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From the Trustee - Beth Standiford



Hello, Campers!

Please allow me to introduce myself. I am Beth Standiford, your newly elected Recording/Corresponding Officer. I want to thank you for the privilege of serving you in this capacity. Perhaps you'd like a little of my background. Born & raised on a farm in Indiana with 5 siblings. In my high school years, I met my sweetheart, Paul, who has been my rock for 48 years (in Feb). We have 3 grown children and 7 grandchildren. We moved from Indiana to Missouri in 2003. I am a 17-year survivor of kidney cancer. I have worked a variety of jobs from driving an ice cream truck to supporting a Vice-President of The Boeing Company. I have always felt most comfortable in a supporting role, so I find my position with FCRV to be a good fit. I enjoy crafting of just about any kind, singing, reading and of course, CAMPING! We have a motorhome and we enjoy sharing the driving responsibilities. We are members of Gateway Campers and Slow Travelers and I am also the Missouri State Chaplain. I am always interested in other people, so if you see me out and about, please, let's get to know each other!

While you read through this issue of Camping Today, you will probably see that FCRV has a few offices in need of representation. Perhaps even your own local chapter has an office or two that has gone unfilled for some time. Let me encourage you to look over and consider these opportunities, and that's exactly what they are; opportunities. Here's your chance to enrich YOUR camping life and the camping lives of your friends and family. Being involved helps YOU get to know others better. Being involved helps YOU be a part of something bigger and contributes to the world without digging into your pocketbook. Being involved helps YOU grow as a person and learn new skills, can give YOU a sense of ownership. And it's not forever! Most positions take very little time. Perhaps you and a fellow camper just want to try it and share the guidelines of the activity you choose. YOU might bring something to the position that is unique and wonderful. And while

you're meeting new people YOU might just have some fun.

Winston Churchill said, "You make a living out of what you get. You make a life out of what you give." It's a good thing to teach your children that it's ok to step outside your comfort zone for a while and show an openness so spending time on a community effort. If you volunteer for a conservation or wildlife area YOU could learn AND teach others about the world around you all.

Well, I think you get the idea by now. Volunteering isn't just free grunt work for an organization; it's about giving back, which in turn, once again, helps YOU.

Looking forward to seeing you 'round the campfire!

Beth



ATTENTION CHANGES

Carl at the National Office has taken over the website. Vickie will no longer be taking care of it. Please send any items/changes for the website to

fcrvoffice@gmail.com

Vickie and DeWayne will still be doing the Camping Today. Send items to Vickie at campingtodayvr@gmail.com and DeWayne at d_Johnston01@outlook.com

Thanks for cooperating



50TH ANNIVERSARY

FCRV INTERNATIONAL RETIREE RALLY

MINEOLA CIVIC CENTER

1150 NORTH NEWSOM STREET

MINEOLA, TEXAS 75773

FCRV NATIONAL RETIREE DIRECTORS INFO

by Ronald & Reba Ray

To All Retirees

We really want the 2021 Retiree Rally to happen. But it looks grim, even with the vaccination in the works. After the first of the year we will be contacting Mineola Civic Center and see what their guidelines will be. We have to go with their decision.

Hopefully with this vaccine that is coming out will help all who will take it. I am not sure when a lot of us will be taking it, but hopefully in the near future. We will wait and see. Personally, I don't think it would be out soon enough for the Retiree Rally in March. I am not sure how long it will take for this virus to slow down. Thanksgiving was bad, but with Christmas and New Year's coming up it could get much worse. Your safety is our first concern.

After we find out what 2021 does, then we will work on 2022. Whether we try for Dothan, Al. again or maybe Mineola, Tx. again, we will see.

We miss seeing everyone and would like to get together with you all soon.

Prayers that everyone had a Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year, and had safe one.



FCRV INTERNATIONAL KING & QUEEN CANDIDATES



We are hoping for an actual Retiree Rally at Mineola, TX next year. Think positively. We need to plan as if it will happen. That being said, couples who are King & Queen of their state or province should consider now if they would like to compete for International King & Queen at the Retiree Rally in March 2021.

First, you don't need to be selected by a separate retiree chapter – it can be just your province or state organization that selects you.

Next, contact us for an application form and information about conducting your campaign. Prepare a write-up about yourselves that we can use to introduce you to the attendees at the Rally. We need all applications by the end of January.

Next, prepare a bio (300 words or less) to publish in Camping Today, (a picture to DeWayne Johnston

would be good). D_johnston01@outlook.com (need an underline sign “_” between D and j) . You can send it any time.

Then decide on campaign handouts & plan your hospitality at the Rally.

You get to meet many new people and make new friends. Other friends will help you prepare for your Hospitality (yum-yum).

The couple selected as K & Q are expected to represent FCRV for the year and attend the next Retiree Rally to pass on the crowns to the next K & Q.

Enjoy yourselves, have fun, and be part of the FCRV Retiree Rally. Looking forward to hearing from you.

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FCRV RETIREE RALLY VARIETY SHOW



by George Walters

As always, we are looking forward to new talent. If you can sing, play an instrument, tell a funny (clean!) story, please consider sharing your talent with your fellow campers.

So let's get busy, find a new song, dust off that instrument, and join us for a night of fun! If you can, bring a cd for your background vocals or to play your instrument to a track. Lawrence Phillips does a great job putting the sound together, so don't forget to get your CD ready! Sign up at the registration area!



FLEA MARKET VENDORS WANTED

March is just around the corner. It's time to consider preparing for the annual Retirees Flea Market. Bring crafts you have created or white elephant items you have on hand. Join us with your items to sell or come look around for some great buys. Vendor spaces are free!



RETIREE CHOIR

by Kip Cushing, Retiree Rally Choir Director



It is that time again to remind all those interested to sign up for the choir at the Retiree Rally. I hope to make it a joyous and uplifting musical experience. If you are a piano player and would like to get involved, be sure you let me know.

I would also like to take the choir members to a new level and become Minstrels for the talent show. Some of you may be familiar with the “New Christy Minstrels” or the old “Hootenanny Show” where the groups showcased many popular Folk music songs. If we could find us a guitar player or two and maybe a banjo player, not to mention a fiddle player, we could light up that stage with more fun music. . Because of the many activities at the rally, I’m not sure when we can practice; so if you are interested in this Folk music type of singing, try to let me know. I have some music and could try and get some to you beforehand.

I'm not sure how many songs George will let us sing, but if we get him involved, maybe we could get the stage longer? Eh? And then if we get the audience to help us sing the chorus, and well, if we get them clapping to keep the beat, who knows what can happen! I think we could stir up some real good feelings and memories.

If you just want to get in on the Folk music group, I better have a signup sheet for that as well. If you have favorite folk songs that you'd like to suggest we sing, get them to me as well. A Pete Seeger song "Get Up and Go" or Bob Dylan's "Blowin' in the Wind" comes to mind, there are many, many more. I'll love to hear from you if this sounds like an interesting endeavor. You can contact me at kcushing@wi.rr.com.



FOOD BANK & LAP ROBES

by Ashley & Gloria Taylor, Food Bank/Lap robes Chairs



We are coming to you asking for aid and support of the local food bank in Mineola, Texas in March, 2021. It would help them to be able to purchase more food with cash, but we will take all gifts. Our FCRV family has always had an open heart to give to the area where we enjoy your rallies.



Are you sewing, knitting, or crocheting? We are also asking for lap robes. We've been sharing lap robes with local nursing home/hospitals for several years at the Retiree Rally. We look forward to receiving many this year in Mineola. Your efforts are so appreciated.

FROM THE CRAFTY LADIES

Judy Elenburg, Dora Lewis, Sandi Wingert, and Shari Weber are looking forward to crafting with you in Mineola, Texas. We have planned three crafts for you. You are welcome to do them all or whichever ones strike your fancy. We are going to feature one craft each month until March. So let's get our craft on!

BRACELET

By Dora Lewis



This craft is easy for all levels of ability. There are two basic processes, stringing beads and tying a square knot. You go away with a bracelet to enjoy. Each bracelet will cost between \$5 and \$6 (passing on cost of beads). You are encouraged to make more than one if you wish. These bracelets layer well.

Dora Lewis is the lead on this craft with Shari & Sandi offering assistance

GAMES IN MINEOLA

by Craig & Shari Weber, Gamers Chairs



We are planning our usual games for the rally in Mineola. In addition to planning the games, we are planning safety protocols to make playing games as safe as they are fun. We will see what Covid requirements are

in March, but masks, gloves, and hand sanitizer may be needed. Please bring your own mask, protective gloves, and hand sanitizer to help keep yourself and your friends safe. If you are willing to lead one of the games during the rally, please email fcrvnd@yahoo.com with the game you would like to lead. Cornhole is a game that many enjoy. The retirees do not have boards, so we ask that you bring boards as we will need several. There will be a variety of competitive games and the always fun frog races. Bring a fun attitude and competitive spirit to join us throughout the week.



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)



WANDER WISCONSIN

By, Shari Weber, Chairperson

The Wander Wisconsin team has provided a lot of information about our upcoming campvention for this issue of "Camping Today". Please be sure to look at those articles. You will find to new things planned, and some things being planned a little differently. It is looking promising that we should be able to hold campvention. The next thing to hope for is opening of the Canadian/US boarder for non-essential travel (although I think coming to campvention is essential!) We continue to watch the vaccine rollout in both countries.

The discounted registration deadline has passed. Thank you to everyone who has already registered. Planning is much easier when we know in advance who is coming. The next deadline is to register in time to be parked with your state or province at campvention. The team decided to park hobo by state/province for those registering before June 1st (May 15th for Canadians). We are all looking forward to seeing our camping family soon. Let's hope it will be in Elkhorn Wisconsin in July!



CAMPVENTION 2021 PARKING INFO

The 2021 FCRV Campvention plans are under way. The campvention is being held in Elkhorn, Wisconsin. Watch for your registration in Camping Today. **This year's parking for the campvention will be hobo-by-state. If you would like to camp with your state/province, your registration must be post marked no later than June 1st. Canadian registration must be post-marked by May 15, 2021.** Hope to see everyone in July.

GOLF CARTS IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please Read!



Change in policy:

In the past the Campvention Team has sub-rented golf carts for use during Campvention. Starting with the 2021 Campvention, FCRV will no longer be the middle person for golf cart rentals. Members wishing to rent a

golf cart may contact the company and make their own arrangements. FCRV will identify the company along with contact information.

The information is:

Brown's Service Wisconsin Golf, Inc.
459 Madison Street
Walworth, WI 53184
Phone 262-394-5505
brownswisgolf@gmail.com

If you wish, you may have your golf cart delivered to the grounds the same time the carts that FCRV requests are to be delivered. Any issues you have with the cart, YOU will deal with the golf cart rental company yourself.



CAMPVENTION 2021 PROGRAM BOOK INFO

Here's another article as we prepare to put on the 2021 Campvention at Elkhorn, WI. Sue Carlsen and Beth Standiford are putting together the Program Book and are looking for your input.

Is there someone in the organization for whom you'd like to show support? Your favorite Teen King or Teen Queen candidate? Is there someone you'd like to thank for a job well done? Perhaps someone is having a major milestone event in their lives and you'd like it to receive some special recognition (birthday, anniversaries, etc.) Or perhaps you'd like to remember one of our own who has passed and is missed so very much at campvention. Well you can do any or all of these things in the Program Book! Here's an example of what's possible:

- ♦ Best wishes to our Teen Representative (THEIR NAME HERE).
You make our state proud!
- ♦ Thank you, (person/group) for all the hard work you have done to put on such a great event.
- ♦ John Doe – 1953-2019 – Campvention isn't the same without you.

\$2.50 gets you two lines of print or \$5.00 gets you a business card sized box with your sentiment.
Send your check, payable to NCHA and send the wording you want on a separate piece of paper to:

Beth Standiford, Recording Secretary
7 Oakrail Drive
St. Peters, MO 63376

FIRST-TIMERS INFO

by Donna and Delbert Powell, Matt and Marla Mantia



Hello from the First-Timer Chairpersons: Delbert and I, along with co-chairs, Matt and Marla Mantia, are planning to welcome you to the Wander Wisconsin Campvention in July 11-16, 2021. There will be a sign-in booth at registration; please stop by. We are busy putting together a welcoming/get-acquainted meeting for all to meet us, and some of our Trustees. We welcome you to this year's Campvention in Elkhorn, Wisconsin.



CAMPVENTION TEEN ROYALTY INFO

Hello!

As Campvention planning is fully in swing, I wanted to let you all know of the amazing things that are being planned for teens at nationals this year thanks to our wonderful chairman and co-chairman. I have also included the International Teen Royalty Registration form. I encourage all State Directors and Teen Directors to reach out to the teens in your state/province and encourage them to run in this pageant and participate in teen activities at Campvention. As a reminder, we are extending the age limit for ALL teen activities this year due to not having Campvention in 2020! I know from my experience as a teen, the friendships and memories you create will last a lifetime. We hope to see many of our teens join us this year at nationals and bring a friend along to experience all the fun that is planned! If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out by phone or email!

Thanks

Emily and Anne Kurburski, National Teen Directors, emilykurburski@gmail.com, (231) 526-7102

(Registration form found at end of magazine)



**We are in the process of casting a Murder Mystery Play
for Campvention 2021 in Elkhorn, WI.**

If you are interested in participating, please contact

Connie Black at ILFCRV@yahoo.com

CAMPVENTION 2021 SEMINARS

by Ray Suennen, Seminars Chair



If you or you know of someone who would like to be a seminar presenter during the 2021 FCRV Campvention in Elkhorn, Wisconsin from July 12 – 16, 2021, please contact Ray Suennen at raysuennen@yahoo.com or mobile phone 920-606-0289.

Ray will be presenting one seminar on cast iron cooking and another on seasoning and salvaging cast iron cookware, and discussing vintage cast iron cookware. Bring your cast iron pans for cleaning ideas and for show and tell.

MOBSTERS IN WISCONSIN?

by Barb Turner, Campvention PR Chair



Mobsters in Wisconsin? Prohibition. The Great Depression. The Roaring 20s & 30s. Chicago. What is the link to bind these together? The Wisconsin north woods became a favorite escape/haven for some of Chicago's most notorious gangsters. "Al Capone, John Dillinger, Bugs Moran and other used the state as a retreat from the law and a transportation point for contraband goods. Shootouts, prostitution, and rum running were all par for the course in Wisconsin's gangster past."

With the Wisconsin border being less than 150 miles from Chicago, with Wisconsin being hit hard by the Depression, and with the north woods not being the easiest place to get around in back in the 1920s, the state provided a haven for Chicago's mob elite. Wisconsinites were willing "to keep their mouths shut for a spare bit of change", happy to take advantage of the money the mob brought to the area. Gangster-owned brothels thrived in the north woods thanks to the local loggers and railroad workers. Inns and roadhouses looked like innocent establishments and were in part, but several had infamous clientele. You might like <https://www.travelwisconsin.com/article/things-to-do/wisconsins-gangster-tour>. Two tours are suggested. The southern tour would be closer to Elkhorn, site of the 2021 FCRV Campvention. Perhaps the northern tour section would take you following Campvention or maybe even before.

Wisconsin has literally thousands of lakes which provided an avenue for the illegal importation of alcohol from Canada. The alcohol was loaded onto seaplanes in Canada, flown into Wisconsin where the seaplanes landed on Wisconsin lakes, and then was transported on land across the Illinois border to Chicago.

Probably one of the most familiar of the Chicago mobsters was Al Capone who spent a "fair amount of time in Wisconsin". He owned establishments in Milwaukee, as well as a summer house on Cranberry Lake in the town of Couderay which was fortified with a machine gun turret and was used to transport whiskey from Canada. Interestingly, his brother Ralph "made a name for himself as a mob cashier and was a long-term Wisconsin resident, running a number of bars and slots in Mercer all the way up until his death in 1974." Capone was also one of the richest mobsters. "During Prohibition, he controlled the illegal alcohol, prostitution, and gambling rackets in Chicago which brought in \$100 million a year at its prime!!"



Close to Elkhorn and Campvention is Lake Geneva where is located the WatersEdge B&B, a particular favorite of several Chicago mobsters. "John Dillinger and Baby Face Nelson favored the Lake Como Hotel (today the French Country Inn) as a spot to escape the heat of the summer and the cops. In fact, it was on a trip between Lake Geneva and Chicago that Baby Face met his end in a clash with authorities, according to FBI reports."



'Wander Wisconsin' in July! Research the Chicago mobsters' links and enjoy your travels.

Credits:

<https://artfulliving.com/lake-geneva-wisconsin-millionaires-mobsters/>

<https://theculturetrip.com/north-america/usa/wisconsin/articles/a-glimpse-into-wisconsins-gangster-past/>

<https://www.travelwisconsin.com/article/things-to-do/wisconsins-gangster-tour>

<http://experiencewisconsinmag.com/gangster-paradise/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4IPhMdVX1-0>

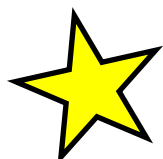
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KKdg55bJJ2g>

<https://www.travelwisconsin.com/article/things-to-do/wisconsins-gangster-tour>

<https://www.jsonline.com/videos/travel/wisconsin/2017/07/27/video-john-dillinger-and-wisconsins-little-bohemia/104039898/>

Al Capone pic - Al Capone Mugshot | © United States Bureau of Prisons / Wikicommons

Little Bohemia pic - Little Bohemia Lodge © FBI / Wikicommons



FCRV WEBSITE HAS NEW LOOK

If you haven't looked at FCRV's website (www.fcrv.org) lately, you will see that it has a new look. In it you will find under various headings, menus that will lead you to the History of the Organization, National Programs and Directors, National Officers, Chapters Map of U.S. and Canada, Events including Campvention, Retiree Rally, Regional, State, and Local Campouts, and registration forms, Commercial Members (products, campgrounds/RV parks), FCRV Merchandise, Discounts, News (Camping Today Magazine, Regional Newsletters, and Membership applications and renewals. Each of FCRV's Membership Participations 12 Programs are listed with detailed descriptions. Carl Fromholzer is now in charge of the website, working from the FCRV office in New York. Any information for the website should be sent to fcrvoffice@gmail.com.



D.A.S.A.T.

DASAT VOLUNTEERS WANTED

By Joe Boswell, National DASAT Dir

Many thanks to our President, Gerry Pfirsch for your wonderful comments in the December issue of Camping Today. You stated, "I say this now to lead into something that we as FCRV members should have an advantage over the public. That is, we have our DASAT Program! This is the time that our DASAT leaders should be researching the latest info and

FACTS that are presented by the CDC and yes, The World Health Organization. They should be keeping our members apprised of best, safest, and sane course of action."

Without opening Pandora box, think about the following question: Does your chapter/Camping Club have a DASAT Director? If not, how about stepping up and becoming that person. A DASAT Director can be a part of your local chapter of FCRV, part of the state organization and or part of your region. Simply, they are the safety person, the emergency contact person, and the person who can help you the most during an emergency. They can be someone who is an employee or volunteer with the Emergency service in your community. A Fireman or Firewoman, an Emergency Technician, or nurse, doctor, police officer, or



any other individual who is interested in following up on emergency procedures and other health related issue, and that person is willing to share updated information on an ongoing basis to others within FCRV. This might even be someone who has been a professional "Emergency" responder, or that special volunteer who is ready and willing to share his or her knowledge with others.

In this time of great concern, the pandemic of 2020-21 and Covid -19, lots of information circulated within social media that is not accurate. As hard as it may seem, social media is not a reliable source of information. In all cases, if you want to know the accurate facts consult the correct resources. For example, the **Center for Disease** is a great source, it updates findings, and information on an ongoing basis-it is accurate and up to date. This is just one of many resources that are accurate and

available. Here is another example: the Homeland Security web site, the World Health Organization, the American Red Cross, and the list goes on. Your local Department of Health also contains valuable resources. Take some time and review this information. This is where a DASAT Director can be of great value to your FCRV chapters. They can give presentations at the chapter, state and regional campouts. DASAT programs many times are a part of our National Campventions through workshops and seminars. Ask yourself, when was the last time you attended a DASAT seminar or workshop? This is certainly one way to gather information. Now you can share your new information within your own chapter and at state or regional campouts. Remember if you volunteer to be the DASAT Director for your chapter or state, help is available along with other various resources all for the asking.

In these troubling times, accurate information is essential. As of this writing (before the Christmas Holiday), the amount of Covid 19 cases is increasing. There are increased numbers for those who have been or are in the hospitals. The death rate continues to increase. It is important that you practice very basic protocols to keep yourself safe during this pandemic. For example, wear the mask no matter where you go, wear it. Stay 6 feet or more apart from any other person. Wash your hands frequently-if



you must go out and about-keep your distance. What is in the future, a vaccine is on the horizon. When will it be available to the general public? That specific answer is uncertain at this time.

Hospital workers and first responders will be the first to receive the vaccine. When it does become available to the general public the suggestion is to practice preventative medicine and get the Covid 19 vaccine. If you have doubts, of course consult your own health care provider.

Looking ahead on a positive note, plans are under way for both the Retiree Rally and the National Campvention. Some states and providence's are slowly beginning to prepare for future campouts. If and when the numbers of Covid 19 cases begins to drop, then our FCRV activities will slowly return to normal. Remember in these troubling time it is rightfully and just that you follow basic protocols-even if you disagree. It is always best to be safe everyone.

Web Sites:

World Health Organization: www.who.int
Center for Disease Control: www.cdc.gov
Quote from Gary Pfirsch, Camping Today, December issue, page 3.



WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

Virtual Convoy Rolls On

“For Every Daughter and Every Son, Resting Beneath the Snow in Arlington”

In spite of a snowstorm that brought record amounts to some areas, the mission to honor our nation's veterans will not be detoured.

COLUMBIA FALLS, Maine - Wreaths Across America (WAA), is a national effort that grew thanks to a simple picture of wreaths laid at soldiers graves covered with snow at Arlington National Cemetery. As we head down the East coast from Maine for the 29th time, Last night's snow-storm is a humble reminder of how our mission to Remember, Honor, and Teach, got started. Today, wreaths are laid at [2,557 participating locations across America](#), most notably, at [Arlington National Cemetery](#), each December. Our annual weeklong, miles-long parade of tractor trailers, wrapped vehicles carrying veterans and Gold Star Families, law enforcement and motorcycle riders, leading the escort of wreaths to Arlington for placement may look a little different this year (as there is only one symbolic semi carrying 4500 remembrance wreaths) but the mission is the same as it was the very first time we saw snow.

This year's annual escort of wreaths will have a different look and feel due to the necessary changes being made throughout the country for health and safety. The physical journey – which will include one tractor trailer load of wreaths hauled by Gully Transportation professional driver JD Walker, who is also a Gold Star Father and NAVY Veteran, 11 wrapped CHEVY vehicles carrying Gold Star Families, and nine police cruisers is on the



snowy road now through National Wreaths Across America Day, Saturday, Dec. 19.

“For those who have had the opportunity to participate in the escort of wreaths over the years, it is truly an experience of a lifetime,” said Karen Worcester, executive director, WAA. “The way we have been welcomed into communities, with flags waving and streets lined with children and veterans, is something we always wished every American could witness. And like the wonderful song that our good friend Don Campbell wrote about this effort, we’re once again doing this for every daughter and every son, beneath the snow in Arlington.”



About Wreaths Across America

Wreaths Across America is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded to continue and expand the annual wreath-laying ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery begun by Maine businessman [Morrill Worcester in 1992](#). The organization’s mission — [Remember, Honor, Teach](#) — is carried out in part each year by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies in December at Arlington, as well as at thousands of veterans’ cemeteries and other [locations in all 50 states](#) and beyond. For more information or to sponsor a wreath please visit www.wreathscrossamerica.org.

FCRV Activities

BLACK PINES ANIMAL SANCTUARY



I had the pleasure to present a \$1,000 wildlife grant check to Black Pines Animal Sanctuary in Albion, Indiana. This organization was established in 2000 to provide refuge to displaced, captive-raised exotic animals for the rest of their lives and to educate people about responsible animal care and conversation.

If you visit their website at www.bpsanctuary.org you can read the animals stories on how they came to live at Black Pines. The Sanctuary is currently closed for the season, so I met the Executive Director, Trisha in front of the Wolf Den (gift shop). After the check presentation, I did spot an Emu.



I would like to thank our FCRV Wildlife Refuge Program for the check to support this very worthwhile organization.

Angie Shaneyfelt
Indiana State Director

RINGING THE BELL



Ring the bell for the Salvation Army, with Vina, Matt and Marla at our local WalMart. I have to say the spirit of generosity was present this afternoon. — with Matt & Marla Mantia and Edward & [Vina E Ramsdell Haggerty](#) from Blue Bonnet RV Resort.



A CHURCH COVID PROJECT

by Barb Turner

A COVID project completed, on our end at least!! Our church, Atonement Lutheran Church in Wesley Chapel, Florida, has a live Nativity each year.....till this year with COVID. Jim & I were asked to do wooden figures of Mary, Joseph, & Baby Jesus for the Nativity scene planned. I found a pattern, but not big enough, as the church wanted close to full-sized figures! We created! When we took the figures over to church, we found that Jim couldn't drive the stakes in the ground. Too hard. In Florida? With so much sand? We suspect old construction debris lies under the surface! Solution....rebar & zip ties!! The project was a solution to celebrating the Christmas story during the COVID-19 pandemic!



Live Christmas display from past year

CHARLIE PRIDE



FCRV has been fortunate to have had some great entertainers at its annual Campventions. Among the favorites was Charley Pride who with his band gave the campers an unforgettable concert in 1988 at Highland Michigan. Charley Pride died at 96 on December 12th of Covid Virus

SOUTH CAROLINA RETIREE KING AND QUEEN



Our names are Philip and Joanne Rich. We both retired in October 2016. Joanne retired from the insurance company that she worked for 21 years and

Philip retired from a manufacturing company. We moved from Connecticut to South Carolina in October 2016 after we retired.

Philip likes to travel, read and works in his vegetable gardens. Joanne likes to travel, scrapbook, quilt, read and works in her flower beds. Joanne volunteers at the Hospice Thrift Store 2 ½ days a week.

In Connecticut we both belonged to the Happy Wanderers Chapter for years. We have been camping for 20 plus years and have been members of FCRV for many years belonging off and on. We are members of the Palmetto Retirees and YARS.

Joanne currently holds the position of Program Chairman and Philip holds the position of State Vice President in our chapter. We have worked at both National Campventions and the National Retiree Rallies. When we're camping at our Rallies at the various campgrounds, we wear our badges, meeting new people and inviting them to participate in our activities. We believe participation is the best way to get people to join when they are having fun.



NCHA (FCRV) NATIONAL HANK NATHAN SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

Carl and Lynda Wood, Directors

July , 2020

The 2019/20 Scholarship year has been significantly affected by the Covid 19 pandemic. Because of the closure of all education centers. This presented a challenge for candidates to access required documentation. We reached out to all applicants to ensure that they could complete their applications within the defined timeline of April 15. We along with Scholarship America considered extending the application deadline. After reaching out to all of the candidates it was decided not to extend the April 15 deadline.

In addition to the concerns over access to documentation, Scholarship America like most of North America went on work from home duty. The ramifications of this was to difficulty in processing data, and in maintaining traditional stages in coming forth with a list of recommendations for the Scholarship Board to consider.

As of this week, we are very close to notifying the successful candidates of their awards.

In 2020, the NCHA (FCRV) Hank Nathan Scholarship Inc. will award 9 scholarships, the amount of the awards will total \$12,000.00. We responded to 12 requests for applications, receiving 11 at the Scholarship America office. The nine recommendations were reviewed and approved by the FCRV Scholarship Board.

The value of the Scholarship fund as of June 30 was \$242,186.72. We use 6% of the value for scholarships giving us \$14,000.00 to draw from.

This year we do not have a recipient of the Schu Memorial Scholarship, in conservation, ecology or outdoor activities.

We have 9 Scholarship recipients:

Benjamin Moats of Ames, Iowa will be attending University of Minnesota: Twin Cities. He will be studying Mathematics. \$1500

Hannah Robb of Louisville KY will be attending Bellarmine University. She will be studying Business Administration \$1500

Tara Mueller of Exeter NE will be attending Wayne State University. She will be studying Elementary Education. \$500

Kiley Johnson of Omaha NE will be attending University of Nebraska: Lincoln. She will be studying Elementary Ed. \$1500

Kerri McHale of Carthage NY will be attending Carthage College. She will be studying Secondary Education \$1500

Breanna Kendle of Erie CO will be attending University of Phoenix: Phoenix-Hohokam. She will be studying English \$1500

Tyler Mathews of Papillion NE will be attending Friends University. He will be studying Zoo Science. \$1500

Gary Couch of Massillon OH will be attending Kent State University: Stark. He will be studying Music Tech. \$1250

Nathan Conway of Thornton CO will be attending South Dakota School of Mines and Technology. He will be studying Electrical Engineering. \$1250

The Scholarship Board wishes to thank the staff at Scholarship America for their continued support of our program. We specifically wish to thank Staci Anderson our contact with Scholarship America for her dedication and support.

FCRV Hank Nathan Scholarship Donations

July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

| Date | From | Memo | Amount |
|----------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|
| 08-06-19 | Southeast Region | | \$68.00 |
| 08/13/19 | JeAnne Selby | Memory of Glenda Sellers | \$25.00 |
| 09/23/19 | Kristine M | In memory of Glenda Sellers | \$125.00 |
| 03/12/19 | FCRV | In memory of Sonya Smye | \$200.00 |
| 04/07/20 | Member Donation | | \$10.00 |
| 04/14/20 | JeAnne Selby | | <u>\$25.00</u> |

Our thanks and best wishes to all nine recipients of this year's scholarships. We wish all of them continued success as they work toward a career in their chosen fields. We also want to show our appreciation to all members who contributed as part of the **\$453** raised in donations this past year. A well deserved thank you to Jan Cushing for all her work keeping our books in order.

In closing let me leave you with this thought. The Scholarship Board helps many young people to follow their dreams. We thank Jack Smye and George Walters for their years of dedication and service in helping to fulfill those dreams!



SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Who Can Apply : Any FCRV Member or their dependent* children planning to enroll or currently enrolled in an undergraduate program may apply for an FCRV Scholarship. An applicant must be a member for at least one year before application.

**Dependent children of members: Applicants applying under their parent/guardian's membership must be a dependent thereof for the year of the Scholarship award, meaning they are eligible as an income tax deduction.*

Applications for 2021 will be sent out starting December, 2020 through April 1, 2021. All completed applications must be returned to Scholarship America by April 15th of the year of the award.

How to Apply : Requests for an FCRV application **MUST** be made to the FCRV National Scholarship Directors. This can be done in two ways but email is the preferred method.

1. Mail your application request to:

Carl & Lynda Wood
137 Harley Road,
Harley, Ontario, Canada
N0E 1E0

Donations and memorials should be sent to:

Jan Cushing, Comptroller
2102 88th St.
Kenosha, WI 53143

2. E-mail your application request to
fcrvscholarship2014@gmail.com with Subject FCRV Scholarship

Requests **MUST** include the FCRV membership number, the postal mailing address and most importantly, an email address at which the applicant can be contacted. All applications are sent electronically.

Stipend: Annual Scholarships are awarded carrying a stipend ranging from \$500 to \$2000. Part-time students will receive one-half of the granted amount. Scholarships are for one year. Recipients have the opportunity to reapply for a scholarship each year they meet the eligibility requirements.

Selection of Scholarship Recipients: Applicants are scored and ranked by Scholarship America, who then recommends these scores and ranking to the FCRV Scholarship Board who then confirms the ranking and the award. The Board of Directors presents the awards at or after the annual AGM held at that years' Campvention.

Eligibility Requirements :

1. Parents or guardians must be member of FCRV for one year or longer.
2. Applicants must be enrolled or accepted into an undergraduate course of study in an accredited two to four year college or university. Part-time students must carry a minimum of six credits and full-time a minimum of twelve.
3. Applicants currently enrolled in college are given equal consideration with incoming freshman students.

Scholarship Considerations :

1. High school graduates should be in the upper 40% of their class.
2. College students should have a cumulative B average (2.7 Grade Point Average on a 4.0 scale)
3. General considerations are taken for maturity, leadership, related activities, and goals of the candidate as related to the objectives of FCRV.
4. Special consideration will be given to applicants majoring in fields related to conservation, ecology or outdoor activities, although all other fields are considered.

2021 F-150 HYBRID'S 25 MPG TOPS GAS-POWERED PICKUPS

By: [RVBusiness](#)

Ford Motor Co.'s 2021 F-150 hybrid won't claim the overall pickup mileage crown, but it will beat out all gas-powered rivals, according to EPA estimates cited in [a report by Automotive News](#).



The redesigned truck's 3.5-liter V-6 PowerBoost hybrid variant with two-wheel drive will get 25 mpg combined, 25 mpg city and 26 mpg highway, Ford said Friday, best in class among light-duty pickups with gasoline engines.

It still trails diesel variants such as the Chevrolet Silverado ([27 mpg combined](#)) and Ram 1500 ([26 mpg combined](#)), according to estimates.

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[Click here to read the full report at Automotive News.](#)

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The redesigned F-150, including the hybrid model, is on sale now.

The 2wd hybrid delivers 430 hp and 570 pound-feet of torque, Ford says. It is rated at a maximum 12,700 pounds of conventional towing — with a trailer tow package — and a maximum payload of 2,120 pounds.

"Our team spent months living with and observing truck customers at their homes, on job sites and on the weekends," Hau Thai-Tang, Ford's chief product platform and operations officer, said in a statement. "Using

electrification, we realized we could now give customers something they had long wanted but didn't think was possible — tremendous power, great fuel economy and all-new capabilities to make their F-150 even more productive."

The vehicle's next most fuel-efficient engine, the 3.0-liter Power Stroke V-6 diesel, 4wd variant, will get an estimated 23 mpg combined, Ford said, including 20 mpg city and 27 mpg highway. The 2.7-liter V-6 2wd variant gets an estimated 22 mpg combined, including 20 mpg city and 26 mpg highway, unchanged from last year's model.

RKS OFF-ROAD LAUNCHES ULTRA-LIGHTWEIGHT PURPOSE TRAILER

By: [RVBusiness](#)



Arcadia, Calif.-based RKS Off-Road, today (Dec. 15) announced it will start customer deliveries of its Purpose Trailer in the first quarter of 2021. RKS Off-Road is singularly focused on revolutionizing the recreational vehicle industry with levels of product quality and durability never seen before in the market, according to a press release from the company.

"Everything we do at RKS is designed and engineered to provide customized solutions for the most demanding and discerning of adventurers," said Elisabeth Gritsch, Co-Founder of RKS Off-Road. "We spent years in the RV rental business and were constantly disappointed with the low levels of quality in both materials and craftsmanship. Launching RKS has allowed us to challenge the status quo."

The Purpose Trailer delivers an unexpectedly high level of specification. The full outdoor kitchen includes 20k BTU dual burner portable stove, stainless steel professional-style sink, slide out tray for either a cooler or fridge/freezer and built-in storage. The separate bedroom and bathroom includes a full shower, ceramic toilet and wall mirror. The bedroom offers a modular configuration which can be set for two singles or one queen. The Purpose Trailer also offers best-in-class 70-gallon capacity water and LP tanks. Depending on shower frequency, duration and consumption of drinking water, users would have enough water for between two and six weeks.

"Our aim in launching RKS Off-Road and our Purpose Trailer was to channel our personal passion for the outdoors and team that with our professional experience in the automotive sector to raise the bar for quality and durability," said Travis King, Co-Founder of RKS Off-Road. "Our team has collectively spent decades in the quality and integrity-focused automotive industry, working for OEMs including Audi, Daimler and Ferrari. This experience allows us to take learnings from the industry's proven quality and reliability processes and tools. At our development facility, we bring this knowledge to life, modifying and applying tried and tested development and prototyping processes to create industry-leading recreational vehicles."

RKS operates a custom manufacturing facility in Arcadia, CA. Those customers who placed pre-orders will see deliveries starting in Q1 2021. "We are so excited to see the Purpose Trailer in the hands of our adventurous and intrepid customers," said Bryan Furumoto, Design Lead for RKS Off-Road. "We've spent countless months, days and hours honing the trailer to exceed every possible standard and we're looking forward to see how our customers take advantage of its features to really push the boundaries of exploration."



Products

BLUE OX INTRODUCES NEW TOWPRO WEIGHT DISTRIBUTING HITCH

By: [RVBusiness](#)

Blue Ox, Pender, Neb., is introducing the TowPro, a value-priced weight distributing hitch with built-in friction sway control for delivery in the second quarter of 2021.

“Blue Ox is the #1 choice for flat towing products and are focused on becoming the No. 1 choice for weight distribution. Our quality is proven with our SwayPro and TrackPro weight distributing hitches and we want to bring that quality and highest level of service to all towing customers,” said Chairman and CEO Mike Hesse.



TowPro replaces the Blue Ox Round Bar Hitch in the company's weight distribution lineup. The TowPro employs

fixed L-brackets on the trailer frame to control sway instead of using chains to attach to snap-up brackets. This eliminates the need for add-on sway control friction brakes. Additional TowPro features include a pre-installed 2-5/16" hitch ball, 2-point friction sway control, round spring bars for a more controlled ride, and powder-coated steel construction.

Alex Walker, director of sales, adds, “This is an exciting time for Blue Ox. We are continuing to expand and innovate in all lines of towing. Our team is ready to have all of our current and new customers on board. Check out our Dealer Portal: dealerportalblue-ox.com. We are running some great specials on TowPro and all of our other products at the upcoming distributor shows. Make sure to ask how you can get a 5% rebate from us!” The TowPro hitch is available in 600-, 800- and 1,200-pound tongue weights with a gross trailer weight of 10,000 pounds.”

DOMETIC INTRODUCES FRESHJET FJX3000 SERIES RV ROOFTOP AIR CONDITIONER



Quieter, more efficient and more powerful than similar products in the market today. The retrofittable Value Mechanical model will be introduced to the aftermarket first and RVers can place their orders during Q1 2021, at authorized re-

tailers.

Dometic conducted extensive user research and pain point analysis to develop the Dometic FreshJet FJX3000 series RV rooftop air conditioners.

This research led to the development of a generation of air conditioners that have lower interior noise, better airflow and significantly increased cooling capacity over similar products in the market.

Interior noise is the biggest pain point for consumers who use RV rooftop air conditioners. The FreshJet units are one of the quietest air conditioners Dometic has ever designed. Allowing RVers a cool and quiet RV to retreat to and rest up in before their next big adventurous day.

The new custom blower system delivers more airflow, pushing air further and faster to allow the RV to cool down quicker than ever. Dometic has also developed a new Air Distribution Box that provides consistent front to back airflow to evenly distribute cool air throughout the RV. Setting the temperature and fan speed is as easy as twisting a knob.

The Value Mechanical FreshJet air conditioner can be retrofitted to work with existing Dometic air returns, making it an easy upgrade for consumers.

Performance is also important for RVers. Which is why Dometic FreshJet FJX3000 air conditioners have been designed to achieve significantly more cooling power over the competition. Consumers will stay cooler for longer, no matter where their trip takes them.

The Dometic FreshJet is also one of the RV industry's lightest rooftop air conditioners available. This will help save fuel and energy consumption of the vehicle for greener RVing. The weight savings was achieved by using the latest techniques in engineering

and carefully selected materials. EPP foam insulation on the inside of the unit reduces noise, reduces weight and protects the unit simultaneously. The composite base pan and shroud offer a modern look while also reducing weight.

Dometic took special care in the design of the product itself, featuring a slim, flatter design with modern touches – with details like design gap for fitment and hidden screws. These details help this unit seamlessly integrate into any consumer's RV.

The FreshJet comes in a Value Mechanical 13,500 BTU/h option and a Value Mechanical 15,000 BTU/h option, both powerful enough to keep the coach cool even on the warmest of days

Farewells

DON MACKENZIE, PAST SOUTHEAST REGIONAL DIRECTOR



Don MacKenzie, 88 passed away the morning of December 25th, 2020. Both Don and his wife, Shirley of Louisa, Virginia were well known in NCHA/ FCRV, having held leadership positions since they joined the organization in 1970. Their safety program , originally working in New York was chosen by the Trustees to be the model for the FCRV Disaster and Safety Awareness Training program . Don later took the challenging job of U.S. Legislation Director 1980 – 1986 during which time he and Shirley were instrumental in arranging President Reagan's visit to the 1984 Campvention in Bowling Green, KY. Shirley served as National Recording Secretary 1992-2000 and has been FCRV's National Historian since 1980. From 2006 - 2011 Don was Southeast Regional Director and acting Virginia State Director 2006 -2011. They were on Campvention Steering Committees in 2005, 2011, and 2018. Among many National Awards, Don and Shirley received the Hank Nathan Lifetime Achievement award for outstanding service to FCRV in 2018.



Don served his country in the United States Marine Corps for 20 full years. He said recently, that he had been across both Pacific and Atlantic Oceans twice each and in the Mediterranean and several foreign countries and he was ready to settle down. Shirley said "Both of us enjoyed camping very much and meeting new friends as well as visiting old ones."

Barb Turner remembered, "Don was quite a prankster back in the day. He offered sewer holes for sale at the '95 Campvention (back in the dry camping days.) So many fell for a 'Consolidated Post Hole.'



Don and Shirley have 6 children of which the 3 youngest pre-deceased them. There are 7 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. Condolences may be sent to Shirley at 527 Firehouse Dr., Louisa, VA 23093 or onecedarjunction@gmail.com. A memorial service will be held January 9th at Blue Ridge Shores Baptist Church in Louisa, VA. Family members only due to restrictions.

DALLAS DODSON, MISSOURI STATE DIRECTOR



Dallas ‘Dal’ Dodson, 72 from Willard, Missouri passed away December 31, 2020. He served as Missouri State Director from 2014 to the present with his wife, Barbara by his side. He was also acting Arkansas State Director 2015 to present. They originally joined FCRV while living in Kansas. The Dodsons were founding and charter members of the Missouri Slow Travellers Retiree Chapter and was their President 2011 – 2015.



He stepped down and became MO. State Director in January 2014. To add to their busy schedule, they were MO. State Retiree King and Queen 2014-2016 and were elected International Retiree King and Queen at the 2016 FCRV Retiree Rally in Houma, Louisiana. As Retiree King and Queen they travelled to several state’s Retiree Rallies and participated in their events and members enjoyed meeting them. Not resting on their laurels, they chaired the South Central West Regional Campout in Branson, MO. And the 2017 FCRV Retiree Rally in Canton, Texas. They also had various duties at previous Retiree Rallies. They also belonged to the YARS Retiree Chapter.

South Central West Regional Director, Debbie Ludwig said, “Dallas and Barb Dodson were team players here in Missouri and FCRV as a whole. There was never a job or position that they couldn’t do or would step up if asked to do. If they supported an activity they did it with confidence and grace. They were also and fantastic and loving friends to me .They helped me through some very difficult times and I considered them as family.”



Barb Turner said, “We have indeed lost a wonderful friend. As I was searching for pictures, so many memories came to mind. We had a running banter where he called me Mrs. Turner and I called him Mr. Dodson. I’ll miss you Mr. Dodson.”

Dallas worked until retirement for the BNS Railroad. In addition to camping, he enjoyed fishing, hunting, black powder shooting, and Cardinals baseball. He liked to tinker and work in the yard.

Dallas Dodson is survived by his wife, Barbara, daughter, LaDonna Hansen, (Kurt), daughter-in-law, Stacey Dawson, 3 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a son, Christopher, and a brother, Dennis. Funeral Service Jan. 5, 10 a.m. Wilson-Griffin Funeral Home , Ash Grove. Masks / social distancing. In lieu of flowers donations can be made in Dallas’s name to My Final Chapter and may be left at the funeral home. It is a local organization that works with adults with cancer. Condolences may be sent to Barbara Dodson, 705 Colby St. Willard, MO 67581.

Thelma Gaddis, 96, Vermillion, Kansas. Charter member Dusters Chapter



Helen Groseclose from Covid-19. She and her late husband Hugh were long-time members of NCHA/FCRV. Hugh and Helen were very active Field Directors in Northeast Ohio and started many clubs including Cuyahoga Patriots, Hispanic Club, Jokers Wild, Bedford TNT, Snoopys, FuNCHAsers and Golden Jets, just to name a few. Helen, Hugh and Dick and Pat Smith established a close relationship with the Great Lake RV dealers for the purpose of promoting family camping at the RV Show. Helen was cremated. No memorial services are planned."



Jean LaDuc, 79, 3-2-20, Trenton / Wyandot, Michigan, With husband, Duke active many years in Wayne County.



Carol J. Miller, 86, 9-18-20, Vincennes, Indiana, Charter member Wabash Cannonbaslls Chapter.



Susan Ann Machado, 75, 11-12-20, Colorado Springs, CO. Gray Wolves Chapter. Wife of career U.S. Air Force Col., Joe Machado. She graduated from Duquesne University and earned a Master's degree in Counseling from the University of South Carolina. She served as educator and counselor in TX, Japan, SC, MA, DE, Germany, and CO. From 1996 to 2004 she was U.S.A.F. Space Command Director of Drug Demand Reduction Program Worldwide.



Judy Roth passed away November 19, 2020. She and Bob were hard working members of NCHA/FCRV. She was part of the 'Apple Sisters' that performed at many of the OSA campouts.



Pearl Lucille Shaw, 96, of Omaha, passed away December 3, 2020. Pearl was a member of Foresters Camp Club, and the National Campers and Hikers Association. she was a great member. She had a wonderful sense of humor. She always had a great story to share.



Forest Reavis, 92, 12-14-20, Augusta, Kansas. Charter member of Kansas Travelers for 64 years.



Don Brumbaugh, 88, Salix, Pennsylvania. Longtime active member in PA NCHA/FCRV and State Assn. Chaired many state campouts and was on steering committee for all PA National Campventions. Longtime volunteer fireman and Chief.



Jim McGrane, 62, 12-28-20, Camden, Missouri, formerly of Terryville, Connecticut. He was a well known musician and played with the Beatles and several other well known groups. He also produced music festivals. Husband of Deborah (Rellihan) McGrane 40 years and uncle of Shawn Rellihan.



*All of the National Office Staff and
Camping Today Staff wish you a
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UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH

March 23-28, 2021 – 50th FCRV Retiree Rally

Mineola Civic Center, Mineola, TX

APRIL

April 30-May 2, 2021 - NC Spring Statewide Campout

Denton Farm Park, Denton, NC Hosted by the Eastern District. Do not call campground to make reservations.. Choose your site upon arrival. Camping fee will be collected upon arrival.\$30 per night water & 30A elec.\$40 per night water & 50A elec. \$45.00 per night water, sewer & 50A elec. Dump stations available. Registration will be \$10.00. \$12.00 at the gate if not registered early. Retirees may come in on Tuesday, April 27, 2021.

JUNE

June 4 - 6, 2021 - SE Regional Campout

Tom Johnson's Rally Park, 1885 US 70 Hwy West, Marion, NC 2875. Early Days - June 1 - 3. \$35 per night. Full hookups, 30 and 50 AMP available. Do not register with the campground. Registration fee \$35. make checks payable to Traveling Tarheels. Send to Pam Likens, 212 Morris St., Kings Mountain, NC 28086. Phone: 386-365-0823 Email: pamf104@gmail.com

JULY

July 11-16, 2021 – 61st FCRV Campvention

Walworth County Fairgrounds, Elkhorn, WI

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 angieshaney-felt@hotmail.com

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CHAPTERS::

Chapter Name _____

Contact person _____

Cell ph number/email _____

Number of tables (limit 2)(Space is 8' per table) _____

(No fee for Chapters)

Describe products sold _____

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Contact person _____

Cell ph number/email _____

Number of tables (limit 2)(Space is 8' per table) _____

(1 table= \$15.00; 2-tables + add \$10.00 ==Total \$25.00)

(Supply own table—NO change in fees!)

Describe products sold _____

Mail registration to: Duane & Ruth Keegan 957 N Lois Ave Addison, IL 60101-1237

Information: e-mail dentec957@att.net or 630-487-8873 (C)

DEADLINE: No later than June 15, 2021

Make checks payable to: 'NCHA' write "Campvention 2021" on the memo line



2021 Teen Royalty Pageant Registration Form

Family Campers & RVers

Registration deadline May 31, 2021

State/Province Representing:

Teen King ☐ Teen Queen ☐ Escort ☐

Name:

Parent/Guardian Name :

Address:

Phone Number:

E-Mail address:

Chapter Name :

Number of Years in FCRV:

Age as of 7/14/2021:

Birth date (month/day/year):

*You must be between the ages of 13 and 20 the day of the Competition. We have extended it to those that are 20 as there was no campvention in 2020

Grade in School:

Name of School:

Explanation of Talent:

Will you need special equipment (besides CD player)? _____ If yes, please explain

Hobbies:

Ambitions/Goals:

Notable awards:

Please send a recent photo of yourself along with this registration form to:

Katie Kurburski

9278 Middle Village Drive

Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Phone: (231)881-6209

E-mail: kkurburski@gmail.com

Participant Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

I certify that the parent(s)/legal guardian(s) of participants are paid members of Family Campers & RVers for the current year.

State Director's Signature & stamp: _____



**61st INTERNATIONAL CAMPVENTION
FAMILY CAMPERS & Rver's
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Walworth County Fairgrounds, 411 E. Court St.
Elkhorn, WI 53121



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

Early Bird Days: July 9 & 10 2021 @ \$30/night (pay @ registration – cash/check)

Registrations are needed by: June 1, 2021

There will be room for you if you decide to come at the last minute.
Just bring this registration with you. We want everyone to come see us!!!

Last Name: _____ **First Name:** _____ **Spouse/Guest:** _____

Address: _____ **City:** _____ **ST/PRV:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Phone #: _____ **e-mail:** _____

Is this your first Campvention? Yes ☐ No ☐ Send my confirmation letter in PDF: Yes ☐ No ☐

Number of people in your unit:

Of Adults: _____ Teens: _____ Youth 9 – 12 _____ Youth 5 – 8 _____ Young Adults _____ Total number of people in Unit: _____

Please list the names and ages of all Teens and Youth:

| Name | Age | Name | Age |
|------|-----|------|-----|
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CAMPVENTION PARKING:

The gates will be open Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Special Needs Information:

Check if you are requesting a special needs site: ☐ There will be no special needs sites available at the gate.

REGISTRATION:

Everyone must complete a registration form including second families and camp passes. Submit payment with the registration form. All funds should be US currency and in the form of check or money order.

| | <u>Registration</u> | <u>At Gate</u> |
|---|---------------------|----------------|
| One Family in the Unit | \$335.00 | \$365.00 |
| Extra Family in the Unit (separate pay) | \$150.00 | \$165.00 |
| Week Drive-in Pass (July 11-16) | \$175.00 | \$190.00 |
| Walk-in Camp Pass (per day) | \$ 30.00 | \$ 35.00 |

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Cheektowaga NY 14225

Refund policy: If you are unable to

attend, all except \$ 25 will be refunded

Contact them at: 716-683-5723 email: FCRV.VP.OPS@gmail.com

We would like to volunteer for: _____

All attendees agree to comply with Campvention guidelines, including the golf cart guidelines, which applies to all golf carts on the premises.



50TH ANNIVERSARY

FCRV INTERNATIONAL RETIREE RALLY
MINEOLA CIVIC CENTER
1150 NORTH NEWSOM STREET
MINEOLA, TEXAS 75773

RALLY STARTS: MARCH 23 THRU MARCH 28, 2021
EARLY DAYS: MARCH 19 TO MARCH 22

FOR REGISTRAR ONLY:

REG #: _____
CK# _____
CASH: _____
AMT: _____
SEND CON: _____

PLEASE FILL IN ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

NAME: _____ FIRST: _____ SPOUSE/OTHER: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ ST: _____ ZIP: _____

MAILING ADDRESS OF OTHER: _____

HOME PHONE #: _____ CELL #: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ CONFIRMATION SENT: PDF: _____ WORD: _____ MAIL: _____
(MINIMUM OF 2)

MAILING ADDRESS IF DIFFERENT FROM ABOVE : _____

REGISTERING FOR:

CAMPING: _____ CAMP PASS: _____ MOTEL STAY: _____ ON GROUNDS: _____ NUMBER OF PEOPLE: _____
IS THIS YOUR FIRST RETIREE RALLY: YES: _____ NO: _____

SPECIAL NEEDS: _____ (MUST HAVE ON FILE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING WITH REGISTRAR:) 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 FORM MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE MARCH 9, 2021. ALL ATTENDING MUST BE REGISTERED.

EARLY DAYS: \$35 PER DAY WILL BE COLLECTED AT MINEOLA

INCLUDED IN PRICE: FULL HOOK-UP (30 /50amp), PAVED ROADS, WI-FI, ICE CREAM SOCIAL, 2 DINNERS, ENTERTAINMENT, AND LOT OF FUN.

| | BEFORE DEADLINE: | AFTER DEADLINE: MARCH 9, 2021 |
|---------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|
| 2 PEOPLE IN UNIT: | \$290 | \$300 |
| 1 PERSON IN UNIT: | \$260 | \$270 |
| CAMP PASS: (MOTEL STAY) | | |
| 1 PERSON | \$100 | |
| 2 PEOPLE | \$200 | |
| ****CAMP PASS ON GROUNDS: | | |
| 1 PERSON: | \$100 | |
| 2 PEOPLE | \$200 | |

***** MUST PAY \$5 PER DAY, PER PERSON FOR EARLY DAYS *****

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

MAKE CHECKS OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO: 2021 FCRV RETIREE RALLY. NO CREDITS ACCEPTED. MAIL TO: BILL AND PENNY RAMLOW, 8371 NIGHT OWL DR, RIVERVIEW, FL. 33569 OR CONTACT THEM AT: 305-822-6589 OR 813-545-6083, OR EMAIL THEM AT bramlow@aol.com

I WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER FOR: _____