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President's Message

Greetings, fellow Cardinal Virginians (CV)!

A sincere "Happy May" to each of you; this is just a short note to greet you in advance of hopefully seeing you in person at one of our upcoming CV Chapter Rallies. The first one of 2022 is already in the books!

Speaking of Rallies, it was great to see so many of you at our April Rally (report follows below). We have a "full slate" for the remaining 6 months of the "CV Rally season," so be sure to stake your early claim to a spot at one of our subsequent events; I encourage you to "do it now," don't put it off! As I've said in past Newsletters, many thanks to our hard-working Trail Boss, Baynard; he has done a *super job* organizing the Rally Calendar for all of us, but, thankfully, he's also had ample help as a number of you have volunteered to serve as Rally Hosts/Co-hosts. Keep up the good work!

As I mentioned last month, WRT any given Rally, after you make your reservation, please let the Host/Co-Host know that you're coming so they can plan accordingly.

I am excited to see our Chapter is on the move, growing in number and showing many healthy signs, i.e., enthusiasm, lots of participation, people having fun, etc., etc. For those of you who want more information, I encourage you to visit our web page at www.CardinalVirginians.com or else check out the postings on our Facebook page.

Cheryl and I wish each of you a very sincere and happy month of May. May God Bless you and may God Bless America!

Warm Regards, Bill Brown

President, Cardinal Virginians

Attention - Special Announcement

The Luray campground for the May Rally, hosted by Franklin/Monroe and Matthews, has told us that they have some sites still open at the Cardinal Virginian rate if you wish to attend. They are having some technical difficulties with their phone system, and it says the voice mail is full. They are working to get that corrected, so try several times before giving up!! <https://www.lurayrvresortshenandoahriver.com/> (540) 743-5540

April Rally Report

Our first Rally of 2022, April 24-27, hosted by Paul and Carol Melton and Steve and Jeanie Miller at Cozy Acres Campground, was a great success. We had 14 rigs including former members Rick and Cindy Roberson of Alabama and guests Toby and Pat Ostrowski (joined as new members during the Rally!) Feliza Jones made a special appearance on Sunday as we were having Happy Hour. Warm sunny weather greeted us on Sunday and Monday and is typical of the season cooler rainy weather followed on Tuesday. But that didn't damper our spirits a bit as we had great renewing of friendship and wonderful assortment of food to enjoy. We had time for a business meeting and mention of the upcoming GEAR rally in Lewisburg, WV, and even enjoyed a campfire with gourmet s'mores to bring back early childhood memories, but the grand finale of the week was on Tuesday. We had a Mexican fiesta complete with a Taco Bar, margaritas, and a pinata game. Ole!!! What a way to start our camping season! Attendees were the Meltons, Millers, Lamberts, Schoepfs, Rojiani, Monroes, Matthews, Bartons, Bowers, Browns, Jones, Crabtrees, Ostrowskis, and Robersons.

Submitted by Jane Lambert

Business Meeting April 25, 2022

President Bill Brown called the meeting to order at 9:47 a.m. at the Cozy Acres Family Campground in Powhatan, Va.

Bill reported there were 14 coaches (26 people) in attendance. He welcomed former members Rick and Cindy Robertson and guests Toby and Pat Ostrowski to the Rally. Bill also introduced the officers for 2022.

Baynard mentioned the upcoming rallies and reminded the group to bring their own coffee. Also, Bill reminded the group that it was protocol to let the Host/Co-Host know if you are attending their rally so that planning for the meals can be accomplished. It was suggested some in the group are not on Facebook and may not receive the information from that source, so we recommend contact by email in addition to FB.

Steve has updated the roster. It will be sent out electronically once finalized. Steve would also like to have input on concerns to pass along at the National level when FMCA has meetings with the National Directors.

Kamal reminded the group to visit the website cardinalviginians.com to view pictures, rally information, history of the group and other information. Please send pictures of rallies to Kamal for the website and Carol for Facebook and Robbie Davis for the History scrapbook.

Meeting adjourned; Sheree Barton, Acting Secretary

Caring Concerns

Our prayers and thoughts are with Cheryl Brown. Cheryl, you are cherished and loved by all of us.

Judy Matthews has "turned the corner" in her rehab. Progressing to cane now.

Dave Crabtree reports he is doing well. We sure were glad to see him and Evelyn at the

rally in their new coach.

As many of us get older we have increased aches, pains, and chronic issues to deal with, so I think we all need to be kept in the prayers we offer.

Please keep Feliza up to date with any concerns you are aware of, and we will include in the newsletter with the individual's permission.

May Birthdays



2 Mike Malloy 13 Mary Beth Crider 16 Rick Roberson
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May Anniversaries



None to report

Notes from Your Trail Boss

Our Rally schedule is full for 2022! But we could still use a little help; please consider volunteering to be a cohost.

May 19-22 (Thursday - Sunday)

Luray RV Resort in Luray, VA Call (540) 743-5540

4253 US-211, Luray, VA 22835

Matthews & Monroe

<https://www.lurayrvresortshenandoahriver.com/>

June 21-24 (Tuesday - Friday)

Handy, Barton

Devils Backbone Camp, Roseland, VA

Book through [Reserveamerica.com](https://www.reserveamerica.com)

Located in the heart of Virginia's brewery, distillery and hub along Nelson 151. In the summer, there are "u-pick" farms nearby, a farmer's market, Stoney Creek golf resort,

local shopping, plus plenty of hiking, biking, fishing, and scenic drives. Stop by Devils Backbone Distilling Co. for signature crafted cocktails featuring Devils Backbone Spirits

July 13-17 (Wednesday – Sunday)

FMCA GEAR Rally
West VA Fairgrounds, Lewisburg WV
Book through [FMCA.com/events](https://www.fmca.com/events)

August 16-19 (Tuesday - Friday)

Lambert, (Co-host?)
North 340 Campground
1125 East Side Highway, Waynesboro, VA
(540) 943-9573

September 22-25 (Thursday - Sunday)

Hosted by Timm and Sharon Seamon
Paradise Lake Family Campground
Spout Spring, VA (about 10 miles East of Lynchburg)
434-993-3332 paradise-lake.com

We have 12 sites reserved but need to make your reservation no later than May 1 to guarantee a site. These are 50-amp pull-thru sites with full hookups. Rate is \$56.87 per night including all taxes, plus a \$2.00 reservation fee. 10% discount for Good Sam members and military veterans. Family and pet friendly.

October 20-23 (Thursday - Sunday)

Handy, Barton
Smith Mountain Lake State Park (w/e only)
New reservation system — ReserveVAparks.com

December 10th (Saturday) - Christmas Luncheon (Staunton)

DATES	HOST	COHOST	CAMPGROUND	CONTACT	LOCATION
April 24-27	Meltons		Cozy Acres		Powatan
May 19-22	Matthews	Monroe	Luray RV Resort		Luray
June 21-24	Handy	Barton	Devils Backbone Camp	Book through Reserve America	Roseland
July 13-17	FMCA	GEAR Rally	WF Fairgrounds		Lewisburg WV
August 16-19	Lambert		North 340		Waynesboro
September 22-25	Seaman		Paradise Lake Family Campground		Spout Spring(about 10 miles east of Lynchburg
October 20-23	Barton	Handy	Smith Mountain Lake State Park (w/e only)		
December 10 Christmas catered Luncheon	Davis	Matthews	Christ Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall		Staunton

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