

June 2023

# State Director's Message:

Hoping you all enjoyed Spring and now bring on Summer. The months ahead are bringing us back together again as our groups enter the camping season.

National is having issues with mail delivery. As some of you have figured out, our renewal notices are getting "lost" in the US Mail Service. Rob and I as well as several others have received the second notification that our membership was in jeopardy. I would encourage you all to check your membership cards to verify your membership expiration date. If you do not receive a renewal notification, please call Pat in the office. She will help you get your renewal information on file and prevent you from being dropped from the rolls.

Upon receipt of our renewal notice, we were given a "photocopy" membership card, not the usual laminated card that we are used to. Please keep this as your membership card and do not toss it in the trash. Apparently, the vendor is having problems getting the supplies necessary to make the cards we are used to receiving. Ughh!

June Bug is fast approaching. Please see the registration information in the Calling and let Deb Hoagland know that you are going to be joining us for the weekend at Mormon Island. The Regional campout is going to be in Sabetha, Kansas. Information is included. If you have any questions, please let me know and I can pass those on to Ivalee Vanderhoff. I believe the Retirees will be at Stromsburg City Park, if you have an interest in attending that event, please let Jan VanArsdall and/ or Linda Sander know. As for the State Campout, we have been behind in planning, but we are looking at having it as Seward County Fairgrounds. This location is sort of centrally located and we seem to have relatively good attendance. The date has yet to be determined, hopefully we can provide more information in June and at June Bug if I can get it together.

We hope to see you all out this summer on the campgrounds walking, talking to other campers and recruiting possible new members.

Take care everyone.

Rob and Joleen

# Coming up in 2023

June Bug—June 9-11 -Mormon Island

63rd Campvention-July 9-14, 2023,

Richmond, Indiana

Regional—August 4, 5 & 6 at

Sycamore Springs Whitetail Ranch,

Sabetha, KS

<u>Retirees</u>-September 11-14, **Buckley Park**, Stromsburg NE

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The Nebraska Calling is produced monthly, March-November; as long as there is news to be shared.

Please submit your chapter news, etc., to be published by the 25th of each month.

An effort is made to submit our newsletter to National on or before the 1st of each month.

Recipes will be accepted; it is preferred they are personally typed or hand-written. Recipes copied from the internet may not be accepted.

# Heartland Runabouts

The Heartland Runabouts had their first campout APRIL 21-23 AT Mormon Island State Campground.

Weather was a little on the chilly side with wind. This didn't stop several of our members from taking walks and enjoying the park. We had four units (7 members present) with no guest. The weather had us change our plans somewhat, meals were inside different campers. You could call it progressive dinner but with each unit bringing their own food. Lots of good togetherness.

Meeting was called to order on April 22 at 4:24 Treasurer reported a balance of \$50. Memorial money for our members had been dispersed as voted at previse meeting.

Old business was finishing "fabric Hearts". Members have been working on Hearts that are part of the "I found a Quilted Heart" organiza2on. Volunteers place small quilted hearts around the globe to brighten the day of a stranger. Parks, campgrounds and walking trails and etc. Our members completed total of 87.

New business was changing location for June 23-25 campout. Edgar, Ne was having a city event. New location will be Prairie Oasis Campgrounds Henderson, Ne.

Next campout is May 19-21 at Lake Cunningham, outside of Omaha, NE. June Bug schedule for June 9-11 at Mormon was disused. Registration are to be sent to Debby Hoagland. Meeting adjourned, several members went out for supper.

Happy Camping, Linda Sander





campground one of the absolute nicest we have ever been to.



Saturday we started the day with a visit to the Squirrel Cage Jail in Council Bluffs, Iowa. So much history to absorb. The facility was used from 1885 through 1969 to house prisoners. There was a juvenile section for children ages 3 – 13. We were fortunate enough to be there when three out-of-state paranormal investigators were present. They stayed in the

warden's headquarters at the jail in 2020. They said there was no activity in the headquarters' office but lots of activity in the areas where the prisoners would have been located. The jail is three stories high and the cells are pie-shaped inside a round cage. The cells revolve to allow access to the cells. Solitary was a 2 x 2 foot cell.

We then moseyed down to The Buck Snort Restaurant for lunch. We highly recommend this as a stopping place to eat.

Then on to The August Beresheim House and The Historic

General Dodge House (next to each other), also in Council Bluffs. Such beautiful homes and the knowledge regarding the laying of the railroads, the civil war, and the Presidents that were in the house made you imagine you were there with them.

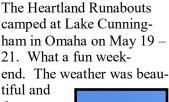
During our travels in Council Bluffs we were all on Broadway together. It was just Broadway street but we will claim fame to being on Broadway.

Then, as we are all known for: ICE CREAM.

We returned to the campground and had a "Mystery Dinner" which included good food, good company and LOTS OF LAUGHTER.

But not done yet, we then walked the Bob Kerrey Pedestrian Bridge after dark. What a beautiful walk with the lights illuminating the area.

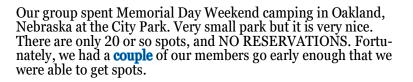
All in all, we had a great weekend with great friends.







Triple F Campers & RV'ers Nebraska Chapter May 26, 2023-May 29, 2023



We had a great time playing yard Yahtzee, traveled to West Point and viewed the Memorial located in Downtown West Point. If you have not seen the Memorial, it is a sight to see. Very well done and commemorative for all service members.

We recruited a new family Steve and Marisue Wagner, to our group. Our initial contact was through a post made on Facebook a few years ago. This just goes to show that persistence does pay off. I have asked that they provide a short biography, so that we can formally introduce them as new members of FCRV. We also have two relatively new families to our group that joined, after seeing a post on Facebook. We have asked that they provide a short biography so that they can be properly welcomed into FCRV.

As we were gathering Friday night around our campfire, a gentleman walked up to return a spatula, long story short, we had paddlefish, shared some with him, and he returned the spatula to our group. Anyway, before he left Sunday he stopped by again, asked about our group and what he had to do to join. We took advantage of it,

explained what we were about, and he took one of the new trifolds with him.

We had a great time with new members and old members alike. The next time you see Luke Kling, please ask him about Kibbles n Bits, and his excursion on the golf course. I'm sure he will be happy to explain.

Thank you for taking time to read our article. Please visit our Facebook page at Triple F Campers and RVers if you would like more information on our group and the activities. We are all in the learning process and some get con-fused where to post and how to do it, so just scroll through.

Joleen Baker **NE State Director** 





# June Bug Registration

Mormon Island - Grand Island NE

June 9 ,10, 11

Cost is \$8.00 per person (kids age 10 and under free)

Make your Camping Reservation at: Reserve America (Outdoor Nebraska)

Please let us know the following information.

Name

# of People attending: Youth : \_\_\_\_\_\_ # Teen \_\_\_\_\_\_ # Adults \_\_\_\_\_\_

Send registration to:

Debby and Dennis Hoagland,

8908 Osborne Dr,

East Hastings NE 68901

or email: <u>hoagie74@windstream.net</u>

Please pre-register by May 9, 2023 (Registration Fees will be collected upon check-in)

# 2023 Chapter Camp Schedules

### Rollin' Turtle Camping Club

January & February – no meeting March 19 – Anderson Library April 20, 21, 22 – Wilber, Ne May 15,16,17,18 – Platte River State Park (1-30) non-reserve June 12,13,14,15 – Louisville SRA July 17,18,19,20 – Pawnee SRA Area 3

August 14,15,16,17 – Branched Oak Homestead nonreserve September 14,15,16 – Nebraska State Campout September 18,19,20,21 – Two Rivers SRA Lakeside October 19,20,21 – Wilber Am Legion November 12 – Anderson Library

All campouts will be potluck unless decided by the club to do different. Other suggestions: Men's Breakfast and ice cream social

#### Triple F Campers and Rv'ers

December 10, 2022 6:00 p.m. Christmas Party – Rob and	July 7-9, 2023 Indian Cave SRA – Ashgrove (Hosts???)
Joleen are hosting	August 4-6, 2023 Regional – Sabetha, Kansas
January 14, 2023 2:00 p.m. Prehistoric Putt Putt – Supper TBD	August 18 – 20, 2023 Victorian Acres, Nebraska City (Hosts Steve & Marcia)
February 18, 2023 4:30 p.m. Parkers in Greenwood, NE	September 1-4, 2023 Two Rivers SRA (Hosts Shawn and
March 18, 2023 TBD Mahoney State Park	David)
April 14-16 – Pawnee SRA Area 3 (Hosts Luke & April)	September – Retirees
May 26-29 – Oakland City Park (Hosts Shawn & David)	September TBD State Campout/Fall Workshop
June 9-11 – June Bug TBD	October 6-8, 2023 Falls City Campground (Hosts Jeremy
June 16-18, 2023 Prairie Rose SRA, Walnut, Iowa (Hosts???)	and Julie)

#### Heartland Runabouts Camping Club

February 11	TBD
March	TBD
April 21–23	Mormon
May 19–21	Omaha
June 9–11	June Bug TBD
June 23–25	Prairie Oasis Campgrounds
Henderson, N	le.
July 14–16	Davis Creek

August 11–13Crystal LakeSept. 8–10Prairie Lake, JuniataSept. \_\_\_\_State campoutSept. 11-14RetireesOct. 13–15Lone Star, MilliganNovemberTBDDecemberTBD

# Chaplain's Comments

Since the time of Adam and Eve, mankind has struggled in continuous turmoil. It seems that as soon as one war ends another begins. According to the Merriam-Webster dictionary battles involve combat between two persons, between factions, or between 2 armies and they consist of any type of "extended contest, struggle, or controversy. Now



that you have been told this, as a Christian, how many battles will you personally have to endure after you wake up and go into a new day?

We have an enemy in the form of Satan that will continuously shoot artillery, in some form, into our minds with the goal of destroying the spirit that resides within each of us. Because of our belief, we have a shield that will protect us from these attacks, as we have been told in Ephesians beginning in Chapter 6 vs 10:

A final word: be strong in the Lord and his mighty power. Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil. For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world and against evil spirits in the heavenly places. Therefore, put on every piece of God's armor so you will be able to resist the enemy in the time of evil. Then after the battle you will be standing firm.

We will give into temptation and not be able to survive all the battles we encounter. However, we have been given a savior that will allow us to live on into eternity. He is with us to give us the power to overcome the many battles we will have to endure during our life-time. Be ever thankful and thank our heavenly father for the love He has shown by sending His only son to pay the price for our sins and insuring an eternal home.



# Pecan pie cobbler (Submitted by Mary Kay Hackett)

\*Ingredients:

- •1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- •2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- •1 cup milk
- •1/2 cup unsalted butter, melted
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 1 t vanilla extract
- •2 cups pecan halves
- •1 c light corn syrup
- •3 eggs



\*Instructions:

Preheat oven to 350°F (175°C). Greased a 9\*13 inch baking dish.

In a medium bowl, whisking flour, baking powder, and salt. Add the milk, melt butter, 1/2 cup sugar, and vanilla extract. Stir until the batter is smooth. Pour batter to prepared baking dish.

In separate bowl, whisking rest 1/2 cup sugar, corn syrup, and eggs. Stirring in pecan halve.

#### Easy Cherry Pie Bites (Submitted by Mary Kay Hackett)

Cherry Pie Bites use simple ingredients like cherry pie filling and crescent rolls to make an easy, tasty dessert! Topped with an easy icing.

#### Ingredients

- 21 ounce can cherry pie filling
- 2 (8 ounce) tubes crescent roll dough
- 1 cup powdered sugar
- 1-2 tablespoons milk

#### Instructions

Preheat oven to 375F degrees. Spray regular muffin tin with nonstick cooking spray.

Unroll individual crescent roll dough pieces and lay them in individual tins. Put the widest bit of the dough in the bottom.

Scoop pie filling into each crescent roll dough piece. Be generous with the pie filling. It's okay if a little seeps out during baking. A good 3 to 4 heaping tablespoons should work.

Start folding the dough around the filling as best you can, pulling in the three corners.

Bake for about 13-14 minutes.

In a bowl, whisk together powdered sugar and milk until it is smooth reaches a desired consistency

With a spoon, drizzle glaze over the warm bites.

#### Notes

Make sure the rolls are cooked all the way. You don't want to bite into these and still have some of the crescent roll be doughy and not totally baked. They should be fairly firm to the touch and have nice, tan-brown tops.



# SYCAMORE SPRING WHITETAIL RANCH 3126 Bittersweet Rd, Sabetha, KS 66534

They have the largest wo od roller skating rink in the state along with a put-put golf course, tennis court, volleyball, shuffleboard, and many other activities to help you enjoy your stay. A small fishing pond that is kept stocked with large fish gives the fisherman/fisher woman the opportunity to keep a line in the water. Experience the beauty of our 60 acres of Trails amongst our Whitetail deer and Bird pens. Experience the beauty of our 60 acres of Trails amongst our Whitetail deer and Bird pens.

**DO NOT FOLLOW GPS DIRECTIONS!!!** Go north of Sabetha KS on Hwy 75 six miles to 330th St, turn east on 330th – It is a blacktop road – go east 2miles and the road turns south, follow it south another 1.5 miles. Coming from the North, 330<sup>th</sup> is close to the Nebraska border.

Lots of activities and time to just sit and visit. We have a a/c building with kitchen facilities and lots of shade in campground. Details of activities and info on what you will need, will be sent to you after registration.

Name	Partner's Name	
Address		
	Partner's Phone#	
e-mail Address		
	# of Teens:# of Youth:	
Do you need handicap accomm	odations?No Yes I need	
Registration fee	\$ 20.00 (\$ 30.00 at the	gate) \$_
Camping fee Electric only	\$ 30.00 per night X nights	\$
Camping fee Water/Electric	\$ 40.00 per night X nights	\$
Camping fee Sewer/Water/Elec	tric \$ 50.00 per night X nights	\$
Early arrival (Thursday) same	as one chosen above:	\$
Late registration at the gate	\$10.00	\$
Make checks payable to: Kansas FCR	Total Due	\$
1 0	v State Director 95. Halstead, KS 67056 by July 15, 2023	

Send to: Earl Vanderhoff, P. O. Box 295, Halstead, KS 67056 by July 15, 202, For more information, please call Ivalee at 316-830-2115 or send an email to:

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# Financials



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