

Keeping in Touch

A Chapter Services newsletter



A MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL SECRETARY

Spring 2026 Newsletter

Hello fellow Secretaries:

Each of you have my upmost respect for all the hard work you do for your Areas and Chapters. You have just completed your yearly certification process and we at FRVA are so appreciative of your submissions. Remember to also send Chapter Services your rallies for the year so that they can be included in the bi-monthly magazine.

I am conducting a zoom meeting after Perry, Georgias, convention to cover the many avenues of recruiting. We at FRVA are working very hard to provide multiple opportunities for chapters, and have added another called the Ambassador Program.

As your National Secretary, I have been asked to organize our new Learning Zone at our International Conventions. These include dedicated seminars designed for new RV'ers or even those that have multiple years of experience. If you know someone, or even yourself, that would like to be considered for a seminar in which you feel would be appealing to our members, please contact me.

Gary and I have been traveled about 3,000 miles so far since December. We attended the Western Area rally in Indio, California, in January, then went to the Southeast Area Rally in Lakeland, Florida, in February. We have visited some chapters along the way. Hope to see the rest of the FRVA secretaries at one of the International Conventions.

Hope to see you soon,

May your travels be rewarding and safe.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Glenda Milner". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first letters of each name being capitalized and prominent.

Glenda Milner, National Secretary, Family RV Association

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The Governing Board Meeting Wednesday, July 1, 2026

The Roll Call Sheet that details your chapter's current Governing Board voting delegate along with a postage-paid return envelope will be mailed out to each secretary very soon. Please be on the lookout!

The Roll Call Sheet will have your chapter name, area of representation, and the names of your chapter national director and alternate national director, if you have one. If the names are correct, simply sign and date the sheet and return via the National Office. If the names are incorrect, or if your chapter has elected a temporary delegate, please fill out the information with the correct name and member number. Then sign and date the form and return it in the postage-paid envelope, or by email to chapters@frva.com.

The chapter secretary is responsible for notifying the National Secretary (in care of the national office) in writing via USPS mail, email, or fax by June 10, 2026, of any election held that would result in a change to the national director, alternate national director, or temporary delegate who will be attending the Governing Board meeting.

Both the national director and alternate national director are invited to attend the Governing Board meeting, but it is not necessary that both be in attendance. The national director will be the voting delegate for your chapter. If the national director is unable to attend the meeting, the alternate national director would assume this duty and would receive the voting credentials when he or she checks in for the Governing Board meeting.

If **neither** the national director nor alternate national director can attend the Governing Board meeting, another chapter member may be elected as a temporary delegate for this Governing Board meeting only. A temporary delegate may be elected if your chapter would not have representation otherwise. If it is necessary for your chapter to have a temporary delegate, he or she **must be elected**, must be a member of your chapter, and can only represent one chapter.

If an event occurs after the 21-day notice requirement has passed that prevents the national director, alternate national director, or temporary delegate from attending this Governing Board meeting, the chapter president may appoint a member of the chapter as a temporary delegate to represent the chapter for the next Governing Board meeting only. Notice of the chapter president's appointment of this temporary delegate shall be received by FRVA at least seven working days prior to the Governing Board meeting to be valid. Change must be received by close of business June 22, 2026. Notice must be in writing. Fax or email is acceptable.

CHAPTER SERVICES IS HERE TO HELP

Items we can help you with are listed below:

- Area Newsletters
- Bylaws
- Chapter Anniversary Materials
- Chapter Certification
- Area and Chapter Directories
- Chapter Formation
- Election Questions
- Rally Insurance Certificates
- Recruitment Mailings

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HOW DO I UPDATE MY CHAPTER MEMBERS' INFORMATION?

Please note that individual members are responsible for updating their own information with Family RV Association. They can update information online at FRVA.com or email membership@frva.com.

MEMBERSHIP QUESTIONS?

Call (800) 543-3622
membership@frva.com

CHAPTER ANNIVERSARIES

January, February, March



5 YEARS

Certificate

SMART FMCA (3/10)

15 YEARS

Certificate

Safari of Southern California (1/20)

RMC Coachers (3/6)

30 YEARS

Certificate & \$150 Check

Gateway Getaways (3/10)

35 YEARS

Certificate & \$200 Check

Florida on Safari (2/2)

Great Outdoor Ambassadors (2/20)

Happy (OK) Wanderers (2/21)

40 YEARS

Certificate & \$250 Check

Olympic Peninsula Ramblers (1/12)

50 YEARS

Certificate & \$350 Check

Niagara Frontier Travelers (1/24)

Converted Coach (3/20)

50 YEARS

Certificate & \$450 Check

20th Century Wagontrainers (3/2)

DID YOU KNOW?

- Your **Chapter Contact** person **MUST** be someone who will quickly respond to inquiries. This is the information given to members who are asking for more information about your chapter and printed in the chapter directory.
- Its that time of year again, time for the annual 990-N forms to be completed via irs.gov. Please remind your chapter Treasurers to file this annual form. It is very important to file yearly so you do not risk your EIN being revoked. It is a lengthy and costly process to have your EIN reinstated.
- Family RV Association is going through a data management system change. Please keep a list of all new members who have joined your chapter after 7/9/2025. There will be hiccups in the new system rollout but we are confident it will be a better tool for the organization, and for you as a chapter officer. The Chapter Services Team is here to assist and answer any questions you may have. Please bear with us in this process.
- You should expect delays in receiving the New and Past Due lists in the next couple of months until the rollout of the new data management system is completed.

Reminder!

Registration for FRVA's *113th International Convention in Sedalia, Missouri. Is not open!* The show starts July 1, 2026. Visit

www.FRVA.com

To register today! We hope to see you there!



Upcoming Events

FRVA 112th INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION & RV EXPO

March 18-21, 2026

Perry, Georgia

FRVA 113th INTERNATIONAL
CONVENTION & RV EXPO

July 1-4, 2026

Sedalia, Missouri

INTERNATIONAL
AREA RALLY

May 13-17, 2026

Sevierville,
TN

NORTHWEST
AREA RALLY

June 17-20, 2026

North Bend,
OR

GREAT LAKES
AREA RALLY

June 10-13, 2026

Myrtle Beach,
SC

MIDWEST
AREA RALLY

July 5-6 2026

Sedalia, MO
OR

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS CONTACT CHAPTER SERVICES

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Please feel free to use any
articles in this newsletter.

DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO SHARE?

Please send letters, comments, and articles to the Chapter Services Team,
8291 Clough Pike, Cincinnati, OH 45244;

email them to chapters@frva.com or fax them to 513-474-2332;

Please let us know if we can use articles from your area's/chapter's publications.

Articles used for publication may be edited for space and clarity,
and they will also appear on FRVA's website: www.frva.com.