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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. Also I need pictures and permissions for the cover.

Presidents Notes

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Earl Vanderhoff also needs our good thoughts as he is going through unexpected chemotherapy in Texas. I am sure there are others that I am unaware of that we need to keep in our thoughts.

Ivalee has an outing to Arnold's Prairie Greenhouse scheduled on May 3 during Spring State at Burlington for an outing. We are having a Disney theme and hope a lot of you are able to attend. The registration form with tentative schedule is on a later page in this newsletter. The Sunchasers would love to have as many as can stay for their campout following Spring State. Thank you to all that put in ideas and work to make our campouts so much fun.

Remember that it is not too late to sign up for Retiree's in Doltham, Alabama or Campvention in Lebanon, Tennessee.

Thank you to all in the State as you are the ones that make this organization possible with your participation. Remember the reason for the season, Jesus Christ birth.

Forrest and Faye Tennyson

State Directors Notes

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EVERYONE. We are in south Texas and yes, it is warm. Been keeping track of your colder weather. Many of you know that Earl was in cancer treatments over the summer. We were told, take 5 months off and come south "IF" problems did not return. They returned. He is now in treatment here in the valley.

I have received one-chapter complete annual report for 2025. There are a number of chapters to go. Please, as members, help your field staff person or their designated one to get them completed and sent. I must compile information from them to send to our regional director and the national office. The information is used in a variety of ways and one is to reduce our cost of insurance for the group.

The dates for the 2025 district and state campouts have been published. Make plans to attend these if possible. Lots of work goes into the planning and they need our support. We plan to be there if the camper is working. See you camping.

Earl and Ivalee Vanderhoff, KS ST Directors for FCRV

AREA I

Campfire Campers:

As the 2024 camping season came to a close our chapter started working on the 2025 camping schedule. As we reported several months back our group took a ten day Tag-a-long trip thru northwest Kansas stopping to take in historical museums and notable sites along the way. It was the general consensus of the group to plan another such trip in 2025 touring the eastern border of Kansas. Already we can't wait til the next camping season.

In November our group met at McCalisters deli for lunch followed by a visit to the Bob Dole institute Museum. What an interesting place. A very nice and gracious lady guided us to see the Bob Dole wall of awards that was around 2 stories high and 20 feet wide. She stated there are even more awards stored in the

archive area so that one wall wasn't reflecting all he had on record. It was very impressive to say the least whether you're a Bob Dole fan or not. Then in December we met at the Carbondale Community Center for our Christmas Gathering. Joyce and Daryl Weir hosted the light meal with sides provided by all who attended as well as the donations gathered for the Osage County Hope House. We had a few rousing games that involved a relay race with bows and a flat spatula and a game involving a large ball of Saran Wrap filled with gifts and treats. So much fun and a lot of laughter shared by all. Here's wishing you had a Very Merry Christmas and a looking forward to a Blessed New Year !

Ilene Young



Dusters: Did not receive report before issue

Mustangs:

On Nov 16 2024 mustang club met at glory days pizza for lunch. 6 families attended. Election of officers was held and we made out our 2025 camping schedule. everyone enjoyed food and visitation anticipating camping time again the met on Dec 21 2024 for our Christmas celebration. Scott Magnuson smoked a brisket with everyone bring sides. a great time was enjoyed by everyone. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all
Don Atkins

Kansa Travelers:

In November, we met at El Agave restaurant with a good turnout. Next years schedule was discussed then approved at the December meeting at Pizza Johns in Derby. Tamra Barnes was appointed by the board of directors for Treasurer.

Ky-O-Tees: Did not receive report before issue

AREA III

No Active Chapters

AREA IV

Sunflower Ramblers: Did not receive report before issue.

Camping Further Out:

Ronald (Ron) Joseph Campbell
Lorene Huffman

Care Notes

Another fellow camper has joined the Camping Further Out list. "Ronald (Ron) Joseph Campbell, 83, of Prairie Village, Kansas, passed away on November 14, 2024. He is survived by his wife, Phyllis, of 58 years, daughter, Joanna and son Tony and families. Ron & Phyllis were members of Campfire Campers, KCA

and FCRV for several years. They were the Chairmen of a KCA Spring Campout held in Topeka several years ago. His complete obituary can be found at www.legacy.com. A memorial service will be held at Cure' of Ars Catholic Church, Leawood, KS on December 2, 2024. Rosary will begin at 9:30 a.m. followed by a visitation at 10:00 a.m. and a Funeral Mass at 11:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers the family request memorials be made to Uplift Organization, Inc., P.O. Box 270175, Kansas City, MO 64127." We enjoyed camping with Ron and Phyllis through the years. They attended several FCRV Retiree Rallies and so we spent a couple weeks with them the year David & Connie Long were crowned International King & Queen in Arizona. They also worked security at the Rallies each time they went. So many fond memories and Ron will be missed by all who knew him. Our thoughts are with Phyllis and family.



We're sure there are others that we need to keep in our thoughts and prayers. Don't hesitate to let us know so we can share with our camping friends. Staying in touch brings back lots of memories within our "camping family".

Linda Smith, Kansas FCRV Care Notes

Sunchasers Did not receive report before issue

Put these dates on your calendar for camping fun!!!

March 21 – 24, 2025 -- Early Bird days for International Retirees

March 25 – 30, 2025 – International Retirees – International Peanut Festival Fairground, 5622 Hwy 231 S, Dothan, Alabama 36301– open to all who can camp during that time.

May 2 – 4, 2025 – Kansas Campers Association Spring Campout – Kelly Park, Burlington, KS

May 4 – 8, 2025 – Sunchasers Retiree Spring Campout – Kelly Park, Burlington, KS

July 20 – 26, 2025 – International FCRV Campvention – James E Ward Agricultural Center, 945 E Baddour Pkwy, Lebanon, TN 37087

Heartland Regional – hosted by the campers of Nebraska – Dates and location not yet known

September 26 – 28, 2025 – Kansas Campers Association Fall Campout – T B A

September 28 – October 2, 2025 – Sunchasers Retiree Fall Campout – T B A

Joke:

We got an emergency.

Someone call 911 emergency.

This guy says "What is the number?"

Worth Pondering:

Blessed are the cracked, for they let in light!

Buy/Sell Section:

Snowbird Section:

Items happening at your RV park during the Winter.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
1	Date	Chk	KCA budget 2024/25	Budget	Budget	Actual	Actual	Note
2		#	Items	Inc 24/25	Exp 24/25	Inc 24/25	Exp 24/25	11/24/2024
4	9/22/24		General Fund Est 2024	\$3,600.00				
5			Income dues 100 X \$10	\$1,000.00				\$960.00 in 2024
6			Advertising income	\$400.00				
7			Income other					
8			Bible Fund		\$241.29			reserved for bibles only
9			Nat. Goody Bag Fund		\$70.00			reserved for this use only
10			GENERAL BUDGET					
11			Communications		\$150.00			
12			Conservation		\$25.00			
13			Convention Fund		\$2,000.00			spent \$1,149.48 last year
14			Flag		\$100.00			
15			Convention Float		\$100.00			
16			Historian		\$40.00			
17			Hospitality		\$100.00			
18			Kansas Campers Newsletter		\$1,200.00			spent \$402.23 in 2024
19			Kansas Camper Editor		\$50.00			
20			Membership/Chapter Promotion		\$50.00			
21			President		\$50.00			
22			Pre-Teen/Youth/Teens		\$200.00			
23			C.A.M.P.		\$25.00			
24			KCA Board Hospitality		\$75.00			
25			Secretary		\$50.00			
26			Secretary of State		\$40.00			spent \$40.00 last year
27			Treasurer		\$100.00			
28			Utility Trailer		\$200.00			
29			Web Site		\$100.00			
30			Other Misc.		\$33.71			
31								
32			Total Budget	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00			
33								
34						\$0.00	\$0.00	
35			Total General Account				0.00	
36								
37	4/28/24		Total			\$5,798.14	\$5,798.14	
38								
39								
40	9/22/24		Total Money Market			\$15,863.86		
41			File # KCA budget 2025	Approved 9/28/2024				
42								

KCA SCHOLARSHIP

Application

KCA Treasurer Vern Failor 5201 SW 27th St. Topeka, Kansas 66614
For more information contact: ylfailor@gmail.com or call 785 272 6102

A. Criteria for selection of Scholarship recipients:

1. General Eligibility requirements:

- Any student that is a Kansas resident may apply. Consideration of KCA members take precedent. Students who are accepted in an accredited institution of higher learning (including Vocational Technical Schools) and pursuing any under graduate program, are eligible to apply. Special consideration will be given to students majoring in fields related to conservation/ecology, outdoor activities or other programs addressed by FCRV/KCA.
- A scholarship of \$1000 may be awarded to an applicant during a KCA year (November 1 through October 31) at the discretion of the KCA scholarship committee. Applicants may or may not be awarded a scholarship and the award will be based on funds availability, selection criteria, and the scholarship committee award determination
- The Scholarship will be paid directly to the school listed, in the applicants name.

2. Scholarship Considerations:

- a. Applicants graduating from high school or enrolled in college or Vocational Technical School at time of application should have a cumulative **2.5** average or better.

3. Other Considerations:

- a. Show general maturity, leadership abilities, and related activities..

B. Requirements for Candidacy of Applicants:

1. High school students applying for a scholarship must file all of the following with the KCA Treasurer **by April 1st of any given year.**

- a. Official application form.
- b. Official school report, including official transcript.
- c. Two letters of recommendation from:
One may be from a high school teacher or administrator.
One will be from a **friend or other person**, a relative will **NOT** be accepted
- d. Proof of admission to an accredited institution of higher learning.
- e. One recent photograph.

2. College students applying for a scholarship must file all of the following with the KCA Treasurer by **April 1st of any given year.**

- a. Official application form.
- b. A copy of an Official college transcript.
- c. Two letters of recommendation from a friend or other person, a relative will **NOT** be accepted.
- d. Proof of admission to an accredited institution of higher learning.
- e. One recent photograph.

3. Adults returning to higher education applying for a scholarship must file all of the following with the KCA Treasurer by **April 1st of any given year.**

- a. Official application form.
- b. Two letters of recommendation are required, relatives will **NOT** be accepted.
- c. One recent photograph.

All applications must be on file with the KCA Treasurer by April 1 of the current year. Scholarships Funds will be sent directly to the institution upon completion of needed information and approval by the KCA Board. Blank Scholarship applications may be secured from any KCA Officer, a KCA member or by contacting the KCA Treasurer. (See contact information Above) Approved 9/28/2024

KCA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
MUST BE RETURNED TO THE KCA TREASURER BY APRIL 1
KCA Treasurer Vern Failor 5201 SW 27th St. Topeka, Kansas 66614
For more information contact: vlfailor@gmail.com or call 785 272 6102

Please type or print in black ink

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

PHONE # _____ EMAIL _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____

School or University of choice _____

University Address _____ ST _____ Postal Code _____

Choice of study being pursued _____

_____ Number of hours _____

*List Organizations where you are a member and the number of years you have been a member.

Please feel free to attach additional sheets if needed.

*Leadership positions held.

*What are your goals for the future?

*Introduce and tell us about yourself.

Use other pages if necessary.

Will you pursue a higher education if you do not receive this scholarship? _____

All information must accompany this application.

Each category * will be judged on a point system by the Scholarship Board. Points will be 1-20 with 20 being the highest.

Subject to change but this is the tentative schedule. **Each unit please bring a door prize to be given out.**



Disney Weekend



WHAT: KCA Spring State

WHEN: May 2, 3 & 4, 2025.

WHERE: Kelley Park, 615 S Third St, Burlington, Kansas 66839

REGISTRATION: \$40.00 for the weekend. Early birds will pay \$10.00 per night at the time of onsite registration to Vern. Campsites have water and electricity (30 and 50 amp). A dump station is onsite.

CAMP (WALKING, BIKING, ETC) WILL BE ON YOUR OWN, PLEASE NOTE YOUR MILES ON SHEET PROVIDED IN THE BUILDING.

FRIDAY: May 2

REGISTRATION: 2 to 4 p.m. or upon arrival after that time

6 p.m. -- Hamburgers, buns, condiments furnished. Please bring a salad or dessert. Please bring your own table service. Drinks provided.

7:30 p.m. -- Card bingo (4 nickels, 3 dimes, 6 quarters) There will be change on site if needed.

Hospitality using desserts from the hamburger meal.

SATURDAY: May 3

8 to 9:30 a.m. -- Breakfast by the Kansas Travelers celebrating their 60 year anniversary

10:00 a.m. -- Go to Leroy to the Greenhouse.

Lunch on your own.

1:30 p.m. -- Economic Development information

Directly following the above we will have a short membership meeting.

5:30 p.m. -- Spaghetti with meat sauce, salad and garlic bread. Ice cream sundaes for dessert. Please bring Your own table service.

7 p.m. -- Movie "Lady and the Tramp". Refreshments provided.

SUNDAY: May 4

8:30 a.m. -- Rolls, coffee and juice.

9:00 a.m. -- Church

Directly after church: Camping further out. Please make sure to let Ivalee know of anyone you are aware of that is deceased.

Enjoy free time playing games, visiting or relaxation. Please bring books and puzzles for exchange.

REGISTRATION FORM: KCA Spring State "Disney" May 2-4, 2025

Please make checks payable to KCA and mail to Vern Failor, 5201 SW 27th Street, Topeka, KS 66614

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE #: _____ EMAIL: _____

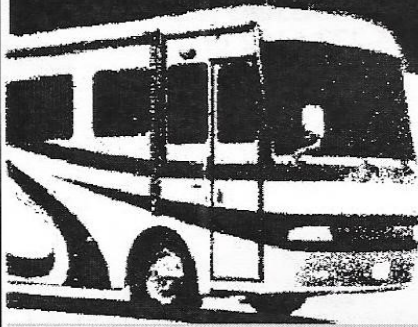
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FUN – FELLOWSHIP – FAMILY - FRIENDS

FCRV District One Campout - June 13-15, 2025

at

**Wolf Creek Group Site
Pomona Lake, Pomona, KS**

We invite you to come camp with us for a relaxing and fun filled weekend!

We have 23 sites available at the Group Site (All sites have 30/50 amp electricity and water hookup.) We suggest you make your reservation early.**

**Pre-Registration/Camping Fee \$25 for the weekend
(non-refundable unless campout is cancelled).**

**** (If we reach capacity, campers can camp in Areas A, C or D – these details will be worked out with any campers in that group well in advance of the campout.)**

The Activity Fee of \$10.00 per family will be collected on arrival, includes both campers and drive-ins, to help defray campout expenses. We'd like for each family to bring a door prize.

Be watching for more details about activities, meals, games, etc.. We invite you to bring along friends and family that like to camp.

Pre-Registration \$25.00 Make checks payable and mail to: Henry Dreier, P.O. Box 148, Harveyville, KS 66431. On the Memo line write FCRV District One Campout.

Date _____ Name _____
Address _____ ST _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ Email _____ Amount enclosed _____

Special Needs _____ Number of Adults _____ Youth _____ Teens _____

Several have expressed an interest in coming in on Thursday night, June 12th. The fee for that night will be \$15.00 payable at campout: We are planning to come in on Thursday night ___ Yes ___ No.

WANT TO BE A KCA MEMBER?

This publication is published by the Kansas Campers Association (KCA). We are a group of campers from across the state of Kansas that love to camp. KCA is the state of Kansas organization that is a part of FCRV (Family Campers and RVers. Listed in this publication are upcoming camping events across the state of Kansas. Come and join us, or feel free to give any of the officers on the front page a call for more information. To be a member you must be a part of FCRV at \$35 per year and then you may join KCA for \$10. If there is a local club that you would like to be a part of they generally have a membership fee of \$5 per person.

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

Kansas Camper Association

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Please remit with \$10 to
 Vern Failor
 KCA Treasurer
 5201 SW 27th ST
 Topeka, KS 66614-1633

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