

EAMA Northern Region VP Report

Hi Fellow Campers:

The beginning of 2026 started cold and snowy in southeastern Pennsylvania. However, the Sherrow's were able to see hope when we arrived in Perry, GA on Friday, March 6th to meet up with fellow campers for the National Convention. We stayed several days at Fair Harbor RV Park along with fellow friends and campers and attended a pre-rally there. After a storm came through, we proceeded to the Perry Fairgrounds to help with parking. It is always fun to meet up with fellow parkers and friends, and of course, we had lots of fun greeting the attendees—along with our fair share of rain! You can always count on at least one day of rain while parking.

The Convention was a wonderful time for socializing with friends, attending seminars, exploring the area, and enjoying great entertainment. We always look forward to seeing friends we have made through the years, including our friends from Wyoming. A steamboat hat as they entered to park sparked a conversation, only to find out that Larry and he went to the same school (different years) and knew the same people. You truly never know who you will find in the FRVA organization! Larry and I both were alternate delegates for the FRVA Governing Board at the Convention.

As some know, leaving Perry was not as planned for us, but friends we met in Goshen, Indiana at a GLAMA rally rescued us and took us home unharmed. We are so thankful for our FRVA Family.

In April, we went and spent some time with our chapter, The First State Travelers, which camps close enough that we can drive and visit for the day. Also in April, we hosted the Penn Coachmen Chapter in Lancaster, PA. Everyone loves Lancaster and the Amish; Larry and I always enjoy sharing our knowledge of the area. We enjoyed a traditional Amish meal made by our friends during this rally, which always attracts 80+ attendees and is a lot of fun.

In May, we headed back to Quarryville, PA (still in Amish country) at White Oak Campground with the 20th Century Wagontrainers (TCW) from New Jersey, where we served as co-rally masters. We shared our local knowledge again and took a group night out to an Amish-owned restaurant with Amish waitresses. We had a fun time!

At the end of May, we traveled to Cape May, New Jersey to celebrate the 60th-anniversary party of the 20th Century Wagontrainers. We had the BEST time—they sure do know how to put on a party. Everything was perfect and a lot of fun.

From Cape May, we traveled to Shipshewana, Indiana, to meet up with the Holiday Rambler Chapter. We joined FRVA in 2008, and HR was our first chapter to join. It was great connecting with old friends we had not seen in years.

We proceeded from Shipshewana, Indiana, to Sedalia, MO, for a Monaco pre-rally on the same grounds as the Convention. Monaco knows how to do a chapter rally! It was an outstanding time with great food, games, and new friends. This is where I stepped into the role of Area Vice President East for Monaco. We attended the National Convention with old friends and made new ones, and I even had the opportunity to teach a card-making class. We thoroughly enjoyed our 4th of July with our FRVA family. After the convention was over, we stayed for the Midwest Rally and never had to move our RV. On July 7th, we started making our way back home.

In August, we traveled to Luray, VA, for a rally with several chapters—including Dogwood and Penn Coachmen. Of course, great food and fellowship were had by all, and one of my highlights was visiting the American Celebration on Parade Museum.

September took us to one of our favorite places to camp: the Pocono Racetrack in Blakeslee, Pennsylvania. Numerous chapters attended this rally. We get to take our vehicles on the racetrack, and there are tours, seminars, food, and fellowship.

In October, we are looking forward to attending the Capital Chapters rally in Ocean City, MD. After that, we hope to make it out to some of the chapters' holiday get-togethers!

Unfortunately, we did not get to spend time with every chapter in my area, but I hope to catch up with others in 2027!

Allegheny Mountain Chapter celebrated their 50th Anniversary as a chapter and we were unable to attend. We are sorry we missed this milestone.

If you want to have fun visit the chapters in MD, DE, NJ, and PA.

We are already in full swing planning for GEAR 2027 in Lewisburg, WV. Save the dates for October 6–10, 2027, with early parking starting on October 5, 2027. Stay tuned, you do not want to miss it, because it is going to be different!

We are currently looking for chairpeople and presenters for various seminars. Ask yourself: *"Do I do something fun or unique?"*

Remember to have fun and safe travels,

Clarissa Sherrow
Eastern Area VP (PA, MD, DE, and 1 chapter in NJ)

PS: Now I understand why my grandchildren and friends always ask, "Are you home now?"