

National Directors Report

1. Membership continues to decline. The best recruitment tool continues to be members recruiting members.
2. Five free memberships for FMCA were sent out last Feb. to Elizabeth and all other chapter presidents. As a result of the Labour Day meeting, Don made inquiries and Elizabeth found the ones sent to the Overlanders. The free memberships expire at the end of the year and I understand the MacCallums have been able to give away a couple.
3. Area Rallies:
 - Brooksville FL Feb 3-7
 - GLASS May 27-30 Are we doing ice cream?
4. National Conventions:
 - Winter 2010 Albuquerque NM Mar 22-25 (we're going)
 - Summer 2010 Redmond OR Aug. 11-14 (we're not going)
 - Shirley and Ray are you going as Alternate National Director? If not, we will need to elect a delegate who can vote on behalf of our Chapter.
 - Winter 2011 Perry GA.
 - Summer 2011 Indianapolis IN (should we grab pre-security again?). Thanks again to everyone who helped with pre-security at Bowling Green.
5. Don Eversman has "resigned". We are not sure why. There are many rumours. The Board vote was in camera as is usual with a personnel matter. He will be missed.
6. After all the work myself and two others did on the Presidents Review Committee, I did not "politic" to be on the new Review Council and so was tied for 5th place and lost in a runoff vote. The vote was done by the Executive Board. The old guard is now working its way back in because the new chairman of the Council is Don Moore!??
7. As of Jan 1st all staff members in Cinci. are taking a 10% salary cut.
8. It appears as if the US recession is slowly recovering. Jayco has started up production in Indiana and other locations. Navistar is now operating Monaco. Also Campground reservations are up.
8. How many are going to Brooksville? Do we need a "Happy Hour"?
9. Since I'm on the Nominating Committee for the Chapter (Kathy of course is on the National Nominating Committee) we need candidates for Chapter offices. Please contact me, Diane Smith or Peter Butler.

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