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Celebrating our members!

CONGRATULATIONS to our members and chapters that have achieved milestones in their membership in the Family Campers and RVers. It is your dedication to the principles of Family and Friendship that make our organization what it is. We have seen many changes in FCRV over the years, but the one thing that remains stable is that we are the place where "strangers become friends and friends become family."



50 years Patti Theime



50 years Mark & Sharon Shaneyfelt



40 years Joyce Frye



35 years Mike and Marilyn Rausch



20 years Evelyn Lawrence



15 years Carl & Deena Felver



25 years Coffee Pot Campers



25 Years Kentucky Colonels & Friends



5 years Campfire Agitators

Thank you to Angie Shaneyfelt and Denise Weiss for the photos in this CHATTER from the Fall Invitational.



From the State Director

Angie Shaneyfelt

The Fall Invitational at Johnson County Park was fun. We did get rained out of having our Maskarade ball, so music and dancing will be another time! Bingo and Crapquet were enjoyed by our members on Saturday afternoon. Johnson County Park is a really nice campground.

Congrats to the Retiree King and Queen, Harlen and Bernice High. I hope they get the opportunity to represent Indiana at the Retiree Rally, March 23-28 in Mineola, Texas.

Our National Queen, Macey, her "friend" and her mother, Misty, drove in to visit for the day on Saturday. Macey was competitative during the Crapquet game!

The Great Lakes Regional is coming along. I know of about 20 couples that have let me know they are coming or have sent in the registration fee. So, again, I can-not stress this enough, <u>call the campground</u> and get your reservation made! You may not get a spot if you don't book early. If you have not sent in your registration fee, you can mail it to me any time before the camp out, at the gate is \$5.00 more. Also mark your site number on the form, so I can toilet paper your unit when you are shopping in Shipshewana (just kidding)!

The Great Lakes State Directors are having a meeting in November to help me prepare their schedule of events and get idea for activities. So, next spring I may be recruiting help for the schedule of events!

Campvention next year is July 11-16 in Elkhorn, Wisconsin. Remember, if you mail in your registration form in before December 31, you get a \$30.00 discount. So, get your form filled out and mailed in! The earlier you mail in the form helps the com-

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From the State President

Ed Shaneyfelt

The Fall Invitational was held, and a good time was had by all that attended.

The trustees set the dates for next year's campouts. They are as follows: Spring campout May 14-16, 2021, the summer campout June 18-20, 2021, and the Fall Invitational September 24-26, 2021. Get with your clubs or as individuals and consider hosting either the spring or summer campouts. The trustees will host the Invitational.

Don't forget about nationals at Elkhorn, Wisconsin, July 11-17, 2021. If you register before December 31 the price is \$305.00 after that it goes to \$335.00.

Indiana is hosting the Great Lakes Regional next year, August 5-8, 2021. look at Angie's article for more information.

Remember that if you have any state equipment to let me know so we can see what we have and can decide if we would like to get rid of some of it.

As the weather is getting cooler it's getting to be the time to start winterizing the rigs, putting them away for the winter and plan for the holidays. Have a safe Thanksgiving and try not to eat too much

Until next fire, Ed Shaneyfelt



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mittee in their planning. Campvention is a fun filled week to meet new FCRV friends from other states. If you've never attended a Campvention and have questions, please feel free to contact me by email, text or phone.

Clubs and/or individuals need to think about stepping up to host an Indiana Camp Out next year. The trustees have set dates for next year, though they could be subject to change depending on locations and clubs hosting.

I hope that everyone is staying safe from the "Covid". I've not been sick, but pretty sure I've packed on my Covid19 (lbs)!!!

Until next Camping season (which will be Covid free so I can see everyone that I missed this year in the shorter-than-normal season). How is that for positive thinking!

Hope you have a Happy Halloween and great Thanksgiving!

See you sometime...

Angie Shaneyfelt





CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

By Harlan Nigh

Hello Camp Family

I'm writing this as the election is coming up. I will say we should all vote the Bible. That's a phrase I have heard for a while. If we follow the Lord's Word it shouldn't be a hard choice (2)

I want to thank all who supported Bernice and me as the Retiree King and Queen. Soon we will start our campaign to see what becomes of it.

As we store our travel homes for the winter, we are looking to next year being back to a "more normal" gathering.

I pray that y'all have a safe Halloween and en-

joy the festive time of it.

Until we sit by the fire again.

Harlan Nigh

Collections Coordinator +



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

Hi there.

Just a note to say thank you for all the caps, tabs and the items donated for Riley Hospital for Children. Remember to save them during the year to give next year.

During the Fall Invitational, 19 of us that had extra energy in the morning decided to go for a mile long hike

Hopefully we will get to camp more together next year then we did this year.

Patti Thieme



Patti receiving a donation for Riley Hospital. She is seated next to our newest member, Jim Allen.





Indiana State Association FCRV Youth and Teen Director Misty Stuckswisch

Happy Fall everyone!

The leaves are coming down as fast as the days are flying by! It was so great to see so many people at the fall campout. I never would have thought that Johnson Park would be so full that late in the season, but everyone is trying to squeak out as much camping time as they can this year.

As we look ahead to 2021, be thinking of the things you want to participate in and see at our campouts. We will be scheduling a winter project and activities will be planned for the campouts next year. Your input is always welcome!

I know I really enjoyed playing "Crap" croquet at the Fall Invitational, and bingo is always a hit.

Did you enjoy the saran wrap ball game? I have to admit, it was fun to make! For those wondering what was at the very center, it was a small can of peanuts with a \$1 bill under the lid. I believe the teenagers finally got to it before the rain came. I hope everyone had fun.

Until we camp again,

Misty



Patti Thieme

Four units turned out for the retiree campout the days before the Fall Invitational.

Six people joined in for the C.A.M.P. walk. We had a carry in of sloppy joes and other good food on Thursday. We also had our cake-and-ice-cream social that day.

Because some had to leave for doctor's appointments on Thursday, we had our business meeting on Friday. We did not elect new officers (so everyone is staying in the same position as last year.) At the meeting we crowned Harlan and Bernice Nigh as our Retiree King and Queen. Congratulations!!

We had a carry-in brunch on Friday, inviting everyone who was already there for the Fall Invitational to join in..

Patti Thieme



HARLAN AND BERNICE **NIGH**

Thank you for accepting this honor and responsibility! You have the support of your Indiana FCRV family!

Harlan and Bernice will represent Indiana at the Retiree Rally Mineola, Texas March 22-28, 2021

We know you will represent Indiana Well!!



Membership News



Indiana State Association FCRV Membership Director Denise Weiss

I just thought I would let you know what membership is up to these days.

Even though COVID 19 is still with us, that has not slowed down our membership efforts. We are trying to start new chapters even if they are small at first.

The National Membership Director, Christopher Weiss, and VP of Planning and Development, Matt Mantia, have been working with me to help make the most out of our new memberships. One of the new guidelines is that when a chapter reaches 5 families, rather than making those chapters larger, we are going to help the new members start a new chapter. Capping chapter memberships at 8 families is another one. That way no chapter is too large that it monopolizes over the other chapters.

We were all able to see in the last copy of the Chatter how many chapters that we used to have in Indiana. According to Angie Shaneyfelt, our State Director, those were only the ones celebrating anniversaries this year. Can you imagine how many there actually were? Wouldn't it be great to have that many chapters again? If it happened before, then it can again.

We were thrilled to have new member, Jim Allen, join us at the Fall Invitational. We are working with him towards getting a Richmond area chapter started and have several leads we are following up with. We are always looking for new members.

There is no word at this time if there is going to be an "RV Expo" this year or the "Sport Boat and Travel Show". Word of mouth is a wonderful tool and very affordable. We are also looking at new incentives if you get families to sign up. More information on that will come as they work out the details.

So for now, let's keep talking and spreading the great news about FCRV.

Denise Weiss

chapter Chatter

2021 Coffee Pot Campers Camp Meet Schedule

| May TBA | Spring State Campout | |
|----------------------------|---|---|
| June 24-27 | Johnson County Park 2949 E. North St. Box 246 Franklin, IN 46131 | Reservations: 812-526-6809 Suggest sites 1- 16 |
| July | National Campvention | |
| August 3-8 | Regional Campout Shipshewana North | |
| August TBA | Summer State Campout | |
| August 27-29 | Spring Mill State Park | Reservations after March 1 |
| September 16-19 | White River Campground 11299 E. 234th St. Cicero, IN 46034 | Reservations 317-770-4430 |
| September 29- October 1 | TBA (Retiree Campout) | |
| October 1-3 | TBA (Fall Invitational) | |

All information subject to change

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DASAY MOMENY by Marilyn Rausch



If you are like me, you are getting tired of all the talk of restricted activities because of the current pandemic of COVID-19. Will it ever end?

We are approaching the time of year where many factors lead to an increased risk. The weather is colder, which means our activities are necessarily indoors for the most part. Viruses spread faster when we are closer together. Other winter illnesses (flu, in particular) have their own hazards and may lower our resistance to the coronavirus.

Traditional holiday gatherings bring together those who have wider circles of contact. Is it even safe to consider our usual Thanksgiving and Christmas celebrations?

There is limited room for compromise if we are to stay healthy. The following information is from the CDC website: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019 -ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays.html

Some people should not attend in-person holiday celebrations:

- People with or exposed to COVID-19.
- 2. People diagnosed with COVID-19 who have not met the criteria for non-infectiousness.
- Anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 or who is awaiting test results.
- People exposed to someone with COVID-19 in the last 14 days.
- People at increase risk of severe illness.

CDC guidelines for hosting a holiday celebration

- 1. Remind guests to stay home if they are sick, have been exposed to COVID-19 in the last 14 days, or have been in close contact with an infected person. (keep a list of guests for possible future contact tracing needs.)
- 2. Host the gathering outdoors if possible, or at least arrange for increased ventilation indoors.
- Arrange tables and chairs for social distancing of those who are outside of the same household.
- When guests arrive, minimize gestures that promote close contact (shanking hands, hugs, even elbow bumps.)
- Wear masks when less than 6 feet apart. Provide masks for guests as needed.
- Clean hands often. Provide hand sanitizer in addition to hand washing areas. Provide paper towels or single-use cloth towels for guests.
- 7. Provide cleaning supplies to allow guests to wipe down bathroom surfaces before they leave the room.

8. Limit the number of people handling or serving food. Try to avoid having multiple people handle serving utensils, condiments, etc. Use singleserving options if possible.

Sanitize frequently commonly touched surfaces

or shared items.

CDC guidelines for attending an in-person holiday celebration:

- 1. Stay home if you feel ill, have been exposed to COVID-19, or have had a diagnosis but have not yet been cleared for contact.
- 2. Maintain a distance of at least 6 feet or more from people you don't live with.
- 3. Avoid using restroom facilities or eating at restaurants at high traffic times
- Wear a mask at all times when with people who do not live in your household.
- 5. Avoid singing, chanting, or shouting.
- 6. Limit contact with commonly touched surfaces or shared items.
- 7. Frequently wash hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- 8. Keep safe around food and drinks. Though there is no evidence that eating or handling food is associated with directly spreading infection, touching surfaces, utensils, etc. may provide a vector for the virus.
- 9. If you have participated in higher risk activities or feel you may have been exposed during your celebration, stay home as much as possible for 14 days, avoid being around people at increased risk for developing severe illness, and even consider being tested for COVID-19.

Higher risk activities should be avoided:

- 1. Attending crowded parades or public gatherings (many have been cancelled, anyway).
- Shopping in crowded stores during the Thanksgiving and pre-Christmas sales.
- 3. Using alcohol or drugs, which can cloud judgement and increase risky behavior.

This pandemic will not last forever. When a vaccine is available, there will be hope for returning to a more normal life scenario. But even with a vaccine, there will be a period of time for immunity to devel-

Though the pandemic will not last forever, the effects of the illness, for some, may linger for years to come. Our responsibility is twofold...to protect ourselves and to protect others.

Fall Invitational Memories!





Thank you to the Trustees for providing such a fun campout!



What is at the center of the cellophane ball??







There is never a reason to go hungry at an Indiana FCRV campout!









Getting crafty at the mask decorating station.

BINGO!















Crapquet anyone??





INDIANA STATE ASSOCIATION FCRV/NCHA MEMBERSHIP MEETING Fall Invitational October 4, 2020 Johnson County Park, Nineveh, Indiana



CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by President Ed Shaneyfelt at 9:24 a.m. A quorum was preset. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by James Simmons, and Harlan Nigh led us in prayer.

INTRODUCTIONS:

All was there that wanted to be there and introduced themselves.

MINUTES:

A motion to approve the minutes from the October camp out at Bean Blossom on Oct.5th 2019, was made by Denise Weiss and seconded by 200. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasure's report was passed out by Val Semper. Motion made to accept by 161, 2nd by Northern Rep. Motion carried.

STATE DIRECTORS REPORT CAMPVENTION AND REGIONAL:

Regional Campout will be held Aug 5-8, 2021, at Shipshewana North Campground. Only about 20 spots are

Camputention 2021 in Elkhorn, Wisconsin, the week of July 11-16, 2021. For reservations made before December 31 the price is \$305.00. After that date it is \$335.00.

The National Retiree rally will be March 23-28, 2021, in Texas. Harlan and Bernice Nigh will be representing Indiana as our Retiree King and Queen.

NATIONAL MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR:

Chris Weiss reported to keep recruiting new members and let him or Denise know if you need any assistance.

NATIONAL CAMPVENTION DIRECTOR:

Ed Shaneyfelt talked about what to see in Wisconsin in 2021. 2022 they are looking to go out West for campvention. And 2023 will be in Northeast area.

OLD BUSINESS:

Proceeds from the summer camp out at Summit State Park were \$50.00, donated to the membership fund.

Sound system is still being reviewed by trustees.

Trustees are going to go thru the by laws for revisions to be made in 2021.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

<u>ADULT GAMES</u>: Ed commented adult games are open at Nationals.

BUDGET and AUDIT: no report C.A.M.P.: had 19 walkers Saturday

<u>CHAPLAIN:</u> Harlan Nigh hopes to see everyone in the Spring.

HISTORIAN: no report

PHOTOGRAPHER: SCHOLARSHIP: no one applied at this time

SECURITY: all was secure

TABS/CAPS/RILEY: thanks for all the caps and for the tabs for Riley.

<u>CHATTER EDITOR</u>: Ed reported to please get articles to the editor by the 25th of each month.

NOMINATING CHAIR:

CONSERVAION/WILDLIFE:

MEMBERSHIIP: Denise reported she is still recruiting new members and Jim Allan joined us this weekend.

RETIREE: had 4 units present and crowned Harlan and Bernice Nigh as Indiana retiree king and queen.

TEEN/YOUTH:

NEW BUSINESS:

The dates were set for the camp outs for next year:

Spring May 14-16 2021 Summer June 18-20 2021 Retiree Sept 22-24 2021

Fall Invitational Sept. 24-26 2021 The trustees decided to give \$50.00 donation to Riley.

Ed wants the membership to take inventory of what they have of the state equipment. After inventory is determined the trustees will decide if we still need it or if we can garage sale it to make extra money for the state.

International Teen Queen Macey wants to have her hospitality on Sunday night at Wisconsin after opening ceremonies to thank everyone for their support. She will let members know where she needs help.

There was a discussion about those members attending nationals to have t-shirts made with Indiana logo to represent what state we are from.

There was a motion by the treasurer to adjourn and 2nd by Denise Weiss at 9:48 a.m. Motion carried.

Submitted by Carl & Deena Felver



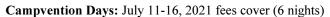


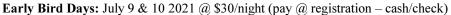
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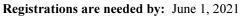
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All attendees agree to comply with Campvention guidelines, including the golf cart guidelines, which applies to all golf carts on the premises.

Great Lakes Regional Campout





Pre-registration

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

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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.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

International Events

Retiree Rally 2021 Mineola, Texas March 22-28, 2021

Campvention 2021
Elkhorn, Wisconsin
July 11-16, 2021
Hosted by the National Trustees

Great Lakes Regional Events

Regional Campout 2021
Shipshewana North Campground
See registration form in the CHATTER
August 5-8, 2021
(Early Days August 3-4, 2021)

Indiana State Events

2021 State Spring Campout
Location TBA
May 14-16, 2021
(Seeking a host)

2021 State Summer Campout Location TBA June 18-20, 2021 (Seeking a host)

> 2021 Retiree Rally Location TBA September 22-24, 2021

> 2021 Fall Invitational Location TBA Hosted by the Trustees September 24-26, 2021

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