

July 2023 Volume 23, Issue 07 *Lois Tucker, Editor* 

#### OFFICERS (elected)

President: Cindy Donovan

1<sup>s⊤</sup> VP (Activities): Sylvia Marshall

2<sup>ND</sup> VP (Food): Bev Dunnington

**3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President** (Wagon Master): Position Open

**Secretary**: Connie Baynum

**Treasurer**: Chuck Marshall

National Director: Bob Tucker

CONTRIBUTORS (Appointed)

Newsletter: Lois Tucker

Membership/Roster: Kay Dudding

**Photographer** Position Open

**Chaplain**: Kay Dudding

## PRESIDENT

Although I left the River Front RV Park in New Richmond on Friday, I believe everyone enjoyed the comradery, food, and some rain.

Greg and Brenda Martin have volunteered to wagon master our outing in June 19 -23, 2024. Greg has provided the following information: "We had a great time with the TST group at Cummins Ferry this past May. It is a very nice campground with beautiful and peaceful scenery. The only traffic noise you would hear is the occasional boat on the Kentucky River.

Two guests attended this rally, one from Knoxville that were our guests, and the other two guest were from Memphis and guests of the Faiths. These guests enjoyed meeting everyone and participating in the gatherings so much they want to join the TST group and return to Cummins Ferry again next year and possibly come to other rallies.

I have already worked with the Cummins Ferry staff for next years' TST event. We have 25 spots reserved from June 19 - 23, 2024. They waived the booking fee and will be providing a 20% discount for us. Also included is one day rental of the Pavilion if we choose to use it. They could not yet provide a final cost, but it is anticipated to be a total of around \$65 /night.

Our smaller group of nine went to three different distilleries Thursday and Friday. I would also recommend that smaller groups make arrangements early for the distillery tours. The distillery tours fill up fast and are really geared for groups of up to fifteen (15) people.

Some took a tour of several racehorse farms on Saturday (Thoroughbred Heritage Horse Farm Tours). The racehorse farm tours run almost every day, twice a day, and each van can hold about twelve (12) people.

I believe Fuzzy is working on a train tour for the entire group for next year as well.

One last thing, I recall there was some concern over the last mile or so of the drive to Cummins Ferry. I don't believe any of us had any issues. There is a fairly- steep hill and sharp turn as you approach the campground, but it is very manageable if you take your time.



Cummins Ferry will send a reminder of specific check-in and check-out times to help with traffic flow on the narrow road."

I would encourage you to mark your calendar NOW and send Greg (martinrvtime@gmail.com) a message indicating your plan to attend this rally next year.

Mark your calendar for October 9-14, 2024, for Timbercrest RV Park, Millersburg, Ohio. Ken Lewis and Tony DelSorbo have stepped up to handle the wagon master responsibilities for next October. They have reserved twenty (20) pull-thru sites with full hookups. More information will follow next month.

I hope to see all of you in Carrollton, KY at the Two Rivers campground in July,

Cindy Donovan, President norcin523@sbcglobal.net 317-508-2368

<u>ATTENTION:</u> Unfortunately, Bev Dunnington is no longer able to continue as Vice President of Food. We need volunteers for the months of August, September, October, and November. It requires:

- 1. Seeking a volunteer to provide/prepare the main course (cost reimbursed) for Friday and Saturday nights.
- 2. Posting information on the Tri-State website and Facebook regarding the food for Friday and Saturday.
- 3. Locating and suggesting some eateries for Wednesday and Thursday night.

Please contact me if you are willing to fill the vacant position or volunteer for one or more months. HELP, Tri-State needs individuals to volunteer to host rallies in 2024, we have the months of July and August open. Pick your favorite campground, contact them now as they started booking January 1st of this year, and reserve 20 +/- campsites for Wednesday through Saturday night in your month. Please contact me with any questions and let me know when you are successful with the location, rates, dates, etc.



<u>Nealy Distillery near</u> <u>Two Rivers</u>

<u>Brenda by Flag at Two</u> <u>Rivers</u>







## 1ST VP (ACTIVITIES) CORNER

Whispering Hills Georgetown, Kentucky August 2-5, 2023

(1) Georgetown has a historic district that can be seen on a two-mile selfguided walking tour. Enjoy a "Walk Through Time" along Main street's preserved buildings. The tour is available at the Georgetown/Scott County Tourist Information Center and Chamber of Commerce.

Some historic sites to see on the walking tour:

-County Jail- It was state of the art when built as it featured steam heat and electric lights.

-Royal Spring Bridge-carrying traffic since 1796.-now US460.

-The "Castles"- a two towered house built by Alexander Keene Richard's widow. It was a funeral home for awhile. -Court House and City Hall

(2) Royal Spring Park

This is considered the birthplace of bourbon, as Reverend Elijah Craig was said to have built here the first of the distilling spirits in Kentucky. Also located here was the first paper mill west of the Appalachians and a log cabin built in 1874 by a former slave.

(3) Georgetown and Scott County Museum

This museum is housed in an old post office building from 1905. The museum offers information on Scott County and Central Kentucky heritage. Open - free from Wed.-Sat. 10-4

#### (4) Toyota Motor Manufacturing Plant

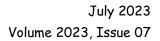
This is Toyota's largest vehicle manufacturing plant in the world! This plant is capable of producing 550,000 vehicles and 600,000 engines annually.

The plant broke ground in May of 1986. My neighbor recently visited this plant and said that it was a very worthwhile tour. There was a few hundred feet to walk to a tram that took you on the tour through the factory.

Tour-free. Reservations needed, but walk ins accommodated as space permits. Plant tours Mon-Fri at 10am, 12pm, and 2pm

#### Other Area Attractions

(1) Kentucky Horse Park - Is a working horse farm, educational theme park, and equine competition facility Open Wed-Sat 9-5





Admission: Seniors \$18, Parking \$6 (2) Keeneland Race Track There are different tours available. Google Keeneland and look for tours. (3) Bourbon Trail The bourbon trail is once more available to those who wish to partake!

Have another great time camping at Whispering Hills!

Sylvia Marshall, VP Activities redhawksgrad@aol.com 937-321-1696

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2nd Vice President (Food)

Please think about volunteering for this position. It really doesn't take much time.

- 1. Ask for volunteers to prepare a main dish for Friday and Saturday nights. They will be reimbursed.
- 2. Ask for volunteers to prepare a side dish or a dessert for Friday and Saturday nights.
- 3. If someone wants to make a special meal on these days, work with the 2<sup>nd</sup> VP usually, to spread the word and remind people to bring a side dish or a dessert. Hope to see you at the next rally Bev. Take care and stay healthy.

## Meals Planned for 2 Rivers RV Camping 2023

Wednesday night Mi Viejo Mexican restaurant. 1968 KY-227

Thursday night Hometown Pizza 2353 KY-227

Friday night: Fried Chicken by Karen Gadzala. Everyone bring apps, sides and desserts. Please post your contributions so we don't duplicate.

Saturday night: Hamburgers & Hot Dogs by Randy Faith. Everyone bring picnic sides and desserts.

Friday & Saturday morning. We will have donuts one day, probably a breakfast on the other. We will determine according to the weather when to cook.



## 3rd Vice President (Wagon Master): Position Open

**Important Notice:** 

At present, we are still without a "Rally Master." Judy and I are overseeing the "Rally Master's" responsibilities and I am trying to stay ahead of things. PLEASE, you must verbally tell me if you need to cancel a registration. The cancellation must be verbally made to me before our money is due to the Campground. Thanks for your cooperation. Michael (Fuzzy) Overbeck, 513-200-4349



You will notice someone is missing in this photo. That someone is taking the photo. Who is missing?











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## SECRETARY'S CORNER

Ah, patience is a Virtue! I had been feeling uninvolved; but not this month. Alas, I have been so busy this month as TST Secretary, I almost missed the deadline for our TST Newsletter. Better yet, there is no time or reason for me to be 'Sarcastic

Constance.' (Definitely Big Jer's least favorite aspect of me.)

Sincerely, after discussing with Mark Griffin (Technology) and Kaye Dudding (Membership), we realized that the validation of new TST members would be our Treasurer. So, I made A simple phone call to Chuck Marshall because the last step of a new membership is paying our TST affordable annual dues. Chuck was so cooperative and emailed me the information that I needed to forward to FMCA immediately.

We officially have four new TST and FMCA memberships since January 2023. WELCOME! WELCOME! WELCOME! **Becky Lippert**, **Bruce & Louise Long**, **Lewis & Penny McVay**, and **Ron & Char Oechslin**. These members are listed on our latest Roster.

Additionally, **Ed & Kathy Pate** have joined TST Chapter. **Roger Cooley** has sent his New Member registration to Chuck. Their information will be forwarded to FMCA in July and added to our TST Roster.

Additionally, by direction of our President Cindy Donovan, the necessary paperwork was sent to FMCA to inform them that Michael (Fuzzy) Overbeck will be our voting Alternate Representative at the Gillette WY Rally.

Our Tri-State membership thrives! My perspective is that our success is in our mission that each rally, regardless of who is or is not able to attend, will be an enjoyable time of social interaction. Second, we are fortunate to have Fuzzy and Judy Overbeck continue again this year to attend every Rally as Wagonmasters. September of this year, at Lively Lady, there will be an important annual meeting when we will finalize the plan for rotating Wagonmasters during the 2024 season. As Secretary, I would like to have members respond to a Simple 10 Question Survey before that meeting to recognize the opinions of all members. As new Wagonmasters volunteer, it may be helpful for them to know your likes, dislikes, and priorities. How do you feel about that? Would you take time to respond to a Survey via email?

Unfortunately, my husband, Big Jer, and I have not been able to attend Rallies this season. God willing, we will be there in the Fall!

You do have a nice park for the July rally – Two Rivers. There is a Great bike riding trail, from large concrete RV sites to a beautiful view of the Kentucky and Ohio Rivers intersection. Last year, when at Two Rivers, we took the Nealy Distillery tour with Randy & Betty Faith, Johnny Allen, Craig Blair, & Jeff Rice. We had a blast there on a rainy camping day! So, if you have never been to Nealy, you may want to 'take a flight.'

Miss y'all. Truly. Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July ~Connie Connie.jones.baynum@gmail.com 859-801-8489







#### TRI-STATE TRAVELIERS

#### MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Last name	Pilot First Name	Co-Pilot First Name
Address	City	State Zip code
Area Code & Phone #	FMCA Number	Coach / Length
Anniversary	Pilot Birthday	Co-Pilot Birthday
Pilot email	Co-Pilot email	Recommended by

Winter Address

Return this application with yearly membership dues of \$15 plus \$25 Initiation fee payable to Tri-State Traveliers to:

Chuck Marshall, TST Treasurer469 Bending Branch LaneFor Chapter Use:Miamisburg, Ohio 45342Date:Ck #



We have no sites available unless there is a cancellation.

## RALLY REGISTRATION FORM 2 RIVERS CAMPGROUND REGISTRATION DEADLINE JUNE 12th

JULY 12th - 15th, 2023

Members Name FMCA#		Co-Pilot Phone#			
Coach/Towable	Make_		_Length	50amp	_30amp
Slide Out? Yes_	_No_	_How Many?_	Towing	a Car? Yes_	No
Arrive: AM	PM				

Please circle the day you will arrive and add your total payment below.

Wed, Thu, Fri, & Sat	Back in site	\$45.00 per night	\$
Wed, Thu, Fri & Sat	Pull Through site	\$45.00 per night	\$
Rally Fee (per person	@ \$5.00)	Count:	\$
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Please Make Check Payable to : Tri-State Traveliers

Please Mail Check and Completed Form To: Chuck Marshall 469 Bending Branch Lane

Miamisburg, Ohio 45342

320 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Carrollton, KY 41008 – Location address

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## RALLY REGISTRATION FORM WHISPERING HILLS RV PARK **REGISTRATION DEADLINE JULY 1st** AUGUST 2<sup>ND</sup> – 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2023

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FMCA#PI	hone#
Coach/Towable Make	Length50amp30amp
Slide Out? YesNoHow Many	/?Towing a Car? YesNo
Please check the box if you would l	like to tour the Toyota Plant
There are only 8 pull through sites	available. First come first serve. 10
back in sites are for 30ft and under	r. Please indicate length, don't delay!
Please circle the day you will arrive	e and your total payment below.
Wed, Thu, Fri, & Sat Back in site	\$48.55 \$
Wed, Thu, Fri & Sat Pull Through	site \$53.50 \$
Rally Fee (per person @ \$5.00)	Count:\$
	Total: \$

Please Make Check Payable to : Tri-State Traveliers

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Please Mail Check and Completed Form To: Chuck Marshall 469 Bending Branch Lane

Miamisburg, Ohio 45342

257 Rogers Gap Rd. Georgetown, KY 40324 - Location address



## RALLY REGISTRATION FORM

#### LIVELY LADY CAMPGROUND

#### **REGISTRATION DEADLINE AUGUST 31st**

#### SEPTEMBER 13TH - 16th, 2023

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Location address - 995 Old US Hwy 52 Aberdeen, OH 45101

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## TREASURER'S CORNER

In the future, the club will need to consider requiring prepayment of the full amount by attendees and issuing refunds if a negotiated discount number of coaches is achieved.

Treasurer's Report for June.

Income from future rally registrations, \$4704.20, shirt sales, \$40.00, dues, \$15.00, 50/50 raffle, \$118.00. (Three winners generously donated their winnings back)

Expenses: campground fees, \$2750.00 and food for rally, \$116.91.

Chuck Marshall, Treasurer <u>Cjmjr45@aol.com</u> 937-321-1695



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#### Tri-State Traveliers 2023 Rally/Event

Schedule

<u>Jan - Feb</u>	Winter Dinner	<u>T5T</u>
<del>Jan 18 23</del>	RV Super Show Tampa, FL Register on FMCA	
<u>Mar 15 - 18</u>	FMCA's 106th Int'l Convention Perry, GA Register on FMCA	<u>FMCA</u>
<u> Apr 19 - 22</u>	Natural Springs Resort New Paris, OH Reservations by April 05, 2023	<u>tst</u>
<u>May 17 - 20</u>	Cummins Ferry RV Park           Salvisa, KY         Reservations by April 01, 2023	<u>TST</u>
<u>Jun 07 - 11</u>	<u>GLAMARAMA 2023</u> <u>Darke County Fairgrounds</u> Register on FMCA <u>Greenville, OH</u>	<u>GLAMA</u>
<u>Jun 21 - 24</u>	<del>River Front RV</del> <u>New Richmond, Ohio</u> Reservations by Jun 01, 2023	<u>TST</u>
<u>Jul 12 - 16</u>	Two Rivers CampgroundCarrolton, KYReservations by July 01, 2023	<u>TST</u>
<u>Aug 02 - 05</u>	Whispering HillsGeorgetown, KYReservations by May 15, 2023	<u>TST</u>
<u>Aug 15 - 18</u>	<u>FMCA's 106th Int'l Convention</u> <u>Gillette, WY</u> Register on FMCA	<u>FMCA</u>
<u>Sep 13 - 16</u>	Lively Lady Campground Aberdeen, OH Reservations by September 01, 2023	<u>T5T</u>
<u>Oct 11 - 14</u>	FMCA CampgroundNewtown, OHReservations by October 01, 2023	<u>TST</u>
<u>Nov 08 - 11</u>	Follow The River RV ResortFlorence, INReservations by November 01, 2023	<u>TST</u>

This morning, I accidentally changed the GPS voice to "male. Now it just says, "it's around here somewhere. Keep driving."



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<u> May 15 - 19</u>	Sauder VillageArthbold, OHReservations by2024	<u>TST</u>
<u>Jun 05 - 09</u>	GLAMARAMA 2024Darke County FairgroundsRegister on FMCAGreenville, OH	<u>GLAMA</u>
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<u>Aug &gt;&gt;&gt;&gt;&gt; &gt;&gt;&gt;&gt;&gt;</u>	<u>FMCA's 109th Int'l Convention</u> <u>Gillette, WY</u> Register on FMCA	<u>FMCA</u>
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#### Tri-State Traveliers 2024 Rally/Event Schedule







## National Director:

Well, the editor is yelling at me for not having my comments for the newsletter.

NO PITY!!

Congratulations to Mike Womer, on being elected as Senior Vice President of GLAMA. GLAMA will return to the Darke County Fairgrounds June 5-9, 2024.

Hope to see you at Two rivers Campground July 12-16, in Carrolton, KY. Remember to get your reservations in for all our Rallies early. They are filling up fast.

#### Great Lakes Area MotorCoach Association Annual Meeting Minutes

Darke County Fairgrounds Greenville, Ohio Saturday June 10, 2023

#### Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 10:00 by President Ken Lewis

#### **Opening Ceremonies**

- 1. Welcoming Remarks- Ken Lewis thanked everyone for attending
- 2. Invocation- Dane Baily
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance- Ken Lewis
- 4. Introductions of Special Guests-Rett & Claire Porter and Gary & Glenda Milner
- 5. Appoint Parliamentarian- Les Naylor

## Roll Call - Pamela Richard, Secretary

#### Executive Board

Ken Lewis-President Linda Murphy- Indiana Vice President Fred Dudding- Ohio Vice President Stephen Richards- Ontario Vice President Judy Ruth-Michigan Vice President Pamela Richard-Secretary Anthony DelSorbo-Treasurer

#### **National Directors**

Constance Crawford - Bluewater RV'ers Carol Hardacre-Coaches for Christ H Stephen Ruster- Hoosier Cruisers



James Hawn - Michigan Knights of the Highway Sue Wells - Midwest Coachmen Bob Garcia- Northern Lights Bev Garcia- Ohio Nomads Victoria Litner- Ontario Great Lakers Les Naylor- Ontario Rovers John Daubenmier- Roving Wolverines Robert Tucker- Tri State Traveliers

#### A Quorum is present

#### Approval of Agenda and Standing Rules for Meeting

Fred Dudding made a motion to accept the Agenda and Standing Rules for the meeting, James Hawn seconded. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

#### Minutes of last Meeting, June 11, 2022

Bob Tucker made a motion to accept the Minutes of the Annual meeting as written, Judy Ruth seconded. A vote was taken and unanimously approved accepted for file.

#### Treasurers Financial Report- Tony DelSorbo, Treasurer

Ending balance as of November 30, 2022- \$45,694.60

Current balance in checking \$89,600., expenses for rally will be deducted from this balance. John Daubenmier made a motion to accept the Financial Report as presented, Stephen Ruster seconded. Vote was taken and unanimously approved.

#### Audit Report

March 28, 2023, Terry Richard and Fred Dudding filed an audit report. Mr. Dudding mentioned they did not notice any improprieties.

Bob Tucker a made a motion to accept the Audit Report, Bob Garcia seconded. A vote was taken and unanimously approved.

#### **Old Business**

Standing Rules & By-Laws Committed reviewed and update both documents to ensure compliance with FMCA National.

Bob Garcia made a motion to accept the By-Laws as written and presented by the Committee, Fred Dudding seconded the motion. Discussion took place, a vote was taken 15 approved and 3 abstained. The motion passes.

Les Naylor made a motion to change article X section A-1 regarding COMPOSITION of the Nominating committee, Bob Garcia seconded Current Nominating committee verbiage

"The committee shall consist of not less than three members of the Area, nominated and



elected by the Board of Directors. If the Nominating Committee is not elected at the annual

meeting, it may be elected as stipulated in Article VII, 1, of these bylaws. "

#### Proposed change to

"The nominating committee shall consist of the four area Vice Presidents."

Discussion took place, a vote was taken, and 16 approved, 1 abstained and 1 opposed. The motion passes.

After review of the proposed change by the FMCA National Constitution and By-Law Committee, we were advised this proposed change was not in compliance with FMCA National By-Laws.

Bev Garcia made a motion to accept the Standing Rules as written and presented by the Committee, Fred Dudding seconded the motion. Discussion took place, a vote was taken and unanimously approved.

#### **New Business**

1. GLAMA 2024

A motion to return to Darke County Fairgrounds June 5-9, 2024 was made by Judy Ruth and seconded by Fred Dudding. Discussion took place. A vote was taken 16 approved with 2 abstaining. The motion passes.

An amendment to the motion of return to Darke County subject to a review of the questioners, was made by Les Naylor and seconded by John Daubenmier. Discussion took place. A vote was taken 15 approved with 2 opposed and 1 abstaining. The motion

passes

2. No additional discussion of new business.

#### **Nominating Committee Report**

#### Nominations

- 1. Secretary, Pamela Richard nominated. No nominations from the floor, she is elected by Acclimation.
- 2. Treasurer, Tony Del Sorbo nominated. No nominations from the floor, he is elected by Acclimation.
- 3. Nominations Ohio Regional Vice President, Fred Dudding nominated. No nominations from the floor, he is elected by Acclimation.
- 4. Nominations Indiana Regional Vice President, Linda Murphy nominated. No nomination from the floor, she is elected by Acclimation.
- 5. Nominations for Senior Vice President, Mike Womer was nominated from the floor. Judy Ruth nominated Mike Womer, Les Naylor seconded, a vote was taken and unanimously approved.



Thank outgoing and welcome new incoming Executive Board

#### **Committee Appointments**

- 1. Nominating Committee appointed for 2023-2024- Linda Murphy, Judy Ruth, Fred Dudding and Stephen Richards
- 2. Financial Review Committee appointed for 2023-2024, Chairman Terry Richard, Fred Dudding & Teri Cline Committee.
- 2. By-Laws Committee appointed for 2023-2024, Chairman James Pavlinik, Pamela Richard, Ken Lewis and Les Naylor Committee.

#### Congratulations to GLAMA Chapters celebrating anniversaries during 2023 45 Years

Ontario Overlanders 2-17-78 Ohio Nomads 2-17-78 **10 Years** Ontario Great Lakers 4-27-13

With no additional business Ken Lewis adjourned the meeting

#### Meeting Adjourned 11:02

Respectfully submitted Pamela A. Richard, Secretary Great Lakes Area MotorCoach Association

Bob Tucker, National Director <u>bobtucker41@hotmail.com</u> 703-338-9749









## EDITOR'S CORNER

We all want to stay healthy or become healthier. So......

# Here is an EXERCISE FOR PEOPLE OVER 60

Begin by standing on a comfortable surface, where you have plenty of room at each side.

With a <u>5-lb potato bag</u> in each hand, extend your arms straight out from your sides and hold them there as long as you can. Try to reach a full minute, and then relax.

Each day you'll find that you can hold this position for just a bit longer.

After a couple of weeks, move up to <u>10-lb potato bags</u>. Then try <u>50-lb potato bags</u> and eventually try to get to where you can lift a <u>100-lb potato bag</u> in each hand and hold your arms straight for more than a full minute. **(I'm at this level).** 

After you feel confident at that level, put a potato in each bag.

Lois Tucker, Editor <u>lpt1@seidata.com</u> 703-362-4733



I have been asked to put this recipe in the newsletter.

## **†** PRETZEL SALAD **†**

Angie Althoff

c pretzels broken up
 1/2 c sugar
 stick margarine, melted
 8 oz cream cheese, softened

½ c sugar
8 oz cool whip
1 sm. can crushed pineapple, drained

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, <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> 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.

Judy thought a drink would be nice also.



All rally photos were taken by the Overbecks and Jeanette Jones





## MEMBERSHIP'S CORNER

Please let <u>us</u> know if your birthdays or anniversaries are incorrect.

July Birthdays	July Birthdays Con't
07/01 Renee Watkins	07/26 Tim Massie
07/03 Bill Betz	07/26 Mike Wagner
07/03 Bill Settles	
07/07 Debbie Adams	July Anniversaries
07/11 Linda Lewis	07/02 George and Della Dixon
07/14 Della Dixon	07/11 Mike and Cassie Womer
07/14 Sara Leiken	07/20 Ron and Stephanie Binz
07/19 Debbie Honeyman	07/20 DJ and Kris Jackson
07/22 Pam Massie	

Kay Dudding, Membership rev2by2@msn 937-232-5959





Sale for \$20. There could be an upcharge for larger sizes. Send your order to Judy Overbeck





## How About this?

# The Mysterious Deaths of 6 Historical Figures were Whom?

## AND THE SECOND ONE WAS?

Edgar Allan Poe, Mickey Mouse, Alexander the Great, Mozart Cisco Kid, Napoleon, Amelia Earhart, Adolf Hitler, Harry Truman, Christopher Marlowe

## Edgar Allan Poe — October 7, 1849



Edgar Allan Poe. Credit: Photos.com via Getty Images.

In 1849, <u>Edgar Allan Poe</u> disappeared for six days. When he turned up on October 3, near a pub in Baltimore, he was slurring his speech and wearing someone else's suit. A <u>good samaritan</u> noticed Poe acting oddly and sought help, summoning a friend of the writer's to the tavern. But by the time the friend arrived, Poe was delirious and had to be taken to the hospital. He lingered there for a few more days, wracked by a fever and hallucinations,

and occasionally calling out the name *Reynolds*. When the attending physician, Dr. John J. Moran, tried to ask Poe what had happened before he got to the tavern, Poe's "answers were incoherent and unsatisfactory," Moran later <u>wrote</u>. Four days after having mysteriously arrived in Baltimore, Poe just as mysteriously died.

The official cause of Poe's death is sometimes listed as phrenitis, or inflammation of the brain, but there was never any autopsy, and the medical records have disappeared. Newspapers of the day tied Poe's death to his drinking habits, but postmortem hair analysis has shown no trace of the lead commonly added to wine in the 19th century, suggesting that Poe was probably steering clear of drink at the end of his life (indeed, he had sworn to a new fiancée to give it up). A 1996 article in the *Maryland Medical Journal* blamed rabies, arguing that Poe suffered classic symptoms of the disease: tremors and hallucinations, a coma, and delirium that made him combative. Yet other accounts have posited the flu, a brain tumor, syphilis, or some kind of poisoning—even murder at the hands of his fiancée's brothers, who allegedly opposed his impending marriage.



Yet one of the more accepted explanations concerns a vicious type of voter fraud known as *cooping*. In 19th-century America, it was not unusual for gangs to kidnap men and force them to vote multiple times for one candidate, wearing different clothes each time as a disguise. The location where Poe was found on October 3 lends weight to the theory: The pub, Gunner's Hall, was then serving as a polling station in the 1849 Congressional elections. Voters at the time were also given alcohol in reward for doing their civic duty, which would explain Poe's drunkenness; the stranger's cheap suit could have been a disguise provided by a gang. Poe reportedly reacted badly to alcohol, so if he was dragged to multiple polling places and fed liquor each time, not to mention beaten as cooping victims often were, the combination may have been too much for him. The Edgar Allan Poe Society of Baltimore, however, points out one flaw in this theory: Poe was "reasonably well-known in Baltimore and likely to be recognized"—even in someone else's soiled clothes. We may never know the full story behind Poe's death, which seems not inappropriate for the master of the macabre.

## WHAT ABOUT A THIRD ONE?

Edgar Allan Poe, Mickey Mouse, Alexander the Great, Mozart Cisco Kid, Napoleon, Amelia Earhart, Adolf Hitler, Harry Truman, Christopher Marlowe



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