

# **2019 CAMPVENTION HUTCHINSON, KANSAS**













## **STATE DIRECTORS CORNER JEFF & SHIRLEY KENDLE**



We will begin by saying THANKS to all the Colorado Members who attended Campvention in Hutchinson, KS. We had 50 rigs there, which was the most from any state. Our Hospitality was a great success THANKS to the Hospitality Committee. All you saw was a flood of red shirts from the entry way to the tables. It looked like a "Tunnel" of red that everyone had to walk through. We gave away pens that had "Colorado FCRV, Campvention 2019" embossed on them. We also handed out tickets for Colorado FCRV Door Prizes (Colorado FCRV Mugs, Fanny Packs, ID Badge Holders, and Tote

Bags). We served Cow Patties, Iced Tea, and Lemonade. A special THANKS to those who made many dozens of "Cow Patties". We had so many that they were also served at the Teen King/Queen Tea and at the Teen Dance. The left over "Cow Patties" were donated to the Local Food Bank and a Soup Kitchen. The Soup Kitchen sent a nice card Thanking the Colorado Members of Family Campers and RV'ers for the Cow Patties.

Next up is the State Fall Campout which will be October 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> at Lakeside KOA, Fort Collins. The response was "Fast and Furious"! We had to go back and request additional sites twice. We have 80 registrations and cannot accept any more, unless some want to be on a waiting list in case we have any cancellations. If you are not camping, come out for the day and join us. There will not be a Teen King/Queen Pageant at the Fall Campout because of space and time limitations. We also won't be having entertainment. Instead we will have Polish Poker on Friday evening and Family Bingo on Saturday evening. If there are any girls or boys that desire to participate in a Teen King/Queen Pageant, it will have to take place at Spring Fling.

Camping season, for the most part, will be coming to an end in the next two to three months, so enjoy the rest of the season and prepare for the next.

Watch and listen for many proposed and some already approved changes to future Campventions. Many are going to make things easier for the sponsoring Regions that are putting on the Campvention. 2021 Campvention will be held in Wisconsin and will be sponsored by the present and future Trustees! They want to see firsthand how Campvention will be put together based upon the changes. Region 1 will be responsible for putting on 2022 Campvention.

That's it for Now – Happy Camping!

2019 DATES TO REMEMBER				
DATE	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION	
Sep 16th—20th	NA	Southern Colorado Retiree Rally	Pueblo South, KOA, Colorado City, CO	
Oct 4th—6th	NA	Fall State Campout	Lakeside KOA, Fort Collins, CO	
2020 DATES TO REMEMBER				
Jan - TBD		Colorado Retiree Luncheon	Cinzetti's, 281 W 104 <sup>th</sup> , Northglenn, CO	
Feb - TBD		General Membership & Planning Meeting	TBD	
Mar 24 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup>		FCRV International Retiree Rally	National Peanut Fairgrounds, Dothan, AL	
Apr 24 <sup>th</sup> – 26 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 a.m.	Field Staff Meeting	Lakeside KOA, Fort Collins, CO	
May - TBD		Spring Fling	Brush Country Fairgrounds	
Jun 1 <sup>st</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup>		Colorado Retiree Rally	Lakeside KOA, Fort Collins, CO	
Jul 13 <sup>th</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup>	NA	2020 International Campvention	Brigden Fairgrounds, Brigden, ON	

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Article submission is for chapters,

program chairmen and members who have news or interesting articles or classified ads that they would like to share with the membership.

#### (ARTICLES MUST BE TYPED , PHOTOS MUST BE SCANNED INTO THE WORD DOCUMENT OR EMAIL include your CHAPTER NAME & YOUR NAME)

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## **CAMPVENTION 2019**











































































































## **COLORADO AWARDS 2019 CAMPVENTION**

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### **COLORING CONTEST**



Age 0 – 2 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Dayna Kendle, Aspen Adventurers Ages 3 - 42<sup>nd</sup> Place – Conner Sanders, Aspen Adventurers

### **CAMPING IS POSTER CONTEST**

1st Place – Taryn Christensen, Oops Ages 7 – 8

### **CONSERVATION POSTER**



Ages 12 – 14 1st Place – Dawnella Kendle, Aspen Adventurers

### FCRV SCHOLARSHIP

Breanna Kendle

Aspen Adventurers



### HORSESHOES

Men's Singles

2nd Place – Anthony Demarest. TRI

### **GOLF RESULTS**

- Dave Hemersbach 72 Rolling Springs George Hoyland
  - 72 Colorado Eagles
  - 72 Rocky Mountain Maniacs
- **Kristian Strub** Rosemary Strub
- Kristian Strub
- 72 Rocky Mountain Maniacs
- Long Drive Rocky Mountain Maniacs

### **CAMPVENTION PARADE**

3rd Place & President's Award Technically Roughing It

## COLORADO FCRV IS IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS

### The "HELP (Volunteer) WANTED" sign is still out there We desperately need volunteers for the following positions THIS YEAR (2019). A brief summary of duties are:

- ⇒ Fireside Embers Knowledge of Microsoft Word or Publisher. Responsible for obtaining articles from chapters, staff, etc. Design and publish the Embers. Responsible for printer/copier, Print and mail copies to Sponsors and Advertisers, Print flyers, tri-folds, etc.
- ⇒ Assistant Teen Director Responsible for working with the Teen Director in planning teen activities at 2 State Campouts.

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### **In Remembrance**

Joan Wilshire – June 29, 2019 – Good Timers, WEI

Ray Walkowski – June 7, 2019 - Trailblazers



## FALL CAMPOUT LAKESIDE KOA OCT 4 - OCT 6

eef Brisket Dinne Hamburger Lunch Pet Parade Family Bing Cribbage Door Pris **Bolo Horseshoes** leeh Servic Bean Bag Basebal ontes **Bean Bag Tos** ctivities



## BRING THE FOLLOWING TO FALL CAMPOUT

Door Prizes - Each Chapter is to bring 2 (\$10.00) items. Individual members may also contribute. The more door prizes there are - more members have a chance to claim a door prize.

Adult Bingo Prizes for Family Bingo (Retail value of \$10.00 would be appreciated)

Bingo Prizes will be provided for youth

Nickels for Polish Poker on Friday evening

Photos for the Photo Contest



## FCRV PHOTO CONTEST





Do you have an eye for nature or have you captured the beauty and excitement of the outdoors in a photograph. If so, consider entering this year's Colorado FCRV Photo Contest at the Fall Campout. Categories are: *Funniest; Most Unusual; Most Artistic; Wildlife; and Too Cute for Words*.

1. FCRV members may enter ONLY ONE PHOTOGRAPH PER CATEGORY per person. Photos must be no larger than a 3x5 or a 4x6.

2. Only **ONE Ballot PER FAMILY** and only **ONE family vote** for Each Category. Ballots will be in your envelope. Envelopes can be picked up in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Conference room. Ballots will not be replaced if lost.

3. Photos must have "owners" name, Chapter name, and the category chosen on the back of EACH photo so the photo can be placed properly and returned to the owner.

4. No altered photos are allowed.

5. There is not a separate group for "Youth". Each photo is to be judged on the merits of the photo, not the age of the photographer.

6. All entries must be turned in to JoAnne Lien (Colorado Timberliners), or placed on the photo display table no later than 10:00 a.m. Saturday.

7. VOTES are to be placed in the ballot box next to the Photo Display no later than 2:00 p.m. Saturday.

8. Winning photos will be posted Saturday by 7:00 p.m. and will be left for display until 9:00 p.m. Saturday.

## **CONGRATULATIONS**



Congratulations to Caleb and Tahlia Demarest for their achievements at the 2019 FCRV Campvention in Hutchinson, KS.

Tahlia was named 1<sup>st</sup> Runner-up and Caleb was named FCRV Teen King for 2019.

Tahlia was also named Miss Talent and Caleb was named Mr. Personality and Mr. Skills.

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## CHAPTER NEWS TRAILBLAZERS



June's camping found us at Cherry Creek State Park. As always, a beautiful, clean park, with plenty of room for our rigs.

We experienced some rain during our campout but not anything than dampened our spirits and our fun. The mosquitos were out in full force in the evening time, but this is what happens when we get plenty of rain. We, as usual, had great eats and games. The Vegvarys, Nords and Patty Kingery did a great job of hosting.

June brought some sadness to our club. A long-standing member, Ray Walkowski, passed away. He was such an outstanding man, with a great love of the Trailblazers and FCRV. He was Field Director for many years and such an asset to our group. He also had a great sense of humor that always kept everyone guessing at was coming next. Ray will be greatly missed by us all. We will all stay in touch with his wife, Rosemary.

In July, we camped at Mueller State Park in the mountains west of Divide, Colorado. Again, the rain was with us off and on, but if you live in Colorado for any length of time, you will be thankful for any rain that we receive. The Menkes and Stamps had the privilege of hosting.

Some of our members took hikes on the many wonderful trails that are available in the park. We did have a guest that became our trail leader, the Turner's grandson, Cian. Thanks Cian, for the great job. Members not hiking stayed behind and made snacks and drinks for those who hiked, NOT!! Instead they visited or played board games. The theme for our campout was "Land of The Free" in celebration of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July. The camp was decorated in red, white, and blue. We sang patriotic songs around the campfire and had time to share our most patriotic moments of our lives. It was a very revealing and moving experience for many. We even had a Mrs. Statue of Liberty in the person of Jeri Harper!

Too soon, it was time to go home, till next month.

Submitted by Rose Stamps



### FIRESIDE EMBERS - 15 CHAPTER NEWS WOODLAND WOOKIES



We have been having a great "Fun - Filled" summer finally!

Camping, Kayaking & Atv'ing along with enjoying each couples' company!! Private property in Hartsel nearby Antero! Fishing just about everywhere too. Our last campout took us back to Tarryall to explore!

If anyone lives near Woodland Park or Colorado Springs, the Woodland Wookies are looking for more members! Dry Campers for the most part! We have members from as far away Salida and Coledale already!

Whoop, Whoop!

Submitted by MaryAnn Glover













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## CHAPTER NEWS CAMP STARS

July found the Camp Stars camped at Sugarbush campground near Salida. Because of the distance from Northern Colorado we went down for 5 or 6 days, and had the opportunity to do more things. On two of the days the whole group went up into the high country to check out several old mining towns. (St. Elmo, Vicksburg, and a couple of others) This enabled us to learn a lot of history and also see some gorgeous scenery. On another day we just visited and shopped in downtown Salida and experienced the Riverwalk. Lots of water related sports were observed on the river. We had several nice campfires and the usual delicious potluck dinner. A good time was had by all.



In August we traveled to Bellaire Lake in the Red Feather Lakes area. This is an old friend to many of the Camp Stars because we have been there a number of times. A very pretty lake was inviting to the fishers in the group, and some of the rest made several hikes around the lake. We were blessed by good weather most of the weekend, and we had one of the few potlucks of the summer actually under a blue sky. A first for us was a visit to a firetower and those who climbed to the top got to talk to the fire watcher. That was informative and we were rewarded with beautiful scenery. On Saturday we visited Gnome Alley. This is a forest road about ¼ mile long with thousands of Gnomes and other figures placed there by visitors. Really Unique. We had an excellent turnout and everyone had a good time.



Submitted by Larry Scott

### FIRESIDE EMBERS - 19 CHAPTER NEWS ASPEN ADVENTURERS



Members of Aspen Adventurers have been very busy this summer.

In July three members attended the 2019 Campvention in Hutchinson, KS for a fun filled week of activities. Dawnella celebrated her 14<sup>th</sup> birthday at Campvention. Ron and Carla Martinez of the Star Gazers and Carter and Ann Bloomfield of the Colorado Eagles also joined in on the festivities. The days were filled with activities, hospitalities and the youth were

kept busy. Unfortunately, not much was planned for the teens – however, Dylan, Breanna, Dawnella, and Nick made the best of it and dressed up for the dance. You can't make a trip to Hutchinson without taking a trip to Yoder. After exploring Yoder we had a late lunch at the Carriage Crossing, most ordered dessert and were not disappointed.















After Campvention we got together for a BBQ and a pool party. The kids enjoyed spending time in the pool and chowing down on all of the food. Thanks to Tim and Melissa for hosting.









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## CHAPTER NEWS MILE HIGH GYPSIES



Mile High Gypsies has had a fun summer so far. June found us at Chatfield where we had 2 guest campers visit us. One camper joined FCRV and our chapter, the other expressed an interest of camping with us again. The usual excellent potluck dinners and breakfasts were enjoyed by all of us. Thanks, cooks.

In July, we went over the mountain to Rifle Gap State Park. 5 units made that trip and some of us made it into a 4 day trip instead of the usual 2 day trip. We had 2 very hard down pours of rain, which had us scrambling into the closest unit for shelter. The Easy-ups came crashing down one day. One member went to Glenwood Springs and was detained in a parking lot because of the mud slide on I 70. He got back the next morning, about the same time a deer came by checking out our breakfast.

Several members went to the lake for swimming, sunbathing and fishing over the weekend. We didn't have a fish fry, though. It was nice sitting on the

hillside, looking down onto the lake and up into the mountains.

We always have plenty of food, no matter which meal it is. Our "iron skillet chef" treated us again with cobbler for supper. We had bacon and pancakes for one morning meal and delicious gravy and homemade biscuits prepared by our guests the next morning. We encouraged our guests to join us!! We surely have some good cooks in this group.

Morgan had his nose repaired before school started. And Becky is coming along with her diagnosis. We wish them both continued success.

August, we'll be at KOA in Fountain. We are looking forward to that trip. So many things to do and see there. If you see our royal blue shirts or jackets on the campground, please stop by and say 'hello'.

Until next time,

Submitted by: Jan Johnston





### FIRESIDE EMBERS - 23 CHAPTER NEWS SILVER FOXES



Five Silver Foxes attended the National Campvention in Hutchinson KS. The following is a fun memory of that event.

We attended nearly all of the Campvention events between us, as well as visiting the Stratosphere, going underground to tour the salt mine, El with pick axe and visiting both a predominately Amish town and a town referred to as "Little Sweden ".

Our 6-person golf cart was great transportation,

taking us not just to Campvention events, but on explores of the fairground,



where we found many interesting things including a National Junior Sheep Show in full progress. Camping friends helped "decorate" our unadorned cart one night as we slept!! Perhaps indicating we should have purchased a large inflatable animal for the roof of our cart as all the other Colorado folks did for theirs.

We proudly joined in the parade as flying monkeys for the award-winning Colorado Yellow Brick Road float.





Golf cart with sign, tin man, Dorothy, Willi and her monkeys.

#### Santa Fe Campout

Greeted by former Silver Foxes Ken & Rita Martinez who hosted a delicious get together at the Trailer Ranch clubhouse, where everyone caught up on happenings, and plans were made for our upcoming week.

Those plans included several meals out at both familiar and "new-to-many-of-us" restaurants in Santa Fe! As always, all the food was wonderful.

We also took our traditional city bus trip to downtown Santa Fe. A perfect place to group and regroup so everyone can explore the parts that interest them the most. Chimayo with its sacred sites was another destination that everyone chose.

Along with a stop at our favorite rug weavers studio and shop. The women all took a docent-led behind the scenes tour of the Santa Fe Opera Company, which was fascinating, as they were busy in all sections (staging, costuming, wig department, lighting, sound, and props) preparing for the upcoming opera season.

Lots of good gatherings in the evenings under the large, shady trees by our rigs.

Our next planned campout is scheduled for Circle the Wagons at La Veta CO August 12 -16.

TO ALL OUR FCRV FRIENDS STAY WELL AND SAFE AND HAPPY CAMPING





Most of us sitting in the shade at Chimayo



The Foxes Women with the roofline of the Santa Fe Opera behind them

Submitted by Pat Guild

## **CHAPTER NEWS ROLLING SPRINGS**

July is a divided month. Our chapter was divided I mean. Five Rolling Springs families were represented at Campvention 2019 in Hutchinson, KS. The other families still in the Springs had a BBQ at one of the members home. Of course, we have others traveling their own paths around the country. Isn't it great to be able to camp wherever life takes you?

Presidents quote: No quote this month due to Campvention.

August is here and summer is passing quickly. Poncha Springs is cooler and air smells so clean and crisp. The region is a perfect location for our camping family to gather this month. Friday evening, we feasted at Quincey's in Salida on Prime Rib, baked potatoes and a wedge of salad, yummy. Back at the campground we are delighted by a local country singer doing a two-hour show for everyone. Saturday morning, we gathered in the park area of the campground for visiting and goodies provided by the hosts. Our group totals twenty-three this morning. After snacks it was time for our morning hike, the people and pets love this time. Our group scatters in the afternoon, some shopping and lunch. Some were headed to Monarch Pass at an elevation of 11,312, some headed to Buena Vista to see the Circus, others enjoyed the down time at camp. The activities are as varied as the members of our camping families. We had a salads and cakes for dinner.

Presidents Quote: A good laugh & amp; a long sleep are the best cures in the doctor's book. (Irish Proverb)

















#### 49TH FCRV INTERNATIONAL RETIREE RALLY NATIONAL PEANUT FAIRGROUNDS DOTHAN, ALABAMA EARLY DAYS: MARCH 20<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> RALLY DAYS: MARCH 24<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>



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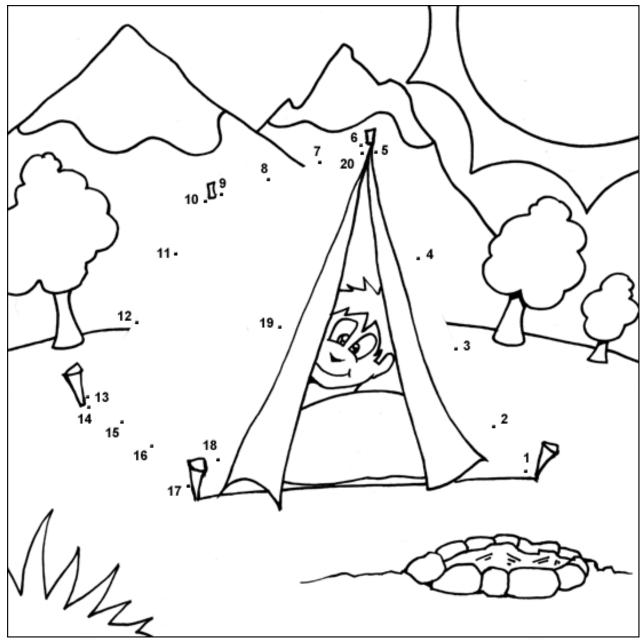
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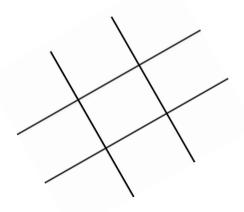
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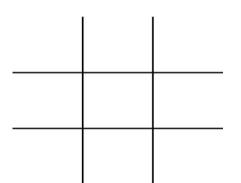
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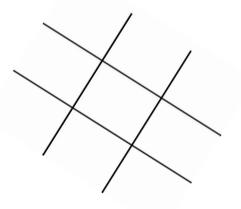
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**60<sup>TH</sup> INTERNATIONAL CAMPVENTION** 





#### THE TRUE NORTH STRONG AND FREE Family Campers & Rver's Hosted by Region #7 Eastern Canada Brigden Fairgrounds, 2435 Courtright Line Brigden, ON, NON 1BO July 13 - July 17 <sup>th</sup> 2020 fee covers July 12-17<sup>th</sup> (6 nights) Early Bird Days: July 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> @ \$ 25/night (pay @ registration- **cash**) Registrations are needed by: **June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020**

Last Name:	e: First Name:			
Address:			City:	
State/Province:				
Phone number:		Email:		
Handicapped/Speci	al Needs Parking	: Yes No		
Motor Home	5 <sup>th</sup> Wheel	Travel trailer	Pop-up Tent	
Number of people	in your unit:			
# of Adults:	Teens:	Youth 0-12:	Total # of people in unit:	

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

Name	Age	Name	Age

Gates will be open from 8am- 8pm (all days)

#### REGISTRATION

Everyone must complete a registration form including second families and camp passes. Submit payment with the registration form. All funds should be Canadian currency of cheques or money orders. **NO CREDIT CARDS.** 

Registration	At Gate	
One Family in the Unit	\$325 CDN	\$335 CDN
Extra Family in Unit (pay separate)	\$200 CDN	\$210 CDN
Week Drive-In pass	\$200 CDN	\$210 CDN
Walk-In Camp Pass (per day)	\$40 CDN	\$40 CND

Make cheques/Money Orders payable to: 2020 FCRV Campvention \*CASH ONLY AT THE GATE\*

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Mail to: Marilyn Rosenberger	Refund policy: If you are unable to attend,			
3500 Chilligo Road RR#2	all except \$35 CDN will be refunded			
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