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From the President - Gerry Pfirsch



Well, Campvention is in the rear-view mirror as I write this. I would like to say to everyone that was able to attend It was wonderful to see you there! If you could not make it, we missed you and you have no idea of what you missed. The feeling of seeing everyone after

2 years is extremely hard to put into words. Just know it was wonderful to see you. We also missed those of you that could not make it. You missed a wonderful week.

A big thank you goes out to every Team Leader. Co-chair and worker that helped to make this Campvention work. It took each of you doing your part to make it a success. My thanks to all of you and A JOB WELL DONE! to each of you. You are Super Stars.

We now start the work of a new year with Nominating Committees and the normal functions of FCRV. If you are approached about serving in an office, I would hope that you will consider serving your Chapter, State, Region, of National. This is what makes FCRV work. We also have National programs that need to have people step up and fill the open positions. They have open positions on all levels Chapter, State, Regional, and National that are open and that we have current members that are wanting to retire from the position. It would be our hope to have someone train with the director of the position and get to know the ropes before being thrown to the world on your own. Well, I am looking to a fun year and would like to encourage you to invite a friend and / or neighbor along camping with you this year.

I also had the honor of spending the weekend with Region 3 at York County Fairgrounds in York Nebraska for the Regional Campvention and what a wonderful gathering we had.

See you at the next Campout!

Gerry Pfirsch, President

CANADA TO REOPEN BORDER FOR FULLY VACCINATED AMERICANS



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Canada is poised to welcome back fully vaccinated travelers, including Americans, after over a year of strict controls at the border, [according to an Associated Press report](#).

Beginning on Aug. 9, citizens and permanent residents of the United States will be allowed to enter Canada as long as they have been fully vaccinated for at least 14 days before travel, federal government officials said on Monday.

Canada then hopes to allow visitors from other countries beginning on Sept. 7, a date that could change depending on conditions.

[Pressure has been building](#) on both sides of the border to reopen, to bolster tourism and allow separated families to reunite (though Canada has already made some exceptions for relatives). The two countries have renewed the closure every month since the border closed to nonessential travel on March 21, 2020. Commercial traffic was never halted.

Before the pandemic, Canada was the second most popular foreign destination for Americans, behind Mexico.

Canada is ready to lift border restrictions because it has made rapid progress [vaccinating](#) its population after months of delays. It now has [higher vaccination rates than the United States](#), with 50% of its population fully vaccinated, and 75% of residents having received at least one dose, according to its federal public health agency.

[Click here to read the full Associated Press report.](#)



61st INTERNATIONAL CAMPVENTION

FAMILY CAMPERS & Rver's

"WANDER WISCONSIN"

Walworth County Fairgrounds, 411 E. Court St.

Elkhorn, WI 53121

Campvention Days: July 11-16, 2021 fees cover
(6 nights)



FCRV RETURNS TO NORMAL WITH IN PERSON CAMPVENTION

By D. Johnston

After a tumultuous 2020 with no Campvention and no Retiree Rally the 129 units (families, couples, singles) attending FCRV's 61st Campvention at Elkhorn, Wisconsin welcomed the opportunity to get together with friends both old and new. Joyful greetings of "Hey, glad to see you, how have you been?" accompanied by hugs, handshakes and fist bumps were heard everywhere. Some of the early arrivals took time to "Wander Wisconsin" as the theme suggested. Unfortunately travel restrictions still in effect in Canada prevented most Canadians from attending.

Opening ceremonies Sunday evening were preceded by a church service by FCRV Chaplain, Bill Buggeln who told the story of the "Shepherd and the Sheep and the Rod and Staff." The FCRV Choir, directed by Kip Cushing sounded great, singing between segments of the message.

The Canadian and American flags were posted as Beth Standiford led the Canadian National Anthem and George Walters led the "Star Spangled Banner." At this point the flags of all the states present were carried forward and presented in front of the stage. After they departed it was time to cut the ribbon held by Matt and Marla Mantia, International Retiree King and Queen and Miss FCRV, Macey Stuckwisch and Teen King Caleb Demarest. President Gerry Pfirsch then declared FCRV's 2021 Campvention open to enthusiastic audience approval.



MC, Scott Serbousek introduced Elkhorn Chamber of Commerce President, Chris Clapper and Walworth County Fairgrounds Manager, David Adams who both welcomed FCRV's to Elkhorn. Adams was given the traditional 'Honorary Chapter' membership certificate. Campvention Chair Person, Shari Weber introduced



and thanked the Team Leaders for their work Sue Carl- sen, Beth Standiford, Jan Cushing, Sue Fromholzer, Matt Mantia, George Walters, Ray Suennen, Connie Black, Lorne Douglas, Jack Smye, Co-leaders, Linda English, Vickie Roop. Gerry Pfirsch served as Co-Chairman.

MC Serbousek then had some fun with the audience by asking some First Timers to tell their most embarrassing camping moment. The audience also had fun singing along with George Walters and the Team Leaders to the song, NCHA / FCRV to the tune of "I Love To Go A Wandering." Door prize baskets with items

from the donating state were awarded with more to come nightly. The evening wrapped up with a hospitality hosted by the Team Leaders and a campfire open to all.



Highlights of Monday included a family fun day with games and a hot dog lunch hosted by the teens followed by an adult vs teens softball game. (teens won). A special memorial service to remember deceased members from the past 2 years was held Monday morning with the Choir and Chaplain participating.



Evening's entertainment was Mystery Dinner Theater with a Kentucky Fried Chicken dinner in the pavilion. The play on stage was about a forensic specialists convention where a murder takes place .

Prior to the play, MC Serbousek pulled 10 members from the audience to do an impromptu treasure hunt where participants asked audience members to give them the hunted items. Last one back with each item was eliminated

At the play's intermission, Awards Chairman Sue Carlsen and President, Gerry Pfirsch presented FCRV's annual awards for outstanding service. On hand to receive the life saving award was, Kyler Bennetts of Colorado, who saved a overdose victim's life. He received a standing ovation. Not present but receiving a Certificate for Outstanding service were Ron and Mary Brown of Ontario. The Hank Nathan Lifetime Award was presented to Loana Schraeder of Colorado who was watching the Campvention on a Zoom broadcast. She was very surprised and expressed her thanks as did the audience with their applause. (separate awards article)



Tuesday evenings stage program began with MC, Scott Serbousek taking the microphone into the audience and asking people to 'roast' the man pictured in a full sized cardboard cut-out wearing an Iowa football outfit on the stage. The man roasted was Scott himself. Particularly funny was an exchange with Jim Turner about a golf game. Even Scott's wife, Jill had a final jab when she said she preferred the quiet Scott in the picture.

Before the entertainment, Shari Weber announced that Fairgrounds Manager, David Adams gave FCRV enough free gate passes for everyone to Rib Fest, also on the fairgrounds.



It didn't take long for The Jimmys to get the audience tapping their feet. The well known seven piece group is led by Wisconsin native, and keyboard player, Jimmy Voegeli. They played a variety of R & B, and Blues tunes, many that they wrote and recorded, all with great energy and enthusiasm. The colorful lead guitarist looked almost like a ZZ Top member and did one of their songs. It wasn't long until couples started dancing and even a train / chain formed and marched to the music through the aisles. Entertainment was

followed by door prizes, Trustees hospitality, and a campfire.

Wednesday was another busy day with the Market Place sales, family games, pet parade, And the Miss FCRV and Teen King competition. Interviews by the judges were held for contestants in the morning. The talent portion was held in the afternoon as was the rest of the preliminaries. All of the participants including some past teen royalty took part in a dance number to "Summer Nights". The 4 girls and 1 boy would have to wait for the evening finale to learn the judges decisions. (complete pageant report separate). As if on cue, rain erupted just as folks left the afternoon session.



The evening program began with a performance by the FCRV Band directed by Craig Weber. The 9 piece band was in fine tune and the audience appreciated the medley "Salute to the Military as well as moving flute solo by Karen Snodgrass of "Hallelujah" accompanied by Craig on keyboard.

As the stage was being prepared for the Teen Royalty finale, Kathy Collier presented the Adult Games awards (separate article). A new award was created last

year when Rhonda O'Neal broke a horseshoe while pitching. This year's Broken Horse shoe award went to Connie Black of Illinois.

The final results of the judging were ready to be announced, but first Miss FCRV 2019 / 2020, Macey Stuckwisch of Indiana took her final walk as a recording of her years' experience was played. Teen King, Caleb Demarest of Colorado did the same, ending his walk with a gymnast split. MC, Cameron Taylor an-

nounced the results: Teen King 2021 is Luke Kurburski of Michigan, Miss Congeniality is Kaitlin Musselwhite from Missouri, Miss Talent is Talia Demarest of Colorado, First Runner-up is Talia Demarest of Colorado, and Miss FCRV 2021 is Brianna Coniglio of Florida. (complete details in separate article.)

This year's brunch was a revised version of the Red Hat and Hard Hat lunch redubbed No Hat with men and women attending together. It was hosted by Ivalee Vanderhoff and Kansas helpers. James Boardman, President of the Walworth County Historical Society presented some of the interesting history of Elkhorn. He also brought a 1952 Army Jeep from the local Military Museum

In the afternoon the Trustees presided over FCRV's required Annual General/ Membership meeting. Minutes from the 2020 Meeting held on Zoom were approved. Jan Cushing presented the financial report (figures listed in the Executive Board Report article). Jan, who is "retiring" from the board thanked everyone for the many years of memories and said to look for her and husband, Kip at future campouts and rallies. Sue Fromholzer who is also retiring said a short but emotional thanks, noting that she will still be around.

Past President, Larry Roop installed the 3 newest Trustees: Debbie Swanson, Comptroller, Jeff Kendle, Vice President of Operations, and Matt Mantia, Vice President of Planning and Development. Under New Business - FCRV flags with the new logo are available by contacting the office. The President will also get a new flag. Matt Mantia presented an award to Florida State Directors, Bob and Emma Moore for small state membership growth. Jeff Kendle invited everyone to the 2022 Campvention in Pueblo, Colorado July 10-15. Explore colorful Colorado and experience some "Rocky Mountain Bliss." President, Gerry Pfirsch said that no in-person meetings last year made things more complicated. He urged everyone to check the FCRV website(www.fcrv.org) regularly and have their regional, state, and other invitational campouts on. State newsletters should be on the website too. He also suggested setting up a separate email address for each chapter. He concluded by thanking all the volunteers who made the 2021 Wisconsin Campvention happen and thanked the members who attended and wished everyone safe travels.

Thursday evening began with the announcement that FCRV donations to the Walworth County Food Pantry totaled \$1,045, enough for over 500 meals. Winners of Family Games, Conservation Posters and Essays, Camping Is pictures, and the Wildlife photo contest were announced (separate articles). Dale Huston announced that Jack Thomas guessed the exact number of pieces of plastic in a jar at their vendor stand was 343.



The evening's entertainment was provided by several FCRV members organized by Kip Cushing and sound man Steve Sanders featured first members of the 'New FCRV Minstrels' singing folk songs with the audience singing along. George Walters had the room smiling with "Put On A Happy Face" and chiming in with "Sweet Caroline." Beth Standiford did great renditions of "Until There Was You" and a couple Patsy Cline favorites including "Crazy". Kip then did some Broadway tunes plus a few country favorites. Michigan's 9 year old Youth Prince, Otto McIntosh stole the show and the audience's hearts with "God Bless The USA." The evening concluded with door prizes, Trustee hospitality, and a campfire.



Friday morning's highlight was the FCRV parade. Even though there were fewer units than previous years, there was still plenty of dazzle to please the crowd (winners in separate article). The afternoon featured adult Giant Jenga game, teen Slip 'n Slide Crazy Ball, and a Civil War show and tell seminar.

Friday evening, last day of Campvention saw the retiring of the flags, more audience participation hi-jinks with Scott Serbousek and a report on the aluminum pop tab collection. Duane Keegan, IL, collected the most tabs - 97 lbs, in 10 boxes. Iowa collected 39 lbs. 2022 Miss FCRV, Brianna Coniglio and Teen King, Luke Kurburski accompanied Chuck Carlsen and Carl Fromholzer to the Ronald McDonald House in Milwaukee and helped unload the tabs (which will be cashed in by the recipient).

2021 MISS FCRV AND TEEN KING PAGEANT

On Wednesday afternoon, MC, Cameron Taylor welcomed everyone to the annual quest for the next Miss FCRV and Teen King. He then introduced current Royalty, Miss FCRV Macey Stuckwisch, IN, Teen King, Caleb Demarest, CO, and King 1st Runner-up, Andrew Huhn, MI. The Trustees were also introduced as well as the 4 local judges, all women with education, government, and business experience. Earlier in the day the judges interviewed the contestants privately.

The talent portion was next on stage. Contestant 1, Grace played the first movement of “Moonlight Sonata” on the piano. Contestant 2, Kaitlin played “Irish Washer Woman” on the violin. Contestant 3, Tahlia presented a dramatic monologue titled “Mail Order Bride, which she wrote. Contestant 4, Brianna played “Rosemunde” on the Clarinet. The lone Teen King Contestant, Luke was asked to show his skills in how to make a perfect s’more and hot dog around the campfire. All the ingredients were on stage. He decided to put the s’more contents in the bun with a hot dog which got a big laugh from the audience.



Some extra entertainment took place as the judges pondered. Macey Stuckwisch performed “Titanium” on the piano, Current Michigan Prince 9 year old Otto McIntosh led the audience in “Friends In Low Places, a past Michigan Princess, Joanne Huhn performed an acrobatic dance, Andrew Huhn told some jokes, and Macey and Caleb did a skit. MC Cameron worked in a few jokes too throughout the program. Just prior to the next segment some past teen royalty joined the contestants for a lively dance to “Summer Nights” choreographed by Emily Kurburski.



Next came the poise and confidence portion where contestants were asked to give a 2 minute speech on one of 3 topics – Should schools have restrictions on student lunches and eating healthier? – Through the pandemic what were the biggest challenges that teens faced and overcame? – How can FCRV grow into the future and next generation.? Most chose the pandemic challenge. Then all 5 contestants were called back on stage together for a last look by the audience. They were then escorted to a sound proof room so they couldn’t hear each other’s answer to the final question which was “If tomorrow you were a teacher, what would be 3 things that you would want to teach your students to help them be successful in life?” This ended the afternoon session and the evening would reveal the results.

Before the new court was announced, the outgoing 3 on hand took a final walk on stage as MC Cameron told of their future plans. Andrew Huhn, 17 is active in 4-H and hopes to be a professional welder. Caleb Demarest, 18 will be attending the University of Colorado in Denver and study electrical engineering and robotics. He will continue his successful gymnastics career and be on his college team. Macey Stuckwisch, 18 has graduated and achieved the Indiana Core while in high school which completes her first year of college. She is attending Ivy Tech University taking agriculture business. She will finish her degree at Trine University. She maintains her involvement in 4-H and FFA. Each thanked their parents and everyone who supported them during the past year.



Anticipation filled the room as MC Cameron Taylor received the judges’ envelope. The title of Miss Congeniality went to Kaitlyn Musselwhite of Missouri. She is the daughter of Beth and Bri-

an Musselwhite, members of the Getaway Chapter. The title of Miss Talent and First Runner-up went to Taliah Demarest of Thornton, Colorado. She is the daughter of Anthony and Michelle Demarest members of the Technically Roughing It chapter. Miss FCRV 2021 is Brianna Coniglio of Spring Hill, Florida, daughter of Elizabeth Coniglio. Also participating, Grace Carey of Milford, Michigan, daughter of James and Kelly Carey, members of the Nature's Nuts Chapter. Teen king for 2021 is 17 year old Luke Kurburski of Traverse Bay, Michigan, Traverse Bay Travelers. Escorts were James Carey, Chase, Ken Hahn and Beth Coniglio.

Pageant Chair-person Emily Kurburski and Co-chair, Katie Kurburski thanked the stage moms, the sound guys, Kip Cushing, and all the other volunteers who helped with the pageant before and after. Well Done.



Miss Talent & 1st Runnerup



Queen Brianna & King Luke



Miss Congeniality



MC Cameron

BRIANNA CONIGLIO IS MISS FCRV 2021



18 year old Brianna Coniglio, from Spring Hill, Florida has been a member of FCRV all her life. She is the daughter of Elizabeth and Lou Coniglio. Brianna just graduated from Springstead High School. For her talent she performed a clarinet solo titled "Rosamunde." Her hobbies include travelling, camping, reading, dancing, softball, and debate. She has received 3 Superior awards for clarinet at solo and ensemble and is a member of the All County Band. Brianna is a member of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars and has high honors. She also enjoys reading, writing music, dance, horseback riding, fashion design, and sewing. Her goal is to work for the FBI after earning a doctorate in Psychology and Forensic Science.



2021 FCRV TEEN KING, LUKE KUBURSKI



FCRV's Teen King for 2021 is 17 year old Luke Kuburski. He's in the 11th grade and has been a member of FCRV all of his life. He and his FCRV family are from Traverse Bay, Michigan. He is involved in Boy scouts, 4-H, Grange, and Builders Club. His hobbies include hiking, cooking, and photography. Some of his awards include a 4-H Mark of Excellence, Trout Unlimited Scholar, and the Good Scout Award. He hopes to attend a culinary arts institute and become a professional chef. His chapter is Traverse Bay Travelers.



CAMPVENTION WEEK DAILY ACTIVITIES

(C.A.M.P. - Campers Actively Moving Program / Walking, bicycling, etc.), Devotions a.m., Commercial area / vendors. Registration / info, sign up sheets. Youth Center / various crafts/games. Hospitalitys – various times (Wander EWI Team, Miss FCRV, Michigan, Trustees, Region 1). Band practice. Seminars – various times (Learn to dance, Sky Med insurance, Cast Iron Cooking, Raising processing meat products, Elkhorn guided tour, High School tour, New member incentives, Travalong reunion, Civil War show & tell). Food truck. (Adult crafts – faux leather books, bracelet & star ornament). Various meetings – (Program Directors, etc., First Timers, General Annual Membership meeting). Food Bank, Wildlife table, Conservation Posters, Door Prizes, Alumnum can tab drop off, Games at various times – bingo, ladder golf, horseshoes, washer toss, lego game, cribbage, giant jenga, Campfire – nightly. Competitive event results will be listed separately (as available).



EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETS AT CAMPVENTION

On Sunday, July 11, 2021 FCRV's Executive Board met at Campvention. Regional Directors on hand reported on activities in their areas, Region 1 Directors Jeff and Shirley Kendle reported that plans are underway for the 2022 Campvention July 10 – 15 in Pueblo, Colorado. Shari Weber reported that the 2022 Retiree Rally will be in Mineola, TX March 29 – April 4. The 2023 Retiree Rally will be in Dothan, Alabama. Regional campout dates and information are listed on the FCRV website (www.fcrv.org).

Comptroller, Jan Cushing reported that as of May 31 FCRV's Income for the year was \$91,956 and expenses were \$97,740. Total current assets are \$396,825. (Complete financial report to be published later.) Wildlife funds income was \$2,565 and Wildlife Grants were \$7000. Contributions were \$2,565. Assets are \$90,832. Scholarship fund received donations of \$2,580. Total fund assets are \$284,493. 6 Scholarships were awarded this year.

Matt Mantia announced that the 'CADET' membership program is being revised and renamed. He also noted efforts to get commercial members. There currently are currently 16. The Ambassador club is also continuing with incentives to get membership. Larry Roop reported that 12 states maintained their membership numbers while only one showed growth. FCRV's current membership is just under 2,200

Vickie Roop reminded everyone that in order to get information in Camping Today, items must be submitted by the 20th of the month before publication. She can't print from PDF files and WORD is preferred. Type size is 12 and font Times New Roman. Dick Buresh congratulated Colorado for logging the most miles walking.

Sue Fromholzer presented certificates of service to outgoing members of the Executive Board. Sue Carlsen, recording Secretary, Jan Cushing, Comptroller, Glen and Donna Dains, CT State Dir., Cindy James, IN State Dir., George Walters, VP Programs, and Jack Smye, Immed. Past Pres. – served on the board 2002-2020. President Gerry Pfirsch presented a certificate with special thanks to Sue Fromholzer for 38 years of service from office manager to VP Operations.





NATIONAL AWARDS

RON AND MARY BROWN EARN THE CITATION AWARD



Ron and Mary Brown of Delhi, Ontario, Canada have received a Citation for Outstanding Service to FCRV. They joined in 1990 and soon took on leadership roles. Ron was president of their chapter for a total of 10 years. Mary served a secretary for 6 years. The Browns co-chaired 2 Ontario Provincial Association campouts at Delhi and Ancaster, and served on OPA campout committees 6 times. Ron was chair and co-chair for pop tab collections for a total of 12 years. Mary coordinated the Spring Camper Cook for 9 years. Together they organized Conservation Clean Ups at Pinehurst Conservation Park for 6 years (1994-2000) and organized an Invitational

Campout at Brantford, Ontario (199-2004). They served on the committee that started Halloween Blowout Campout in the mid 1990s.

On a national level they co-chaired Hospitality at the 2000 Regional campout in Markham, Ontario. They served on the Campvention Committee for the Kitchener, Ontario Campvention in 1999 in charge of pop tab collection. On the Committee for Blyth, Ontario (2006) they were in charge of booking Hospitalities and Ground Transportation. They helped with Gate prizes at Lima, Ohio in 2017 and Doswell, Virginia in 2018, There, Ron drove on ground transportation as a volunteer. The Browns have attended 17 Campventions.

Community service included Ron being on the Board of the Delhi United Church for 6 years. Mary sings in the choir and they both help with fund raising. Mary was a Brownie leader for 12 years and Ron coached minor league hockey for 10 years. Mary knits and crochets hats and blankets for the Fairy God Mothers. All of the work is donated to charities such as Women' Shelter, Children's Aide, nursing homes and cancer and dialysis units.

LOANA SCHRAEDER EARNS HANK NATHAN LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



Loana and Roy Schroeder became a member of NCHA/FCRV in 1989. A neighbor who was a member of the Gypsy Chapter enticed them to join. Since the beginning, Loana got involved in all facets of NCHA/FCRV. While a member of the Gypsy Chapter she held all of the chapter officer positions. She was appointed Field Director and held that job until December 2016. In August 1991 Loana was appointed Field Director for

a newly formed chapter, the Aurora Gate Keepers. She was instrumental in seeing that the members had a positive and fun experience and that members were informed of local, state and national activities, programs and benefits that were available for participation and enjoyment.

Loana assisted the State Director with putting on RV shows from 1990 through 2001. She helped grow Colorado's membership to new heights, Between 1990 and 2001 over 40 chapters were formed and today over 20 of those are still going strong.



Upon her retirement in 2000, Loana was appointed Assistant Colorado State Director and subsequently State Director in 2001. She held that position until December 31, 2015. One of those many duties was coordinating and working 3 different Colorado RV shows each year. This entailed negotiating with RV show coordinators each year to keep NCHA/FCRV's registration fee down to an affordable cost for their show booth, which she also supervised setting up and tearing down as well as scheduling Colorado members to work in the booth assuring maximum coverage. After each show, get acquainted meeting and chapter nights were scheduled with prospective members being introduced to NCHA/FCRV. Within a 2 month period she would spend an average of 24 evening presentations to attract new members. Between 2001 – 2015, 19 new chapters were formed. That show and meeting based model for recruiting was reproduced throughout the organization.

As Colorado State Director. Loana conducted the annual Planning and General meeting with over 100 in attendance. She also held 2 annual Field Staff meetings for updates and discussion of chapter issues and solutions. In addition to planning Colorado's Spring Fling and Fall State-wide she held sessions there for chapter officers and Field Directors which also developed an esprit de corps among the Field Staff, keeping Colorado in tact.

Another accomplishment was saving the state's money for other projects by convincing the Morgan County to waive fees for the use of their facilities for Spring Fling and Fall Campout.

Loana has been involved in numerous Campventions – Door Prize Chair person, 2002, Gillette, Wyoming, Co- Hosted 2007 with Region 3 Director, Glenda Sellers in Pueblo, CO. proving Campventions can be co-organized between 2 regions. In 2015, Loana chaired the Gillette, Wyoming Campvention and did the scheduling and program book. Pueblo drew 650 units and Wyoming 503.

In 2006. Loana and Roy received a plaque for "Unselfish Service to FCRV." Through Dedication, effort, and enthusiasm she had an important role in making Colorado NCHA/FCRV a success. All chapters and members were treated equally and kept informed so that they felt like an integral part of the organization. Loana always gave 100% of herself to the FCRV family. Bob and Jean Maxwell summed it up beautifully saying "When we joined FCRV in 2000 just before Loana was appointed Colorado State Director. To us Loana was FCRV."



LIFE SAVING AWARD

Kyler Bennetts of Thornton, Colorado received FCRV's 2021 Life Saving Award at the July Campvention in Elkhorn, Wisconsin. Tyler graduated from Horizon High School in 2018 and at the age of 18 enrolled at Red Rock Community College, Lakewood, CO to pursue his dream of becoming an EMT. He knew he could be of great use to his city and state in this career. Kyler completed those studies in December 2019.

In January 2020 he joined the Watkins Apprentice Fire Fighter's Program at the Bennett-Watkins Fire Academy in Bennet, CO where he had studies as well as on the job training. He passed his Fire Fighter Exam July 25, 2020 then completed his Hazardous Materials training and became a Fire Fighter and EMT with the Bennett-Watkins Fire Department in January, 2021.

On May 31st, 2020 at Chatfield State Campground, Kyler was near the boat dock when a call for help was heard. Someone was in dire trouble, unconscious, not breathing and had turned blue at the men's restroom. Kyler heard the call for help for the downed man. He sped to the scene and determined the young man wasn't breathing and near death, 2 untrained park employees were there and moved aside when Tyler said he could take over. Kyler laid him down flat to open his airway and continued to work on reviving him until his breathing was restored to normal. He worked with the 24 year old overdosed patient, providing aid until the fire department arrived 10-15 minutes later and transported the patient to the hospital. Kyler filled out the necessary paper work required, The young man has Kyler Bennetts to thank for saving his life.



The Bennett=Watkins Fire Department learned of Kyler's heroic adventure by seeing it on Face Book. They wanted to reward him for his actions but did not have an award for an apprentice. On July 9th, 2020, Kyler received the first 'Striving To Preserve Life' award. The members of Kyler's FCRV chapter, the Mile High Gypsies are very proud of his achievement as a life saver and glad he could receive the FCRV Life Saving Award in person. The audience gave him a standing ovation.

Kyler Bennetts receiving the Life Saving Award from Sue Carlsen and President Pfirsch

ADULT/TEEN SOFTBALL GAME

By Angie Shaneyfelt

The adult/teen softball game was held at Family Fun Day on Monday in Elkhorn, Wisconsin. The teens did beat the adults by the score of 12 to 11. The adults used all the help they could with the addition of 5 MVP's to run the bases for many of the adults. These 5 MVP's even batted in the last inning, maybe they should have let them bat the whole game!



MVP's from left to right: JR Thomas, Conner Wright, Otto McIntosh, Landon Schuch and Noah Wright



Winning Teens: 1st row: Coach, Emily Kurburski, Tyler Pinkley, Chast Tipton, Tahlia Demarest, Macey Stuckwisch, Brianna Coniglio, Luke Kurburski. 2nd row: Jack Siehl, Eli Siehl, Grace Carey, Caleb Demarest, Joanne Huhn, Andrew Huhn. Back row: designated pitcher for both teams: Joe Pinkley



Adult team: 1st row: MVP's 2nd row: Mark Mayes, Daren Woods, Mary Croxton, Daniel Musselwhite, Beth Musselwhite, Dave Hennie, Joe Wittmeyer, Ed Shaneyfelt and Scott Serbousek.

TEEN ACTIVITIES

Although the number of teens in attendance was lower than usual, there were plenty of activities, both fun and serious. For those taking part in the Miss FCRV and Teen King Pageant and their helpers there were rehearsals, interviews, and details to take care of. Teens also had the task of serving the hot dog lunch on Family Fun Day. Due to no in person Campvention last year, teens who turned 20 could also participate this year.

However there were plenty of things to do for fun and friendship in the Teen Center and elsewhere, such as – 90’s throw back party, marshmallow fun, several dances, movie night, volleyball teams, bowling, scavenger hunt, the parade, slip ‘n slide /crazy ball, The Teen Queen Ball, and the farewell dance and reception on the last night of Campvention. FCRV can be very proud of its teens and State, Provincial, and National Teen Directors. Special thanks to all who coordinated – Misty Stuckwisch, Angie & Ed Shaneyfelt, Connie & Linda, Mabel McIntosh & Geof, Dave & Kathy Hartwig, Emily Kurburski, Katie Kurburski and others.

TEEN VOLLEYBALL

by Angie Shaneyfelt

First Place Team



The teens had their annual volleyball game on Friday after the parade. They played the best of 3 games. The scores were 21 to 6, 21 to 7 and 21 to 19. The winning team consisted of Katie Kurburski (played as teens needed another player), Caleb Demarest, Andrew Huhn, Luke Kurburski, Tahlia Demarest and Joanne Huhn. The 2nd place team was: Tyler Pinkley, Eli Siehl, Macey Stuckwisch, Brianne Coniglio, Grace Carey and Jack Siehl. Thanks to Emily Kurburski for being official ref and scorekeeper. Thanks also to line judges

of Foster Kurburski and Jamie Carey. The adults that came over to watch and support the teens during the volleyball games were much appreciated by the teens.

2nd Place Team



THANK YOU LARRY DEMONET

By Angie Shaneyfelt



The **teens** and **youth** would like to thank Larry Demonet for the donation. The donated money will be used at next year's campvention in Colorado. Attached is a picture of Larry with the "Cheese" that was dropped off at his camper one evening.

Good to see you at the Campvention, Larry!!!!



CALEB & ELI CORNHOLE GAME

TEENS BOWLING



TEENS CORNHOLE TOURNNEY

By Angie Shaneyfelt

The Teens did a "friendly" Cornhole tourney during the Campvention. Caleb Demarest and Eli Siehl battled it out for the 1st place singles division. Caleb ended out beating Eli for the number 1 title! The doubles cornhole tourney was won by Macey Stuckwisch and Eli Siehl.



TEEN QUEEN & KING WITH RONALD MCDONALD



2021 CAMPVENTION GOLF RESULTS

70

Jim Turner	FL
Jerry Hoke	NC
Nyhl Austin	NY

72

Scott Serbousek	IL
Craig Weber	IL
Ron Ray	GA
Roger Snyder	IL

74

Dave Hennie	OH
Stan Voza	OH
Eli Siehl	OH
Jack Siehl	OH

77

Robert Snodgrass	OH
Karen Snodgrass	OH
Barb Turner	FL
Jim Perez	WI

Men's Long Drive Scott Serbousek IL

Ladies Long Drive Karen Snodgrass OH

YOUTH CAMPVENTION ACTIVITIES

Younger kids had interesting things to do thanks to Youth Chairman, Judy Elenburg, Co-chairman, Betty Smith and helpers. They kept busy with Family Fun Day, various craft projects, Olympic races, a hot dog lunch, movie, water play, as well as the parade.



Water Play



Painting

SPECIAL VISITOR WAS JEAN WISBY PAST NATIONAL DIRECTOR



ADULT GAMES

By Cathy Collier

WASHER TOSS (8 Women) 2nd – Carolyn Heckman, NY ...
1st – Rhonda O’Neal IL.

(8 Men) 2nd - Michael Tharp, IL ... 1st – Jerry Zimmerman , CT
(18 players total)

(Doubles 8 Teams) 2nd – Dora Lewis & Jerry Zimmerman, CT,
1st – Rhonda & Mike O’Neal, IL

LADDER GOLF (8 Women) 2nd – Patty Wittmeyer, NY ,,
1st –Dorothy Clark, CO

(8 Men) 2nd –Duane Keegan, IL ,,1st – Michael Tharp, IL

Doubles (12 Teams) 2nd – Howard & Carolyn Heckman, NY, 1st – Robert & Karen Snodgrass, OH (22 players
total)



Washer Toss Decision



HORSESHOES (4 women) 2nd– Jane Tharp, IL ... 1st – Patty Wittmeyer, NY

(8 Men) 2nd – Ed Shaneyfelt, IN & Duane Keegan,
IL ... 1st – Patty & Joe Wittmeyer, NY (14 players
total Horseshoes). A total of 40 different players in
Adult Sports.

Kip Cushing was given the Potato Chip award and
Connie Black received the 2nd ever broken Horse-
shoe award.



PET PARADE

By Libby Hoke & Debbie Walters

BEST Dressed - Molly – Marla Mantia

DRESSED Like Owner – Buddy – George
Reynolds

BEST in show – Morty – Sheryl Mcguire

MOST Playful - Bailey - Chuck Carlsen

MOST Adorable – Moose – Dave Hartwig

LARGEST – Molly - Geoff Stringer

BEST Behaved – Candy – Paul Jones

BEST trick – Smokey – Paul Jones



PARADE

This year's parade might be called 'Small but Mighty' in that there was plenty of spirit both on the floats, trucks, carts and walkers as well as an appreciative crowd of viewers all along the route within the camping area. There were 9 entries and the winners are:

1st Place – Michigan,



Largest & President's Award – Kansas



Most Humorous – Florida



Most Unique- Missouri bicycles Pat & Jr Thomas



Teen Royalty



Booby Prize - Has Beens



WILDLIFE CONTESTS

PHOTO - First place – Pat Cohee, IN – Deer, Second Place – Corine Baker, 15, IL – Moose, Third place - Otto McIntosh, 9, MI – Robin. BIRD HOUSE - 1st Kelley Carey, MI, 2nd. Otto McIntosh, MI. Wildlife Auction raised \$123.

CONSERVATION AWARDS

ESSAY 1st – Grades 9-12 - \$50 prize –RECYCLING Macey Stickwisch, 12, IN 2nd - \$35 - CHESAPEAKE BAY POLLUTION –Karen Lyn Brown, Gr. 9 PA

POSTERS – 1st 6-8, Ethan Dion, 8, CT Adult – Carrie Tolie , Stargazers Ch. CO, 2nd. –Nyhl Austin, NY 3rd., Top of the Hill Ch, NY, 3rd Vinny Keenan, Crackpots, CT

CAMPVENTION THIS'N THAT

Recycling barrels for plastic and soda cans were on the grounds this year,

A memorial service for recently deceased members was held. People wrote the names of those remembered on cards and at the last campfire the cards were placed into the fire as a ceremony of remembrance.

Monday night's scheduled entertainment had to cancel due to illness, so the CV committee adjusted and switched the Mystery Dinner theater to Monday which worked well.

With Rib Fest on the grounds, many campers went over, using free passes from the fairgrounds to enjoy the food and music on Thursday and Friday.

Larry Demonet, now 81 came to Campvention this year accompanied by family members and friends to remember his twin brother, David who passed away earlier this year. CV was an emotional experience for him, but he was glad to see so many friends.

ALUMINUM TABS DELIVERED



The aluminum tabs collected in Elkhorn were delivered to the Ronald McDonald House in Milwaukee by Carl Fromholzer and Chuck Carlsen. The Kurburski and Coniglio families attended. Due to the way their Van Drivers drop off the tabs in monthly loads, they are unable to provide us a specific total of how much the donation weighed. Carl estimated approximately 300 lbs. Attached is a photo of our teen royalty with the tabs we delivered.

Milestones

JEANIE KELLY



Jeanie Kelly of Altoona, PA has been camping for 60 years. First she and late husband, Bob started out with a tent, then got a tent trailer, and later a pull behind. Next the family progressed to a 5th wheel. After Bob's passing Jeanie continued to camp in a class C motorhome which she eventually sold. Her travels are less today, but she has come full circle now using a nice tent. She has been a very active and vital part of the Pennsylvania NCHA/FCRV all that time. She just Co-chaired the 59th State Campout.

KOA: CANADIANS EAGER TO CAMP AS COVID RESTRICTIONS EASE



By: [RVBusiness](#) | Published on: Jul 15, 2021



BILLINGS, Mont. – A new report from Kampgrounds of America (KOA) reveals that, as COVID-19 restrictions ease, Canadian campers are ready and eager to get out and reconnect with nature and with each other: 67% say they want to get out and camp immediately or very soon. An estimated 3.1 million households plan to go camping this year and more than 500,000 plan to camp for the first time, according to the findings from a special [Canada Edition of the KOA Monthly Research Report](#), a pulse check on camping industry indicators and the impact of the pandemic on camp-

ing behaviour.

Canadian campers are optimistic for the 2021 camping season with 51% planning to camp during the summer months now that restrictions are easing across the country. What's more, 77% of all campers are considering making up for some or all missed camping trips by taking more camping trips later this summer or into the fall.

More than half of all Canadian campers indicate COVID-19 restrictions limited their camping trips between March and mid-June 2021, when the survey was conducted. A majority of campers, 78%, said they had to change their camping plans due to COVID-related reasons. Even so, many campers are frustrated at not being able to camp so far this year. Two-thirds of campers think that there should have been some loosening of restrictions by the Canadian government to allow for people to camp during the pandemic.

“Among the many barriers to travel last year, it's encouraging to see that campers are eager to get out and start camping again, and even plan to make up for missed camping trips after a very trying year,” said KOA President and CEO Toby O'Rourke. “We know through our annual research that camping doesn't just allow campers to escape the stress of everyday life, but contributes to emotional wellbeing through the ability to connect with nature, themselves and others. We believe this is more essential than ever and our campgrounds, owners and staff are ready to help people connect to the outdoors and each other through camping.”

According to campers, camping is considered a safer alternative compared to other forms of travel. When camping resumes, almost an even split plan to camp with close friends and family (39%) or only with immediate family (38%). And when asked where campers plan to camp this summer, British Columbia (30%), Alberta (26%) and Ontario (23%) were top-listed provinces.

Campers are looking forward to camping most in provincial park campgrounds (44%), followed by Canadian national park campgrounds (35%) and private campgrounds (28%), the latter of which provides amenities to make camping easy and enjoyable. From Deluxe Cabins with personal space for social distancing to campsites designed to meet the respective preferences of tent and RV campers, [KOA campgrounds](#) provide amenities and services that fit

the needs of a variety of camping types. KOA's 33 campgrounds throughout Canada include properties near national parks and metro areas making it easily accessible for long or short distance trips.

The KOA Monthly Research Report is an initiative conducted in the U.S. and Canada to monitor the rapid changes in camping. The monthly report tracks participation, incidence and future intent, campers' preferred destinations, and the impact of the pandemic on camping behaviour.

To view the full report, as well as past editions of the annual North American Camping Report, visit the [KOA Press Room](#).

MD/DC ASSOCIATION OF FCRV

By Cindy Shugars
Secretary/Treasurer, MD/DC Association of FCRV

The Executive Board members of the MD/DC Association of FCRV met on June 6, 2021 and voted to dissolve the organization due to the lack of active member participation. We were sorry to see this happen, but everything has a season and wish to thank the National Organization for all their support over the years. Farewell 'till we meet again.

If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know.

EXPERT ADVICES ON HOW TO STAY SAFE FROM BEARS



off with a bear?

Did you know a **Bear** can **smell** you from **20 miles** away? **So, what should you do if you ever find yourself in an unfortunate stand-off with a bear?**

The expert team of outdoor educators at [Outforia](#) have put together some handy advice and 10 great tips to keep yourself safe in areas with bears:

<https://outforia.com/how-far-can-a-bear-smell/>

Top 10 tips on how to avoid bears in the woods

1. **Store food properly**- From no odor bags to bear containers, minimizing how much smell escapes your food is essential to avoid a bear encounter.
2. Bears can reach 35 miles per hour and cover 100 yards in 7 seconds- They're faster than you! **Don't panic**; make yourself **big**; stand **tall** and **slowly** hold out your arms and **wave**.
3. Keep your **dog under control** or maybe **leave them at home**- an excited dog can really make a bear angry.
4. We've all seen the infamous use of **pepper spray** in films, well it also works for bears- when picking the right spray look for 2% capsaicin/capsaicinoids and that it sprays 25 feet or more.
5. **Know your bears**- Is it a Grizzly or Black bear, as this can affect how you react!
6. Maybe obvious? **Stay out a bears way**- when setting up camp you want to stay out of areas with: beehives, berries, garbage sites, animal trails, and bodies of water.
7. **Keep all smells out of your camp**- don't cook or wash within 100 yards of your tents!
8. **Food** is a free invitation for bears and other wildlife- **so don't leave it unattended! Suspend** the food **above the ground** by hanging it on a tall and sturdy tree at least 300 feet from the campsite
9. **Don't keep trash around your campsite!**
10. Get smells that **repel bears**- **Bleach, ammonia, vinegar, and strong pine** scents can all repel a black bear.

Carl Borg is the editor of [Outforia](#) and is an avid explorer in his spare time. He has some **expert advice on how to stay safe when in areas known for bears:**



HOW HOT, IS TOO HOT

By Joe Boswell, DASAT National Dir

The summer sun with its bright rays can be very dangerous. It warms our skin and provides us with that wonderful tan during the summer months. Now that our camping season is in full swing, we all find ourselves outside for longer periods. How nice it is to be out in the sun.



“What is extreme heat? Temperatures that hover 10 degree or more above the average high temperature for a given areas and lasts for several weeks are considered “extreme heat” or a heat wave. Humid and muggy conditions can make those high temperatures even more unbearable. Really dry and hot condition can cause dust storms and low visibility. Droughts occur when a long period passes without enough rainfall. A heat wave combined with a drought is very dangerous situation!”

On a hot day, if you are finding yourself doing too much outside with extended periods in the sun you may find yourself becoming overheated, or experiencing a heat-related illness, simply heat stroke. Let us review the symptoms of heat stroke and how to treat the symptoms before they occur by giving first aid as needed.

Before the heat rises and becomes unbearable here are some tips to keep cool on a hot day. Keep hot air out and enjoy the cool air inside. Close your heat vent to keep the cooler air from escaping. Seal the gaps around window A/C units. No A/C/ use a box fan to circulate the cool air around the room. If your windows are in direct sunlight, cover them with aluminum foil with the reflective side of the foil to the outside to deflect the sun’s rays away from your window. If you have, shades or drapes use them to cover your windows to keeping the heat outside. Help your electric company by conserving electricity -turn off things you do not need. Keep the air-conditioning at a temperature that is comfortable-do not keep changing the setting as this will increase the electric bill and make it more difficult for it to work properly without strain during a heat wave. Also, remember to conserve water-during drought conditions.



Ok, your house does not have A/C, then stay in the lowest room of your house, the basement if you have one. Use a box fan to circulate the air within the room. Traveling, never leave you child or pet in the car with the windows closed as they will experience heat stroke quickly and could die from heat exposure. Many times in the summer months, one does

not wants to eat a heavy meal, so eat a lighter one instead, especially fresh fruits and vegetables. Salads are great on a hot summer day. Drink plenty of water; you do not want to become dehydrated. Sodas and alcohol are not useful beverages-they will speed up the process of dehydration much faster and are not a wise choice at this time of year even though they may be refreshing.

Finding yourself out in the sun, wear clothing that will breath, light colors are the best to reflect the heat. Loose-fitting clothing is the best, and keep you skin covered for protected with sunscreen. Dark colored clothing attracts the heat so put them away until winter. Wear a hat, the bigger the brim of the hat the great the protection to you head and neck area. A hat will also protect you eye from sun glair.



Doing yard work, mowing the grass, tending the flower beds, do these tasks early in the morning or early evening when the sun is going down for the day. The most powerful parts of the sunrays are at their peak during the hours of 10 a.m.-3 p.m. During this time, you will burn the quickest-and it will happen before you realize this has occurred.

Pay close attention to “extreme heat” weather days. This is a time when the temperature of the day is very hot and the humidity is extremely high. On an “extreme heat” day, it is best to stay in the shade and out of the sun. These extreme hot days can cause serious danger to individuals with breathing conditions and respiratory problems especially for children and the elderly. Thus, limit your time outdoors, play close attention to weather alert as announced on the radio and television.



Source:

It’s A Disaster! and What Are You Gonna Do About It? 4th edition 2005; By W.L. (Bill) and Janet Liebsch, 1999-2005, A Disaster Preparedness, Prevention and First Aid Manual



Products

ALLIANCE RV LAUNCHES 'AVENUE' MID-PROFILE FIFTH-WHEEL



By: [RVBusiness](#) | Published on: Jul 12, 2021

Elkhart, Ind.-based Alliance RV has announced the expansion of its product lineup with the introduction of the Avenue, a mid-profile fifth-wheel. Coming on the heels of its ultra-successful Paradigm and Valor product launches, according to a release, Alliance RV cited overwhelming demand from its product owners dubbed “Allies” as well the company’s dealer partners for a fresh take on the mid-profile fifth-wheel segment.

“Consistent with our Alliance customer-driven approach, we spent considerable time engaging with RVers to crowdsource the design of the Avenue,” stated Alliance GM Ab Saleh. “Listening to the feedback from those who frequently use RVs has helped us design a fifth wheel that addresses many common issues and desires in this category.”

The company cited its unique 101-inch-wide body construction, fully laminated floor, Azdel sidewalls, performance running gear enhancements, innovative storage solutions, carpetless interiors, flush floor slides, HVAC upgrades, and a fresh interior décor as key differentiators. “We feel the unique design and features of the Avenue, combined with the Alliance RV service first approach of ‘Do The Right Thing’ will resonate in the market,” noted Saleh.

With lighter weights ranging from 9,000 to 12,000 pounds, the Avenue offers towability by a larger segment of the tow vehicle market. The initial lineup will consist of four floorplans, with plans to expand the lineup over the course of 2021. Manufacturer’s suggested retail price for the Avenue fifth-wheels range from \$65,000 to \$80,000 with product starting to hit dealers’ lots later this summer.



Located on 112 acres in the heart of Elkhart, Alliance RV began production in Fall 2019. The independent company’s vision is to create a product driven by its customers, through their experience and input, and execute on those ideas at the highest level. The Alliance RV mission statement is: Do The Right Thing – provide our customers with the best RV ownership experience.

For more information on Alliance RV, please visit www.AllianceRV.com or join the Alliance RV Facebook page at “Alliance RV Group”.





THESE HOUSEHOLD HELPERS ARE PERFECT FOR DIY DETAILING

The Libman Company offers a range of cleaning tools that can be used to tidy up boats, RVs, automobiles and more

The Libman Company, a leading brand of household and commercial cleaning tools, offers some household helpers that are perfect for DIY detailing – helping you get pro results without breaking the bank.

Every pro knows, the right tools can get the job done right – and quickly. From shining up the exterior to freshening up the interior, here are 10 cleaning tools from Libman to arm yourself with before you begin your DIY detail:

4-Gallon Clean & Rinse Bucket

- **Great for:** Exterior washing and waxing – and doubles as a storage caddy for your detailing supplies!
- **Added bonus:** The 4-Gallon Clean & Rinse Bucket is two buckets in one: one side for clean water and the other for dirty water.

Big Scrub Brush

- **Great for:** Scrubbing dirt off of tires and wheels to get them looking shiny and new.
- **Added bonus:** The Big Scrub Brush is an all-purpose solution with a large scrubbing surface, making quick work of cleaning tough dirt.

Window Squeegee

- **Great for:** Cleaning glass surfaces – inside and out – to remove fingerprints, dog slobber, smudges, pollen and more.
- **Added bonus:** The Window Squeegee is constructed with high-quality rubber to leave a streak-free clean on windshields, windows and mirrors.

Easy Grip Scrub Brush

- **Great for:** Loosening up crumbs, dirt and other debris from surfaces such as interior carpets and floor mats prior to vacuuming.
- **Added bonus:** The Easy Grip Scrub Brush features a scraper edge that is great for getting into hard-to-reach cracks and corners.

Tile & Grout Brush

- **Great for:** Cleaning out dirt hotspots like upholstery seams, metal tracks under seats – even the space between the seats and center console.
- **Added bonus:** The Tile & Grout Brush is designed with an extra narrow head that allows it to reach tight spaces.

Tile & Tub Scrub Brush

- **Great for:** Removing dirt and grime from door panels, floorboards and more.
- **Added bonus:** The Tile & Tub Scrub Brush has a thick scouring surface and gripped handle, so you can apply more cleaning pressure while keeping your hands clean and dry.

Vent Brush

- **Great for:** Removing dust, lint and other debris from vents.
- **Added bonus:** The Vent Brush is long and narrow to get into hard-to-reach spaces, providing a quick and thorough clean without hassle and damage.

All-Purpose Sponge

- **Great for:** Scrubbing surfaces that demand a deep clean, including cup holders and other sticky places.
- **Added bonus:** The All-Purpose Sponge features a wavy design for a secure grip, plus deep grooves that remove dirt and grime, but easily rinse clean.

All-Purpose Dust Cloth

- **Great for:** Wiping down dashboards and other surfaces.
- **Added bonus:** The All-Purpose Dust Cloth features premium microfiber construction that is perfect for picking up unwanted dust, pollen and debris that may collect on surfaces.

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- ❑ [Mosquito Repellent Candle](#) – From \$9.99
- ❑ (Products available at **Amazon, Target and Whole Foods!**)



Farewells



GLEN ELSE, PAST FCRV CAMPVENTION COORDINATOR

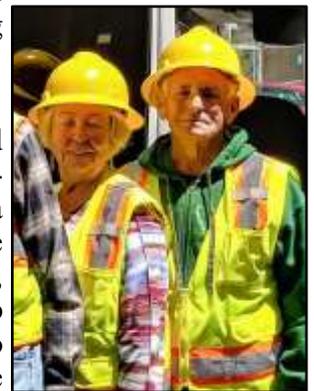
Glen Emmet Else, Jr, 81, Des Moines, Iowa passed away July 13th, 2021. Glen served as National Campvention Coordinator for several years and his wife Claudia is a former Iowa State Director. Glen held many offices in Iowa FCRV and volunteered often for many state functions.

He served in the U.S. Army and later worked for Farmland Insurance for 31 years as a Loss Control Specialist, retiring in 2000. Glen and Claudia enjoyed travelling across the country in their RV stopping to see the sights and casinos along the way. They loved spending winters in Southern Texas.



Glen joined Mike Hiatt in heaven

Glen put his family above all else. He enjoyed spending time with his wife, children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. He and Claudia attended anything the kids and grandkid were involved in. When their children were in school, Glen was President of the Carlisle Booster's Club and helped start the Carlisle Prom, a tradition to this day. He was also proud to be a member of the Masons in Hartford. Glen's friends said he would help anyone who was in need and was always good for a smile or a joke.



Glen & Claudia

Glen was an honorable man who cherished his family and friends and will be missed by many. Glen is survived by his wife of 56 years, Claudia, children Tracy (Kari) Else, Christy (David) Daniels, 6 grandchildren, 9 great grandchildren, and a sister, Barbara (Robert) Moore. Condolences may be sent to Claudia at celse21346@aol.com.



Ernest 'Ernie' Stackhouse, 99, 6-14-21, Medicine Lodge, Kansas. Long time member.



Handed out at Wilma Plummer's Memorial Service and thought it would fit many of our members we have lost.



UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST

August 4-8th, 2021 - Great Lakes Regional Campout

Shipshewana Campground North - Shipshewana, IN. This campground only has 50 sites and also a few cabins, call and book now! The number is 260-768-7770, let them know you are with FCRV. For more information or a registration form (\$20 activity fee/\$25 at gate), please email angieshaneyfelt@hotmail.com

August 19-26, 2021 - Northeast Regional Rally

Connecticut FCRV (Hosts) - at Ross Hill Park 170 Ross Hill Road, Lisbon CT 06351 (860) [376-ROSSHILL](tel:860376-ROSSHILL) : Campground Information: <http://www.rosshillpark.com> Registration: <https://fcrv.org/region5-campout-2021/> Event Organizer: Lisa Basso

SEPTEMBER

September 16-19, 2021 - PA Retirees Rally -

PA State Retiree Campout at Bald Eagle Ridge Runners Campground in Beech Creek, PA Thursday night BBQ supper (bring dessert), games, cash bingo. Vegetable soup, Friday night supper. Bring item for brown bag auction and snacks for hospitality. There will be entertainment and a horse racing game. Sunday breakfast will be cooked by the Bald Eagle Ridge Runners. For further information contact Norman Wolf from, NWolf from @veizon,net 570-220-9682

OCTOBER

October 24-27, 2021-Texas Chapter 89

Bedrock RV Park, 1995 VZCR 1803 Grand Saline, Texas Phone 903-372-1452. CAMPING FEE \$31.00/night cash or check fee for credit card (camp 7 nights pay for 6).Lawrence Phillips,10294 Sleepy Hollow Rd.Terrell, TX 75161, 214-668-4825 pamphillips@netzero.com ***PARKING WILL BE HOBO-IF YOU WANT TO CAMP TOGETHER PLAN TO ARRIVE TOGETHER**

October 28-30, 2021 - TSA

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MARCH

March 29 - April 3, 2022 - 50th International Retiree Rally

Mineola Civic Center, 1150 North Newsom St., Mineola, Texas Registration form attached

JULY

July 10-15, 2022 - International Campvention 2022

Colorado State Fairgrounds, 1001 Beulah Ave., Pueblo, CO 81004. Registration form attached



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MAILING ADDRESS IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE: _____

HOME PHONE #: _____ CELL PHONE #: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ CONFIRMATION SEND: PDF: _____ WORD: _____

MAIL: _____

REGISTERING FOR:

CAMPING: _____ CAMP PASS: MOTEL STAY: _____ ON GROUNDS CP: _____ NUMBER OF PEOPLE: _____

IS THIS YOUR FIRST RETIREE RALLY: YES: _____ NO: _____ ARE YOU A VETERAN: YES: _____ NO: _____

SPECIAL NEEDS: _____ (MUST HAVE ON FILE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING WITH THE REGISTRA:;) UP TO DATE: DOCTOR'S CERTIFICATE, STATE LICENSE REGISTRATION INCLUDING HANDICAPPED PLATE OR HANDICAPPED PLACARD. THIS AREA IS RESERVED

FOR WHEELCHAIRS, WALKERS, OR THOSE WITH LIMITED MOBILITY PROBLEMS.

RATES: REGISTRATION FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE MARCH 11, 2022. ALL ATTENDING MUST REGISTER EITHER BEFORE OR AT THE GATE. EARLY DAY FEE OF \$35 PER DAY WILL BE COLLECTED IN MINEOLA INCLUDED IN PRICE: FILL HOOK-UP, (30/50 amp), WI-FI, ICE CREAM SOCIAL, 2 DINNERS, ENTERTAINMENT, AND LOTS OF FUN.

	<u>BEFORE DEADLINE</u>	<u>AFTER DEADLINE: MARCH 11</u>
2 PEOPLE IN UNIT	\$290	\$300
1 PERSON IN UNIT	\$260	\$270

***CAMP PASS: ON GROUNDS STAYING IN SOMEONES RV. (MUST PAY \$5 PER DAY, PER PERSON FOR EARLY DAYS,)

2 PEOPLE \$200
1 PERSON \$100

CAMP PASS MOTEL STAY:

2 PEOPLE \$200
1 PERSON \$100

REFUNDS: ALL BUT \$25 WILL BE REFUNDED IF RECEIVED TWO WEEKS PROIR TO THE RALLY. AFTER THE DEADLINE ONLY THE CAMPING FEE WILL REFUNDED.

MAKE CHECKS OR MONEY PAYABLE TO: 2022 FCRV RETIREE RALLY. NO CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED: MAIL TO BILL AND PENNY RAMLOW, 8371 NIGHT OWL DR, RIVERVIEW, FL. 33569. YOU CAN CONTACT THEM AT: 305-822-6589 OR 813-545 6083. PLEASE LEAVE A MESSAGE. EMAIL AT pramlow@aol.com

I WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER FOR: _____



62nd INTERNATIONAL CAMPVENTION
FAMILY CAMPERS & RV'ers - Hosted by Far West Region 1
"ROCKY MOUNTAIN BLISS"



Colorado State Fairgrounds
 1001 Beulah Ave., Pueblo, CO 81004
 Campvention Days: July 10 - 15, 2022

EARLY BIRD DAYS: July 8 & 9, 2022 - \$35.00 per night (Pay upon Arrival at Central Registration - Cash or Check)
6 Nights of Camping - Sunday thru Friday - 5 Days of Activities

ALL PARKING WILL BE HOBO STYLE. YOU WILL BE ASSIGNED A SITE UPON ARRIVAL.
NO EXCEPTIONS

DEADLINE FOR PRE-REGISTRATION: June 1, 2022

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Spouse/Guest First Name _____

Address _____ City _____ St/Prv _____ Zip Code _____

Cell Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Is this your first Campvention? YES ___ NO ___

of Adults ___ Young Adults ___ Teens ___ Youth 9-12 ___ Youth 5-8 ___ Youth 0-4 ___

Total # of people in Unit _____

Please list the names and ages of all Teens and Youth

Name	Age	Name	Age

CAMPVENTION PARKING

On Friday, July 8th - Gates open at NOON to 7 pm. On Saturday & Sunday, July 9th - 10th, Gates open at 8 am to 6 pm
 After **gates close** go to overflow lot across the street from the gate.

SPECIAL NEEDS INFORMATION

Are you requesting a Special Needs Site? Yes ___ No ___ There **will not** be any special needs sites available at the gate.

REGISTRATION

Everyone must complete a registration form including second families and week/day passes. Submit payment with the registration form. **All funds MUST BE US currency—ONLY Checks and Money Orders will be accepted. NO CREDIT CARDS.** Please indicate the unit owner's name if attending as second family in unit: _____

Type of Registration	Registration Fee	At Gate:
One family in unit	\$335.00	\$365.00
Extra family in unit	\$160.00	\$175.00
Week Pass (Not Camping)	\$175.00	\$190.00
Daily Pass (Not Camping)	\$40.00 per day # of days ___ x \$40.00	\$45.00

Type of Unit:
 Motor Home ___
 5th Wheel ___
 Travel Trailer ___
 Pop-Up ___
 Tent ___

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Colorado Chapters of FCRV

Mail To: Jeff Kendle - 2278 Dogwood Circle - Erie, CO 80516

Questions, contact Jeff or Shirley Kendle at: 303-717-9339 or email campueblo2022@gmail.com

REFUND POLICY: If you are unable to attend, all except \$25.00 will be refunded.

Total Amount Enclosed:

Check Amt \$ _____ + Mdse Cert \$ _____ = \$ _____

Check the box if you plan on attending:

Red Hat Luncheon

Cowboy Hat Luncheon

Check the box if you are a member of the Ambassador Club:

We would like to volunteer for the following jobs: _____

There will always be room for you at Campvention! If you decide to come at the last minute, bring the registration form with you. We Want You To JOIN US for a week full of FUN!!