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November 1, MSA Meeting, Burton Police Dept., Burton, MI Tentative Campout Announcements

2015 - July 6-10 Campvention, CamPlex, Gillette WY, full hook up, \$275 inc. \$10 vendor bucks, build your own Jackalope contest, golf carts, ample parking at building, it is a distance to walk from campground to building; large commercial area, tours scheduled prior to Campvention, early days July 1-5 @ \$25.00/night, 4th of July fireworks provided by CamPlex; if registered by December 31st, drawing for 6-\$50 gift cards; some hunting licenses will be available for sale.

2016 - July 18-22, Campvention, Shawnee, Expo Center, OK, 40 miles SE of Oklahoma City, early days, July 16 & 17, a rodeo precedes Campvention

- Ontario provincial campouts has dedicated the next three years of their proceeds to promote FCRV

News from MSA President

The camping season is soon to be over, with my trailer soon to be winterized and put away until spring.

I was speaking recently to one of our organization's long-time members, and as we spoke, the subject was brought up concerning membership as well as the FCRV Executive Board's membership building ideas, and although I feel the organization is moving in the right direction, I stressed that my personal feelings are that we need to look at ourselves as others on the "outside" may. We all need to remember as members of FCRV and MSA, we are ambassadors for Family Campers and RVers and the Michigan State Association, not National or the executive board; it's our people and chapters that have to sell our great organization. When at a campout with our chapter or other members, display a chapter banner or other FCRV insignia, preferably providing information about our organization; remember to welcome others by creating an inclusive, open atmosphere.

The delegate meeting is November 1, at 10:00 a.m., at the Burton Police Department. I encourage all chapters to send a delegate to be your voice in the decision making for our association; all members are welcome to attend.

It's election time again; 2015. I am looking for an Election Chairperson, to solicit interest in a position on the MSA Executive Board. If you are interested, please contact me before or at the upcoming November delegate's meeting.

Dave Mull – MSA President

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FCRV National President's Update – May, 2014

The camping season is well underway here in Missouri for 2014, as I hope it is for you as well. Debbie and I have attended a chapter campout, a District campout, and a State campout as well as the Retiree Rally so far this year. I hope you are all taking advantage of the camping opportunities that our organization has to offer.

The Trustees met two weeks ago to finalize the budget for our organization for the fiscal year 2014 – 2015. Despite diligent efforts, we could not come up with a balanced budget. We did come up with a budget that we feel is workable for the next year. With the loss of ANPAC as a corporate sponsor and the declining membership resulting in loss of dues revenue, the creation of a budget will continue to be a daunting challenge in the years to come. Without a growth in membership and/or an increase in our non-dues revenue stream such as attendance at national rallies and additional commercial memberships, our financial picture will continue to look very bleak. The only other option is to make some very significant cuts to our expenses, the result of which could leave us with a completely different organization than what we have today. I urge you to share this message with the members of your states and provinces. As we have stated throughout the past few years, membership growth is absolutely necessary for us to continue as an organization. The RV industry is continuing to see growth on the manufacturing side with almost yearly increases in units shipped and sold. We have to find ways to get people excited about belonging to our organization. We may have to completely re-think how we recruit new members and what we need to offer our members to keep them active. Please challenge the membership to find new ways to grow our membership. After two months of slight growth, our membership dropped a little at the end of April. The number was 3926 on April 30th.

Continuing on that theme, the last count I heard for registrations at Campvention in Essex Junction, Vermont this year was 184. That is well below the number we need for a monetary break-even. I hope they continue to come in over the next month so that we get to that point. Please continue to advertise Campvention to the members in your states and provinces. The Northeast Region is planning an excellent Campvention for us with several new activities, and it promises to be a fun time for all.

I have formed a Nominating Committee for the Trustee elections this year. Larry Roop has agreed to chair the committee. The members are Sandy Kendall of Nebraska, Pat Parsley of South Carolina, Gilles Dore of Nova Scotia, and Dave Hennie of Ohio. The positions up for election this year are Vice President of Operations, Vice President of Planning and Development, and Comptroller. If any of you are interested in running for one of those positions, or know someone who is, please contact any committee member and make your intentions known. Per current policy, the election will be held next spring with the electees taking office at Campvention in Gillette, Wyoming in July of 2015.

I and the Trustees thank you for all you do for the organization. We are facing a critical time, and with everyone's help we will find ways to improve and make our organization strong.

Michigander Editor

DEADLINES for submitting articles to the Michigander are:

December 10 for the January issue

March 10 for the April issue

Friday after State Spring for the June issue

Friday after State Fall for the October issue

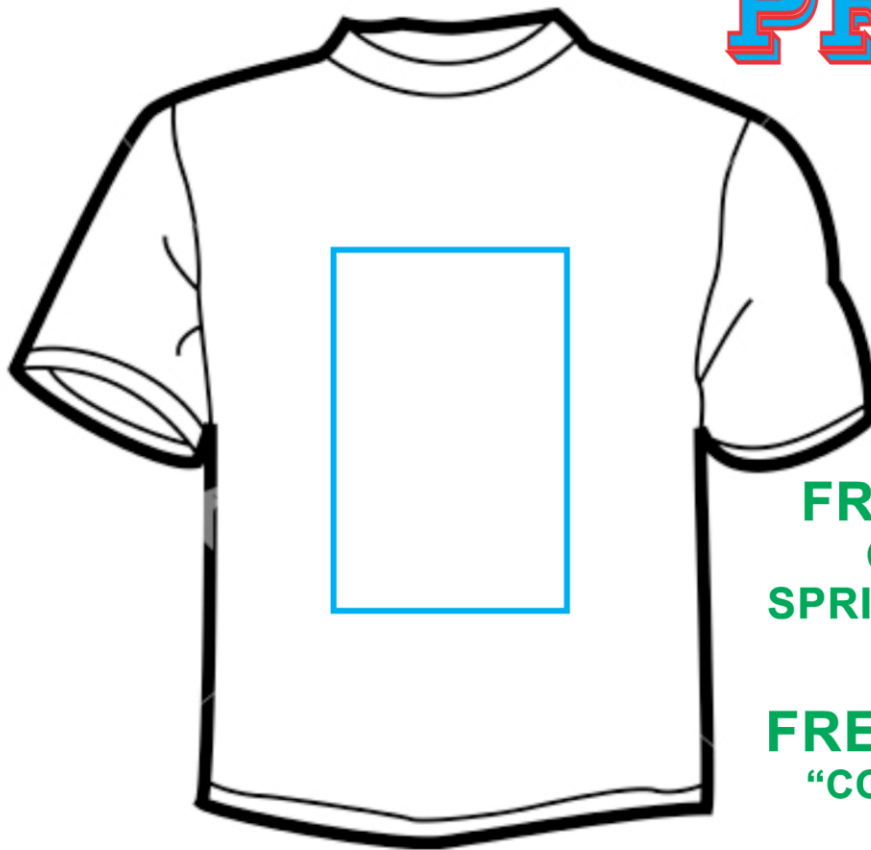
You can start TODAY by sending items to: michigander@mifcrv.org.

CONTEST!

Design the front of the
"COME CAMP WITH US"

T-Shirt

PRIZES!



for the
Winner

FREE CAMPOUT!

Choice of either a
SPRING or **FALL** Campout
and

FREE "2" T-SHIRTS!
"COME CAMP WITH US"

Guidelines:

- Deadline for entries **January 31, 2015**
- Send entries to: **Dave Mull, 11435 Prairie Avenue, Allendale, MI 49401**
- Design must fit in an area 5.5" wide by 8.5" high as in the picture above.
- Avoid fine details.
- Use no more than 2 colors.
- Leave room somewhere for a Michigan Logo about 1 1/4" round.
- Leave room somewhere for a FCRV Logo about 1 1/4" x 2 3/8" area.
- Use an outline of Michigan either in the design or as the border.
(Artwork may be changed as necessary to work with the screen printer.)



“Surf’s Up”

2014 Michigan State Association 49th Annual Fall Campout



The 2014 Michigan State Association’s 49th Annual Fall Campout, “Surf’s Up,” held at the Gladwin Fairgrounds, in Gladwin, Michigan, and hosted by the MSA executive board and field staff, is now a memory.

There were 41 families preregistered for the week-end, with the final count of 39 units and an additional 2 families enjoying the weekend’s activities. We also were honored to have the International Retiree King and Queen, Dick & Kathy Buresh, from Texas, and the International Teen King, Fletcher Shaneyfelt, along with his parents, Ed & Angie, from Indiana, joining us.

The weekend activities began on Thursday, as a few of the 17 early-arrivals traveled to Clare, for a visit to the Cops & Doughnuts Bakery, for a sweet treat and mug-shots. Later, over 30 individuals gathered for an evening meal at The Family Diner, in Gladwin.

Friday, the day’s activities began with a visit to a couple of the area’s attractions, Whitetails Live, and The Fruitful Orchard and Cider Mill. Later in the day, many of the campers traveled the short trip just north of town, and enjoyed a mid-afternoon treat of ice cream, at the Corner House Ice Cream Parlor. As evening came, activities included card games of Euchre & Garbage, and several youth and young at heart watching the appropriate named movie for the weekend’s theme, “Surf’s Up.”

Saturday morning, the Gladwin Fire Department provided a D.A.S.A.T. presentation on fire safety, which was well attended. Family games followed the D.A.S.A.T. program, and then youth and adults alike participated in the t-shirt craft making of beach cover-ups.

Saturday’s hot dog lunch was served by the youth, with the proceeds to go towards the youth fund.

Saturday afternoon, the Teen Pageant was held, and the crowning of our new teen royalty. Our 2014-2015 Teen Queen is Lauren Pallas, from Chapter 77, Tip of the Mitt, with 1st runner-up, Katie Kurburski, from Chapter 316, Traverse Bay Travelers, and Sierra Woolworth, from Chapter 1, Tails-A-Wagon, as 2nd runner-up; our 2014-2015 Teen King is Peter Kurburski, from Chapter 316, Traverse Bay Travelers.

After the conclusion of the teen pageant, the youth participated in a craft time of making a flip-flop craft and bracelets.

A camp wide potluck supper was enjoyed by the many, with ham and scalloped potatoes provided by the hosts; thanks to those who prepared the ham and potatoes for all of us.

The evening program began with the recognition of all veterans and those currently serving in our armed services, along with the playing of the National Anthem and the Pledge of Allegiance, then the introduction of all dignitaries in attendance, including the International Retiree King and Queen, Dick & Kathy Buresh, International Teen King, Fletcher Shaneyfelt, International Teen Queen 1st runner-up, Emily Kurburski, and also, International Teen King 1st runner-up, Shawn Crookedacre, who was unable to attend for the weekend.

Following the presentation of Scholarship awards, and for the day’s family games, and the youth Campvention poster winners, the evening’s entertainment was provide by area musician, Dan O’Rourke, who played an hour-long music variety. The evening entertainment was followed by an ice cream social, in lieu of the scheduled C.A.M.P. activity due to the evening rain showers.

A pancake breakfast was provided by the host, on Sunday, with thanks to Foster Kurburski and Jamie VanWagner for their pancake flipping excellence.

The Praise Gang Puppeteers provided the Sunday morning church service, and the weekend’s festivities were concluded with a field staff meeting, before all packed up their camping units and parted for their travels home.

I would like to thank and acknowledge the MSA board, field staff, and all those volunteers that made the Michigan State Association’s 49th Annual Fall Campout a success.

Dave & Heidi Mull – Campout Chairmen

STATE DIRECTOR'S NEWS

The MSA Executive Board hopes you enjoyed the 2014 State Fall Campout in Gladwin. There were many new activities and those who arrived Thursday enjoyed visiting several sites in Gladwin County. It was a great weekend and we enjoyed catching up with our FCRV Family.

Congratulations to our new Teen Queen Lauren Pallas, Teen King Peter Kurburski and court Katy Kurburski and Sierra Woolworth; the pageant was lovely and all of the contestants did a great job!

Congratulations to Fred and Shirley Schaeding who were crowned Michigan's new Retiree King and Queen at the annual retiree rally held in September.

Congratulations to this year's Scholarship Winners; Taylor McClelland, John Kurburski, Shane Duffy and Brittany Huryn.

Thank you to the field staff who attended the field staff meeting at the fall campout. We have a great group of leaders and are excited for the opportunity to work with them.

Our annual field staff Octoberfest was held October 25, 2014 at the Best Western of Birch Run and we had a great turnout. We began to brainstorm ideas for MSA's 50th Anniversary which will be the 2015 State Fall Campout. We appreciated the number of teens and young adults who contributed to this discussion. The field staff is hosting the fall campout. We are currently researching a site and will announce it once we have a contract.

If your chapter officers have changed, please send the information to us at your earliest convenience. Also remember to forward your 2015 chapter schedules once they are completed. If there are changes or additions to your camping schedules throughout the camping season, please

make sure you forward those changes to us.

If you would like to be included in our "Email Blast Email Group" please email us at mifcrv@mifcrv.org. This is our first source of providing communication within our camping family.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and dedication to FCRV in Michigan.

We wish you and your family a wonderful holiday season.

Their contact information has been posted to our website. Please join us in congratulating them and remember to invite them to your campouts. Congratulations to all!

A few dates to remember:

2014:

November MSA Meeting, November 1, Burton Police Station, 10:00 AM

November 14-16, Great Lakes Region State Directors Meeting/Workshop, Fort Wayne, IN. If you have any national ideas, comments or suggestions, please let us know. We would be happy to take them to this meeting.

2015:

February MSA Meeting, February 28, Burton Police Station, 10:00 AM

MSA State Spring Campout, May 15-17, Springfield Oaks, hosted by the Southeast District Field Staff.

Campvention, Gillette, WY, **July 6-10**, the registration packet should be available by the 2015 February MSA meeting.

Great Lakes Regional, Owensboro, KY, Diamond Lake Resort, www.diamondlakeresort.net, more details to come

MSA State Fall Campout, **September 18-20**, Location to be determined--this is MSA's 50th Anniversary and will be hosted by the Michigan Field Staff. Please give us or any field staff your ideas and suggestions for weekend activities and also if you can volunteer to host any activity.

November 7 -November MSA Meeting,

2016:

Great Lakes Regional, hosted by Michigan; July 28-31, Hillsdale Fairgrounds

2017:

Campvention hosted by the Great Lakes Region; if you have suggestions for a site, please let us know.

As you can see we have many campouts we are to be involved in; we meaning Michigan members! We hope you are just as eager as we are to volunteer any way possible.

Please check our website at www.mifcrv.org for other Michigan activities and registration information as it becomes available.

John & Linda English
Michigan State Directors
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Awards

Just a reminder; that nominations for the Family of the Year, and the Jonsey Award, are due by June 1.

To nominate someone for Family of the Year, send a letter, listing the family name, chapter name, involvement in FCRV, community involvement, and anything else that you may feel is relevant.

To nominate a teen for the Jonsey award, send a letter including the teen name, chapter name, involvement in FCRV, school involvement, community involvement, and anything else that you may feel is relevant.

Please mail your nominations to Jamie and Kaylene VanWagner, 502 Andres St., Chesaning, MI 48616, or e-mail them to jkvanw@centurytel.net, or awards@mifcrv.org. Thank you.

Jamie and Kaylene VanWagner
Awards Committee



Michigan Scholarship News



There were four applicants this year and I am pleased to report that we were able to award each of them a scholarship. The presentation took place at the MSA State Fall campout in Gladwin, MI on September 20, 2014.

First Place "A" Scholarship went to Taylor McClelland. Taylor is a student at Michigan State University (MSU) where she is working towards a dual degree in human biology and kinesiology with a minor in bioethics, humanities and sociology. She is an outfielder for the MSU club softball team and a member of MSU's prestigious Lyman Briggs College which specializes in math and science. Taylor is a past FCRV International Teen Queen, Michigan Teen Queen, Princess and Teenie Queen.

Shane Duffy was awarded the Second Place "A" Scholarship. Shane is attending Central Michigan University majoring in secondary education with plans to teach high school biology and/or chemistry. He enjoys all things relating to science and animals. Shane loves animals and has been a volunteer zoo keeper at the Potter Park Zoo.

The First Place "B" Scholarship was presented to John Kurburski. John is enrolled at Ferris State University studying automotive service technology and automotive management. John enjoys working on cars and has plans to own or manage an automotive shop in the future. He has been very active in the boy scouts, 4-H where he was club president for 4 years and a member of the grange.

Brittany Huryn received the Second Place "B" Scholarship award. Brittany is currently enrolled at Macomb Community College where she is studying to become a veterinary technician. She loves animals and can't think of a better career than one where she can spend every day with them. Brittany is a past Michigan Teen Queen and a now as a young adult is active in our organization by helping at teen pageants and other state and district level activities.

I would like to thank the following chapters for donations to the Scholarship Fund: Showboat Wheelers Chapter 112. And, Still a Goin' Chapter 184 for a donation in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Marty Martinship. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

IMPORTANT REMINDER: Teens living at home planning to attend college or a trade school, upon turning 20 years of age, will need to request a 20-year old honorary membership from the Michigan State Director to apply for a free membership. To be eligible for a National or Michigan FCRV scholarship, you must be a member in good standing. (See policy below)

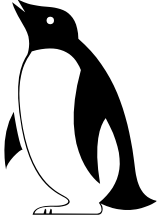
Scholarship applications are available on the MSA website, www.mifcrv.org. Be sure to apply for a national scholarship; the contact information is at the bottom of the Michigan scholarship application. For questions contact: Jane Thornton, Scholarship Director 2084 Madsen Rd. – Saginaw, MI 48601 Ph. 989-777-5958 E-mail: scholarship@mifcrv.org.

Jane Thornton, Scholarship Director

POLICY-TWENTY YEAR OLD HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

1. Any single child of an FCRV member in good standing, may at the age of 20, request of the State/Provincial Director that his/her name be placed on the 20 year old honorary membership list. The name, address, and birth date of the 20 year old will be provided to the national office through the State/Provincial Directors.
2. FCRV will extend the membership of a single child through the age of 24 if that individual is in the military or a student in college or technical school. This extension ceases upon leaving college, release from the military, marriage, or lack of application to the State/Provincial Director each year for a membership extension. At the end of the extension period the member must pay for a renewal at the going rate.

PENGUIN PAGE



Farewell from our 2014 TEEN QUEEN EMILY KURBURSKI

I will try not to cry during this but I can't promise you anything! I can't really put words to describe how thankful I am to have grown up in this organization and then have the opportunity to represent Michigan FCRV as your teen queen. I have not only learned a lot about this association but learned a lot about myself.



I am going to start off by telling you a little about my year and what I have done! As soon as I was crowned a week later I attended the Blue water district campout and would like to thank them for inviting me. A few weeks later I went to the Halloween campout in Hudsonville where we dressed up in costumes and decorated pumpkins. In November were the delegates meeting. On behalf of the teens I put together a basket to be raffled off and we rose over \$80 and donated it to the Michigan scholarship fund. When the weather finally cleared up and we were able to begin camping again I began with the state spring campout hosted by the Huryns and I had a blast! In June I attended the northern district campout in Gladwin, Pete and Sammy-Jo Schaub and Ray and Jane Thornton, you definitely know what it means to clown around!! On the fourth of July my family and I began our weeklong journey to Essex Junction, VT where I represented Michigan at the 2014 National FCRV Campvention. After hours of practicing and preparation for the day I had been

waiting for all year came. On Wednesday I competed in the Miss FCRV 2014 pageant. It began with the interview, then the tea and the talent portion where I danced the Scottish Trews and was named to the top three talents. After a break in the afternoon the evening portion began where I wrote an essay and spoke about what FCRV and what its motto means to me. After the final question about our biggest accomplishment it was time for the crowning of the new Miss FCRV and National Teen King. Among nine other girls representing their state/providence I was selected as the new Miss FCRV 2014 1st runner-up. During National I hosted the Michigan hospitality where we served cookies and milk and handed out items that were made here in Michigan. The float was a success where Michigan received second place overall! The rest of the summer I went to different campgrounds and spread the word of this great organization.

I am going to start my thank yous with Michigan as a whole, those that attended National to support me, those that invited me to their campouts, and those that have always been there since the beginning for me in my endeavors. Thank you goes to John and Linda English for helping me with just about everything, from putting together Michigan's hospitality to answering every question I could possibly have! Thanks to my chapter Traverse Bay Travelers for supporting me since the day I was born and never giving up on me! To Derek, for escorting me last minute at National. I couldn't have asked for someone better, you showed up even at the last minute when we needed help during practice and for escorting me at the ball! I can honestly say you made me look better! To my 2013 Michigan teen court- Katie and Sierra I couldn't ask for a better support team! To Dave, Heidi, and Courtney Mull, thanks for letting me use your truck for our noise parade the day I won at states and for always being that extra bit of encouragement that I needed! To Ed and Donna Huryn for being my second family; from allowing me to come over to your hotel at five in

the morning on pageant day so Brittany could do my hair and makeup and having me as your extra daughter when we toured Vermont! You have always been there for me and I couldn't be more thankful for you two. To Shawn Crookedacre, my 2013-14 Michigan Teen King; you were here for me the first time I won in 2011-2012 and again in 2013-14. Although you aren't here this weekend, you were my extra helping hand, you were always there to listen to me complain about just about anything and always had a positive outlook! Your support and encouragement makes me speechless. To Brittany Huryn, I don't know what I possibly could ever do to thank you for everything you have done for me. You crowned me in 2011, then I crowned you in 2012, and you again crowned me in 2013. You have been my role model throughout this all. I don't know what I could ever do to make up to you everything you have done for me. For making me look beautiful on pageant day, to rereading my essay several times, to listening to me when I needed encouragement, you were there through everything with me and I couldn't ask for a better friend! To my family Mom, Dad, John, Liz, Katie, Peter, and Luke; if it weren't for you I wouldn't be here right now. I would never have been able to accomplish my goal and dreams. The countless hours you put into making me feel confident in myself, to picking out this gorgeous dress, I have no words that could compare to your support and effort you put into making my year one the best one I have ever had!

Even though my year as your 2013-14 Michigan FCRV Teen Queen has come to an end the memories I have made will stick with me forever! I can't possibly thank this great state of Michigan you have given me so much love and support I don't know what else to say besides thank you! I will never forget this year and those that contributed to making it a success for me and this organization.

Emily Kurburski,
2014 Teen Queen



NOTICE! NOTICE! NOTICE!

MSA Meeting Saturday, November 1, 2014 at 10:00 AM
Burton Police Department
4303 S Center Rd, Burton, MI 48519

MSTA (Michigan State Teen Association)
will be meeting during the regular meeting
November 1, 2015

Welcome to our new 2015 Teen Royalty!



Hello everyone!

My name is Lauren Pallas, and I am the current 2014-2015 Michigan Teen Queen. I would like to thank those of you who assisted me with the pageant, especially my family. Without your love and support, I would not have been able to attend, let alone receive the honor of being our state's Teen Queen. Alongside this achievement and all of its responsibilities, I am also handling the start of my college career. Currently I am a student at the University of Michigan-Flint and have plans to transfer to Ann Arbor next fall. My major is political science, but I am mostly interested in foreign policy. In addition to politics, I am extremely involved in languages and have taken five years of Spanish. Now I have switched cultures and am learning Arabic. For those of you that do not know, Arabic is written from right to left, which is definitely difficult to adapt to. While pursuing my education, I plan to join the NROTC unit in Ann Arbor and become a Foreign Area Officer in the U.S. Navy. After that, I am hoping to go into public office and become a politician. I hope to see some of you at future camp-outs and to hear your opinions on controversial topics. Becoming Teen Queen and joining FCRV again will definitely have a lasting impact on my life and will provide more experiences from which I will learn and grow.

I look forward to meeting all of you in person and I know this will be a great year.

Sincerely,
Lauren Pallas

I'm very proud to be your new Michigan teen king and will be happy to represent our great state in Wyoming in July. Recently I attended the Blue Water district mixer. I had lots of fun playing washer toss and really got into the scavenger hunt around town. Oh, yah the pizza, frosty, chocolate candy, and smoothie were all great prizes from the scavenger hunt. Yum!! Yum!! The evening program was amazing and oh yah don't forget to ask me some Laughy Taffy Jokes. Have a great fall and enjoy those last days of camping. See you around the campfire.

Peter Kurburski

Teen Royalty

2014-15 Teen Queen

Lauren Pallas

2013-14 Teen King

Peter Kurburski

Chaplain's Corner

Praying for the members and the organizations of FCRV and MIFCRV.

For Jesus said in Matthew 5:44(KJV)

But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;

Have a fabulous winter.

**We are excited to announce
Michigan's Newest Royalty for 2014-15:**

Retiree King and Queen: **Fred & Shirley Schaeding**

Teen Queen: **Lauren Pallas**

Teen King: **Peter Kurburski**

Court:

1st runner up: **Katie Kurburski**

2nd runner up: **Sierra Woolworth**

Their contact information has been posted to our website. Please join us in congratulating them and remember to invite them to your campouts.

Congratulations to all!

John & Linda, Michigan State Directors



Sierra Woolworth, Lauren Pallas, Peter Kurburski, Katie Kurburski

It is time again to start thinking about your posters for Camping Is..... Remember they are due at the spring campout. We had some great entries last year and several national winners. So let's keep this going.

This winter try to plan a fun activity in your chapter for the Youth to attend. In January our chapter is planning to have a winter get together at an indoor waterpark. This is a great way to involve your youth in fun chapter family activity. This is a great way to get everyone together and the adults will enjoy this also. This way you can all wear those great beach cover ups and sandals that you made at the fall surf's Up campout.

Take Care,
Anne Kurburski

2013-14 Youth Royalty Princess

Megan Pallas

Prince

Andrew Huhn

Teenie Queen

Joanne Huhn

Teenie King

Mark Graves

State Youth Directors

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MISSING
GENTLE
ROYALTY



Dick and I attended 3 Michigan rallies/campout. We had a great time at each one. We would like to thank everyone for the hospitality you all shared with us at each event. Hope many of you have been enjoying the pictures on Facebook of our travels representing the FCRV Retirees as International king and queen. Safe Travels for all and see you down the road. Dick and Kathy Buresh.

National Teen King

Thank you for the invite to attend your Michigan State Association Fall campout. I had a really great time. Thanks to everyone that danced to my attempt at singing! I had a wonderful time attending the tea and a better time with everyone at the ball! I look forward to attending another Michigan Campout (if you would have me back).

Thanks,
National Teen King
Fletcher Shaneyfelt



Historian Scrapbook Contest

Purpose: To recognize the outstanding Adult and Teen chapters from each state/province, for their contributions, participation and dedication in/to FCRV; also to record their chapter's history through various forms of media for members and future members to enjoy.

Chapters participating (includes all chapters) must have good standing in FCRV, and who have won first place in a state/provincial or overseas scrapbook competition. The scrapbook's history period will be for one calendar year, January 1-December 31. For example, July 2009 Campvention Contest scrapbook activities will be dated January 1-December 31, 2008 inclusive. State/provincial contests will be held at the Spring Campouts.

Rules:

1. Only one Adult Chapter History Scrapbook and/or one Teen Chapter History Scrapbook per state/province will be allowed.
2. Scrapbook size will be no larger than 20"x24"x8".
3. Page 1 (the actual first page – not the inside cover) must include the following: Chapter name, National Charter number and date chartered (plus parent chapter name and national number for Teen Chapters); chapter patch or emblem and colors; state/provincial or regional director stamp and/or signature in the lower right hand corner to certify the scrapbook entry.
4. If any of the previously mentioned requirements are missing, a ten point reduction to the final score will be imposed. Twenty-five points will be deducted if the state/provincial/regional director stamp and/or signature is missing from the lower right hand corner of the actual first page.

Content of Scrapbook: It should cover all chapter activities and accomplishments during the year including but not limited to events like: community projects, parade floats, campouts, banquets, special programs, special projects, activities in National programs (Conservation, Campers Actively Moving Program (CAMP), Disaster and Safety Awareness Training (DASAT), Wildlife Refuge, , family activities (teen, youth, young adult, adult, retiree) discounts, insignia, etc.).

Historian Scrapbook Suggestions:

1. Newsletters; program booklets; captioned photographs of groups, singles, special events, parties, etc.; human interests and candid snapshots; newspaper clippings with dates and persons identified.
2. Certificates and awards.
3. Chapter publicity for community activities and any FCRV related outside interests concerning members.
4. If trophies or plaques have been awarded to chapter for outstanding events, photograph and place in scrapbook.

IMPORTANT: Check the program book at the Spring Campout for the time and place to turn in your book.

Please contact John and Linda English for further information.

With Deepest Sympathy



It is with great sadness that we share the untimely passing of Harold and Linda Martinson, parents of Heidi Mull. The Martinson's were long time members of FCRV from 1975-2005 and spent the better part of each year enjoying retirement in Arizona. The Martinson's, age 71, perished in a fatal car accident due to medical circumstances that impaired Linda's driving. The accident occurred in Albuquerque, NM on their return trip to Michigan to meet their first great granddaughter; the proud grandparents of Dave and Heidi. Harold and Linda would have celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in November. Arrangements are pending but the family is planning a memorial service in August. Please keep the Mull Family in your thoughts and prayers. Condolences can be sent to Dave and Heidi at: 11435 Prairie Ave, Allendale, MI 49401-9466



