

Cactus Chronicle

Arizona Chapter FMCA "A Family Oriented RV Club" Amigos Del Camino Friends of the Road February 2022

FROM THE PRESIDENT

GEORGIA MOSES

I am sorry to have to report to our membership that Sharon and Art Simpson have resigned as Wagon Masters for our RV Group. They have planned our rallies during difficult times, both personally for them and in general, throughout their term of office. They have us all set up for rallies through our April (end of our "season") rally and they plan to join us when they can while devoting more time to their family. We look forward to seeing them at rallies in the future.

Which brings me around to upcoming elections for our Chapter. Open positions are President, 2nd VP Membership, Wagon Master, and Secretary. Most of us currently in office have served our Chapter for the past three years due to Covid, and we're ready for new members to step forward. I asked last month for volunteers for the nominating committee and got no response. I'm sure everyone understands that with no members stepping up to help lead the Chapter there will be no chapter to enjoy. We all enjoy the benefits of membership and with that we have responsibilities to help the Chapter as needed. I can't make this any plainer there will be no one to plan rallies and social events and no organization to learn from and enjoy if no one comes forward.

I have always subscribed to the concept of people who have time, energy and new ideas stepping forward and nominating themselves. I can only imagine that many of you have said to yourself, "I would have done that differently," or something similar, and that's okay - you probably could have or would have. So now is the time to put your ideas to work. Our elections are held during the April rally — this year in Hope, Arizona at the Ramblin' Roads RV Park, so make your reservations now. Sandra and Louis Parker are Rally Hosts and need volunteers to help with signups and at the rally, so please call them as soon as possible to volunteer.

We look forward to seeing you in April, Safe Travels, Georgia and Dave



WAGON MASTER REPORT

ART & SHARON SIMPSON

Rally Schedule for Winter Spring of 2022

We had an interesting, flexible New Years Eve Rally in Casa Grande. Very little went as planned, but we did have fun. For the first time since before Covid we had a room and it was good, since it was a cold and rainy weekend. Everyone did at least one task item for the weekend and made lighter workloads for all. Many thanks to Woodworth's and Noteman's for taking full responsibility for two breakfasts. We really appreciate your hard work.

March 26–29, 2022

FMCA International Rally Individually register at: FMCA.com/fmca-event-registration

Pima Fair Grounds

If someone wants to step up and coordinate an Arizona Chapter Rally within Rally we can have one otherwise this will be a no host event. This means we may gather for social hour a couple of times.

Expect more information from Grace and Dan Fogarty regarding volunteering duties, arrival information and assignments. Rally Master: None.

April 7 - 10, 2022

Thursday through Sunday Ramblin' Roads RV Resort, Hope, AZ Rally Masters: Louis and Sandra Parker More information coming later.

2ND VP & MEMBERSHIP RICH TALMON

I would like to take this time to thank Roberta Ernest for creating the AZFMCA/ FACEBOOK PAGE.

Some of the members that attended the New Years rally held in Casa Grande posted their photos of the rally on AZFMCA/ FACEBOOK page.

That allowed me too download and copy the photos to our chapter website to create a photo folder.

Our membership has dropped from 79 in 2021 to 58 in 2022, mainly because of the Covid scare I believe; hopefully, we will regain new members in the near future.

Respectfully submitted, Richard Talmon Second Vice President/Membership



TREASURER REPORT AS OF FEBRUARY 7, 2022

JUDITH TALMON

Savings account

as of 12/15/2021	\$ 7,004.90
Interest earned	0.12
Balance 2/7/2022	\$ 7,005.02

Checking account

as of 12/15/2021	\$ 2,797.27
Memberships	+ 585.00
Go Daddy Web Domain	20.34
Go Daddy(w/tax)	28.22
Balance 12/15/2021	\$ 3,333.71

At the request of our Members we will now accept Zelle for payment of dues. Please use azfmca.membership@gmail.com as the email address.

Save time, envelopes and postage use Zelle to pay your dues.

Stay safe Respectfully submitted Judith Talmon Treasurer



SECRETARY REPORT

SANDRA PARKER

We are half way through the 2021 - 2022 rally season.

Louis and I will be unable to attend the rally at Lake Havasu. Please post photos on our group's facebook page so that we can see how much fun we are missing.

Louis and I are the Rally Masters for the April rally. We are looking for committee members to assist us. If you would like to volunteer, please send us an email at: lep3rd@aol.com or Landsparker2009@gmail.com.

The April rally is the last one for the 2021 - 2022 season.

Sandra Parker AZ FMCA Chapter Secretary



NATIONAL DIRECTOR

DAN FOGARTY

Please mark your calendars for FMCA's 104th International Convention and RV Expo, "Saguaros and Sunsets," scheduled to take place March 23-26, 2022, in Tucson, Arizona. FMCA will be hosting a Chapter Fair on Wednesday March 23, 2022, in Tucson, and Chapter Block Parties will take place on Thursday March 24, 2022, beginning at 5:00 p.m. If your chapter registers to participate with a table at Chapter Fair AND agrees to host a Block Party, FMCA will give the chapter \$75 to purchase snacks, drinks, decorations, etc. for your Block Party. You will be provided an FMCAassigned confirmation number once you register, which will allow you to participate in the Chapter Fair and pick up the \$75. We encourage you to sign up to participate in the Chapter Fair and to host a Chapter Block Party in Tucson! Registration will open in January 2022! If you have any questions, please contact Chapter Services staff at chapters@fmca.com or 800-543-3622. We look forward to seeing you there! You must register for the Chapter Fair before March 4, 2022, and no registrations will be taken on site.



COVID-19 waiver. With the ongoing health concerns related to COVID-19, FMCA requires that every rally attendee sign this Waiver and Release from Liability form to attend any rally. Rally organizers and attendees, please use this link for the release form, https://www.fmca.com/pdfs/ FMCA Chapter And Area Covid Waiver.p df. The health and safety of FMCA members remains our priority, and we encourage you to check with the rally facility and/or hosts to see whether the rally is still scheduled as planned. FMCA follows protocols required by applicable government bodies, the Sponsor, and/or venue. Following the rally, please mail the forms to the FMCA National Office, ATTN: Penny Gortemiller, 8291 Clough Pike, Cincinnati, OH 45244.

Safe travels.

I look forward to seeing you at the next FMCA event. Dan Fogarty

Joke of the Month

My teenage son said he wanted to go camping so we could spend time together. I was thrilled!

... Until I realized we'd be camping at Best Buy so we could buy a PS5 tomorrow morning.



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COMMERCIAL MEMBERS

We are very fortunate to have Commercial Members in the AZ Chapter and we encourage you to support their businesses whenever possible. Our commercial members are:

AFFINITY RV

3197 Willow Creek Rd, Prescott, AZ 86301 928-445-7910 or <u>www.affinityrv.com</u>

ROBERT CRIST & COMPANY RV 2025 E Main St., Mesa, AZ 85213 480-834-0410 or <u>www.rvsrfun.com</u>

RV WORLD 5875 E Gila Ridge Rd, Yuma, AZ 85365 800-762-7448 or <u>www.rvworldyuma.com</u>



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