

# Nebraska **CALLING**



July 2019

Where Strangers Become Friends & Friends Become Family!

## State Director's Message . . . . . Rob and Joleen Baker

We hope everyone is having a great camping season so far. We have had our fair share of rain and cold, but we are campers and we make do.

June Bug 2019 will be in the Nebraska FCRV history books by the time The Calling hits the presses. Just a little information – last count we have 30 units registered. We will have our own little mini-campvention at Windmill. We appreciate everyone's time and effort in planning, coordinating and attending this event. We are hoping the same amount show up at York Fairgrounds in September.

As your State Directors, we understand that life gets in the way at times. Participation at National is at an all time low. All we ask is that you continue to support our Nebraska State functions when possible. The planning and coordinating of these events take some effort and those who are doing so, appreciate your support in attending, volunteering and participating.

We are again requesting input from Nebraska membership for nominations for Chapter of the Year and Family of the Year. Please share your chapter activities and

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### 2019 Dates to Remember

July 7-13	Campvention, Hutchinson, KS
Aug 18-20	Retiree Campout, Stromsburg, NE
Sept 13-15	State/Fall Workshop, York Fairgrounds, York, NE

information on family activities so that we have some to decide between for the Awards in September.

If there is anything you need, please email us or contact Rob at 402-639-4837 or Joleen at 402-639-4628.

## Reports . . .

### President's Report . . . . . Shari Weber

Campvention is just around the corner! I am making reservations and looking forward to seeing everyone.

#### **NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

The 2020 nominating committee is in place. Positions up for election are President, Vice President Programs and Recording/Corresponding Officer. The committee is being chaired by Dave Ludwig, Past President from Region 2. Other members of the committee are from Region 3, Dale Huston, Region 4, Sue Carlsen, Region 5, Glen Dains and Region 7, Lou Acre. Remember you can help with recommendations. Please contact any of these people with recommendations for qualified people for these positions.

#### **SURVEY**

Included with this message are the results of the campvention survey you and our members participated in. I want you to know that I tested the survey with a phone, tablet and laptop computer. It all worked for me. Many people had some difficulty responding, but many of them found a way to send the information. I am enthused by the response.

#### **MEETING AT CAMPVENTION**

We will start at 9:30 Saturday morning. I am working on a schedule and agenda. Those will be finalized in the next week and sent out to you under separate email. Please feel free to join us for the meeting. Just send me a message if you plan to attend in person. Sue F., Vice President Operations is setting up a gotomeeting for both days. If you are unable to attend in person, please plan to attend electronically.

Those attending in person will be reimbursed the early day registration fees for attending. These funds will be given to you at the break Sunday afternoon. If you attend both days, you will get both early day fees. If you are only able to attend one day, then you will only receive the one night. We will also have lunch for you both days. Lunch will be pizza one day and subs the other day. We will provide bottled water. You are welcome to bring beverages of your choice.

#### **CAMPVENTION 2020**

This campvention is being held in Brigden, Ontario. Our Canadian members proposed that the fees for this campvention be in Canadian funds. This was approved by the Trustees and the rate set at \$325 CDN. US members planning to register in Hutchinson for Brigden will need to bring Canadian funds. Because currency changes daily the amount in US dollars isn't certain but should be between \$240 USD and \$260 USD. A notice of this will be in June "Camping Today", but feel free to tell other members so they can be prepared.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

At the end of May we saw an increase in membership over April! We increased by 6 members. Twenty five new members were recruited. The following states/provinces saw increases in their membership: Colorado by 5, Illinois by 5, Connecticut by 3, Indiana by 3, Nebraska by 2, Ontario by 2, Arizona, Louisiana, North Carolina, and Pennsylvania by 1. I cannot express my appreciation enough! Thank you to all who have made a difference by inviting someone to join. See you soon!

## State Chaplain. .Mert Feikert

We have just returned from a week-long journey through the Black Hills and Badlands of South Dakota. This isn't the first visit to this area of our country but it seems that every time we get there I am always seeing or learning something new. When God created this beautiful world we live in, He really did produce a paradise for His children.

I have also found that every time I open and read the Bible, I always find something new that affects my walk with Him in some new way. It seems that when He inspired those who wrote the Bible; He made sure that He covered every possible aspect of our life here in the world He made for us.

This month has been a very busy one for our household so I am trying to write this in the early morning hours before the day really begins. The main thing I would like to do this month is to encourage you to spend more time studying the word that has been passed on through the centuries. Join the Bible study groups that have been formed in your church and I'm sure you will find the joy, hope and peace promised by our Father.

### **Romans 15:13**

*Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,  
so that you will abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit*

I am looking forward to seeing many of you at June Bug.

## Fall Workshop . Donna Hansen

September 13-15, 2019  
York, Nebraska

Bring an old T-shirt and scissors if you are interested in making a tote bag from it for the craft. See the schedule on page 8 for the time to participate, or check when you arrive.

## Chapter News . . . .

### Courageous Ramblers

We held our 2nd meeting on May 6 at the home of President Donna Hansen. There were 7 members present. The minutes were read and accepted. Treasurer's report was read and accepted. All members paid dues. Mahlon and Judy Dickey presented a 45-year certificate to the membership. It was decided the president should keep it.

Donna had made it to the executive board meeting in April. She gave us a report on what to get ready for the fall workshop.

Mickey Hetrick is doing well. The last PET scan showed the cancer to be responding to the chemo she is taking. We want people who know her to pray for her. She needs all the help she can get.

June campout will be at Seward Wayside June 14-15-16.

Norma made a motion to adjourn, Mickey 2nd. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

June 14 Ramblers held a meeting. at a restaurant in town. We were to go camping but the Blue River flooded the campground. There were 6 members and 1 guest.

We had a good meal and plan to camp next month, July 18-19-20.

Mickey Hetrick continues to improve. All prayers are welcome.

*Norma Hetrick, Field Director*

### Triple F Campers

Ten families from Triple F met at Double Nickel RV Park near Waco for our June campout. We started off the weekend with a storm Friday night complete with lots of thunder, lightning, and hail.

Some of the braver members of our group weathered the storm under a pop-up shade canopy. I'm surprised it didn't blow away. Fortunately, the hail didn't damage our campers and the weather improved greatly the remainder of the weekend.

Jessica had a great craft for us that involved pouring paint onto a canvas and swirling it to create designs. We all looked pretty cool wearing black trash bags for painter's smocks. Despite our lack of vogue, the craft was a huge success with all the pictures worthy of being framed.

Everyone took advantage of the amenities offered by the park such as mini-golf, swimming, and an outdoor movie after dark. Saturday morning we made use of the clubhouse for a couple of hours of board games. That evening we had our usual meeting, potluck dinner, and campfire. Sunday, many of

us ended the weekend with a CAMP walk around the park before we headed home.

We are looking forward to June Bug the end of this month and July will find us at Branched Oak near Lincoln.

*Mary Brashaw, Secretary*

### Rollin' Turtles

The June meeting was called to order by President Daryl Chapelle, June 22, 2019 at 2:00 pm at Branched Oak; 13 people present.

John and Mary Brehm became new members of the group.

We had a Walking Taco dinner with campers bringing toppings and desserts.

Next month the campout will be a potluck at Louisville SRA, which means everyone bring a meat dish and either a salad, vegetable, or dessert.

*Jan Van Arsdall, Substitute Secretary*

## NEBRASKA CHAPTER CAMPOUTS FOR 2019

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>HEARTLAND RUNABOUTS</b></p> <p>January 5 Exeter Fire Hall            February No Meeting            March 9 Perkins, Grand Island            April 26-28 Fort Kearny, Kearney            May 10-12 Pawnee SRA            June 28-30 June Bug, Windmill, Gibbon            July 19-21 Branched Oak SRA            August 9-11 Hebron City Park            September 13-15 Fall Gathering, York Fairgrounds            October 11-13 Lake Shore, Geneva            November 9 York Library            December TBA</p> <p>Contact: Sandy Kendall (308) 380-8872</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>TRIPLE F</b></p> <p>January 12 Pizza Ranch, Papillion            February 9 Papio Bowl            March 9 Prehistoric Putt on Q St.            April 13 Halleck Park Shelter            May 3-5 Wilber American Legion Park            June 14-16 Double Nickel, Waco            June 28-30 June Bug at Windmill            July 7-12 Campvention, Hutchinson, KS            July 19-21 Branched Oak            August 7-11 Lewis &amp; Clark, Onawa            September 13-15 Fall Gathering at York Fairgrounds            September 20-22 Viking Lake            October 11-13 Wilbur American Legion            November 2 Planning Meeting at Meinstad's            December 14 Christmas Party at Meinstad's</p> <p>Contact: Mary Brashaw (402) 561-9018</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ROLLIN' TURTLES</b></p> <p>January 20 Anderson Library, Lincoln            February 17 Anderson Library, Lincoln            March 17 Anderson Library, Lincoln            April 18-21 Double Nickel, Waco            May 16-19 Victorian Acres, Nebraska City            June 20-23 Branched Oak SRA            July 18-21 Louisville SRA            August 22-25 Two Rivers SRA, Omaha            September 19-22 Rock Creek Station SRA            October 17-20 Wilbur Sportsman Club, Wilbur            November 17 Anderson Library, Lincoln            December 1 - Christmas Party</p> <p>Contact: Jan Van Arsdall (402) 904-4955</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>REPUBLICAN VALLEY SODBUSTERS</b></p> <p>April 16 – 18 Nuckolls County Fairgrounds at Nelson            May 14 – 16 Crystal Lake            June 28 – 30 June Bug at Windmill Campground            July 16 – 18 Hebron City Park            August 18 – 22 Retirees Campout at Stromsburg Park            September 17- 19 Hunters Cove            October 15 – 17 Nuckolls County Fairgrounds</p>

**COME CAMP WITH US**  
**PRINT THIS PAGE AND TAPE IT ON YOUR FRIDGE**  
**IF YOU WANT TO HANG OUT WITH ANOTHER CHAPTER**  
**HERE ARE THE SCHEDULES WE HAVE RECEIVED**

## **FCRV RETIREE RALLY STROMSBURG, NEBRASKA**

Buckley Park Campground

August 18 – 22, 2019

Registration fee \$4.00 per person. The parking fee is by donation and will be decided by all at our general meeting.

Parking: Jim Hackett

### **MONDAY**

- 9:00 Registration begins with Coffee Time. A thru H bring something to share.
- 12:00 Lunch on your own
- 2:30 Yard Games-Bring games you have.
- 5:30 Supper, main dish provided. Please bring salads, veggies, pickles, olives, dessert, etc. Bring your own dishes.
- 7:00 Get acquainted night. Share your musical talents.  
Volunteer snacks

### **TUESDAY**

- 9:00 Coffee Time. I through Sa bring something to share (initials of last name)
- 11:00 Leave for Senior Center for thrift shop and lunch
- 3:00 Crafts
- 5:30 Dinner on your own
- 7:00 Card Bingo  
Volunteer snacks

### **WEDNESDAY**

- 9:00 Breakfast provided (bring your own dishes)
- 10:30 General meeting
- 12:00 Lunch on your own
- 2:00 Ice Cream Social, bring toppings to share
- 5:30 Pot Luck
- 7:00 Fun Night, crowning of the New King and Queen  
Volunteer snacks

### **THURSDAY**

- 9:00 Coffee Time, Sb thru Z bring something to share

Each person attending is asked to bring an item for door prizes (Please no "White Elephants.") Please bring your own cup for coffee time and dishes and utensils for meals. Please bring books for sale or exchange, money to benefit our Retiree group.

## **YORK KOUNTY KORN KARNIVAL**

NEBRASKA CHAPTERS OF FCRV  
2019 STATE MEETING/FALL WORKSHOP

Sept 12-13-14

### **Schedule of Events**

#### **Friday afternoon**

- Registration \$10.00 per unit Teresa Mathews/Jan VanArsdall
- Hobo parking (no parking on the concrete pad outside the building please)

#### **7:00 Friday Evening**

Hillbilly mixer Triple F (Scavenger Hunt)

Board games/card games and puzzle Triple F

State Awards

Campfire Singalong (as we get closer, a determination will be made about campfires at the location)

#### **8:00 Saturday Morning**

Flag Raising – outside building

8:15 – 9:00 Breakfast – Jan Van Arsdall, Linda and Gary Sanders

10:00 Camp Walk/Wessels Farm Tour No admission

Youth/Teen Activities – Dawn Morgan-Baker

11:30 Cornhole Tournament - John and Anita Mueller

Saturday 12:15 lunch on your own

1:00 State Fall Workshop Meeting-Reports will be required from Program Directors

2:00 Cornhole Tournament (Continued if necessary)

2:30 Scholarship Committee Root Beer Floats

3:00 Hillybilly Skiing Contest (Teams of 4) Need volunteers

3:30 Crafts – Donna Hansen; bring old t-shirts

5:00 Supper – Triple F provides main dish, A – M to bring a side dish or salad, N – Z bring a dessert.

Clean up

7:00 Evening activities – Auction - New Items, Crafts, Baked Goods, proceeds will be given to the Wessels Living History Farm

9:00 Sunday

Prayer Service

Social time and room cleanup for the rest of the day

**York Kounty Korn Karnival**  
**We'll have a SHUCKIN' good time!!**

**Nebraska FCRV Presents:** The York Kounty Korn Karnival! We'll have a Shuckin' good time!

**Pre-Registration deadline is: August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019**

Check in well begin Friday evening, if handicap parking is required, please notate on your registration and we will try to accommodate your request. You must have a handicap place card displayed.

**Costs:**

Registration: \$10 per unit  
Camping Fee: \$15 per night for 30 and 50 AMP  
Saturday Breakfast: \$3.50 per person (child and adult)  
Saturday Dinner: \$4.00 per person (child and adult)  
(Saturday dinner will be "him-a-layin" possum stew. Triple F will provide main course, each family needs to bring a side.

Last name: A-M Bring a side or salad, N-Z: bring a dessert.

We will have a craft Saturday afternoon please bring an old t-shirt if you want to participate in the craft

**Registration:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Campers: Adults \_\_\_\_\_ Teens \_\_\_\_\_ Kids \_\_\_\_\_

Fees: Camping: \_\_\_\_\_ Meals: \_\_\_\_\_ Total: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make checks payable to Nebraska FCRV and mail with completed registration form to:**

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Vacant

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I, Pat Smith, certify that all material contained within this newsletter is used by permission and is acknowledged.

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