

May/June 2024

June Bug 2024 Mormon Island Mormon Island The FCRV Nebraska campers gathered for our June Bug event, which featured 11 campers and approximately 26 attendees in total.

A special thanks goes to Janene and Mert Feikert for the delicious pulled pork sandwiches and for setting up our group meal on Saturday night.

We enjoyed several games throughout the event. I personally participated in a game of cornhole with Ron Schaefer, Hal Dibble, and Ken Henderson. Although my team lost, we had a great time.

After supper, we all gathered around the campfire for some laughs before starting our meeting. Jan, who has been dedicated for many years to helping provide scholarships to young students, expressed her desire to pass this responsibility on to someone else. She shared her records to facilitate the transition.

During the meeting, we discussed the serious concern of attracting new members to FCRV. Joleen Baker emphasized the need for new blood, and David Hilger suggested creating a sign to place in our yards for advertising. We all acknowledged that the average age of our group is quite high and that

attracting younger campers would not only benefit FCRV but also enhance our camping experiences.

FCRV is not just about camping; it's about meeting new people and supporting each other's growth.

On Sunday, we concluded the June Bug event with rolls and coffee, with Mert presiding over the worship service.

We all look forward to see each other soon listening to the camp fire crackle and sharing stories about family and life.







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

Your chair awaits

Please submit your chapter news, photos, 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.

You are well within your legal rights to share your thoughts 'about' a recipe, or your tips for making a recipe, you can mention what ingredients are included, you can chat about the method in your own words - but you should never share the recipe in its' entirety, or the author's exact ingredients with measurements.

Food & Fellowship





















June Bug Meeting Minutes

June Bug

Mormon Island SRA

June 8, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:44 p.m. by State Directors Rob and Joleen Baker.

Also present:

Van Arsdall (1) Kendall (2) Sander (1)

Dipple (2) Mueller (2+1) Hoagland Sr. (2)

Hilger (2) Witmer (2) Hoagland Jr. (6)

Schaefer (2) Baker (2) Feikert (2)

McKenney (2)

Kendalls will host June Bug 2025.

The declining membership was discussed. With the new database the numbers are now more accurate. Turtles and Explorers chapters have greatly declined. Nebraskacurrently has 26 members. PLEASE CONTINUE TO RECRUIT NEW MEMBERS!

Paxton Hoagland was presented with his final scholarship payment. He graduated with a degree as a diesel mechanic.

There are new membership flyers available. Bakers will work on printing some.

Retirees campout will be August 15 - 17, 2024, at Stromsburg. If there is not more participation this may be the last year for this event.

Scholarship committee reported no members are currently receiving scholarship funds.

Tara Mueller is working on her master's degree in education and may be applying.

Debby Hoagland is now on the scholarship committee, replacing Jan Van Arsdall. Jan was thanked for her many years on the committee.

McKenneys indicated that they have a beanbag baseball game to give away.

Thanks were extended to Feikerts for their involvement in June Bug this year.

State Campout will be September 20 - 22, 2024, at Prairie Oasis, Henderson, Nebraska. Bakers have 16 sites available for our use with full hookups available. No reservations are necessary with the campground.

Regional in 2025 will be in Nebraska.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Kendall

State Secretary



The Triple F Camping Group went

to Branch Oak state park. Outside of Lincoln Nebraska. for Memorial Day weekend. We had a great time.

From enjoying a beautiful sunset over the lake. To sharing wonderful meals with guests. We played corn hole, Went fishing with a little success. Also learned a new dice game. Called Left, Right and center. For arts and craft. We made fire starters. We even visited James Arthur Vineyards. For some wine tasting. The weather turned out perfect. Looking forward to our next camp out.





















Heartland Runabouts met at Pawnee SRA June 21-23, 2021.

Attending were Dennis and Debby Hoagland, Ken and Sandy Kendall, Jim and Mary Kay Hackett, John and Anita Mueller, and Linda Sander. Jan Van Arsdall joined us.

Some arrived early and went to Ithaca to view a wire cross in a cemetery.









After supper on Friday night, Muellers made Reeses, Hersheys, and Crunch smore' quesadillas as well as other snacks and wine tastings.

Saturday morning we went in to Sunken Gardens.



Muellers prepared brats for Saturday supper with everyone else bringing dishes to share.

Nebraska State **Campout** Prairie **Oasis**; Henderson, Nebraska September 20, 21, 22

2024 Chapter Camp Schedules

Triple F Campers and Rv'ers

January 6	<u>5:30pm</u>	Potluck	Bakers Hosting
February 17	<u>6:30pm</u>	Potluck	Hilgers Hosting
March 16	<u>TBD</u>	Potluck	Witmers Hosting at York VFW
<u>April 19</u>	<u>Campout</u>	<u>TBD</u>	Wagners Hosting at Pawnee Area 3
<u>May 24</u>	<u>Campout</u>	<u>TBD</u>	Schaefers Hosting at Branched Oak South Shore
June 7	June Bug Campout	<u>TBD</u>	Feikert's Coordinating at Mormon Island
July 3	<u>Campout</u>	<u>TBD</u>	Bakers Hosting at White Tail Ranch, Satetha
August 23	<u>Campout</u>	<u>TBD</u>	Kliongs Hosting at Lake Cunningham, Omaha
September 20	<u>Campout</u>	<u>TBD</u>	State-Prairie Oasis; Henderson
October 18	<u>Campout</u>	<u>TBD</u>	Tonars Hosting at Stanton Lake, Falls City
<u>November 10</u>	<u>TBD</u>	Menu	Witmers Hosting at Stauffe's, Lincoln

Heartland Runabouts

<u>December 2, 2023</u>	VFW Post	
<u>April 26-28</u>	Riverside Park, Hebron	Sander Hosting
<u>May 17-19</u>	Lake Cunningham, Omaha	Witmers Hosting
<u>June 7-9</u>	June Bug, Mormon Island	
June 21-23	Pawnee SRA	Muellers Hosting
<u>July 12-14</u>	Rock Creek SRA, Fairbury	Williams Hosting
<u>August 9-11</u>	Calamus SRA, Burwell	Vavas Hosting
September 13-15	Buckley Park, Stromsburg	Kendalls Hosting
<u>October 4-6</u>	Prairie Oasis, Henderson	Hoaglands Hosting

The Retiree Campout is planned for September 17, 18, 19 Stromsburg, Nebraska Buckley Park Campground (the older campground)

Contact Linda Sander or Jan Van Arsdall for information



Rob & Joleen;

Congratulations on your NEW camper! Wishing you many

years of camping

happiness!

Chaplain's Comments

Sooner or later in our adult lives, after getting married and having children, we begin to ask ourselves one of those terrible "what if" questions we will often encounter in our lives.

What if something happens to me and I am no longer around to take care of my wife and children?

That is when we will usually try to ensure their well-being by taking out a life insurance policy. I have had several policies during my adult lifetime and the last one I had was a 20year term policy which just expired this past **year**.

As I was pondering what to do next, I finally realized that all of us that surrender our lives to Christ have been given a policy that will last us into eternity.

This policy is one whose benefits far outweigh those we can find here on earth. It

promises guidance throughout our lives when tragedy strikes. It also gives us the hope, peace, and security we all long for in our lives. The verses in the bible that seem to summarize the benefits of this policy are found in the book of John and read:

"For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, so that everyone that believes in Him will not perish but will have eternal life. God sent His Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through Him".



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