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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 70 papers copies last month. Two reams of paper and one ink cartilage. Also postage. Please consider email.

If you want to receive your Newsletter by email. Please email me and let me know. bschreck1@gmail.com. The price of stamps is going up again.

Presidents Notes

We are getting closer to camping season but this year we have been staying in our camper working out of town since October. We will have the camper home in time to clean and go to District II Spring Thaw April 21-23 in Winfield. It is good that Spring Thaw is later in the year so the snowbirds will hopefully be home and that the International Retiree Rally March 28 through April 3 will be over giving people time to travel home to be able to attend. Please plan to attend as many campouts as you can whether they are in your district or not.

Please share any ideas you would like to see implemented to improve KCA or to attract more people to join KCA. It would be great if we could have active youth and teens again as in years past. They are the future of this great organization.

God bless, stay healthy and see you down the road.

Forrest and Faye Tennyson

State Directors Notes

2023 is almost two months in. Where did the time go? Camping season is coming soon. Be sure to check out the schedules for your chapter and others to see where and when you can go camping. Put them in your calendar & commit to attending. We are gearing up to head out eastward the middle of March. We are planning to visit family and then attend the International Retiree Rally in Alabama before getting back to Kansas for Spring Thaw. Will we get to see you at one of these?

We know that some of you have been recruiting over the winter. Be sure that they are also invited to your campout and that they are invited to travel with you or very good information of where and how to get there and activities planned. We can sometimes "assume" that someone knows because we do but that isn't the case. Be welcoming.

Thank you to the chapters that have sent in the annual reports. I have heard that there are two more in the mail. When I get them processed, Kansas will be up to date!!! Now to get membership up to date. They have been completely reworking the data system in New York so have not had any reports since September. The word is that we will be able to access information by the end of the month of early March. It will take some time, but I will be updating the District Directors and the Chapters as soon as I can. Please be patient. By the way, if you haven't gotten the blast for the CAMPING TODAY, go to the web site and download from there. Be sure to spread to the ones in your group without internet.

That's all for now. Check the dates and see you camping.

Earl & Ivalee Vanderhoff

NEWS AROUND THE STATE

AREA I

Campfire Campers:

Campfire Campers met at the Carbondale Community Center on January 14, 2023 with 18 folks in attendance. Failors hosted with a wonderful pot of Taco Soup with the fixins and everyone else brought sides and desserts. Following the meeting we had a rousing game of Bean Bag baseball. What a wonderful time was

had by all.

Twelve of us met again in Carbondale on February 11th sharing some great pulled pork and lots of yummy sides. Linda reported that so far we have 23 campers registered for the District I campout and there could be more. Final plans will be completed soon.

There are some still struggling with covid and other illnesses so hopefully with spring in the horizon we will all be back to 100% by camping season.

Dusters: Did not receive report before issue

Mustangs:

On Jan. 21 2023 we met at Glory Days pizza. 7 member families and new members Scott and Lori Magnason signed up plus prospective members the Sackmans attended. Also visitors Gerald and Linda Smith and Steve and Diane Hitchins. We all enjoyed good food and visiting. On Feb. 18 we met at the China Pavillion for a good buffet. 9 members attended, that's 100%. also attending was Gerald and Linda Smith. We discussed Dist. and Regional campouts. Looks like we will have 8 families attending Regional. enjoyed sharing stories.

Don Atkins

AREA II

Kansa Travelers:

Kansa Travelers had their January Chow Wow at Sugar Shane's in Augusta. We had great attendance. Glenn and Lynda Maier, Bill and Dianne Buggeln, Bob and Kathy Schreck, Keith and Beverly Koontz, David and Sue Dennett, Gary and Jeannie Dennett, Avis Nelson and Lorianna, Gwen Hillis, Leslie Bradley and Carl and Gail Burger. We had several guests visiting or checking us out for possibly joining our camping ventures. We welcomed Aaron Miller, Janice Dunn, Jean Boyd, Karen and Mike Jerman, Cathy and Ricky Beverage, and Tracy and Steve Frazier. We had a short meeting and ironed out some camping questions on this year's schedule. After that everyone visited with new people and already friends.

Kansa Travelers had their February meeting on the 11th at Hog Wild on N. Woodlawn in Wichita. It was hosted by Bill and Dianne Buggeln with a Valentine theme and goodies. Attending were Glenn and Lynda Maier, Carl and Gail Burger, Bob and Kathy Schreck, Barry and Leslie Bradley, Gwen Hillis and Keith and Beverly Koontz. Guests included Dennis and Judy Hein, Terry and Cindy Shields, Tracy and Steve Frazier and Jean Boyd. We had a short meeting to iron out some specifics on some of our camping plans then enjoyed visiting with everyone.

Newton Nomads: Did not receive report before issue

AREA III

No Active Chapters

AREA IV

Pratt Fireliters: Did not receive report before issue

Peacemakers: Did not receive report before issue

Sunflower Ramblers: Did not receive report before issue

STATE WIDE CLUBS

Sunchasers:

Home on the Range" Battlehill RV Park, Galva, KS

Come and have fun in the old West, living on the range. Bring your Western attire, hats boots, jeans, bandanas, tin cup, plates (pie pan). Etc.

MEALS = Monday night – stone soup- meat, spices provided. Bring can of veggies to add to soup.

Other meals will be ham & beans (need corn bread), Cowboy Dinner (bring a side)
Sandwich & Salad bar (bring fix'ng)

Breakfast & lunches on your own EXCEPT Thursday morning when we will mix up flapjacks & sausage (by Bill & Steve and who knows who else)

Bring desserts to share.

Activities – Make lantern cans, fabric coasters & Bee nests.

If you want to plan another event give Dianne a call 316 655-4296.

Camping Further Out:

Nothing this month

SPRING THAW 2023

Spring Thaw April 21-23 Winfield Fair Grounds

Let's thaw out and begin to camp. Come join us for a great time at the Winfield Fair Grounds. What to bring? Yourself. item in brown bag for Brown Bag Auction. Games, Laughter, Bean Bag Baseball and who knows what else. Also we will plan to eat at Boss Hog for Saturday evening meal. Registration \$55 covers everything but Saturday meal.

DATES TO PUT ON YOUR OWN CALENDER

Don't miss these opportunities to CAMP with friends

CHAPTERS – USE THESE DATES AS YOU MAKE YOUR PLANS

March 28 – April 3, 2023 – International Retiree Rally at Dothan, Alabama. Early bird days are March 24 – 27. The Kansas State Directors have registration forms. Call 316-830-2115 or e-mail vanderhoff79@yahoo.com.

April 21 – 23, 2023 – District II – Winfield, KS. – contact Bill & Dianne Buggeln @ 316-200-1272 for more information.

May 1 – 5, 2023 – Kansas Sunchaser's Retiree Campout – Battle Hill RV Park, Galva, KS – Contact Bill & Dianne Buggeln @ 316-200-1272 for more information. Come on Monday and conclude on Thursday evening so can stay Friday for State or head home. Call for directions for least amount of gravel road.

May 5 – 7, 2023 – Kansas Campers Association Campout – Battle Hill RV Park, 2443 Pueblo RD, Galva, KS – come for the Sunchaser's and stay for the state – a whole week of camping!!! Contact the planners Marty and Barbara Mashek @ 620-200-0784.

June 16 – 18, 2023 – District I – Wolf Creek Group Park at Pomona Lake, Pomona, KS – Check with Garold & Linda Smith, District I Directors @ 785-862-9053 for more details.

June 27 – 30, 2023 – South Central West Regional – ABC Campground, Branson, MO – the State Directors will have registration forms – call 316-830-2115.

July 9 – 14, 2023 – International Campvention #63 – Wayne County Fairgrounds & Expo Center at 861 Salisbury Road, Richmond, IN 47374 – Early Bird Days are July 7 & 8 @ \$30 / night paid on arrival by cash or check. They tell us that it is just off of I-70.

August 4 – 6, 2023 – Heartland Regional Campout – Sycamore Spring Whitetail Ranch, Sabetha, KS – Contact Earl & Ivalee Vanderhoff @ 316-830-2115 for more information

September 29 – October 1, 2023 – Kansas Campers Association Fall Campout – Johnson Park, 701 Hargis Drive, Coffeyville, KS Contact Faye & Forrest Tennyson @ 620-704-0998

October 2 – 620-704-09986, 2023 – Kansas Sunchasers Fall Campout – Johnson Park, 701 Hargis Drive, Coffeyville, KS. Contact Bill & Dianne Buggeln for more information @ 316-200-1272

CAMPING DATES FOR KANSAS – 2023

March, April, May, June

M	D	To D	CHAPTER	WHERE	CITY	CONTACT
3	11		Campfire Campers	Carbondale Community Center	Carbondale	985-221-2337
3	11		Kansa Travelers	Golden Corral @ 616 S Ridge	Wichita	316-680-2058
3	17	19	Sunflower Ramblers	Battlehill RV Ranch@2443 Pueblo Road	Galva	620.242.7427
3	18		Mustangs	Tup Tun Thai	Topeka	785-506-6566
3	28	4-2	ALL	International Retirees Rally	Dothan, AL	316-830-2115
4	14	16	Campfire Campers	Bloomington East Cedar Ridge	Clinton Lake	913-909-9978
4	14	16	Dusters	Sycamore Spring	Sabetha	785-844-7949
4	14	16	Mustangs	Perry Old Town @ E Loop	Perry	785-506-6566
4	14	16	Sunflower Ramblers	North Side Smarsh Creek	Cheney Lake	620.200.0784
4	21	23	ALL	District 2 Spring Thaw	Winfield	316-200-1272
5	1	5	ALL	Sunchasers @ Battlehill RV Park	Galva	316-200-1272
5	5	7	ALL	KCA Spring State @ Battlehill RV Park	Galva	620-704-0998
5	12	14	Campfire Campers	Hillsdale Lake State Park	Paola	913-909-9978
5	14	21	Dusters	Banner Creek	Holton	785-844-7949
5	18	21	Ky-O-Tee	Anthony Lake @ Area C	Anthony	316-830-2115
5	19	21	Kansa Travelers	Fall River State Park	Fall River	316-773-8596
5	19	21	Mustangs	Lake Shawnee	Topeka	785-506-6566
5	19	21	Sunflower Ramblers	Bemis Creek @ El Dorado Lake	El Dorado	316.640.2873
6	2	4	Kansa Travelers	Melvern Lake Outlet B-LO	Melvern	316-200-1272
6	9	11	Campfire Campers	Milford Lake, Curtis Creek	Junction City	785-213-1489
6	15	18	Ky-O-Tee	Council Grove @ Canning Creek	Council Grove	316-830-2115
6	16	18	ALL	District 1 @ Wolf Creek Group	Pomona Lake	785-224-4128
6	23	25	Kansa Travelers	Elk City State Park	Independence	316-350-6766
7	7	9	Kansa Travelers	Argonia River RV Park	Argonia	316-651-7514
7	9	14	ALL	International Campvention @ Wayne County Fairgrounds	Richmond, IN	316-830-2115

HEARTLAND REGIONAL 2023

The Heartland Regional for 2023 will be August 4, 5, & 6, 2023 at Sycamore Springs Whitetail Ranch north of Sabetha, KS near the Nebraska line just off Highway US 75.

They would like to know approximate numbers so that they can block campsites for us. They ask for this by January 1 so if you think you may be able to come, please call us at 316-830-2115 or e-mail us at vanderhoff79@yahoo.com and let us know (Earl & Ivalee Vanderhoff, KS State Directors). Registration forms will be coming soon. You can also let us know if you need 30 or 50 and if you really need electric, water, and sewer (additional charge) or just electric and water.

District One Campout – “CAMPIN’ IN THE WOODS”

The FCRV District One Campout is scheduled for June 16-18, 2023 at the Wolf Creek Group Site, Pomona Lake. This is a really nice group site with lots of shade and has 23 sites. We’re working on our final details in the next few weeks. The Registration Fee for this Campout is \$20.00 and the Registration Form was in the January and February issue of Kansas Camper. The response has been so good that we’re almost to capacity. If you haven’t already registered for this Campout and would like to attend, please give us a call as soon as possible and we’ll give you more detailed information. We’d love to have as many as possible attend so don’t hesitate to give us a call. Linda & Garold Smith, Ph: 785-862-9053 or Cell 785-224-4128.

HOME ON THE RANGE

FCRV Spring State – May 5-7

At

Battle Hill RC Park

2443 Pueblo Road, Galva , Ks

Camping Fee \$65 for weekend

Maxwell Tour Saturday, Band Saturday Night and Pot Luck Dinner

We invite you to bring along friends and families who like to camp.

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Contact Marty Mashak if you have any Questions

Send Registration to Mashak P.O. Box 297, Pretty Praire, Ks 67570

Date _____ Name _____
Address _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ Email _____ Amount Enclosed _____
Special Needs _____ Number of Adults _____ Youth _____ Teens _____

Joke:

How much of an allowance did you get as a teenager per week?"

Me: I was allowed to live there.

I Have a Degree in Liberal Arts; Do You Want Fries With That?

A hangover is the wrath of grapes

A journey of a thousand miles begins with a cash advance.

Have you ever walked up to a car that looks like yours in a parking lot and tried to open the door.....

Trivia:

How did military vehicles get to be known as "tanks"? Well, they weren't always. When tanks were first designed by the British during World War I, they were known as "landships." However, in order to keep operations in secret, workers and laymen that came into contact with the vehicle construction programs were told they were building transportation vehicles to haul water and other liquids. In other words, tanks. The code name caught on and it has stuck ever since.

Worth Pondering:

Who makes it, but has no need of it?

Who buys it, but has no use for it?

Who uses it, but can neither see nor feel it.

What is it?

A coffin.

Buy/Sell Section: (Members Only) (Camping items only)

Snowbird Section:

Items happening at your RV park during the Winter.

News from the RGV: The FCRV Winter Texans met today for monthly meeting and lunch. Those in attendance from Kansas were IvaLee and Earl Vanderhoff, Julia and Joe Jackson, Ann Limper, Laura Horning, Jutta and Bill Cleaveland and Barney and Virginia Barnett. Jutta was happy to celebrate her birthday last Sunday with a dinner at Cheddars on Saturday. January 20th will see some of this group shopping at South Padre Island's Market Days. So far this winter, the weather has been delightful. A 4 hour round trip boat ride to Port of Brownsville from Port Isabel is scheduled for January 18 for residents of Fig Tree RV Resort. That naturally includes Barney and Virginia Barnett and Laura Horning. Kansas Day is coming up on January 29 which will be celebrated on January 25 in McAllen. All Kansans in the Valley are invited to attend. There will be a catered lunch and live entertainment with Rusty Rierison from Augusta/Leon, Kansas. He has a big following in this area of Texas! To all of you who could not come down this year, we miss you!!

KS Day Celebration, Jan 25, 2023 a few days early in Mission, Tx on cover
Virginia Barnett

Coffey County Evangelical Ministerial Association

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January 5, 2023

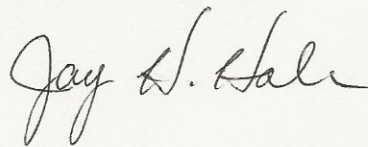
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Dear Mr. Failor,

This letter is to acknowledge receipt of the gift from the Kansas Campers Association to the Coffey County Evangelical Ministerial Association's food and clothing ministry – God's Storehouse – and to express our appreciation for your support of this community. Your gift helps provide needed resources within our community. If you find a discrepancy in this record, please notify us immediately so we can correct any errors.

2022 Contributions \$100.00

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Hey Campers! Not since 2017 have you had an opportunity like the one coming in April of 2024. We all know what an ordeal it is to get campsites now so here's your chance to REALLY plan ahead!.

A total solar eclipse will be visible April 8, 2024 so start planning NOW!

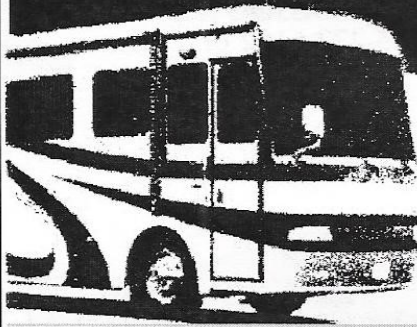
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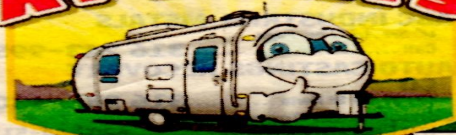


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We have two state meets a year and most of the clubs camp one or two weeks a month. Look to www.fcrv.org for information on national organization. See application below for KCA.

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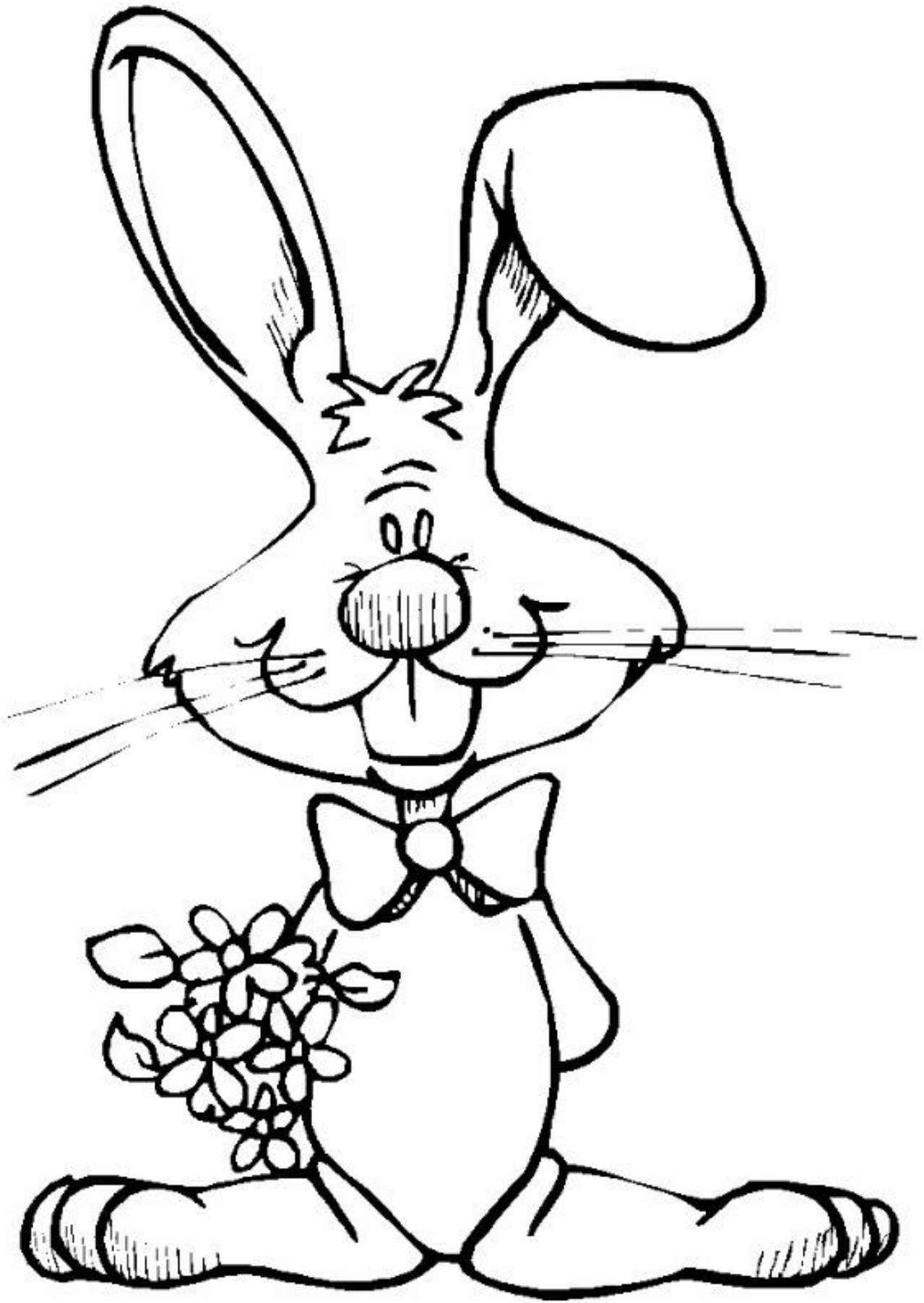
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