



# Coaster Chatter

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## President's Corner

*Happy Easter from our house to yours!*

*Well, here we are again and just a few days away from Denny's Rally.  
I think everyone is ready to get out and see our friends again.*

*This will be my last time writing a Presidents Corner. It has been  
great being your president for the past 4 plus years. It's time for a new  
regiment of officers.*

*We still need someone to step up for secretary and wagon master.  
**PLEASE STEP UP!***



*We also need places to go. Our Rally sheet is empty. Again, let us know where you  
would like to go, so we can get things ready for a wonderful time. If you know of a  
place, tell someone on the board or the Wagon Master and it will be taken care of.*

*Again. HAPPY EASTER!*

*Leroy*

## Notes from the Editor

*From Denny Wheeler: We now have a vacancy for the  
Kingsburg Rally. If any one wishes to go to the rally, give me  
a call at 805-441-9161 so I can make arrangements for you.  
Revised Activity Schedule for the rally is attached separately to this email.*

**IMPORTANT!**

**There will be election of officers at the April Rally. Below are the nominees for 7 of our positions. As Leroy mentioned in his president report, we still need 2 people to step up and help fill the ones that are still open. If you are willing to run, please contact Max Peterson of the Nominating Committee at (805) 931-0434 home, or (805) 878-6075 cell.**

Thank you to those who have agreed to run:
President----- Kerry Ray
Vice President-----Glenn DeSchryver
Treasurer-----Doroteo Contreras
National Director-----George Brodt
Alternate National Dir---Dave Burns
Chapter Director-----Randy Gibbs
Membership-----Carol Morgan

Here are the 2 positions we still need to fill:
Secretary
Wagon Master

## SUNSHINE REPORT

By: Sylvia Burns

*"Sunshine" is supposed to be about the good things that happen to our members as well as the bad.*



*When all is well with our members, I don't hear much. Thankfully, more and more members are getting their Covid shots. So many, in fact, that there will be 32 rigs going to Kingsburg.*

*Unfortunately, Ed and Geri Frank will not be among the group. Ed took a nasty fall and is currently in the hospital with a severe concussion. Our heartfelt wishes and prayers are for Ed's complete and speedy recovery.*

### FMCAssist Update

**Submitted by George Brodt, National Director**

Last year the insurance company that provided all members of FMCA with Medical Emergency and Travel Assistance insurance (Seven Corners), informed FMCA that they were going to have to substantially raise the insurance premium for the FMCAssist program. FMCA recognized the importance of this benefit, and decided to increase the annual dues from \$ 50.00 to \$ 75.00 to cover the cost of the increase in the premium. As it turned out, there was a significant number of members that decided not to renew their membership when it came due, and we started losing members again.

In response to that, the FMCA Executive Board decided to reduce the annual dues back down to \$ 50.00 for a trial period of 30 days. This showed a positive result early this year and the Executive Board decided to conduct a workshop on Friday, March 19, 2021 to discuss this matter. As your National Director, I attended this Zoom meeting. At the end of the workshop, the Executive Board unanimously voted to extend the time for the dues reduction until the Executive Board and the Board of Governors meet at the 103 International Convention and RV Expo in Gillette, WY on July 7–10, 2021.

On October 1, 2020, on the recommendation of the Risk Management Committee, the Executive Board decided to drop our insurance coverage with Seven Corners and to go with Chubb Travel Assistance insurance. The new policy cost less and provided us with some enhancements. To learn more about the program and to view the Full Schedule of Benefits, please visit [www.fmca.com/fmca-assist](http://www.fmca.com/fmca-assist). With Chubb, coverage starts when you are 75 miles from home, as opposed to 100 miles with the old carrier. The plan also provides \$ 5,000 in accidental death and dismemberment insurance coverage at no additional cost. Chubb is the world's largest publicly traded property and casualty insurance company and the largest commercial insurer in the United States.

The following contact information about the new FMCAssist Plan with Chubb was provided by FMCA's Chief Executive Officer in an article published in the November 2020 familyRVing magazine:

(877) 352-0785 (Inside the USA)  
(877) 350-3532 (Canada)  
(202) 659-7803 (Outside the USA call collect)  
[OPS@europassistance-usa.com](mailto:OPS@europassistance-usa.com)

Hopefully, none of us will need this information, but it would be a good idea to retain these telephone numbers, just in case.

## From the Wagon Master

This issue I will devote to the April 12 rally in Kingsburg.



We have 33 rigs registered, which is more than were anticipated. This has created some dilemmas.

That is more people than can eat in the clubhouse at one time, so we will be eating outside at tables and under our easy-ups. I do believe that we can have our 5:00 pm cocktails and early morning coffee in the clubhouse. We will make that decision upon arrival. We can, however use the kitchen for storage, refrigerator, and cooking.

The other problem is that our scheduled tour to the Rosa Bros Dairy can only handle about 22 people at a time, so the Rosa Bros Dairy tours will be split up into 3 groups as follows:

Group #1 will leave at 9:30 for a 10:00am appointment, Tuesday the 13th.

Group #2 will leave at 12:30 for a 1:00pm appointment, Tuesday the 13th.

Group #3 will leave at 2:00 for a 2:30pm appointment, Tuesday the 13th.

To save confusion, I have designated those who are to take each tour.

The Nutrinut tour will be broken up into two groups as follows:

Group #1 will depart at 9:30 am.

Group #2 will leave at 1:00 pm.

The scheduled tour of the Rosa Bros Creamery on April 14 has been canceled partly due to the Covid 19 pandemic. However, I will be able to get ice cream for our Thursday dinner dessert.

What is there to do on Wednesday April 14? Here are some suggestions:

1. Sequoia National Park, probably a four-to-six-hour excursion. Do not try to take a motor home up Hwy 198 out of Visalia.
2. McKellar Family Farms at 32988 Road 164 in Ivanhoe, phone 559-7988-0557 ext 4. Holly at Rosa Bros Dairy told me that the tractor tour is good and well worthwhile. The cost is \$15.00 per person. I talked with Leanne. Their website is [www://farmerbobsworld.com](http://www.farmerbobsworld.com)
3. Bravo Farms in Traver. (along Hwy 99 South of Kingsburg.) <https://www.bravofarms.com> and <https://vintagecheese.com>
4. Lemoore's Tachi Palace, where there is a casino and the Coyote Entertainment Center. <https://tachipalace.com>
5. There is a horseshoe pit at Kings River RV Park. So, you could have a horse shoe tournament.
6. Visit Exeter...see murals on a lot of the buildings. It is also the home area for lots of citrus groves close to the Sierra foothills. Play golf. See Bob Wyrick.

Don't forget. if you have a guitar and can play it, bring it along.

Don't forget to bring your face masks.

P. S. Ed Frank fell the other day and he was in intensive care at the hospital in Ventura. Therefore, the Franks will not be able to attend the Kingsburg Rally. So, we now have a vacancy. If any one wishes to go to the rally, give me a call at 805-441-9161 so I can make arrangements for you.

## *Birthdays*



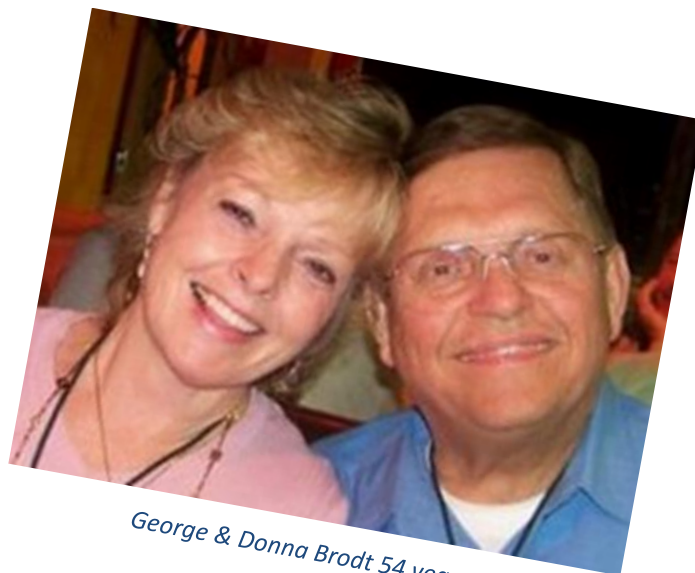
Mary Contreras	4-3
Jim Lewis	4-7
Pam Meyer	4-7
Court Warren	4-8
Gloria Bonner	4-9
Michael Brink	4-10
Mike Mahr	4-12
Sheila Ton	4-14
Ted Williams	4-15
LeAnn Brink	4-19
Lisa Johns	4-28
Frank Platz	4-28
Lisa Rogers	4-28



## *Anniversaries*



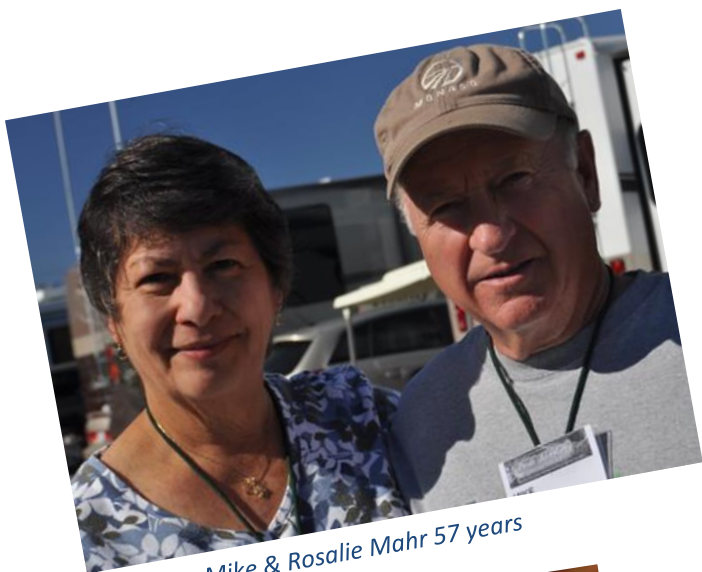
Michael & LeAnn Brink 34 years



George & Donna Brodt 54 years



Paul & Virginia Springer 61 years



Mike & Rosalie Mahr 57 years



Marc and Cynthia Sobel 17 years



Ted & Elizabeth Williams ? years



*Also celebrating anniversaries this month but photos not available:*

*Michael & Karen Morrow 40 years*

*Roger & Lisa Johns 14 years*

### Officers

Presiden Leroy Davis  
Secretary Pam Meyer  
Chapter Directors Randy Gibbs

VP Kerry Ray  
National Dir George Brodt  
Membership Joy Gilles

Treasurer Dale Johnson  
Alt. National Dir Dave Burns  
Wagon Master Denny Wheeler

### Appointees:

Sunshine Sylvia Burns  
Photographer Sharon Rendall

Historian Donna Brodt  
Newsletter Editors DC & Mary Contreras

## *California Coasters Chapter, FMCA*

### *2021 Schedule*

2021	RALLY & LOCATION	TRAIL BOSS	ASSISTANTS
April 12-16	Kings River RV Park Kingsburg, CA	Denny & Sybil Wheeler	Dave & Sylvia Burns Leroy & D.J. Davis Woody & Ida Jean Woodruff
May			
June/July/Aug.	<b>DARK MONTHS</b>		
September			
October			
November	<b>DARK MONTH</b>		
December Dates TBD	Wine Country RV Resort Paso Robles	Leroy & DJ Davis ?	David & Lisa Henry ? Dennis & Judy Muller ? Steve & Sheila Ton ?

### California Coasters Summary Financial Statement January 2021

<b>Beginning Balance</b>	\$15,877.07
<b>Receipts</b>	\$15,957.20
<b>Expenses</b>	13,535.85
<b>Ending Balance</b>	18,334.42



No Treasurer's Report received, the figures have not change from January.

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Coaster Chapter Links (newsletters)	<a href="http://wafmca.com/?p=340">wafmca.com/?p=340</a>
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Coaster Member Photographs:	<a href="https://www.flickr.com/photos/12765661@N06/sets/72157610995972874/">flickr.com/photos/12765661@N06/sets/72157610995972874/</a>
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