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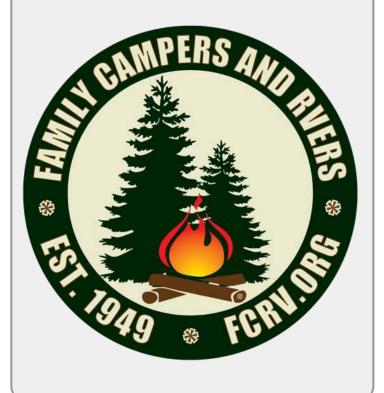
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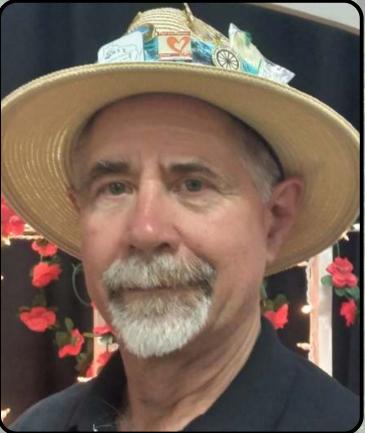
### **From The President**

Well, we are 5 weeks from Campvention 2025. Will we see you there? Have you sent in your registration? Do you know who is traveling from your state or province to Campvention 2025? Are you going to travel alone or in a caravan from your state/province? It will be here before we know it. I hope we see you there. If you still need to register, remember that you can do it online or at the gate. We look forward to seeing you there.

As times change, we as an organization are in need of change as well. As many of you know and realize, we are no longer an organization of 30,000 or 50,000 members. We are considerably smaller than we were 30 years ago. This will become an issue as we will see added costs for locations to hold future Campvention. As time passes, we will be forced to change how we do things. As a matter of fact, we already have made changes. We need to continue to adapt and change. This will be a necessity as we lose members to them ageing out and just not renewing. I often hear: "Well, what does FCRV give me?" This is a vicious circle. For added benefits we need members in numbers. However, we are losing members, and our numbers are going down. To survive we need paying Commercial members; to have Commercial members, we need numbers. We do have something to offer new members, but we must get them involved to understand the benefit we have to offer. It is important that we as Chapters make every effort to keep the people that join and make them feel welcome in our Chapter, State/Province, and region. WE must be welcoming and caring, making them part of the family. I encourage each of you to make it a point to welcome that new person and build a friendship with them. I will say our future depends on each of us to be welcoming and caring toward that new member. Be that mentor and befriend that new member. We can do this and we will do it.

Your Chair Awaits, See You at the Next Campout Gerry Pfirsch FCRV International President





# Hank Nathan Scholarship News

#### Hank Nathan International Scholarship News June 2025

By Stan & Fran Vozar, FCRV Scholarship Directors

We are happy to announce that there are 5 Scholarship recipients for this year. Scholarship amounts vary from \$2750 to \$3350. We want to thank all 5 applicants for taking the time from their studies and work responsibilities to gather letters of recommendations, transcripts and write their personal letter about themselves. All documents were personal yet powerful as well as creative.

Recipients will be announced at this year's Campvention in Tennessee and will be featured in the August issue of Camping Today. We look forward to next year's Hank Nathan Scholarship campaign beginning in the December 2025 issue of Camping Today.

Happy Camping to you all.



### **Connecticut: Conservation News**



Connecticut FCRV's West Thompson Lake 2025 Campground Spring Cleanup

By Lynn Tinter

Connecticut FCRV members spent May 5 to 8 at the West Thompson Lake Campground as part of our annual volunteer efforts. For the past 19 years, we've done a spring cleanup there (Except 2020 when the event was cancelled due to the virus.) West Thompson Lake is a US Army Corps of Engineers facility with a small campground near Putnam, Connecticut. This campground has 22 sites and has modern bathrooms, hot showers, and half the sites have water & electric (30 amp) hookups. The campground is not yet open to the public so we have it all to ourselves while we work and enjoy the area.

This year we had four families camping and two families who came for the day for a total of eleven members volunteering. We worked over 90 hours in the rain and in the sunshine on various tasks over the three days. We blew wet leaves from the campsites, playground and the basketball court. We power washed and cleaned the restrooms. Our gardening tasks included spreading two truckloads of mulch in the playground and flower beds as well as weeding the flower beds. Finally, our painting efforts included scraping the rust from the fire rings, then spray painting them as well as staining the railings and deck at the office.

On the last day, when we'd completed all our task list, the entire group went out for dinner at Dreary Bros Snack Bar nearby for dinner and ice cream. Some folks then hiked some of the extensive trails which leave right from the campground.

It was a great time and very satisfying to see the final result all set for the camping season.

# **DASAT: Rising Water, What to Do**

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By Joe Boswell, National DASAT Director

No matter where we live there comes a time when we all experience excessive amounts of rain. It may not have rained in our given community but remember folks, when it rains someone is going to be affected somehow. True to form, if by chance you live close to lakes, rivers, or streams the water will at some point in time rise up and overflow its banks. If you live downstream from the river, you are more likely to be in an area that just might flood on occasion

Therefore, here are some basic tips as to what to do in a flood situation. "Failing to evacuate flooded areas, or entering flood waters, or remaining after a flood has passed can result in injury or death. Flood is a temporary overflow of water onto land that is normally dry. Floods are the most common natural disasters." (ready.gov/floods)

Here are some causes of floodwaters. It could be the result of heavy rains in a given area over a long period. The melting snow, coastal storms, storm surges, and overflow of dams and reservoirs, and other water systems are additional causes. Flooding can be the result of a hurricane or other weather systems that affect your community. Floods can develop slowly over a period of several days and in other instances, they develop quickly. Flash floods can occur without any advance warning and these are the most dangerous. Floods can cause major power outages, transportation issues with major roadway closures because of the high water levels, damage to buildings and/or destroy them. In some geographical areas, floods create landslides.

If flood warnings are occurring for your community, you should arrange to seek shelter right away. This may mean that you have to evacuate your home or place of employment to seek safety. Rising, fast moving water is dangerous. It is life threatening to walk, or swim, and even to drive through floodwaters. Remember the

expression "Turn Around, Don't Drown!"

Facts: "just six inches of moving water can knock you down, and one foot of swiftly moving water can sweep your vehicle away." (<a href="ready.gov/floods">ready.gov/floods</a>) If a roadway is blocked, do not attempt to cross. If you encounter water too close to the top of a highway bridge, simply stay away. In both instances, it is not safe to cross the road. Bridges and overpasses may give way to fast moving water underneath and you do not want to be on it when this happens.

During a flood, you have to determine how to protect yourself based solely on the type of flooding that is occurring. If by chance you are an RV owner, pack it up and drive to higher ground. Take with you what you can, and seek safety. If the authorities have issued evacuation orders, then do so, and do not wait until it is too late. If rescue people have to rescue you, you are putting everyone in danger and you did not take the warning seriously. If by chance the water has risen much more quickly than anticipated, move to higher ground or a higher floor within your home or apartment. Move to the roof if necessary. In some instances it is safer to stay where you are than it is to enter rising floodwaters.

How does one stay safe during possible flooding? Listen to your local TV and radio stations. Also, how about using that weather radio. All are good sources for updates to weather conditions. You just might get an alert on your cell phone, too. In some

communities, you can sign up for the community's warning systems. This will give you current information pertaining to dangerous weather situations. Now that flood warnings are occurring, it is time to make your plans to evacuate. Is your "to go" bag ready and all of your necessary supplies up-to-date and ready to go? It is important to keep in mind each person's specific needs, including medications and evacuate accordingly. Remember your pets needs as well. They too need your protection.

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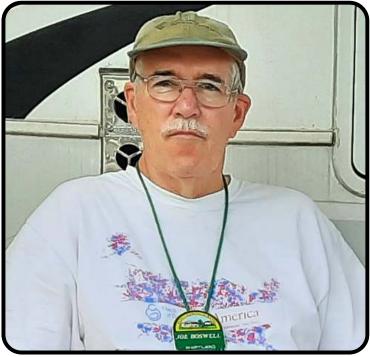
Items you may need, flashlights and batteries, charging devices for phones and other critical equipment. Hopefully your insurance coverage is up to date. Remember in some instances your homeowners insurance may or may not cover flooding. Check with your insurance agent for clarity on this specific item. Take with you important documents in a waterproof container. Protect your property if time allows and move important items to higher levels where possible. In an effort to prevent flooding, clean drains and gutters. Assure your sump pump is working and has a battery backup.

Basic survival depends on where you are and what you are able to do. If you are told to evacuate, do so. Waiting could mean life or death. Listen carefully to the instructions of local emergency authorities. They are there to help you to safety. They will do everything they can to guide you to a safer location. If you are caught in a car in rising waters, stay inside. If the water is rising inside of the vehicle, then seek refuge on the roof. If you have become trapped inside a building that is filling up with water, seek the highest location within that building. If necessary go to the attic, and signal for help.

After the danger has passed, and you begin to return to normal, take the time to listen to authorities on safety instructions. Remember to avoid water-covered highways and overpasses above floodwaters. Mother Nature's animals were affected too, so be careful of snakes, and other animals that may have been through the flood. As you begin to start the clean-up procedures use gloves, heavy boots and other protective gear. Be aware of downed electric wires and do not touch them to avoid electrocution. If possible, turn off your electricity until it is safe once again. Do not touch electrical equipment that was wet, or was in standing water. Electrical hazards may exist under the water. Avoid standing in water as it can contain hidden dangers such as glass, and other debris that can be harmful. Keep in mind that underground or downed power lines can be electrically charged thus creating a dangerous situation. The cleanup process takes a long time. If you have adequately prepared things will go smoothly and it will be completed before you know it. Source: www.ready.gov/floods

I look forward to seeing you in Lebanon. There are two seminars planned,





### **Welcome New Members**

Family Campers & RVers would like to extend a warm welcome to our newest members:

Hackett, Rex	Hackett, Janie	IL	Referred by: Brad Davis
Durand, Dominique	Barnes, Jan	NS	Referred by: Old Member, Rejoining.
Albright, Russell	Albright, Leslie	TX	Referred by: Ken Andrews (@ Alliance Rally)
Doolan, William	Doolan, Diane	CT	Referred by: RV Show: Goshen Fair Grounds
Speer, Doug	Speer, Cari	WI	Referred by: RV Show: Milwaukee RV show
Carter, Mason	Carter, Cheerie	CO	Referred by: Dan & Gloria Finerty
Barham, Duane	Barham, Brenda	ON	Referred by: Chapter: Tri County Travellers
Hall, Don	Hall, Donna	CT	Referred by: Tinters
White, Linda		MO	Referred by: Debbie Ludwig
Umberger, Greg	Umberger, Michele	PA	Referred by: Old Member, Rejoining.
Hale, Alvin	Osterloh, Carolann	MO	Referred by: Betty Jo & Larry Starnes
Vellios, Spiros	Vellios, Barbara	CT	Referred by: RV Show: Hartford Convention Center

# **Trustee Meeting Notes**

These notes are now being stored in the Virtual Office by National and sent via email to the executive and advisory boards. These notes can and are encouraged to be shared throughout the organization. The archive and single page notes are set up as a shareable link that is viewable by any 3rd party.

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#### **Announcement**

The currency exchange between the United States dollar & the Canadian dollar is at 1.45 causing our Canadian family members to pay over \$500 for the Campvention 2025 fee of \$350. Due to this the trustees have offered a special price for the upcoming campvention for those Canadians who have not yet registered.

Your Board of Trustees

### 2025 Campvention Shirts and Hats Available to Purchase Now!

The following link will take you to the portal to order Campvention shirts and hats. These will be mailed directly to you. These items can be ordered until June 30th. This deadline is to allow time for the shirts and hats to arrive before Campvention. The shirts and hats will NOT be available at Campvention.

https://fcrv.org/campvention-2025/#merch



#### **TP Raffle - Update**

By Kathy Howell, TP Chair

Can you believe that Campvention is less than a month away? My camper packing will begin as this issue of Camping Today is published. I am always an over packer, which takes me a long time to accomplish.

Seriously though, I have lots of goodies for the raffle to fit in. More than likely I will need to remove some of my "just in case" items. As you pack for our gathering, be sure to leave a spot for your possible winnings. It could be the space you use to bring a donation to the raffle!!

This raffle provides fun and entertainment for our adults and raises needed funds to help the teens have fun, entertainment, and learn about conservation. Our youth are the future of our club. This raffle is a fun way to engage them and teach them.

See you in Lebanon



#### **Youth Activities - Update**

By Deena Felver and Val Semper

Val Semper and I are excited to meet the youth. We are out of planning mode now so here is what we have planned.

We will have a game day, where we will play all different types of games like bean bag baseball, kid bowling, kickball, and whatever else we can think of. Then we can be ready to go play family softball in the afternoon.

There will be Carnival Day. We will have carnival games like ring toss, fishbowl toss, and a football throw game, plus a few more. There will be fun items that they can win.

There will be a water day in the afternoon one day so make sure you pack a swimsuit or clothes that you don't care if they get wet. And the last day we will have a Hawaiian Day when we will hand out leis and see how low we can get by playing limbo. We will also have a craft table set up and a few other toys or centers to try and keep everyone entertained. And don't forget that Wednesday will be a light day, so we are not having any activities planned for this day.

All youth activities will be from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. every day, and the water fun will be from 1P.M. to 3 P.M.

If you have anything you would like the youth to do, you can let me know; my e-mail is <a href="mailto:cdfelver@metalink.net">cdfelver@metalink.net</a>. If you would like to volunteer to help at the youth center, you can email me, also.

Thanks again

Tennessee is going to be Kick-ass for Teens - New By Marci Macintosh, Teen Chair

Lebanon, Tennessee is going to be a great Campvention for you, if you're a Teen (or chaperone). This article is long overdue, but it's so late because we were trying to research and secure the best experience for you. The big things this year will be the offsite "Urban Hike" and the Nashville Shores Waterpark. The "Urban Hike" will take us into Downtown Nashville where we'll experience The Nashville Parthenon and Centennial Park, the iconic stretch of Broadway, the Country Music Walk of Fame and Hall of Fame, the POW Pedestrian Bridge and the Lebanon/Nashville commuter train. It will be epic! Nashville Shores Waterpark boasts more than 20 attractions including water slides, a wave pool, a lazy river and splash pads. Waiting for us is over 1 million gallons of water fun!

For sports, we thought we'd try something a little different. This year, we'll be dodging color bombs as we play Capture the Flag! (Nontoxic, supposedly washable color powder "bombs") We've even been in touch with the local authorities for some coaching and tactical advice that day.

Because the entertainment is so stellar this year, the teen center will not be open during the evening program so we can all enjoy Jeffery Steele, The Eldorado Band and Sweetn3. There will be a couple of activities to make stuff, and we'll be serving lunch on Monday like we have for quite a few years.

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The stellar offsite activities are a direct result of your fundraising efforts in the TeePee raffle. Having said that, selling tickets will again be a part of the week leading up to the raffle on Thursday night. Each year's profits go towards next year's activities, so we'll be hitting up the adults for our offsite money in South Dakota.

Geoff and Marci cannot wait to hang out with the Teens again this year and are working hard to make this a Campvention to remember.

If your adults haven't registered yet, please get them to send it in asap, as we are already making reservations for July!

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#### **RV Tech on the Grounds - New**

By Ron Cohee, Campvention Commercial Chair

Russell Albright II, Albright Tech RV Repair, will be on the grounds at Campvention 2025.

His services are far ranging, but include:

Low voltage work

Appliance troubleshooting/repair/replacement

Furnace work

Air Conditioner work

Refrigerator

Lighting

RV Automation (including getting Alexa to fully operate the rig)

Network/IT work and setup including wiring to 12VDC system and setup

Diagnose many issues

I DO NOT work on axles, tires, suspension, bearings, drive trains.

Contact Russell Albright II at 253-495-8677.



### Adult and Family Activities Center - Update

By Craig Weber & Brian Fuller

Looking forward to seeing all of you in Lebanon, TN in July. The Adult and Family Center at Campvention is a place where there will be special events such as Card Bingo, Euchre Tournament, Chair Volleyball, Line Dancing, Five Crowns Tournament and Bingo. It is also a Center open to everyone to come any time to sit in the air conditioning, talk or play games with friends and just relax. There will be cards, a variety of games and jigsaw puzzles available for you to use or bring your own games. Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Please come and use the Adult and Family Center throughout the week.

### **Campvention 2025 Marketplace - Update**

By Rhonda O'Neal, Marketplace Chair

Hello, everyone! I am back again this year for Marketplace! If you are interested in a space, please let me know. Marketplace is where a time is set aside for our members to sell items that they make. This year it will be on Tuesday July 22, 2025. Opens at 9am for handicap and 10am for general membership till 12:00pm. The cost to rent a space is \$5, and this includes 1 table and 2 chairs. We had a great turnout last year. If you are interested, please email me at rhonda.oneal11@gmail.com. Hope to hear from you soon! There are still plenty of spaces available!

**Opening Flag Ceremony - Update**By Connie Black, Flag Ceremony Chair

Plans are underway for the Opening Flag Ceremony for Campvention 2025. States, provinces, and chapters that plan to participate should bring a 3' by 5' flag, flagpole and flag stand. Flags will be displayed all week near the stage. The US Flag, Canadian Flag, and the FCRV Flag will be displayed on stage. State, province, and chapter flags will be displayed on the floor.

Opening Flag Ceremony Rehearsal will take place on Sunday from 3 - 3:30 PM at the stage. Flag bearers should bring their flag, flagpole, and flag stands to the practice. The time of the Closing Ceremony rehearsal will be in the Program Book and will take place on Friday.







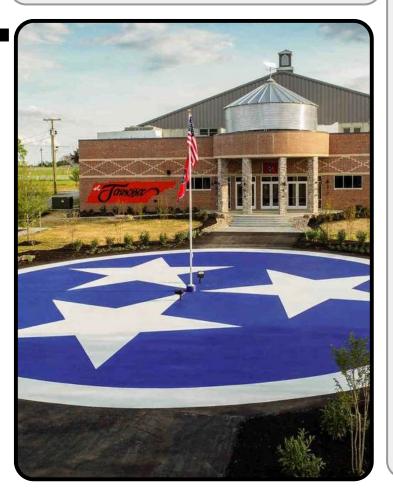


### **Honey Wagon Service - New**

By Daniel Tinter, Honey Wagon Service Chair

- RV dump service will be provided by 'On the Run Porta-John' on Monday (21st), Tuesday (22nd) and Thursday (24th).
- Price is \$40 per unit.
- Sign-up and payment will be at Central Registration.
- Members are required to be present at their RV at the time of service.
- As a reminder, please arrive at the rally with empty tanks.

If anybody is interested to help at central registration or the days of dump service, please let me know at <a href="mailto:dtinter@comcast.net">dtinter@comcast.net</a>.





### Feeling Crafty? - Update

By Misty Stuckwisch, Crafts Chair

Are you feeling crafty? Ready to roll up your sleeves and make something? Then the time is right now! Campvention 2025 will have two opportunities to make a craft. Each session is \$5 and all the supplies will be provided. Kits can be purchased if you don't think you have time. (glue not included in kits)

One craft will be a Tennessee magnet. You will be decoupaging decorative paper on a wood cutout of the state, then doing the finish work to complete the edges, adding a fun charm, the year, and a magnet or string to make it a Christmas tree ornament.

The second option will be a beaded ink pen. You will be able to pick your pen color and all the beads to personalize a pen that is truly unique, just like you! You will get one pen, an ink refill, and the beads needed to complete it.

I can't wait to see everyone in Tennessee!







#### **Hospitality - Update**

By Loretta Hebert, Hospitality Chair

We are doing hospitality a little differently this year. Instead of single groups hosting at different times throughout the week, we will have one night with groups hosting a table with treats. Guests will stop at each table to say hello and collect their treats. Since we hope to have many groups participating, you only need to provide a small tasting. We are up to 6 groups hosting a table. Some treats offered include popcorn - IN, snow cones — Roddams, AL, Belvita snacks — IL FFCC, and Mosquito juice — MN FFCC. Other groups are participating but haven't decided what they will provide.

I recently saw an article about the best snacks in every state. Some ideas are: cactus candy – AZ, cheese dip – AR, Chifles plantain chips – FL, pecan pralines – GA, whoopie pie – ME, potato chips – LA and MI, bourbon balls – KY, jerky – MT, saltwater taffy – NJ, Port City pretzels – NH, Goo Goo cluster – TN, boiled peanuts – SC, soft pretzels – PA, hazelnuts – OR, sunflower seeds – WY, and cheese curds- WI.

We need your help to make this event successful. Put on your thinking caps and join the fun! Think about any connections you may have. Is there a supplier in your area that would be willing to provide an in-kind donation of product samples to potentially reach 300 people? We can provide a letter if necessary. Please call Loretta Hebert at 630-564-0172 or email her at <a href="mailto:ffcc.fcrv@gmail.com">ffcc.fcrv@gmail.com</a> if you have any questions.

I really hope you will participate. It will be fun for all!

#### **Door Prizes - Update**

By Betty Andrews, Baskets Chair

We are counting down the days until we see you at the FCRV Campvention in Lebanon, TN this July for another unforgettable adventure!
One of the highlights of Campvention is the Gift Basket Raffle! Everyone loves the thrill of winning a basket or Tote Bag, and the more donations, the more prizes we can share!

Let's make this year's door prizes bigger & better than ever!

How You Can Help?

- 1. As you gear up for Summer camping, consider making it a group project!
- 2. Ask each Club member to bring an item to contribute to the basket or Tote.
- 3. This allows everyone to participate, even if they can't attend Campvention.
- 4. Consider themed baskets with items made in your state/province, camping gear, or handmade crafts!
- 5. Only include new, unopened items in your basket to ensure a great experience for the winner.
- 6. Please Include a 3x5 card with your name & address so the lucky winner can send a thank you!

Who's excited for Campvention 2025? Let's connect and have fun with new and old friends.

For additional information or questions feel free to contact Betty Andrews at

<u>UBetUKen2@gmail.com</u>





### **Pet Parade Excitement - Update** *By Linda DeCamp and Lou Tiley*

The annual FCRV pet parade is just around the corner. This fun-filled event promises to showcase our adorable pets, their unique talents, and costumes.

The pet parade will take place on Tuesday July 22nd, at 10:00 AM with a grand procession of pets and their proud owners at the Community Stage. Participants are expected to arrive early to secure their spot.

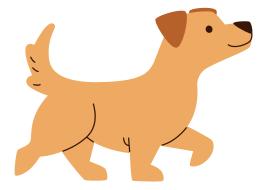
Registration for the pet parade is open to all campers and their pets. All pets are welcome to join in the fun. Registration forms will be available at the event, or you can pre-register online at the following link: <a href="https://fcrv.org/campvention-pet-parade/">https://fcrv.org/campvention-pet-parade/</a>. All registrations must be submitted by Monday, July 21, 2025.

Owners are encouraged to dress their pets in creative costumes. Prizes will be awarded for "Cutest Trick," "Most Unique Pet," "Biggest Personality" "Best Pet Owner Look-Alike" and "Judges Favorite".

Safety is a top priority for the pet parade. Owners are required to keep their pets on a leash, ensure they are well-behaved and up to date on vaccinations.

The upcoming pet parade is a chance for pet owners to show off their pets and for non-pet owners to cheer on the participants! We look forward to seeing all of you on Tuesday, July 22nd!









### Golf Cart Rentals - Repeat

By Rick Walorski, Golf Cart Chair

Do you want to rent a golf cart for your Campvention Cruising Pleasure?

Please contact Dixie Hooper 615-624-8720 with Mikey's Motors to rent a four-passenger golf cart for Campvention 2025 week. Or click <a href="https://www.mikeysmotors.com/rent-a-make--xrentals">https://www.mikeysmotors.com/rent-a-make--xrentals</a>

\$400.00 weekly rental for a four-passenger gas cart.

\$50.00 delivery/handling/pickup fee

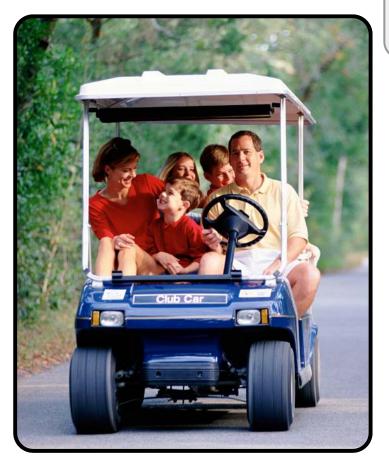
\$43.88 Tax

\$493.88 Total Rental Fee (if paying with cash or check)

14.82 3% Credit Card Fee

\$508.70 Total if paying with a credit card

Your Campvention Team has selected Mikey's Motors in Murfreesboro to supply the golf carts for the Campvention Trams and Core Teams (parking, security, etc). They have extended the 4-seat cart price to our membership.



### Adult Games - Repeat

By Kathy Collier, Games Chair

This year we will be playing ladder golf, corn hole, washer toss and bocce. Bocce will be played in assigned teams of four. The others will be played as singles or doubles. For doubles, sign up with someone, or I can pair anyone who needs a partner. Doubles is any two adults. This is for adults 20 and up. Please sign up in advance. To be honest, it's easier for me. If you can't make it, due to scheduling conflict, or anything. no worries. I'll adjust the sheets. If you miss the sign up, show up. Again, I can adjust.

We need supplies! The more the merrier. Plenty of supplies means we can keep things moving. Please let me know if you have and can bring ladder golf, corn hole, or washer toss. While we need all 3, the club does not own ANY corn hole games, and we will need those the most. Ping me on Facebook, Discord, private message, text or email. Heck, if ya have my number, even call me! Please bring games to the game field the morning of the game as per the schedule, then pick up after the games are done. Games will be left at the field, so you know where they are. Please, please assemble ladder golf.

See you in Tennessee!









#### Campvention Tour Opportunities - Repeat By Shari Weber

There are four tour opportunities planned for Wednesday July 23, 2025 at Campvention in Lebanon. Below are links to each tour which include descriptions of the tour, the cost, and time of the tour. You will need to make individual reservations for the tours. For example, if you plan to go on the E-Bike tour and someone else is going with you, you will use the link twice to make the reservations as pricing is for individuals. There is no opportunity to select a quantity for the tour. Be sure to pay attention to requirements for the tour. The E-Bike tour minimum age is 13 and Jack Daniels the minimum age is 21 (there are tastings included) and you will need to have a government issued ID.

https://fcrv.org/campvention-tours/









### Additional tour Opportunities - Repeat By Shari Weber

There are two tours we were unable to set up this way although they are still available to plan on your own. They are as follows.

Nashville's Dark Secrets: Murder & True Crime Walking Ghost Tour \$34.95 per adult.

Hear the scary past of Nashville through the experiences of a LOCAL! Our ADULTS ONLY TOUR is a must for anyone who loves ghosts, history, and especially true crime.

Prepare to be captivated by the dark history of Music City. Our knowledgeable guides will lead

you through the blood-stained pages of Nashville's past, recounting stories of murder, betrayal, and revenge that have left an indelible mark on the city's psyche. From infamous serial killers to unsolved mysteries, each stop on this tour will send shivers down your spine.

We'll take you to the locations where these heinous acts occurred, allowing you to stand on the very ground where the perpetrators and victims once walked. Along the way you'll hear about the investigations, the suspects, and the lingering questions that still baffle criminologists and historians to this day.

### Outdoor Escape Room from \$75.00 per group (up to 6)

One part scavenger hunt, one-part escape room, and one-part urban crawl. Can you escape your city? Search for real-world clues, solve puzzles, and discover your city with an experience you will never forget!

Follow the storyline around town as you find clues and use them to crack codes. Then enter solutions on the app to find out where to go next. Clues can be anywhere - murals, statues, landmarks, and more!

Plan about two hours of playtime, depending on your experience level and how much time you spend exploring along the way. Difficulty level is adjustable - take as many or as few hints as you'd like!

Please Note: When planning your adventure, keep in mind that shipping can take up to 7 business days.

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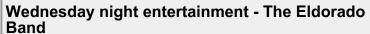
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**Entertainment Announced - Repeat** By Connie Black, Entertainment Chair

Monday night entertainment - Jeffery Steele
Jeffrey Steele is an American country music singer
and songwriter. Along with recording his own
material, Steele has become a prolific Nashville
songwriter, having co-written more than 60 hit
songs for such artists as Montgomery Gentry, Tim
McGraw, Faith Hill, LeAnn Rimes, Rascal Flatts,
Billy Ray Cyrus, and others.

Between 1990 and 1996, Steele was the lead singer and bass guitarist in the country music band Boy Howdy, which recorded two albums and an EP on Curb Records, in addition to charting seven singles on the Billboard country music charts. After Boy Howdy disbanded, Steele embarked on a solo career, recording seven studio albums (one of which was not released). He also charted four singles as a solo artist, with the highest-peaking ("Somethin' in the Water") reaching No. 33 on the country charts in 2001.

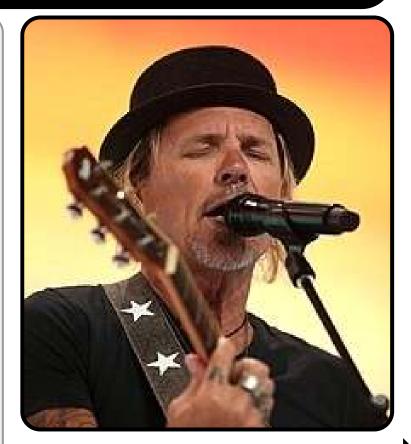


The Eldorado Band is a rockin' country band with powerful vocals, blazing guitars, honky-tonk piano, and a tight rhythm section.

In January 2007, bassist César Sánchez and guitarist Nano Paramio formed the band Eldorado. The band drew inspiration from 1970s classic rock groups Bad Company, Deep Purple and Led Zeppelin. After distributing some demo songs, the group was picked up by producer Richard Chycki, who has worked with Aerosmith, Dream Theater, Gotthard, and Rush.

Friday night entertainment – Sweetn3
Sweetn3 is one of Middle Tennessee's top "go to"
Classic Rock and Roll Cover Bands.
Sweetn3 loves the music they cover and it shows on stage, which is why they are so popular among the rock and roll crowd.

Sweetn3 covers bands like The Allman Bros, David Bowie, Chili Peppers, Rolling Stones, Led Zeppelin, Joan Jett, Janis Joplin, Van Halen, Sheryl Crow, Heart, The Who, Yes, ZZ Top and many more. Even though their main focus is classic rock, they occasionally drop other music genres in their sets like folk, jazz, soul and country, and they're not afraid of taking on requests either.



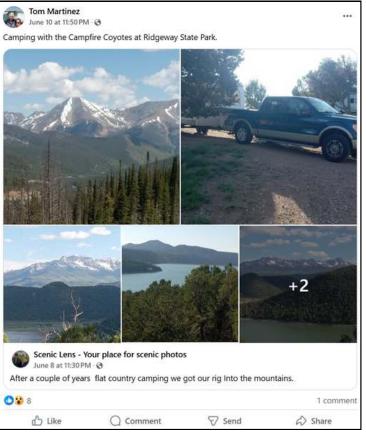




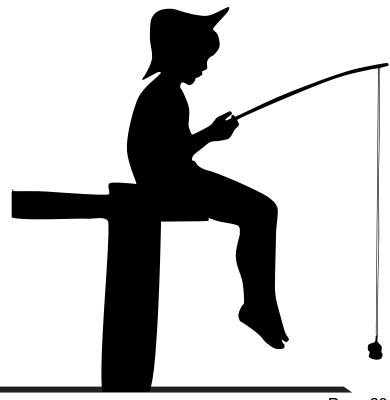
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#### Dear RV

I would like to ask how I can power my RV that is 50-amp when I only have a standard 110 outlet at the house. I would like to keep the refrigerator cold as we go more than one weekend each month. Or would I be required to use propane because I don't have a 50-amp plug in at the house? Understand this is the first time we have been able to store the rig at home. Thanks

Well, congratulations on getting a new place so that you can keep the rig at home. I can relate to what you are going through as I too store the rig at home. This is a convenience that outweighs many other things. The short answer is you will need to get an adapter for your 50-amp plug to a standard 110 outlet plug-in. For a few years, I would get out the heavy 50-amp cord that I plug in at the campground and use an adaptor plugging it into a heavy-duty extension cord plugged into the house. I was on Amazon and found the adaptor that went from the quick connect on the rig to a standard 110 plug-in. I must say that the best thing I ever did was to buy this adapter. I no longer have to dig out the 50amp power cord and use a small pigtail adaptor from 50-amp to 30-amp to 110. You will also be able to find this adapter at some RV dealers.

Thanks for asking Dear RV

#### Dear RV

I have a tire question. I have a 2020 rig that came with a good brand trailer tire on it with a matching spare. The tires, all 5, are a match. I went out and found my tire cover on the driveway. I thought the wind had removed it or possibly the kids were playing and took it off. So, I went around and was going to place it back on the tire. I found that the tire had blown apart. My question is what could have caused this? Also, the tire was set to the correct air pressure as marked on the tire, 55 psi.

#### Help!!!!!

Wow, that is a new one! My first thought would have been over inflated; however you had checked it. Assuming that the tires are the tires that came on the rig they would be 5 years old so it could be a failure due to age of the tire. I would definitely check all the tires for weather checks and/or other defects. Take the time to check over the other tires and make sure that they do not have weather checking or any other defects.

Thanks for asking Dear RV









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