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From the President - Shari Weber



There were lots of people who helped with the Tampa Show. Emma & Bob Moore, Florida State Directors did a great job coordinating with Florida members and making sure our tri-fold was in the goodie bags for those who attended the rally associated with the show. Lou & Beth Coniglio helped by putting together current photos and compiling the contact information collected at the show. The Coniglio girls all came and helped when they weren't in school. Other Florida members who helped with the show are Cecil Baker & Annette Wick, Pete & Jane Brown, Sharon & Richard Jansen, George & Debbie Walters and Johnny & Edith Woodward. Snowbird helpers from OH/FL are Harold, Ron & Jim Braley, Claude & Mary Funk, Dave & Linda Hennie, and Jim & Barb Turner; MI/FL helper was Sue Carlsen; from NC/FL Penny & Billy Ramlow; from IL/FL Duane & Ruth Keegan; Leon & LaNelle Ishmael from SC/FL; and Tonya & George Rothman and Dave & Deb Swanson both from NY/FL. A huge THANK YOU goes out to all of these people. I think we all had a good time and in the process got some good promotion for FCRV.

While speaking with potential members and existing members I made a few observations. The uniqueness about FCRV are important to people. The fact that we are member owned and volunteer run is impressive to potential members. The fact that we welcome all campers regardless of type or brand is something our potential members like. Finally the fact that we have been around since 1949 lets our potential members know we have longevity. All of this and the education aspect of our organization make us unique. With our Conservation Program people learn how to enjoy the outdoors and keeping it for future generations. Our Wildlife Program teaches about the animals and how to protect them. Our members learn the value of remaining active through our Campers Actively Moving Program. Learning what to do during disasters and to remain safe is the focus of our Disaster & Safety Awareness Training Program. Then there is the higher learning aspect where we provide scholarships for those working on post high school degrees. We have a fantastic organization!

Election

Please look for the election article in this issue for information on the election process and be sure to

vote. It contains important information about the election process and how you will receive your ballot. The information and platforms of the candidates will be in the March issue of "Camping Today"

Scholarship

This is the time to be working on your scholarship application. Contact Carl & Lynda Wood, Scholarship Director (fcrvscholarship2014@gmail.com) for the necessary forms. Carl & Lynda will also be glad to inform you of the deadlines for submissions.

Awards

It is an annual tradition for us to recognize outstanding volunteers at campvention. Sue Carlsen, Recording/Corresponding Officer is our awards coordinator. She will make a call for nominations soon. Consider nominating someone for recognition. The nominations must come from a member of field staff. If you are not a field staff member and know of someone who should receive recognition, please contact your state/provincial director for assistance. Awards forms and more information are on fcrv.org.

Camping

The retiree rally is March 20th – 25th in Tallahassee FL. Dave & Linda Hennie and their team are planning "Spring Break" for all who attend. All are welcome whether retired or not to attend this rally planned with the interests of older adults in mind.

Campvention is July 9th – 13th in Doswell VA where "Our Country Began". Marjorie & Don Bates, Ron & Reba Ray and Gerry & Betty Owens and their team are planning a great experience for everyone. This rally is planned for all ages and has activities for youth, teens and all ages of adults. Come and reunite with your camping family from all over the US and Canada.

Regional and state/provincial campout schedules are included on the website. Check for a campout near you. While the southern folks and snow birds are enjoying camping this time of the year, those remaining in the north are dreaming and planning for the start of the 2018 camping season.

Until the next campfire...

Shari

Come Camp With Us!



Building Membership by Giving "The Gift of Camping"



Print out the next page (page 4) and hand out to perspective members. The FREE 6 month membership is still available.

If you or someone you know is not sure if a camping club is right for them, Family Campers offers the chance to try it for free.

Cadet Members receive all the benefits of a paid member, except they don't have the right to vote in elections.

Current FCRV members can use the form below. Complete the information for both the Cadet and you. Send the form into the National Office. The Cadet's materials will be mailed to your home so that you can present it to the Cadet.

The success of this program depends on you mentoring this member and seeing that they renew their membership at the end of their free six months.

FCRV – *Cadet Program Registration*

FCRV member mail completed registration to address below.

Family Campers & RVers - 4804 Transit Rd, Bldg 2 - Depew, NY 14043

Cadet members First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Spouse: Address: _____

City: _____ State/Prov.: _____

Zip/PC: _____ Home Phone: _____ - _____ - _____ Work: _____ - _____ - _____

E-Mail: _____ Family consists of: _____ Adults _____ Children _____ Retired Adults

CADET MEMBER'S SIGNATURE

FCRV member First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Member # _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State/Prov.: _____

Zip/PC: _____ Home Phone: _____ - _____ - _____ Work: _____ - _____ - _____

E-Mail: _____

FCRV Member's Signature _____

FCRV Membership Cards and welcome materials will be sent to FCRV member to present to new Cadet member.

Cadet Membership Program- - - Procedures and Policies - See Page 6

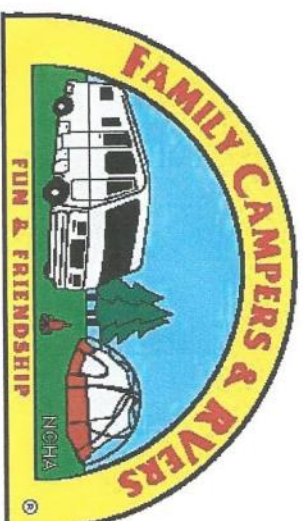


Mission of Family Campers & RVers:

Share with all campers/RVers, the FCRV fun, friendship, fellowship and family feelings of camping together and to promote and enhance the experience and enjoyment of recreational family type camping/RVing.

Benefits of membership:

- Fellowship and fun
- Group camping
- Conservation and Wildlife programs
- Disaster and Safety Awareness Training
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Cadet Membership Program -----Procedures and Policies

Every paid regular member of FCRV may use the certificate on page 4 for a free 6 months membership in FCRV to be given to a camping family or individual.

CADET MEMBER SIGN UP PROCEDURES:

1. The FCRV member will use the free 6 month Cadet Membership certificate for a camping family or individual. The new member should mirror the qualities of character desired in FCRV members.
2. The FCRV member will present the Cadet Membership certificate and ask the new family to provide the information requested and sign the Cadet registration form.
3. The FCRV member will complete the balance of the registration form, sign and mail it to the National Office at FCRV Headquarters, 4804 Transit Rd, Bldg. 2, Depew, NY 14043.
4. When the National Office receives the registration they will process the membership and mail a FCRV Cadet Membership card and welcome letter to the FCRV member. The FCRV member will present the membership card and welcome letter to the Cadet member.
5. When the FCRV member receives the Cadet Membership card and welcome material from the National Office, they will also receive another Cadet membership packet with another certificate that they may award to another camping family.

CADET MEMBERSHIP MENTORING SUGGESTIONS:

Once an FCRV member has successfully recruited a Cadet Member, they must assume the responsibilities of a mentor for the new family. These mentoring duties may include:

1. Helping the new member become acquainted with other members in the local chapter and the State/Provincial Associations.
2. Offering to caravan with them to campouts and conventions.
3. Making sure the new member is welcomed into all activities of the local and State/Provincial campouts. They should also help the new member become aware of all the benefits and resources available to them in FCRV at all levels.
4. Help them make arrangements to attend the National Campvention and/or the Retiree Rally.
5. Encouraging the new member to enroll for the next year of FCRV membership.

CADET MEMBERSHIP POLICIES:

1. Former FCRV members must wait a full year before becoming eligible to receive a Cadet Membership.
2. A family may be a Cadet member only once.
3. Cadet Members are entitled to all the rights and privileges of FCRV membership except holding an elected National office in FCRV, voting on National FCRV matters, and issuing Cadet Memberships. Cadet members may pay dues, vote, and hold office in Local and State/Provincial Chapters and Associations as provided by the governing documents of those entities.
4. Cadet members must accept and abide by FCRV Codes, Rules, and Regulations. FCRV reserves the right to deny or rescind a Cadet Membership to families who do not accept and/or abide by FCRV Codes, Rules, and Regulations.
5. The FCRV Board of Trustees may change or discontinue the Cadet Program when it is deemed necessary.
6. FCRV members may count the Cadet member that joins for a full year as qualifying towards their entry into or moving up a level in the Ambassador Club.





Retiree Rally 2018

Tallahassee, FL

March 20 - 25, 2018



**Brake now, Harold.....
This is where we brake to
go to...**

Spring Break at the North Florida Fairgrounds in Tallahassee Florida, March 20-26. Early bird days are March 16-19 and we are waiting for you to start Spring Break Week.

The week will be swingin' with a Beach Party on Thursday afternoon.

There will be wet t-shirt contests for the men, bikini contests the pets and if you can remember when flip-flops were called thongs you will enjoy the thong decorating contest. Beach blanket bingo and beach ball volley ball will be some of the games at the beach party, all while we sway to the tunes of the day.

So come on down, bring your best girl or guy and join us for the 2018 International Retiree Rally in Tallahassee Florida. Be there or be square.

Dave and Linda Hennie, Chairmen
Dallas and Barb Dodson, Asst. Chairmen



Retiree Rally Security Committee Needs Help

Chair Dwight Bonifield is asking that attendees volunteer a little time to help the security committee during the rally. You can contact him at fcrv2004@aol.com.



Advertising Your Interest

Want to advertise a project of yours? The program book is under construction and there is space for your commercial, and very economical, too.

A full page ad (5x7) is only \$50

A half page ad (3.5x5) is only \$35

A business card ad is only \$20.

You will need to provide the art work in Word or jpeg form. Deadline to submit an ad is March 1, 2018, and you will need to send it to Rpalace1170@aol.com. We will collect the fee at the rally.

King and Queen contestants will be exempt from this fee and will need to submit a photo and bio by the same deadline date and to the same email address.

Contact us for any additional information. Linda & Dave Hennie, Rally Coordinators.



FCRV Retiree Rally Choir

CALLING ALL VOICES! Sign up for the Retiree Rally Choir. Sign-up sheets will be located in the registration area. Everyone is welcome, regardless of experience.

George Walters, choir director



Rally Confirmation Letters

Penny Ramlow, Registration Chair

Confirmation letters for those who have registered went out in January. I requested on the letter that they email me to let me know if they got it. (Note: hope you've done that.)

It's NOT TOO LATE to register for a fun-filled week in Tallahassee!





Memorial Ceremony

by Rev. Harold Braley

Please let Rev. Braley know about members deaths of your state or province, so those names can be read at the National Retiree Rally memorial service.

Send names to hbraley@outlook.com

Book Exchange



Patti Thieme, IN, has volunteered to chair the book exchange at Tallahassee. She is encouraging attendees to bring both paperbacks & hardcover books to the rally to exchange. The policy is 'bring one; take one'. Share your books with our attendees and get some new books yourself in exchange.



Food Bank & Lap Robes



We are coming to you in asking for aid and support of the local food bank in Tallahassee, Florida in March, 2018. 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.

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 Tallahassee.

Your efforts are so appreciated.

Love, Ashley & Gloria Taylor, Food Bank Chairs



C.A.M.P. - Campers Actively Moving Program

Plan on starting every morning at the rally walking with us on the C.A.M.P. Walk and earn coupons you can spend towards FCRV merchandise. Dick and I will enjoy visiting with you during our walks.

Looking forward to seeing you in Tallahassee, FL.
Kathy & Dick Buresh, Chairs



Red Hat Luncheon

Red Hat committee is continuing to get ready for the spring rally. Hope everyone has marked the dates in their calendar, and are looking forward to having some fun. March will be here before you know it. Hope everyone's holidays went well. See all of you in Tallahassee.

Until mid-March,
Dora, Sandi, & Shari

Rally Craft

by Judy Elenburg



There is a Flip Flop decorating contest at the Rally. Bring your Flip Flops to my craft time. My craft will be for you to decorate them. I will provide an assortment of things to use to decorate them. I will also have some ideas.

Looking forward to seeing you in Tallahassee.

Variety Night Show Tradition Continues



For the last several years it has been the tradition of the Retiree Rally to have a variety show after the very moving Memorial Service. This has allowed us to transition from a fitting remembrance of FCRV members who have died since the last rally to a relaxing and fun evening that features our own home-grown talent.

The variety night lasts about 90 minutes, and we try to have 12-15 'acts.' Individuals are allowed 5 minutes, and group skits are allowed 10 minutes. We usually have several states and a couple of provinces represented in this variety night.

Sign-up will be during the first two days of registration, but now is the time to be thinking about something you, your chapter, state/province could perform to entertain us all. If you can sing, do recitations, play an instrument, dance, do monologues – comic or serious-, or have a group skit, we hope you'll sign up.

Think about it, and we'll see you at registration.

Jack Smye
Variety Night Chairman

2018 RETIREE KING & QUEEN CANDIDATES



Roger & Cheryl Descoteaux - SC



Bill & Penny Ramlow - NC

'Let Us Entertain You!'



Tuesday - Liverpool Live

Thursday - Variety Show



Wednesday - Ron & Kay Rivoli



Friday - Tommy, Jo & The Kids

Saturday - King & Queen Ball



Campvention 2018

July 9 - 13, 2018

The Meadow Event Park

Doswell, Virginia

Campvention Parking Info



**All parking pedestals have
50-amp service only**

**Those requiring 30/20 amp service bring
an adapter for their unit**



Campvention 2018 Hospitalities Info

by LaNelle & Leon Ishmael, chairs

2017 is behind us, and before we know it, we will be headed to Virginia for Campvention. Leon and I are wintering in Florida and won't be receiving our mail on a timely basis so please email or call for your hospitality forms.

We want to have a lot to give everyone a chance to meet and greet.

Email is lanelleishmael@yahoo.com

Phone: Leon: 515-520-7958, LaNelle: 803-341-2470



From the Campvention Chairs, Marjory & Don Bates

We continue to work toward making FCRV Campvention 2018 a fun and successful event for all of you. If you would like to volunteer for any of the committees, please let us know. Being involved allows you to meet many new friends and really helps us.

Our email address is mbates13@bellsouth.net



Door Prizes Needed



Just a reminder that door prizes are needed to be brought to Campvention for our committee to give away to the lucky ones receiving one. Thanks for your support as we are looking for prizes from each state & province.

Mary Burrus, door prize chairman



Campvention Pet Parade

by Millie Pauwels

The Pet Parade theme is the same as the Campvention theme – 'Where It All Began'. We will have prizes based on the youngest, oldest, cutest, best dressed, and other categories.



Calling all FCRV Teens....
**Are you looking for a way to get
involved?**
Are you artistic and creative?

**Then we need you to design the
2018 Campvention Royalty Contest T-Shirt.**

This is the shirt that the contestants and outgoing court will wear during the Royalty Contest opening

number and for the Poise and Confidence (essay) portion. Our theme for 2018 is “Where Our Country Began.” T-shirt designs should convey the theme and be simple as T-shirts will only be printed in a single color. Send your designs to Becca Coniglio at beccaconiglio@yahoo.com **with 2018 Royalty Contest T-shirt Design in the subject line.** **The deadline for entries is February 28.**



Campvention DASAT Seminars

by Joe Boswell, FCRV DASAT Director

ACTIVE SHOOTER: Have you ever wondered what to do if an “active shooter” situation occurred at your place of work, the child’s school, the mall, a moving theatre, and even at church? This tragic situation is occurring more and more frequently throughout society. As a simple recap, this past fall, several members of a local community were killed as they gathered to worship. Ask yourself this simple question, would you know what to do in an “active shooter” situation? It is extremely difficult to prepare for this type of disaster. One does not know where or when this is going to occur. In order for you to be better prepared “An Active Shooter” update presentations will be one of our seminars at the National Campvention. Knowing what to do and how to react is very important in keeping yourself and others safe. Watch for more details as they become available and plan to attend this DASAT program. It could save your life.

Opioids: The number one killer in America Today. A very special “Drug Awareness” program will be presented by the Caroline County Sheriff Office, on the effects, and dangers of Opioids. The uses of these drugs are killing people in numbers unbelievable. This seminar will explore the various types of opioids, their how they can lead to drug addiction and so much more. Many communities are having workshops and seminars to educate the general public on the dangers of their use. You are encouraged to be a participant in this educational and life-saving “drug awareness” prevention seminar. The date and time of the seminar will be forthcoming as we prepare for Campvention in July.

Golf Cart Rental Campvention 2018



Application found elsewhere in
this issue

Kidde Fire Extinguisher RECALL



Kidde Home Safety Company has recalled certain plastic handle and push button fire extinguishers used in RVs and boats. Metal handle models are not included.

For information, go to www.kidde.com/home_safety then search product recalls and follow the link.



Call for National Award Nominations



Before we get too far into the New Year, let’s take a moment to reflect on the accomplishments of our fellow campers in 2017. Can you think of someone whose performance last year is worthy of national recognition? Each summer at campvention, FCRV acknowledges its members for outstanding service in their community as well as within the organization itself. These distinctions include: Chapter of the Year, Individual Award (Plaque or Citation), Humanitarian Award, Lifesaving Award, and the Hank Nathan Lifetime Achievement Award. While honors are presented on stage in July, recipients of a national award are not required to attend campvention. So, if the person(s) you’re thinking about is unable to travel to Virginia this summer, please don’t let that discourage you from submitting a nomination.

It’s a great feeling to have your efforts acknowledged by your peers. Anyone can recommend a fellow member for a national award. With regards to the Humanitarian and Lifesaving awards in particular, it is often the chapter members who can best identify those who qualify. The criteria for each award and the necessary forms are on the national website (www.fcrv.org). After you complete the form, you’ll need to forward it to a member of the field staff, Ex-

ecutive Board, or a trustee for approval. If you will please take a few minutes to review the material on the website, I'm hopeful you will think of someone who deserves recognition this year. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need help getting started.

All award nominations must be submitted by April 15, 2018.

Thank you.

Sue Carlsen
Recording/Corresponding Officer
carlsens@tampabay.rr.com



National Election

There are three positions up for election in March. President has one candidate, Shari Weber from Illinois who is incumbent. Vice President Programs has two candidates, George Walters from Florida, the incumbent and Loren Douglas from Ontario. Recording/Corresponding Officer also has two candidates, Sue Carlsen from Florida/Michigan, the incumbent and Cheryl Descoteaux from South Carolina. There will be bios and platforms in the March issue of "Camping Today". Members of FCRV are entitled to one vote. Ballots will be distributed by email for those of you who have email and by first class mail for the rest. We will use email address and postal addresses we have on file for you. If you have an address or email change, please let the National Office know. Phone 716-668-6242 Email fcrvnat@verizon.net.

FCRV Activities



Beth O'Neal, Miss FCRV 2017 is ready to help deliver Christmas gifts for the ALF Chapter (IL,MO) Adopt a Family project.

Indiana FCRV Delivery To Riley Children's Hospital

By Patti Thieme



On November 21st Ed Shaneyfelt (my son) and I went to Riley hospital in Indianapolis, Indiana to deliver all the donations that the Indiana FCRV had collected the past year. We met with Mike G. of guest relations to load up the cart of donations and to fill out the paperwork. Pictured above are myself and Mike with the donations. This is what all of the donations consisted of:

55 Stuffed Animals, 3 Fleece Blankets, 16 Barbie Dolls, 8 Flash Card decks, 15 Backpacks, 29 Puzzles, 12 Holiday Fun kits, 8 Christmas Stockings, 7 Bill-folds, 2 Hats, Nail Polish Collections, 3 Art Kits, 7 Bottles of Bubbles, 4 Magnetic Mirrors, 6 Dry Erase Boards, 17 Hot Wheel Cars, 10 Scarfs, 6 Hat and Glove sets, 51 Pair of Gloves, 26 Handmade Bags, 17 Handmade Quilts, 50 Note books, 20 Folders, 30 Coloring Books, 6 Binders with Paper, 3 Pencil Holders, 3 Tea Sets, 4 Plastic Cars.

Included with those donations were also: 12 Bags each with a Coloring book, Crayola Crayons, Stick Glue, Toothpaste, Toothbrush, Pencils, 2 Note Pads, Eraser, Pencil Sharpener, and a Picture Frame inside. Then 12 more bags each with Scissors, Stick Glue, Eraser, 2 Note Pads, Pencils, Pen, Kleenex, Picture frame, Hand Sanitizer, and a Pencil Sharpener.

I thoroughly enjoy collecting the donations and to see the look on the faces at Riley when we bring all the donations in. I am looking forward to see what the Indiana group will collect for next year's donations. Thanks to everyone that donated gifts or money the past year and also to the State organization for the monetary donation for the purchase of gifts.



Tampa RV Show

For the first time FCRV has a booth at the Tampa Super RV Show.....this is the set-up crew!



Winter Driving and Your Tires

By Joe Boswell, National D.A.S.A.T. Director

Happy New Year to everyone! In looking at the various weather news reports it seems many have already begun or have been experiencing various road hazards. This time of year brings lots of snow and ice on the road ways. The further up north you live or travel you are bound to experience this type of road conditions. Before all of the temperatures dropped that was the time to make sure you were prepared for adverse driving conditions. Here are a few points to make your winter driving a bit better.

First, check your tires. Do they have the proper tread depth? Here is a simple trick, use a penny and if the tread wear is below the head of Abraham Lincoln on a penny your tire's tread wear is not safe for any type of highway driving. Off to the tire store for new tires should be your next stop, if your tread wear is not adequate for winter driving. In today's world, most people purchase what is considered to be "all season" tires. They provide some traction for rain, and a small amount of traction for driving in the snow. Years ago, many people purchased what was considered to be "snow" tires. They had a heavy tread tires and were much better for winter driving. These tires were designed to 'bite' the snow and provided a

lot more traction. People who purchased these tires, used them during the winter months and changed back to their standard road tires for the spring, summer and early fall driving months. Keep in mind no matter what type of tires one may have on their vehicle-they are not suitable for driving on ice. For driving on ice, "tire chains" are considered the best and even they can fail. The best thing for "icy" road conditions is to just stay off the roads.

Second, stay off the cell phone. Here is a basic fact, when you are on the cell phone you are not paying attention to road, driving conditions or anything else. Simple fact: put down the cell phone while driving. Using a cell phone while driving can cause an accident and you could be charged for causing the accident.

Third, it takes two hands on the steering wheel to properly steer the car in adverse driving conditions. By having two hand on the steering wheel you will have better control of the vehicle and can guide yourself into and out of adverse conditions with a little bit of ease. You can also "feel" the obstacles of the road as you drive along.

Fourth, slow down! You need not be in a hurry-you will get to your destination safely by just taking your time and slowing down. Just because there is a posted speed limit, driving slower during adverse conditions, is much safer. I am sure you have seen on the news reports or have been witness to someone driving too fast who spins out of control causing an accident. They may have also ended up in the ditch because they were in too big of a hurry for the road conditions. If road conditions are that bad, to be safe, simply stay off the road.

Fifth, do you have a window scraper, blanket, shovel, kitty litter, or salt to help you get unstuck in the snow? You may need the blanket if you end up stuck someplace for a few hours or for the night. The kitty litter will give you add added weight to the driving wheels of your car and it can be put under your tires when you have become stuck for more traction. These are simple items, and can be useful during winter driving conditions.

All the above points are things to take into consideration for winter driving. In order to be safe, everyone should take time to make sure your car is properly prepared for the 'winter' months of constantly changing road conditions. True, one may have other things to do to your car in and effort to be prepared it for the winter driving months. For example, as making sure your washer fluid is full and your wind shield

wipers are in good condition.

No matter where one lives, driving conditions do change. How prepared you are depends on your own safety and the safety of other who may be in your vehicle. Safe traveling everyone!

NEW LOOK FOR WEBSITE



If you've been on the FCRV website you'll see we are working on a new look. Please bear with us as we work on moving the information from one design to another and updating the information. We feel this design will be easier to find information.

If you have anything you would like added to the website, please let us know.

Thanks for your patience!

Memories

LOOKING BACK - REMEMBERING JIM BOB

By DeWayne Johnston

Have you ever known someone who was always fun to be around and who could lift your mood just by talking with you? That was James Robert 'Jim Bob' Ealey. Jim and his wife, Shirley were known throughout NCHA/FCRV starting when they became members and later officers of the Lenape Road Runners Chapter in northeastern Pennsylvania. Jim Bob also helped the PA State Association and the PA Retirees by entertaining at campouts and serving as MC at Penn



**Jim Bob & Shirley, 1998
International Retiree
King & Queen**

Camp (state campout) many times. He also served as President of the PA State Retirees. Jim and Shirley were voted International Retiree King and Queen at the 1998 FCRV Retiree Rally in Harlingen, Texas.

On the national level 'Jim Bob' and Shirley took over the job of Retiree Directors when George Murray passed away unexpectedly. They served with a steady hand until 2008.

Jim Bob was asked to MC at Campventions five times, including several Miss FCRV Pageants. His homespun humor and repertoire of songs such as "I'm My Own Grand Pa" and "Mississippi Squirrel Revival" allowed the flexibility of stretching and filling on stage when necessary. He shared his natural talent generously with FCRV.

Jim Bob spent 32 years in education at the Pen Argyl and Bangor PA schools teaching 3rd, 7th, and 8th grade history and elementary physical education. He was elected by his fellow teachers to the post of President of Elementary Department of PA Classroom Teachers. Shirley Ealey, always by Jim Bob's side helping him stay organized, was a secretary in the Pen Argyl School District. Their first post retirement job was as bus tour directors for a national travel company. They were very active in their church including Choir Director and Food Bank coordinator. Jim Bob was a lay minister and eventually was ordained.

Unfortunately most of their activities came to a halt in February 2010 when Jim Bob suffered a serious stroke. With Shirley by his side, caring for him as



**Gone but not
forgotten**

only she could, he made considerable progress and kept a positive outlook, visiting campouts near home whenever possible. He even was able to sing again. James Robert Ealey died at age 80 on October 11, 2014. His devoted wife, Shirley has been living in a rest home near her family for the past few years. The only contact address available is through Deborah Ealey,

44 Broadway, Bangor, PA 18013.

Longtime friends, Virgie and Stirling Acosta of Louisiana said of Jim Bob's passing at the time, "



**Jack Smye presents a plaque
for service to FCRV**

The earthly world has lost a wonderfully talented man and the heavenly world has gained one. He always brought a smile.”

Grand Design's New Transcend Travel Trailer Receives Top Honors



Middlebury, IN 2018 - GRAND DESIGN RECREATIONAL VEHICLE COMPANY was honored with the RV Pro Best of Show award and RV Business's Top Debut awards for their new introductory level Transcend™ Travel Trailer that debuted at the recent RVIA National Tradeshow.

“Grand Design has always been focused on high quality, high content, and high value in every segment of the industry that we have entered, and our new Transcend is no exception. In a segment of the market that has gone relatively unchanged for many years, the Transcend bucks the market trends and delivers on Grand Design's mantra of “We strive for nothing less than customers for life”. We are hon-

ored to have received the Best of Show and Top Debut awards, and even more excited to welcome a whole new segment of RVers into the Grand Design family,” stated Don Clark, President/CEO of Grand Design RV.

retail customers and our dealers by providing more value, better floorplans and more features for the end user.”

Transcend defies the “entry level” term with features like a power tongue jack, power awning and aluminum entry steps. On the inside, the Transcend features upgrades like leather sofas and cushions, upgraded bunk mats, seamless thermal-formed countertops and deep-seated stainless steel kitchen sink. An upgraded insulation package and standard 15,000 BTU air conditioner will help make this coach Extended Stay Approved. The first available floorplan will be a 32-foot bunkhouse that sleeps 10 and weighs in around 6,400 pounds. It will sell in the \$20,000 to \$30,000 price range.



Grand Design RV®, headquartered in Middlebury, Indiana, manufactures the market leading Reflection® Fifth Wheel and Travel Trailer, flagship Solitude® Extended Stay Fifth Wheel, luxury Momentum® Toy Hauler, lightweight Imagine® Travel Trailer, and introductory level Transcend™ Travel Trailer product lines. Since its founding in 2012, Grand Design RV has become one of the fastest growing RV companies in history and is rated among the highest quality RV manufacturers. Grand Design RV is a wholly owned subsidiary of Winnebago Industries (NYSE: WGO).



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Micah Staley, General Manager for the Reflection, Imagine and Transcend product lines added, “The introductory level Transcend will carve its own path in the industry, creating opportunity for both

Brawny Trucks Take Center Stage at Detroit Show

Courtesy of RV Business

The dawn of self-driving cars might have been the focus of last week's CES tech extravaganza in Las Vegas, but this week in Detroit it's all about the trucks that Americans are buying today and which generate the profits that fund tomorrow's innovations.

Forbes reported that Americans love their pickups, and the truck leaders are giving them plenty to salivate over at this year's North



American International Auto Show, opening to the public on Jan. 20. Chevrolet has a new Silverado pickup, Fiat Chrysler has a new Ram 1500, and Ford is bringing its mid-sized Ranger pickup back to North America.

It's rare that Detroit's auto giants all have important truck launches at the same time, which means there's plenty of bravado and bluster going on during this week's press preview.

With the new Silverado, on sale in the second half of this year, General Motors is launching the pickup truck it probably wanted to build a decade ago. But after emerging from bankruptcy in 2009, GM couldn't afford big investments so it decided to forego a complete re-engineering of its bread-and-butter vehicles and instead slapped a new front end on its existing trucks. GM paid a price, however, losing market share to rivals like Ford, which in 2015 overhauled its top-selling F-series pickups with all-new aluminum bodies.

For the full story click [here](#).

2018 Debut: TMC Triple Slide Tuscany 40RT Diesel

Courtesy of RV Business

Thor Motor Coach (TMC) revamped its Tuscany line of diesel pushers this year, including the new 40RT floorplan introduced during the 2017 Louisville Show. The \$399,999 (MSRP) 40RT is a single rear axle diesel pusher with triple slideouts, extensive kitchen workspace and two large screen TVs.



"This is a brand new 40-footer for us," said Jon Krider, TMC's vice president of product development and marketing, noting the lack of a tag-axle on this unit makes it attractive to a large group of RVers. "A lot of people do really big stuff, but there's some people that just don't want the second tag axle back there."

Mounted on a Freightliner XC-R raised rail chassis, the 40RT has a side radiator, 450-hp Cummins ISL 8.9 engine and, according to Krider, "all the electronics and all the goodies."

Other highlights include theater seating, mid-coach half bath and large rear bath, drop-down bunk

over the cockpit, and Tilt-A-View inclining king bed in the master suite.



2018 SPRING O.P.A. CAMPOUT

Come and learn about the first oil discovery at the Ontario Provincial Association's Spring Campout, May 18 – 221 at the Brigden Fairgrounds, 2435 Courtright Line, Brigden, ON – NON 1BO. Hosted by the Sarnia 4T's, the themes is "Hard Oil Days – Black Gold Rush." Saturday will feature a roast beef dinner. Gates open at 9:00 Thursday morning Enter via Courtright line (Hwy 80) entrance. Watch for Campout signs. Come in with fresh water tanks full and holding tanks empty.



Registration \$20 CDN, Activity fee \$80, (Fri., Sat., & Sun. nite camping) Tur. Is early day at \$25. 2nd family in unit pays registration fee only. Register separately (by May 1) for roast beef dinner – children under 6 free, 6-10 \$8, All others \$20. Send name, address number of youth and ages, if handicapped. Send check payable for campout and dinners payable to SPRING OPA 2018 to: Don & Bonita Willock, 1048 Fairlane Ave., Sarnia, ONT N7S 3J8, 519-542-2244, donbonwil@sympatico.ca. Registration form is also on FCRV website under Regional Campouts.

Valentine Facts



- Average annual Valentine's Day spending is \$13.19 billion
- 196 million roses are produced for Valentine's Day
- Approximately 11,000 children are conceived on Valentines Day



Top RV Winter Destinations

By Stephanie A. Mayberry

Stephanie Mayberry loves winter – all of it. She loves the snow, the cold, the chill in the air, the hush that comes over the world when a new blanket of snow covers the ground. She may have grown up in Louisiana, but her time in Montana turned her into a good ole northern girl. Here she shares what locations she feels are best to travel to while we feel the cold!

Read more [HERE](#).

Camping During the Winter Months

By Tammy Daly

Winter months can deliver some of the best scenery and provide the most R&R due to lack of crowds in campgrounds. Be sure to check the weather report and call ahead to make sure the campground is open before you leave. Then sit back and enjoy the serenity that winter brings. One more important thing - make sure whatever you are using for a heating system has been serviced and ready to go.



Read more [HERE](#).

Mississippi Gulf Shores

By Anna Roy

I would like to put our region on your radar as a phenomenal place for [camping](#) and [outdoor activities](#).

The Mississippi Gulf Coast boasts some astounding natural beauty and is home to an array of [trails](#), [greenways](#) and [blueways](#) to explore. It's temperate climate also makes it the perfect year-round destination!



The [Gulf Islands National Seashore](#) Campground on Davis Bayou is a picture-perfect place to pitch a tent or park an RV, with access to boat and kayak launches, fishing piers, trails, and a highly informative visitors center. They also offer group excursions and activities on a weekly basis, from birding and ranger-led programs to educational boat tours of the bayou. The campground is nestled among live oaks and pine trees and is adjacent to a saltwater marsh.



Most campsites offer some shade throughout the day and all offer a tranquil setting for migratory bird watching and picnicking.

Products

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Dealing with a nasty abrasion while training, a cut that just won't heal when hitting the gym or attending a yoga class, or a wound when hiking your favorite trail can be a hindrance! Be prepared at all times by tucking CUROXEN with Arnica into your first aid kit at home, or into your gym bag or backpack while on-the-go! CUROXEN for Arnica for pain relief is a safe, organic, & natural wound cleaning product for your cuts, abrasions and scrapes that effectively kills bacteria.

Providing a safer alternative to petrochemical and drug-based wound care that actually works, CUROXEN is made with just four clean ingredients you'll recognize from nature, which include oxygenated organic Olive Oil, Arnica, Calendula, and Lavender Essential Oil.

For those who are careful about what we put into and onto our bodies, CUROXEN's ultrapure, ultra-safe formulation is a relief. Even better: It works. All-natural and safe for adults, children and even pets, CUROXEN kills more than five times the

amount of bacteria as its competitors. Nationally certified Nelson Laboratories tested CUROXEN against bestselling wound care products to determine the kill rate of five common bacteria that can cause infection in wounds, including MRSA. The results are the proof: CUROXEN kills over 5X more bacteria than its competitors, demonstrating its superior antimicrobial effectiveness.

Need tips on cleaning a scrape or wound easily and effectively to prevent infection? CUROXEN offers tips for care [here](#).

Available at CVS stores nationwide, as well as online. To learn more about CUROXEN, please visit www.curoxen.com

Hi-Tech Accessory Has the Power to be a LifeSaver

Unique features of D.A.D. 2 give confidence to be prepared for any situation



SALT LAKE CITY, UT – The D.A.D.® 2 (Defense Alert Device) by TigerLight is the ultimate empowerment safety tool. Most women and men probably believe they will never be the victim of a violent attack. However, according to the most recent data available from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, in 2015 there were an estimated 1,197,704 violent crimes, which includes murder, rape, sexual assault, robbery and assault.

According to data from the National Crime Survey and the Bureau of Statistics, 73% of women and 89% of men will be a victim of violent crime in their lifetime.

The unique, non-lethal ingredients in the D.A.D.® 2 spray and stealth delivery method make it 96% effective at stopping assailants without any additional force. These results are based on law enforcement studies of prior TigerLights, even those with much less potent spray than that used in the D.A.D.® 2. Comparatively, a can of pepper spray has only a 50% - 70% stop rate based on testing by the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department. When triggered the D.A.D.® 2 also sends Danger Alerts to emergency contacts and Crowd Alerts to people within a one mile radius who have the free D.A.D.® app who can quickly respond to the situation.

The D.A.D.® 2 is a more effective self-defense tool because of several reasons:

Technology – using Bluetooth the D.A.D.® 2 communicates with the D.A.D. app downloaded to user's smartphones. A button on the

D.A.D.® 2 can be pressed with or without triggering the non-lethal spray. When pressed a Danger Alert is sent via the app, text and also email, if included in the app contact information. The alert includes the sender's name, location and photo to friends and family listed in Contacts on the app. The alert is also sent to HEROS or GOOD SAMARITAN's within a one mile radius of the sender. These are fellow users of the D.A.D. app who have opted into crowd alerts and can quickly respond to offer aid to the sender and help fight off the attacker or render assistance. The app can also be used to contact 911 or campus police and to send a message to contacts letting them know when the victim is okay after a Danger alert is sent.

Stealth Design – made from durable polycarbonate, the D.A.D.® 2 is lightweight and molded to comfortably fit in the hand in the perfect position for effective use under stress. A rubber hand strap helps prevent victims from dropping the D.A.D.® 2 during an attack. The strap, non-weapon appearance and dual utility as a flashlight also make it more likely for the D.A.D.® 2 to be carried in the hand instead of stored in a purse or pocket. The multi-mode flashlight disguises the capabilities of the D.A.D.® 2 by obstructing the attacker's vision. Because attackers do not expect to be sprayed by the D.A.D.® 2 they have no opportunity to close their eyes or hold their breath in order to minimize its incapacitating effects.

Efficacy – the non-lethal spray used in the D.A.D.® 2 has been tested by the University of Utah and police departments across the country. It has been proven to be more potent than other pepper spray and will even work on attackers who are under the influence. This is due to its potency, spray pattern, particle size and most of all, its stealth delivery enabling a much more significant effect on the respiratory system which, in effect, "chokes attackers out" rather than trying to "punch" them out. The D.A.D.® 2 makes an attacker feel unable to inhale, creating a sensation of suffocation. Instantly the attacker is put into survival mode and is only focused on breathing, giving the victim the opportunity to run away.

"According to statistics, between 1 in 5 and 1 in 20 women will experience sexual assault in their lifetime, many while they are in college. The D.A.D.® 2

is a one-of-a-kind tool that combines the most effective non-lethal chemical spray available to consumers with smart design features and technology for the ultimate self-defense tool,” said Michael Teig, President & CEO of TigerLight. “Our goal is to empower women and any innocent individual to feel safe and confident in their environment by helping them fight back if attacked, and win!”

The D.A.D.® 2 is available in chrome, rose gold, gun metal black, metallic pink and in a matte black special for law enforcement professionals. When not in use the D.A.D.® 2 remains in sleep mode so the long-life lithium battery is capable of sending up to 6,000 alerts. Additional canisters of spray can be ordered if the D.A.D.® 2 is deployed during an attack, and the spray can still be used on an attacker even if the battery runs low.

The D.A.D.® 2 is available for \$129.99, with discounts available for multiple purchases. For more information about retailers or to order online, visit www.tigerlight.net.

About TigerLight, Inc.

TigerLight, Inc. is dedicated to bringing the highest level of personal, non-lethal security to every individual, particularly women, in the fight to end violence against women and all innocent individuals. The D.A.D.® was voted by Bluetooth® to be one of Top 20 Most Innovative Products using Bluetooth® technology. TigerLight donates 10% of sales to O.U.R. (Operation Underground Railroad), an organization dedicated to stopping child sex trafficking and slavery around the world.

DOMETIC SHOWS NEW TOILET INNOVATION AT FL RV SUPERSHOW

ELKHART, Ind. - Dometic displayed a new toilet seat option to the RV aftermarket at the Tampa, Florida RV Supershow, January 17-21.

While the Dometic 310 Toilet was introduced several years ago, changes have been made on the aftermarket version after consumers suggested features they would like.



A smart solution to the requests of RVers, the aftermarket version of the 310 Toilet offers users reliability while on the road. A standard slow-close wood seat has been added, which is also available as a re-

placement for an existing plastic seat. The wood seat is much sturdier, and what consumers have said they would like to help give them the comfort of home. Additionally, the slow close seat allows for a quiet close and eliminates slamming and pinched fingers.

Overall, Dometic’s 310 Toilet is an upgrade to the typical RV bathroom with its sleek, contemporary design. It has a full-size, easy to clean ceramic bowl and powerflush technology that delivers a more powerful flush with 360 degree coverage due to its unique rimless design.

The efficiency of the toilet is also remarkable, using only one pint of water per flush. The ergonomic foot pedal allows users to press partially to add water, or press fully to flush.

Dometic’s 310 toilet is available in white or bone, tall or short, and can come with an optional hand spray.

Total Recharge.

Vistabule Teardrop Trailer Solar Powered by Sunflare

Remove yourself from daily stress and recharge your life in a Vistabule teardrop trailer with roof-integrated solar energy. Now you can find peace way off the grid and still have a piece of home. Lights? Fan? Phone? Computer? Camera? Refrigerator? Heater? Not to mention the snuggly bed and a full-kitchen.



The design of the Vistabule Teardrop trailer harkens back to the 1950’s, but the amenities are oh, so new – starting with built-in solar panels by Sunflare.

Outdoor adventurers can have flexible solar panels built into the roof, capturing solar energy throughout the day. That makes it easier to power your stuff, so once you are ready to lift your kicks as evening falls, all you have to do is open the wine.

The optional, customized panels are flexible and bend with the curve of the trailer’s roof to keep the Vistabule’s beautiful design line highly refined.

Unlike traditional silicon panels, Sunflare’s solar panels are thin and lightweight, adding no drag and virtually no poundage to the trailer. So “going solar” won’t slow you down.

The other amenities also leave the 50’s in the dust. Vistabule features several large windows, a full-size

sofa bed, interior and exterior lights, a two-burner cooktop, a sink with running water and a remote fan, as well as storage space for all your gear.

The camper even has a collapsible coffee table and drop-down nightstand tables. The trailer itself is light and can be towed by almost any car.

“We’ve worked with Minnesota Teardrop to make it easy to factory-install the SUN² panels on your spanking new trailer or have them retrofitted to your current gem,” said Philip Gao, CEO of Sunflare. “We want to be flexible.”

Just like the panels.

Bert Taylor CEO Minnesota Teardrop Trailers, manufacturer of the Vistabule said, “When we first started our business, we wanted to make a camping trailer that was beautiful, energy-efficient and would easily blend technology with human comfort. Adding Sunflare solar collection panels to our Vistabule trailers substantially lengthens the time campers can be off the grid, and greatly enhances the entire camping experience.”

About the Sunflare Integrated Solar:

Sunflare SUN² solar panels can charge 2 cell phones fully, run the lights, a fan, charge a computer to 30 percent, run the fridge, all day, AND the heater for 3 hours a day, for 2 1/2 sunny days straight. After that, you probably want to pick up and drive somewhere to recharge your battery, and find another beautiful vista, a new point of view, or an off-the-beaten path fishing hole.



Jim Lewis Tips of the Day

Tip of the day..... when you have to back up your MH, TT, or 5th, have your spouse get out of your vehicle and spot for you. I've seen RV's back into rocks, stumps, trees, the gas station pump protectors, and cause a lot of expensive damage. Consider the extra eyes as cheap insurance. Communicate via yelling and pointing, or use a set of walkie-talkies or just use your cell phones with your phone on speaker mode. There is nothing worse than backing into a spot and ripping off your sewer drain connection from the tank !!!!

Tip of the day..... The number one reason for RV tires blowing up on the highway and creating lots of damage is low air pressure and which creates overheating. Check your tire pressure every time you head out on a trip, or better yet, get tire pressure monitors for your RV.

Farewells

Judell Ellen Payne, 79, 12-27-17, Flint, Michigan, Tails-A-Wagon Chapter

Joe Miller, 77, 1-9-18, Du Quoin, Illinois, A-Wa-We-Go Chapter, known for his singing voice .

Robert Montgomery, 90, 1-11-18, Lexington, Tennessee, longtime member, excellent dancer.

Roberta 'Bert' Sommers, 1-21-18, Sugar Creek, Ohio, Swiss Wheelers Chapter, past O.S.A. Vice Pres., longtime member.

7 C's – THE CAMPERS CODE



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UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

February 23-25, 2018 - Raleigh RV Show

Raleigh State Fairgrounds, Raleigh NC

MARCH

March 26 - ??, 2018 - Full Timers Post Retiree Rally Campout

City Campground & Resort, N. U.S. Hwy 41, Lake City, Florida

Join us after the retiree rally from March 26 - ?, Contact Dick Buresh (dickkathy@wwdb.rg)

March 26 – 30, 2018 – YARS Campout

Sugarmill RV Park, 4857 McMillan Rd., Ochlocknee, Georgia. (50 mi. from Tallahassee) Make your own reservation at 229-2277-1451

APRIL

April 24-29, 2018 - NCFCRV Spring Statewide Campout

Raleigh Oaks RV Resort, Four Oaks, NC. Traveling Tarheels Retirees – April 24-27, 2018

All members – April 27-29, 2018

MAY

MAY 18-21, 2018 - OPA Spring Campout

Hard Oil Days - Black Gold Rush, Brigden Fairgrounds, 2435 Courtright Lane, Brigden, Ontario 0N 0N 1B0. Come with full water tank and empty holding tank, water available on grounds, gates open 9 a.m. Thursday. Roast Beef Dinner Saturday - Children free, 6-10 \$8, all others \$20 (separate) pre-register by MAY 1, campout registration \$20, activity fee \$80, early bird Thur. 425 CDN, Send check payable to Spring OPA 218 to: Don & Bonita Willock, 1048 Fairlane Ave., Sarnia, ONT N7S 3JB 519-542-2244 donbon-wil@sympatico.ca). include # of adults, teens, children, grandchildren. Hosts Sarnia 4T's. See application on FCRV website.

AUGUST

AUGUST 1-5, 2018 GREAT LAKES REGIONAL

Brown County Fairgrounds, Depere, Wisconsin, games, self guided tours, Saturday evening meal. Pre-registration \$15, by July 20, Activity fee at gate \$20, Camping \$25 per night, water & electric, payable on arrival. Send check payable to Wisconsin Field Directors Fund to: Kip & Jan Cushing, 21028 88th St., Kenosha, WI 53145. Info - kcushing@wi.rr.com, 262-914-5950, 262-914 5951. Registration form on FCRV website.





47th INTERNATIONAL RETIREE RALLY
NORTH FLORIDA FAIRGROUNDS
441 PAUL RUSSELL ROAD, TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32301
EARLY DAYS: MARCH 16TH – MARCH 19TH
RALLY DAYS: MARCH 20TH – MARCH 25TH

FAMILY CAMPERS AND RVERS



LAST NAME: _____ FIRST: _____ SPOUSE/OTHER: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE/PROVINCE: _____ ZIP/POSTAL: _____

LAST NAME OF OTHER: _____ ADDRESS: _____ ST/PROVINCE: _____ ZIP/POSTAL: _____

PHONE# _____ OTHER: _____

WHICH ARE YOU REGISTERING FOR? CAMPING: _____ CAMP PASS: _____ IS THIS YOUR FIRST RETIREE RALLY: YES _____ NO _____

ARE YOU A VETERAN: YES _____ NO _____ NUMBER OF VETERANS IN YOUR UNIT: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ CONFIRMATION LETTER SENT IN PDF FILE: YES _____ NO _____

CONFIRMATION LETTERS WILL BE SENT BY EMAIL. IF YOU WISH IT SENT BY MAIL TO ANOTHER ADDRESS THAN THE ONE ABOVE, PLEASE PROVIDE THE ADDRESS IN THE SPACE BELOW:

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP/PROVINCE: _____

SPECIAL NEEDS PARKING:

TO BE PARKED IN SPECIAL NEEDS (HANDICAP) AREA, YOU MUST HAVE ON FILE WITH THE REGISTRAR AN UP-TO-DATE : DOCTOR'S CERTIFICATE, STATE LICENSE REGISTRATION INCLUDING HANDICAP PLATE, OR HANDICAP PLACARD. THIS AREA IS RESERVED FOR WHEELCHAIRS, WALKERS, OR THOSE WITH LIMITED MOBILITY PROBLEMS: _____

GUEST ARE WELCOME:

Guests/Non-FCRV members are welcome. They may be in their own unit or with you. Have them complete a registration form and indicate they are your guests. We strongly suggest they enter the camping area at the same time you do. We are guests or NON-FCRV members of: _____.

FEES:

EARLY BIRD PARKING (MARCH 16 – 19): FEE IS \$25 PER NIGHT WITH WATER AND ELECTRIC. EARLY BIRD FEES WILL BE COLLECTED AT TALLAHASSEE.

RALLY FEES: MARCH 20 – MARCH 25 AND LEAVE MONDAY: INCLUDES: 5 nights of camping, water, electric, Ice Cream Social, 2 evening meals, entertainment and all activities connected with the Rally.

	<u>Pre-registration (paid in advance in full)</u>	<u>At the Gate</u>
Two people in a unit:	\$225.00	\$250.00
Single person in a unit:	\$195.00	\$220.00
Camp Pass (2 people or second couple in a unit)	\$125.00	\$150.00
Camp Pass (1 person or extra person in a unit)	\$ 85.00	\$110.00

REFUND POLICY: Refunds must be requested in writing by mail or email or phone call to the

Registrar. Refunds requested before March 9, 2018 will receive the following: two people in a unit: \$200, one person in a unit: \$170.00, Camp Pass two people: \$100.00, Camp Pass single person: \$60.00.

After March 9, ONLY THE CAMPING FEE WILL BE REFUNDED. CAMP PASSES WILL RECEIVE NO REFUND.

Make checks or money order (US CURRENCY ONLY) payable to: FCRV/NCHA RETIREE RALLY 2018. NO CREDIT CARDS. Mail registration to: Bill and Penny Ramlow, 8009 Cherry Branch DR., Ruskin, FL. 33573. You can contact them at: 305-822-6589 and 813-545-6083 or email them at pramlow@aol.com.



58th ANNUAL FAMILY CAMPERS & RVers CAMPVENTION

HOSTED BY: REGION SIX

SOUTHEAST REGION

"WHERE OUR COUNTRY BEGAN"

THE MEADOW EVENT PARK, 13191 DAWN BLVD, DOSWELL, VIRGINIA 23047

EARLY DAYS: JULY 7 - 8, 2018 RALLY DAYS: JULY 9-13, 2018

EARLY DAYS PARKING: \$25 PER NIGHT

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATIONS: JUNE 21, 2018



REGISTRAR ONLY:

REG #: _____

CH #: _____

AMT: _____

SN: _____

LAST NAME: _____ FIRST NAME: _____ SPOUSE/OTHER: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ ST/PRV: _____ ZIP CODE: _____

LAST NAME OF OTHER: _____ ADDRESS: _____ ST/PRV: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE #: _____ EMAIL: _____ SEND MY CONFIRMATION LETTER IN PDF: YES ___ NO ___

IS THIS YOUR FIRST CAMPVENTION? YES ___ NO ___ ARE YOU A VETERAN? YES: ___ NO: ___

NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN YOUR UNIT:

#OF ADULTS: ___ TEENS: ___ YOUTH 9-12 ___ YOUTH 5-8 ___ YOUTH 0-4 ___ TOTAL NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN UNIT: ___

PLEASE LIST THE NAMES AND AGES OF ALL TEENS AND YOUTH:

NAME	AGE	NAME	AGE

CAMPVENTION PARKING:

THE GATES WILL BE OPEN ALL DAYS FROM 8 A.M. TILL 8 P.M. THERE WILL BE AN OVERFLOW AREA FOR THOSE ARRIVING LATE, HOWEVER THERE ARE NO HOOKUPS. THE FIRST 150 UNITS THROUGH THE GATE WILL HAVE FULL HOOK-UP. PARKING IS HOBO STYLE WITH NO SAVING OF SITES. IF YOU WANT TO PARK NEXT TO SOMEONE COME IN TOGETHER. THOSE WITHOUT SEWER WILL BE GIVEN A VOUCHER FOR ONE FREE DUMP.

SPECIAL NEEDS INFORMATION

CHECK IF REQUESTING A SPECIAL NEEDS SITE: _____

NO SPECIAL NEEDS SITES WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE GATE. YOU MUST BE REGISTERED.

REGISTRATION:

EVERYONE MUST FILL OUT A REGISTRATION FORM INCLUDING SECOND FAMILIES AND CAMP PASSES. SUBMIT PAYMENT WITH REGISTRATION FORM. ALL FUNDS SHOULD BE US. CURRENCY OR CHECKS. NO CREDIT CARDS.

	REGISTRATION	AT GATE
ONE FAMILY IN UNIT.....	\$290	\$300
EXTRA FAMILY IN UNIT.....	\$135	\$140
WALK-IN CAMP PASS.....		\$20 PER DAY

THINGS TO SEE AND DO:

COLONIAL WILLIAMSBURG, KINGS DOMIMION AMUSEMENT PARK AND BUSCH GARDENS WILLIAMSBURG, BIRTH PLACES OF: ROBERT E. LEE, GEORGE WASHINGTON, HOMES OF: PATRICK HENRY, PRESIDENT JOHN MADISON, STONEWALL JACKSON SHRINE, NUMEROUS FORTS, MUSEUMS AND BATTLEFIELDS.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: FCRV 2018 CAMPVENTION

MAIL TO: BILL AND PENNY RAMLOW

341 HOLLY COVE ROAD #8

WHITTIER, NC 28789

CONTACT THEM AT: 305-822-6589, 813-545-6083 OR

EMAIL: pramlow@aol.com

REFUND POLICY: IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND, ALL EXCEPT \$25 WILL BE REFUNDED

WE WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER FOR: _____

FAMILY CAMPERS & RVers NATIONAL CAMPVENTION Doswell, VA 2018

APPLICATION: GOLF CART RENTAL

(Print) FIRST NAME _____ MI _____ LAST NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ST/PROV _____ ZIP _____

PHONE (____) _____ AGE _____ CELL PHONE (____) _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

Golf cart costs including sales tax, \$250.00 for 2 passenger & \$300.00 for 4 passenger. They are rented from 7/09/18 -7/13/18. You must provide flashlight and reflectors. You must be 21 or older to rent the Golf Carts. Golf carts **MUST** be ordered **and paid for** in advance. **There will be no additional carts available at Campvention.**

NUMBER OF CARTS, 2 passenger _____, 4 passenger _____.

TOTAL AMOUNT PAID IN FULL \$ _____ US CURRENCY ONLY

(checks or money orders, no cash please.)

Make checks payable to: FCRV Campvention 2018

**Mail check and application to: Dwight S. Bonifield, 5570 N Strawberry Ln. Castle Rock,
CO 80108**

NO APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED AFTER JUNE 15, 2018

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

BY SIGNING THIS ORDER FORM YOU ARE TAKING COMPLETE AND TOTAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY DAMAGE TO THE GOLF CART AND/OR ANY PERSONAL DAMAGE TO YOURSELF, YOUR FAMILY AND/OR ANY OTHER PERSON.

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