

# **CAPITOL CHAPTER**

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## **Message from the President**

Greetings Capitol Chapter,

Happy New Year everyone! Hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season! The winter season is here so we have time to plan our travels for 2025!

We hope to see everyone in Perry, Georgia in March! Look for information on a get together for our chapter at Perry!

See the list of our upcoming 2025 chapter rallies... if you have any ideas for other events just let me know!

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Don't forget to sign up for GEAR 2025 in Myrtle Beach, SC.

We had a fun and highly attended holiday party in November 2024. Due to the positive feedback we have booked the same location again for 2025 at the West End Grill in Annapolis, MD, on Sunday, December 7th.

Stay warm! Until next time, keep on traveling!

Joe Kromash, President

Our current CAPITOL chapter secretary, Robyn Needel, has been secretary for many years. She has decided to step down and focus on other interests but will still be part of our chapter.

We are looking for nominations to fill her position. This will be effective on March 15, 2025.

Duties of this position are outlined below:

- 1. Preparing and recording meeting agendas and correspondence;
- 2. Maintaining chapter certification and roster changes;
- 3. Managing bylaws and standing rules;
- 4. Updating chapter officer updates and new member/past due member reports;
- 5. Maintaining accurate record-keeping and timely communication with FRVA chapter services.

#### **ANNUAL DUES**



Please check that your national FRVA membership is current before mailing your Chapter dues.

Chapter dues for 2025 will remain at \$15.00.

Checks should be made payable to: Capitol Chapter-FMCA

Include your name and FMCA number. Mail checks no later than March 31 to:

Joanne Becka 4814 Osage Street College Park, MD 20740

# **2025 RALLIES AND EVENTS**

**Please note:** FMCA has officially changed to Family RV Association, but sites and some rally titles still defer to <u>FMCA.COM</u>

#### March 12 - 15, 2025

#### **FMCA'S 110TH INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION**

"The Return to Perry: Lafitte's Lost Treasure"

Georgia National Fairgrounds and Agricenter

Perry, Georgia

For all details and registration information, go to <u>FMCA.com</u> under Events

Contact Joe and Dana if you are attending so we can plan a group get together 301-807-4686

April 30 - May 3, 2025 Type to enter text

#### CRUISIN' OCEAN CITY"

Join us for "Cruisin Ocean City", Ocean City, Maryland, with Boardwalk Parades, concerts and car shows This year's show will have full use of the Roland E. Powell Convention Center Exhibit Halls space.

Sun Outdoors Outdoors, Ocean City, Maryland

Book your reservations under the Capitol Chapter FRVA

Call Ann 248-749-7619, or Reservations at 1-888-886-2477.

Cost: \$65.00 on Wednesday or Thursday; \$99.00 on Friday

The deposit is \$40.00. Cancellation is 14 days prior to arrival.

Rally fee is \$20 per rig.

Joe and Dana Kromash are hosting this event. Please call them after you have booked. 301-807-4686.



JULY 16-19, 2025

## **FMCA's 111th International Convention**

Gillette, WY

## **Registration Coming Soon**

Please let us know if you are attending as we are looking for a chapter representative to vote on our behalf. Call Joe and Dana 301-807-4686.

# **September 10 - 14, 2025**

#### 2025 Balloon Festival

Old Mill Stream Campground Lancaster, Pennsylvania

Rally Masters: Len and Diane Mierzwa

Len and Diane have reserved 10 sites for Capitol Members.

RSVP - Call Len at 301-904-9911 to get your site number BEFORE you call the campground with your deposit. At the present time, we do not know the rates as they are not out yet, but it will be a group rate.

The sites that are being held for us: 230,232,233,234,236,237,238 239,241.

Rally fee is \$20 per rig.

Old Mill Stream Campground: 717-299-2314



#### October 9 -12, 2025

## **Artillery Ridge Campground**

610 Taneytown Road, Gettysburg, PA 17325

https://www.artilleryridge.com/camping

Special Events:

Apple Festival, Gettysburg, PA <a href="https://appleharvest.com/">https://appleharvest.com/</a>

Catoctin Colorfest, Thurmont, MD https://visitfrederick.org/catoctin-colorfest/

Rally Masters: Margie and Stuart Cohn

Margie has reserved 10 sites for Capitol Members. Campsites reserved are 82-89 and 99-100 (for larger rigs).

Deadline to reserve is March 1 2025.

Rally fee is \$20 per rig.

RSVP: Call the campground directly at 717-334-1288 to reserve your spot.

Reservations are under Capitol Chapter or Margie Cohn.

Additionally, please call Margie at 443-632-5561 to let her know your site number...

## November 5 - 9, 2025

#### Coast into GEAR 2025

Ocean Lakes Resort Campground

Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

- 300 sites have been reserved and you may make those reservations yourself at any time. Call the campground at 800-845-2229. Reservations must be made with Ocean Lakes Resort Campground directly using "2025 FMCA Eastern Area." The actual FMCA "Registration" form will come out later. See our <u>FMCA-EA.com</u> for more information.
- Dave & Jan Fowler will be Rally Masters for GEAR 2025. Co-Rally Master(s) is yet to be announced.
- The campground has Golf Carts to rent, so we will not have the expense of bringing them in. If you have your own, please check with the campground for their rules and requirements.
- No Security or Parkers will be needed. (campground will do this).



## **December 7, 2025**

#### **Holiday Party**

West End Grill, Annapolis, MD

Board elections and annual chapter meeting.

Organizers: Joe and Dana Kromash 301-807-4686



# Ways to Connect and Keep in Touch

You can read about the latest happenings and contact Capitol officers and friends.

**☆ Websites:** 

www.fmca.com www.fmca-ea.com

- Capitol Chapter Newsletter
- **☆ Emails**
- Facebook-Capitol Chapter-FRVA

Dana Kromash and Robyn Needel are the Administrators. Please like and follow us on our Facebook site.



Noses are red, Fingers are blue, I'm tired of winter. How about you?