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PRESIDENT

As I sit on the couch early this morning drinking my coffee, I have time to reflect on last week's rally. First, I want to thank everyone for attending and those who volunteered. I had so much fun watching people enjoy themselves.

Their sites were larger than usual, so we had plenty of space to gather for meals, for the campfire and for playing cards. (There was a lot of card playing going on).

I picked out the area with the big shade tree to set up and it was perfect.

We had three sites that were not in our loop as we had added those on for people who wanted to come. There were no complaints and they seemed to have a great time. I want to thank those who brought the other three EZ-UPs, so the four of them together gave us a wide area to get out of the sun.

We went to the Copper Kettle in town on Wednesday evening in shifts. We were planning on going to Charlestown Pizza Company on Thursday, but they had limited hours and only by reservations. I called Dominos and ordered pizzas according to each person's preference and gathered in a group to eat them. Everyone paid their share and really enjoyed it! On Friday morning the donuts came from King Donuts. They were so fresh, and the apple fritters were the first to go. Friday's dinner was Hot Dogs, Burgers and Cheddar Wurst's which Red and I grilled.

Saturday morning Red and I made breakfast and we recruited Herb to make the pancakes.

Saturday's dinner was provided by Brenda & Larry Kinnett. Both dinners included all the sides and desserts that our members provided. It was good to get back into our pot-luck style, and thanks to those who contributed.

Thanks again for making this one of the best rallies. I look forward to many, many more.

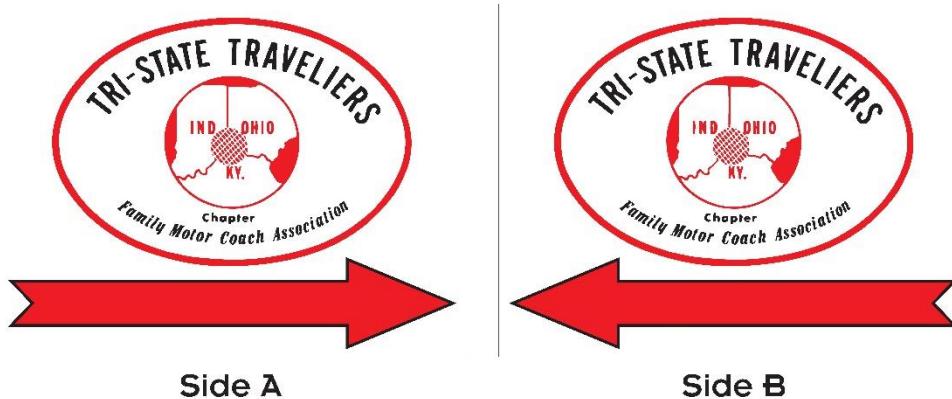
Before I say goodbye, I have two things to bring up. We have new signage for replacing ones that were misplaced. Hopefully by the time I talk to you next month our website will be up and running.

Michael (Fuzzy) Overbeck, President,
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When you join us at our next outing, you will see the new direction signs to our parking area that the club just bought. The signs will make it easier to see where you are supposed to go once you get to the campground.

18x24 Double Sided (x3)



18x24 Single Sided (x3)



18x24 Single Sided (x2)



A boy got on the elevator in the Empire State Building in New York city. He and his father started to the top. The boy watched the signs flashing as they ascended: 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70.

Anxious, he took his father's hand and said, "Daddy, does God know we're coming?"



1ST VP (ACTIVITIES) CORNER

June Rally Shipshewana June 2nd to 6th in Shipshewana, IN.

WHAT MAKES SHIPSHEWANA THE HEART OF AMISH COUNTRY?

LaGrange County, Indiana has an Amish population of over 15,000, which makes it the **3RD LARGEST** in the US after Lancaster County, Pennsylvania (26,270) and Holmes County, Ohio (17,654). Shipshewana itself only has a population of about 650 residents, but it is surrounded by Amish farms, is a local 'hub' for Amish businesses and is where many Amish work, socialize and shop.

Downtown Shipshewana is small and charming, with a 4 way stop sign in front of the famous Blue Gate Restaurant & Bakery, where you can enjoy an amazing Amish/Mennonite meal, delicious Amish baked goods and even enjoy an Amish inspired musical upstairs at the Blue Gate Theatre. You can even take an Amish buggy ride out to see cows being milked!

Flea Market 2021

**EVERY TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY (MAY-SEPT)
8:00AM- 4:00PM**

The open-air market is open Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 8 am - 4 pm, May through September. Parking is \$5 per vehicle but there are no other admission fees. The grounds are a fine gravel & the 40-acre campus has space for 700 vendor booths!

Scooter, wagon & shopping cart rental is available at booth #1018 by the main entrance. \$10 per day wagon rental, \$5.00 shopping cart rental \$10.00 an hour scooter rental with a 2-hour minimum.

EVENT LOCATION:

Shipshewana Flea Market Grounds
345 S Van Buren St
Shipshewana, IN 46565



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Weekly Misc & Antique Auction

**EVERY WEDNESDAY (ALL YEAR LONG)
9:00AM**

Auction Items

Each Wednesday all year long, the auction is completely different as sellers from all over the United States bring in their picks and finds. Here are some items you will see:

- Furniture
- Primitives
- Art
- Glassware
- Architectural Salvage
- Advertising Signs
- Collectible Vintage Toys
- Jewelry
- Household Items
- Antique Tools
- and MORE!

EVENT LOCATION:

Shipshewana Flea Market Grounds
345 S Van Buren St
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Trails, Tours & Gardens:

Barn Quilt Trail

Grab the self-guided tour map at the Shipshewana Visitors Center and drive around the county to check out these vibrant and unique pieces of art that celebrate our local culture and the Amish lifestyle. No two are the same!

Murals

LaGrange County, Indiana is home to over a dozen beautiful murals, most of which are located around the town of Shipshewana. Each mural has its own meaning regarding the history of the community it is displayed within and the influential people and businesses that made LaGrange County and Shipshewana what they are today.

QUILT GARDEN TRAIL

The Quilt Gardens along the Heritage Trail joins quilting, gardening, and art into a one-of-a-kind event featuring more than a million vibrant blooms, 16 gigantic gardens, and hand-painted super-sized murals. Stop by the Visitors Center to pick up your Quilt Garden map

Davis Mercantile - 225 Harrison St. - structure is amazing.



21 Distinctive Shopping Experiences Under One Roof! Located in downtown Shipshewana, the Davis Mercantile has something to offer for everyone. Be sure to check out our 1906 Dentzel Carousel, located on the 3rd Floor. Also, see the PUZZLES PLUS shop for sports memorabilia, tin signs, and puzzles galore!

Visitor Center is located at 350 S Van Buren Street. Stop in for more information and a visitors' guide.

Restaurants (provided by Lois):

5 & 20 Restaurant

[7995 W US Highway 20, Shipshewana, IN 46565 260-768-4958](#)

South Side Soda Shop

[1122 S Main St, Goshen, IN 46526](#)

[219-534-3790 Southside](#)

Lux Restaurant

[2012 Lincolnway E, Goshen, IN 46526](#) [574-534-8045](#)

Rise 'n Roll Bakery & Deli They have raspberry & mayonnaise dressing on sandwiches - Oh it is good.

[70509 State Road 19, Nappanee, IN 46550](#) [574-773-9012](#)

RV parts and salvage:

Call before going. Hours may vary.

Bontrager's Surplus, 18710 E, US Highway 12, White Pigeon MI, (899) 483-7017

Johnson Supply, it is the other way on US Highway 12, (269) 483-2249

Cindy Donovan, VP Activities



VP (FOOD)

We really had a good time at our last rally near Louisville. The food was great, the weather was great and we enjoyed the campfires and socializing.

I want to thank all the volunteers for their help and food.

Looking forward to the Shipshewana, Indiana rally next month. I looked up things to do and found a restaurant called The Great Plate that seems to specialize in Amish food and baked goods. Look forward to seeing everyone and be safe.

Allen Donahue, VP Food



Our computers went down at work, so we had to do everything manually. It took me 20 minutes to shuffle the cards for solitaire.



SECRETARY'S CORNER & ALTERNATE NATIONAL DIRECTOR



I, Beth, will be updating the by-laws of TST and FMCA. Some minor wording changes only.

No news for TST from Dave.

We camped at Buck Creek State Park two weeks ago before the Charlestown rally. The sites were large and well kept. Charlestown was also really nice. Sites same as Buck Creek, maybe larger. Weather was ideal. Not too hot and no bugs. Don't know why.

Going to Glamarama after Shipshewana. Then a week later Potato Creek State Park in Indiana. Will be our first time there. Other trips, Beech Fork State Park, WV and Brown County, IN. besides the remaining rallies with TST.

Beth Short, Secretary

**David Short,
Alternate National Director**





TREASURER'S CORNER

Resting post Charlestown rally and prior to Shipshewana rally. The weather was wonderful. Lots of good friends and good eats!

May's treasurer report not available due to pending total of expenditures from Natural Springs and Charlestown.

Stephanie Binz, Treasurer 513-260-8246 rsbinz@fuse.net





WAGON MASTER'S CORNER

GREETINGS FROM YOUR WAGON MASTER!!

WARM WEATHER IS HERE! What a wonderful time we all had at Charlestown Indiana.

Could not ask for a better week: Weather, Friends, Food and Fun!

This was my first trip to Charlestown. Becky and I went to the Louisville Slugger Museum and saw how the Bats are made. We also made a stop at the Big Four Bridge. This is a Pedestrian Bridge going from Jeffersonville, IN over the Ohio River to Louisville, KY for a total of Two Miles over and back. It was a wonderful day.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at Shipshewana June 2. I hear there is a lot to see and do.

Our Sept Rally at Lively Lady is filling up. We only have 2 River Sites left (these have no sewer) and still plenty of full hookup sites available. Get your registration and payment in as soon as possible.

Just a Note: Anyone interested in going with us to Branson August 9 - 14, we have 2 sites available. If interested, please contact: Tom & Paula Horne at 574-532-2225 or 574-532-2226 or Verne Hawkins at 502-475-3326.

Safe Travels to All,

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Tri-State Traveliers 2021 Rally/Event Schedule

<u>Jan 13 - 17</u>	<u>RV Supper Show</u> <u>Tempe, 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>Full</u> <u>Shipshewana, IN</u>	<u>Click Here for Registration</u> <u>TST</u>
<u>Jun 9 - 13</u>	<u>GLAMARAMA Lite 2021</u> <u>Allegan, Michigan</u>	<u>Register on FMCA</u> <u>GLAMA</u>
<u>Jul 7 - 10</u>	<u>FMCA's 103rd Int'l Convention</u> <u>Gillette, WY</u>	<u>Register on FMCA</u> <u>FMCA</u>
<u>Jul 21 - 25</u>	<u>Grand Lake St Park</u> <u>Full</u> <u>St Marys, OH</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>Click Here for Registration</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>





National Director:

Warm greetings to everyone.

Memorial Weekend is upon us and so are signs of a return to some normalcy. It has been a relief to go out and about minus those hot masks, knowing that we have some protection from COVID. Linda and I received our vaccinations in March and April with no ill effects. We hope everyone in TST has availed themselves of that benefit. We still exercise some caution in crowds, but there's comfort in knowing we are better protected. We'll be spending the holiday weekend in St Paul, Indiana camping with friends and family. It's our first trip out in the RV following my injury and illness.

Preparations are fully underway for GLAMARAMA LITE. We are expecting about 100-120 attendee RVs in Allegan. Looks like there will be four TST member couples in attendance.

Look for an email soon regarding the upcoming election of FMCA national officers to take place in July. I will be attending the FMCA Governing Board meeting in Gillette, WY, and need to receive input on our chapter members' thoughts about candidates. Info on all the nominated candidates will be included in the email. Linda and I are looking forward to the Wyoming trip. We are going to extend it into a three-week excursion to visit and see some of the sights in and around the Black Hills.

Wishing safe travels and good health to everyone until we see you again!

Mark Griffith, National Director





EDITOR'S CORNER

May is gone, and I really think the weather has decided to be June weather. Warm.

I wanted to share something with all of you. I am sure many of you have been in the same position.

In December my husband, Bob, was diagnosed with Prostate cancer. Many tests were taken to see if it had metastasized. It had not and Bob will be the first person to say, "I am glad I have Prostate cancer". You see, during one of those tests, it was discovered that Bob had Liver cancer. Liver cancer is not something one would want to have.

More and more tests were done. Bob was diagnosed with Hepatocellular carcinoma. This cancer does not react well to chemotherapy. Not impossible, but not always successful. We thought we would not have more than a couple of years together.

A friend of ours told us she was diagnosed with Kidney cancer. One urologist wanted to remove her kidney and the second one wanted to remove just the cancer. She was confused. Her brother-in-law had also had cancer and advised her to go see the "Cincinnati Cancer Advisors" for a second opinion. She told us the same.

We went to see the Cincinnati Cancer Advisors and I could not have been more thankful. I mention them, because if you, a family member, or a friend is diagnosed with cancer, call them, and go see them.

They were not able to help Bob because he had 2 cancer sites. The Prostate and the Liver. If he had just the Liver cancer, they would and did, look "worldwide" to see what groups were doing various trials for the hepatocellular carcinoma. The trials are not what I always thought they were. If one person was a 50% healthy candidate, and another one was a 90% healthy candidate, the 50% person would probably be given the usual treatment for that cancer. If you were a 90% person, you would receive drugs that they were working on to cure the cancer. In the notes he sent to us, he did state Bob was not permitted in the trials because of the two cancers and noted that surgery was most likely out of the question. We were still glad to have spoken to him.

We were referred to a surgical oncologist at UC by his urologist oncologist. We cannot praise Dr. Wilson enough. More tests were taken. The liver cancer was a primary cancer and had not metastasized to the lungs nor lymph nodes. He informed Bob that it was surgery for him.

On April 23rd he had $\frac{1}{2}$ of his liver removed via a 13-inch incision that took $4 \frac{1}{2}$ hours. We were told the complete cancer was removed. We waited for the path results and all margins were clear. Now he is home doing a slow recovery and planning for our 60-wedding anniversary. I had prayed to God for a miracle since all the doctors did not have much hope. God answered my prayer and a miracle was granted.

The moral of my story is, "Don't give up hope", "Look for answers", Pray and "Get a second opinion, usually". See you in Shipshewana.

Lois Tucker, Editor



MEMBERSHIP'S CORNER

Please let us know if your birthdays or anniversaries are incorrect.

June Birthdays	June Birthdays Continued
Jackie Doan 6/5	Gary Thatcher 6/24
Marilyn Sears 6/11	Mark Griffith 6/25
Tom Horne 6/11	
Dian Sutherland 6/14	June Anniversaries
Doug Hoelscher 6/15	Russ & Marilyn Sears 6/4
Kay Dudding 6/19	Michael & Kerry Ely 6/12
Treasa Betz 6/20	Mark & Nicole Haake 6/30

Judy Overbeck, Membership

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Visit us on Facebook:

www.facebook.com/groups/tri-stateTraveliersCampingGroup

Don't Forget: Tri-State Traveliers has a great members-only Facebook page and is being followed by many members. If you are a Facebook user, and would like to stay connected with other TST members, please click on the icon to the left and request to join. Or contact Judy Overbeck (joverbeck54@gmail.com) for help.





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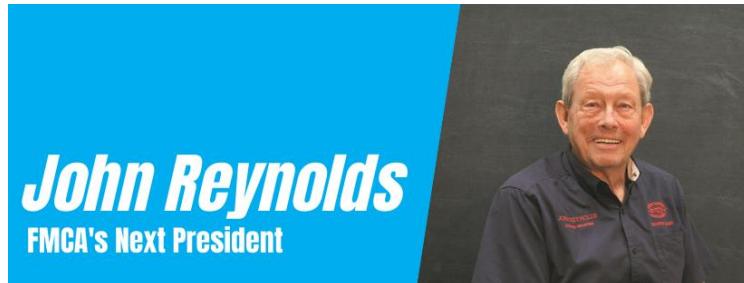
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The photos enclosed in this June Newsletter are from the many people who attended the Charlestown, Indiana gathering. Coming from different people, at different angles shows how much everyone enjoyed themselves.



I would like to share some thoughts on the central theme of my candidacy. That theme is **MEMBERSHIP**. Membership is the engine that drives the ship known as FMCA. We need increasing membership to do everything we discuss.

Increasing membership allows us to provide more benefits to our members. One of the first questions potential benefit partners ask is, "How many members do you have?" Increasing membership assures us of financial stability and the ability to provide excellent service to the member. Increasing membership means larger attendance at international conventions and area rallies. Increasing membership makes advertising in the magazine and on the website more attractive. As you can tell, in the case of membership figures, the adage "more is better" applies.

How is membership increased? First, potential and current members must perceive value in the dues pricing. That is why I have championed \$50 dues since they were increased in September 2019. Since the dues were raised to \$75 at that point, it has been painfully obvious that many current and potential members do not see value at that price point. Second, we must pursue aggressive marketing tactics to reach more RVers. The Executive Board helped this point by doubling FMCA's marketing budget. Marketing is vital to our success, which is evidenced by the membership turnaround of 2016 coinciding with FMCA beefing up its marketing efforts. Social media has proved to be an economical and effective way to reach our market. We must continue to target the towable segment of the RV community. Before the dues increased, steady growth was being realized in this segment. The dues increase had a negative impact on that growth.

Member retention is another area we must address. We must get our retention percentage back to where it was 3-4 years ago. The only way to do that is to show the member that they are getting value for their due's dollars. Our benefits must provide value and put dollars in the member's pocket. We need to be able to show and provide member benefits that exceed the cost of membership. Getting the dues back down to \$50 is a step in the right direction.

I look forward to seeing you in Gillette and discussing in detail how these plans can become reality.

(If you have an idea or something to share - please reply to this email - if you wish to see more about me and our campaign, click the banner above)

Sincerely,
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Motorhome and Home improvements:

Make a temporary baby bed.



Bed Frame allows bed for humans and playground for kitties



The lower shelves actually glide out so you can step to reach top shelved items. Then they slide back to the wall.



Facts Are Part of History: When Women Get Mad.....

You men know, when women get mad, things can happen, so get out of Dodge. Learn what some women did early in history that got results.

April 2, 1863: The Richmond Bread Riot

During the Civil War, lack of food, money, and supplies created [unbearable conditions](#) for women living in the southern United States. Inflation and the lack of supplies left families reeling. Women especially felt the financial pinch and had difficulty providing food for their families. The situation was further exacerbated when the [drought of 1862](#) impacted the harvest. Meager food supplies became even scarcer. The [salt needed for preserving meat](#) was also hard to come by. It was imported from the North and generally unavailable, or too expensive to purchase.

Tensions reached a boiling point in the spring of 1863 when civil unrest broke out in cities across the South. The unrest was organized by women, enraged by the exorbitant price of bread. They attacked stores and warehouses, stealing food, clothing, and supplies. The largest of these riots took place in Richmond, Virginia, on April 2, 1863.

In March 1863, a Richmond woman named [Mary Jackson](#) began recruiting women to participate in an organized protest. She was the mother of a Confederate soldier and frustrated with the government's inability to provide aid for her and other women whose men were away fighting. She garnered the support of about 300 women. [On the morning of April 2, 1863](#), Jackson arrived at the market in Richmond. She was a peddler, but that day she brought nothing to sell. Instead, she increased recruitment efforts and began warning men that trouble was brewing. The growing crowd of women began marching towards the governor's office in Capitol Square, where they were turned away. There are varying reports of what happened next, with some claiming the governor eventually came and met with the women. The angry crowd began marching towards Ninth Street. As the women marched, hundreds began to follow, and the crowd ballooned.

Armed with guns, hatchets, and household implements, the women began to chant "[Bread or Blood!](#)" They attacked grocery stores, warehouses, and other businesses, stealing food, supplies, and [even fine jewelry](#).

Soon, Richmond Mayor Joseph Mayo arrived and [read the Riot Act](#) aloud to the mob. They ignored him. Governor John L. Letcher sent for Confederate President Jefferson Davis. He begged the women to disperse, warning that an artillery unit would open fire on the mob. [Davis then emptied his pockets](#), throwing his money to the women. Tensions finally eased, and the crowd disbursed.

Confederate secretary of war James A. Seddon [asked the local press to refrain from publishing](#) news of the incident, fearing it would fuel Union propaganda. [Confederate deserters](#), along with Union prisoners who watched the scene unfold from their cell windows, leaked the story. The *New York Times* published a [front-page account](#) of the riot on April 8th.

Following the riot, more than 60 demonstrators were arrested, including Jackson. The women received varying degrees of punishment. Jackson's punishment was merely nominal. The City of Richmond increased efforts to provide aid to the poor, restoring a measure of calm. The 1863 bread riots showed just how difficult life had become for women on the home front. If you would like to learn more about the Richmond Bread Riot, [search Newspapers.com](#)™ today.

By [Jenny Ashcraft](#)

Facts Are Part of History:

Which Of These Office Supplies Was Invented Decades Before It Saw Practical Use?

- A) Correction Fluid B) Paperclips C) Rubber Bands D) Staples



I was out walking with my 5-year-old daughter. She picked up something off the ground and started to put it into her mouth.

I took the thing away from her and asked her not to do that.

"Why?" she asked.

"Because it's been on the ground, and you don't know where it's been. It's dirty. And it probably has Germs."

At this point, my daughter looked at me with absolute admiration and asked, "Mom, how do you know all this stuff? You are so smart."

I thought quickly and replied, "All mons know this stuff. It's on the Mom Test. You have to know it, or they don't let you be a Mom."

"Oh, I get it!" she beamed, "So if you don't pass the test, you have to be the dad."

Exactly, "I said.