

## Message From the President



In the last newsletter I mentioned that things can really change. That trend has continued. The MSCA Board met on July 28 via an online Zoom meeting at which point it was decided to cancel the MSCA Fall Campvention for the health of all our members. Hopefully all of you were informed about the cancelation. Since there was not going to be a campvention the Board made the decision to hold the campventions for 2021 in the same locations as 2020 and as close to the same dates as possible. The Board is going to hold an additional online meeting on September 8 to vote on the four proposed by-law changes. These proposed changes have been published in both the Spring and Summer issues of Missouri Camper and again in this newsletter. If you

have any concerns please contact your chapter delegate or one of the officers listed in this newsletter. At this point only the officers and delegates have been sent a link to the online meeting. However, if you wish to be included please contact me and I will send you the link. However, please remember that this is a Board meeting and only board members can vote.

Normally we would have election of officers at the Fall Campvention. If you would like to run for an office please contact Pat Crow and let her know prior to the September 8 Board meeting. If there is more than one candidate per office we will figure out some method to allow members to vote for the candidate of their choice. And keep in mind that there are quite a few Program Chairmen positions that are vacant. If you are interested in one of those please contact one of the MSCA officers. It's a great way to help out the organization without the need to run for an office. Please consider volunteering.

I hope that some of you were able to participate in the virtual International Campvention. If not, you can still find most of the video on the FCRV YouTube channel. I believe I watched all of the events.

Two of my favorites were the FCRV band and the FCRV Virtual Parade. The band all recorded music and sent to Jill Serbousek and she combined them into the video(s) that you can see on YouTube. The virtual parade is certainly worth watching just for the humor of the MCs and the "commercial breaks." Also, take a look at the virtual pet parade. Many of the fur babies of Gateway and Slow Travelers were represented. The organizers of this virtual event did a great job and deserve our thanks.

On a final note, congratulations to my lovely wife, Beth, who was sworn in as FCRV Recording Secretary.

I pray that all of you are safe and healthy and hope that we will be able to camp together soon.

*Paul & Beth Standiford*

**Where  
Strangers  
Become  
Friends and  
Friends  
Become Family**



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## Newsletter Information

Thank you to all who contributed to this newsletter. There is always room for more information. The deadlines for contributions to the newsletter will be March 1, June 1, August 1 and December 1. A request for articles will be sent out approximately 2 weeks prior to the deadline and again about 2 days prior to the deadline. I plan to send out requests for Christmas ads in early November to allow plenty of time for receipt of your ad and payment.

I have asked each chapter to contribute articles but anyone is welcome to contribute. Don't think you have to be a great reporter - just send the information and we can reformat it for you.

## Next Newsletter Deadline

### December 1, 2020

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## Missouri State Campers Association web site.

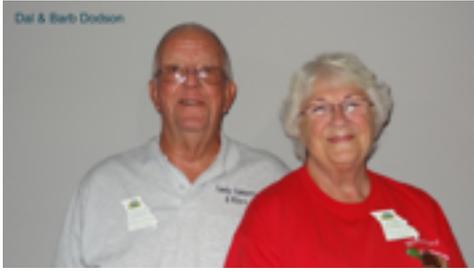
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## Missouri State Director's Report



(Editor's Note: I'm leaving the link that Dal & Barb included in the report from the Summer issue. This is a good way to get to the YouTube videos that will remain active for a while yet.)

[https://fcrv.org/come-camp-with-us/campvention/campvention-2020/fcrv-announces-virtual-campvention-for-july-2020/?fbclid=IwAR1Rp6pE9bTK3CKX9bmG6RkBZ-RyHla99-ILihKhI\\_XmtFlzBAZv5M8wz\\_0](https://fcrv.org/come-camp-with-us/campvention/campvention-2020/fcrv-announces-virtual-campvention-for-july-2020/?fbclid=IwAR1Rp6pE9bTK3CKX9bmG6RkBZ-RyHla99-ILihKhI_XmtFlzBAZv5M8wz_0)

*Dal & Barb Dodson*

My, my, here we go again. Just when we think we're headed in the right direction, the Coronavirus raises it's head. Looks as though we're in for another spike of new cases.

Just remember to take care of yourselves first, then look out for others!

Not too much to report from the National level.

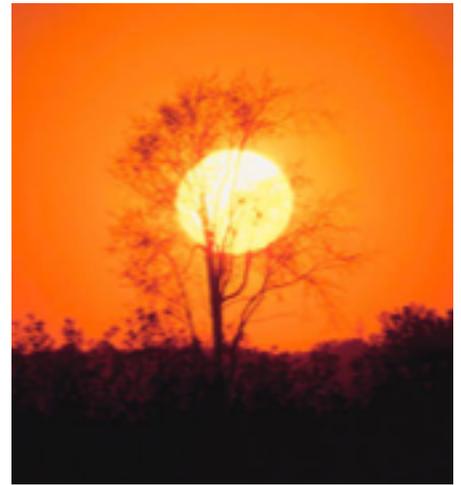
There were a lot of people that were involved to have the 2020 Virtual Campvention. Hope you got to watch some of the proceedings that took place. Show your appreciation by thanking them!

Congratulations to Beth Standiford on her new National Officers position.

As you know, the MSCA meeting has been canceled. I think some were still going to camp.

I don't know when we will see you all again, I think about camping quite often, especially when you're under self quarantine for Coronavirus and Chemotherapy.

Take care.....later!



### **MSCA Sunshine**

Contact our Sunshine Chairperson to report the name and address of members needing cards from Missouri State Campers Association.

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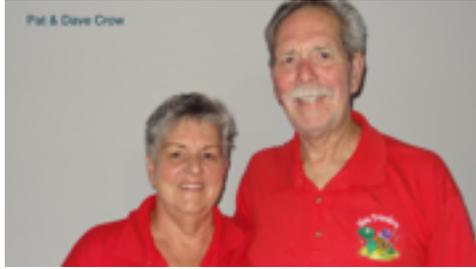
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~ **Get Well ~ Sympathy ~**

~ **Thinking of You ~**



## Field Director's Report



Dave and I hope everyone is staying safe and healthy during these crazy times. We are happy for those who are still out camping and enjoying the outdoors. As the FCRV National office was closed for a time, we are trying to get the FCRV memberships up to date. So, if you receive an e-mail stating your membership has lapsed, don't panic. No one has been dropped. Those whose dues were up for renewal since Covid 19 impacted our lives (April thru Aug) you have until September 7th to renew. We hope you choose to remain an FCRV member. You can renew by mail or on line. Dues are \$35.00. Not much else to report. We are staying close to home and following the guidelines. We miss seeing you all. Hope for lots of camping next year.

*Dave and Pat Crow*

FCRV Field Directors  
St. Louis Area

## Second Vice President



Hope to see you all next year 2021 at the MSCA campouts. Hopefully we will all be once again in the camping mode!  
I don't know yet if we will be having a potluck or breakfast for our campouts. Hopefully we will! Hopefully we will see all that are going to the Retiree Rally in Miniola Texas. March 19 through the 29.  
If anybody has any questions or suggestions for me please give me a call 314-420-8822 cell #

Until we meet again

*Jack Thomas*

## First Vice President

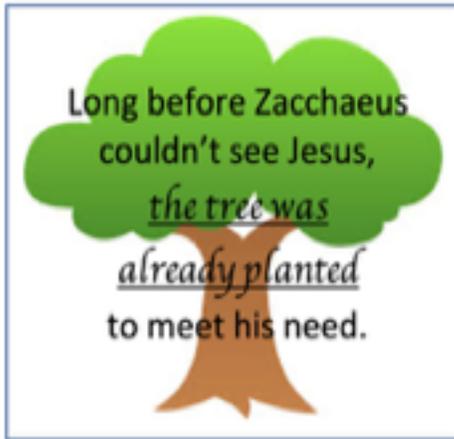


Hoping this finds all of you healthy and ready to begin camping again. I must say that Jan and I have not stopped. When the COVID-19 crap reared it's ugly head, we were at Gulf Shores State Park for spring break. We were going to just stay longer but our son called asking when we were going to be home, they needed someone to watch the kids. So, Grandma and Grandpa packed up and came home. And for a while Jan wouldn't let me out of the house due to my compromised immune system. Later we went to Carrabelle Fl., only to be chased home by the hurricane. We then went to Racine WI. Beautiful. And no storms. And we have camped with Gateway several times, always practicing social distancing. 😊. I wonder what the new "normal" will be or will we ever return to the way it was. I think camping is safer than going to Walmart! 😊. Looking forward to the day we can all get back together around the campfire and tell all our Corona stories.  
Thanks again to Paul for the superior job he does on the news letter.  
Love to all from the Staas Family!

*Butch and Jan Staas*



## Feed My Sheep



### Camping Is Not New

Camping has been around for a long, *long* time. It is mentioned no less than 79 times in the Bible. So, if you think it's hot in your travel trailer, think about their tents. They weren't the kind of tents we think of today. Yes, they slept in them, but for the most part, they were poles holding up coarse black goat hair material that blocked the sun, and not closed up, but rather allowing as much air circulation as possible - like a pop-up sunshade. And when you're in the middle of the desert, where there is no natural shade, this would offer great relief in the heat of the day, and closed up, help retain body heat and heat from a fire built into the ground in the cold night. We think of camping as a hospitable time. Build a campfire and enjoy good conversation around it. Time to visit with old friends and make new ones. As in Biblical times, they offered hospitality to all. Travelers could be seen coming from great distances. It gave the household time to prepare a welcome and respite for the weary traveler. The host provided what they could, and the traveler would respond with kind words of appreciation. Depending on the situation, a traveler may set up their own tent somewhat close and was considered under the

protection of their host. Or they might build a fire to sit around and enjoy conversation and news of other places. These were usually temporary homes while they traveled for business or pleasure, such as visiting family, but given the same respect as their more substantial, permanent homes. They may set up tents while watching sheep graze or move herds of camel. We travel in our temporary homes for the same reasons; business or pleasure, such as visiting family. And we try to herd our children to come in for meals or to protect them. So, our lives are really not so different, yet worlds apart. We enjoy our times as we camp together. Our "temporary" homes. And someday, we will enjoy our eternal homes. Those who have gone before us, may see us coming from afar and prepare to rejoice at the reunion. During those dynamic red and golden sunsets we might even imagine it to be a campfire built and waiting for us to pull up a chair and enjoy conversation with old friends.

"For we know that if the earthly tent which is our house is torn down, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens."  
2 Corinthians 5:1

"And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also." John 14:3

Keep cool in the August heat with one of these delightful treats!

### FOR THE KIDS:

#### Frozen Hot Chocolate Popsicle

Ingredients:

- 4 cups milk
- 6 Tablespoons extra-fine granulated sugar
- 2 Tablespoons semi-sweet

chocolate chips

- ½ cup mini marshmallows

Directions:

- In a saucepan combine milk, sugar and chocolate chips. Bring to a simmer, stirring frequently
- Once sugar is dissolved and chocolate is melted, remove from heat and let cool.
- Place a few marshmallows into the bottom of a 12-popsicle mold. Pour in cold chocolate mixture
- Place in freezer 6-8 hours until completely frozen

### FOR THE ADULTS

#### Mudslide Poptail

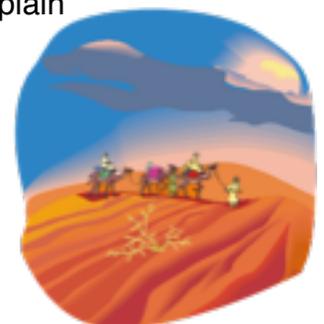
18 oz. vanilla yogurt  
1 banana, medium size (2oz)  
3 oz. vodka  
3 oz. Kahlua  
3 oz. Bailey's Irish Cream  
3 tablespoons grated chocolate

Instructions:

1. Place all ingredients in a blender or food processor and process until smooth, about 1-2minutes.
2. Freeze for about 1 hour or until mixture starts to solidify enough to hold a popsicle stick upright. Insert popsicle sticks and finish freezing popsicles overnight. To release popsicles run hot water on the outside of popsicle molds for a 5-7 seconds.

*Beth Standiford*

MSCA Chaplain





Greetings to all,

As all of you know by now the Fall campout has been cancelled. This was done by a unanimous vote by representatives from all MSCA chapters.

With this being said it is up to each camper to decide if you want to camp at Lazy days go have a good time. My recommendation is that we also cancel Double J in Springfield Illinois this year and possibly reschedule this for next year after our fall campout at Lazy days next year.

Hopefully they will have a vaccine for covid prior to going to Texas

For those of us that are going to Gulf Shores after Texas "God Willing" if it is not cancelled, we will have our first meeting for Slow Travelers in Texas, time and date to be decided there. Until we meet again

*Jack Thomas*

President - Slow Travelers

### Camping Idea from Beth

Many times, we camp at lovely places that do not allow clothes lines to be tied to the trees.

Well, then what do you do with wet swimsuits and towels?

Sometimes too many to hang on your awning bars or the bars are simply too high to reach. Here's a suggestion.

These suction cups on the outside



of your camper. Place on the sunny side or windy side of your camper. Can be put at any height for any height camper.

Lightweight, inexpensive, small enough to travel with several. You could even put a shirt on a hanger to dry. A quick and simple way to dry clothing. Hope this helps you. Happy Camping!



## MSCA – Minutes of Virtual Meeting 07-28-2020

Agenda: Decision to be made whether or not to formally hold the Fall Campout at Lazy Days on Sept. 10-13, 2020 due to Covid-19.

Attending:

Paul Standiford

Beth Standiford

Dal & Barb Dodson

Don & Edie Hensley

Jan & Carl Staas

Jack & Pat Thomas

David Gish (Pitch N Pull)

Linda Van De Riet (Gateway)

Sheila McMillan, (Pack & Go)

Pat Crow, (Slow Travelers)

In Absentia – Homer and Delores Leaton –

Paul calls meeting to order.

Purpose of meeting is to determine whether we are going to have the Fall Campout.

We all went around the room and introduced ourselves to new person, Sheila McMillan.

Dave, Linda, Sheila and Pat are camping chapter delegates.

Discussion was held weighing pros and cons.

A motion was made as to whether or not to have an official Fall Campout with meeting. By unanimous vote it was agreed to cancel it.

Paul Standiford: We are cancelling MSCA Fall campout meeting, not asking anyone to cancel the camping, so if anyone

wants to camp at that time slot, they can do so.

Elections are coming up. All current officers said they would run again, so that's no issue.

Eddie Hensley made a motion to use same locations for the 2021 Spring and Fall as were scheduled for 2020 and it was seconded by Dave Gish. Pass unanimously.

Dave Gish volunteered to contact Big Red Barn (May 1-3, 2020) and will find similar date for 2021. He will reserve 20 spaces. Looks like it will be April 30-May 2, 2021

Eddie Hensley volunteered to contact Lazy Days for 2021 similar to Sept 11-13 for 20 spaces.

Eddie made a motion Larry DeMonet be made an honorary MSCA member. He's really missing David. Don seconded. Passed unanimously.

Paul will schedule one more virtual meeting as it requires 30 days notice because some changes to by-laws are necessary. One change is to reduce the number required for a quorum. Everyone agreed to sometime during the week after the Fall Campout and it will be published in the next newsletter.

There being no more business, a motion made by Butch Staas to adjourn and seconded by Linda Van De Riet. Unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

*Beth Standiford*



## Information on MSCA Spring and Fall Campventions 2021

The MSCA Spring campout will be held at Big Red Barn in Carthage MO. The dates will be April 30 - May 2, 2021. Currently 26 sites are being held for us. You will need to call to make your own reservations. Please tell them you are with MSCA. The cost is \$36.00 per night. One night will be charged when you make the reservation.

The MSCA Fall campout will be held at Lazy Day Campground in Danville MO. The dates are September 10 - 12, 2021. All those who made reservations for the 2020 campout currently have reservations for the same site for the 2021 campout. However, you will need to call Lazy Day to confirm your reservation by August 1, 2021. They group rates have not been set for 2021 plus they vary depending on the number of units so I cannot tell you exactly how much it will be but I expect it to be \$34 - \$37 per night depending on the number of units.

For information on the FCRV Retiree Rally and the FCRV 61st International Campvention please check out the "Camping Today" newsletter. You can find the current issue of "Camping Today" plus back issues at this link. Registration forms are available in the August 2020 issue of "Camping Today."

We hope to see as many of you as possible at these camping opportunities.

Dal Dodson sent out the following information a while back to all MSCA members. I thought it worthwhile to include in the newsletter.

### FCRV National Awards

While the weather was bad and I had (Barb didn't either) nothing pressing, I looked up some records on the FCRV website. Listed below are Missouri, past and present, FCRV members who have earned National recognition. The site has not been updated to the present time, so there will be more recipients than listed.

The "PLAQUE AWARD" is the highest award given.

The "CITATION AWARD" is the next highest.

The rest of the awards should be self explanatory.

Although most of us will only know or remember the present day members, some of our membership has 50+ years as members in FCRV and may remember some dating back several years.

Look over the list, remember to say something the next time you see a listed member, quite an accomplishment.

#### Plaque Award

- 1971.....Newton and Marcella Richardson
- 1973.....Dick and Maxcille Ledbetter
- 1973.....Tom and Kay Shaffmaster
- 1980.....Ray and Bonnie Conner
- 1997.....Homer and Delores Leaton

#### Citation

- 1968.....Frank and Irene Anderson

- 1971.....Jim and Celeste Hesser
- 1972.....Dick and Maxcille Ledbetter
- 1974.....Ray and Bonnie Conner
- 1979.....Russell and Virginia Field
- 1981.....James and Dot Lyons
- 1989.....Don and Luella Sprague
- Dave and Nora Wilson
- Harry and Lavern Pulliam
- 1993.....Marjorie Sackett
- 1995.....Angela M. Beumer
- 1996.....Don and Luella Sprague
- 1997.....Dennis and Martha Bolton
- 1998.....Don and Edie Hensley

#### Humanitarian Award

- 2017.....Bob and Lou Paul

#### Award of Merit

- 2010.....Dave Ludwig
- 2017.....Debbie Ludwig

#### Chapter of the Year

- 1974.....Missouri State Campers Association (MSCA)
- 2011.....Pitch 'n' Pull

#### Life Saving Award

- 1982.....Chalmer C. Loomis



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## Complete Camping Schedule 2020 - 21

September 11 - 13 — MSCA Fall campvention - Canceled

September 14 - 18 — Slow Travelers - Canceled

September 21 - 25 — Pitch 'n' Pull - Canceled

September 25 - 26 — Gateway Campers - Coon Creek Campground, Shelbyville, IL

October 14 - 19 — Pitch 'n' Pull - Canceled

October 16 - 18 — Gateway Campers - Big Creek RV Park, Annapolis, MO

March 19 - 22, 2021 — Retiree Rally Early Days - Mineola Civic Center, Mineola TX

March 23 - 28, 2021 — Retiree Rally - Mineola Civic Center, Mineola TX

April 30 - May 2, 2021 — MSCA Spring campvention - Big Red Barn RV Park, Carthage MO

July 9 - 10, 2021 — FCRV Campvention Early Days - Walworth County Fairgrounds - Elkhorn WI

July 11 - 16, 2021 — FCRV Campvention - Walworth County Fairgrounds - Elkhorn WI

September 10 - 12, 2021 — MSCA Fall campvention - Lazy Day Campground, Danville MO

You don't have to be a member of the chapter to attend any FCRV campout but make sure to contact a MSCA officer or chapter president for additional details before you attend.

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Gateway Campers - Don Hopkins - [dhopkins2024@hotmail.com](mailto:dhopkins2024@hotmail.com)

Pitch N Pull - Dave Gish - [dgish5275@yahoo.com](mailto:dgish5275@yahoo.com)

MSCA officer emails are on page 2 of this newsletter.

# Notice of Proposed By-law changes To be voted on at the Sep 8, 2020 Board meeting

**Suggested change 1:** Remove Article IX, Section 3

## ARTICLE IX. Election of Officers

**Section 3.** No more than two (2) officers shall be elected from any one chapter.

Reason for suggested change: This has not been followed closely in the past 5 years. With only three active chapters there have been times when a single chapter has had 3 officers. If we keep this as a rule than we need to make sure to enforce this as a rule.

**Suggested change 2:** Remove "No officer may serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office."

## ARTICLE IX. Election of Officers

**Section 1.** All officers shall be elected by plurality vote for a term of one year, or until their successors are elected and qualify. No officer may serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office.

Reason for suggested change: Officers have been serving more than two consecutive terms. This change would bring the by-laws

into agreement with our current practices.

**Suggested change 3:** Reduce number for quorum to eight (8) at any BOD meetings.

## ARTICLE VIII. Board of Directors

**Section 5.** Any ten (10) members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum at any Board of Directors meeting which has been duly announced thirty (30) days prior to the date of the meeting.

Reason for suggested change: With declining number of chapters it becomes more difficult to have a quorum. Essentially all officers would need to be in attendance (6) State Director (1), chapter delegates (3) to comprise the required quorum. Very few non-affiliates remaining.

**Suggested change 4:** Change "Regional Director" to "State Director".

## ARTICLE XIII. Amendments

**Section 1** No part of these bylaws shall be revised or amended without the approval of two-thirds vote of the quorum of the Board of Directors, provided that notification of the intent to amend or revise is included in the call for such a meeting, and also provided that a quorum is present at such meeting and submitted for approval to the Regional Director before action is taken.

Reason for suggested change:

This would bring our by-laws in line with FCRV Field Manual. Page 33 of the manual lists, as one of the duties of State or Provincial Director, "Approve or disapprove amendments to Chapter or State/Provincial Constitutions and Bylaws before final approval by the Chapter/Associations."

Please let your delegate know your feelings about this proposed change as it will be discussed and voted on at the next Board meeting.

**NOTICE!!!!!!!!!!**  
**Missouri State Campers Association**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Tuesday Sept 8, 2020**

The meeting of the Delegates of Missouri State Campers Association will be held on Tuesday Sep 8, 2020 starting at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom online meeting. General business of the organization will be conducted at this meeting. Link has been sent to all offices and chapter delegates. Other members who wish to attend this online meeting should contact me for the link. All members are invited to give input but only officers, chapter delegates and two non-affiliate delegates may make motions and vote.

*Paul Standiford*  
 MSCA President



## Membership Application

### Missouri State Campers Association

Chartered Under National Campers and Hikers Association, Inc.  
(dba Family Campers and RVers)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

(Last)

(Husband)

(Wife)

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Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter \_\_\_\_\_

Current Chapter Office Held \_\_\_\_\_

(President, Secretary, Treasurer, etc.)

I hereby apply for membership (renewal)(new) in Missouri State Campers Association, Inc. and enclose my annual dues of \$10.00 for the year 2020. A part of this amount is for a subscription to the Missouri Camper.

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