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PRESIDENT

Hope you have a good winter whether you stayed in the Tri-State, which at times resembled the frozen tundra, or snow birding in Florida or someplace warmer.

Thank you to Brenda & Larry Kinnett for hosting the TST Christmas Party for a second time. It was a fun time and well attended. Candice Rice has been doing an outstanding job organizing the monthly lunch get togethers. Thanks to all for stepping up and doing the lifting so Travelers can enjoy each other's fellowship.

Speaking of Rallies, Jan, I, and the dogs (of course) are starting the season early by going to the FRVA (FMCA) Perry Convention, it will be our first time, and we are looking forward to it. Let me know if you will be there and we can try to get together.

The Tri-State Travelers Rally season starts in April at Natural Springs. Looks like we have a good mix of annual stops and new locations. To highlight a few, in June immediately following GLAMA, we will have a joint rally with Hoosier Cruisers at Shipshewana. August has a road trip to Washington DC (College Park, Maryland) and we visit Sycamore Springs in October. So please check out the complete list in the newsletter and get them into your calendar.

While Fuzzy is our extraordinary Wagon Master, we are looking for members to continue to step forward and co-ordinate some of the rallies. You will not be flying solo as Fuzzy knows rallies and he is a great resource if you have questions. So please reach out to him. Also, Chuck is putting together a guide sheet for rally expenses to make the process easy to understand. It is never too early to start thinking of 2026 Rallies or where you think we should go next year?

Finally, this is all new to me and I freely admit I do not know what I do not know. I look forward to hearing your thoughts, suggestions, and even comments. Cannot promise we will solve all the problems in the world...but I can promise you will be heard.

Until next time, safe travels!

Kevin Betts, President



1ST VP (ACTIVITIES) CORNER

**Natural Springs Resort
New Paris, Ohio
April 23-27, 2025**

Welcome to 2025's camping year! We have another fun year planned. We will be visiting both new campgrounds as well as some tried and true favorites.

The first camping event this year is Natural Springs. A great resource to peruse for activities in the area is visitus@visitrichmond.org for the official visitor's guide. This booklet is full of all kinds of things to do and see. It might be worth your while to enjoy planning ahead of time. It consists of shopping, arts and crafts, recreation, family fun, and culinary.

Some favorites visited in the past are

New Paris Antique Mall

Fountain City Amish Market

Wayne Historical Museum

Chocolate Trail

National Model T Museum Warm

CandleGlow

Enjoy finding your own interests!

Sylvia Marshall VP Activities



2nd VP (FOOD) CORNER

Nothing to Report this month.

Connie Ashby & Assistants, Food



3rd Vice President (Wagon Master)

Please start thinking about the 2026 rallies and sponsor one at a place you have been to that would be new to us. You don't have to do it alone, pair up with your friends!

Mike Fuzzy Overbeck, Wagon Master





TREASURER'S CORNER

During the months of January and February we had an income of \$110.00 from dues and new members. There were no expenses.

Charles J. Marshall, Jr., Secretary



SECRETARY'S CORNER

Nothing to report.

Jan Betts, Secretary

Cindy's note: June – Glama an/or Shipshewana

We hope many will be attending Glama this year in Michigan. Whether you are or not, please plan to attend Tri-State's June outing in Shipshewana, Indiana. Remember there is the largest outdoor flea market held every Tuesday and Wednesday in Shipshewana.

Tri-State will be hosting an outing at the Shipshewana Campground-South Park June 8th through June 13th. Please call the campground to make your reservations (260-768-4669) and request a Tri-State Travelers camp site. More information will be provided at Natural Springs and in the next newsletter.

Cindy

***Some guy broke into our house last week.
He didn't even take the TV.
He just took the remote control.
Now he drives by and changes channels on us.***



RALLY REGISTRATION FORM

NATURAL SPRINGS RV RESORT

500 S. Washington St. New Paris, Ohio 45347

REGISTRATION DEADLINE APRIL 11TH

APRIL 23rd-26th 2025

Members Name _____ Co-Pilot _____
 FMCA# _____ Phone# _____
 Coach/Towable Make _____ Length ___ 50amp_30amp___
 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 Full Hook Up Sites \$50.00 per night \$ _____
 Rally Fee (per person @\$10.00) Count \$ _____
 Total: \$ _____

Please Make Check Payable to: Tri-State Travelers

Please Mail Check and Completed Form To: Chuck Marshall
 469 Bending Branch Lane
 Miamisburg, Ohio 45342



RALLY REGISTRATION FORM
2 RIVERS CAMPGROUND
REGISTRATION DEADLINE APRIL 28TH
MAY 07th-10th 2025

Members Name _____ Co-Pilot _____

FMCA# _____ Phone# _____

Coach/Towable Make _____ Length ___ 50amp ___ 30amp ___

Towing a Car? Yes ___ No ___

Arrive: AM ___ PM ___

Pull Through Site _____ Back In Site _____

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

Wed, Thu, Fri & Sat Full Hook Ups \$45.00 per night \$ _____

Rally Fee (per person @ \$10.00) Count ___ \$ _____

Total: \$ _____

Please Make Check payable to: Tri-State Travelers

Please Mail Check and Completed Form To: Chuck Marshall

469 Bending Branch Ln

Miamisburg, OH 45342

Location Address: 200 2nd St. Carrollton, KY 41008



Tri-State Travelers 2025 Rally/Event Schedule

<u>Jan - Feb</u>	<u>Winter Dinner</u>	<u>TST</u>
<u>Jan 15 - 19</u>	<u>RV Super Show</u> <u>Tampa, FL</u>	
<u>Mar 12 - 15</u>	<u>FMCA's 110th Int'l Convention</u> <u>Perry, GA</u> <u>Register on FMCA</u>	<u>FMCA</u>
<u>Apr 23 - 27</u>	<u>Natural Springs Resort</u> <u>New Paris, OH</u> <u>Reservations due, see form Enclosed</u>	<u>TST</u>
<u>May 07 - 10</u>	<u>Two Rivers</u> <u>Carrolton, KY</u> <u>Reservations due, see form Enclosed</u>	<u>TST</u>
<u>Jun 04 - 8</u>	<u>GLAMARAMA 2024</u> <u>Register on FMCA</u>	<u>GLAMA</u>
<u>Jun 08 - 13</u>	<u>Shipshewana</u>	<u>TST</u>
<u>July 16 - 19</u>	<u>Olive Branch</u>	<u>TST</u>
<u>Aug 17 - 24</u>	<u>Cherry Hill Campground</u> <u>College Park, MD</u>	<u>TST</u>
<u>Sept 10 - 14</u>	<u>Lively Lady Campground</u> <u>Aberdeen, OH</u>	<u>TST</u>
<u>Oct 15 - 18</u>	<u>Sycamore Springs</u>	<u>TST</u>
<u>Nov TBD</u>	<u>Follow The River RV Resort</u> <u>Florence, IN</u>	<u>TST</u>



National Director:

If the weather just cooperates (COLD AND SNOW) we hope to attend the Family RV Association (FMCA) rally in Perry, GA. (Hope that I can remember the new name). Hope to see some of you there. I have included a letter from Paul Mitchell.

A request for chapter national directors to nominate candidates for the Family RV Association Review Council is included in this mailing. The deadline for nominations is April 30, 2025. See the enclosed Nomination Form. (See Bob Tucker, bobtucker41@hotmail.com for forms.)

Family RV Association's Review Council members will be evaluating the demographics of the areas in 2025. See the enclosed flier for additional information. Don't miss this opportunity for your voice to be heard. (See Bob Tucker, bobtucker41@hotmail.com for forms or information.)

Have you made plans to join us yet for FRVA's 110th International Convention and RV Expo scheduled for March 12-15, 2025, at the Georgia National Fairgrounds and Agricenter in Perry, Georgia? To register, use the form included (See Bob Tucker, bobtucker41@hotmail.com for forms.), visit www.fmca.com/fmca-perry-2025-learn-more, or call the Events Department at 513-474-3622 or 800-543-3622.

Chapter Fair, Parade, and Chapterfest in Perry! Be sure to register your chapter to participate in the Chapter Fair being held on Tuesday, March 11, 2025, in Perry. Please reach out to chapters@fmca.com to register and reserve your table.

Family RV Association will hold the "Walk the Plank" Parade leading into the Chapterfest on Thursday during the upcoming Perry convention. If your chapter would like to participate, please contact the Chapter Services Department. Chapter members can wear the same color shirts and join the parade - walk as a group! Ride in your decorated golf cart! Wear your hats, carry your chapter banner, and just have fun!

At each convention, the Family RV Association endeavors to give back to the community by adopting a charitable organization through our FMCA Driven To Care program.



For Perry, we have chosen the HALO Group. They are a vocational and life skills program elevating adults with disabilities through community relationships to maximize their independence and lifelong growth.

To help raise money for the charity, the Family RV Association hosts two main activities.

One is the Magic Mile Fun Run/Walk that will take place on Friday, March 14. Participants pay \$10 to gather with other attendees and walk or run a one-mile course around fairgrounds. This activity gives folks a nice start to their day.

The second of our primary fundraisers is the Driven To Care Silent Auction. There are two ways to participate. Chapters, exhibitors, and individuals are encouraged to donate items fellow RVers would like to have. Examples could be things for the RV, gift cards, packaged food, and drink, etc. The second way is by bidding on the donated items.

Bids will be taken Wednesday through Friday, March 12 through 14, at the Information Center in the McGill Marketplace. At 5:00 p.m. on Friday, bids will close and those with the winning bids will pay for and pick up their items.

We thank you for keeping up to date with information to share with your chapters and fellow Family RV Association members. Until next time,

Paul G. Mitchell
National President

My personal note: Please note that just about all clubs have decreased in numbers. For example, The Ramblin Pusher's Maintenance Session in Goshen, IN Fairgrounds has opened their club to all RVs now. It is a place to learn more and more things about your RV. The Family RV Association seems to be having some issues as well. Monaco International Association's number at their Balloon Fiesta has gone down considerably. The Balloon Fiesta is something all should have on their Bucket List. We may go for the 4th time this year.

I want to add that I will not be able to go to Gillette again this year to represent the TST. If you are going, please consider representing the TST while you are there. Let the club know as they must send confirmation of the change to The Family RV Association. Thank you a head of time.

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Bob Tucker, National Director



EDITOR'S CORNER

It's exciting. We have this outstanding club, and we keep busy eating, going to monthly rallies, and having great fellowships. Give the Officers a pat on their backs for volunteering for the offices our club needed to fill.

Here are some facts about the month of March:

- ***Birthstones: March has two birthstones: aquamarine and bloodstone. Aquamarine is the traditional birthstone, and bloodstone is an alternative.***
- ***Birth flower: The birth flower for March is the daffodil, which is associated with new beginnings and rebirth.***
- ***Name: March comes from the Roman word Martius, which was named after Mars, the Roman god of war.***
- ***Holidays: March holidays include Mardi Gras, St. Patrick's Day, and the vernal equinox.***
- ***International Women's Day: International Women's Day is celebrated on March 8th.***
- ***Ides of March: In Shakespeare's Julius Caesar, "beware the ides of March" is a warning given to Caesar about the day he was assassinated, March 15th.***
- ***Spring: March is the first month of spring, which begins between March 19-21.***
- ***Hibernation: March is when animals start to wake up from hibernation.***
- ***Hemispheres: In the Southern Hemisphere, March is the same as September in the Northern Hemisphere.***
- ***Weeks: Each year March and June end on the same day of the week.***



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MEMBERSHIP'S CORNER

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

Jan, Feb & March Birthdays	Jan, Feb & Mar BDs Con't
01/04 Becky Davis	03/22 Judy Overbeck
01/12 Wally Braden	03/23 Fred Dudding
01/16 Fuzzy Overbeck	03/30 Clark Meece
02/03 Sylvia Marshall	03/31 Karla Pugh
02/05 Shane Braden	
02/15 Missy Blair	Jan, Feb, & Mar Anniversaries
02/16 Debbie Schmidt	01/25 Charles Brinkman & Janet
02/19 Larry Davis	02/01 Michael & Vicki Longanecker
02/22 Linda Hoelscher	02/10 Bill & Treasa Betz
02/26 Brenda Betcher	02/14 Herb & Connie Ashby
03/14 Jeff O'Connor	02/22 Alan & Jeanette Jones
03/15 Jack Morgan	02/28 Greg & Marian Oswald
03/16 Stephanie Binz	03/03 Kevin & Jan Betts
03/18 Kris Jackson	03/16 Joe & Alice Molter
03/21 Karen Gadzala	03/21 Clark & Sharon Meece
03/21 Ken Lewis	03/31 Larry & Brenda Kinnett

TST has several new members - Please give them a great welcoming.

Paul & Debbie Schmidt

Clark & Sharon Meece

Tori (Victoria) Stein and Scott Geesaman

Brenda Betcher

Kevin & Karen O'Brien

Judy Overbeck, Membership



Facts Can be Trivia

Trivia

Alcohol Is An Antidote To Poisoning By What?

Rattlesnake Venom
Antifreeze
Strychnine
Bleach

Answer: Antifreeze

Ethylene glycol is the primary ingredient in automotive antifreeze and a cause of accidental poisoning in children and household pets due to its sweet taste. The source of the toxicity isn't necessarily the compound itself, but the metabolites thereof. In the body, ethylene glycol starts off by producing neurological and gastrointestinal symptoms (similar to alcohol poisoning), but then shifts to problems such as hyperventilation, metabolic acidosis, cardiovascular dysfunction, and eventual kidney failure as it is broken down into glycolic and oxalic acids.

Fortunately, if the patient is treated quickly enough, treatment is usually successful, and the patient almost always makes a full recovery. The two primary treatments used in ethylene glycol poisoning cases are fomepizole and ethanol (as in grain alcohol). Both treatments work on the same principle: both compounds compete with the ethylene glycol for alcohol dehydrogenase (an enzyme required for the metabolization of ethylene glycol and ethanol). Because ethanol has a higher affinity for the enzyme than ethylene glycol (by a magnitude of roughly 100 times), the ethanol quickly binds with all the available enzyme and the ethylene glycol is blocked from breaking down into glycoaldehyde, which prevents further degradation into highly toxic glycolic acid and oxalic acid.