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Cancelled but Rescheduled!
Great Lakes Regional

Yes, campgrounds are now opened... finally!! But the Pandemic is not yet over, and there is a possibility of a second wave on the horizon. Plus, those who are still at some risk (over 65, some medical conditions) still need to be extra cautious. With all that uncertainty, and wanting to protect everyone who is at some risk, the decision has been made to reschedule the Regional Campout at Shipshewana until August 5-8, 2021. There is an updated registration form inside this CHATTER (Page 12).

Cancelled but gone virtual!
National Campvention

By now you are aware that the National Campvention in Canada has been cancelled...sort of. Many of the events will be presented virtually for those who have access to a computer. Keep checking the FCRV.org website for developing details (there is a link on the main page to the "Virtual Campvention.")

For those who are disappointed at not being able to do some site-seeing in Canada, the organizers have prepared a virtual site-seeing tour. You can access it at:
<https://fcrv.org/come-camp-with-us/campvention/campvention-2020/campvention-2020-site-seeing/>

And for those who planned on entering the parade contest, you still have a chance! See the guidelines on page 9 of this CHATTER for creating a shoebox entry. Once your masterpiece is ready, you can send in pictures for the virtual parade and possible bragging rights for being selected best in your category.

The annual business meeting and installation of officers will also be done online. Further information will be published as it becomes available.



From the State Director

Cindy James



From the State President

Ed Shaneyfelt

Hello Indiana,

As you have read we are postponing the 2020 Regional. Hopefully by not having the Regional this year we will have helped to slow down the spread of the Covid-19. We certainly hope that you will consider joining us in Shipshewana next year. We are sorry for any confusion or inconvenience postponing the campout may have caused.

Campvention is going Virtual! Well for this year anyways. You can go on the FCRV website or Camping Today and read up on all the ways a Virtual Campvention will be like! This Campvention will be one to go in the record books for sure! It will be interesting to see how it all works out.

Since Indiana is slowly coming out of the quarantine, we still need to go by the guidelines set forth by the Governor and his group of leaders. Please keep in touch with your aging family members and or friends and neighbors as they are still at a greater risk with being infected. Most elderly folks don't want to be a "bother" is usually their mindset in times like these and may not reach out for any assistance. Being a "family" organization such as Family Campers RVers is, we know how to turn "friends into family" so this is your challenge. Take a few minutes and make a difference in someone's heart this week by calling or even waving to someone who you usually don't interact with. It will be medicine for them and you!

Folks, keep safe and healthy and hopefully we can get back to a more normal way of life soon. Remember, We are all in this together

Cindy James

Indiana State Director

As of writing this the Canada Campvention and Shipshewana Regional have been cancelled. The Canadian Campvention is going virtual, see FCRV Facebook or website for more information. The Regional will be rescheduled for 2021, see article elsewhere in this Chatter.

The first campout of the year looks like it will be at Summit Lake Aug 21-23, 2020, hosted by the Fireflies. October 2-3-4, 2020 is the Fall Invitational that is hosted by the Trustees. The site is still to be determined since the campgrounds just opened up. I will now be able to contact campground offices for information. We hope to have all the information by next month's Chatter.

I am still looking for the replacement of the sound system. I am trying not to have to purchase a whole new system, so we can use the speakers and such to save money. I will be getting with Ron Cohee to check into the stores around him regarding this matter, since we can shop in public.

Remember to send me a list of any state owned equipment that you have to see if we want to down size and sell any of that merchandise.

Please stay healthy and safe and we will see you around the next campfire.

Ed Shaneyfelt

Indiana State President



DON'T FORGET TO APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS OR TEEN ROYALTY COMPETITION!!

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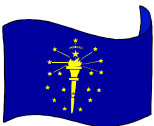
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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

By Harlan Nigh

Hello camping family.

I'm writing this on Memorial weekend. The state has lifted the band on camping, but we chose to stay in our backyard.

The Bible says in Isaiah 54:17 No weapon that is formed against the shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is of me, saith the Lord.

Bernice & I chose to let the "Wild Crowd" to have opening weekend. But we're ready to return to our favorite parks.

I pray to join with y'all soon, share the quarantine horror stories ☹️.

Till then God Bless y'all.

Harlan Nigh



Youth and Teen News

Indiana State Association FCRV
Youth and Teen Director
Misty Stuckswisch

Well, the temperature tells me it's about summer time but the camper is still parked so I'm so confused! But honestly, that is probably most days! Haha!

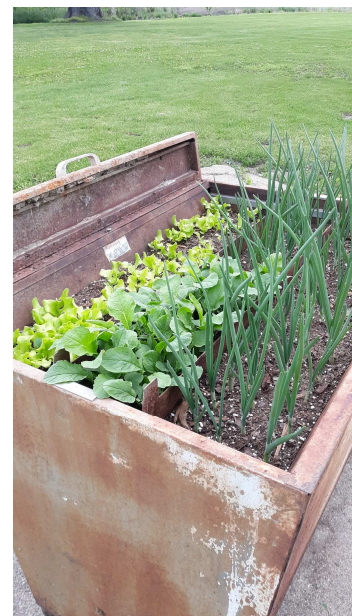
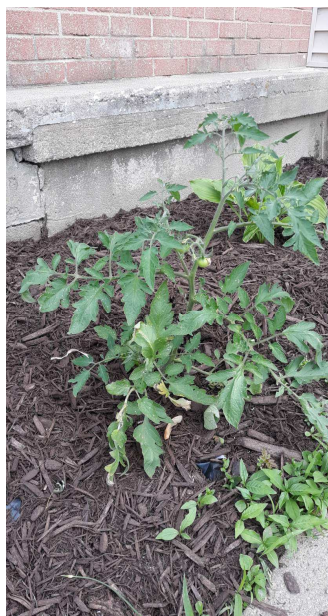
We are missing the camping so much at our house and I know you are too. We have spent time outside and I think I have done more with my flowers this year than ever before. How is your garden growing? I am very pleased with our container garden. The onions look like they are about ready to harvest. In hindsight, they should have been planted on a delayed schedule so not all of them had been ready at the same time but you live and learn I guess! Macey and Keith have green tomatoes on their plants.

As a reminder, you can still send in your "Camping is..." via photo email! Camping is goes to Karen Snodgrass at kssnodgrass@earthlink.net. The contest rules and the coloring sheet for the youngest members are included in this CHATTER. If you have any questions or concerns please just ask. I am happy to help in any way I can.

The virtual Campvention will be including a parade this year. Now is the time to let your creative juices flow! Theme is "All That Glitters" and entries must be received by June 21st. Guidelines will be included in the CHATTER.

Till we camp again!

Misty



The Fireflies Chapter is hosting the Summer Campout at

SUMMIT LAKE CAMPGROUND

August 21-23, 2020.

The sites for our group are 1-31, 52-60.

However, the campground has released these sites for general public, so it is important to make your reservations as soon as possible to be sure you can camp with the group in this area.

Reservations can be made
online at camp.in.gov

or

by calling 866-622-6746

Stay tuned for further information on this campout in future CHATTERS!

International FCRV Teen Queen

Macey



Hey yall!

I hope everyone is doing well and keeping their sanity. I am more than honored to be continuing my reign for another year! Becoming Miss FCRV has always been my dream and to have the opportunity to hold my title for 2 years is amazing since my year was cut short by this pandemic. My plans for this next year are to attend many more campouts, when possible. This will be much easier for me as it will be my senior year and I have a pretty easy schedule ahead of me.

Also more recent plans include working with Jill and Scott Serbousek and Caleb Demarest to create zoom interviews with the president-elect, Gerry Pfirsch, as well as past Queens and Kings to be posted leading up to virtual campvention. Also we have brought up discussion of other plans to be announced shortly!

FCRV aside, being in quarantine still I have had closure with school. I turned in my Chromebook and school supplies and have gotten back my projects from ceramics class.

Also I have gotten my senior schedule, which I am pretty happy with! March 16, 2020 is a day I don't

think I will ever forget. It was the day that was later found out to be my last day of junior year.

As I walked through my high school one last time for this year to turn in my supplies and collect my things it hit me like a ton of bricks. It hit me that I had said my final goodbyes to a lot of amazing friends, my lunch buddies, and my junior year.

I can't believe I am a senior now. I still remember the day that I sat in my 6th grade science class with a substitute teacher and he told us that these next 7 years would fly by. But it's been 6 years and I don't believe it. So much has happened and changed and now it's my time to have all my last moments before I say goodbye to this chapter of my life and hello to a whole new world.

In the mean time, I have also finished up my work on this year's yearbook. The last pages I had to do were the FFA pages. Putting the pictures on the page and reflecting on what we did get to do before all of this. I realized we really did have a great year. And once this pandemic is over, FFA will still be there for us to enjoy once again.

Other good news to come is I found out June 8th I will get to go for my training/meeting for my job at Springhill Camps! It was supposed to have been May 10th but with everything going on it got pushed way back and will finally be happening! I've been very excited to work and after everything it's finally happening!

I know my article was several random thoughts put together but I hope you can make sense of what I am saying and see where my perspective is right now. I hope everyone can continue to stay safe and cautious as everything starts to open back up. Remember when this passes, and it will, we will camp together again!

Macey

Recipes worth Sharing!

CAMPFIRE FOIL PACKETS

Ingredients:

- | | |
|---|-----------------------------|
| * 1 pound skinless, boneless chicken breast cubed | * 1 red bell pepper, sliced |
| * 2 onions, diced | * 4 cloves garlic, sliced |
| * 8 oz sliced fresh mushrooms | * 4 small potatoes, cubed |
| * 1 yellow bell pepper, sliced | * 1/4 c olive oil |
| | * Juice of 1 lemon |

Directions

1. Combine chicken, onion, mushrooms, yellow and red peppers, garlic and potatoes in large zip-top bag. Pour in olive oil and lemon juice. Mix well.
2. Evenly divide the mixture between 4 large sheets of aluminum foil. Top each with another sheet of foil. Roll the edges tightly. Wrap each packet again in another sheet of foil to double-wrap.
3. Cook in the hot coals of a campfire until the chicken is opaque and the potatoes are tender, around 40 minutes.
4. Be careful when opening foil as steam will have formed inside and can cause burns. (You can experiment with other types of protein and other vegetables.)

Recipe from [allrecipes](#)

DASAT MOMENT by Marilyn Rausch

Venturing out...Camping in the age of Coronavirus




With the Coronavirus Pandemic, campgrounds (as well as almost every other business) were closed. As we enter recovery phase 3, campgrounds are again opened, but just what does that mean?

Everyone is anxious to get out and begin camping, and we miss the time camping together with our chapters, our state association, and our friends. But it is not yet as it was before, and we will face new restrictions. These restrictions are not randomly placed by the campground but are in adherence to CDC guidelines designed to help prevent continued spread and even possible resurgence of the Covid-19 crisis.

Indiana's "Suggested Guidance for Campgrounds" is summarized below. The full report can be accessed at

https://backontrack.in.gov/files/BackOnTrack-IN_BackOnTrack-IN_Guidelines-Campgrounds.pdf

General Operations:

- * A minimum of 20 feet should be maintained between units for all lots rented for stay of less than 10 nights.
- * Employees in public-facing areas are required to wear cloth face coverings over their nose and mouth. Customers are strongly encouraged to wear cloth face coverings.
- * Campgrounds must provide handwashing in restrooms and sanitizing stations for guests and employees. If unable to adhere to these requirements, common restrooms and shared facilities must be closed.

Owners

- * Campgrounds must increase routine cleaning and disinfection procedures with emphasis on frequently touched surfaces to be disinfected at least every 2 hours.
- * Campgrounds should monitor groups and prohibit gatherings.
- * Campgrounds should post signs promoting proper handwashing, maintaining adequate supplies for handwashing.

Shared Activity Areas

- * Guests must adhere to social distancing guidelines during recreational activities and must ad-

here to social gathering guidelines.

- * Hot tubs, spas, splash pads, and contact sport activities should remain closed.
- * Shared equipment during activities must be cleaned and disinfected after each use.
- * Campgrounds should monitor use and post reminders for properly cleaning and social distancing near picnic tables, trash cans/dumpsters, and communal water areas.

Employees

- * Campgrounds should train all staff on the proper use of personal protective equipment, including face coverings.
- * Training should specifically cover topics like cleaning restrooms and collecting garbage.
- * Campground employees should stay home if showing symptoms of illness.
- * Campgrounds should set up a means of communicating with guests in ways that include no in-person contact, including at check-in.

Campground Guests

- * All gatherings should be limited or restricted to social gathering guidelines.
- * Campgrounds should monitor all public areas to encourage social distancing of guests. To achieve social distancing, guests should maintain 6 feet between persons not in the same household.
- * Guests should be encouraged to bring disinfecting cleaners and hand sanitizers.
- * Develop a protocol to conduct a health screening for guests at time of reservation and in time of check-in. Require guests who have been sick or have symptoms to stay home.
- * Guests over 65 or with high-risk medical conditions are strongly recommended to stay home.

We have had our camping season seriously disrupted. Things seem better, but not yet normal. During the "Stay-at-Home" orders we learned what we must do to reduce our personal risk and help avoid spread of this virulent virus. We need to carry those lessons forward as we try to return to some of the activities that are now available to us again.

CAMPING IS CONTEST

Since many spring Campouts are being canceled, if we have the Campvention this year, all Camping Is entries from all states and provinces will come to Nationals to be judged. In addition, materials will be provided to create an entry at Campvention. There can be multiple entries in an age category from each state/province.

If Campvention itself is canceled we will run a contest using a photo of the poster or coloring page. Create your poster (ages 5-12) or color your page (ages up to 4) Take a picture of the entry and email the picture to kssnodgrass@earthlink.net. **Deadline would be June 15th.** Entries should indicate the child's name, state/province, birth date and age.

We will still do ribbons or certificates to category winners.

Thanks
Karen Snodgrass

CAMPING IS CONTEST

“CAMPING IS” is a contest to give the youth of FCRV an opportunity to express what camping is. The contest is divided into six age groups; 0-2 years, 3-4 years, 5-6 years, 7-8 years, 9-10 years, and 11-12 years. Ages 0-4 will have a coloring contest with an official coloring page required. Ages 5-12 will have poster contest.

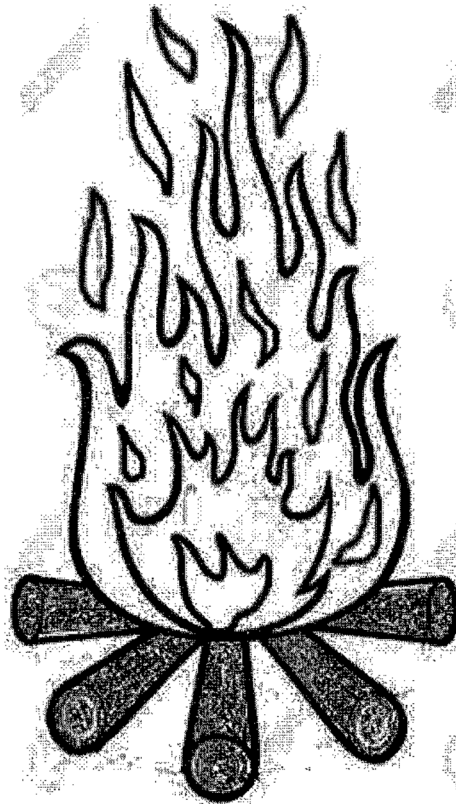
RULES

1. Contestant or contestant's parent(s) or legal guardian(s) must be FCRV members.
2. For Coloring Contest (ages 0-4) an official coloring page is required. Coloring pages will be available from the State/Provincial Youth Director or from the State/Provincial Director. It should also be available for download from the youth page of the FCRV website (www.fcrv.org).
3. For Poster Contest (ages 5-12) posters must be a standard size of 22"x 28". Standard sized poster board or heavy paper of the determined sized may be used.
4. ALL work, coloring, drawing, lettering, etc. must be the youth's own work. Posters may be any media. Coloring contest entries may use any non-electronic drawing or coloring materials.
5. Each State/Province may enter ONLY ONE ENTRY PER AGE at the National Contest level. These must be registered in the national contest.
6. Name, address(complete) and birth date, along with Field Director's or State/Provincial Director's certification of FCRV membership must appear in the lower left hand corner on the back of the poster/official coloring sheet.
7. Age will be determined as of July 1 of the year of the contest.
8. Each 1st prize winner becomes the property of FCRV for promotional uses. All others may be claimed at the end of Campvention.
9. Entries brought to the National Campvention must comply with the stated rules or they will be disqualified.

AWARDS

1. Ribbons will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners.
2. First place winners will receive an additional award (medallion or trophy) to be determined by National Contest Officials.

CAMPING IS...



CAMPFIRES

2020

Campvention Parade 2020 is going Virtual!

IT'S EASY TO PARTICIPATE

Imagine what your "All That Glitters" float could be about or look like.

Gather materials from around your house – newspaper, construction paper, leaves from your yard – whatever can help bring your float to life (even some of your dolls or action figures).

Build your float – anyone in your home can help!

Take pictures of your float – show us what you've got. We want to see it all and the special parts up close.

Email us your pictures – Send them to OKparade2016@gmail.com by Sunday, June 21.

Tune in – We'll compile them and premiere them during Virtual Campvention 2020 in July

GUIDELINES

Theme: "All that Glitters"

Float Base:

- Each entry shall be in the form of a diorama or shadow box.
- Each entry will be constructed using a shoebox and/or the lid.
- You may display a title on your exhibit.

Size: Floats should be made of a shoebox no larger than 14 in. by 10 in. or 35 CM by 25 .5 cm.

Categories: Youth, Teen, Adult

Judging Criteria:

- Parade theme
- Percentage of handmade
- Workmanship
- FCRV connection
- Humorous or friendly
- Relates to all ages

Email submissions to OKparade2016@gmail.com as an attachment or downloadable link.

Within your email, please include the name of your float, your float building team (this can be the first or first and last names of your team members or your family name – however you'd to be recognized during the parade). Your name, address and age **MUST** be included in the email (because all of our adults are 29 or 39 years of age, you only need to list adult). Tell us a little about your float –what inspired it, what you used to make it and anything else you want to highlight!

Submission Deadline – 11 p.m. EST on Sunday, June 21, 2020. Each entry will receive a confirmation email that we received your entry.

Your submission grants FCRV permission to use your pictures on any platform.

Teen Queen and King Applications



It is time to consider running in next year's Teen Queen or Teen King competition. If you ask any of those who have run in the past, they will tell you that this is a great opportunity to express yourself, meet new friends, and experience the Campvention in a whole new way!. To run you must be between the ages of 13 and 19 by the Campvention 2021, must be a member of Indiana FCRV on your own or through your parents, and have camped overnight at least twice during the year. Any questions? Ask Misty Stuckwisch!

APPLICATION (Due no later than July 1, 2020)
INDIANA FCRV TEEN QUEEN CONTEST



Name _____ Age _____ Birth Date _____
 Address _____ Cell Phone # _____
 Parents' Names _____ Home Phone # _____
 Parents' Chapter _____ Cell Phone # _____
 Teen Chapter _____
 School Attending _____ Grade _____
 Talent _____

Add a sheet of paper to answer these questions:

- What are your interests in school?
- What are your interests outside of school?
- What are your plans after you finish school?
- Why do you believe you would like to be our teen queen?

Mail Application to
 Misty Stuckwisch
 1050 N CR 450 N
 Brownstown, IN 47220
 Email:
 mistystu21@yahoo.com
 Phone
 812-528-2097

APPLICATION (Due no later than July 1, 2020)
INDIANA FCRV TEEN KING CONTEST



Name _____ Age _____ Birth Date _____
 Address _____ Cell Phone # _____
 Parents' Names _____ Home Phone # _____
 Parents' Chapter _____ Cell Phone # _____
 Teen Chapter _____
 School Attending _____
 Grade _____

Add a sheet of paper to answer these questions:

- What are your interests in school?
- What are your interests outside of school?
- What are your plans after you finish school?
- Why do you believe you would like to be our teen king?

Mail Application to
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 812-528-2097

INDIANA STATE ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Return by July 1, 2020

Return Form to: Ed & Angie Shaneyfelt, 1466 W 750 N, Decatur IN 46733

E-mail: angieshaneyfelt@hotmail.com (260) 728-9848

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE NUMBER (S) _____ EMAIL ADDRESS _____

BIRTH DATE _____ PARENT'S NAME _____

CHAPTER NAME _____ NUMBER _____

INDEPENDENT MEMBER? YES NO (circle one)

DATE PARENT'S JOINED FCRV/NCHA _____

DATE APPLICANT JOINED FCRV/NCHA (if member) _____

NAME OF HIGH SCHOOL _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

I certify that all statements contained in the application are true and correct,
and I have attached the most recent transcript of my grades

Signed _____ Date _____

Answer the following questions, using a separate sheet of paper if necessary:

1. Date of graduation from high school _____

2. List honors, awards, special recognition received during high school (List college awards etc. if applicable)

3. List activities engaged in during high school years. Include out-of-school activities (scouting, church organizations, etc.) as well as school activities. (List college activities if applicable)

4. What offices/positions have you held in any school organizations or in the FCRV Teen Association?

5. What college or vocational school do you plan to attend or are attending?

6. Give date of admission to the college/vocational school _____

7. Specify field of study you intend to pursue indicating your major and minor subject areas

8. What occupation do you propose to follow upon graduation? _____

Great Lakes Regional Campout

August 5-8, 2021

**Shipshewana Campground North
Shipshewana Indiana**



“A Stitch in Time From Handcrafted Minds”

Local activities include

There are opportunities to take a buggy ride, view over 30 hand-painted quilt murals on the LaGrange County Barn Quilt Trail, go to a dinner theater and watch handcrafted oak and cherry furniture being made. There are over 100 different shops, where you can find everything from handmade crafts and quilts to heirloom quality furniture. Purchase and sample unique foods like jellies, fudge, hand-rolled pretzels, and even Amish-made peanut butter. You'll feel as if you've stepped back in time!

You will need to CALL the campground and make your own reservation

www.shipshewanacampgroundnorth.com you can review sites

then call 260-768-7770 and let them know you are with FCRV

There are only 52 sites total. Do not miss you chance to camp with us!

Shipshewana North Park Amish Log Cabin Lodging & Campground

5970 North State Road 5, Shipshewana IN, 46565

Ph: (260) 768-7770

Pre-registration

Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Site Number: _____ Number of Adults: _____ Teens: _____ Youth _____

Nights attending

___ Tues (Early Bird) ___ Wed (Early Bird) ___ Thurs ___ Fri ___ Sat

Activity fee - \$20 Activity fee at gate will be - \$25

Please make checks payable to: Indiana FCRV State Director
Memo line: 2021 Regional

Send pre-registration to: Angie Shaneyfelt
1466 W 750 N
Decatur, IN 46733

If you book a site and are not mailing in the Activity Fee at this time,
please email angieshaneyfelt@hotmail.com
and let me know your name and site number, so we will have you on our list. Thanks.

PLEASE NOTE THE ABOVE APPLICATION HAS BEEN CORRECTED FROM PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED FORM!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

International Events

Campvention 2020

Gone Virtual
See FCRV.org for ongoing info

Great Lakes Regional Events

Regional Campout 2021

Shipshewana North Campground
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August 5-8, 2021
(Early Days August 3-4, 2021)

Indiana State Events

2020 Summer Campout

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August 21-23, 2020

2020 Retiree Rally

Tentative
TBA

2020 Fall Invitational

Tentative
TBA

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