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PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Well, we made it! 2022 was quite a year. There were campgrounds not wanting to commit to clubs. Pricing was and remains a challenge. And, the amount of people able to congregate indoors and still comply with Covid restrictions was a challenge.

The Gold Diggers had to move one rally from a location because of the fires.

Galan Smith has taken over the Wagon Master duties and has been trying to find places to go that still have a place where we can meet and prices that are agreeable to members. Galan has already scheduled us a rally in March at Duck Island on the Delta by Rio Vista. Galan is trying to find us places we have not been to in a while or have never been to that do not have high attendance requirements and pricing is reasonable.

Membership stands at 16. We had 3 new members in 2022 - the Garcias, Hicks and Peggy Drought. The Atchisons and Morrows dropped their membership. Unfortunately the Hicks had to give up RVing due to health and other issues.

FMCA is again going to have a West Coast Rally in 2023 at the Date Festival grounds in Indio, CA. The dates of the rally are -----January 11th - 15th. The Gold Diggers will again be Volunteers to fill the Welcome Bags and hand them out.

FMCA is concerned with the amount of people they will draw because of Covid and people going in different directions. Betty Smith tells us that the list she gets from FMCA monthly showing new people joining is the highest we have seen in years. When she gets the list showing people in our area, she sends them out information on the Gold Diggers.

Drive Safe and come and join us when you can!!!!

Al and Darlene

SECRETARY'S REPORT



FMCA GOLD DIGGERS

December 3, 2022
Lodi Grape Festival Grounds
Lodi, CA

The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 9:33 am by President Al Calbreath. Officers present were Suzanne Salter – Treasurer; Betty Smith - Secretary; Galan Smith, Acting 1st Vice President/Wagon Master and Darlene Calbreath - National Director.

President: Al welcomed our new applicants John and Joyce Carolan to the rally and thanked Patty Stahl for all the fun Christmas games we have been playing for the past two days.

Al said that we have six rigs registered for Indio. We plan to walk in the parade (we will be wearing little head bands with ears and also tails) and our Gold Digger jackets. Al said he has extra jackets for those who don't have one or want to buy one. We'll be carrying our "Gold Digger" banner and sing our Gold Digger song (if Betty can remember the words!!).

Acting 1st Vice President/Wagon Master: Galan reported he has spoken with several RV parks within our 150-mile radius of Sacramento. We are now considering Feather Falls Casino in Oroville; Grass Valley County Fairgrounds in Grass Valley; Betabel RV Park in San Juan Bautista; Casa de Fruta in Hollister and Duck Island in Rio Vista. It's tentatively decided that we'll go to Duck Island for our next rally in March.

Secretary's Report: Betty read the minutes of the September 16, 2022 meeting, and they were approved as written.

Membership: Betty reported that as of today We have 18 Active members; 4 Applicants including new applicants Joyce and John Carolan; and one Life member.

Unfortunately, Bob and Sandy Hicks contracted Covid and then Bob had a stroke. They will be selling their rig and therefore, have resigned.

Sunshine: Jeanne Morrison wanted people to let her know if anyone has had any illness so she can send a card. Unfortunately, Bonnie and Jim Roberts, who were supposed to attend this rally, couldn't come because Bonnie contracted Covid. Reportedly, Mary Roberson is recovering from a broken hip.

Treasurers Report: Suzanne reported that we made a net income from Vineyard of \$358.15. The balance in our account is \$8,075.14 before expenses for this rally's expenses.

National Director: Darlene reported that FMCA has a new program called DRIVEQUEST which is a 24/7 roadside assistance program that includes towing, help with transmission and engine problems, hot water heaters, etc. You can get more information at this web site: [DriveQuest | FMCA](#) is discontinuing their diesel discount on December 23, 2022. The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Betty Smith



MEMBERSHIP

Betty Smith

January 1, 2023

As of January 1, 2023, we have 16 Active Members and 4 Associate members (three of those have one more rally to attend before they go onto the Active list), and 1 Life Member.

John and Joyce Carolan joined in November and their first rally was our Lodi Holiday rally. John and Joyce are from Roseville, and they list "Real Estate Appraisers" as their occupations. Welcome, John and Joyce!

LODI GRAPE FESTIVAL HOLIDAY RALLY



Turkey Dinner with all the Trimmings!!



John and Jeanne helped Suzanne with this dinner



Prime rib roast with all the Trimmings!!



Cooks Galan and Al



Two beautiful Yule Log Cakes for our Birthday dessert



Suzanne, Betty, Galan, Patty at the Lodi Christmas Parade



The kids won't move back home if they can't find it.



BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES



Jan 18	Stockbridge, Terry and Mary	Jan 5	Donatelli, Barb
Mar 2	Yarberry, Larry and Holley	Jan 24	Burns, Robert
Mar 27	DeZonia, Larry & Jan	Jan 28	Blalock, Larry
		Feb 7	Curiel, Ignacio
		Feb 26	Davis, June
		Feb 26	Yarberry, Holley
		Feb 27	Roberson, Gabe
		Mar 21	Morrison, Jeanne

2022 RALLY SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TRAIL BOSS(ES)
Jan 11 - 13	Flag City- Lodi	Jeanne Morrison & John Boyd
Mar 10 - 12	Kit Fox - Patterson	Jim & Bonnie Roberts
May 4 - 6	Almond Tree - Chico	Holley & Larry Yarberry
Jul 12 - 13	Lodi Grape Festival, Lodi	Marcia & David Calbreath and Mary & Terry Stockbridge
Sep 15 - 17	Vineyard RV Park – Vacaville	Betty and Galan Smith
Dec 1 - 3	Lodi Grape Festival, Lodi	Officers

GOLD DIGGER GOODIES

Order Tee Shirts from-Betty Smith, betsmith38@hotmail.com

The cost of each is \$19.50. They only come in men sizes, Medium to XXX large. They are black with Gold Diggers Logo on the front in brilliant gold color.

Order badges from: BADGES R US badgesrusinfo@gmail.com or (760) 212-0682, Susan Cox, P.O. Box 22012, Mesa, AZ 85277. Name badges, \$7.25, including taxes, shipping/handling is \$5.00 per address (not per badge). Bola Ties are \$4.50 extra. (Specify color). Please include on your badge your name (s), & the words Gold Diggers, FMCA number, and City.

Order Jackets: We have new jackets in stock with our logo on the back, size S.to XXL \$34.00. The embroidered name on the front is an additional \$6.00. We have 3 size Small and 1 size Large gently used jackets for \$20.00 each.