

# SPOT-LITE



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## President's Message



Adventures that we will share together

Top of the morning to everyone from Carl Gardenias your new president for 2020. I'm looking forward to next year traveling together in our RVs.

It was in June 1965 California Chapter started, I was in college, IBM Selectric typewriter, 3 x 5 cards at the library, 4 track tapes and radios that came on slowly because of tubes. Wow!

Have things changed, much easier for us to communicate and travel with information about weather, roads, family members, and etc.

- **Mission 1:** Making new friends at rallies in the coming year, **we are planning with the end in mind.** That we will have fun, socialize, make new friends, and enjoy the experience of traveling with friends. Life is easier when we do it together
- **Mission 2:** Make improvements and streamline the process for the volunteers to achieve their goals in serving this chapter. Working together, we can achieve these goals
- **Mission 3:** Informal talks about RV life on the road. i.e.; Maintenance on RV, traveling, troubleshooting, latest technology, and other subjects of interest to members.

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## President's Message (Continued)

- **Mission 4:** Information like if you have an **Emergency** in your RV. Call 911 and put your flashers on so they can locate you easily. Letting the executive board members know if you need assistance i.e.; requirements for power. **Boy Scout motto be prepared**, remember the definition of a disaster is when it happens to you.
  - a) Remember (Murphy's Law), there will always be problems, if we work together, we can solve almost anything. A little help from my friends
- **Mission 5:** Increase membership, remember volunteers are the lifeblood of our California Chapter of FMCA without them we can't continue! We need to work on changing visitors to members of the California Chapter for a long period of time. To do so we must constantly ask how are we doing (evaluate) and trying to implement the things that would be interesting to the chapter as a group

I'm excited about the coming year 2020, sharing time together, travel, and adventures to come

**Remember** I am looking forward to seeing you at Indio and other rallies that we will have.

Happy Holidays & A Happy New Year

Carl Gardenias  
CCFMCA President

Carl Presented Roy McDaniel with a service award for serving last year as our Chapter President.

Roy graciously accepted the award and thanked his dedicated and hardworking helper, his wife Anne.



## HOSPITALITY & MEMBERSHIP

**By Carol Jones**

cajonesdb@yahoo.com

Our dear friend and member Monika Legrone underwent surgery on December 12<sup>th</sup>.

Our thoughts and prayers are with her and Harvey. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Please keep me informed of any of our members that need get well wishes or cheering!

Don't forget Membership dues are due in January!!! See the renewal form in this Spot-Lite edition. Thank you to all of the members who have already returned their dues payment.

## NEW MEMBERS

We are delighted to welcome the following new members to CCFMCA:

Todd and Sammee Zeile	Indio, CA.
Paul and Marlene Brenner	Lake Hughes, CA.
Peggy Jefferson	Laguna Woods, CA.
Peggy Clendenen	Murrieta, CA.
Leo Pasco	Murrieta, CA.

We look forward to having them join us at future rallies and getting to know them!

**WARMEST OF WISHES TO ALL THE MEMBERS OF OUR CCFMCA FAMILY!!!**

**May your Holidays be Merry and Bright and the New Year brings you Peace and Happiness!!!**

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

**By Cass Cassidy**

Our financial position continues to remain very strong. Our recent Rally at the Pechanga Resort was a great success and a great facility but it is more expensive than our typical venue. We really ought to consider are we willing to spend more to have nicer programs. As of 12/5/19 our total cash holding (bank and CD's) is \$39,761.10

## **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

**By Denise Loxton**

The minutes from the General Meeting and the Board Meeting held on November 23rd have been submitted to the Board and approved. The Board had a teleconference meeting on Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup> to approve the minutes with minor corrections. Those minutes are also finished. All of the final approved minutes have been sent to the entire Board of Directors.

## **FROM THE EDITOR**

**By Tracy Lenocker**

There are a few changes to the Spot-lite this month with the inclusion of chapter information from your officers and board members.

Also in this edition are the forms for registering for the February rally in Newport Beach and the form for renewing your membership. And there is still time to register for the 32<sup>nd</sup> Western Area Rally January in Indio.

The first of January I will send out an email to just those who have not renewed by that time as a gentle reminder.

At our November Rally John and Carol Jones and David and Marilyn Franke shared their photos of their trip to the Albuquerque Balloon Festival. A few of the photos are below. I am always looking for anyone who would like to write a travel experience or about something related to RV maintenance. Just let me know.

## RALLIES AND EVENTS FOR 2020

By Cathy Gardenias, Wagon Master

cjscreek@gmail.com

Hello to all of our members. I am happy to serve you as your wagon master for 2020-2021 and want to let you know exactly what my position entails. My position is to find a nice campground, negotiate fair prices where we can enjoy each other's company, build memories, protect your safety while on our adventures.



My other responsibility is to ask for volunteers to take on the responsibility of becoming a trail boss and also those who would to become a co-trail boss.

This is not a hard responsibility. The grounds have already been provided, the treasurer or president will pay payments to the facility, and all you need to do is: 1) Decide on the menu 2) Take in the registration forms, 3) Make the deposits to the bank and notify the treasurer. 4) If people volunteer to help in the kitchen, serve the meals or do clean up, just make up a sheet and assign them their positions. You get to meet new members, old friends and have fun in the meantime. 5) Fill out some simple forms for me and I turn them into the treasurer. That's it!

Right now, since the New Year is upon us, I will start off the February Rally as the Trail Boss, but I would love someone to raise their hand and offer to be my Co-hosts and if you have never done it, you will learn how it works. Please join me. Here are the Rallies as we have it now, which need Trail and Co-Trail Bosses

**Feb 27 – Mar 3**     Newport Dunes - Need Co-Trail Boss

**March 18 – 22** Stage Coach KOA Banning - Need Trail Boss and Co-Trail Boss

**April 22 – 26** Borrego RV and Golf Resort – Need Trail Boss and Co-Trail Boss (I will not be in town, I am running a convention that very same weekend)

**May 21 – 24** Golden Palm Village – Hemet CA – Need Trail Boss/Co-Trail boss (I am on vacation elsewhere)

**September TBD**     This will be the second week of the month. It is open so if anyone has a spot that they love to go to let me know and I will try to get it for us. But will need TB/co-TB

**Sep 30 – Oct 4** OKTOBERFEST at the Golden Palm Village – This is an exciting time to meet people from different groups. We will need all types of volunteers to assist with this rally.

**Nov 18 – 22** Pechanga RV & Resort – Thanksgiving Rally – Need TB/Co-TB

Please consider volunteering and join me in this successful journey.

# November Rally at the Pechanga RV Resort



Our Smiling Breakfast Servers...



... Fed a Hungry Crowd



Sonny Won the Bonehead Award – Ask Him How



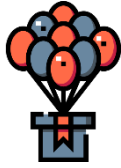
The Evening Game Tables were Full



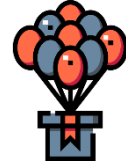
Bean Bag Baseball was a thriller with the O'Lord's (Guest) crushing the Troublemakers (Home). Led by Adrienne with Chuck, Cathy, Peggy, Denise, Bill, Marilyn, Jodi, Brad, Carol and Shirley.



Brad and Marlene are not only first time new members but took first place in the ladder ball toss. In case you did not notice Brad was also a winner in the Bean Bag Baseball. Winner-Winner



# Albuquerque Balloon Festival



David and Marilyn Franke on the bus ride



John and Carol Jones getting ready to arrive



Here are photos of balloons on the ground, lite up at night and filling the sky.



# 2020 CCFMCA DUES

Don't Forget to Pay your Dues!!! Only \$15.00 per coach.  
Update your information also!!!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Send your payment and updated information to:

Carol A. Jones Membership  
958 Dahlia Ave  
Costa Mesa, CA 92626





# At the Hop!

## January 8-12, 2020

32nd Annual  
Western Area  
Rally

Riverside County Fair & National  
Date Festival • Indio, California

**HIGHLIGHTS:** 4 Nights of Camping • 3 Nights of Entertainment • 2 Ice Cream Socials • Parade  
Ladies' Sock Hop Lunch - \$10 • 1st Time Attendee Orientation • Bingo • Pet Extravaganza  
Pickleball • Commercial Exhibits • New/Used Display RVs • Chapter Fair • Seminars & Crafts  
Door Prizes • The Frustrated Maestros • Coffee & Goodies Served Each Morning

**GENERAL INFORMATION:** Early Arrival Area opens Sunday, Jan. 5 (Fee Payable On-site)

**BUS TOUR: PALM SPRING WINDMILLS** - Jan. 8 (Tour Departs Gate 5 at 11:45).

**EXHIBIT HOURS:** Display RVs Open Wed., Jan. 8, 1:30 pm - 4:30 pm / Commercial Exhibits

Open Thur. - Sat. 9:00 am - 4:00 pm • **PRIVATE GOLF CART RENTAL AVAILABLE:**

Call GTI for reservations, Mindy Hawkins 800-477-0467 • **DIRECTIONS:** I-10 to Monroe.

Monroe south 3 miles to 48th. Left ½ mile to Arabia Street. Left on Arabia to the arrival area on the right.

### Western Area Rally Registration Form

Permanent changes to membership files cannot be made from this form.

Member Number:	Last Name:	Pilot:	Co-Pilot:
Address		City:	State/Province: Zip/Postal Code:
E-mail:		Telephone:	Cell Phone:
RV Make:	RV License:	RV Length:	<input type="radio"/> First Time at a Western Area Rally
1. Guest/Child's Name/Age:			<input type="radio"/> Hold Confirmation Packet at Will Call
2. Guest/Child's Name/Age:			Disabled Parking? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

	Pre-Reg	On-Site	Qty.	Total	Parking Information
RV with 2 Adults – Dry Camping	\$ 185.00	\$ 195.00		\$	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Electric Parking</b> – 25-30 amps</li> <li>• <b>Generator Parking</b> – 7:00 am - 10:00 pm</li> <li>• <b>Disabled Parking</b> – Reserved for those with proof of qualifying medical needs. State-issued placard must be visible.</li> <li>• <b>Early-Arrival Fee</b> – \$25 per night payable on-site, cash or check only</li> </ul>
RV with 1 Adult – Dry Camping	\$ 165.00	\$ 175.00		\$	
Additional Fee for 25-30 Amp Electric	\$ 150.00	\$ 160.00		\$	
RV with 2 Adults – 24-Hour Generator	\$ 185.00	\$ 195.00		\$	
Each Additional Occupant	\$ 50.00	\$ 60.00		\$	
Passport <sup>1</sup> for 1 Adult	\$ 70.00	\$ 80.00		\$	
Children Under 13	FREE	FREE		FREE	
Ladies' Sock Hop Lunch	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00		\$	
Palm Springs Windmill Tour <sup>2</sup> – Jan. 8	\$ 57.00	\$ 57.00		\$	
Day Passes Avail. Thurs., Fri., & Sat. \$15/day/person	On-Site	On-Site	—	On-Site	
				<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>

#### Payment Information

#### CREDIT CARD

Place your credit card registrations by:

Phone: (800) 543-3622 • (513) 474-3622

#### CHECK

Make checks payable in U.S. funds to FMC, Inc.

Mail to: FMCA / Attention: Western Area Rally  
8291 Clough Pike  
Cincinnati, OH 45244

#### Would you like to Volunteer?

Yes. If interested, please contact Alice Bernard (below)

**Volunteers – Alice Bernard**

(530) 519-7346 • bernardfrogfarm@yahoo.com

#### Cancellation Policy

A \$25.00 processing fee applies to all cancellations. Refunds will be given only upon written request if received by January 8, 2020 (no refunds for electric after December 1, 2019). Badges and confirmation materials must be returned to the FMCA home office. No refunds after January 8, 2020. Registrations after December 23, 2019, will be held at Will Call.

#### Rally Contacts

**WMHA President/Rally Master – Lon Cross**  
(661) 886-5077 • lcross@fmca.com

**WMHA Sr. VP/Co-Rally Master – Bob Golk**  
(661) 599-3548 • rgolk@outlook.com

**Parking Chief – Rod Kenly**  
(760) 608-2791 • rod.kenly@gmail.com

**Groups & Caravans – James McDaniels**  
(925) 818-7718 • jmcadan2296@sbcglobal.net

**Seminars & Crafts – Gary Mann**  
(562) 217-5634 • indiosems@gmail.com

**Display RVs – Paul Bostwick**  
(714) 240-8105 • cabpb@earthlink.net

**Commercial Exhibits – Virgil George**  
(714) 964-3731 • (714) 745-7092  
IndioVendors@gmail.com

**Volunteers – Alice Bernard**  
(530) 519-7346 • bernardfrogfarm@yahoo.com

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**FEBRUARY 2020 RALLY**  
**NEWPORT DUNES WATERFRONT RESORT**  
**1131 Back Bay Drive, Newport Beach, CA 92660**  
**FEBRUARY 27 – MARCH 01 2020**  
**1-800-765-7661**  
[www.newportdunes.com](http://www.newportdunes.com)

**NOTE: Space sizes are 25' x 40'**

**GPS: Lat: 33.615925 / Lon: -117.890440**

<b>Thursday:</b>	Arrive, park and relax	<b>Saturday:</b>	7:00 A.M.	Coffee
	5:00 P.M. Happy Hours (BYOB)		8:00 A.M.	Breakfast Served
	6:00 P.M. Dinner Provided		9:30 A.M.	<b>General Meeting</b>
<b>Friday:</b>	7:00 A.M. Coffee	5:00 P.M.	Happy Hour (BYOB)	
	8:00 A.M. Breakfast Served	6:00 P.M.	Dinner Provided	
	9:30 A.M. <b>Board Meeting</b>			
	5:00 P.M. Happy Hour (BYOB)			
	6:00 P.M. Dinner Provided			

Trail Bosses: **TBD**

**Reservations must be received by February 12, 2020**

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Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ FMCA # \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Handicap Parking? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_ Placard # \_\_\_\_\_ Your first CCFMCA Rally? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_

Coach Model \_\_\_\_\_ Length \_\_\_\_\_ License # \_\_\_\_\_ # of Slides L\_\_\_ R\_\_\_

Parking (**FHU**): sites are 25' x 40' Thu \_\_\_ Fri \_\_\_ Sat \_\_\_ # \_\_\_ x \$41.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Includes: **2** Breakfast **3** Dinner Number of Persons \_\_\_ x \$20.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL = \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Please send this reservation form and check, payable to CCFMCA to: Cathy Gardenias Wagon Master  
 20902 Gardenias St.  
 Perris, CA 92570

VOLUNTEER: Serving \_\_\_\_\_ Kitchen \_\_\_\_\_ Clean-Up \_\_\_\_\_

# California Chapter FMCA

## 2020 Schedule

<b>January 9 - 13</b>	<b>FMCA WMHA ("At the Hop")</b> Riverside County Fairgrounds 82503 Hwy 111 Indio, CA 92201-5633	Elev: -7
GPS: Lat: 33.713280 Lon: -116.224329		
<b>Feb 27 to Mar-1 (M-Th)</b>	<b>Newport Dunes Waterfront Resort</b> 1131 Back Bay Drive Newport Beach, CA	Full Hookups 800-765-7661 Trail Boss: TBD Co-Trail Boss: TBD Elev: 15
GPS: Lat: 33.615925 Lon: -117.890440		
<b>March 18-22</b>	<b>Banning Stagecoach KOA</b> 1455 S. San Gorgonio Banning, CA 92220	Full Hookups 951-849-7513 Trail Boss: TBD Co-Trail Boss: TBD Elev: 2232
GPS: Lat: 33.912321 Lon: -116.877870		
<b>April 23 - 26</b>	<b>The Springs at Borrego</b> 2255 Di Giorgio Rd. Borrego Springs, CA	Full Hookups 760-767-0004 Trail Boss: TBD Co-Trail Boss: TBD Elev: 572
GPS: Lat: 33.266065 Lon: -116.366105		
<b>May 14 - 17</b>	<b>Golden Village Palms</b> 3600 West Florida Ave Hemet, CA 92545-3501	Full Hookups 951-925-2518 Trail Boss: TBD Co-Trail Boss: TBD Elev: 1520
GPS: Lat: 33.746974 Lon: -117.010896		
<b>JUNE, JULY, AUGUST</b>	<b>NO CAMPOUT</b>	
<b>September</b>	<b>TBD</b>	Full Hookups Ph: Trail Boss: TBD Co-Trail Boss: TBD Elev:
GPS: Lat: Lon:		
<b>Sep 30 - Oct 4</b>	<b><i>OKTOBERFEST</i></b> 3600 West Florida Ave Hemet, CA 92545-3501	Full Hookups 951-925-2518 Trail Boss: TBD Co-Trail Boss: TBD Elev: 1520
GPS: Lat: 33.746974 Lon: -117.010896		
<b>November 18 - 22</b>	<b>Pechanga RV Resort</b> 45000 Pechanga Fkwy Temecula, CA 92592 (877) 997-8386	Full Hookups Ph: Trail Boss: TBD Co-Trail Boss: TBD Elev: 1110 MSL
GPS: Lat: 34451810 Lon: -117.101051		

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Data Coordinator	Tracy Lenocker
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Materials	To Be Appointed

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