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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It's with sadness to find out that Robert (Bob) C. Gillis Sr. our previous Eastern Area VP passed away. We had many enjoyable SI rallies together. Bob used to like drinking a glass of wine, which I enjoyed drinking one with him.



Our Alternate National Director Ann Kristal will be representing our SI Chapter at the Governing Board Meeting at Redmond, OR. Up for discussion will be FMCA assist program. It seems like FMCA is having a budget problem right now.

I've talked to our current Southeast Area VP, Rose Marie Ladue. She sold her motorhome and is coming off the road. We need a volunteer for her area, which is the Southeast Area. I enjoyed singing with her at the rallies. She is going to continue her singing career.

I would like to Thank our SI Executive VP David (Dave) Rob for all the pictures he posted on our SI Facebook page about the Midwest Area FMCA Rally, and he also set up for our SI Chapter fair table. Great Job, Dave.

I consulted with the SI Executive Board about the SI membership dues for 2025. Currently, 2024 SI Members current with FMCA dues will be issued a 2025 SI Membership card. Members who have paid their dues in advance will be credited an additional year. We have a good treasury. Most of our expense is for our website administration fees.

John McPherson
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Update on our SI President, John P. McPherson

Your President, John P. McPherson, is currently in the process of recovering and regaining strength from a stay in the hospital. John tested positive for the Norovirus and became severely dehydrated. A visit to the ER (Emergency Room) on July 13th for intravenous fluids and released.

Unfortunately, on July 17th, a return to the ER. During this second visit he was admitted for 10 days. John successfully completed a full regimen of intravenous antibiotic treatment. He was released on July 25th with Home Health Care Services. He's recovering nicely. John's two daughters would like to Thank You for all your prayers, concerns and support.

Treasurer's Report

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Description	Income	Expenses	Totals
<i>Beginning Cash</i>			5,687.65
<i>Income</i>	0		
<i>Expenses</i>		0	
<i>Net Increase/Decrease</i>			0
<i>Total Cash in Bank</i>			\$5,687.65

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Robert (Bob) Gillis Sr. Obituary (Below)
A picture of Bob is on the front page of this Scuttlebutt.

To all family and friends of Robert C Gillis Sr we are heartbroken and Saddened to inform you of Dads Passing Sunday Afternoon he passed peacefully surrounded by Family at home the way he wanted at 85 yrs old below you will find an Obituary posting with a link to Clinch funeral home with dates , times and locations for funeral services Please Remember him and all of us in your Prayers.

Robert Charles Gillis Sr. - age 85 of Greenback formerly of Hayward, California passed away July 21, 2024, at his home. He was a veteran serving 9 years in the U.S. Navy and 20 years in the U.S. Army as Sgt. CID. Bob retired from the City of Hayward Police Department. He was a member of St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church in Lenoir City and Knights of Columbus. Bob enjoyed photography and snow skiing.

Preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Eleanor Gillis, and grandson, Sgt. Shawn G. Adams.

Survived by his longtime companion, Rita Walters; children: Robert C. Gillis (Laura), Debra Cooper (Harry), Michael Gillis (Lori), Joyce Thompson (Jeff), Donald Christopher Gillis, and Bianca Gundry (Kevin); 17 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren: brother, Donald Gillis along with many nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to: Wounded Warrior Project, of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Click Funeral Home, 109 Walnut Street in Lenoir City is in charge of arrangements. clickfuneralhome.com

Thank you Dave Robb for posting and sharing these great pictures of the Midwest Area FMCA Convention in Amana, Iowa



Volunteers Needed

I'm so excited to see New Members joining our SI chapter every month and watching our chapter continue to grow. We have some vacant VP area positions available.

If you are interested, please email me, John McPherson—SI President at macirishone@gmail.com. He will provide you with all the information you will need.

Rocky Mountain & Western Area VP

Northeast Area VP

Northwest Area VP

Midwest Area VP

South East Area VP

South Central Area VP

Great Lakes Area VP

Remember to check out our Website <https://www.si-fmca.com/> for news and events between issues of our Scuttlebutt.

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UPDATE INFORMATION

Eastern Area Spring Newsletter

Please share it with other members

[Click Here To Access](#)

The Governing Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 14, 2024, in Redmond, Oregon.

The Annual Membership Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, August 17, 2024 in Redmond, Oregon.

[Constitution and Bylaws Proposals 2024](#)

[For more information FMCA Governing Board Announcements and Mailings:](#)

RALLY EVENTS

Click on rally title to get more information about that Rally.

[FMCA's 109th International Convention—August 14-17, 2024](#)
Redmond, OR

[South Central Area Rally—September 18-21, 2024](#)
Shawnee, OK

[Eastern Area Rally— October 23-27, 2024](#)
Fletcher, NC

Full Hook Ups and Electric-only sites are sold out at this time. If you wish to join the waitlist, please call 800-543-3622 and ask for the events department. Dry camping sites are still available.

[Rocky Mountain Area Rally—October 23-27, 2024](#)
Farmington, NM

Singles International

Chapter of FMCA/INTO Chapter

Membership Application/Renewal Form/Information Update

PLEASE FILL OUT THIS FORM WHEN RENEWING MEMBERSHIP

Membership: New Renewal Update Date _____

Welcome Aboard New Member!

Name: _____ FMCA# _____ Expiration Date: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email Address
(Required): _____

Dues are not prorated

Initial Membership: \$10.00 plus \$14.00 for badge Total \$24.00

Renewals: \$10.00

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Badge Information:

As you want it on your badge: Name _____ City & State _____

Ship Badge to: Name: _____

Address _____ City _____ State/Zip _____

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I WOULD ____ or WOULD NOT ____ like my information to be listed on the roster available only to Singles International members.

You must maintain your membership in FMCA in order to be a member of Singles International.