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## Newsletter Information

Thank you to all who contributed to this newsletter. There is always room for more information. The deadlines for contributions to the newsletter will be March 1, June 1, August 1 and December 1. A request for articles will be sent out approximately 2 weeks prior to the deadline and again about 2 days prior to the deadline. Requests for Christmas ads will be sent in early November to allow plenty of time for receipt of your ad and payment. Each chapter is asked to contribute articles but

anyone is welcome to contribute. Don't think you have to be a great reporter - just send the information and it will be reformatted for you.

## Next Newsletter Deadline March 1, 2026

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## 1st Vice President

*By Paul Standiford*

I'm sitting here in front of my computer looking at a blank screen trying to figure out what to write about. The office of 1st Vice President has, according to the Constitution and By-Laws of MSCA only three responsibilities. First and primary responsibility is to fill in for the President in the absence of the President. The second responsibility is to succeed to the office of the President in the event of a vacancy in that office. The final responsibility is to serve as Chairman of the Newspaper Committee. Over the years the newsletter has gone from a monthly newsletter to quarterly newsletter. As stated in the Fall newsletter we do have a committee that puts this together. I do the layout and publishing and contribute an article here and there but the majority of the work comes from the reporters. I have tried to get articles from each chapter with varying degrees of success. I have tried to get articles from each MSCA officer. Again, with varying degrees of success. Right now, not counting the article I am struggling to write I have three articles with the possibility of a fourth article that has been delayed due to health reasons.

I am asking for YOUR help with the newsletter. I know it is hard to find something to write about during the winter but think about your favorite camping trip. Did you enjoy it? Would you do it again? Would you recommend it to others? How about taking 15 minutes of your time and writing about that camping trip.

Do you have any modifications that you have made to your camper, 5th wheel or motor home? How about taking 15 minutes and writing about the mods you have made and tell us if they were successful.

Do you have any safety tips that you can give to your fellow campers? How about taking 15 minutes and writing about those safety tips. They may save someones life.

Do you have... well, you get the idea.

Thank you to those of you who contributed to this newsletter. I appreciate your effort and ask that you would please keep up the good work.



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

*By Kathy & Jerry Tannehill*



Well, if you didn't make it to the fall MSCA campout you missed out on a good time. It was held at LAZY DAY Campground in Danville Missouri again this year. Friday night started out with a yummy potluck dinner we all enjoyed, followed by several rounds of our Frog Game. We all had a frog croaking good time trying to get our frogs hopping along, but it came down to our two finalists, Don Tolliver and Pat Crow. They both battled it out in a fierce competition to the finish line. It was close, it came down to the wire with a non-photo finish. Our Winner was Pat Crow, who showed us all how it was done with her extraordinary frog jumping skills. A special thank you goes out to Linda White for supplying the prize for our Frog Game winner this year.

On Saturday Morning we started off with breakfast hosted by Pitch N Pull. They made us a hearty breakfast of pancakes, sausage and scrambled eggs, and of course there was plenty of juice and coffee for all. Then, on to our MSCA fall meetings where we elected officers for 1st Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. We also finalized our Spring and Fall campout dates and locations. Our meetings were kept short so there was plenty of personal time for socializing, site seeing or just taking a leisurely nap. For our evening meal we had some awesome BBQ Pork Steaks from Monti's BBQ, with everyone contributing a side dish to share. As always, it was a delicious meal with plenty to go around for everybody. We finished the evening with, "BINGO!" We all had a lot of fun hanging out and playing card bingo, especially the lucky winners. On our last day we had a Sunday Devotional given by Beth Standiford, our MSCA Chaplin. She is always an inspiration to all of us.

Our 2026 Spring MSCA campout is scheduled for Friday May 1st to Sunday May 3rd at Arrowhead Point RV Park off HWY 54 in Osceola Missouri. The address is 755 US-54, Osceola, MO 64776. Call them at (417) 876-3016 to schedule your reservation. The 2026 Fall MSCA Campout is scheduled for the weekend of September 25th to 27th at Lazy Day Campground in Danville Missouri. Their number is (572) 564-2949. Jerry and I are looking forward to seeing you all next year. Until then, safe travels and Happy Holidays to you all.

MSCA 2nd Vice Presidents,

*Kathy and Jerry Tannehill*



# Home at Last

By Karen Kremer

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After months on the road in our 5er, exploring Nova Scotia and the East Coast, we learned one thing: we love traveling—but full-timing? Let’s just say we’re not quite ready to surrender the creature comforts of home. Specifically: showers with good pressure, closets that don’t involve bungee cords, and roads without surprise low bridges.

## Nova Scotia: Perfect Pictures and Even Better Sunsets

Peggy’s Cove looked exactly like every picture you’ve ever seen—only better, because this time you’re the one taking the photos. If you want postcard-level shots and minimal humans wandering into your frame, go early in the morning.



We tried walking the boardwalk in Halifax, but parking was a no-go. Cruise ship crowds filled every available square inch. Later, someone casually mentioned we could have driven to Dartmouth and taken the ferry over. Ah well—next time we’ll know to think like a local.

Glooscap Campground ended up being the perfect home base for the Bay of Fundy. The tiered sites meant nearly everyone scored a great view, and we could wander right down to the water’s edge for the most spectacular sunsets. At low tide, we walked for what felt like miles, collecting shells and

contemplating life... or at least contemplating how much sand we’d be tracking back to the camper.

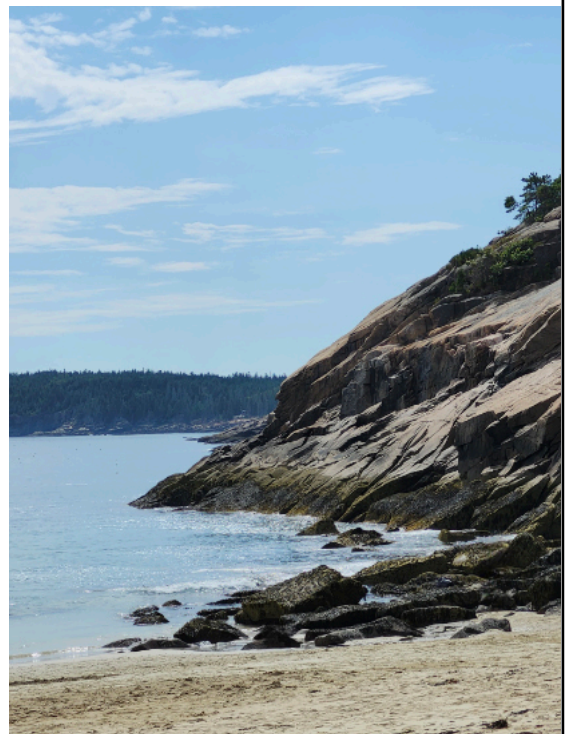
## Maine: Sunshine, Seafood & Surprise Jellyfish

Maine welcomed us with blue skies, warm weather, and beaches that practically begged us to stay forever. Acadia National Park instantly became one of our favorites—especially its free shuttle system, which helpfully eliminates the classic RV parking debate: “Are you sure we’ll fit there?” Sand Beach was stunning, with water so clear it looked tropical (but don’t be fooled—it’s still Maine). Winter Harbor offered an even more dramatic coastline and our first-ever sighting of a lion’s mane jellyfish, drifting elegantly like it owned the



place.

Bar Harbor charmed us with shops, galleries, coastal views, and the best fish tacos of the entire trip. We happily wandered the waterfront and soaked up the small-town energy. If Maine’s goal was to win us over entirely, it succeeded.



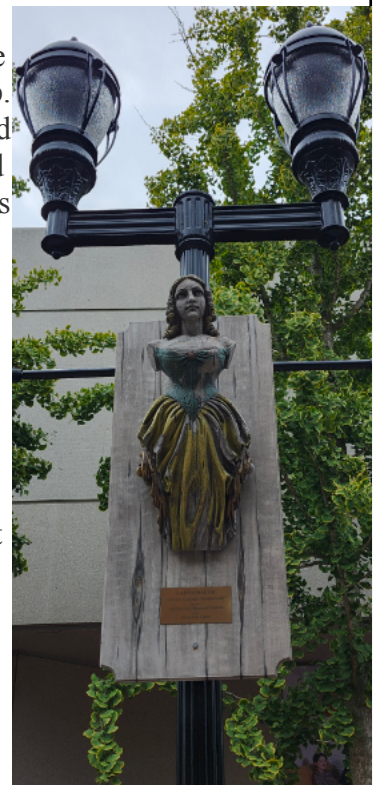
### Salem: History, Ships & A Side of Spookiness

In Salem, we hopped on a bus tour that delivered us straight to the Salem Maritime National Historic Site, where craftsmen were restoring an enormous historical ship. The town itself brimmed with colonial character and maritime heritage. We strolled



past centuries-old homes, browsed quirky shops, and visited museums rich with stories of Salem's seafaring past.

And yes—there were hints of witchy history everywhere. Salem never misses an opportunity for atmosphere.



### Massachusetts: Fishermen & Flower Power

Gloucester made a deep impression. The fishermen's memorial honoring those lost at sea—and the women who waited for their return—was powerful and humbling. It reminded us just how courageous and gritty those families were.



Not far away, rows of giant dahlias stopped us in our tracks. These

flowers weren't just big—they were “how is that even real?” big.

We wandered the waterfront, taking in fishing boats, local artisans, and some early hints of fall color. It was easy to see why Gloucester has inspired artists (and photographers like us) for generations.

### Rhode Island: Small State, Big Personality

Tiny Rhode Island is the travel equivalent of a fun-size candy bar: small but absolutely worth it. You can cross it quickly, but its wooded scenery, busy harbors, and coastal charm make it feel much larger.

Newport Harbor buzzed with tourists and cruise ships, while Battleship Cove in nearby Fall River was a humbling reminder of our military history. Standing next to a WWII battleship, a destroyer, and a submarine really puts the “tight squeeze” of RV living into perspective.

### Connecticut: Twain, Submarines & Seaport Stories

In Hartford, we visited the Mark Twain House—dark wood, ornate patterns, and the very rooms where Twain crafted Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn. Learning about his humor, financial adventures (and misadventures), and personal tragedies made him feel more like an old friend than a historical figure.



In Groton, we toured the USS Nautilus, the first nuclear-powered submarine. The narrow corridors made our RV feel like a sprawling mansion.



Mystic Seaport rounded out our Connecticut stop with its recreated village, historical cooking displays, and the Charles W. Morgan, the world's last wooden whaling ship. It was like stepping

back in time—minus the whale smell.

### **New York: Mind Your Roof!**

Driving an RV through New York should come with a medal. Low bridges lurk everywhere, and we whispered more prayers here than during any bumpy flight.

But the real highlight was the Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library and Museum—FDR built the library himself—well, he didn't personally swing the hammer, but it was the first presidential library ever created, and he designed it knowing that history would judge not only his triumphs but his mistakes. Talk about confidence.



Walking through the exhibits felt like stepping straight into the 1930s and '40s. Photographs, letters, and FDR's own handwritten notes pulled us into the world of the Great Depression and World War II. His famous Fireside Chats played softly in the background, and it was easy to imagine families gathered around their radios, clinging to his calm reassurance during some of the nation's toughest years.

His personal artifacts—his wheelchair, his desk, even his beloved stamp collection—offered an intimate look at a leader who carried enormous burdens with strategy, optimism, and a surprising amount of wit.

By the time we stepped back outside, we were inspired, humbled, and feeling a little patriotic. Suddenly, New York's low bridges felt like a small price to pay for a day steeped in leadership, resilience, and perspective.

### **Pennsylvania: A Sweet Ending**



Hershey, Pennsylvania, was delightful. Even though the amusement park rides run only on weekends, the rest of the town more than makes up for it. We enjoyed the mini ride showing how chocolate is made—a behind-the-scenes look at the world's happiest manufacturing process.

Chocolate-themed attractions, giant cocoa sculptures, and pathways scented faintly with sweetness made us feel like we'd stepped into a storybook. We sampled treats, explored the shops, and left happy, sugared up, and ready to return when the full park is open.

Gettysburg National Military Park was an absolute must-see. The monuments were incredible—solemn, towering

reminders of the soldiers who fought from every corner of the country. Walking among them, it was impossible not to feel the weight of history and the sacrifice of the thousands who died defending both the North and the South. It was humbling, moving, and one of those places that makes you pause, take a breath, and appreciate the freedoms we often take for granted.



### **Illinois: Big Things in a Small Town**

Our final stop was the Casey KOA Journey in Casey, Illinois, home to the “world’s largest” versions of... well, everything. The world’s largest pencil? Found it. World’s largest minion? Of course. World’s largest teeter-totter? Absolutely.



It felt like a scavenger hunt for grown-ups, and naturally we took pictures of every single one. Proof, after all, is necessary.

### **Homeward Bound**

As we rolled through the final miles, Mike and I couldn’t help but reflect on our adventure. Over 10,000 miles, 47 stops, and 214 nights, we saw oceans and harbors, historic streets and submarines, chocolate wonders and comically oversized objects. We laughed, we marveled, and yes—we occasionally debated whether that really was the world’s largest taco. The trip taught us patience, curiosity, and an appreciation for the small joys tucked between every destination. And while we loved the adventure, there’s something undeniably sweet about coming home: our own bed, our own kitchen, and the comfort of familiar faces and familiar roads. Travel filled our memory cards and our hearts, reminded us why we explore, and confirmed that adventure is worth every mile—even the ones that make you hold your breath a little.

Happy trails,  
Karen

## Slow Travelers Updates

*By Pat Crow*



The Slow Travelers have wrapped up their camping for the year. In September we attended the MSCA campout at Lazy Days. Even though it was a small group of the state chapters represented, we had a good time visiting with campers we hadn't seen in a while. Meetings, games and food made for a good time.

We then moved on to Pine Trails Campground in Belleview, Mo. it is a small campground and we had it all to ourselves. There is quite a bit to see and do in this area. Several of our members have been here before and Thee Abbey was a must for lunch. This building was an actual abbey but is now a restaurant, featuring among other items cinnamon buns as big as your head. Needless to say, I think we bought them out.

A day trip to Johnson Shut-ins State Park with a one mile walk was very pleasant. The water level was very low due to drought conditions. We also checked out the campground there and saw the huge boulders that were left when the dam there failed. Unfortunately the visitor center was closed that day. It was a gray and misty day for our trip to Elephant Rocks State Park. Again a mile or more walk among the huge granite boulders was interesting and fun way to get our steps in.

Paul and Beth arranged for a tour of Immanuel Lutheran Church in Pilot Knob. This church built in 1861 still holds services and contains the original hand hewn pews, pipe organ and bell. The woman who led the tour was a church member and was very informative. You could tell she was proud of this church and its history. We learned it was a Union hospital during the Civil War and also later a school. The original desks and learning items were still there. We also visited the Pilot Knob State Historic Site and Museum.

The small town of Caledonia with a population of just over 200 people was close to the campground. Small with a historic Main Street, we visited the Mercantile store. It contained so many items of candy and toys from days gone by. Made us laugh at the candy cigarettes and wax lips and soda bottles. A fun place and good ice cream.

We had a potluck dinner one night in addition to enjoying eating out and visiting the Amish outdoor market. This was a fun and busy trip.

Some of the veterans in our group made it to Branson for Veterans Week. Shows, food, and shopping took up the week. But we did get to see the Northern Lights. Sad to close the camping season but look forward to next year and new adventures.

Till then, stay warm and have happy holidays.





## Last Campout of the Year - Springfield

by Beth Standiford

Four families met at Cooks RV Park October 8 - 12. Hosts for this campout were Jacksons and Standifords who provided the first evening meal of fried sausage and potatoes, salad, applesauce and dessert. The park had us all parked together and allowed us use of their backyard as a place to gather.

Thursday found us at the Wonders of Wildlife National Museum and Aquarium at the Springfield Bass Pro. We took advantage of discounts that were available and mostly wandered through the world-class displays of wildlife, aquariums, photo hall, as each camping unit desired. Good lunch at the local Chick-fil-A and back to Bass Pro. The chapter went together to Lambert's for supper on Thursday, October 9 and food there is ALWAYS good and plentiful.

Friday we all attended Apple Butter Days in Mt. Vernon, an event which normally draws over 100k people. We were astonished at the number of vendors (over 400) participating there. It was a bit rainy but we all dealt with it as campers always make the best of whatever weather comes our way. Grateful they had shuttle golf carts running. And yes, the apple butter is very good! Saturday was a good day to rest, congregate with our friends and catch up, and make future plans. Sunday, our hosts again provided us with a hot meal of breakfast casseroles and fruit to sustain us all on our drives home. The ladies finally finished a puzzle, we all packed up and headed for home, looking forward to our Holiday Gathering and camping together next spring.

Pitch 'N' Pull invites FCRV campers to join us wherever we camp to participate in the food, the fun, and the camaraderie. Watch for our 2026 schedule and please join us.



## Feed My Sheep

By Beth Standiford (MSCA Chaplain)



Ever wonder what ELSE was going on in the world in Biblical times? We recently toured The Bible Museum at Eureka Springs, Arkansas and they had a 10' long comparison of what else was going on in the world during specific times in the Bible. Here's just a few gems.

Around the time of Jonah, (the 8th century 700's BC) catapults and huge versions of crossbow were utilized. Money was made of iron. You've no doubt heard of The Bronze Age. Biblically, it is believed that is about the time Abraham was called by God into a convenient relationship. Possibly towards the end of that age, Moses and the Exodus took place.

If you've done any sightseeing in St. Louis, you've no doubt seen The Arch. This architecture came in around the middle of the Bronze Age or, during Abraham's time. If there seems to be some overlap, keep in mind that Abraham lived for 175 years so a lot could go on in those years.

Confucius say..... everybody's knows at least one of his quotes or jokes about his sayings. He was around in 479 BC. About that same time as Pythagoras, that math guy. This is believed to be the end of the iron age, when people were forging tools. They were around about the time of Zerrubbel who was a descendant of David.

Socrates and Plato, both around about the time the Parthenon was built, is about the time of Queen Esther. We think of common household items as being around forever, when actually, the simple screw was invented by the Greeks around 400 BC.

During all this, there are Chinese dynasties ever moving forward. The Terracotta Army dates to approximately 247-208 BCE And while there are no recorded Biblical figures at that time, we often view the Army as ancient (which, really, it is).

All this to say, we really haven't changed. We have always been looking for new and better ways to make our lives, and the lives of our fellow man (and woman) easier. We mark time by technological advances. Look how far communication devices (phones) have come.

Where are we now? Looking back, studying a book of people and their lives and the impact one man made on the world. I pray you know Him.

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### BREAKFAST BUNDT CAKE

Got family coming in for the holidays or just want something different to feed your crew?

6 ounce package of Canadian bacon  
2 cups frozen hash browns  
12 eggs  
1 can Pillsbury biscuits  
2 cups shredded cheese

1/2 cup whole milk  
salt & pepper to taste.

Preheat oven to to 400 degrees  
Dice Canadian bacon  
Cut each biscuit into quarters  
Whisk eggs and milk together  
Stir in 2 cups hash browns, Canadian bacon and cheese.  
Gently fold in biscuits

Spray bundt pan with non-stick spray  
Pour mixture into pan  
Cover with aluminum foil  
Bake 1 hour  
Remove from oven and turn out on a plate

If you want, sprinkle with chives and cherry tomatoes for presentation. Have ketchup, salsa and Tabasco on hand for those who prefer it. Goes great with sliced avocado. Serve with fruit.

Serves 8

Calories: 475kcal | Carbohydrates: 39g | Protein: 24g | Fat: 24g | Saturated Fat: 8g | Polyunsaturated Fat: 5g | Monounsaturated Fat: 9g | Trans Fat: 0.03g | Cholesterol: 281mg | Sodium: 1023mg | Potassium: 487mg | Fiber: 1g | Sugar: 3g | Vitamin A: 572IU | Vitamin C: 4mg | Calcium: 232mg | Iron: 4mg Nutrition information is automatically calculated, so should only be used as an approximation.



## **Rest in Peace Mary Ann Musselwhite**

Mary Ann Musselwhite passed away on October 26, 2025, at Salina Regional Health Center, leaving behind a legacy of warmth, dedication, and community service. Born on August 16, 1949, in Paducah, Kentucky, the daughter of Gene Naukam, Jr. and Catherine (Thompson) Naukam.

Mary's life is characterized by her unwavering kindness, commitment to those around her, and lifelong love of service. After completing her education, Mary embarked on a fulfilling career that touched the lives of many. She spent several years working alongside her devoted and loving husband, Ellis Musselwhite.

Mary would share fond memories of working for the McPherson County Sheriff's Office as a dispatcher, jailer, and cook alongside Sheriff Ellis Musselwhite.

Over the years, Mary's passion for children and education led her to take on roles as a substitute teacher and a school bus driver, where she provided guidance and care to countless students. Mary also worked for Great Plains Credit Union in McPherson, KS, where she was known for her friendly demeanor and meticulous work as a teller.

In addition to her professional pursuits, Mary was dedicated to her community, as demonstrated by her service as the McPherson Township Treasurer for a remarkable 40 years.

Mary's Christian faith was a guiding light throughout her life, providing her with strength and comfort. She lived her faith through her actions, offering kindness and support to those around her and serving as a role model to many.

Mary was the heart of every gathering, and her presence brought comfort and happiness to those who knew her. She was an avid card player, cherishing the hours spent in good company, especially with her dear friend Eleanor Esau. Camping trips were a source of joy and adventure for Mary, allowing her to indulge in her love for the great outdoors and her beloved dog, Kyle, a constant companion.

Above all, Mary valued the time spent with her family and friends. Mary's most cherished memories included attending her daughter's and grandchildren's horse and cattle shows across the country, as well as their musical and sporting events.

As we bid farewell to Mary Ann Musselwhite, we celebrate a life beautifully lived. Her kind spirit, generosity, and deep-seated sense of community will continue to inspire those fortunate enough to have known her. Mary's legacy will endure in the hearts and memories of all who knew her best. Her love, kindness, and spirit will never be forgotten.

Mary is survived by her children, her son, **Brian (Beth) Musselwhite** of St. Louis, MO, and daughter, Jill (Justin) Mead of McPherson, KS; her brothers Gene (Anna) Naukam of Oklahoma, and John (Shirley) Naukam of Tennessee; grandchildren, Steven (Portia) Musselwhite, Daniel Musselwhite, **Kaitlyn Musselwhite**, Jaxson Mead, and Jody Mead; and her great-granddaughter, Athena.

She is preceded in death by her beloved husband, Ellis, and her parents, Gene and Catherine.

Memorial Service will be held Saturday, November 15, 2025, 10:30 a.m., at Glidden-Ediger-Wiggins Funeral Home, McPherson. Inurnment will be in Crestwood Memorial Park, McPherson. Following the service there will be a Celebration of Life at the McPherson County Fairgrounds in Canton, KS.

Please make memorial contributions in memory of Mary Ann to the McPherson Sheriff Reserves or The American Diabetes Association in care of Glidden-Ediger-Wiggins Funeral Home, 222 W. Euclid St., McPherson, KS 67460

*(Editor's note: I'm not sure how many of you met Mary Ann but I am sure most of you know Brian & Beth Musselwhite who camped with Gateway Campers and their daughter, Kaitlyn Musselwhite, who was a former Missouri FCRV Teen Queen. We extend our thoughts and prayers to Mary Ann's family)*

## MSCA Sunshine

Contact our Sunshine Chairperson to report the name and address of members needing cards from Missouri Campers Association

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~ **Get Well ~ Sympathy ~**  
~ **Thinking of You ~**





## **A Long Winter's Nap - Preparing for Storage**

The fall and early winter is a wonderful time of the year. It also means different things for the wide range of RV owners. Some folks are finishing their traveling time and preparing to put the RV in hibernation for part of the year. Others will shortly be resurrecting the RV from storage to migrate south for for warmer weather until the spring. Most vehicle's mechanical systems and building materials prefer be used or move around regularly. Sitting in one spot for an extended period of time can occasionally create some issues with these systems or components. As RV owners, we often ask the RV to take a long winters nap, this is the nature of these wonderful homes on wheels. As the primary caretaker of this unique vehicle, we need to make sure an put them to bed with care so they run smoothly when its time to wake up and hit the road.

To see the rest of this article go to the following link.

<https://rvsafety.com/rveducation/maintenance/rv-storage-preparation>

To see other RV related safety information go to [RVSAFETY.COM](https://RVSAFETY.COM)



Merry Christmas To All  
and  
A Happy New Year

Edie Hensley



Remembering special friends like  
you and wishing you all the  
happiness of this holiday season.

Have a Very Merry Christmas!

Kathy & Jerry Tannehill



May this glorious day of our  
Savior's birth resound with  
hope and peace on earth!  
Merry Christmas!

Paul & Beth Standiford  
2025 Retiree King & Queen



Hoping the Christmas  
season brings joy and  
happiness into your home!

Missouri Slow Travelers



May this glorious day of our  
Savior's birth resound with  
hope and peace on earth!  
Merry Christmas!

Mike & Mary Croxton



Warmest Holiday Wishes!  
May your home be filled  
with warmth and happiness  
during the holidays  
and through the New Year

Pitch 'n' Pull

## Complete Camping Schedule - 2026

March 20 - 22, 2026 - Retiree Rally Early Days - [Mineola Civic Center](#) - Mineola TX  
March 23 - 29, 2026 - Retiree Rally - [Mineola Civic Center](#) - Mineola TX  
March 30 - April 12, 2026 - Slow Travelers - [Gulf State Park](#) - Gulf Shores AL  
April 17 - 19, 2026 - Gateway Campers - [Babler State Park](#) - Wildwood MO  
May 1 - 3, 2026 - MSCA Spring Campvention - [Arrowhead Point RV Park](#) - Osceola MO  
May 3 - 8, 2026 - Slow Travelers - [Air Capital RV Park](#) - Wichita KS  
May 15 - 17, 2026 - Gateway Campers - [Hawn State Park](#) - Ste. Genevieve MO  
June 2 - t, 2026 - Pitch 'n' Pull - [Smith's Fork Campground](#) - Smithville MO  
June 19 - 21, 2026 - Gateway Campers - [Country Bend Campground](#) - Litchfield IL  
July 3 - 4, 2026 - Campvention 2026 Early Days - [South Dakota State Fairgrounds](#) - Huron SD  
July 5 -11 2026 - Campvention 2026 - [South Dakota State Fairgrounds](#) - Huron SD  
July 17 - 19, 2026 - Gateway Campers - [Blue Springs Ranch](#) - Bourbon MO  
August 21 - 23, 2026 - Gateway Campers - [Pomme De Terre S. P.](#) - Pittsburg MO  
September 11 - 13, 2026 - Gateway Campers - [Coles Creek Campground](#) - Carlyle IL  
September 25 - 27, 2026 - MSCA Fall Campvention - [Lazy Day Campground](#) - Danville MO  
September 27 - Oct 2, 2026 - Slow Travelers - TBD - Possibly Hannibal MO area  
October 16 - 18, 2026 - Gateway Campers - [370 Lakeside Park](#) - St. Peters MO  
October 16 - 20, 2026 - Pitch 'n' Pull - [Long Shoal COE](#) - Warsaw MO

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You don't have to be a member of the chapter to attend any FCRV campout but make sure to contact a MSCA officer or chapter president for additional details before you attend.

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### NEW READERS - PLEASE READ THIS

If you are new to this newsletter - this is what FCRV, MSCA and the local chapters are all about. There are 18 opportunities for camping with wonderful people listed above. Make the most of these opportunities. If you want more information about any of these campouts please email the Chapter president listed above. Or, if you wish you can email me at [missouricampernewslettereditor@gmail.com](mailto:missouricampernewslettereditor@gmail.com) and I'll be happy to help you out.

## Membership Application

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I hereby apply for membership (renewal)(new) in Missouri State Campers Association, Inc. And enclose my annual dues of \$10.00 for the year 2026. A part of this amount is for a subscription to Missouri Camper.

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