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---Chapter Information---

President's Message - We recently finished a five-day stay at the FMCA International Convention near Charlotte, NC. On Sunday we met with several other owners and caravanned from Kannapolis, NC to the rally site at Lowe's Speedway in Concord. During the rally we met up with more owners and on Tuesday thirteen couples enjoyed an evening meal at a local restaurant. While there, we were visited by Jay & Donna Blumenthal. Jay is the President of the International Area Chapters in FMCA and has recently been re-elected to that post. We've always appreciated Jay's taking time to visit with AlfaSeeYas members, and the job he does for us with FMCA.

What should have been a pleasant evening at the Ricky Nelson Tribute show was interrupted by some gastric distress that caused me some concern. While resting behind the stadium, I was lucky to get the attention of one of the FMCA staff. He noticed that my pulse was racing and after EMTs were summoned, they determined I was suffering from Atrial Fibrillation. A quick ride to the emergency room resulted in my receiving excellent care at Northeast Trauma Center. In fact, from the time the FMCA volunteer intervened, until my release from the hospital two days later, everyone's effort and involvement was extremely professional and reassuring. Fortunately, the results of echocardiogram and stress tests came back normal; only concern is due to the Atrial Fibrillation. By Thursday evening, I was back at the rally, enjoying the evening show, Riders of the Sky.

On Friday, most members started heading out, continuing their summer plans. From my limited opportunity to talk with other AlfaSeeYas members, it appears that all enjoyed the Convention. I want to take this opportunity to thank all the AlfaSeeYas members who helped us at the rally.

Anyone who e-mails me at [by September 15, and correctly](#) identifies the following 800 number, will be entered to receive a free year's dues. The number is 1-800-527-0218. There will be three winners. This is a very important number and should be in the front section of your wallet or ID folder and in your cell phone. If you need a hint go to: http://www.fmca.com/membership/benefits/full_family/medex.asp

Finally, a couple of reminders. Your dues are \$10.00 per year (\$20.00 for two years) and the label on this newsletter shows when your membership expires. After 120 days we must drop unpaid members. There is a re-instatement charge of \$10.00 if your membership lapses past 120 days.

We have a Website for the chapter at [which is](#) maintained by Tony Monson (see address in this newsletter). Suggestions, comments, etc., are welcome. We recently added an information area that recaps many of the tips and suggestions from all our prior newsletters (see information in this newsletter). You might find the answer to a question, or a tip that will save you service problems. Give it a look.

AlfaSeeYas National Director Report August 14 – 18 FMCA Convention

Sharon and I arrived in the Charlotte / Concord North Carolina area at the Lowe's Motor Speedway on 11 August. This was our appointed time to check in at the governing board parking area.

On Sunday the 13th I attended the International Area (INTO) caucus. The first part of this meeting was training for newly elected national directors and a refresher for the rest of us. There was discussion on some upcoming issues that will be presented and voted on for approval or rejection during the governing board meeting to be held on Monday the 14th.

On the 14th, starting at 6:30AM, the governing board members were bussed to the West Cabarrus Church located about 2 miles away. This was the only available facilities large enough for the meeting. Out of a possible attendance of 490 chapter representatives plus 14 executive board members for a total of 504 governing board members, we had a quorum of 394 members present.

We had nine proposed By-Law amendments plus twelve Policy and Procedure proposed changes to work on. There were two By-Law proposals that, if approved,

would cause us to change our chapter By-Laws. One would change the term limits of the National Director, Alternate National Director and Elected Temporary Delegates. The other proposal would completely eliminate the Alternate National Director position. The Governing Board, almost unanimously (including my "NO" vote), rejected both of these proposals.

There was a great concern among the many national directors that I talked to prior to the governing board meeting about the proposed "BAR", Board of Area Representatives. This was a proposal that the Long-Range & Development Committee came up with as directed by a governing board motion made at the Ames, Iowa meeting in 1999. Its purpose was to develop a governance plan to "have an organizational and governance structure that best achieves its (FMCA) goals in a competent, timely, and fiscally responsible manner." If enacted, it would have 71 members made up of: the national president, the 10 national area vice presidents, the 10 area senior vice presidents and 50 chapter national directors (five from each area). It would reduce the responsibilities of the "Governing Board" to where it would never meet again and do all of its voting by mail. Needless to say, this proposal caused for a great deal of discussion and it was thought that it would put our meeting way beyond the 5:00PM quitting time. As your representative, I took the floor and expressed my concerns on not to approve this proposal. The governing board prevailed in expressing that things are working as is, and quickly voted down the "BAR" proposal.

The last part of the meeting was accepting the many committee's reports of which I'll list a few interesting items:

FMCA works with a \$16 million budget of which \$12 million is returned back to the members in way of benefits and conventions. For your annual dues of \$35, there is a \$99 return of benefits for each member. The Medex program has been extended through December 2008.

As of June 30, the active membership count was 122,327 families and the last membership number assigned was F378236. This changes daily, as there were many new members signed up during the convention.

The upcoming national conventions are:

Perry, GA	March 19-22, 2007
Redmond, OR	August 13-16, 2007
Pomona, CA	February 25-28, 2008
St. Paul, MN	July 14-17, 2008
Perry, GA	winter 2009
Louisville, KY	summer 2009
Albuquerque, NM	winter 2010
Redmond, OR	summer 2010

Other items are:

The average age of FMCA members is 66 for males and 62 for females.

The attendance count was below the expected estimate of about 6000 coaches to 3153 member coaches and approximately 1400 commercial exhibit coaches. (Mainly due to fuel prices)

The 8th annual International Area (INTO) rally will be held in Harrington, DE April 19-22, 2007.

On Tuesday 15th the chapter had a dinner get together with about 30 members plus Jay & Donna Blumenthal, our National Area President.

On Wednesday 16th I attended the International Area Gathering. We conducted business for the International Area by changing a few By-Laws and Standing Rules to be in line with the National By-Laws changes. We were visited by Don Moore, National President; Connie Pool, National Senior Vice President; Ginger Painter, National Secretary; and Jim Kern, National Treasurer. The previously elected INTO officers were presented.

A scary thing happened when we got a call from Rosemary saying Bruce was in the hospital. I worked with Jay Blumenthal, INTO president, and we got it Okayed to move their coach over to the RV resort with full hookups where Rosemary would not have to worry about starting the generator and watching her water and septic tank levels. She could then give her full attention to Bruce and be at the hospital as long as needed. It seemed to come out okay, and Bruce was back with the crowd for the last day.

Sharon and I had a great time even after our 2358 mile trip from Indio, CA. A possible day or two of rest in the area, and then we head back to Indio again.

Thank you for allowing me to represent our chapter. Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

DJ "Tony" Monson
National Director
AlfaSeeYas chapter FMCA

Standing Rules Voting Results - You may

recall in our last edition you were asked to vote on several proposed standing rules. All of the proposed rules received MAJORITY APPROVAL!

Standing Rules

STANDING RULE #1 - BUSINESS MEETINGS

The two required chapter business meetings, in accordance with FMCA By-Laws, Article XVI, (4), will be held in conjunction with or during the FMCA National Conventions. One being during the summer and one being during the winter. One of the meetings shall be an Annual Meeting at which an election is held.

During the even years the election will be for the Nominating Committee and during the odd years the election will be for President, Vice President (s), Secretary, Treasurer, National Director and Alternate National Director. Any position vacancies may be elected during either meeting.

STANDING RULE #2 - NOMINATING COMMITTEE SERVICE TERM

The nominating committee shall consist of no less than 3 and no more than 5 AlfaSeeYas chapter members in good standing. The election of the Nominating Committee shall be for a two-year term and shall be held during a business meeting held in the even years. The nominating committee shall select within themselves a chairperson.

STANDING RULE #3 - REIMBURSEMENT FOR ATTENDING NATIONAL MEETINGS

There shall be a reimbursement from chapter funds payable to one of the following: the National Director, Alternate National Director, or Elected Temporary Delegate certified to attend the National FMCA Governing Board meeting held annually. The reimbursement shall consist of: A maximum allowance of \$500.00 for fuel expenses for which receipt(s) must be furnished showing that the costs were incurred during one week (seven days) prior to either the FMCA convention or the chapter business meeting being held in conjunction with the meeting which ever is earlier. If a lesser dollar amount is shown, then only that lesser amount will be reimbursed. Receipts must clearly indicate that distance travel was being performed by showing both date of purchase and geographical location of purchase.

All receipts must be presented to the Treasurer for approval within 30 days of being incurred and reimbursement made within 30 days thereafter.

SeeYa Web Site Did you know that we have our own web site? Created by Tony Monson it

features information all members will find useful such as: About us, Officers, Latest Issue of the SeeYa Connection Newsletter, Links to other sites, Photo Album, Chapter Documents, Rally Information, and a Rally Application form. We suggest you add this site to your favorite list - it is www.alfaseeyas.com

Business Meeting Since we were unable to obtain a quorum, the Semi-Annual Business meeting planned for Charlotte has been postponed to the November 10 to 14 rally in Boerne, TX.

Nominating Committee News - March 2007 marks the end of the term of the officers of the AlfaSeeYas Chapter. Members are needed to volunteer to continue

the chapter and we encourage you to become an active participant.

Many members have good ideas that can benefit the chapter. You can nominate yourself for any of the positions in the chapter, or you can nominate another member after obtaining their show of interest in performing the duties of that office. The elected positions are President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, National Director and Alternate National Director. Nominations should be directed to any of our Nominating Committee...

Bea Christensen Chairman, (johnandbirthe@aol.com)

Gene Bergstrom (fairway19@redspar.com), Dave Keisig (trainmaster1@hotmail.com) or Bill Harju (waharju@pacbell.net).

The names of candidates for office will be published in the December issue of the SeeYa Connection and if there are multiple candidates for one or more offices, members will have the opportunity to vote by e-mail or direct mail.

---Tricks/Tips/Maintenance---

Good News re: Identity Theft -

A new technology named "Identity Angel" has been developed by Carnegie Mellon University. The software crawls through information available on the web and **notifies people_for_whom_information_**freely available on the web, can be sufficiently compromised by those seeking your identity. To learn more enter the words 'Identity Angel' in your favorite search engine.

Pet Owners Beware! May 12, 2006

Wyoming has a new rule which would require cats and dogs deemed "unvaccinated" to be **immediately euthanized** if they **SCRATCH or bite** a human. Bear in mind, vaccinated animals overdue for boosters are considered to be "unvaccinated" despite the science showing durations of immunity for the rabies vaccine well beyond 3 years.

Pet owners living in or traveling through Wyoming with their animals would be well advised to take action on this matter.

Permission granted to post and cross-post.

Kris L. Christine Co-Trustee, Co-Founder The Rabies Challenge Fund Charitable Trust

[http://www.zbirdbrain.com/
PetAdvocatesTownHallCisSupportStudy.htm](http://www.zbirdbrain.com/PetAdvocatesTownHallCisSupportStudy.htm)

Service tips.....coach will not start!

After being parked with full hookups for a week, we couldn't get the coach to start and found the engine batteries were discharged. We tried to charge them using the generator and when that failed, we contacted road service. After thirty minutes connected to the service truck, we were able to start the engine and drove five hours to our next destination. When we next tried to start the coach, after having full hookups for five nights we found the batteries again were not charged and we realized we needed to find the problem. It turned out to be the 135-amp circuit breaker located on the wall to the left of the two engine batteries. This is a \$22 part from Freightliner. None of the dealers near Hershey PA had a replacement but we were able to get one from the Freightliner distributor two days later. We now carry a spare. In discussion with the parts tech, it seems this item has a higher than normal failure rate. This was a very easy fix. There have been several mentions of failure of this part on the various Alfa websites.

From the AlfaSeeYa Website....

Tricks, Tips & Maintenance

Compiled and edited by John Bohn

The following is a compilation of various tricks of the trade and other such items from previous AlfaSeeYa Newsletters. These items might apply only to certain model years, or to just the Founder, SeeYa or Gold models. If you have a suggestion for this site, please send it to John Bohn jfbohn@adelphia.net.

The notation at the end of each entry identifies which numbered issue and year/month the entry came from so you can access the original if desired. To enable you to find information more efficiently, the items have been grouped in the following categories. There are a few that appear in more than one place.

Please select a category such as: Chassis, Information Resources, Inside the Coach, Maintenance, Outside the Coach, Safety, Slide Outs, Tires, Towing, Warranty Information, Water or Winter Storage.

Blue Ox Tow Bar - If you are using a Blue Ox Tow Bar and Base Plate you may want to consider buying two 1 & 1/2 inch rubber chair leg tips and insert them in the receiver holes of the base plate to keep the dirt out! (Jim Huber)

Norcold Refrigerator - While at the Charlotte Convention, I spoke with a tech from Norcold, discussing the many continuing problems we have had with our refrigerator (outside board replaced, cooling unit replaced, both boards replaced.) He asked if my fans were running ("Of course", I replied.) Well, they weren't!! He had me remove the outside panel and look at the back of the refrigerator. There are two connectors just below the plastic cover for the outside circuit board. A thin and thick wire goes to each connector. If they are on correctly, the white wires are on the left and the black are on the right. Mine were reversed. While there, I checked the white hose that

comes down from the back of the unit. There is a black plug that is supposed to “weep”. If it is blocked, water will back up into the trough located below the fins inside the refrigerator, possibly spilling over to the bottom of the refrigerator and out the door. Simple to fix...use a thin dull wire or needle to open the small hole. Do not leave the plug off as this will permit humid outside air to enter the refrigerator. Finally, another tip from the tech... the wire from the thermistor clipped to the fins inside the refrigerator should be clipped onto the second fin from the right. Mine was on the seventh fin. Looks like I had some service techs that didn't know what they were doing. (Bruce Monte)

New C93 Light Bulbs - This article appeared in the FOCC Chapter Newsletter - 2nd Q Freightliner Flyer and is reprinted with the permission of the author Rudy Morris.

If you have encountered one of these new light bulbs.... maybe your porch light burned out and you went to change it. A CEF93...what??? Looks like a regular 1146 or 1156 bulb...but it says C93 and made in China. I tried to find this bulb at auto parts stores, Wal-Mart..... no one carried this bulb! Having been 'burned' in years past by substituting an 1156 for an 1141 and melting my porch light fixture...I was a little cautious about getting the right bulb. The fixture had stamped on the back plate, substitute was a 1003 bulb. So I tried the smaller 1003LL which I hoped would not melt things. It worked ok but seemed to burn out faster than the C93. Well I finally made time to research light bulbs and compare specs. Here is the result.

C93 - 1.04 amps - New bulb used in outside RV lights.

1003LL - 0.94 amps - RV recommended replacement for C93

1093 - 1.19 amps - 7% more watts - good replacement only 1.9WQ more & much longer life.

1142 - 1.44 amps - 38% more watts - old standby bulb easy to find at any auto parts store.

1141- 1.44 amps - 38% more watts - old standby bulb easy to find at any auto parts store.

1156 - 2.1 amps - 100% more watts - old standby bulb but TOO HOT - could melt your fixture.

Caterpillar Adds Motor coach Centers

Caterpillar now has more than 70 Cat Motor coach Centers across North America. The facilities deliver service to owners of Caterpillar-powered motorhomes, with everything from 24 hour, seven-day-a-week emergency service. Call the 24-hours Engine Call Center hotline at 877-777-3126 or go to <http://rv.cat.com>.

Uses for WD40

- * Clean glass or plastic shower doors
- * Removes lipstick stains
- * Loosens stubborn zippers
- * Removes stains from stainless sinks
- * Removes dirt and grime from BBQ grills
- * Removes tomato stains from clothing
- * Lubricates track of sliding windows/doors
- * Removes splattered grease on stove
- * Removes all traces of duct tape
- * Removes 'love bugs' from grills/bumpers
- * Use it for fire ant bites. Takes the sting out immediately and stops the itch.
- * Removes black scuff marks from kitchen floor.

---Member Information---

from US Government Web Site

RECENT U.S. PASSPORT NEWS

The Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 requires that by January 1, 2008, all U.S. citizens have a valid passport or other secure, accepted document, in order to enter or re-enter the United States. The proposed timeline for the implementation of this requirements will be as follows:

January 8, 2007: A passport will be required for re-entering the United States by air or sea, from the following destinations: Canada, Mexico, Central and South America, the Caribbean, Bermuda, in addition to all other foreign destinations that already require a passport.

December 31, 2007: The passport requirement will be extended to all land border crossings as well as air and sea travel.

This is a change from prior travel requirements and will affect all U.S. citizens entering the United States from foreign countries

SeeYa Connection -Email or US Mail

Please note: You have the option of receiving the newsletter by either Email or US Mail. If you prefer the Email version please send a note to our secretary.....Karen Hugo at Khugo@aol.com

Mailing address - email and home!

We maintain one mailing address for a member. If you change locations (winter/ summer) - or change your email address - you must send a change of address to Karen Hugo our secretary. Email notification is preferred. Her email address is KHugo@aol.com

ANNUAL DUES - Annual dues are \$10 - you can determine when your dues are payable by reading the date on the mailing label on page one of this newsletter. Multiple years are encouraged - send your check to:

Rosemary Monte c/o
AlfaSeeYas Chapter
3590 Round Bottom Rd
Cincinnati, OH 45244-3026

PLEASE KEEP YOUR DUES UP-TO-DATE -- Valid AlfaSeeYa membership requires valid FMCA membership.

Chapter By-laws state:

Eligibility: To be eligible for and to maintain membership in the (AlfaSeeYa) Chapter, a person must own at least 1/3rd of an FMCA approved Qualifying Motor Coach manufactured by Alfa Leisure, Inc., **be in good standing with FMCA** and meet dues requirement and provisions set forth in the Bylaws of this Chapter.

Annual Dues: Annual payment of Chapter and National dues enables persons to become active Members and entitled to all rights and privileges of the Chapter and FMCA. The annual dues for

Membership in the Chapter shall be an amount, as the Membership shall establish.

Please keep your dues current! If your membership is unpaid more than 60 days you are delinquent and if more than 120 days your AlfaSeeYas membership is cancelled. After that time, in addition to the annual dues, a new initiation fee of \$10 will be required to reinstate your membership.

If you have questions about your dues contact:

FMCA --- www.FMCA.com at 1-800-543-3622

AlfaSeeYas --- Rosemary Monte at- travelin_lady@mail.com or 513-310-1735

AlfaSeeYas Jackets and Caps are available. AlfaSeeYas logo Jackets and Caps will be available for order up until Nov. 15. You can see these items at www.alfaseeyas.com We will ship your orders by December 3rd so they can make excellent holiday gifts. Prices for the caps remain at \$10.00 each plus \$4.00 shipping for one or two; jackets are now \$53.00 for sizes small through X-large. 2X, 3X and 4X are an additional \$2, \$3 and \$4. Shipping is \$5 per jacket. All items are top quality and sold to members at chapter cost. You can e-mail your order to travelin_man@iname.com or call 513-310-1735. You will be billed after the items are sent.

AlfaSeeYas Name Badges - A badge with a pin back is \$6.50 (shipping cost is \$1.25 for two badges), and with a magnetic back at \$8.50 (shipping cost is \$0.50 for two badges). Please include name(s), coach number and FMCA number. Make your check payable to: Two Crazy Ladies 154 Rainbow Dr #5452 Livingston, TX 77399-0141.

---Web Sites---

New Freightliner Web Site: - For the latest news and product information visit their new Website at www.freightlinerchassis.com and click on motorhomes. Included are: Updated Chassis Walk Around, Service Locator, and Literature Request Forms. Downloadable Literature, 2007 Show Schedule and Freightliner Web Store.

---Upcoming AlfaSeeYa Rallies---

Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta - October 10-14, 2006 - For the second year in a row Terry & Owen O'Neill will wagon master an Alfa SeeYa Rally for the Albuquerque Inter-national Balloon Fiesta. Fees are \$175 before Sept 1, 2006 and \$185 after. Fees include 4 nights parking with no hookups. The rally is limited to 40 coaches or 80 people. Price includes 4 nights RV parking, a buffet dinner at The Pueblo of Santa Ana Casino a buffet lunch at El

Pinto Mexican Restaurant and much more. If you are interested complete the Rally Application (at the end of this newsletter or make a copy from our [website](http://www.alfaseeyas.com).) Mailing instructions are listed on the application.

Additional information about the Fiesta can be found at www.balloonfiest.com

November in Texas. Get ready to rally in Texas. **AlfaSeeYas** will have the chance to

enjoy the Texas Hill Country when we rally at the top rated Alamo Fiesta RV Park in Boerne, starting on Friday Nov 10, ending Tuesday Nov 14. We'll have the usual social hours, plus a catered Texas Bar-B-Q, potluck dinner, coach walks and roundtables. Some time for sightseeing is included. Nearby towns offer much Texas history and scenery. Four nights full hookups, catered meal on Friday night, morning coffee and treats, and more for \$155 paid by October 1, \$170 after that date. We only have 30 sites available so early registration is a must.

Wagon masters are Bruce & Rosemary Monte. Please complete the rally application at the end of the newsletter and send your check for \$155 to our Rally Coordinator. Don't be disappointed...send in your check now. Questions, call us at 513-310-1735 or e-mail to travelin_man@iname.com .

January 2007 in California - In 2007 we'll be having a post rally to the FMCA Western Area Rally in Indio, CA. Our rally will be at Sands RV Resort in Desert Hot Springs starting January 14 and ending January 18.

We lost our wagon master for this event - If you are interested in helping with this rally, please contact Bruce Monte (address on page one)

February 2007 Post Rally in Florida Lazy Days is the place to be for our February, 2007 AlfaSeeYas Post Rally to the FMCA Southeast Regional Rally. We are already planning a great time for everyone. Plan to join us on February 11th thru 14th, 2007.

Reservations include 3 nights full hookups, paved sites, welcome dinner, door prizes, round table discussion groups, coach walk and pot luck dinner. All-inclusive cost is \$150 paid by December 1st. Cost is \$165 after that date. Sites are limited this year to 50 so make your reservations early. Lazy Days provides fee breakfast and lunch - except for Sunday.

Reservations are made by sending the attached Rally Application to Terry O'Neill, Rally Coordinator.

Karol & Mike Lippert, Wagon masters Susan & John Richardson, Co-Wagon masters

NOTE: DO NOT SEND RALLY APPLICATIONS TO ALFASEEYAS CINCINNATI, OH ADDRESS - SEND TO TERRY O'NEILL AT HER ADDRESS ON THE APPLICATION!

AlfaSeeYas Rally Coordinator - Have questions or suggestions for SeeYa Rallies. Contact our Rally Coordinator Terry O'Neill- terry.o@prodigy.net or 119 Rainbow Dr. PMB1927 Livingston, TX 77399 phone (702)807-2728.

We hope you have read information on upcoming FMCA rallies and conventions. We've listed them in your newsletter for your convenience. If you would like to suggest a **local rally (gathering)**, please inform Terry O'Neill. Local rallies are listed in the AlfaSeeYa Rally Schedule. A group of AlfaSeeYas can get together very easily for a few days during the week, or over a weekend.

Please check the scheduled rallies and add some of them to your schedule. NOTE: THERE ARE A LIMITED NUMBER OF SITES AVAILABLE AT MOST EVENTS. You can insure a spot by reserving now. Your early reservation FOR PRE & POST RALLIES saves you \$15 and lets the Wagon Master know if additional sites are needed. Sometimes it is possible to accommodate more than the number originally planned.

Note: The cost of pre-rallies and post-rallies is for two adults in one Alfa motor home.

FOR ALFASEEYA RALLIES: PLEASE COMPLETE THE RALLY APPLICATION FORM AND MAIL IT WITH YOUR CHECK TO THE RALLY COORDINATOR OR WAGON MASTERS AS REQUESTED IN THE RALLY INFORMATION.

Key:

FMCA - Event sponsored by FMCA

AlfaSeeYa Pre/Post Rally (to FMCA Event) - sponsored by our Chapter of FMCA

AlfaSeeYa Rally - sponsored by AlfaSeeYas chapter of FMCA

AlfaSeeYa Gathering - a local gathering of SeeYas

AlfaSeeYa

---Rally Schedule---

Oct 10 to 14, 2006 - **AlfaSeeYas Rally** at the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta in Albuquerque, NM. More information earlier in this newsletter

Nov 10 to 14, 2006 - **AlfaSeeYas Rally** at Alamo Fiesta RV Park in Boerne, TX More information earlier in this newsletter.

Jan 14 to 18 - **AlfaSeeYas Post Rally** at Sands RV Resort In Desert Hot Springs, CA More information earlier in this newsletter.

Feb 11 to 14, 2007 - **AlfaSeeYa Post-Rally** at Lazy Days Rally Park in Seffner, FL. More information in this newsletter

Alfa Owner's Club Annual

National Rally

The 2007 National Rally will be held from April 18-25, 2007 at Viewpoint RV Resort in Mesa, AZ. Wagon masters are Bill and Bobbi Kelton of the Wranglers.

FMCA

---Rally Schedule---

For FMCA Rallies - Members should reserve General Parking for FMCA Rallies by calling FMCA reservations (1-800-543-3622) or using the FMCA web site (www.FMCA.com).

Sept 26 to 29, 2006 - FMCA South Central Rally at Ford Park in Beaumont, TX

Oct 11 to 14, 2006 - FMCA Rocky Mountain Area Rally at Pina County Fairgrounds in Casa Grande, AZ

Jan 10 to 14, 2007- FMCA Western Area Rally at Riverside County Fair and National Date Festival in Indio, CA.

Feb 7 to 11, 2007 FMCA Southeast Area Rally at Hernando County Airport, Brooksville, FL

Mar 19 to 22, 2007 FMCA 77th International Convention at Georgia National Fairground & Agricenter in Perry, GA

April 19 to 22, 2007 INTO International Area Rally at Delaware State Fairgrounds in Harrington, DE.

May 3 to 6, 2007 - FMCA Eastern Area Rally at Agricenter International in Memphis, TN

May 24 to 28, 2007 Great Lakes Area Rally at Berrien County Youth Fair in Berrien Springs, MI

July 11 to 14, 2007 FMCA Northeast Area Rally at Sussex County Fairgrounds in Augusta, NJ

Aug 13 to 16, 2007 International Convention at Deschutes County Fair & Expo Center in Redmond, OR

Alfa Owners Club Rallies - For those of you who are Alfa Owner's Club members - please check the Alfa Leisure web site for local rally information. Go to www.alfaleisure.com - click on owner's club then select either (or one at a time) Alfa 1, Sun Loafers, Wranglers, Lone Star, Sunrisers, Mavericks, Road Runner, Sun Seekers or Sun Chasers to learn of the rallies they are scheduling.

An Alfa Leads the Way! Next year if you see advertisement for tourism in the Canadian Maritimes look for two Alfa SeeYas in the 24-unit caravan crossing the nine-mile bridge from New Brunswick to Prince Edward Island. The RV tour my wife and I enjoyed this summer will be featured in tourism advertisement for the Maritimes.

They escorted us across the bridge -- our 24 unit caravan (wagon master has a 2004 SeeYa) What a site! Our SeeYa was #17 in the caravan. Thirty-two days and a chance to see many new sites - The Bay of Fundy, The Halifax Tattoo, icebergs and whales. (Jim and Kris Huber)

Changes/Corrections/New Members

NOTE: The listing of member's names, city & state, and e-mail addresses that would normally be listed at this point in the newsletter are not included on this web site. For information on Changes, Corrections and Welcome new members you will need to refer to the e-mailed or regular mailed copy of the newsletter. Thank you, Tony Monson, Web administrator.

Where are we registered???

Alaska 5

Alabama 5

Arkansas 7

Arizona 46
California 118
Colorado 22
Connecticut 1
Delaware 1
Florida 81
Georgia 11
Iowa 2
Idaho 13
Illinois 13
Indiana 6
Kansas 2
Louisiana 4
Massachusetts 2
Maryland 3
Maine 1
Michigan 15
Minnesota 4
Missouri 4
Mississippi 1
Montana 6
North Carolina 10
Nebraska 2
New Hampshire 10
New Jersey 3

New Mexico 8
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New York 1
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Resources 31
Tennessee 12
Texas 33
Escapees 54
Utah 10
Virginia 9
Washington 47
Wisconsin 5
West Virginia 1
Wyoming 1
TOTAL 729

A Little Humor! (Source = Web Site)

Subject: The work of Stephen Wright -- If you're not familiar with the work of Steven Wright, he is the famous erudite scientist who once said: "I woke up one morning and all of my stuff had been stolen and replaced by exact duplicates." His mind sees things

differently than most of us do, to our amazement, and amusement.

Here are some of his gems:

- 1 - I'd kill for a Nobel Peace Prize.
- 2 - Borrow money from pessimists -- they don't expect it back.
- 3 - Half the people you know are below average.
- 4 - 99% of lawyers give the rest a bad name.
- 5 - 82.7% of all statistics are made up on the spot.
- 6 - A conscience is what hurts when all your other parts feel so good.
- 7 - A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad memory.
- 8 - If your car could travel at the speed of light, would your headlights work?

- 9 - All those who believe in psycho kinesis, raise my hand.
- 10 - The early bird may get the worm, but the second mouse gets the cheese.
- 11 - I almost had a psychic girlfriend,...but she left me before we met.
- 12 - OK, so what's the speed of dark?
- 13 - How do you tell when you're out of invisible ink?

- 14 - If everything seems to be going well, you have obviously overlooked something.
- 15 - Depression is merely anger without enthusiasm.
- 16 - When everything is coming your way, you're in the wrong lane.
- 17 - Ambition is a poor excuse for not having enough sense to be lazy.
- 18 - Hard work pays off in the future, laziness pays off now.
- 19 - I intend to live forever.....so far, so good.
- 20 - If Barbie is so popular, why do you have to buy her friends?
- 21 - Eagles may soar, but weasels don't get sucked into jet engines.
- 22 - What happens if you get scared half to death twice?
- 23 - My mechanic told me, "I couldn't repair your brakes, so I made your horn louder."
- 24 - Why do psychics have to ask you for your name?
- 25 - If at first you don't succeed, destroy all evidence that you tried.
- 26 - A conclusion is the place where you got tired of thinking.
- 27 - Experience is something you don't get until just after you need it.
- 28- The hardness of the butter is proportional to the softness of the bread.
- 29 - To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism; to steal from many is research.
- 30 - The problem with the gene pool is that there is no lifeguard.
- 31 - The sooner you fall behind, the more time you'll have to catch up.
- 32 - The colder the x-ray table, the more of your body is required to be on it.
- 33 - Everyone has a photographic memory; some just don't have film.

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