

Gold Coasters Booty

Quarterly Newsletter January – March 2023



From Our President, John Steinbauer

It has been a pleasure and honor to serve as your chapter President since 2019 and it would not have been possible without everyone's help. Several chapter members will be going on the Autumn in the Appalachians Caravan, Kathy and I will be leading with the help of Tony and Gina Mason as our Assistant Wagon Masters. Our Vice President, Tony Mason, will assume the position of President at our chapter meeting at the SE Regional in April. He has done a great job as Vice President and also as the chapter Retention and Recruiting Coordinator and I'm confident he will lead our chapter to grow and prosper. I've said this before, but I must mention it once again. We need volunteers for the Gold Coaster's Treasurer Officer position and for Muster Master. Tony Debello has done a great job as Treasurer for over two years and is resigning to travel in 2023. Kathy Steinbauer has also done an outstanding job as the Muster Master since the chapter was chartered in 2012 and the Feb Valentine's muster was her last one to plan. Both Tony and Kathy will train volunteers for the positions and will help during the transition period.

In addition, we need to hold an election for chapter Vice President before the Spring SE Regional. Past President Larry Chayt is Chair of the Nominating Committee for VP so please contact him at <u>mailto:coachman33436@yahoo.com</u> or call 954.401.5883 to volunteer. The responsibilities for these positions can be found on the SMART Gold Coasters page in the Standing Rules and also chapter SOP 1 Muster Host/Muster Master Responsibilities. We have been very fortunate to have our members step up to fill these positions and also Secretary/Newsletter Editor (Gina Mason), and Haberdasher (Steve Bourque and Sunshine Lady (Holly Combs), who sends get well and condolence cards to our membership. It's now time for our other members to volunteer to serve to ensure the future of our chapter remains bright as it has been since being chartered. Please give it your careful consideration and let me or Tony know of your interest/questions.

From Our Vice President, Tony Mason

I am honored to have to have served with John as president and know my time to lead is coming soon. I want to thank Kathy as well for her excellent choices of locations for our musters. Many of you have helped her and I know someone

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UPCOMING MUSTERS

See Muster Master Notes will step up to take her place in our chapter. Remember she is always willing to help in planning.

Those in National leadership roles are concerned with the continued decline in membership. We each need to actively recruit new members. To that end, many SMART members are also members of SMART FMCA, and recently attended the LUCKY 13 rally in Perry, Ga. We set up a table during the chapter fair and veterans came by to learn about SMART. I'd say it was a recruiting frenzy at times during the chapter fair. The Masons, Steinbauers, Fabions, and Fritzs all talked to potential members for over an hour. I'd say we reached over 75 potential new members to SMART! Other veterans stopped by our site during happy hours while in Perry. We shared what SMART is about and gave him a Traveler Magazine and a Trifold brochure. Have you ordered your recruitment kits from headquarters and placed information in military campgrounds or Legion Halls as you travel? For Trifolds follow this link: https://www.smartrving.org/leadership/ClubDocs/03_Trifold_Brochure.pdf?v=1680272683. Or you can contact Smart HQ (800) 354-7681. Have you sought out veterans where you camp? Please share your success stories so Gina can add them in a future newsletter.

One Last item, The Gold Coasters need a Vice President, a Treasurer and a Muster Master. Send us your name ASAP. Thank you for supporting your chapter in advance.

Treasurer Report, Tony DeBello

I'm resigning my position as the Gold Coasters Treasurer and will agree to continue keeping the books until our October muster. My predecessor donated a laptop that holds Quickbooks Pro, electronic files that includes receipts, bank statements and numerous other custom reports and documents. The Laptop also has the Gmail account, Dropbox, and cloud accesses. I also have a binder with some of the key instructions related to the automation of invoices, emails, and reports. I'm willing to spend some time with the incoming treasurer during the muster to help with Quickbooks if needed.

If anyone is interested in stepping up to assume the treasurer's position, please let John Steinbauer know.

Muster Master Report – Kathy Steinbauer

I have really enjoyed being your Muster Master for the last ten years, but it's time for someone else to plan our musters. I know we have chapter members who will do a great job. I will help and train, so please consider volunteering.

Our February Valentine's muster at John Prince County Park in Lake Worth was a lot of fun. If you were not able to attend, you see photos at our chapter Facebook Group https://www.facebook.com/groups/360505854055082/

We also need members to volunteer to serve as muster hosts and co-hosts. Please register for the SE Regional in Cedar Key, FL to be held 17-22 (departing) April and also the SMART National in Amana, IA 18-23 (departing) Aug. Info on these two musters and online registration can found on the SMART website https://www.smartrving.org/ in the events area or on the Gold Coaster's page https://www.smartrving.org/fgc/ These two musters are going to be fun! The National is the 40th Anniversary for SMART and will have many special activities to celebrate this important milestone.

Gold Coaster Haberdashery, Steve Bourque

Put your new order in now for your new gold polo shirts. Just \$23.00.

Secretary/Newsletter Report – Gina Mason

In this and future newsletters we will be including our members upcoming birthdays and anniversaries in our newsletters. *Join us in wishing our fellow Gold Coasters chapter members Happy Birthday and Anniversary!*

Birthdays	
Doug Combs	20-Apr
Stahurski, Rick	29-Apr
Obourn, Lew	2-May
Hastings, Bill	5-May
Hastings, Joanne	8-May
McDonald, Terry	18-May
Stahurski, Louise	19-May
deBlieux, Bo	1-Jun
Steinbauer, Kathy	10-Jun
Elle Nash Schulze	21-Jun
Stephens, Nancy	22-Jun

Anniversaries		
Levinson, Daniel and Arlene Mandell	24-Apr	
Debello, Tony and Judy	29-May	
deBlieux, Bo and Karen	2-Jun	
Gardner, Dave and Lisa	6-Jun	
Mason, Tony and Gina	10-Jun	
McDonald, Terry and Joan	? -Apr	

Our Officers



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