The Villages RoVers



Rovers May Newsletter

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E-mail Newsletter During This Critical Time

Another month and many of our pandemic restrictions are being lifted, but are we really out of danger? Is traveling in our RV safe? We need to be responsible in our decisions, as RV'ers we have an advantage, we sleep and relax in the same place every night, have access to our own kitchen, you have your own private space and you can go anywhere and feel safe providing you are still protecting yourself and others. Another positive thing about traveling in your RV is you are supporting small businesses such as campgrounds. A campsite is no different than your home the site is yours and normally will allow you to exercise social distancing. When you register at most campgrounds it is on the phone or online so you came avoid going into the office. If you travel and run low on groceries you can get them delivered to your campsite. So is it safe, that's up to you because you have many advantages with

your RV. We are still months if not years away from feeling safe, and RVing is the right way to travel and safely enjoy life or a vacation.

We are really lucky owning an RV and we have a travel advantage and if you follow the RV industry you are reading that RV sales are going up. Many people are buying or renting RVs because it is the safest way to travel today. If you're in the market this could be a great time to buy because your current RV may be in high demand.

We are still looking for members to help research future rallies and events. What we put in is what we get, so let's all help a little to our success.

Not all of the newsletter will be exclusive stories we will place some interesting articles from the RV world and FMCA.

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Classifieds

We have added items on the website that members would like to sell. Take a look you may find something you like or place an add. If you have something to sell contact us on the "Contact Us" page of the Web Site.





Working On Rallies



Last month we asked for some help with our team working on rallies, we have done some of the research and the list keeps growing, if you would like to give a little time or more we have a plan that runs months out. Some of these rallies may not have dates due to the current pandemic, but the place, the activities and the fun will always be there. As I said last month: A) Where are we today, B) Where do we want to be tomorrow and C) How do we get there. We found where we are today, we know where we what to be tomorrow, now that's progress, but how do we get there, with your help! A simple reminder, you joined this chapter to meet and make new friendships and travel with our members.



The List Keeps Growing! Check The Website

Possible Rallies:

If You Are Interest In Hosting Or Co-Hosting the Information Is On File

Suwannee Roots Revival October 15 -18, 2021 Pensacola - Blue Angels Rocket Launch Big Cypress National Park Cedar Key Florida Caverns

Florida Caverns
St. Augustine - KOA or Stagecoach RV Park
Lay On The Beach At Beverly Campground
Indian River RV Park / Kennedy Space Center
Grassy Key RV Resort - Florida Keys
Just Do Nothing Rally

Destination Rally

Albuquerque Balloon Fest Rally – October 2021

Coming Soon!

>Great Outdoors RV Resort & Golf >Tampa Super January 2021 >FMCA 102th International Rally — March 2021

Possible Events:

Meeting AT A Park For Lunch Or Snacks Gathering At A RV Storage Center or Campground – Maintenance Talks

For information contact Doris Carder and become part of her team.

RVillage A Great Website For The RV Community

www.RVillage.com

- RVillage is a simple and a free website for the RV community, members can meet members find out about RV parks join specific RV groups.
- If you use RVIllage there is a private group, Villages Rovers it was set up just for our Chapter.
- Endless amount of information.

- Get questions answered from RVers around North America.
- Information about Rallies everywhere.
- Join countless groups.
- Find a group and connect with other RVers who enjoy the same things. Rig type, pets, hobbies and so much more.
- ♣ Sign Up AT www.RVillage.com



Website: www.villagesrovers.com

Virtual Rally The New Norm - Was Great!

If You Missed This Rally You Can Still Sign Up And Be Eligible To Win And Watch The Seminars For One Year!

As I mentioned last month I have been working on what will be another change in our RV life style, Virtual Rallies and we had our first one last week. The Freedom Virtual RV Rally took place on May 20, 21 and 22, 2020. The rally had eighteen seminars over the three day event. There were panel conversations about RVing, How to stay connected in the RV world. Some of the Seminars were given by FMCA, Fantasy RV Tours, Harvest Host, Safe-T-Plus, Roadmaster, Liquid Springs, Super Springs, Henderson's Line / Super Steer, and RV Women to name a few.

Remember when there was a typewriter and then came the computer or phones were only in a stationary place and not in everyone's pocket or purse? When we sent mail to friends and family it was through the Post Office and took days but now we have e-mail and it takes seconds. In our lives the world has changed, so think about the virtual world and the advantages of Virtual Rallies along with physical rallies. We still have wired phones and cell phones it's just another way of communicating.

Those of us that attended have the ability to review all the seminars for one year. Some of the other great benefits included in the \$97 registration are:

- \$200 discount coupon for Road Performance Assessment by Henderson's Line-Up
- \$100 Discount on any purchase of \$500 or more of SuperSteer branded parts at Henderson's Lineup (good through Aug 31, 2020)
- \$50 Discount on any purchase of \$500 or more for any non-SuperSteer parts at Henderson's Lineup (good through Aug 31, 2020)
- 🖊 \$10 Off Membership and Free Magazine Subscription RVing Women
- \$100 Off Certificate from Fantasy RV Tours
- 15% Discount (\$11 value) for Harvest Hosts Annual Membership
- \$100 Discount on 55,000+ Restaurants, nation-wide Eagle's View Online.

The Virtual Rally had unbelievable drawings for those who attended:

- Front or Rear Liquid Spring System (\$8,000) for one person who attends the LIVE Liquid Spring seminar
- Front and Rear Sumo Spring Set for motorhome (\$1275) SuperSprings
- Front and Rear Sumo Spring Sets for trailers (2x \$500 value) SuperSprings
- One Tow Bar Kit (\$1,100 value) Roadmaster
- 🖶 Trac Bar Set (\$700 value) Henderson's Lineup
- ♣ Radius Rods for Ford F-53 (\$650 value) Henderson's Lineup
- 🖶 🛮 Sway Bar Set for a pickup or motorhome (Up to \$1000 value) Roadmaster
- ♣ Gas Card (\$200 value) Fantasy Tours

Because this is a first Virtua Rally there is a 100% Satisfaction Guarantee!

When you sign up you experience everything except talking live to the Speakers and the attendees.

Link For Virtual Rally - https://www.freedomrvrally.com/rv-rally-optin-bernie

Any Questions Feel Free To Contact - Bernie Harchar



Class A And Class C Gas Powered Motorhome Owners

Many of our members have a gas powered Class A or Class C motorhome on a Ford chassis, Class A is normally built on a Ford F-53 chassis and a Class C is built on a Ford E-450 chassis. The majority of these chassis have stability, wondering and porpoising (the front and rear bounces) issues. Do you get pushed over when a truck or large vehicle passes you on the highway? If you are interested in a round table discussion contact Bernie Harchar BHarchar@aol.com or 440-724-2137 and there will be a Zoom round table scheduled. If you're interested in buying an F-53 or E-450 feel free to sign up. The round table date will be set up after Chapter members have had time to read the newsletter. There are solutions to improve the riding quality. You can share your experiences with other Chapter mambers.

Travel With Peace Of Mind, Knowing You Are Covered If The Unexpected Happens

FMCAssist

What do you need to do to enroll in this program?

Absolutely nothing! As long as you are an active FMCA member, you are covered.

FMCAssist coverage is provided by Seven Corners and is underwritten by Lloyd's of London.

FMCAssist is emergency medical evacuation and repatriation coverage available to members worldwide as long as you are more than 100 miles from home. Some exclusions and limitation amounts pertain to these benefits.

UNDERSTAND THIS GREAT BENEFIT!

It is crucial that you understand what is included (and excluded) with your FMCAssist coverage. There is no additional cost for FMCAssist coverage. As long as you are an active FMCA member, you are covered. Other travel and medical evacuation programs can cost \$200 or more!

When should I call FMCAssist?

Always contact 9-1-1 first in any emergency. Anytime a physician has advised that you or your covered family member is in need of emergency medical transportation. Anytime you or your covered family member has been admitted as an inpatient at a hospital, or anytime you feel you may need future assistance with transportation due to a medical situation. Anytime you have general questions about your coverage and the services available through FMCAssist. Anytime you or your covered family member has been admitted as an inpatient at a hospital, or anytime you feel you may need future assistance with transportation due to a medical situation.

What happens when I call FMCAssist?

If immediate assistance is required, Seven Corners will request that you provide your name and FMCA member number (ex F123456) in order to take the next necessary actions. Seven Corners will obtain details of your current situation and add a notation to your profile. If assistance is not required



immediately, Seven Corners will ask you to call back if/when assistance becomes necessary. Seven Corners will answer any questions you have about your coverage benefits.

Board Members:

Bernie Harchar, President/ National Director Doug Huttenstine, 1st. Vice President Danny Brown, 2nd. Vice President Cheryl Botts, Secretary / Treasurer Fred Holland, Alternate National Director

Contact Information Available On The Website - www.VillagesRovers.org

Rally Host Coordinator Doris Carder

Current Membership - 134 RV Owners Web Master Bob Holzmann & Chuck Wyrick Please be patient we are working to update and improve our website.

Hope To See You Soon!! Be Safe



Special Addition About The Freedom Virtual Rally You Can Still Go Virtually

Dispelling the Myths:



Myth #1: We will never be able to go out in our RV again.

You have made a tremendous investment, and in some circles, you hear this echo of fear: "we won't ever be allowed to go camping again!"

One way to dispel lies is to speak truth. And the truth is, those with RVs are more likely to jump-start this economy nationwide than any other industry. You are mobile, agile, and hostile!... okay, maybe not hostile- unless they really do say NO MORE CAMPING!

Myth #2: We will never see our family again.

I don't know about you, but despite this "stay-at-home" stuff, we still see our kids and grandkids.

Now, it might not be face to face (although we do...shhhh!), but we do get to see them any time via the Internet. And, I am sure that quite a few of you do the same thing using something like zoom. In fact, despite your year of birth, you just might be a baby-zoomer!



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Myth #3: We will never see our friends again.

Once again, if you fall into believing this lie, then you might be experiencing despair and depression. Do not buy it! You love the comradery of RVing. And the real truth is that you miss the connections made with each new adventure. Even if you visit the same parks, you miss getting together around a campfire and eating s'mores. Right?

Well, you are not alone. There is not a true RVer who is not missing this activity. It's a freedom that we have earned, bought, and paid for in many ways.

So, what's the answer to these insidious lies?

How about a dose of VIRTUAL CAMPING?

Better still... you guys probably attend multiple RV rallies year-round.

What's the next best thing to being there? Being there virtually!

We have partnered with a group of folks who have somehow pulled together a Virtual

RV Rally. We get to see all our friends, attend some of the best seminars and win some fabulous prizes. Speaking of prizes, by just registering for the event, its \$97 by the way, **you will receive over \$500** in tangible gifts and discounts! That is a 5X return on your investment just for registering.

But get this, many of the presenters are offering fabulous attendance prizes. One prize, just for attending the seminar is worth \$8000! YES, **you can win a prize worth \$8000** just be attending a 90-minute seminar.

So, let me encourage you to register now. Click the link below

Link For Virtual Rally - https://www.freedomrvrally.com/rv-rally-optin-bernie

Now, you may notice up front that the **FREEDOM Virtual Rally** started this past Wednesday. **DON'T WORRY!** The team behind the scenes setup a platform that **you can watch the recording** of <u>every seminar</u>. You get access to everyone after registration.

You must act now!

Registration for the seminar door prizes ends May 31, 2020 at midnight Eastern (New York) time. Drawings will be held shortly thereafter. But you MUST attend and signup at the end of the seminar to be eligible.

Register today and watch your favorite seminar. You could be a winner of many of the prizes, including an \$8000 RV add-on system!

Click this link below and represent our organization well. We get credit for every person that attends.

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Thank You,

Bernie Karchar

PS Remember, you must be registered by May 31, 2020 to be eligible to win the seminar prizes.

PSS The total value of the seminar prizes is \$13,925

