



Eastern Area Motorhome Association



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EAMA President's Message

Greetings!

I am so excited to have been elected as your new Eastern Area Vice President! We have such a great area, and as a team, we can have one of the best area rallies known in FMCA! With two months of my first term completed, there is still much to be accomplished.

Thank you to all who attended our Annual Meeting on Zoom! Getting acclimated to Zoom is a learning curve within itself. There will be more Zoom meetings to come, and if you would like to implement this type of meeting with your chapter or region, don't hesitate to reach out and we can get you started. Many thanks to our outgoing officers: Senior Vice President Maxine Schremp, Northern Regional Vice President Tom Hoffmeier; Secretary Elaine Mills; and, of course, Past AVP Bill Mallory. Your new board is:

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Deadline for chapter certification is December 31st. Secretaries should have received the appropriate documents to update and submit either by mail or online. Please note that if your chapter was unable to have an annual meeting this year, you can submit a waiver.

Congratulations to the following chapters who had anniversaries this year: Colonial Virginians 30 years; First State Travelers 15 years; Eastern Gourmands 15 years; Eastern Area Mah Jongg 5 years; Allegheny Mountain 45 years; Hokie Travelers 15 years; and KY Horse Shu Kru 35 years.

If you haven't added me to your newsletter distribution list, please do so. I love reading about your fun times!! If I can ever assist you, please call or email me.

Protech, FMCA's new computer system, has been installed, and the staff worked really hard and continuously to get it up and running with few problems. Also, please log onto our new FMCA website and learn to maneuver around. Everything you need to know is there! Forms, officer descriptions, benefits, education, forums, magazine, and even stuff to purchase! If you have any questions, please ask. Speaking of websites, we are checking into something new for the Eastern Area as the current one is really outdated.

On October 1st, we went live with our new FMCAssist Medical Emergency and Travel Assistance Program, powered by Europ Assistance, and underwritten by Federal Insurance Company, a member insurer of the Chubb Group of Companies. The new program is very similar to our old one, with a few more advantages; coverage starts 75 miles away from home instead of 100, and it includes emergency cash and accidental death and dismemberment benefits! Input these phone numbers in your phone under ICE 877-352-0785 (USA), 877.350.3532 (Canada), or 202.659.7803 (call collect outside the USA). As before, it's simple as 1-2-3: Dial 911; Confer with the medical team; Call Europ Assistance (FMCAssist). If you would like a PowerPoint presentation for your chapter, please contact me. Also, our Regional VPs will be able to perform a presentation.

"Another Day in Perrydisse" registration has opened! Just the name promises to be a fun-filled time decorating your coach, dressing up, and enjoying a great time with friends!! Remember the dates: March 10-13, 2021, in Perry, Georgia RV Basics will be March 7-9, and RV Driving School classes will be available March 3 through 8. We remain hopeful of attending.

Summer 2021 in Gillette, Wyoming, will be our 103rd International Convention. Mark your calendars for July 7-10. Hot fun in the summertime!!

Last, but not least, is "Almost Heaven, West Virginia Rally" September 29th-October 2nd, departing on Sunday, October 3. If you would like to volunteer, we have a place for you!!

Advertise your chapter! Have a rally coming up? Advertise it in the magazine and on the website. Pictures from your last rally? Write about your special events, fun times, and submit it to FMCA. Participate in the Chapter Fairs and Block Parties. The next person you meet may be your newest BFF! All of our chapters can use more friends!!

To protect our chapters, FMCA and ourselves, a [waiver](#) has been created for chapters and areas to use for individual events, and members can sign one document for all 2020 through 2021 chapter events. Please review this document recently sent to you and let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Education is extremely important to me, and providing you with all the tools you need to make each chapter successful also makes our Eastern Area one of the best! There will be other topics of education coming soon. If you have an idea of what you would like to learn, let me know and we'll make it happen.

This year has had its challenges, changes, a different way of life. Through this, we can become stronger together.

With the holidays fast approaching, I hope for you all good health, good friends, joyous times, family times, and blessings.

HAVE FUN WHEREVER YOU ROAM!!

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