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pumpkin Carving Challenge

Last month State Youth Chairman Misty Stuckwisch challenged us to send a picture of either a carved pumpkin or of us carving a pumpkin. Here is the only photo received...and it is wonderful! This month Misty has given us another challenge. Read her article (page 4) to join in on the fun!!



Hannah & Laney Courtney. Daughters of Kristy & Tim, Granddaughters of Chet & Sherry Nolan.

The cornucopia has come to symbolize riches and plenty, and though it is closely associated with Thanksgiving, it was symbolic in art, mythology and folklore even before the holiday existed. The name originated in 1508, coming from the Latin *cornu* (horn) and *copia* (plenty). Some say that the concept of the cornucopia reaches all the way to the fifth century BC!

The Cornucopia may have originated from stories in ancient Greek mythology.

In one story, the Greek god Zeus was raised by the daughters of the king of Crete to save him (Zeus) from being killed by his father. They fed him milk from a goat. Zeus broke off the horn of the goat to give to the daughters as a gift, giving the horn the power to fill up with whatever the owner desired. Therefore, whoever owned the horn would never go hungry.

(In another rendition of this, the goat Amalthea cared for Zeus in a cave to prevent his cannibalfather from eating him. Zeus accidentally pulled off the horn of the goat when she was nursing him. Zeus promised that the horn would always bring the goat whatever she wanted. In that legend, Zeus, thankful for the gift, placed the image of the goat into the sky into a constellation that we now know as Capricorn.)

In yet another legend, the Greek god Hercules fought with the river god Achelous for the love of a beautiful woman named Dejanira. Achelous made himself first into a serpent and then into a bull to try to win, but Hercules broke off the horn of the bull, thus both winning the love of Dejanira and changing the course of the river. Water nymphs found the horn and made it a sacred object, filling it with flowers. Later the Goddess of Plenty, Copia, adopted the horn as her own, the "Horn of Copia."

Whatever its origins, the cornucopia now symbolizes the richness and goodness of our lives for which we are most thankful. May this Thanksgiving find your cornucopia overflowing with many blessings!



From the State Director

Cindy James

Hello Indiana,

The trees are glowing with vibrant colors and with rain in the forecast that means rakes will be coming out of storage, as the rain will cause the leaves to fall. This also means those of us here in the North will be winterizing our units and therefore our camping season will soon end. I hope that we all can get through the winter months without too much difficulty.

February in Indianapolis will be a good thing, with the Sport, Boat & Travel Show, we will be there manning a booth! Indiana FCRV! So, if any of you out here reading this would like to help at the booth that would be awesome! (See further details elsewhere here in the Chatter)

While planning your campouts for the 2019 season remember to include any of the campouts already scheduled which can also be found in the Chatter.

Before we know it, the Snowbirds will be packing up and heading south. We hope you have safe travels and fun times!

Folks, we hope to see a few of you in February at the Booth...until then be safe and stay healthy.

Cindy James



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From the State President

Rick and Christina Lucas

Dear Fellow Campers,

This fall season has been a revelation to me. For many years, Rick has had an aerial picture of his grandfather's farm hanging in our living room. Rick has frequently comment on how beautiful it is. I would of course agree (but in my mind, would always think, beauty is in the eye of the beholder). This fall, driving home to our new house (in the country), the evening sun shining on the soybeans fields would produce the most beautiful golden hue. I now have a much greater appreciation for the beauty found in the agricultural fields. I now miss the site, as the farmers have harvested for the season.

We now have one more camping trip coming up this next weekend. We are looking forward to sitting by the campfire with our FCRV family. We'll need the fire, the forecast is for a nippy weekend. Then we will winterize the unit and look forward to next spring.

Our state spring campout (May 3-5) will be at Oubache State Park in Bluffton. More information can be found concerning making reservations since everyone will need to make their own (this is a state park).

We are also excited to share that the Fall Invitational (October 4-6) will be at the Bill Monroe Campground. As with the spring campout, more information will be available in the Chatter. Finally, don't forget the summer campout (August 16-18) will be at Cornerstone Campground.

Snow birds, please have safe travels, and we will see you in the spring. For those staying here in Indiana, don't forget to mark your calendars to volunteer at the Boat, Sports & Travel show in February (15-24).

Íill next time, *Richard & Christina*

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Indiana State Association FCRV Youth Director Misty Stuckswisch

Happy Fall! Our August campout was a success. Our teen and youth numbers may be low but they had a good time. Macey enjoyed helping Natalie with a craft, playdough and showing her how to be a princess. It's so much fun to see our little campers learn and grow.

Now that campers have been winterized and pool toys stowed away for the year, I hope everyone is getting their pumpkins carved or crafted before Halloween. Do you still need a Halloween costume? Try checking your own closet! A great way to upcycle is to use what is already at hand to make a cool costume. Add a straw hat to a pair of jeans and a flannel shirt and you could be a cowboy! Or add some hay to your cuffs and collar to be a scarecrow! The possibilities are endless!

One of the cutest ideas I have seen simply uses an old umbrella with string tied under it and rain drops cut out of paper. Wear your rain coat and boots and you are a rainy day! You can even add pieces of stuffing to make clouds attached to your umbrella.

Thanksgiving will be here before you know it – don't forget to be thankful and enjoy your day with family and friends.

What are you thankful for? Please email <u>hoosierchatter@hotmail.com</u> with what you are thankful for this year. I look forward to seeing your list!

Blessings, *Misty*







Hey everyone,

Hope you're not to cold yet! It's getting cold and the seasons are changing quickly and I'm having changes happening too.

At school I've only got a week and a half left until it's finally November 2nd. And why is that date is so exciting to me? That's because it is the last day of trimester 1! I've been so stressed out and very tired this trimester. With algebra 2 honors, geography, Spanish 2, biomed, and chemistry the homework has definitely been piling up. And tests? They always seem to fall on the same days. I don't just have 1 test, I have 2 of 3 at least all on the same day. So with all that I'm definitely ready to end my hardest trimester and for trimester 2 because it is my easiest trimester.

During 2nd trimester I will hopefully be able to get more sleep, since I've been staying up until 10, 11, and even sometimes 12 o'clock doing homework or studying. I never thought I'd be the that person that falls asleep studying, but I'll admit it has happened, twice.

And during 2nd trimester I'll hopefully also be able to spend more time practicing piano. Since last week was fall break I got a chance to do a lot of practicing. And it was nice to see the improvement over a week of daily practicing. And I can definitely tell that I'm going to be able to preform very well for campvention this summer in Kansas!

I hope everyone is staying warm. But if you're not here's an idea that'll warm you up. Think about how hot it's going to be in Kansas this summer and you'll feel a lot warmer!

Macey

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER By Melvin Coy IN MEMORY OF MSG CHARLES H. MCDANIEL December 6, 1917 – November 2, 1950

Charles joined the United States Army in 1940 later serving as a medic with the 83rd Infantry Division in Europe through five campaigns in WWII. After leaving the Army in 1945, he worked in Whitesburg, Kentucky, as a truck driver for the coal mines. He reenlisted in the Army in 1948 and was sent to Japan in 1949. There he served with the 3rd Battalion, 8th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division.

He was listed as MIA at the Battle of Unsan in North Korea on November 2, 1950. Though presumed dead his remains were not found for nearly 68 years until 55 boxes of remains were returned to the US by North Korea in July, 2018. A lone dog tag belonging to Master Sergeant Charles McDaniel ultimately led to the identification of his remains.

Master Sergeant Charles McDaniel was awarded the Bronze Star Medal and Letter V Device, Purple Heart, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal and Silver Star Attachment and the Combat Medical Badge 1st Award for his courageous service in WWII and the Korean War.

He was a medic in an Army battalion overwhelmed by Chinese troops at the Battle of Unsan in North Korea on November 2, 1950. (From his obituary.)

His son Charles McDaniel, Jr, who was 3 at the time of his father's disappearance, related to CBS News: "They lost 600 and something people in one night....the Chinese came in around them, surrounded them and just overran the battalion headquarters."

His wife Gladys and her two sons never knew what happened to him, but when he didn't come home with prisoners of war, he was officially declared dead, a fact which slowly registered with Charles as he grew. "I remember all of a sudden as a little boy starting to cry. I was inconsolable," he said.

He became an Army chaplain and searched military archives for his father's service records but found no clues to his fate.

Then, North Korea turned over 55 boxes of remains following the Singapore summit. "Fifty-five boxes come back. That's one percent of the missing in action. So I'm figuring at best there's a one percent chance that my father's remains are there," Charles said.

But then, as he revealed at a ceremony in Hawaii honoring the missing, he got a call from an Army official. "He said, 'I have some amazing news for you, we found one dog tag, one dog tag. And it's your father's," Charles said at the ceremony.

Eaten away by rust, still legible were his father's name and blood type. With the dog tag in hand, it didn't take long for the forensics lab in Hawaii to identify McDaniel's remains using DNA and dental analysis.

MSG Charles McDaniel was given full military honors and laid to rest Saturday, October 27, 2018 after he returned home to Indiana.

Charles McDaniel, Jr, influenced many as an Army chaplain and pastor including myself.

There are still many that are still MIA. We need to continue to pray for their families and pray that their endings might be as MSG McDaniel's was and they can be returned to their families.

Melvin Coy





If you only use your holiday spices for cakes and cookies, you're missing out, says David Pletzer, MD, a family medicine doctor at IU Health.

"Doctoring up your food with spices can be a great way to add a lot of flavor and sneak in some health benefits," he says.

Here are five superstar holiday spices.

- 1. **Cinnamon**: this anti-inflammatory spice is a health-boosting powerhouse, with research showing it can do everything from helping to prevent colds and keeping blood sugar in check to lowering "bad" cholesterol.
- 2. **Nutmeg**: Having trouble sleeping? This healing spice has been shown to induce drowsiness. It's also anti-inflammatory and can help regulate your digestive tract to prevent indigestion and

diarrhea.

- 3. **Peppermint**: the iconic candy cane is much more than a holiday treat. Peppermint has been shown to help an upset stomach, relieve headache pain and soothe irritable bowel syndrome (IBS) symptoms.
- 4. Cloves: This antioxidant-packed spice is shown to be an effective anti-inflammatory that helps do everything from relieving aches and pains to help protect against chronic disease.
- 5. **Ginger**: there's a good chance you've been turning to ginger (in the form of ginger ale) to help as long as you can remember to calm nausea. It may also help relieve arthritis pain and swelling.

*This article is taken directly from the Fall 2018 issue of <u>Health*care*</u> (News and information from IU Health Plans to help you take good care of your health.). iuhealthplans.org





Indiana State Association FCRV Ronald McDonald House And Riley Hospital Collections Coordinator C.A.M.P. Lady Patti Thieme

I would like to say that I have not made it to Riley yet to deliver the goodies.

After the last camp out I attended the wedding of Fletcher and Anna Shaneyfelt, and it was a beautiful wedding (even though I might be biased on that since he is my grandson.)

And I have been helping on the farm. All the crops are off and gardening is done. Now to rest and hibernate for the next three months.

While you are drinking the water, or pop, you can save the tabs or plastic lids so you can bring them to next camp out in May. I hear there will be a lot of good things to do there.

Make sure you bring your hiking shoes, because I heard that we can go hiking on trails or on the roads. If you do not want to do any of these things then just bring a book to share or to exchange.

That is all for now. So, until camping season begins again

Patti Thieme



Sometimes a dish served at our pitch-in gatherings stands out so much that we want to make it again. We invite you to send us your outstanding recipes to share with other campers!

Since it is Thanksgiving time here is a good one and it frees up the oven. CROCK POT DRESSING

large can of chicken
small can of chicken broth
sticks of margarine
Celery and onion diced as desired
mushrooms as desired
1/2 loaves bread
dried and cubed
poultry seasoning to taste

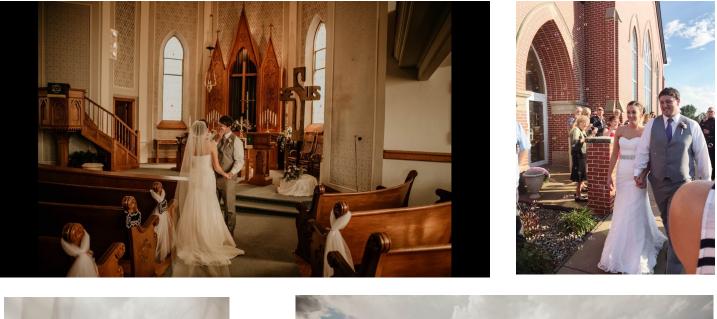
Saute onion and celery in margarine till tender. Mix everything together. Put in greased crock pot. Cook on high for 1 hour then low for 3 hours. Serve.

Deena Felver



Fletcher Shaneyfelt, FCRV National Teen King in 2014 was married in October to Anna Franke. Fletcher said on his Facebook page, "Two years ago I got engaged to this amazing girl. Then finally last Saturday we got married. We had great plans for our honeymoon, but ironically, we had to change our plans. For those of you who don't know, two years ago my family was supposed to go to Hilton Head Island but had to change and go to Orange Beach thanks to hurricane Matthew (which is where we got engaged). Now this year we were going to Fort Walton Beach in Florida but had to divert to Biloxi, Mississippi thanks to hurricane Michael. In life it doesn't matter what's planned or not planned. All that matters are the people by your side and I'm so happy that Anna has been by my side this whole time. I'm so excited to see what the future has in store for us."

Fletcher is a Registered Veterinary Technician and the son of FCRV Campvention Coordinators Ed and Angie Shaneyfelt of Decatur, Indiana.







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MEMBERSHIP MEETING Fall Invitational

September 21-23, 2018 ORNERSTONE CAMPGROUND NEW CAST

CORNERSTONE CAMPGROUND, NEW CASTLE

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by President Christina Lucas. A quorum was present.

INTRODUCTIONS:

President Christina Lucas called for introductions for those present.

MINUTES:

A motion to approve the minutes from Spring Campout at Cornerstone Campground in New Castle was made by 30 and seconded by 108. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Angie Shaneyfelt presented the financial information April 26, 2018 – September 21, 2018. Angie Shaneyfelt made a correction to the total of the Scholarship Fund. Corrected from \$4,895.52 to \$4,922.44. A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by 108 and seconded by 17. Motion carried.

STATE DIRCTORS REPORT CAMPVENTION:

• Cindy James:

Þ July 31, 2019 – August 1-4, 2019: Regionals will be in Illinois.

Þ July 7-12, 2019: Campvention will be at Hutchinson, Kansas at the Kansas State Fairgrounds.

Ed Shaneyfelt reported that all buildings are air conditioned and the first 200 to register will have full hookup.

Come and support our beautiful Queen Macy Stuckwisch!

• Watch for upcoming details in the Hoosier Chatter for more details to come.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Adult Games- Nothing to report.
- Conservation and Wildlife- Nothing to report.
- Youth- Queen Macy Stuckwisch always wanted to have little princesses. There was one in attendance,

Natalie, granddaughter of Denise and Cindy James. They had a "tea". They made a craft, played with play dough and had apple juice and cookies. Natalie sang the "ABC" song. Angie Shaneyfelt presented a trophy to Macy Stuckwisch being our Indiana queen for 2018-2019 to represent us at Hutchinson, KS in July 2019.

- Chatter Nothing to report.
- Chaplin's Report- Melvin Coy reported that there was a great turnout for Mike Vice this weekend.
- Retirees- Had 9 people camp this weekend. They ate out once and had lots of ham and cheese sand-wiches and of course chips!
- C.A.M.P- There were 12 people and 5 dogs that walked on Saturday.
- TABS etc.- Thank you for all the tabs, coupons for the military families, and the book exchange.
- Scholarship- We do not have anyone at this time but we will in the near future.
- Teens- Macey Stuckwisch has accepted to remain our Indiana Queen for the 2018-2019 camping season.
- Security- All is good.
- Historian- Nothing to report.
- Audit- Scheduled to do this at the Spring Campout.
- Nominating Committee- Christopher and Denise Weiss will be Co-chair with Marilyn Rausch

OLD BUSINESS:

- Fall Invitational we had 18 units at Cornerstone Campground this weekend.
- *February 13-24, 2019 Boat, Sport & Travel Show:* Christopher and Denise are Chairman for this event.
 - The fee for the week is \$430 and the National will reimburse the State 50% of the cost.

We need volunteers to man the booth so please contact the Weiss's if you want to sign up for a time.

- There are only so many passes to go around. Christopher will check to see how many we will get. If there are not passes available then you will have to pay \$10 to get in. They have the National pamphlet to pass out and our State flyers are almost done. Christopher and Denise Weiss passed out 26 new membership packets here at Cornerstone a few weeks ago and felt like they had a great response.
- Ed Shaneyfelt made a motion that the Membership

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Fund would pay for the \$10 entrance fee if there are no passes to handout, but you must work the booth for 4 hour and seconded by 108. Motion carried.

<u>NEW BUSINESS:</u>

- The trustees voted to reduce the amount we give to Riley Children's Hospital from \$100 to \$50.
- · 2019 State Campout dates:
- May 3-5, 2019 hosted by Angie Shaneyfelt location TBA.
- * August 16-18, 2019 hosted by the Skeeter Beaters and will be at Corner

Stone Campground.

* October 4-6 FALL INVITATIONAL hosted by the trustees. Location TBA

Looking in the Brown Co. area.

• A motion to approve the 2019 schedule was made by 17 and seconded by 30. Motion carried.

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT:

108 made a motion to adjourn and James Simmons, Southern Rep. seconded. The meeting adjourned.

Respectively Submitted, Brad and Stacy Davis

2019 CAMPOUT INFORMATION

FALL INVITATIONAL

The trustees have voted & the location for the Fall Invitational will be at Bill Monroe's Music Park and Campground in Bean Blossom. This campground is located 5 miles North of Nashville, their address is 5163 State Road 135 Morgantown, Indiana.

They have let us block off a set of sites to reserve and we have the availability to use their pavilion for free! Also, there is a small cement building that will be close to our sites that will be great for the retirees to use when they go in for their rally on Wednesday. We have these sites being held from Wednesday (10/2) for the Retiree Rally through Sunday (10/6) for the state campout.

Also at this campground they have a walking trail, fishing lake, canoe rental (you can take your own kayaks). They are also building a new shower house this fall/spring and a new playground, so these will be completed for us next fall! Bill Monroe's Museum is also located at the entrance, there is a \$4.00 fee to walk through (\$3.00 for seniors), we took a quick tour when we were there and it has a lot of history! Everyone should check it out!!!

So, mark your calendars now. In next months Chatter we will have information on how to reserve your site and what site numbers he have allotted for us.

The trustees will be hosting the Fall Invitational.

SPRING CAMPOUT

The trustees have voted that the location for the Indiana State Spring Campout on May 3-4-5, 2019 will be Ouabache State Park in Bluffton, Indiana. Angie Shaneyfelt will be hosting the campout that weekend. Watch next months Chatter for reservation information.

You will need to reserve your spot as soon as you read in next months Chatter as we will be in the 6 month window to make reservations at a State Park. If you don't reserve soon, the spots that we have chosen for us to be closer together may not be available. If you choose to make reservations closer to the campout date, you may have to park further away from our group and have to walk a distance to join our activities!

Mark you calendar and watch for next months issue with reservation information.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Retiree Rally 2019 Terrebone Civic Center Houma, Louisiana March 19 - 24, 2019

Campvention 2019 Hutchinson, Kansas, July 7-13, 2019

Great Lakes Regional Events

Regional Campout 2019 Watseka, Illinois July 31-August 4, 2019

Indiana State Events

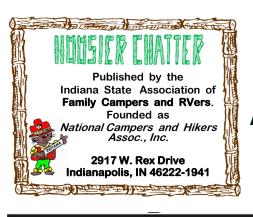
Booth at Indianapolis Boat, Sport and Hobby Show February 15-24, 2019 Volunteers Needed!

2019 Indiana Spring Campout Ouabachi State Park Hosted by Angie Shaneyfelt May 3-5, 2019

2019 Indiana Summer Campout Cornerstone Campground N75 W CR 500 S New Castle, IN 47362 Hosted by Skeeter Beaters August 16-18, 2019

2018 Fall Invitational Bill Monroe's Campground 5163 State Road 135 Morgantown, Indiana Hosted by Indiana FCRV Trustees October 4-6, 2019

Don't forget to preregister for the campouts!







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