

Over The Mountain

July/August Newsletter

August 25, 2026



Past Happenings

Hello Over the Mountain chapter members, this is being written just off the heels of our latest rally in Dillsboro NC. Since our last rally in June in Gaffney SC, a few of our members went to Sedalia MO for FRVA's 113 International Convention and Expo and immediately following some attended the Midwest Area Rally.

So with that being said, it's been nearly 2 months since some of us got together. Finally August hit where we had another chapter rally and we stayed at the [Dillsboro RV River Park](#). From the conversations that were made, most of us will be going back. It was very relaxing and lots of fun things to do in the area. Dillsboro is in the heart of the Smoky Mountains with just short 10-15 minute drives to towns like Cherokee, Sylva and Maggie Valley. In case you didn't know, our rallies typically run from Tuesday to Friday. Some members

choose to show up on Monday and some choose to stay till Saturday in order to give them a day or two to explore the area as some of our members did for this rally. The bottom line is we are a flexible chapter. In Over the Mountain fashion we kicked off Tuesday night with our typical Pot Luck dinner. We had so much food and such a fun time. Immediately after the pot luck we held our annual meeting. Notes have been sent out to the members and they have been uploaded to the FRVA OTM chapter page.

During our stay in Dillsboro, some members explored the area. Some hiked to some waterfalls, some went on a luncheon train ride, some shopped the cute town of Dillsboro and surrounding towns. Some of the ladies went to a tea room for a few hours, while some of the others went to a local brewery to sample some local brews. Some went to Bryson City and some even ventured to Cades Cove during Wednesday and Thursday. The bottom line is our members were busy having fun.

We had a lady come and speak to some of our members about Sky Med. She gave us a 45 minute presentation while some of us ate fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy and cole slaw.

Thursday evening we had a fantastic dinner at a place called [Jarrett House](#). What a fantastic dinner that was served family style that included everything. The food was in abundance and was so tasty. Everyone ranted and raved at how good it was and the service was exceptional as well.

Friday came and some members left, while some of us stuck around another day to continue our visits and exploring of the area. I think most if not all will be back to this area. The campground hosts were extremely appreciative and accommodating for us even to the point of coming down and thanking us for being there and welcoming us. True hospitality.

Upcoming 2026 Rallies

We have 2 more rallies coming up this year. One at [Cross Winds Family Campground](#) in Linwood NC September 22nd through 25th and another in New Market TN at a place called [Timberstone RV Resort](#) October 20th through 23rd.



2027 Rallies

During our business meeting in Dillsboro we announced and released our 2027 Over the Mountain rally schedule. We have something "special" planned for 2027 as far as our rally schedule goes. Something we've never done before so "why not"? Lets give it a try.

In 2027 we have a Back-to-Back rally. In April of 2027 we will do a 5 day stay in Savannah GA and then head up the coast to Charleston SC. for some epic history, shopping and happenings. We already have 8 booked for Savannah and 10 booked for Charleston. Don't worry, more sites are reserved so DON'T WAIT to book yours. In Savannah we will be staying at [Creekfire RV Resort](#). (take a look at this place) and in Charleston we stay at [Lake Aire RV Park](#). We hope you can make it to one or both of these, sure to be great rallies.

The rest of the rally schedule is listed here

March 17-21	April 17-22	April 22-27	May 18-21
Perry GA	SAVANNAH GA 4/17-4/22	Charleston SC 4/22-4/27	Franklin, NC
FRVA 114th International Convention Hollywood on Wheels 401 Golden Isles Pkwy Georgia FairgroundsPerry GA	CreekFire RV Resort 275 Fort Argyle Road Savannah, GA 912-897-2855	Lake Aire RV Park and Campground 4375 Highway 162, Hollywood, SC 29449 843 571 1271	Cullasaja River RV Park 6269 Highlands Road Franklin, NC 828-524-2559
Date In: 3-17-27	Date in: 4-17-2027	Date in: 4-22-27	Date In:5-18-27
Date Out: 3-21-27	Date Out: 4-22-2027	Date Out: 4-27-27	Date Out:5-21-27
Cost: Varies	Cost: \$63.90/night	Cost: \$73.58/night	Cost:\$55-\$65/night. Depends on if riverside or not
Deposit: Varies	Deposit: \$88.75	Deposit: No Deposit. Held with c card..	Deposit:\$20 and held c card
Sites:Varies	Sites: 1-9	Sites	Sites: Vary Some riverside some non riverside
Held Under: None	Held under: Over The Mountain Let Jeff know when booked	Held Under: Nikki Jenkins	Held Under: FRVA Over the Mountain/Jeff Hughes
See Link: Perry 2027	See Link: CreekFireLink	See Link: Lake Aire RV Park	See Link: Cullasaja RV Park
Sign into FRVA Member Portal FRVA.com Log into member portal Click "Rallies" and highlight "CONVENTION"		Cancel within 2 weeks and no charge.	Call ASAP

June 22-25	July 20-23	August 17-20	September 21-24	October 5-10
Mount Airy NC	Gatlinburg TN	Spruce Pine NC	Fletcher NC	Lewisburg WV
Mayberry Campground 114 Byron Bunker Lane Mount Airy 336-789-6199	Dudley Creek 1640 E. Parkway Gatlinburg 855-277-7723	Spacious Skies Bear Den 600 Bear Den Mountain Dr, Spruce Pine (828) 765-2888	Rutledge Lake 128 Jillian Trail Fletcher, NC 828-654-7873	GEAR WV Fairgrounds
Date In:6-22-27	Date In:7-20-27	Date In:8-17-27	Date In:9-21-27	Date In: 10-5-27
Date Out:6-25-27	Date Out:7-23-27	Date Out:8-20-27	Date Out:9-24-27	Date Out:10-10-27
Cost:\$55/night + tax	Cost:\$55.72/night	Cost:T-Th \$43.66 Friday \$50.	Cost: \$58.50**	Cost: TBD
Deposit: \$60	Deposit: Held w/card	Deposit: \$43.66	Deposit: \$65	Deposit: TBD
Sites:96-105	Sites:14, 11, 12, 18, 19, 20, 27, 28	Sites:B3 thru B13	Sites:71-73. 77-79, 81-86	Sites: TBD
Held Under: Over the Mtn.	Held Under: Ken Grandys FRVA Over The Mountain	Held Under: Over the Mountain Rally August 2027	Held Under:Over the Mountain	Held Under: N/A
See link: Mayberry	Link: Dudley Creek	See Link: Spacious Skies Bear Den	Link: Rutledge Lake	See Link: GEAR 2027
Jeff is in site 99 and coming in on Monday. **If coming in early or leaving late, just let them know. Sites are in a cul-de-sac	They will hold with CCard until 30 days before the check in date. . Ken site 15. Jeff site 29			Watch for announcement of this rally

***Spacious Skies Directions: Call (828) 765-2888 and ask for GROUP DEPOSITS.

Rally is under Over the Mountain Rally August 2027

Ken & Patty took site B-06 and made booking with Laurie.

Make a 1 night deposit of \$43.66 for site, taxes and fees (Sun-Thurs rate) by 5 pm July 17, 2027

Our rally is scheduled for arrival Tuesday August 17, 2027 / Departure Friday August 20th, 2027. 2 night minimum.

Additional days based on availability but No Saturday Check-ins. / No Saturday Checkouts.

Any sites other than the group booking have to be coordinated by Ken Grandys and Abigail.

Cancellations by July 17th, 2027 (one month prior to rally) are charged a \$20 fee. On or after July 18th, 2027 will be a 1 night deposit fee.

Note: If Over the Mountain does not book 80% of the reserved nights, (8 sites times 3 nights = 24 total site nights), site rates will increase by \$5 per night booked.

FRVA

There are two FRVA sponsored rallies coming up in 2027. The 114th International Convention and Expo held in Perry Ga [Perry Info](#). Full hookup sites are limited so don't wait too long. "50 amp full hookups are already sold out."

And the Eastern Area rally is being held in Lewisburg WV during the "leaf peeping" season. More info can be found under [G.E.A.R.](#) October 5th-10th. It should be a beautiful rally and from the sounds of the planning it will be lots of fun.

The FRVA website has been undergoing some changes and will continue to do so. Please log into your portal and make sure all of the info about you is correct. We get some emails sent back due to bad email addresses. Go to [FRVA.com](#), Login and make sure everything is correct about you and the copilot if one exists. Also, click on chapters and Over the Mountain to get into our chapter site. You can see all kinds of info including our rallies and members. Keep an eye on this site because things are a changin'.

Did You Know

Did you know Over The Mountain has a Facebook page? Yes, we do! Please feel free to join our page and participate or lurk all you want. The more engagement the better. It's almost like being there with people posting things while they are doing it or making comments on folks' photos. If you're a Facebook user, go to GROUPS and look for OVER THE MOUNTAIN [Facebook Link](#). I'm not 100% sure the link will work because you



will need to join. Please look for our logo

We hope everyone is getting out there and going camping. Please join us for a good time and if you are reluctant to do so, please let us know so we can make it more comfortable or if there's a reason you aren't camping with us, please let us know that too so maybe we can do something that will get you to join us.

You've joined the family, now come and join the FUN!

