take care of everything.

But there WAS one little problem.....the records themselves.

Recording technology had changed tremendously since Emile Berliner's first gramophone records in the 1890s. We had gone from unresponsive acoustic recording horns and direct to disc master recording to full electrical recording and tape masters.

But very little had changed with the records themselves. They still rotated at 78 RPM, still made of noisy shellac and extremely fragile.

In 1948, Columbia Records unveiled the 33 1/3 RPM long playing record. It played for about 20 minutes per side and made of thick and much quieter vinyl.

RCA Victor, Columbia's longtime rival was also working on a newer and better record at the same time as Columbia. When Columbia came out with the LP record, RCA scrambled on its own project and in 1949, unveiled the 45 RPM record.

The RCA 7"-inch 45 RPM record was cute, VERY small, and RCA's very colourful vinyl (each genre of music had its own colour of vinyl!) made it an instant hit with younger people. Popular releases were on standard black vinyl. Country releases were on green vinyl, Children's records were on yellow vinyl, Classical releases were on red vinyl, "Race" (or R&B and Gospel) records were on orange vinyl, Blue vinyl/blue label was used for semi-classical instrumental music and blue vinyl/black label for international recordings.





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This era in the turn of the '50s was called "The Battle of The Speeds". People preferred the various sizes for different reason and thus began the era of the 45s. An era that lasted 40 wonderful years. Before the [cassette tape](#), CD and MP3 player, 45s were the perfect portable personal music medium.

The 10 most expensive vinyl records ever sold.

- The Beatles: 'Til There Was You' (10" acetate) - £77,500. ...
- The Beatles: Yesterday & Today - \$125,000. ...
- John Lennon & Yoko Ono: Double Fantasy - \$150,000. ...
- The Beatles: Sgt. ...
- Elvis Presley: 'My Happiness' - \$300,000. ...
- The Beatles: The Beatles (White Album) - \$790,000. ...
- Wu-Tang Clan: Once Upon a Time in Shaolin - \$2 million.
- **Elvis Presley - Can't Help Falling in Love:** up to \$8,000 (£6,797) **Elvis'** 1961 classic **Can't Help Falling in Love** sold over a million copies in the US, and the standard **45 rpm** singles are ten a penny. The limited edition 33 rpm singles on the other hand are **worth** a fortune. Mar 27, 2020
- Elvis Presley 78 records worth - The **78-rpm record**, with its tattered yellow label, was once valued at \$500,000 by **Record Collector** magazine, but in reality, sold for \$240,000 dollars (£160,000) in the Graceland auction. With a 25% auction house premium of \$60,000 dollars (£40,000), the total buyer **price** came to \$300,000. Jan 9, 2015

The information about the 45 records and the 45 RPM Adapter was taken from several papers on the Internet.





Facts can be an unbelievable occurrence.

