



FRVA - EASTERN AREA



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My name is Tim Keppler. We probably don't know each other – yet. I hope that will change. I'm the webmaster for the FRVA-EA.com website and my current role and reason for this letter has to do with the nominating committee for the Eastern Area. You are, no doubt, familiar with the process of soliciting volunteers for positions in Chapters. This is the same as for our Eastern Area.

Several years ago, I was very active in the Safari International Chapter of FMCA. As a VP, I wrote quarterly articles for their Safari Trails Newsletter, hosted one rally per year in my region for the 6 years that I was VP and organized three separate Anniversary Rallies where we had more than 125 coaches. I left the chapter frustrated that they were not adopting FMCA guidelines in accepting towables.

I joined the South East Trek Fun Club chapter as a rally master and continued hosting rallies with them for 2 years until perhaps, like your chapter, they were unable to find volunteers for officer positions.

I still had a passion, like many of you and your fellow chapter members, for FMCA, which started the transition to FRVA when I was contacted by Gaye Young in June 2021 about helping with a new website for the Eastern Area. This was different for me – behind the scenes, rather than “on stage” hosting events. But, once again, I felt needed, appreciated, that I could make a difference, my talents were being used and successful – maybe you can relate?

I hope you can relate. I'd like to give you that same chance I was given. It is not too late to make a difference at the Area Level with the experiences you have had at the Chapter Level. At this level, you will be joining others as a TEAM (Together Everyone Achieves More) with a higher focus, not on making things better in FRVA, but connecting with the people better in ways that strengthen the sense of family bonds.

There will be an election of four officers at our GEAR 2025 event this November in Myrtle Beach SC: So, here is the bottom line, you are invited to consider/think about/talk to me/accept or reject this opportunity to be nominated for one of these positions

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Area Senior VP

Area Secretary

Area VP Northern Region

Area VP Central Region

The Eastern Area's Standing Rules can be found on our FRVA-EA.COM website under the Documents menu. You will find information and duties for each position in that document. I pray that you will seriously consider this opportunity. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Gary Lyons (EAMA President) or a member of the Nominations Committee (email me at webmaster@frva-ea.com if you need their contact information):

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