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The President's Message



We are still in the midst of winter (even in Florida) and hoping for spring to arrive early!

I made it back from California and seemed to stay behind the rain and snow but certainly was the recipient of the cold temperatures (certainly cold for this Florida resident).

My message is important since we have another election coming up in September and it is imperative that members realize 'WITHOUT VOLUNTEERS TO DO THE TASKS, WE WILL NOT HAVE A CHAPTER'. We have several key positions to vote on and stepping up to run for office is a good thing. President, Executive Secretary, Treasurer, Director, and Alternate Director, as well as VPs for several regions will be on the ballot. There are positions on the Nominating Committee too. All of these are elected jobs and need candidates to fill them. If you are in one of these positions, the nominating committee (and me) will need to know if you are willing to continue. We already have vacant VP positions that have not been filled for a few years, and, again, without these leaders, our chapter will not be able to continue.

*I know you are all concerned about our financial support from Roadtrek Motorhomes. Even without them, we can survive but without the leaders we need for continued chapter activities, we will be in difficult times. **Many of our rallies are 'self paying and the extra money we have been giving to support them may be short lived (we are fine for this year and probably next).** Rallies are a group of RTs getting together to learn from each other and enjoy the camaraderie of our 'family'. If each member recruited one new member, we will continue to be the largest chapter of FMCA.*

I love my Roadtrek as most of you do too! Let's stick together and make it work!

Sherry Targum,

President RTI



MEMBER INFO AND NEWS

CHAPTER WEB SITE
www.roadtrekchapter.org

Co-Webmasters: *Hank Seamon, Tom Axel, Leslie Connelly*

CyberRally– if you wish to join, rejoin, or leave , please contact **moderators@roadtrekchapter.org**

(Include your full name, FMCA # & email address)

See <http://www.roadtrek.com/locators/> for a comprehensive list of Roadtrek dealers.

In Memory Of

Carolyn McIntyre (F8 400235) died on Nov. 20, 2018 following a 2+ yr. battle with pancreatic cancer. She lived and traveled in her RV for several years before getting sick and always spoke very highly of this organization.

If you learn of the death of a Roadtrek Chapter member, please contact the Editor or Chapter Secretary. We never like to receive this news, but neither do we want to ignore the loss of a member.



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****PLEASE SUBMIT COPY FOR THE NEXT ISSUE BY April 15****

Send Roadtrek chapter history updates to Historian Larry Brown warthog138@yahoo.com

EXPERIENCED ROADTREKS FOR SALE

For immediate attention for your ad email webadmin@roadtrekchapter.org which will displayed on the website which can be viewed by non RTI members,

or

Email ad to the EDITOR (see address on front or last page) **by the middle of the month preceding** publication. (ex February 15 for the March/April issue). *Please include Roadtrek year, model number and name (e.g. 2004 – 190 Versatile), chassis manufacturer, engine size, color, mileage, options, etc. Be sure to provide your name, phone number, email address and state.*

Your ad will run for one issue only, but you may send it in again for the next bi-monthly issue.

Attention—Attention—Attention

The contact person for Solos:

Kitte Phillips
Rtsolotrekks@comcast.net

UPCOMING FMCA EVENTS

- Mar 13-16, 2019 99th Int'l Convention– Perry GA
- June 5-8, 2019 Great Lakes Area– Allegan MI
- June 6-9, 2019 Northwest Area– Albany OR
- Aug 14-17, 2019 100th Int'l Convention– Minot ND
- Sept 18-21, 2019 South Central Area– Shreveport LA
- ~~Oct 2-6, 2019 Eastern Area– York PA~~ **Cancelled**
- Oct 21-25, 2019 INTO Area– Myrtle Beach SC
- Oct 17-20, 2019 Rocky Mountain Area—Tucson AZ

Please send ALL newsletter inputs to rtnewsletter@135nav.com.



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WILL McLEAN MUSIC FESTIVAL
SERTOMA YOUTH RANCH
Brooksville, FL.
March 8-10, 2019
By Dave Gottdiner

If you like folk music you can join us at the Will McLean Music Festival, March 8-10-2019 at Sertoma Youth Ranch, Brooksville, FL. Go to the web site WillMcLean.com to learn all you need to know about the Festival. Order your tickets online and save \$45 online \$50 at the gate. Go to **Music Festival info** for ordering event ticket. You cannot make reservation for camping as it is first come first serve. Camping cost is \$25 per night. **Cash or Check only.** The campground has Water, Electric, Showers and a Dump on site. **We will meet at the campground on March 6th to make sure we get a site.** Social hour 4-6pm Wednesday and Thursday with snacks. I need a list of who is coming so the volunteers can help plan for us to park together so please email me at dag7196@gmail.com with your name and cell number. I will email you updates as we get closer to the event. Region Five members Anita and Dean Dolbeck are volunteers coordinators at the Festival.

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FMCA 99th INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTON & RV EXPO
Perry, GA
March 13-16, 2019

Go to <https://site.fmca.com/> for more details.

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SILVER SPRINGS MEET & GREET RALLY
April 16-19-2019
By Dave Gottdiner

Silver Springs Meet & Greet rally. The new format has been very successful. We have enjoyed some very good interaction with members. First day registration and social. Second day AM Technology seminars and afternoon Sunshine State RV, service and Q&A followed with BBQ dinner. Third day AM Show & Tell, with Q&A Session. We want to encourage Roadtrek members to share their experiences with others and you will have plenty of free time to tour the area.

Your rally fee, to be paid at registration on Tuesday April 16, is \$15 per person. Tuesday, Pizza, Wednesday, and Thursday dinners will be catered. The site fee is \$24.30 per night including tax & fees to be paid directly to Wilderness RV Resort when you register for the rally. **Please call Wilderness RV Resort direct, and tell them you are with the (Roadtrek rally), to make your reservations.** Their phone number is **352-625-1122**. They are located at **2771 NE 102 Ave. Rd, Silver Springs, FL 34488**. Wilderness RV Resort will assign your site. Roadtrek Dealer Sunshine State RV, Nick Schmidt will have Roadtreks on display Wednesday PM, and a tech available to do minor repairs. Sunshine State RV, Nick Schmidt, is

sponsoring a BBQ dinner.
We also need to know if you are coming so we can advise the caterer for meals.
Please confirm to Dave Gottdiner, dag7196@gmail.com, with your FMCA # Name, email address, cell #, model name, and year of your Roadtrek. Example (pop 210, 2014)
Please email your suggestions for this rally to Dave Gottdiner at dag7196@gmail.com.

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NOCCALULA FALLS RALLY
Gadsden, AL
April 30-May 3, 2019
By Woodie & Beth McCormack

Region 1 invites you to Noccalula Falls Park and Campground located at 1600 Noccalula Rd., Gadsden, Alabama. Check out their website at www.cityofgadsden.com or www.noccalulafallspark.com for more information about the park. Contact the campground to make your reservation. The phone number is 256-543-7412.

Twenty sites have been reserved and you can start registering anytime. Be sure to mention that you will be a participant in the Roadtrek rally. Sites are \$22.67 per night. A minimal rally fee will be collected at check in.

After you make your reservation, please contact: Sally Hearne at frizelle43@live.com with your name, city, state, FMCA #, email address, cell phone #, site #, and number attending in your rig. If this will be the first Roadtrek rally you have ever attended, please let us know so a name badge can be ordered for you.

More details will be forthcoming in future newsletters.

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TOPSAIL HILL PRESERVE STATE PARK
Santa Rosa, FL
May 7 to 9, 2019
By Mark Engebritson

This 1,640-acre park features pristine beaches, freshwater coastal dune lakes, old-growth longleaf pine forests and wetlands.

Evidence from midden mounds (discarded debris from Native American communities) and a large mound adjacent to the park indicate that Native Americans fished, hunted and camped here.

From the late 1800s to the mid-1900s, workers from the Quarters Turpentine Village turpented old-growth longleaf pines in forests now part of Topsail Hill. <https://www.floridastateparks.org/park-history/Topsail-Hill>
The last time www.ReserveAmerica.com or 800-326-3521 was checked for the date of the rally the park was **FULL**.

This could change so continue to check for the dates of the rally with Reserve America. If you have a site for these dates and change your mind about attending LET ME KNOW. Do not just cancel at Reserve America.

If you can get a site the best site location for our group



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is sites 25 thru 56! As the date gets closer we will email an Agenda out to everyone.

Email Mark @ mengebritson@gmail.com with

- Name & FMCA #
email address • cell#
Model and year of your RT. Ex '14 210 Popular

Any suggestions- email Mark.

APPLE BLOSSOM TIME IN ALLEGAN

Allegan, MI

June 5-8, 2019

FMCA Great Lakes Area Rally

We hope that you will join us for Apple Blossom Time in Allegan. We hope to have a nice contingent of Roadtreks at the FMCA Great Lakes area rally. This should be a beautiful time of year in Michigan and a great area to explore. The 2019 GLAMARAMA Rally (FMCA Great Lakes Area Rally) will take place June 5-8 at the Allegan County Fairgrounds in Allegan, Michigan. The rally fee includes: 4 nights camping with water and electric, 3 nights of entertainment (Including a 60's night and Mo-town),

Lots of vendors and dealers offering the latest RV necessities

Vendor bucks

Games and book exchange

Picnic lunch

Ice cream social

Pancake and sausage breakfast

They are also offering a golf outing and an all day tour (\$)

We are also hoping that some of you will join us for the Ladies Tea (\$4). We will plan to sit together.

For more information on the FMCA Apple Blossom Time at GLAMARAMA go to glamaramarally.blogspot.com If you would like to join those of us coming in already on JUNE 4TH, sign up for early arrival. (Add \$30.00 to the registration fee for the extra night.) Based on attendance and interest more Roadtrek activities may be added.

**** Registration requires two parts ***

1. Register for the FMCA GLAMARAMA Great Lakes Rally at FMCA.com and under EVENTS click on REGISTRATION. Then either register online or click the pdf to print your registration form for the Apple Blossom Time at Allegan Rally. The registration form is also available on P. 93 of the February issue of the FMCA Magazine. (Or call: 800-843-3622.) FMCA registration cost goes up after May 18th. When you register with FMCA Great Lakes, be sure to pay FMCA for the rally fee. Note if you have special needs and Indicate that you are a part of the Roadtrek group.

2. Complete the Registration Form in the Roadtrek Newsletter and mail it to David and Karen McGivern, M309 Co. RD. T, Marshfield, WI 54449. Or e-mail the same information to: witraveler@gmail.com. (Please put "Michigan Rally" on the subject line.)

Note : You may wish to attend this rally and then travel on

with us to the Memphis Belle -Wright Patterson AF Museum rally in Ohio the following week.

MEMPHIS BELLE

Wright Patterson Air Force Museum

June 10 - 13, 2019

By Don & Maria Hatfield

Join us to see the iconic and completely restored Memphis Belle. The Boeing B-17 Memphis Belle is on display in the WWII Gallery in Dayton, Ohio. The Memphis Belle was the first heavy bomber to return to the U.S. after completing 25 combat missions over Europe during WWII. Also take the whole day to visit free guided tours of the Korea & South-east Asia gallery, Cold War Gallery and the Space, Research & Development, and the Presidential Gallery. The Air Force Museum has a café where you can have lunch and a theater. All attendees will have the freedom to visit each of the galleries and stay the whole day on your own. We will be camping at the Greene County Fairgrounds in Xenia, OH. Check-in will be Monday, June 10, from 1:00-4:00 pm followed by a pot-luck dinner. Pulled pork will be provided for the pot luck on Tuesday. There will be a continental breakfast and coffee each morning of the rally. On Tuesday, we will caravan to the Air Force Museum in Dayton, OH. It will be a full day at the Air Force Museum and dinner on your own. On Wednesday, feel free to visit other area attractions before a catered dinner. Thursday is farewell day.

The campground has only limited water available on sites 121-140 and each attendee should be prepared Please let me know if you require a site with water, as I will be assigning the camping sites.

Rally fee will be \$175.00 for rigs with single person and \$200.00 for rigs with 2 people. The camping fee is included in the rally fee. For those wishing to come early, the fee is \$30.00 per night. Send all rally fees and registration no later than Friday, May 17, to:

Send complete registration and rally fees to:

Don Hatfield

4751 Fox Run PL

Lebanon, OH 45036

513-633-6722

rtingopa@gmail.com

CHAPTER RALLY REGION 7

June 24-28, 2019

Return to Eureka Springs

By Phyllis and John Slaughter

Eureka Springs a picturesque town with historic Victorian buildings built among the hills in the Ozark Mountains of Arkansas. We had a fun rally there in 2011. The campground will be the same and we are doing some of the same places but, also, doing some different things and



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places. We will visit Turpentine Creek Wildlife Refuge, take a boat ride on Beaver Lake Basin, tour the underground Eureka Springs, tour the wood and glass Thorncrowne Chapel and explore the town via trolley. We will have lunch at Myrtie Mae's who has been feeding the citizens since the 1920's. Monday we will open with pot luck. More evening meals and activities are planned. Read more about the rally and register at region7rally.org

The fee includes 4 nights camping, 1 catered dinner, 1 lunch, 4 continental breakfasts, and activities listed above and on the web.

\$260 for one person one Roadtrek

\$360 for two people one Roadtrek

\$100 for a third person

For questions, email phyllis.slaughter@gmail.com

CHAPTER RALLY REGION 2

September 9-13, 2019

By Shirley Clark

Our Region 2 chapter rally is being held at a luxury campground (Normandy Farms) between Boston & Cape Cod. There is much to see in the area and much to do at the campground. In addition to the typical campground facilities there are three pools including an indoor pool, a fitness Center, wellness Center, sauna and Jacuzzi. There are 23 miles of bike trails looping through the adjacent Foxboro State Forest. There is also a tennis court.

For those who want to explore the area there is much to do. The campground is 30 miles from Boston where you can walk the Freedom Trail viewing unique historical sites and 50 miles from Cape Cod where you can enjoy the salty air while having a romantic ocean side dinner. Within a few miles is Patriot Place and the Gillette Stadium, home of the New England Patriots and Fenway Park, home of the Boston Red Sox, a commute made easier by public transportation. Also nearby are the Newport mansions.

COST:

Roadtrek and 2 persons \$389 US

Roadtrek and 1 person \$241 US

INCLUDES:

Four nights with full hookups

Three catered dinners

Wine & cheese social hour

Ice cream social

Music by MOJO

Bocce tournament

Continental breakfast last day

Make checks payable to Yvonne Roy and mail with registration form from your newsletter or downloaded from the Roadtrek International website at this link.

<http://roadtrekchapter.org/uploads/Regional-Rally-Registration-Form.pdf>

MAIL TO:

Yvonne Roy

18 Winfield Drive

Shelton, CT 06484

Notes:

If you plan to come a day earlier or leave a day later please make reservations through the campground Normandy Farms Campground <https://www.normandyfarms.com/> located in Foxboro, MA.

80 sites are being reserved. Mail your registrations by August 1st to be included in the rally.

AWESOME AUTUMN VII

October 3 thru 7, 2019

By Terry Whitesell

Explore western Pennsylvania from Bear Run Campground (C012602), 184 Badger Hill Road, Portersville, PA 16051; (724) 368-3564; www.bearuncampground.com

A private campground boasting "Beautiful Moraine State Park at Your Doorstep," they've been centrally located (less than 1 mile off exit 96 of I-79) since 1975.

Butler County, the birthplace of the Jeep, has over 790 square miles to explore. I am arranging a narrated cruise on Lake Arthur in the 37-passenger Nautical Nature enclosed pontoon boat.

Most of the time will be spent pursuing your own interests, & you may wish to go biking, hiking, boating, shopping, golfing or disc-golfing. Visit the Mars Applefest or the Concordia Oktoberfest in Cabot. Travel the Butler County Beer Circuit for a variety of craft beers made locally, or sample wines from 5 wineries.

History buffs may want to visit Saxonburg, founded by John A. Roebling, the inventor of "wire rope" used to make suspension bridges, most notably the Brooklyn Bridge. Follow George Washington's footsteps on the 1753 Trail. Attend the Portersville Steam Show Fall Fling. Take a self-guided driving tour of the Barns of Butler County.

Go to www.visitbutlercounty.com or call (866) 856-8444. I'll provide lots of info & maps at check-in.

Thursday night we'll meet for a potluck dinner (meat provided). Friday and Sunday nights we'll eat at different local restaurants (pay on your own). Saturday night we'll be at the campground for a catered dinner.

Cost:

1) Rally fee - \$15 per person. Mail to: Terry Whitesell, 274 Meridian Road, Butler, PA 16001, along with your completed registration form from page xxx of this newsletter. Let me know of any dietary restrictions.

2) Camping fee - The price is \$55.80 per night, which re-



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flects the advertised 10% discount for FMCA members. These are level, paved, full hook-up, 50-amp sites. Call the campground to reserve your site & leave a deposit.

Feel free to contact Terry Whitesell at (724) 482-4191 or whitesellterry@yahoo.com

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END OF THE SEASON CONNECTICUT
October 18-20, 2019
By John and Yvonne Roy

This annual informal rally is a great way to end the northern camping season with your Roadtrek family.

The campground is located in the Natchaug River Valley and offers excellent trout fishing, abundant wildlife, fine hiking, biking and wonderful photo opportunities. It is also a great geocaching area if that is your interest. Photos from previous years can be seen at the Region 2 website (<http://www.roadtrekchapter.org/region2/>).

The campground has a large lodge with a great fireplace. Planned activities include a pizza and salad party, a potluck dinner, pancake and sausage breakfast, coffee and muffins.

COSTS

Camping Fee - \$40/night (electric, water, Wi-Fi, Cable). Make a reservation by sending a \$80 check for 2 nights directly to Nickerson's Family Campground. Write "Reservation # Road Trek 10/19" on the check and mail to Nickerson's Family Campground, 1036 Phoenixville Rd, Chaplin, CT 06235 (Phone: 860-455-0007)

Add an extra \$40 per any extended days. Several people come in a day early. The earlier your check is received the closer your site will be to the recreation lodge.

For planning purposes please email John Roy at johnroy1@comcast.net when you mail your check in but no later than September 22, 2018. Be aware that 20 sites are reserved until September 1, after that it's availability only. Provide the following information: FMCA #, Name(s), email address, phone number(s), Roadtrek model/year and any special needs.

Rally Fee - \$10 per person will be collected from each attendee the first day of the rally.

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HILLSBOROUGH RIVER STATE PARK
November 12 – 14, 2019
By Susan & Gary Scalise

Join us for three days of camping at Hillsborough River State Park. Just A Few Minutes from Downtown Tampa at 15402 US-301 North, Thonotosassa, FL 33592. November is ideal camping weather in Tampa Florida, averaging a daily maximum temperature that's between 76 and 80 degrees.

This diverse park offers a refuge from city life. Visitors can kayak or canoe class II river rapids, rare in Florida, hike seven miles of nature trails and swim in an ADA accessible

swimming pool. Also, you can explore and learn the history of reconstructed Fort Foster which is now part of the Park. Bike and kayak rentals are available.

Try to reserve a site on Loop 2 to be as close as possible to the Pavilion. Recommended are sites 29-44 and 74-77. Tuesday check-in: At the pavilion 1-4 pm. A potluck dinner Tuesday night a 5:00 pm at the Pavilion located behind the site # 38 followed by an evening campfire and social. Wednesday, we will visit the Yuengling Brewery the oldest operating brewing company in the United States, established in 1829. It is one of the largest breweries by volume in the country.

Wednesday or Thursday visit the Museum of Science & Industry (MOSI) a scientific playground with more than 100 hands-on activities!

Thursday morning the campground offers a guided tour of Fort Foster for \$2.

***** Florida State Parks Fill Up Fast *****

Cost:

Your camping fee and a nominal Rally fee per person upon arrival to cover the cost of Incidentals.

Participants must make their own camping reservations for Hillsborough State Park by visiting ReserveAmerica.com or by calling (800) 326-3521.

Or go to --- www.FloridaStateParks.org/Parks-And-Trails/Hillsborough-River-State-Park

Please RSVP via email to Gary at gary@tangofan.com or phone (863) 666-0014. Please include your FMCA #, name, number of people attending, site # and phone number and email address.

As the date gets closer we will email an Agenda.

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REGION 9 - INDIO RALLY "AT THE HOP"

JANUARY 8-12, 2020

INDIO, CA

By Pat Yacklon and Sue Hankins

Please plan on joining us for the FMCA 32nd Annual Western Area Rally at the Riverside Fairgrounds in Indio, CA. Roadtrek International Region 9 Chapter is planning a rally within the FMCA Rally. In addition to the FMCA activities, we will be providing continental breakfasts and dinners nightly. We have a separate area where our Roadtreks park together and have a covered area near the showers and bathrooms. For the last two years we have won parade trophies thanks to the planning and dedication of Bruce and Grace Stainbrook. The theme for 2020 is "At the Hop". So, let's all start thinking of what we can do to make this another trophy year. A big thank you to Sam and Laura Hutkins for a job well done leading this rally the last two years.

Pat Yacklon
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Torrance, CA 90502
310-357-5233
patyack43@dslextreme.com



RALLY REPORTS

Indio "Once Upon a Time"
Indio, CA
January 9-13, 2019

Twenty-seven Roadtreks from 11 states brought 40 people to the Region 9 chapter rally in Indio, CA. Jan 9-13th. I had arrived in Indio with some trepidation, as I am a newbie, had never attended a rally, and knew one person coming, so I didn't know what to expect. Wednesday was gathering day, and as Roadtreks arrived, old friendships were renewed, and strangers became friends. At the potluck social gathering, I was introduced and given my new RT badge. I enjoyed seeing other RT models and what modifications folks had done. Another trekker made an attachment for my propane cover so I wouldn't lose it on the road. It was a very welcoming evening.

The Indio rally is unique in that it takes place within the Western FMCA rally at the Riverside County Fairgrounds in Indio. Amid the 800 RVs present, the RTs get to park together in a central area, close to bathroom and shower facilities, with both electric and non-electric options available. We had a covered pavilion for our use, which came in handy on Saturday with some early rain and intermittent showers during the day. Besides the Roadtrek camaraderie, we have access to the seminars, vendors, activities and entertainment provided by the larger FMCA rally.

One of the yearly FMCA events is a themed parade. Several creative trekkers had gathered earlier in the year to plan the RT float. The theme being "Once Upon A Time", we had Cinderella and Prince Charming (Monique and Barry Zander) followed by a large "pumpkin" on a golf cart. Twenty-four trekkers were dressed as mice who walked alongside and interacted with the receptive crowd. We won a trophy for best interpretation of the theme.

Laura and Sam Hutkins were gracious hosts who coordinated the rally. They brought in tasty catered dinners for three evenings, an Italian night, a Barbecue dinner and a Mexican feast, with enough to spare for folks to take leftovers home. They were also up bright and early each morning providing coffee and sweets to start the day. Friday afternoon they conducted a "blind" wine tasting event where they brought 4 bottles of Cabernet Sauvignon, each bottle at as different price point. We got to sample each one without knowing which brand it was and then voted on our favorites. We did the same thing Saturday evening with 4 bottles of Pinot Grigio. There was a lot of laughter at the results since the less expensive bottles of wine tended to beat the competition. Apparently we aren't wine connoisseurs, but we know how to have a good time!

Sunday morning people said their goodbyes. Some headed on to Quartzite, others home, and some on to other adventures. Thank you Chapter 9 for a great time and for new friends made.





REGIONAL NOTES

REGION 1 MID-SOUTHEAST U.S.

Membership: 124

Includes the states of AL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, & VA.

VPs: Woodie and Beth McCormack

**1001 Sam Gibbs Road, Union Grove, AL 35175-8883,
(256) 586-6830, yett67@ymail.com**

John and Sally Hearne

**782 Sanford Rd, Pittsboro NC 27312-9576
(919) 619-8545, johnhenry42@live.com**

Region 1 will hold its first 2019 rally in Gadsden, Alabama at the Nocalula Falls Park and Campground. Registrations are rolling in and the reserved sites are nearly full. Please check out the Event Description section for dates and details.

The Region 1 Vice Presidents thank those who hosted rallies in 2018. We had wonderful rallies in Georgia and North Carolina. We would like for more folks to step up with ideas for an additional rally in 2019. If you are interested in hosting a rally or R&R in our region, contact one of our VPs with your ideas. We would be glad to assist with plans. Remember, you don't have to do it alone; choose others to work with you. Safe travels and "Keep on Trekkin."

John and Sally Hearne

REGION 2 NORTHEAST U.S.

Membership: 83

Includes the states of CT, ME, MA, NH, NY, RI, & VT.

VPs: Shirley Clark

271 Raymond St, Gardner, MA 01440-1133

(978) 630-3438

shirlc2121@msn.com

REGION 3 EASTERN CANADA Membership: 48

Includes the provinces of NB, NL, NS, ON, PE & QC.

VPs:

Colin and Lyne Webb

colinwebb726@gmail.com

REGION 4 CENTRAL EASTERN U.S.

Membership: 119

Includes the states of DE, DC, IN, MD, NJ, OH, PA, & WV.

VPs: Robert & Carol Kroah, 779 Atwood Dr,

Tallmadge, OH 44278-1157

(330) 633-6986, kroahnest@aol.com

**David Bennett, 9590A Wilkshire Blvd, NE, Bolivar, OH
44612-8474, 330-204-8876, geodaveksu67@gmail.com**

I'm afraid that the stupid woodchuck "Punxsutawney Phil" AKA groundhog will see his dang shadow. That means six more week of winter. But those of us that live here in Region 4 are used to it.

I want everyone to know that we have one rally scheduled this summer and another in planning this fall. First up is the

Memphis Belle Rally to be held at the Wright Patterson Air Force Base June 10th – 13th. Camping will be at the Greene County Fairgrounds in Xenia Ohio. This newsletter has the details on the registration fees and necessary addresses for the rally. The Memphis Bell is really an important WWII icon since it was the first B-17 to be recognized for completion of 25 missions over Europe. The Kroch's and I want to thank Don and Maria Hatfield for all their hard work in planning this rally. Registration details are in this newsletter.

Terry Whitesell and Cody are planning another western PA rally this autumn. Could it be Awesome Autumn VII? We will find out, but I'm sure that it will be better than the previous six. Terry and Cody are great hosts and they make sure that there is plenty of activity, with thing to do and see. Watch for details in coming newsletters.

Diane Brister (Email: ancientbones1753@gmail.com) needs pictures and information to post on the Region 4 website. Please help her.

We always want ideas for region 4 rallies. If you attend rallies, maybe you would like to give back by hosting a rally or helping with one.

Happy trails to you until we meet again, Dave Bennett

REGION 5 FLORIDA Membership: 113

VPs: Dave & Janet Gottdiner

**2014 Sparkling Waters Way, Spring Hill, FL 34606-3754
(352) 666-1555 dag7196@gmail.com**

Jim & Betty Weite

10 Curved Creek Way, Ormond Beach, FL 32174-1805

(386)-451-2477 bjweite@aol.com

Thanks to the many Roadtrek members that have volunteered to organize rallies in our region, however, we still need more volunteers to help with rallies. Please email Dave at dag7196@gmail.com and say that you want to be a rally master. We will work with you to make sure you have lots of support.

Please go to our web site to see the list of future rallies planned in our Region. www.flroadtrek.org. Gary Scalise is doing an outstanding job as our Region Five Web Master.

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While there may be snow, sleet and ice outside the windows – it won't be long until spring returns to Region 6. It time to start thinking about rallies for 2019. We are hoping that many of you will join us at the FMCA Great Lakes Rally June 5-8 at Allegan, MI. (See details in this Newsletter.) Also in the works is a pre-



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rally before the FMCA Convention at Minot, ND in August. This is their 100th convention and should be a special one. If you have any suggestions for a good location for the pre-rally, let your VPs know!

Rallies are the best part of RTI and we need more. There are so many great places in Region 6. If you have a favorite place that you enjoy or a festival that you attend, think about doing a rally. They do not have to be elaborate – just a good excuse for RTers to get together. Let your VPs know. We will help. We look forward to seeing you down the road this season!

-- David & Karen McGivern

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Spring is just around the corner. I hope you are getting your travel plans together. 2019 looks like a great year for putting a lot of miles on your Roadtrek. With the FMCA 100th Anniversary Rally in Minot, ND, (8/14-17), and the Chapter Rally in Foxboro, Mass, (9/9-9/13), that gives you TWO good reasons for a long trip. Plus-- there is sooo much to see in NE and lots of places in between.

The one thing I see missing for 2019 is a list of rallies being held in Region 8 (or Region 9). Are we going to allow the east coast to make us look bad? Also, I feel our members will be disappointed if there are no rallies in our area for them to attend. Please consider planning a rally for Region 8. Carol, Terry and I stand ready to assist you! It would be great to have a rally in Region 8 in May, June or July!

We have THREE new members in our Region. WELCOME. Let's use our "traveling vehicle," Roadtrek, to do just that. Let's get out there and have FUN!!

Travel safely.

Jane DeGroot

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Roadtrek Event Registration Form **

****Register with form below or print the online version found at <http://www.roadtrekchapter.org/uploads/Regional-Rally-Registration-Form.pdf> and send to Rally Leader with required fees**

ROADTREK REGISTRATION FORM

Rally Name: _____

Rally Date: _____

Number of persons attending: _____

Rally fee enclosed: \$_____

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Spouse _____

(PLEASE PRINT NAMES AS DESIRED ON NAME BADGE)

Street _____ City _____ State/Province _____

ZIP/PC _____ Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____ Check # _____ Dated _____

Full Name of Guest(s), if any _____

Roadtrek model & year _____ License # _____ FMCA # _____

Is this your first Roadtrek Rally? Yes No

Do you have Chapter badges? Yes No

Are you bringing pets? Yes No Comments / Special needs _____

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99th International Convention
 March 13-16
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June 2019

Great Lakes Area Rally
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Northwest Area Rally

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July 2019

Northeast Area Rally
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August 2019

100th International Convention
 August 14-17