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Editor

As Editor, my requirements are as follows: All information must be to editor before 25 Oct for November Issue, 25 Feb for March Issue, 25 Apr for May Issue, 25 June for Jul Issue, 25 Aug for Sep Issue, and 25 Dec for Jan Issue. Anything after that date will not be included in the issue. I will not call anyone. If the report is not in on time I will print without it. I will send copies to KCA members and vendors only due to printing costs. Please call and leave a message if you want a paper copy (1 only) or you are receiving a paper copy and want email. I will add additional items as they become available. Also send me any suggestions for future Newsletters. Either email or snail mail your reports, I will not take them on the phone. My address is 4769 N Portwest St, Wichita, KS 67204. If you want additional copies please print them yourself. Mail copies will be in black and white. I am getting my list from the State Treasurer so if you chapter member got one and you didn't then I have the wrong information. I printed 75 papers copies last month. Two reams of paper and one ink cartilage. Also postage. Please consider email.

Presidents Notes

It will soon be a New Year and one we are all looking forward to with great expectations. Lots of plans are being made for 2021 including camping schedules.

We are not meant to be isolated from one another for such long periods. One thing this virus has taught us is to thankful for the small things that make up our lives like: group gatherings, eating in a restaurant and being served our meal (not driving thru and taking food home), going to town to shop or wander in and out of the stores with no purpose except to look, visiting family, or having a cup of coffee with friends. Our thoughts and prayers are with those dealing with hardships and illnesses now.

Don and Eileen Naasz

State Directors Notes

What a year that we have all had. We know that some of our members have really had to struggle with health issues plus some with the COVID-19 stuff. We wish it were different but know that reality is not nice. We have stayed healthy (Thank you Lord) and have been trying to stay safe.

We did go to Texas for warm weather and sitting on the patio visiting folks from a distance the first of November. The first of December, we returned to Kansas to be here when our new park model 1 bedroom home. It came December 10 and we got to enter on 12 after they blocked it. Got electric on 19th and water, sewer, and propane on 22. Still can't use things until after the factory walk thru to make sure there are not leaks, etc. Hopefully by the week of the 28th. We will head back to Texas when everything is OK. Love Kansas but it is cold and stuck inside is not good for either of us. We will still be camping just moving into a house when we come home for the first time in 17 years.

Where are the chapters in all of this strange year? Many of you have not been able to meet at all or at least not as planned. **DO** keep in touch with each other and all of the former members of your group. We still need to continue to reach out to others who could become members when we are able to really camp again. Reach out to those Good Sam member neighbors since their groups are struggling even more than we are. Many of them still want to be involved with a group. Promote the advantages of group camping especially the safety and companionship plus fun and fellowship we do have.

Thanks to Linda Smith for helping to keep us all informed of joys and concerns with our members. Let her or us know of issues that affect us all.

Two chapters have already sent in their 2021 annual reports. THANK YOU. I know more will be coming soon. They are all due by February 1 Yes, we make plans even if we have to change them considering the circumstances. Hopefully, your plans will include the dates for District II, District I, KCA Spring and Fall campouts, Sunchasers Spring and Fall camps and the Heartland Regional plus the Nationals. Check the dates and put them on your calendars. We will plan to be at them if we are able to get there and they are not cancelled. Can we plan on seeing you there with us?

Our prayers are that you are all well and safe and that the year 2021 will be great. HAPPY NEW YEARS to you. Earl and Ivalee Vanderhoff

NEWS AROUND THE STATE

AREA I

Campfire Campers:

Well we've had our last two meetings by Zoom – it works okay, just not the same as in person. However, we are thankful for the technology that is available to us these days.

Our Christmas Party (in-person) has been rescheduled for January at the Carbondale Community Center where we'll have plenty of room for social distancing. Our Service Project this year is the Hope House, Ottawa, KS. Like most FCRV Chapters, we're planning our schedules for 2021 with an optimistic hope that things will be

We are thankful that our members have been well and staying safe. We wish all our friends a Merry Christmas and a good year ahead in 2021!

Linda Smith, Secretary

Dusters: Did not receive report before issue

Mustangs:

On Nov 14 2020 Mustang club met on Zoom to set camping dates and locations for 2021. It was decided also to keep same club officers. Dec meeting was canceled due to covid-19. Don Atkins

AREA II

Kanokliners:

October 17, 2020

Meeting was called to order by the vice-president, Dale Mishler. There was no meeting in August as we only meet every other month. The month of September the secretary, me, forgot to bring the minutes so we postponed the meeting until October.

Guests, Mercedes Tennyson, Blake and Bentley Burnette. Minutes from July and treasurer's report were given. Evelyn made the motion and Forrest seconded approval as read.

There was 25 pounds plastic, 7 pounds cardboard, 75 pounds of paper and three old tires recycled.

CAMP: July 2 miles walked, August 24 miles walked and September 4 miles walked.

Wildlife: The deer are thick, be watchful for them.

Report read by Evelyn from Dorothy about fall state.

No other committee reports were given. No old or new business.

Evelyn made a motion to adjourn and seconded by Forrest.

Next meeting will be November 14 at Down Home Restaurant in Independence hosted by Forrest and Faye Tennyson

Faye Tennyson Secretary/Treasurer

Kansa Travelers:

Kansa Travelers as most groups have had a quiet couple months. We finished camping with the trip to Kaw Lake the end of October. We lost another Charter Member, Forest Reavis on the 14th of Dec. He will be missed around the campfire. The club donated to the Scholarship Fund in his honor. One of our newer members tried to help our spirits for the New Year with her poetry.

Over the river and through the woods, a camping we will go

To meet new friends and share some grub in the wind, the rain, the snow.

(not really snow - just needed a rhyme (*)



We'll socially distance while playing games and having lots of fun.

So to you and yours, we wish good cheer with dreams of camping in the sun.

(or shade - if you find that more comfortable)



We wish you a Merry Christmas, and a safe, healthy, and camping-filled Happy New Year.



Pelicans at Kaw Lake Carl and Gail Burger

Ky O Tees: Did not receive report before issue

Newton Nomads: Did not receive report before issue

AREA III

No Active Chapters

AREA IV

<u>Pratt Fireliters:</u> Did not receive report before issue <u>Peacemakers:</u> Did not receive report before issue

Sunflower Ramblers:

We wish everyone health and happiness for 2021. We have not had a meeting since October because of the COVID-19 situation and not wanting to risk even one person's health.

All plans for the new year are being done the old-fashioned way - with phone calls.

The health issues I know about are Glenn Perry, Gene Griffin and Richard Stucky.

Glenn is fighting double pneumonia and is in the hospital in Minneola. Gene Griffin's cancer has returned. He is taking chemo each week in Wichita but is home.

Richard was diagnosed with type A leukemia and was taken to the Sarah Cannon Cancer Hospital in Kansas City MO for an intensive treatment plan. The middle of this week he developed pneumonia and was moved from isolation to the ICU. Yesterday the doctors said he has COVID-19. Of course, Betty is not allowed to be with him. Our prayers are with each of these friends who are members of our family.

Reporter – Eileen Naasz

STATE WIDE CLUBS

Sunchasers: Did not receive report before issue

News from District/Area One:

The Chapters in District One have chosen to make some changes for our next District One Campout. The District One Campout will be June 18-20, 2021, at the Canning Creek Campground Group Areas, Council Grove Lake. We have Group Areas 1 and 2 reserved. We will have more details in the next issue of the Kansas Camper. This campout is also the same weekend as the Council Grove Washunga Days so there will be plenty to do all weekend in the area. If anyone has any questions about attending this campout, please call Linda and Garold Smith, 785-862-9053 (H) or 785-224-4128 (C).

Camping Further Out:

Thelma Gaddis. She was a Charter Member of the Dusters Forest Reavis. He was a chartered member of the Kansa Travelers for 65 years.

Kansas FCRV Care Notes:

Kansas FCRV Care Notes – November 27, 2020

To Our Camping Friends,

We hope everyone had a pleasant Thanksgiving. Probably it was celebrated differently than in year's past. It's just a few short weeks until Christmas – which might also be celebrated differently than in year's past. Meanwhile we've received some notes we want to pass along.

From Sunflower Ramblers – "Dale Aikens has been in the hospital at McPherson and today they cleaned out the left carotid artery so he's on the mend. Leslie commented they feel like they "dodged a bullet". He plans to go home this weekend. He might enjoy a card – their address is: 100 Laurel Court, McPherson, KS 67460-5301." We wish both Dale and Leslie better days ahead.

From the Dusters – "Thelma Gaddis, 96 years old, passed away Thursday, November 26, 2020. She had been in a care facility for a short time and caught the Covid virus on November 11th. She was a Charter Member of the Dusters and really enjoyed camping and strongly supported FCRV/NCHA while she was able. She is survived by a daughter, Lois Jean & James Harper and a Grandson. The funeral will be at the Christian Church, Vermillion at 1 p.m., Tuesday, December 1, 2020 – with Covid safety guidelines. Cards can be sent to her daughter, Lois Jean Harper, 310 Happy Hollow, Box 69, Vermillion, KS 66544-8633." Both Thelma and Lois Jean were Charter Members of the Dusters – the Dusters are celebrating their 55th Anniversary this year. As Lois Jean stated she and her Mom really enjoyed camping and their camping friends and hated to give it up due to health and age. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time.

From our Texas Friends — "Kenn Green, 81 years old, passed away Sunday, November 22, 2020 after a long battle with Alzheimers Disease. He is survived by his wife, Paula and three children and their families. Services will be Monday, November 30, 2020 at 2:30 p.m. at the Greenwood Funeral Home, Fort Worth, TX. Kenn & Paula were Past Texas State Directors. Cards can be sent to Paula Green, 929 Holly St., Crowley, TX 76036." We have many fond memories of the times spent traveling with Kenn & Paula and also the times we worked together on FCRV Campventions. Sunday when I visited with Paula she said it was comforting to be able to look at some of the pictures taken at these events because it brought back lots of happy memories. We send our thoughts and prayers to Paula and the Family.

From the Kansa Travelers – "As many of you know Keith Koontz is waiting for the kidney transplant. At this point everything is in place however due to the Covid virus, etc., they don't have a definite date yet." Keith & Beverly's address is: 2224 Woodland St., Wichita, KS 67204-5938. We continue to keep both Keith & Beverly in our thoughts and prayers and know that they are looking forward to good days ahead.

Also from the Kansa Travelers – "Dianne Buggeln is making a good recovery from her fall a few months ago. She is gaining more use of her arm and hoping to finish physical therapy soon." Dianne & Bill's address is: 12215 S W Shumway Rd, Augusta, KS 67010-8486. We were glad to hear the good news and continue to wish Dianne a good recovery.

Linda & Garold Smith, Kansas Care Notes

Kansas FCRV Care Notes – December 16, 2020

To Our Camping Friends,

Christmas is just around the corner and it is a special time to get in touch with family and friends. We have the feeling that will be more important and possibly have more significance than in years past. We have a number of

concerns to pass along and ask that you keep all of those listed below in your thoughts and prayers.

From the Kansa Travelers: "Forest Reavis, 92, of Augusta, KS passed away Monday, December 14, 2020. He had fallen at his home on December 10, was taken to the hospital. There he was diagnosed with pneumonia and covid-19. Forest and Betty were members and charter members of the Kansa Travelers Camping Club. A Memorial Service will be held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, December 29, 2020 at Headley Funeral Chapel, Augusta, KS. The complete obituary and you can sign the Guestbook at: www.headleyfuneralchapel.com." Forest was really proud of being a Charter Member and was a member of the Kansa Travelers for sixty-five years. They thoroughly enjoyed camping and attended many Campventions and Retirees Rallies as well as Regional, State, District and local campouts. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Forest's family.

From the Sunflower Ramblers - Lots of special prayers requested: "Richard Stuckey of Moundridge is receiving aggressive treatment for type A leukemia. He was diagnosed last week and was taken to the Sarah Cannon Cancer Hospital in Kansas City, MO. Betty cannot be with him but she is thankful for the doctors and staff and how kind they have been. The doctor has been calling her daily to explain what they are doing and to answer any questions the family has. A bone morrow transplant is planned with Richard donating his own." He will be at the hospital for a month or so. Prayers for both Richard and Betty.

"Gene Griffin of Hutchinson received news last Friday that his cancer is back in his lungs and he starts Chemo again this coming week." Prayers for Gene and Elaine.

"Glenn Perry of Minneola has had pneumonia and it just hangs on." Prayers for Glenn and Betty as he heals and gains his strength back.

"Different members have been expose to COVID-19 and have been quarantined at home with mild or no symptoms. No one has been in the hospital that we know about. Thank Goodness!

We cancelled our November and December meetings hoping to stay safe and slow this virus down." From Denise & Rick Rasmussen: "Denise recovered from her open lung surgery in August, was back to work working twelve hour shifts at her medical job when she and Rick came down with covid-19 a few weeks ago." We wish them both a speedy and complete recovery.

Forwarded by Barb & Jim Turner with an update on Dal & Barb Dodson on Dec. 9th: "Dal is still on treatments and they make him tired. Saturday night, Dal fell and Barb thought it best he go to the hospital because he hit his head and skinned up his left arm. He was admitted and found out he had pneumonia as well as testing positive for Covid-19. He came home Tuesday the 8th and is resting. Being at home, of course, makes anyone feel better. But he is still weak from everything. They are both quarantined for 10-14 days. A visiting nurse will come during the week to check on Dal. So, keep them in your prayers and maybe send a card or two to brighten their days, as they stay in."

Today we visited with Barb with the following update: "Dal was hospitalized again on December 9th with blood clots in the stomach and bleeding ulcers. She is able to talk with him by phone." We'll continue to keep Dal & Barb in our prayers. Cards may be sent to them at 705 Colby St., Willard, MO 65781-8360.

We have heard of several others in FCRV/KCA that either have had covid-19 or been quarantined as a result of being exposed. We send our best wishes to all those people also. Continue with your prayers for better days ahead and speedy availability of the vaccines.

If you know of someone that should be remembered in the Care Notes, send us a note so that we might share the information. We also like to get happy news, i.e. weddings, Special Anniversaries, etc. Staying in touch is one way to help keep our organization a little stronger. Please pass the above information on to those that might not have received the Care Notes. Sometimes the Care Notes end up in your SPAM file (cyber gremlins) – so check your SPAM folder often. Thanks! Good Health and Safe Travels and we're looking forward to seeing you "down the road"!

Linda & Garold Smith, Kansas Care Notes

E-mail:smithmemos@gmail.com or SMITHGANDL@aol.com





Group Sites & Shelter

A NEW DATE & A NEW PLACE

FCRV District One Campout June 18 – 20, 2021 At Canning Creek Group Sites 1 & 2 Council Grove Lake, Council Grove, KS

We invite you to come camp with us for a relaxing and fun filled weekend!

We have 28 sites available at the Group Sites (20 with full hook-ups; 8 with W/E). When those are full campers can make their own reservation close by at Sites # 35 – 47. There are a limited number of sites so we suggest you make your reservation early – either with us at a Group Site or on your own. (All sites are 50 amp.)

Camping Fee \$20 for the weekend payable at the Campout – for those in the Group Sites.

The Activity Fee of \$10.00 per family, includes both campers and drive-ins, to help defray campout expenses.

This is the same weekend as Washunga Days at Council Grove so there will be plenty of activities both at the campground and in Council Grove. Be watching for more details about activities, meals, games, etc..

We invite you to bring along friends and family that like to camp

For more information contact: Linda & Garold Smith, 6241 S E Paulen Rd., Berryton, KS 66409, Ph: 785-862-9053, Email: SMITHGANDL@aol.com.

Pre-Registration (Activity Fee) \$10.00 Make checks payable to: Linda Smith on the Memo line write FCRV District One Campout. (This fee will be refunded if the event has to cancel).

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Phone	Email	Amount enclosed
Special Needs	Number of Adults	Youth Teens



61st INTERNATIONAL CAMPVENTION FAMILY CAMPERS & Rver's "WANDER WISCONSIN"



Walworth County Fairgrounds, 411 E. Court St. Elkhorn, WI 53121

Campvention Days: July 11-16, 2021 fees cover (6 nights)

Early Bird Days: July 9 & 10 2021 @ \$30/night (pay @ registration – cash/check)

Registrations are needed by: June 1, 2021

There will be room for you if you decide to come at the last minute. Just bring this registration with you. We want everyone to come see us!!!

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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.

District 2 Spring Thaw April 2-4 2021

WINFIELD FAIR GROUNDS

Come to Winfield for a fun filled weekend.
Hospitalities, Brown Bag Auction, Games,
BBQ Dinner Saturday
Special Entertainment
\$50.00 for the weekend
Drive In's \$10.00 per day

The 2020 District 2 (Spring Thaw) had to be canceled due to the Covid – 19 virus. We are planning to have DIS-TRICT 2 for 2021 the first full weekend in APRIL 2-4. Note: Pending the status of the Covid – 19 virus at the time of the campout will determine whether the campout will be a go or canceled.

MARK THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDER AND MAKE YOUR PLANS

<u>March 23 – 29</u> – National Retirees Campout at Minneola, TX – the theme is Fishing for 50 – all who can camp during the week are invited (and it's not that far away) Early bird days are Mar. 19-22.

<u>April 2 – 4</u> – District II Spring Thaw Campout – at the Winfield Fairgrounds – contact Keith & Beverly Koontz for more details of plans at 316-655-2970

<u>April 30 – May 2</u> – KCA Spring Campout – Kelly Park at Burlington, KS – contact Vern & Pam Failor for more details for the weekend at 785-231-4693.

<u>May 3 – 7</u> – Sunchasers Spring Campout – Kelly Park at Burlington, KS – contact Bill & Dianne Buggeln for the details 316-655-4296

<u>June 18 – 20</u> – District I Campout – Canning Creek Group Camping at Council Grove Lake, Council Grove – contact Linda and Garold Smith at 785-224-4128 for all of the detail

<u>July 11 – 16</u> – International Campvention at Walworth County Fairgrounds in Elkhorn, WI – the theme is Wander Wisconsin. The early bird days are July 9 - 10. This site even offers WIFI with your registration. The state directors (Vanderhoff's) will be getting more information as we go and check out the Camping Today.

<u>July 23 – 25</u> – Heartland Regional at the York County Fairgrounds of York, NE – this is a TENTATIVE date so stay turned for more information from the State Directors

Joke:

You realize you're never going to be really good at anything .Especially square dancing.???????



50TH ANNIVERSARY

FCRV INTERNATIONAL RETIREE RALLY MINEOLA CIVIC CENTER 1150 NORTH NEWSOM STREET MINEOLA, TEXAS 75773

RALLY STARTS:MARCH 23 THRU MARCH 28, 2021 EARLY DAYS: MARCH 19 TO MARCH 22

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2 PEOPLE IN UNIT:	\$290	\$300		
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REFUNDS: ALL BUT \$25 WILL BE REFUNDED IF RECEIVED TWO WEEKS PROIR TO THE RALLY. AFTER THE DEADLINE ONLY THE CAMPING FEE WILL BE REFUNDED.

MAKE CHECKS OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO: 2021 FCRV RETIREE RALLY. NO CREDITS ACCEPTED. MAIL TO: BILL AND PENNY RAMLOW, 8371 NIGHT OWL DR, RIVERVIEW, FL. 33569 OR CONTACT THEM AT: 305-822-6589 OR 813-545-6083. OR EMAIL THEM AT pramlow@aol.com

I WOULD LIKE TO	OLUNTEER FOR:	

Region 3 Ramblings by JeAnne (Jan) Selby, Regional Director

Here's wishing each of you Holiday Blessings during this unusual and incredibly challenging holiday season!

Despite the current worldwide pandemic, local, regional and national FCRV event committees, composed of positive members, optimistically continue planning club outings for next season, the International Retiree, International and Regional Campventions. I would like to share a few reminders regarding events currently being planned.

Pre-registrations for the *61st International Campvention*, scheduled for July 11 - 16 at Elkhorn, WI, is \$335, which covers 6 nights. If you pre-register and pay prior to December 31, 2020, you receive a \$30 discount. If you're paying by check, make the check payable to *NCHA*. All campvention contracts have a COVID clause, so you'll receive a full refund if the 2021 Campvention must be cancelled. Campvention golf cart rental, different this year, needs to be arranged directly with the golf cart company. Watch for details in *Camping Today* in January 2021. Look for pre-registration forms in all recent issues of *Camping Today* or on the FCRV website, fcrv.org. Additional information will be available in all upcoming issues of *Camping Today*.

The *International Retiree Rally* Chairs Kip and Jan Cushing, WI, are moving forward with plans and arrangements for the 51st rally, to be held March 23 - 28, 2021, at Mineola, TX. Pre-registration for two people in one unit is \$290 prior to March 9, and \$300 after the deadline. The Cushings and their Rally Committees are planning all of the usual activities we've all come to expect at International Retiree Rallies.

Save the dates and safely come rushing back from the International Campvention in WI to *Region 3's 2021 Regional Heartland Campvention*, slated for July 22 - 25, 2021, at York, NE. Nebraska FCRVers, who had planned to host the 2020 Regional Campvention, graciously consented to try again -- and host the 2021 event! The 2020 Regional, also scheduled for York, NE, was cancelled, along with so many club, state and Regional events, this past camping season. A pre-registration form and more details will be forthcoming.

Moving on to Regional recognitions, I would like to congratulate a number of Region 3 clubs, club members and youth for their participation in and applications to various FCRV contests and other program opportunities during these past challenging months.

Iowa: Benjamin Moats, Ames, IA, a math major, received a \$1,500 FCRV scholarship.

Kansas: The Sunflower Ramblers, KS, entered a club parade float entry into the July 2020 Virtual International Campvention shoebox parade. The theme of the club entry was "Families Glitter with Camping Fun."

Nebraska: Kiley Johnson, Omaha, NE, an elementary education major, received a \$1,500 FCRV scholarship; Tyler Mathews, Papillion, NE, a Zoo Sciences major, received a \$1,500 scholarship; and Tara Mueller, Exeter, NE, an elementary education major, received a \$500 scholarship.

The Better Ponca Foundation, Ponca, NE, received a \$1,200 wildlife refuge grant.

North Dakota/South Dakota: ND/SD State Director Sherry McGuire of the Roaming Buffalo FCRV Club, Jamestown, received the National Citation, the 2nd highest award given by FCRV, during the July 2020 Virtual International Campvention. After serving 3 years as Assistant State Director and 12 years as Roaming Buffalo Field Director, McGuire was appointed ND/SD State Director in August.

JeAnne Selby of the Roughrider Club, Bismarck, received a 2nd place ribbon on her national conservation poster contest entry in the adult division during the July 2020 Virtual International Campvention.

Dakota Zoo, in Bismarck, ND, received a \$500 wildlife refuge grant, designated for its raptor rehabilitation program.

My personal thanks to all of the FCRV members who put forth the extra time and effort to complete applications or participate in FCRV programs at the national level in recent months!

Again, my best wishes for the approaching holiday season! I encourage all FCRV members to continue thinking positively and putting their time, efforts and talents into their local, regional and national FCRV activities -- along with everything else they do during these challenging times! Hang in there; media reports indicate COVID vaccines are on the way!

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