



## CAPITOL CHAPTER

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#### Message from the President

Greetings Capitol Chapter,

The summer season has come to a close. The fall is upon us. We have had Hurricane Milton and Hurricane Helene hit the Florida and Asheville, NC areas that have caused massive damage. Due to Hurricane Helene GEAR had to be canceled. We hope all in the path of the hurricanes are trying to move forward from personal injuries and property damage.

I look forward to GEAR 2025 in Myrtle Beach, SC.

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We have our annual holiday party scheduled for November 17, 2024 in Annapolis, Maryland. We hope to see our members at this upcoming event.

Additionally, I look forward to seeing everyone at the International Convention in March, 2025, in Perry, GA. Registration is open.

We have planned a rally in Ocean City, Maryland, April 30- May 3, 2025. If you would like to attend there are still open spots at Sun Outdoors in Ocean City.

I am looking forward to a great year ahead and the chance to meet face-to-face.

I look forward to meeting new friends and working together.

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

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 to:

Joanne Becka  
4814 Osage Street  
College Park, MD 20740



# Updating Your Chapter Membership's Information

How do I update my Chapter Information?

Please note that individual members are responsible for updating their own information.

You can update the information online at [FMCA.com](http://FMCA.com) . Once logged in, click on the Membership drop down. Then click on Profile and begin updating.

Having trouble? You can email [membership@fmca.com](mailto:membership@fmca.com) or call 800-543-3622.

## CAPITOL CHAPTER HOLIDAY PARTY

It's time to celebrate our Capitol Chapter of FMCA.

When: Sunday, November 17  
1:00pm to 4:00pm

Where: West End Grill  
2049 West Street  
Annapolis, Md 21401

We will have a private room and a chance to socialize. Separate checks can be requested.

RSVP on the Evite or contact Joe or Dana at 301-807-4686.



## CAPITOL CHAPTER BADGES

Any current or new member who needs a badge can follow the information below to order the new version. If you already have a badge, you can continue using it so you don't have to order another.

### BADGE ORDER FORM

Badges are to be worn at all rallies. After receiving your "F" number, you can order your badge(s) from the below vendor: **Caution: Wearers with pacemakers should order "Pin back only" badges**

Best Badges Plus.net

Barbara Trent

Email: [barbara.trent@gmail.com](mailto:barbara.trent@gmail.com)

Cell phone: 770-356-2712

Strong Magnet back – appropriate for any weight clothing - \$13.00 per badge

Pin back only - \$12.00 per badge

Shipping is approximately \$4-exact cost will be stated on the invoice

To order your Capitol Chapter badges:

Example:

send an email to: [Barbara.trent@gmail.com](mailto:Barbara.trent@gmail.com)

Badge info should include:



Provide:

Request for Capitol Chapter badge First name, Last name

F#

City, State

Address you want badges sent to

Your phone number in case she needs to contact you

Barbara will send your badges to you along with an invoice of your cost. She accepts check or PayPal.

If you need to speak to Barbara, you can reach her at 770-356-2712

# 2025 RALLIES AND EVENTS

**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 [FMCA.com](http://FMCA.com) under Events

**April 30 - May 3, 2025**

## **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 FMCA

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

Cost: \$65.00 Wednesday, Thursday

\$99.00 Friday

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

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

**November 4 - 9, 2025**

**GEAR 2025**

Ocean Lakes Family Campground

Myrtle Beach, South Carolina

- 300 sites have been reserved and you may make those reservations yourself at any time. The actual FMCA “Registration” form will come out later. Reservations must be made with Ocean Lakes Family Campground directly using “2025 FMCA Eastern Area” See our [EAMA website](#) for more information.
- Dave & Jan Fowler will be Rally Masters for GEAR 2025. Co-Rally Master(s) is yet to be announced.
- They have 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).
- The price for GEAR 25 has not been established at this time and the program is still in the planning stage. More information will be forthcoming.



## 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



*Good friends sitting around a campfire is  
my idea of a GREAT night out.*