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#### Message from the President

Greetings Capitol Chapter,

On Saturday, July 20th, 2024, I had the honor of being elected as President of the Capitol Chapter. Thank you in advance for giving me the opportunity to make this chapter the best it can be and to work with each of you to accomplish what we want.

I look forward to meeting new friends and working together.

The 55th Anniversary rally at Old Mill Stream Campground in Lancaster, PA was

an amazing event. Thank you to Katie Taddeo on volunteering to lead the Anniversary Committee.

There are two rallies planned for the Capitol Chapter besides the GEAR Rally. Please consider hosting or co-hosting a rally. It's really easy!!!

Please feel free to contact me to discuss your ideas and volunteer positions.

Until next time, keep on traveling!

Joe Kromash

## ANNUAL DUES

### CAPITOL ROSTER

Check your email. The membership roster is coming your way. Please review your information. The primary phone number will be used as our first contact. Your RV information is necessary for booking rallies. Send any updates or corrections to Len Mierzwa at [len.mierzwa@verizon.net](mailto:len.mierzwa@verizon.net)



Don't forget your 2024 dues. \$15.00

Checks should be made payable to: **Capitol Chapter-FMCA**

Include your name and FMCA number. Mail checks to:

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# A CAPITOL CHAPTER CELEBRATION

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY - 55 YEARS

**JULY 20, 2024**

**OLD MILL STREAM CAMPGROUND, LANCASTER, PA**

On Saturday, July 20, the Capitol Chapter of FMCA celebrated its 55th year anniversary at Old Mill Stream Campground. After an annual business meeting, the celebrations began. Dinner was provided by the Capitol Chapter and catered by Dutch County Catering and BBQ. Special recognition was given to a group of members who have been with this Chapter through the years and have contributed to its continued success. Katie Taddeo made beautiful centerpieces and handy RV towels that she graciously gave to the attendees. Phyllis Britz, National VicePresident, presented Steve and Joe with a congratulatory letter and Certificate on behalf of FMCA. We were treated to a presentation by Clarissa( Northern Area Vice-President) and Larry Sherrow who tested our knowledge of Amish life in Lancaster County.

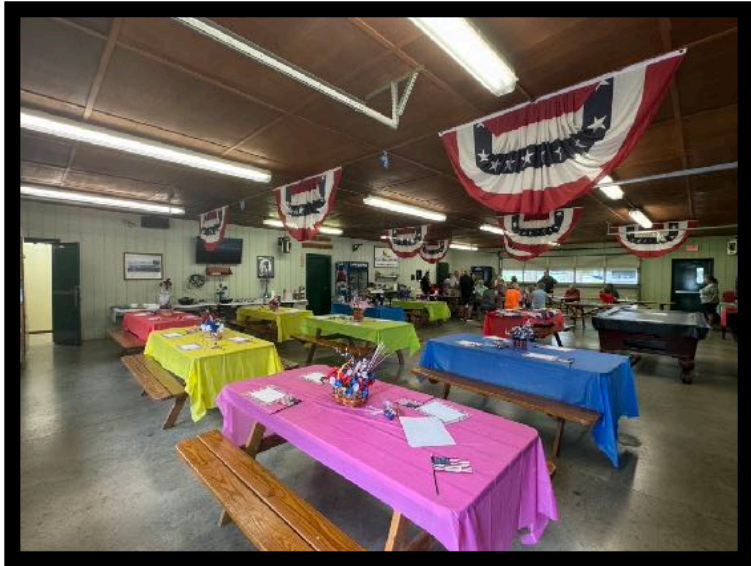
Many thanks to all who attended and to the Anniversary Committee for making this a memorable and successful event.











## UPCOMING EVENTS

**August 7-12, 2024**

### **Luray RV Resort and Campground**

Luray, VA

[www.lurayrvresortshenandoahriver.com](http://www.lurayrvresortshenandoahriver.com)

Hosts: Steve and Barbara Tessier

This impromptu rally will be held as a joint rally with the Bay Travelers.. This is a book your own rally as there are no rally rates. The resort does offer lots of discounts such as 20% off five days, military and first responders. Steve and Barbara will be in site FHU654. Call the campground for reservations.

The campground is on the Shenandoah River and has kayaking, canoeing and rafting opportunities. There are also vendors available for group activities.

<https://shenandoah-river.com/canoe-kayak-tube-raft-rentals/tubing/>.

Plenty of attractions are nearby. The world famous Cooter's Garage is across the road with Ben Jones and the Cooter's Garage Band playing Saturday afternoons for free, as well as free Bluegrass music on Sunday afternoon. <https://cootersplace.com>

Shenandoah National Park and Fort Valley are a short drive away as well as some OHV trails. The town of Luray has some eclectic shops and a museum in the train station. Wineries and distilleries are nearby. If antiques are your thing, the town of Sperryville is just over the mountain.

**September 12-15, 2024**

### **A Hershey PA Gathering**

**CANCELLED**

This event was scheduled to coincide with the Hershey RV show in Hershey, PA. Due to the show's popularity, we were not able to secure a group of campsites in any of the nearby campgrounds. The show will go on.... You can attend on your own but we will not be going as an organized group.



**October 23-27, 2024**

## **GEAR RALLY**

Western NC Agricultural Center, Fletcher, NC

GEAR up for this big one! Five nights in beautiful Western North Carolina. 3 evenings of entertainment, Seminars, Book Swaps, Dog Parade, Pickleball, Ladies' Luncheon, Ice Cream Social, Crafts, Craft Shows, Commercial Exhibits, Bingo, Bean Bag Baseball, Display RV's, Food Trucks and more!

A great chance to see old friends and meet new ones.

For details and registration, go to the Eastern Area Website. [www.fmca-ea.com](http://www.fmca-ea.com)

POC: Len and Diane Mierzwa for the Capitol Chapter.

Hope to see you there!

**December 2024**

## **Holiday Party**

Information on Date, Time, and Location will be sent as plans are finalized.

## **Ways to Connect and Keep in Touch**

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

### **Websites:**

[www.fmca.com](http://www.fmca.com)

[www.fmca-ea.com](http://www.fmca-ea.com)

### **Capitol Chapter Newsletter**

### **Emails**

### **Facebook-Capitol Chapter-FMCA**

Dana Kromash and Robyn Needel are the Administrators





*You can't buy happiness-  
But you can buy an RV !*