

# NEBRASKA Calling



October 2023

August 15, 2023

I have included the schedule for State at Seward County Fairgrounds in the Calling this month.

We look forward to seeing as many attendees as possible. Registration is \$5.00 per person and will assist in covering the expenses for the meals.

Campvention 2023 is in the books. We had two scholarships awarded to Nebraska students. CONGRATULATIONS!!! Please see the Regional Report in the Calling for more information on National updates.

Recruitment/Retention has been a hot topic in the past. Our membership continues to decline. We all play an important role in this process. Your efforts are appreciated.

Stay Cool! Be Safe! See you at State!!!

Joleen and Rob Baker  
Nebraska State Directors

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## Scholarship Committee Report

We have 2 Hoaglands on scholarships and wish them the best this next year.

As we have said before we have help for any adult who would like to take some classes.

I believe I heard someone talk about some Spanish classes. Was that you Deb? We can help!

Had a good time at State Campout, although not feeling the best I still had a good time.

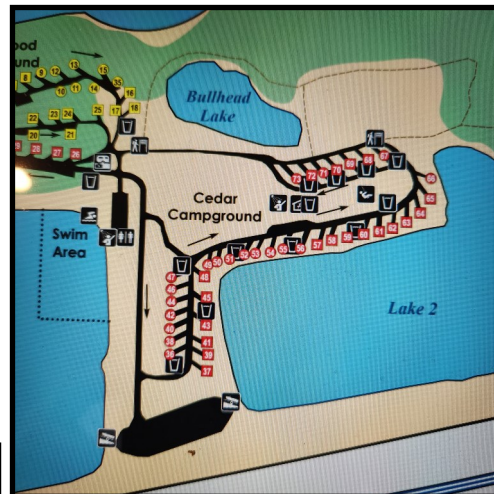
Great bunch of people to camp with and their new member "Bailey" was so cute.

Happy Camping! Jan Van

## Coming up in 2024

June Bug—June 7, 8, 9th, 2024

**Cedar Campground, Mormon Island  
Grand Island, Nebraska**



Mark your calendars!!! December 9th, 2023 is the first day you will be able to re-serve your camp site at Mormon Island for June Bug 2024.

Preferred sites are #50 to #73.

The shelter has

been reserved and there are very nice showers and restrooms located near the shelter. Be sure to include this group campout in your club schedules.

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.

## Announcement!!!!

The last month the Nebraska Calling to be printed for 2023 is November, 2023.

If your club has met to determine your club camping schedule for 2024 ; please submit a copy to be printed in November's issue before October 31.

# 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 non-reserve

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

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## Triple F Campers and Rv'ers

December 10, 2022 6:00 p.m. Christmas Party – Rob and Joleen are hosting

January 14, 2023 2:00 p.m. Prehistoric Putt Putt – Supper TBD

February 18, 2023 4:30 p.m. Parkers in Greenwood, NE

March 18, 2023 TBD Mahoney State Park

April 14-16 – Pawnee SRA Area 3 (Hosts Luke & April)

May 26-29 – Oakland City Park (Hosts Shawn & David)

June 9-11 – June Bug TBD

June 16-18, 2023 Prairie Rose SRA, Walnut, Iowa (Hosts???)

July 7-9, 2023 Indian Cave SRA – Ashgrove (Hosts???)

August 4-6, 2023 Regional – Sabetha, Kansas

August 18 – 20, 2023 Victorian Acres, Nebraska City (Hosts Steve & Marcia)

September 1-4, 2023 Two Rivers SRA (Hosts Shawn and David)

September – Retirees

September TBD State Campout/Fall Workshop

October 6-8, 2023 Falls City Campground (Hosts Jeremy and Julie)

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## 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, Ne.

July 14–16 Davis Creek

August 11–13 Crystal Lake

Sept. 8–10 Prairie Lake, Juniata

Sept. 15-16 State campout

Sept. 11-14 Retirees

Oct. 13–15 Lone Star, Milligan

November TBD

December TBD

# Heartland Runabouts

The Heartland Runabouts met at Prairie Lake in Juniata, NE on September 8-10, 2023.

Camping were Ken and Sandy Kendall, Dennis and Debby Hoagland, and John and Anita Mueller. Visiting on Saturday were Marcia Witmer, Peggy Warner, and Linda Sander and her new puppy, Bailey.

Saturday, we watched the Husker football game and had a tailgate lunch. We also watched the Husker VB game in the evening. The mosquitoes were so horrible (even with spray) that we **had** to call it an early evening both nights.

We enjoyed visiting with each other and the good tailgate food.

No meeting was held.



## Glazed carrots from the State campout

Submitted by Jan Van

Place 2 lbs carrots (frozen or fresh, fresh will take longer to cook)

in crockpot.

ADD

1/4 cup melted butter

1/3 cup brown sugar

1/2 tsp salt

1/4 tsp cinnamon

1/8 tsp nutmeg

Cook for 4 hrs on low or until tender. Your choice.

Sprinkle 1 TBS chopped parsley. (optional).

# *Nebraska State Campvention*

## *2023*

Nebraska State Campout was held at Seward County Fairgrounds on September 15-17, 2023. Those camping were Rob and Joleen Baker of Papillion, Ken and Sandy Kendall and Linda Sander of Grand Island, Jim and Mary Kay Hackett and Jan Van Arsdall from Lincoln, Leonard and Lynna McKenney from Broken Bow, Dennis and Debby Hoagland of Hastings and John and Anita of Exeter. Members driving in were Steve and Marcia Witmer of York, Peggy Warner of Exeter, and Hal and Vicki Dipple of Seward.

Friday night after setting up and eating supper, we sat around the campfire, visited and had a snack. Saturday was filled with many activities starting with a flag ceremony. Following a breakfast of french toast, scrambled eggs, fruit, and sausage, several members went on a mile ABC scavenger hunt CAMP walk.

Material flowers were made as a craft.

Cornhole singles were played by Ken and Sandy Kendall, John and Anita Mueller, Steve and Marcia Witmer, Rob and Joleen Baker. No winner was declared since we didn't finish the bracket.

Linda Sander contacted a long time friend of hers, Mark Brohman, from the Audubon Society from Lincoln to give a talk about the wildlife prairies and sandhill cranes owned or managed by the society

Rob Baker gave a talk on how he trained their golden retriever, Sydney, as a mobility service dog to help him get up especially with the jacks on the camper. We found out that Sydney would help unfamiliar people up as Peggy "fell" to see if Sydney would come over to see if she needed help and she did.

Saturday night supper was meatloaf prepared by Rob and Joleen Baker, vegetables by retirees and members at large. hashbrown casserole and watermelon by Heartland Runabouts. Everything was delicious. The evening ended with the state meeting followed by another campfire. Sunday morning pastries were shared and we shared our goodbyes.



## ***Regional Ramblings*** *(continued)*

- National Vice President of Planning & Development Amy deCamp is working tirelessly to secure commercial sponsors and encourage

members to partner with their local RV stores or others upon whom they rely for camping needs and wants. Commercial memberships go a long ways toward defraying operational costs!

There is a good chance you may not have noticed, but our National FCRV Office has gone virtual, due to black mold mitigation in the building. Office Manager Pat Wittmeyer is still answering your questions at the usual phone number (716-668-6242).

If you have an interest in becoming a candidate for one of the 3 Trustee positions up for election this coming Spring, let ND/SD State Director Sherry McGuire know this fall. She is one of 5 FCRVers serving on the National Nominating Committee.



## **Chaplain's Comments**

As most of you know I am an amateur radio operator or Ham. I first became interested in radio communications in my teenage years. At that time of my life, it was fascinating to me that messages could be sent by a simple tapping of a finger on a table top. Even though most of you have probably never learned what is called morse code, there is one sequence of letters that many of you will recognize. Dit-Dit-Dit Dad-Dah-Dah Dit-Dit-Dit in telegraphic language- or SOS- in any language is known as the international distress call. When it is sent, we know that someone desperately needs help and has resulted in the saving of many lives. Although we have advanced into a more technical world today, the simple sending of this message by whatever means will always have the same meaning.



We know that, throughout the history of mankind, there have also been distress calls sent by those who were lost in the sinful world in which we live. These cries for help do not require an SOS, but may be silent in nature. If only, those who call out know that there is someone there to answer their call. Luke 19:10 tells us:

*For the Son of Man came to seek and save the lost*

Each of us comes into this world as an innocent child. It's not long before the world begins to indoctrinate us to the point that we can become so lost that the grace offered through Christ cannot find us.

Romans:3-22:

*We are made right with God by placing our faith in Jesus Christ. And this is true for everyone who believes, no matter who we are.*

There are times in each of our lives that we may ask "WHY" and there is only One that can answer that question. As the old Hymn says: Take It To The Lord In Prayer, and through the grace of God you will find the answer.

The simple sending of this message to whoever is lost and in distress will help them find an answer.

# Financials

<p>Chaplains Fund – \$472.60</p> <p>Regional Fund - \$1426.01</p> <p>General Fund - \$1520.41</p> <p>Conservation Fund - \$74.50</p> <p>CAMP Fund - \$65.00</p> <p>Teen Fund - \$137.73</p> <p>Youth Fund - \$0</p> <p>Wildlife Fund - \$0</p> <p>June Bug Fund - \$626.40</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Nebraska FCRV</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>August 31, 2023</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Financial of State Campout 2023</p> <p>Income</p> <p>Registration \$ 85.00 (\$5 per person x 17 people)</p> <p>Donation for leftover meatloaf \$ 10.00</p> <p>Expenses</p> <p>Food \$ 225.01</p> <p>Gift Card for Speaker \$ 50.00</p> <p>Total loss (\$ 180.01)</p>
<p><b>Total: \$4384.23</b></p> <p><b>August Interest \$2.02</b></p> <p><b>Expenses: None</b></p>		



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