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Indiana well represented at 2021 Campvention

The FCRV International Campvention, held in Elkhorn, Wisconsin from July 11-16, 2021, gave the opportunity to regather in person with friends from all over the United States of America. We truly missed our Canadian members whose presence was prohibited still by the closure of the Northern border from the pandemic. The National Trustees ensured that the event provided the fun and fellowship that we have come to expect from the annual event. A full report will be present in the next CAMPING TODAY, which will be available on the forv.org website soon. This issue of the CHATTER will highlight Indiana's excellent representation.



After representing Indiana as our Teen Queen and then representing all of FCRV as our National Teen Queen for 2019-2021, Macey is officially a HAS BEEN! Thank you, Macey, for a job well done!

LEADERS AND CHAIRMEN

Though the National Trustees were hosts, the Campvention depended also on other volunteers. Indiana members who worked on the planning and execution of this year's event included the following:

Vickie Roop: Advisor

Chris Weiss: Team Co-chairman (commercial, golf carts, ground transportation, honey wagon, communications and security)

Misty Stuckwisch: Chairman of Teen Ball, designer of Campvention Logo.

Angie Shaneyfelt: Čo-Chair of Teen Ball, Co-Chair of Mystery Play, Co-chair of Teen Sports

Ed Shaneyfelt: National Campvention Director

Ron Cohee: Chaired the Honey Wagon sub-committee.

Indiana members volunteered for other campvention activities (parking, driving trams, keeping score for games, etc.)



NUMBER ONE FOR #2

Indiana's Ron Cohee and John Stock may have been first-timers at Campvention, but that didn't stop them from taking on a "crappy" job. Thank you for managing the "Honey Wagon." You truly made our "business" your business!!

Link to Barb Turner's comprehensive photos from Campvention https://photos.app.goo.gl/YrYDaMKvSRAiDiKF9

WILDLIFE PHOTO CONTEST

The winner of the Wildlife Photo Contest was Indiana's Pat Cohee. Her winning photo of a deer is below. Congratulations, Pat! Well done!





WHO DUN IT????

On Monday of Campvention week, Campvention attendees became jurors in a murder mystery. A gathering of forensic specialists from around the world was rocked by the stabbing death and poisoning of one of their members. Indiana was represented in the cast by Ed Shaneyfelt, Angie Shaneyfelt, Macey Stuckwisch, and Marilyn Rausch.

The evening began with a KFC box-lunch dinner provided to all attending the murder mystery. The three-act play followed, with no one...not even the cast...knowing who was the perpetrator until he was revealed at the end.

Spoiler alert! I would be very suspicious of the Shaney-felt family. When a different play was presented at the Midwest Regional a few years ago, the murderer was found to be Fletcher Shaneyfelt, son of Ed and Angie. This year's villain was none other than Ed Shaneyfelt (aka Magnus PI). Hmm? They always seemed like such a nice family!!



Maybe it was just great-dealt hands, or maybe it was talented partners. In the end, **Marilyn Rausch** had the most points (and one lone) to win the Euchre tournament at Campvention 2021!

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Adult/Teen Softball Game



The adult/teen softball game was played at Family Fun Day on Monday in Elkhorn, Wisconsin. The teens did beat the adults by the score of 12 to 11. The adults used all the help they could with the addition of 5 MVP's to run the bases for many of the adults. These 5 MVP's even batted in the last inning, maybe they should have let them bat the whole game!

Picture 1 above, MVP's from left to right: JR Thomas, Conner Wright, Otto McIntosh, Landon Schuch and Noah Wright

Picture 2, winning Teens: 1st row: Coach, Emily Kurburski, Tyler Pinkley, Chast Tipton, Tahlia Demarest, **Macey Stuckwisch**, Brianna Coniglio, Luke Kurburski. 2nd row: Jack Siehl, Eli Siehl, Grace Carey, Caleb Demarest, Joanne Huhn, Andrew Huhn. Back row: designated pitcher for both teams: Joe Pinkley

Picture 3, adult team: 1st row: MVP's 2nd row: Mark Mayes, Daren Woods, Mary Croxton, Daniel Musselwhite, Beth Musselwhite, Dave Hennie, Joe Wittmeyer, **Ed Shaneyfelt** and Scott Serbousek.

4th pic - Dave Hennie covering 1st base

5th pic - Daren Woods showing off the proper softball footwear (Daren was offered by Mark Mayes to hold his purse for him when he missed the ball in the outfield)!

Thanks,

Angie Shaneyfelt Softball score keeper









ED SHANEYFELT PLACES IN NATIONAL HORSESHOE COMPETITION

Indiana's **Ed Shaneyfelt** placed second of 14 participants in the National Horseshoe competition in Elkhorn. He and doubles partner Duane Keegan placed second in the Doubles Competition.

Congratulations, Ed!

Annual Teen Volleyball Game





The teens had their annual volleyball game on Friday after the parade. They played the best of 3 games. The scores were 21 to 6, 21 to 7 and 21 to 19. The winning team is pictured in the above left picture. It consisted of Katie Kurburski (played as teens needed another player), Caleb Demarest, Andrew Huhn, Luke Kurburski, Tahlia Demarest and Joanne Huhn. The 2nd place team was: Tyler Pinkley, Eli Siehl, **Macey Stuckwisch**, Brianne Coniglio, Grace Carey and Jack Siehl. Thanks to Emily Kurburski for being official ref and scorekeeper. Thanks also to line judges of Foster Kurburski and Jamie Carey. The adults that came over to watch and support the teens during the volleyball games were much appreciated by the teen.

Submitted by Angie Shaneyfelt (Teen Sport Chairperson)

TEEN ACTIVITIES

Although the number of teens in attendance was lower than usual, there were plenty of activities, both fun and serious. For those taking part in the Miss FCRV and Teen King Pageant and their helpers there were rehearsals, interviews, and details to take care of. Teens also had the task of serving the hot dog lunch on Family Fun Day. Due to no in person Campvention last year, teens who turned 20 could also participate this year.

However there were plenty of things to do for fun and friendship in the Teen Center and elsewhere, such as – 90's throw back party, marshmallow fun, several dances, movie night, volleyball teams, bowling, scavenger hunt, the parade, slip 'n slide /crazy ball, The Teen Queen Ball, and the farewell dance and reception on the last night of Campvention. FCRV can be very proud of its teens and State, Provincial, and National Teen Directors. Special thanks to all who coordinated – **Misty Stuckwisch, Angie & Ed Shaneyfelt**, Connie & Linda, Mabel McIntosh & Geoff, Dave & Kathy Hartwig, Emily Kurburski, Katie Kurburski and others.



Under the watchful eye of proud Grandpa Chet Nolan, Queen Macey Stuckwisch takes her final walk during the Teen Royalty Pageant.

International Queen **Macey** and King Caleb collecting donations for the Family Fun Day hot dog lunch.



Indiana Youth bring home ribbons

Congratulations to Indiana's youth, who brought honors home from the Camping Is competition.



Macyn Bardos



Kennedy Longberry







Maximus Bardos



Mya Bardos





CONSERVATION ESSAY CONTEST WINNER MACEY STUCKWISCH

Below is the Essay on recycling, written by Macey Stuckswisch, which won the 2021 Conservation Essay Contest. Congratulations, Macey!

Do you have children? What kind of world do you want them to have? Do you want them to live in a world where trash is everywhere? The oceans are polluted & the air is unfit to breath? Recycling is important in today's world if we want to leave this planet for future generations. If we want to have a clean world, we need to help people understand how important recycling is. Since nearly everything you buy in the grocery store comes in some form of cardboard or plastic packaging. All items that can be easily recycled creating more energy and less waste.

When thinking of recycling you should think about the whole idea; reduce, reuse, and recycle. At one point in everyone's life you have been careless about the way you have treated the Earth and it's time to change; not just the way you do things but the way you think. Why should you recycle? To make the environment cleaner, conserve materials, save energy, and reduce garbage. Recycling is important for the environment, you are saving resources and sending less trash to landfills and helping reduce air and water pollution. If you recycle one aluminum can, you can save enough energy to run a laptop for about 3 hours.

Recycling serves 3 purposes: It avoid landfills, helps in reducing air and water pollution, and valuable material like aluminum cans, plastic, and glass are reused in other forms. What can you really do? There are several things you can do. First you can set up a small recycling center in your house and take the containers to your local recycling center as needed. Your community may also offer curbside pickup of recyclables. You can avoid using plastic or paper bags at the grocery store by purchasing reusable bags and keeping them in your car for when you shop. On days you must use plastic bags at the store, reuse them at home. You can also buy in bulk to help. When buying in bulk it not only saves you money, but it has also less packaging and usually comes in boxes that you can reuse or recycle.

Now that you understand the importance of recycling and how to recycle you can recycle on your own and tell your friends about recycling. Even if you start small recycling, you can be more mindful of how you are affecting the environment. With your help we can pass Earth on to future generations in better condition than we found it.

Macey Stuckwisch

Recipes worth Sharing!

CROCK POT CHERRY DUMP CAKE

Recipe adapted from <u>Life Love Liz</u> (an easy camping dessert!)

INGREDIENTS

- 1 (15.25 oz.) box yellow cake mix
- 2 (21 oz.) cans cherry pie filling
- 1/2 cup (1 stick) unsalted butter, cubed
- vanilla ice cream or whipped cream, garnish

PREPARATION

- 1. Lightly grease your slow cooker with butter or nonstick spray, or use a slow cooker liner for easy clean-up.
- 2. In a large bowl, cut cubed butter into cake mix and mix together until butter is coarse and crumbly.
- 3. Pour cherry pie filling into slow cooker, then cover with cake topping.
- 4. Turn slow cooker on HIGH and cook for 2 hours, or until cake is golden brown and cherry filling is hot and bubbly.
- 5. Transfer cake to serving bowls and serve hot, with vanilla ice cream or whipped cream.

NO BAKE TWINKIE STRAWBERRY CAKE

INGREDIENTS

1 box Twinkies

4 bananas peeled ad sliced

1(20oz) can crushed pineapple, drained well

1(3oz) ox instant vanilla pudding

2 cups cold milk

1(8oz) tub whipped topping, thawed

Strawberries stemmed and cut in half

Crushed pecans

DIRECTIONS

- 1. Remove twinkies from the wrapper. Place sliced twinkies in a 9X13 pan, cream side up.
- 2. Layer slice bananas on op of twinkies.
- 3. Spread the crushed drained pineapples o top of the bananas.
- 4. In a separate bowl, combine instant pudding mix with the cups of cold milk. Whisk it together until combined and allow it to thicken slightly. It should take about 3-5 minutes. Should be thickened but pour-able.
- 5. pour pudding over crushed pineapple. Spread out until evenly coated.
- 6. Spread the whipped topping over pudding layer.
- 7. Place strawberries and crushed pecans on top.
- 8. Cover and refrigerate for about 1 hour before serving. Store in refrigerator.

Offered by Deena Felver

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Hi there,

Just a little note to let everyone know that if you do not want to wait till September to bring tabs, caps and stuff for Riley, you can bring it to the Regional campout, if you like. I will be there.

And don't forget the walking shoes because we are

having a poker walk.

If you get bored and want to exchange books we can do that, just bring a book or take a book or two (we don't care).

Hopefully, we will see a lot of you there.

Patti Thieme





CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

By Harlan Nigh

Hello FCRV Family.

I enjoyed the pictures and stories from Campvention. I was happy to make "Social Media" friends through the app.

Am ready to go to Shipshewana Regional and am looking forward to fellowship with our Camping Family again. And yes Bernice is coming "If I have

to stay in all day through the heat".

Thank y'all for your support and prayers for Bernice and Christina Lucas. Both are doing well and looking forward to seeing everyone. I don't think Richard and Christine will make the Regional.

Till we share a campfire. God Bless Y'all

Harlan Nigh 🛨 🛮 🔂 🗘 👃





Patti Thieme

If you are planning on going to the retiree rally September 22-24, 2021, can you let me or Deena Felver know?? This way I can get a count to plan on what to do for the carry-in meal.

My e-mail is momthieme@yahoo.com or you can let Deena know at cfelver@metalink.net.

Thanks!

Patti Thieme

Mike Rausch carried the Indiana Flag during the opening ceremonies of the 2021 Campvention in Elkhorn, Wisconsin.

Indiana FCRV is interested in what you are doing! We welcome any member of Indiana FCRV to share your thoughts, achievements, adventures, or suggestions. The guidelines for submission are simple: **THINK!** (Is it **T**rue, is it **H**elpful, is it **I**nspirational, is it **N**ecessary and is it **K**ind?) The editor reserves the right to exclude anything that does not fit these criteria.



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Chapter Campouts

We invite any chapters who have planned their upcoming campouts and would like to invite others to join them to list them here in the CHATTER. Likewise, if you are looking to camp with friends (or people who will become friends), check out these listings!

We also welcome any reports and/or photos from your campouts. What a better way to advertise the heart of Indiana's Family Campers and RVers???

Contact the Editor at hoosierchatter@hotmail.com.

2021 Coffee Pot Campers Camp Meet Schedule

August 3-8	Regional Campout Shipshewana North 5970 IN-5 Shipshewana, IN 46565	
August 27-29	Spring Mill State Park Spring Mill S.P. 3333 Highway 60E Mitchell, IN 47446	
September 16-19	White River Campground 11299 E. 234th St. Cicero, IN 46034	Reservations 317-770-4430
September 22-24	Retiree Campout Ouabache State Park 4930 IN-201 Bluffton, IN 46714	
September 24-26	Fall Invitational Ouabache State Park 4930 IN-201 Bluffton, IN 46714	

All information subject to change

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For further information, contact Melvin Coy (melvinlc@juno.com)

2021 Fireflies Camp Meet Schedule

Aug 5-8	Shipshewana	Regional
Aug 19-22	Summit Lake	Fireflies
Sept 2-6	Batesville KOA	Fireflies
Sept 24-26	Ouabache State Park	State
Sept 30- Oct 3	Cornerstone	Fireflies
Oct 14-17	Anderson KOA	Fireflies

For further information, contact Pat Cohee (patcohee@hotmail.com)

2021 Happy Glampers Camp Meet Schedule

Aug 4-8	Shipshewana	Regional
Sept 22-24	Ouabache State Park	Retiree Rally
Sept 24-26	Ouabache State Park	Fall Invitational

For further information, contact

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Great Lakes Regional Campout

August 4-8, 2021



Pre-registration

Shipshewana Campground North Shipshewana Indiana





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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

Great Lakes Regional Events

Regional Campout 2021
Shipshewana North Campground
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August 4-8, 2021
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2021 Retiree Rally Ouabache State Park 4930 IN-201 Bluffton, IN 46714 September 22-24, 2021

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Hosted by the Trustees
September 24-26, 2021

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