

Minutes
AlfaSeeYas Chapter Membership Meeting
April 10, 2019
The Vineyards of Fredericksburg, Fredericksburg, TX

Call to Order:

(Prior to the meeting being called to order, Larry York asked Marvin Berry to record the minutes in the absence of the Secretary.)

Larry York, called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were 25 member rigs and 9 visitor rigs in attendance.

Introduction of Chapter Officers:

Larry introduced the Chapter officers:

President	Larry York
Vice President	Randy Scott
Secretary	Suzanne Conner (not present)
Treasurer	Ray Zimmerman
National Director	Marvin Berry
Alternate National Director	Dale Manners (not present)

Old Business:

Minutes of the January 15, 2019 meeting held at the Fountain of Youth Spa RV Resort in Niland, CA were approved as submitted by Suzanne Conner. Motion to accept as written: Ed Burrows, Second: Steve Falcone. Motion passed.

AlfaSeeYas Chapter By-Laws have been revised, approved, and published to open its membership to current owners of any RV manufactured by Alfa Leisure, Inc. (MH, travel trailer, 5th wheel, or toy hauler).

New Business:

On a sad note: Wayne Taubman passed away March 12th at his home in Gold Canyon, AZ. Also, Leigh and Suzanne Conners' son was severely injured in a horse accident causing severe brain damage, in addition, Leigh is having some health issues. (Addendum: prior to the end of the Alfa Owners' Club Annual Rally, Ed Burrows suffered a seizure and was transported to Austin, TX, where he was operated on. As of April 20th, Ed was being released and he and Helen were flying home where he will undergo chemo therapy.)

Ray Zimmermann submitted the Treasurer's report. Motion to accept as presented: Ron Pearson, Second: Tom Rogers. Motion passed.

A Financial Audit Committee consisting of Craig McDowell, Linda Pearson, and Lou Holveck was appointed by Larry to conduct an annual audit of the Chapter's financial records. The Committee conducted the audit during the week prior to the meeting. Craig McDowell presented the results of their findings. A copy of their report was presented to Larry and are filed with the Chapter's records. The audit went smoothly due to the detailed and well-organized financial records Ray has maintained. The financial health of the Chapter is strong. The overall balance of funds is down slightly from last year's balance due to the decision to promote rally attendance and encourage wagon master volunteers to host rallies. The Committee appreciates all of Ray's hard work involving the stewardship of the Chapter's treasury.

Due to the Chapter's National Director and Alternate National Director not being able to attend the 2019 FMCA 100th International Convention, Randy Scott has volunteered to attend and represent the Chapter at the Convention as the Chapter's designated representative to the Governing Board Meeting. Motion to approve Randy as the Chapter's designated representative to the Governing Board Meeting during the 2019 Convention: Ron Pearson, Second: Lou Holveck. Motion passed.

Miscellaneous:

2018-2019 Review

- July 18-21, 2018 – FMCA 98th International Convention – Gillette, WY. Dale and Diana Manners (Chapter Alternate National Director) represented the Chapter. Dale's report was included in the August newsletter.
- September 21-26, 2018 – AlfaSeeYas Chapter Rally at the Hagerman RV Village. Randy and Terry Scott, and Ray Zimmermann were the wagon masters – Thank you!
- January 9-13, 2019 – FMCA Western Area Rally - Indio, CA.
- January 13-17, 2019 - AlfaSeeYas Chapter post-rally was held at the Fountain of Youth Spa RV Resort near Niland, CA. Ray Zimmermann, and Randy and Terry Scott were the wagon masters – Thank you!

2019-2020 Activities

- June 20-23, 2019 – Oregon Coast Alfa Owners' Rally – Florence, OR (Heceta State Park). Allen Green (541) 9978-7664 – Wagon Master.
- August 14-17, 2019 - FMCA 100th International Convention - Minot, ND. Registration opened February 23, 2019.
- October 7-10 (depart 11th), 2019 – Joint AlfaSeeYas/Mavericks Chapter Rally – Flying Flags Resort and Campground, Buellton, CA. Arnie and Emily Burr – Wagon Masters. See latest *SeeYas Connection* for information.
- October 17-20, 2019 – Rocky Mountain Area Rally, Pima County Fairgrounds, Tucson, AZ
- Pre- or Post-Rocky Mountain Area Rally? Where? Wagon Masters?
- October 21-25, 2019 - International Area Rally – Myrtle Beach, SC
- January 8-12, 2020 – Western Area Rally - Indio, CA
- Pre- or Post-Western Area Rally? Where? Wagon Masters?

- March 26-29, 2020 – FMCA 101st Convention and RV Expo – Tucson, AZ – Pima County Fairgrounds. Registration opens September 26, 2019.
- Pre- or Post-Spring Convention Rally? When? Where? Wagon Masters?

Larry encouraged members to step forward to organize and host a Chapter rally. He outlined the compensation members are given when volunteering to be a wagon master which include reimbursement of park site fees, waiver of rally fees, and free Chapter jackets.

Useful web sites:

- Our Chapter Website - www.alfaseeyas.com
- RVillage – FMCA and Alfa Owners
- Facebook pages – Alfa Motorcoach Tech Group (public), Alfa Owners (closed – apply to join), Alfa Motorcoach Owners (closed – apply to join)
- Groups.io <https://groups.io/g/alfaseeya> replaces the three Yahoo Groups forums. Apply to join.

Larry summarized key benefits of FMCA membership – tire discount programs, international travel insurance, FMCAssist, and advocacy. Each meeting attendee was provided the attached list of benefits.

Larry reminded Chapter dues are \$10 a year – please stay current with the Chapter **and** FMCA.

Larry encouraged members to submit articles, tips, recipes, jokes, pictures, tech writeups, etc to the AlfaSeeYas Newsletter Editor and Webmaster – Jeannette Harper.

Randy Scott showed the Chapter merchandise that is available to purchase or order.

Susan Prichard noted that the groups.io/g/alfaseeya web site allotted storage has exceeded what is included within the free subscription and that the site host, Dave Rypma, is seeking financial support to keep the site operational. Larry asked Susan to have Dave contact him with specifics.

Drawing for door prizes:

Tony and Sally Ambriz won a free new membership (waiver of the \$10 application fee and \$10 first year's dues). Mike and Linda Rees won two free years of Chapter dues.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Marvin Berry, Acting Secretary

FMCA Members-Only Deals & Discounts

- **Tire Discounts - Michelin, Hankook, and Continental Tire**
- Tech Benefits - Stay connected on the road with exclusive offers from Sprint, Verizon and more.
- Roadside Rescue - Never worry about RV travel again - \$69 per year!
- FMCA RV Insurance - Select from the industry's top RV underwriters and receive great rates.
- FMCA Healthcare Plan - Provides the freedom to travel worry-free at a cost you can afford.
- FMCA Tour Connection - Save on exclusive member-only RV caravans and tours powered by Fantasy RV Tours.
- **International Travel Insurance - Get covered (for less!) when you travel outside your home country. MEDICARE DOES NOT COVER YOU OUTSIDE THE US.**
- Windshield Replacement - Don't let a cracked windshield ruin your travel plans with Custom Glass Solutions By Guardian Glass.
- RV PetSafety - Keep your pets safe while you're away. Monitor the temperature of your RV in real-time.
- **FMCAssist - FMCA members are automatically covered - no special fees or sign-up.**
- Family RVing Magazine - The RVers' guide! Members receive monthly print and digital editions, plus full access to online archives.
- HQ FMCA Campground - Stay two free nights every month! FMCA has a member-only campground in Cincinnati.
- FMCA University - The FMCA University Library combines decades of RV knowledge all in one convenient location. Access the Library anytime, anywhere!
- **Advocacy - FMCA is dedicated to helping you enjoy the freedom and fun of owning an RV. We work to protect RV owners' rights!**
- Anti-Theft Decal - Protect your RV with FMCA.
- Car Rental Discounts - Save money on car rental pricing through Avis, Enterprise, Hertz and National Car Rental.
- Costco & Sam's Club - Get additional savings with your Costco & Sam's Club membership as an FMCA member.
- Discounts - Shop (and save!) with FMCA Commercial Members by using our handy-dandy FMCA Connections search tool!
- KOA - Stay for less, thanks to FMCA's partnership with Kampgrounds of America (KOA).
- Mail Forwarding - Take advantage of FMCA's discounted rates for convenient mail forwarding.
- Membership Plates - Show your FMCA pride with your membership plate.
- Mobile App - Connect easily with FMCA from your smartphone or tablet.
- Passport America - Stay for less at thousands of campgrounds across North America, thanks to FMCA's discount.
- Pet Insurance - Receive a 5% discount off the cost of pet insurance for your dog or cat. Perfect for travelers, as pets can visit any licensed veterinarian.
- Staples & Office Depot/Office Max - FMCA members can save up to 80% on office and school supplies. Save on pens, paper, toner, and printing costs even when you're on the road.
- UPS - Enroll in the UPS Savings Program to save on shipping.
- Connections Map - Use the FMCA Connections search tool to find Campgrounds and RV Repair shops ready to give discounts to FMCA members.