

SIX-STATE RALLY

ASSOCIATION, INC.



FMCA'S SOUTH CENTRAL AREA

PRESIDENT'S NEWSLETTER FALL 2009

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Cotton Country Travelers
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Frustrated Maestros-South Central
Gateway Getaways
Gateway Piasas
GMC Classics
GMC Flatlanders
Gulf Coast Loafers
Happy (OK) Wanderers
Heart of America Coachmen
Heartland Execs.
Hi Plains
Kansas Twisters
Lone Star
Midwest Prairie Schooners
Monaco Wan-Na-Go's
National RV Central States
Outlaws
Ozark Ridge Runners
Ozark Schooners, Inc.
Ozarks Prairie Sooners
Pelican Travelers
Rally in the Pasture
Red River Rovers
River City Travelers
Rollin' Okies
Roughnecks
Same Ole Buddies
Sooner Coaches
South Central Bus Nuts
South Central Lucky Rollers
South Central Wanderers
South Central Winnies
South Texas Renegades
Southwinders
Stars of Texas
Texans On Safari
Texas Prevosts
Texas Road Runners
Thousand Trails of Texas
Tip-O-Tex
Travlin Texans
Westex

Thank you for your support and confidence this year in working with me as your South Central Area Vice President. Lou and I have attended many chapter rallies and have enjoyed the year working with all to help chapters with information and assistance needed to increase membership. All of us together can make the South Central Area the best and have more fun with all our many new friends. We need to work very hard to sign up new FMCA Members and add them to our chapters. This work is our lifeblood for success of FMCA's membership growth with each signing up a new member to enjoy the friendship and benefits of our organization.

Lou and I attended the 82nd International Convention in Bowling Green, Ohio, and had a great time making many new FMCA friends:

* Attended all Executive Board functions and committee meetings.

* Thanks to South Central Area Members for attendance at the Convention, Area Gathering and Governing Board meeting. South Central Area Chapters were well represented to look after your FMCA Association and represent your Chapter. Thanks to all for your extra effort in attending. The Governing Board had a full agenda with many changes to operations. The minutes of the Governing Board meeting have been mailed and give the many details of what is happening.

36th SIX-STATE RALLY

The 36th Six-State Rally (Oklahoma Pow Wow) was held at Shawnee, Oklahoma, September 23-26. The weather was warm during the day and cooled off some at night -- perfect rally weather. The farm tractor show was held on Saturday in the same area as the motorhomes. All displays were well-attended. Some attendees had not seen the old tractors or tractor pulls before. The rally members had plenty of new things to see and do while at the rally. Members were able to step back in history to the way of life and culture for Indians in early Oklahoma.

Attendance:	Family Coaches	625	First Time	187
	Vendor Live In	24		
	Indoor Vendors	71		
	Display Coaches	10		

Total Count: 730

Each rally day started with a full breakfast and entertainment by our own South Central Frustrated Maestros. Seminars and other activities were well-attended as well as the indoor vendors and motorhomes, and the old farm tractors on display. The four nights of good entertainment in the Heart of America Exposition Center, with the backdrop of the stage having the Pow Wow Rally theme, made for a full house each night and enjoyment for all.

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NEWSLETTER CONTEST WINNERS

There were checks presented to the three winners as below. The judges picked the following winners:

- 1st Place – Happy (OK) Wanderers
- 2nd Place – Ozarks Prairie Sooners
- 3rd Place – Ozark Ridge Runners

WEB SITE CONTEST WINNERS

There were checks presented to the three winners as below. The judges picked the following winners:

- 1st Place – National RV Central States
- 2nd Place – Gateway Getaways
- 3rd Place – Travlin Texans

GOLF SCRAMBLE

Golfers enjoyed the morning golf scramble on Thursday morning. It turned out to be a very special day for golfers to have a near perfect outing.

PET PARADE

We had 60 pets entered in the contest and the judges picked all 60 as winners with a special category for all.

NEW SOUTH CENTRAL CHAPTER

Welcome the 50th chapter to South Central Area as they continue to grow in members. They had a one-year Anniversary Party at the Shawnee Rally. It was formed at the North Little Rock Rally with the help of the Past Southern Region VP, Dave Davies. The new chapter is the South Central Lucky Rollers, and their officers are as follows:

President:

Kaylee Barker F359459

Vice President:

Sam Noel

Secretary/Treasurer:

Charlotte Hall

National Director:

Dave Davies

Alternate National Director:

Dottie Sanders

A NOTE FROM BEN LOGANBILL

Hello to all. Another very successful Six-State Rally is becoming a memory and work is underway planning next year's rally in Shreveport. I will not be nearly as involved in the work that goes into putting on a Six-State Rally this year as I did not run for Senior Vice President in the last election. I decided that I had been involved in the Association every year since its inception and that I would step aside and let some of the younger people get involved. Charles Adcock was voted in as Senior Vice President in Shawnee, so the Association will be in good hands. Charles has been involved in the Association as Vice President of the North Region the last few years.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my years working in the Association. I want to take this opportunity to thank all of the volunteers that have stepped forward and helped in putting on all of the rallies. I also want to thank everyone for the constructive input in trying to make a better Association. Without all of the help and input, it would be impossible for the officers and cadre to put on a rally. I also want to thank all of the officers and cadre for all of the work that they have done over the years. I was fortunate to have such a great team with which to work -- officers and cadre, you have been incredible. I will miss the association with you but will never forget you and your friendship.

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I would also like to thank the staff in Cincinnati for all the hard work that they have put into making our rallies successful. It would be impossible to put on a rally without their help.

I am looking forward to going to rallies and enjoying them and being able to participate in the daily activities that are provided without worrying about is everything going alright. As this will be my last official communication, as an officer in the Association, I want to encourage all of you to continue your interest in the Six-State Rally and hope each of you have many more years of happy traveling and building lasting friendships as you travel these great United States.

I would like to wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

Happy Trails,

Ben Loganbill

Senior Vice President
Six-State Rally Association

**RESULTS OF THE SIX-STATE RALLY OFFICER/NOMINATING COMMITTEE
ELECTIONS AT THE ANNUAL MEETING**

Fred Kennedy, President	
Charlie Adcock, Sr. Vice President & Wagon Master	Nominating Committee 2009 - 2011
Rod Sartwell, Northern Region Vice President	Jack Bryan, Chairman
Steve Pickens, Southern Region Vice President	Dave Davies
Irene Renfro, Secretary	Tom Drennon
Dan Couch, Treasurer	Cliff Osmer
Tony Innocenti, Immediate Past President	

36th SIX-STATE RALLY - QUILTS, RED HATS, AND THANKS

The Charity Quilt area that we had in Shawnee, Oklahoma, was wonderful and well attended. Because of the facilities, we were able to turn it into an actual quilt display. This time everyone had a chance to look at every quilt and attend seminars on how to make one. We tried to display the patriotic quilts together since these were going to Brooke Army Medical Center for their "Quilt of Valor" program. We have had a wonderful chance to give to this for the past four years. Our quilt count was up from last year to 337 and we can give credit for 180 of the quilts to one chapter. Thanks to the Ozark Prairie Sooners Chapter for the work each member did to make this a success. And again, thanks to all the chapters who worked so hard.

The quilts that we give each year are truly needed. These don't have to be fancy; they do need to be lap size, not bed quilts or little tiny quilts. This size works as well for the elderly people in nursing homes as it does for babies in a battered women's center. This is a very Rewarding Charity and FMCA is leaving something in the local area for them to remember us with our gift to them.

Red Hat Ladies meal in the Rally Dining area was a real good and enjoyable time. This was the first time many ladies have had such an experience. Looking at the pictures showed me, I should have attended dressed for the occasion. Irene & Sue, you put together a great time for all.

Thanks to Heart of America Exposition Center, Shawnee, Oklahoma, and Mike Jackson and his staff for being outstanding Hosts.

Thanks to Kari Kozel from Kozel Farms for donating his time and many others for us to see the display of Antique Tractors and the Saturday Tractor pulls.

Thanks to all Chapters, Vendors, Dealers and Individuals for donating Door Prizes.

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Thanks to the Frustrated Maestros of the South Central Area for getting up early each morning to start the day with upbeat music, and for helping with anything to make a good rally.

Thanks to the Six-State Rally Officers, Past President and Cadres.

Host Chapters were: Frustrated Maestros, Gateway Getaways, Red River Rovers, Rollin' Okies, Thousand Trails of Texas, Tip-O-Tex, and Travlin Texans.

Thank you for volunteering to help make the SIX-STATE RALLY at Shawnee, Oklahoma, a success. All the volunteers work very hard to make your rally a success. There were smiles, and being friendly with everybody helped make for a very good rally.

Thanks to the COACHES FOR CHRIST- SOUTH CENTRAL for providing a Non-Denominational Devotion each morning. You have done good, George and Ron, a very needed part of the rally. What about the Sunday Services and the Grand Choir For the Shreveport Rally? LET US KNOW what you want.

Thanks go to our Rally Chaplain, Ron Wadley, for the Invocations.

To the FMCA Staff: Our thanks for all the help you gave us for the 36th Six-State Rally in Shawnee, Oklahoma. The new registration was a great help to have a faster check-in process -- a success.

Thanks to Ben Loganbill and Tom Drennon for giving of their time to serve on the Six-State Rally Board for the past seven years. They truly will be missed by many.

DATES TO REMEMBER FOR 2010

FMCA CHAPTER FAIR: Showcase your chapter to non-chapter members attending FMCA's 83rd International Convention in Albuquerque, New Mexico, MONDAY, MARCH 22, 2010

83rd INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION, EXPO NEW MEXICO, ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO.
MARCH 22 – 25, 2010

84th INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION, DESCHUTES COUNTY FAIR & EXPO, REDMOND,
OREGON, AUGUST 11 – 14, 2010

37th SIX-STATE RALLY, THE STATE FAIRGROUNDS OF LOUISIANA, SHREVEPORT,
LOUISIANA, SEPTEMBER 29 – OCTOBER 3, 2010

Lou & I wish each and every one of you and your family very happy and enjoyable holidays. Yes, the year has gone by fast, and we have a lot to be thankful for. We love our motorhome lifestyle and we plan to continue enjoying it for years to come, having fun with all.

See you down the road.

Fred Kennedy

Fred & Lou Kennedy
President of Six-State Rally Association

