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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This has been a very busy summer for Paulette and me. We left home the middle of July for a short family visit before heading north to Rapid City for the summer rally. The Central States Fairgrounds in Rapid City turned out to be a great site for the rally. Ron Jeffries and his staff were the most helpful group of people I've ever dealt with. Ron provided me with the contact information for any vendors needed and was especially helpful in acquiring the entertainment. He not only provided a list of good entertainers with their specialties but ensured we were charged the same rates as the fair which substantially reduced our entertainment costs. Beau Lambert was the food vendor with a contract with the fairground and he did an outstanding job providing us good food and plenty of it. If you ever are involved with hosting a rally in that area, I would highly recommend Central States Fairgrounds as a venue.

I would also like to again thank Curt Curtis and RV Country for their continued support of our club. Not only did RV Country again provide the welcome social as in previous years, they provided \$300 for free 20 year membership to Robert & Sharon McCarty who bought a coach at this event as well as the \$500 for the sale of that coach.

Our thanks are necessary as well to Camping World of Lake City, FL for providing the bags for our goody bags. Enough bags were provided that two were given to each coach. This is an unusual Camping World in that they are eager to do extended warrantee and service repairs and according to Progressive Insurance they have one of the best paint & body shops in Florida.

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This very successful event could not have happened without the volunteers who worked to make it memorable. At the risk of overlooking someone I won't name you all now, but I want to especially thank my Co-Rally Master, Chris Henderson, whose creativity always brings positive feedback.

After leaving Rapid City where we had 4 evenings of good, plentiful food and 3 evenings of good entertainment, we headed to Minot for the FMCA Convention. I want to thank Rick Nelson for coordinating our arrival as a group at Minot. His attention to detail made our group entry very uneventful. The first few days after our arrival were very stressful for me personally. While setting up, our bed refused to lower. It was stuck partway down thus making it impossible for us to move the coach as the bedroom slide couldn't be retracted with the bed not fully up. A call to Curt Curtis dispatched one of his techs to our rescue. He assisted me in getting my issue resolved even though the only techs he had in Minot were there for coach delivery. This proved to us that who you buy your coach from matters. RV Country has gone out of their way to assist me any time I've had trouble with my coach. Based on this and their continued support of MI, we highly recommend RV Country.

This was a very eventful FMCA meeting and probably one of the few times in my life I've ever pushed to have my dues increased. The benefits provided by FMCA far exceed the cost that they charge us for dues. If the FMCA Assist program that caused the dues increase were replaced by a comparable personal policy, it would be well over \$100. Savings we receive with tires, office supplies and many other things more than pay the dues already. FMCA is still a tremendous bargain.

Following MI tried and true tradition, we had a get together (happy hour) on Wednesday evening and I want to thank Duane Lindsey, our newly appointed Second Vice President, for helping host this MI get together at his coach. The FMCA was highlighted by Captain Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger on Thursday. His presentation was well attended and highly praised by those attending. I know I personally enjoyed it immensely.

Now for some housekeeping issues. I'm still looking for a volunteer to take over the Newsletter. Paulette keeps reminding me that I have overloaded her plate and I need to offload at least one of the tasks. In order to continue a harmonious family life, I'm making a plea for a volunteer for this job.

I also need a volunteer to do a west coast Spring destination rally or a "rally within a rally" during the FMCA Tucson meeting. Anyone interested in either function, please, contact me directly. We really need to start working on one of those options quickly. Duane Lindsey is well on his way to setting up a Spring destination rally in Savannah for the east coast.

After leaving the FMCA convention we toured Yellowstone, the Salt Lake City area, Bryce Canyon, Zion, and the Grand Canyon. We're currently in the Albuquerque area, resting up until the Balloon Fiesta. We look forward to seeing you there or down the road.

Your President,

John P. Jones

NATIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Convention in Minot:

The 100th FMCA International Convention was held August 14th through 17th in Minot, ND. 1608 Family member units were in attendance, plus 183 live in exhibitors and show coaches for a total of 1791, the largest since 2013.

Future Conventions:

The following Convention locations were approved by the Governing Board:

Winter/Spring, 2020:	Tucson, AZ March 26th - 29th
Summer, 2020:	Syracuse, NY July 29th - August 2nd
Winter/Spring, 2021:	<i>Perry, GA*</i>
Summer, 2021:	<i>Gillette, WY*</i>
Winter/Spring, 2022:	<i>Tucson, AZ*</i>
Summer, 2022:	<i>Lincoln, NE or Sedalia, MO*</i>
Winter/Spring, 2023:	<i>Perry, GA*</i>
Summer, 2023:	<i>Lincoln, NE or Sedalia, MO*</i>

** Depending on successful contract negotiations.*

Condition of FMCA:

Membership has increased ten percent in the past two years and has again surpassed 80,000 with positive growth in 25 of the past 26 months. This includes over 5,000 towables.

For the first time in years, the Association has not had to tap reserves to support operational expenses. A balanced budget was presented and approved by the Governing Board.

Governing Board Meeting:

The Governing Board Meeting held during the 100th FMCA International Convention was long and challenging, while three weeks before the Convention, it appeared that the GB meeting would be short and bland. However, three weeks out, President Jon Walker and Financial Chair John Reynolds recommended that FMCA drop FMCAssist as a benefit and proceed with a balanced budget without a dues increase. The rationale was that Seven Corners who administers the FMCAssist substantially increased the premium and we could not continue to offer it without dipping into reserves which have been declining or raising dues which both had campaigned against.

During the National Director's workshop held the day before the formal Governing Board Meeting, it became very obvious that the Governing Board, representing the membership, were overwhelming in support of continuing this extremely valuable benefit. In a straw poll, virtually all, well over 95%, indicated that their members wanted to keep this benefit, even if dues needed to be increased. As a result, the Finance Committee went back to the drawing board to offer an alternative budget which would incorporate keeping FMCAssist for at least another year while alternative, comparable programs could be researched.

In the end, the Governing Board supported a \$25 dues increase, effective in September in order to continue FMCAssist and start replenishing the reserves to a recommended level. While a hefty increase, considering the cost of like programs, this is still a bargain for our members.

The Risk Management Committee has been charged with pursuing alternative programs and/or funding options.

The Governing Board also approved two By-law changes, which primarily are focused on smaller Chapters. The minimum Chapter size was reduced from 20 to 15 to be certified or to keep their Charter. A Chapter as small as seven can still be an Associate Chapter.

A By-law Change was also approved which allows a Chapter to combine the offices of Secretary and Treasurer. This applies to Chapters of all sizes.

The P&P changes approved were primarily wordsmithing with the exception of transferring the administration of Commercial Council member from the Governing Board to the Executive Board in order to handle changes in a more expedient manner.

Elections:

The Governing Board also elected or re-elected the following Executive Board Officers during the meeting:

President: Jon Walker (re-elected unopposed)
Sr. Vice President: Rett Porter (re-elected)
National Secretary: Kathie Balogh
National Treasurer: John Reynolds (re-elected unopposed)

The following Area VPs who were elected earlier this year were recognized:

Northeast Area: John Traphagen
Midwest Area: Gary Milner
Rocky Mountain Area: Jamie Erickson
South Central Area: Joe Wright
Southeast Area: Betty Duncan

Gaye Young was recognized for serving two consecutive terms as National Secretary and spearheading the educational initiatives, including RV Basic Course offered at Conventions, RV Driving Course and FMCA University, an online learning program that is continually expanding.

Respectfully Submitted by:
Harry Hentschel, National Director

FMCAssist

You should be aware by now through reading the National Director Report or reading your FMCA e-mail that the Governing Board voted unanimously to increase the annual dues in order to save FMCAssist and rebuild the financial reserves. Additional details regarding the decisive vote to raise annual membership dues can be found at <https://fmca.com/savefmccassist>. Following is a letter the FMCA President received from a member regarding the increase. The member has agreed to sharing his thoughts which are very well articulated. It might be helpful when discussing the increase with others.

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The recently announced increase in FMCA dues, although regrettable, was very necessary to maintain one of the best benefits of FMCA membership. The increase in dues seems to be terribly large, especially when the numbers were stated as raw information — a \$.32/member/month increase in the FMCAssist Medical Emergency and Travel Assistance Program premium — but a deeper dive reveals the reason.

A large percentage of members of FMCA pay their dues well in advance. This is great for an organization, but it makes unexpected expenses difficult to absorb. As usual, a company, especially a non-profit, will anticipate increases in expenses and factor that into an annual budget. Also, a well-run organization will have a buffer fund. Both of those things were true of FMCA.

What wasn't anticipated was an increase in the premium from the insurer to a million dollars total! Yes, the money could have been taken out of the emergency fund, or the benefit could have been cancelled, but neither of those solutions was palatable to the Governing Board, for two separate, but important reasons. First, further reducing the emergency fund below one year's operating budget (\$9,000,000) would be fiscally irresponsible. Second, the benefit package provided by the insurer, the FMCAssist program, is one of the most cherished benefits of FMCA membership. This package, if bought independently, would cost a member approximately \$110/year.

The reality is that the FMCAssist package is only a part of the benefits that membership provides, but it only works with a large risk pool of a group policy. The insurer stated that claims and administrative costs were higher than their premium would cover and the increase was necessary to continue coverage.

Back to the numbers, and the dues increase. The best thing would have been to spread the increase over the whole membership of FMCA. Remember, though, that there is a time factor to consider, and a lot of those members pay their dues in advance, and they have paid for an expected benefit package. That means that the members who are anticipated to renew will have to provide the necessary funds to cover the increase. Optimal answer? No. But if the promises made to those members that have already paid, as well as the people who are prepared to renew, are to maintain the great coverage of the FMCAssist package, the fee has to be passed on. So, this is the reason for the big jump in dues. Everybody will eventually bear the cost, and it might end up funding other benefits in the future.

There will be a search for another provider, and there might be unintended consequences, such as decreased numbers of newer, younger members, or loss of current members. The only counter to this is knowledge. We, as a group, need to actively promote the benefits of membership among ourselves and to potential members. I'd be willing to bet that no potential and very few current members fully understand the whole benefits of basic membership. Please take a few minutes and look over the FMCA website and refamiliarize yourselves with all the things your dues provide. You will undoubtedly come away agreeing that \$75/year is a darn good deal!

Submitted by Scott Herrick

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FMCA Risk Management and Insurance

To that end, FMCA's Risk Management Committee and its Executive Board require all Area Rally contracts to be reviewed by the FMCA attorney prior to being signed. It has come to light that there have been claims for chapter rallies as well. It was the decision of both the Executive Board and the Risk Management Committee to require chapter rally contracts to also be reviewed prior to being signed.

Most chapter rallies will not be affected by this change. **If your chapter has a rally contract of any kind that requests a Certificate of Insurance (COI) with the grounds marked as "Additionally Insured," we are asking that you send it to the National Office to be reviewed prior to being signed.** They can provide this service quickly, and it should not cause you a delay in rally planning. This will help lower the insurance premium for FMCA. Please allow 60 days for the insurance certificate to be issued. A certificate will not be issued unless the contract has been reviewed.

NOTICE FROM TREASURER

I want to report to the membership that FMCA gave the club \$200.00 for our 35th year anniversary.

Dick Wolfe, Treasurer

MONACO INTERNATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Rapid City, SD, Friday, August 9, 2019, 10:00 a.m.

President John P. Jones called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. in the Soule Building at the Central State Fairground in Rapid City, SD.

Officers and Regional Directors did self-introductions. Officers present were President John P. Jones, VP Membership Lois Tucker, Secretary Carolyn Banks, Treasurer Richard Wolfe, National Director Harry Hentschel, Alternate National Director Norma Preston. Regional Directors present were Verda DeGerald (Reg 3) and Bob Tucker (Reg 6).

The Executive Board Meeting, Board of Directors Meeting, and General Business Meeting minutes from the Las Vegas, NV, Spring Rally in April 2019 were approved as published in the Board Meeting book and will be published on the MI website pending any corrections or additions.

Officer Reports

Treasurer Dick Wolfe reported that the Las Vegas Rally had a loss of \$39.09, which, along with \$8200 in registration incentives, resulted in a total cost of \$8239.09 plus the PayPal fees associated with registration payments. The Tallahassee Rally had a loss of \$877 with no incentives paid.

Dick moved a \$10,000 maturing CD from Bank of America, which paid approximately \$9 in interest this year, to the Merrill Lynch cash account and purchased a Union Bank CD for \$50,000, paying 2.35%. This leaves \$48,000 in the cash account.

The club has about \$283,751 in cash and investments, of which \$61,635 is committed to various rally accounts. The club has no debt, so after the SD Rally, we should still have \$215,000 cash and investments available. Asked if we have enough to cover the advance for the Balloon Fiesta Rally, Dick said that 2019 is covered and the 2020 deposit is, also. The Treasurer's Report was approved.

Vice President Membership Lois Tucker said that, during 2019, we had 48 new member coaches. We added 3 in May, 0 in June, 3 in July, and 0 in August. This is usually a slow time but is slower than usual. RDs continue to contact new members by phone or email, including those who bought from RV Country. Lois sends letters to both new members and new coach owners who bought from RV Country, but she hasn't had a great response to these. Lois emphasized that club members need to get out and meet people, talk to them at campgrounds and rest areas; it can be fun and we might meet our "next favorite buddy."

We have 16 coaches from the Las Vegas Rally who came to attend this Rally. That's 18% of those at Las Vegas. We need to reach out to people and let them know we have a great club with a lot to offer.

National Director Harry Hentschel referenced his report in the Board Book. We had a good forum at this Rally on the issues that may come up at the Minot Governing Board Meeting. He said he did have an update on a change that occurred after he submitted his report: Under Area VP Election Results, there had been a tie in the Northeast Area between Barbara Smith and John Traphagen. He understands that after a runoff, John Traphagen was elected, but he hasn't seen that in writing.

Alternate National Director Norma Preston said that her report reflects Harry's report. She said the proposed budget for 2020 has several items to reduce the costs but does not have a real explanation for how this will happen. For example, they propose to provide members with one plate and one window cling (FMCA number ID), rather than two plates, but the cost is higher than providing two plates.

President John Jones said that one of the biggest things that happened this year was that our contract employee, Brenda Reagh, resigned. Paulette Jones took over the computer portion of that job, Dick Wolfe is now receiving all mail and checks, and Lois Tucker is taking care of ordering plaques and badges. The transition has been relatively smooth and will probably save the Club \$14,000-\$15,000 a year. Treasurer Dick Wolfe estimated \$10,000 in savings, since we still have postage and mailings. John pointed out the savings since we transitioned to putting the membership card online for each member to print out, rather than printing and mailing cards to each member annually.

Old Business

Balloon Fiesta Rally Report—Harry Hentschel said that his report on the October 2018 Rally is in the April 2019 Minutes. It ended in the black a little bit. The upcoming rally in October 2019 was full on April 15, with 14 on the wait list at that time. They had 9 cancellations, and still have 18 on the wait list. All is going well. Pins and lanyards ordered and received. Token gifts ordered and shipped. Looking for another successful year.

New Business

Officer Recruitment—John called on Nancy Wolfe, chair of Nominating Committee, to talk about positions that are open. She asked for anyone who is interested in serving to contact her or the other members of her committee, Paulette Jones and Laura Wyatt. We need a couple of Regional Directors and a 2nd Vice President. She heard from our current 1st VP, who is willing to move up. At this point, our election will be scheduled for our Summer Rally 2020, which will be held somewhere in New York. If you have a recommendation for someone you believe would be a good asset to MI, please let them know.

John discussed ways to attract officer candidates. We have done a good thing by not requiring officers to attend both east and west coast rallies. He believes we should consider reinstating payment of rally fees for the Executive Board (President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President,

Vice President Membership, Secretary, Treasurer, National Director, Alternate National Director). We've had potential candidates say they just can't afford the travel costs. If we don't find a couple of VPs and Treasurer and Secretary, we can't function. Our club is too large to combine the jobs of Secretary and Treasurer, although we could change to just one Vice President. We could potentially have 1,000 or 2,000 members and still not have a club, and he would hate to see the club go under for lack of officers.

Dick Wolfe commented that he thought paying rally fees involved a Bylaws change. Discussion followed on what costs would be involved: all Rally fees or just early parking or basic registration fee. Carolyn Banks said that since membership is dropping, we need to generate interest in helping the club, and whether we pay for it or not may not be the reason.

Harry Hentschel touched on past Nominating Comm experience with people being reluctant to travel such great distances. Might be good to relieve some pressure for officers to attend every rally. He favors only comping basic fees for Exec Board if we do decide to do it. Dick mentioned that officers who volunteer for rally jobs may still have fees reimbursed.

John responded to member of audience who requested to speak. He will open it for comments after Board discussion.

Norma Preston recalled an amount of \$250 being reimbursed. Carolyn checked the Bylaws and found nothing to reflect that subject. Checked and found Standing Rule covers officer reimbursement. John discussed how much the Treasurer was involved with a rally, in addition to the Registrar and Rally Treasurer.

Lois Tucker was at the meeting where reimbursement was stopped. She said reason was that we were running out of money in the club, and that would be a way to save. She believes fuel cost is the biggest expense for our travel anyway. Reestablishing the reimbursement might be harder to have approved than taking it away. Verda DeGerald said she believes the top officers should be reimbursed. They do a lot of work. But we do have other ways to communicate rather than face-to-face. There are ways to meet online.

Guest Ted Williams said he's new to Monaco rally but not to rallies. He echoed Verda's thoughts on using technology to communicate. He wouldn't take officer position himself because of the travel required.

John emphasized that the Executive Board members are required to attend rallies in person. Dale Johnson has family health issues that prevent him from attending, but he is still doing his job. The Board does have online conference calls, but we do need officers to be here. Carolyn asked if this was just a discussion today, or do we need a motion, or a committee to study it. Dick said that FMCA pays its officers—even for their travel expenses.

Dick Wolfe moved that the Executive Board rally fees and early parking or all parking necessary to perform their functions be paid by the club. Motion was seconded.

Discussion: Norma requested that we go back to Minutes to find for sure what was paid and what is the current situation. Guest Nancy Wolfe said she was Secretary when that change was made. She personally has the minutes and the old Standing Rule and will send it to Carolyn. She said it was a quick discussion, an effort to try to curb expenses, didn't consider ramifications for everyone on the Board. Bob Tucker asked for clarification of who would be reimbursed. Norma said RDs were once included. Carolyn listed members of Executive Board. Regional Directors are not officers and are not included in this motion. John read the list of Executive Board members as stated in the Bylaws.

Question was called. John reiterated his support for the motion. MOTION PASSED.

Brenda Reagh Resignation—John requested Secretary to provide a resolution to be sent to Brenda congratulating her for all her years of service. Norma Preston asked about giving her a lifetime membership in MI. She has a 5th wheel now and expressed an interest in coming to rallies. John said these memberships were only given to 3 past presidents in the past. Carolyn asked about giving a 5-year membership and commented that Brenda took a large load off the VP Membership and the Treasurer.

Carolyn Banks moved that we present Brenda Reagh with a Lifetime Membership to Monaco International. Motion was seconded. MOTION PASSED.

Matching Charity Contribution—Dick Wolfe proposed that the club match what we receive from the audience for the club charity at this rally. After discussion, the motion was worded as follows:

Dick Wolfe moved that the club match what we receive in donations for this rally's charity or give \$1,000, whichever is greater. Motion was seconded. Motion was amended to "match what we receive in donations for this rally's charity up to \$1,000." AMENDED MOTION PASSED.

Club Computers—Dick Wolfe suggested that we replace the club computers, which have outdated technology, with portable hard drives that can be passed from one officer to the next, with users using their own personal computers for the software. Harry Hentschel asked that we make sure there is a procedure for how we pass everything on. Lois Tucker said she was given permission in Las Vegas to get rid of her outdated club computer after doing a "military wipe". She donated the computer to an organization in Labrador. She recommended getting hard drives that also have a power plug in addition to USB ports. Dick said he is using his club computer only because he wants to be able to pass information on. Sometimes he uses his own and copies it to the club computer.

Term Limits—Harry Hentschel interrupted the computer discussion because of the short amount of time left in this meeting to bring up an item left from Las Vegas. The Executive Board had discussed possibly amending the Bylaws regarding term limits. Since we have to give thirty days' notice to the membership, we need to pursue getting a committee together to address the situation, so we get it done before the next election. John said he would appoint a committee and post it on the website.

Discussion of club computers was tabled. Meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Banks

MI Secretary

MONACO INTERNATIONAL GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

Rapid City, SD, August 9, 2019, 11:00 a.m.

President John P. Jones called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. in the Soule Building of the Central State Fairgrounds in Rapid City, SD. He asked Bob Tucker to give an invocation and Roger Smalley to lead the pledge of allegiance.

Officers did self-introductions. Officers present were President John P. Jones, Vice President Membership Lois Tucker, Secretary Carolyn Banks, Treasurer Dick Wolfe, National Director Harry Hentschel, and Alternate National Director Norma Preston.

Treasurer Dick Wolfe gave the Treasurer's Report. He stated that the audit committee (Dick Wolfe, Don Wyatt, and John Jones) audited the Gillette Pre-Rally (July 2018), the Tallahassee Rally (March 2019), and the Las Vegas Rally (April 2019). All those documents were approved by the committee with no problems. The club treasurer currently has \$283,751 in cash and investments. We have \$61,635 that is committed to various rally expenses, leaving about \$215,000 in cash and investments available for future rallies and expenses of the club.

Vice President Membership Lois Tucker reported that in May, the club had 3 new members, 0 in June, and 3 in July. Before that, since the first of this year, we have 48 new members. Although this is usually a slower time of year, it seems to be slower than usual. The RDs are doing their

job contacting new members, talking with them and inviting them to the club rallies. Lois also sends letters to both new members and those who buy coaches from RV Country. She doesn't get a big response from these. She encouraged members to make a greater effort to get out and talk with people during our travels, at rest areas, and in campgrounds and invite them to join us. We had 16 coaches come from the Las Vegas Rally, which is 18% of the total. We just need to get the word out about how great our club is.

National Director Harry Hentschel reported that elections for FMCA officers would be held in Minot. There is only one candidate (the incumbent) for President, but three for Senior VP, three for Secretary, and one (the incumbent) for Treasurer. He thanked those who attended his seminar on Thursday for their thoughts on the candidates and on the two Bylaws changes. The Bylaws changes relate primarily to chapter size. One proposes to reduce the minimum number of coaches to 15, and the other proposes to allow (he stressed) chapters to combine the offices of secretary and treasurer. He also related that he had previously expected the Governing Board meeting to be rather bland, but there is now a proposal from the President to eliminate the FMCA Assist program as a member benefit in order to keep the FMCA dues at the current rate.

The Winter 2020 convention will be held in Tucson, AZ, in March, and the convention committee will recommend next week that the Summer 2020 convention be held in Syracuse, NY. Others that are still under consideration are Winter 2021 back to Perry, GA, and Summer 2021 back to Gillette, WY. Contracts are still being negotiated.

Harry announced the results of five Area President elections in May: Gary Milner won Midwest, a tie for Northeast between Barbara Smith and John Traphagen with John winning the runoff, Rocky Mountain was Jamie Erickson, South Central was Joe Rice, and Southeast Betty Johnson.

Alternate National Director Norma Preston said she has been going through the proposed FMCA budget line by line and found several interesting items. For example, they propose changing from 2 plaques to 1, but the postage expense has still increased. She asked that anyone interested in reviewing the budget or the agenda items contact her.

President John Jones made note to the group that we are short two Vice Presidents for the club. The 1st VP does have some medical issues with his mother that he is having to take care of or he would be here. And Dale is continuing to work on plans for the Summer MI Rally, probably in the Niagara Falls area, or at the Fairgrounds in Syracuse, NY. Our discussion in the Board Meeting centered on officer recruitment. John asked Nancy Wolfe to come up and speak to this as chair of the Nominating Committee. Nancy said that her committee has worked diligently, but we are still short a 2nd Vice President and one of the Regional Directors for Region 1 and one for Region 6. If anyone is willing to serve in these positions, she asked that they see her or the members of her committee, Paulette Jones and Laura Wyatt. Nancy stressed that our club depends on volunteers and cannot continue without help from the members. If anyone knows

of a member they believe is talented and willing to do a job, please contact her committee. John emphasized that anyone can contact him if they want to volunteer, and he will find something for them to do.

Another item discussed at the Board Meeting was the resignation of Brenda Reagh as MI's contract employee. Her duties have been divided so that Paulette Jones is handling membership applications and online interactions, Lois Tucker will answer questions about membership and order plaques, and all mail is being sent to Treasurer Dick Wolfe.

John went over the motions that were approved at the Board of Directors meeting:

1. The club will match contributions to this rally's charity up to \$1,000.
2. The club will reinstitute paying rally fees for the Executive Board (President, 1st VP, 2nd VP, VP Membership, Secretary, Treasurer, Natl Director, Alt Natl Director) for the one rally per year that they are required to attend.
3. The club will extend a Lifetime Membership to Brenda Reagh for her service to the club.

John asked for any inputs from the audience. There were none. He reminded those present that there would be a short caravan meeting for those going to FMCA in Minot after a short break.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Banks
MI Secretary



Springtime in Savannah

Hello MI members. As the newly appointed 2nd Vice President I have been working with John Jones to set up a Destination Rally in the Spring of 2020. We have selected Savannah, Georgia at Creekside RV Resort. Tentative dates are 04/05/20-04/09/20. All sites will have 20, 30, 50-amp power, water, sewer and WIFI.

We are in the planning stages looking at a River Boat dinner cruise and a catered sea food dinner on site.

Savannah has lots to see and do whether you're a first time or regular visitor.

Second Vice President
Duane Lindsey

