



The Michigander

"Family Fun Through Camping In Michigan"



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2022 Campout Announcements

Note: click on the blue link for registration for; web version ONLY!

- August 4-7 – [Great Lakes Regional, Hillsdale, MI](#)
- September 6-10 – [MSA Retiree Rally, St. Louis, MI](#)
- September 16-18 – [MSA State Fall, Gladwin, MI](#)
- September 23-25 – [Blue Water Mixer, Imlay City, MI](#)

<http://mifcrv.org/Michigander/default.htm>

Registration forms are published in the electronic edition posted on our website: www.mifcrv.org, *Calendar of Events* OR Click on the blue title above

Please support the many activities scheduled for 2022.

Editor's Note: Please submit campout registrations (Word preferred) by email:

Michigander@mifcrv.org or Editor@mifcrv.org

Be sure to include DOCUMENTATION for any pictures or clipart.

Michigander DEADLINE DATES

DEADLINES for submitting articles to the Michigander:

December 10 for the January issue

March 10 for the April issue

Friday after State Spring for the July issue

Friday after State Fall for the October issue

You can start **TODAY** by sending articles to:

michigander@mifcrv.org

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Their first official meeting will be:
September 16-18, 2022
at the 2022 MSA State Fall Campout
Gladwin Fairgrounds
Gladwin, MI

The Michigander Editor Needed

Please know I am happy to temporarily publish The Michigander. Since retirement and not using desk top publishing, there is a huge learning curve to make this happen. I know there is someone with skills to become our editor. This is a commitment just four times a year so please someone step up to the plate. We need YOU!

Linda English, Temporary Editor, The Michigander



2022 Great Lakes Region Campout

August 3-7, 2022

Hillsdale County Fairgrounds, Hillsdale, MI

Registration deadline: July 21, 2022

This is always a great campout, and we hope to see you there! Michigan is hosting!

We are serving Boston Coolers for our Michigan Hospitality Wednesday evening.

Our regional directors will be providing an update for 2023 Campvention. Come hear the news!

Travelers Bay Travelers Labor Day Campout Information

All are welcome and anyone looking to attend, can find reservations at River Country Campgrounds website.

<https://www.rivercountrycampandcanoe.com/>

Friday September 2nd

Dinner: Smoked Meats, bring a salad to pass and your own condiments.

Saturday September 3rd

Breakfast: Bring an item for the grill or a potluck dish

Dinner: potluck

Sunday September 4th

Breakfast: Bring an item for the grill or a potluck dish

Dinner: potluck

Make sure to bring your tubes for the river and golf clubs for 9 holes at a local course!

Looking forward to a great weekend 😊 and can't wait to see everyone there!



2022 MSA FCRV STATE FALL CAMPOUT

We all know there is “Gnome Fun like FCRV Fun”, so you will want to mark your calendars for MSA Fall Campout at the Gladwin County Fairgrounds in Gladwin. The date is September 16 – 18, 2022 with early arrivals September 15th.

There are some nice places to visit in the area such as Stone Cottage Gardens, Gladwin County Historical Society Museum/Village, Fruitful Orchard and Cider Mill, and Merry-hearted Cidery just to name a few. Saturday morning is the Gladwin Farmers market right off Main Street (M-61) in town. Also, there is an Amish Bakery and Cops & Donuts in Clare.



Some of the campout activities planned are family games, a craft, camp wide potluck, evening program, and campfires. Don't forget to tell all your “Gnomies” that Gladwin is the place to be for camping fun with FCRV. Bring a friend so they can see what we're all about. The registration form is included in this newsletter, fill it out and send it out soon.

2022 MSA Retiree Rally

The annual MSA Retiree Rally is held the week of Labor Day at the St. Louis Campground in St. Louis, MI. The Rally dates are September 6-10, 2022. A registration form is included in this issue. Please pre-register for food planning purposes by August 1. I hope you plan to join us for a week of great food and activities!

Mary Lou Heft, Michigan State Retiree Director, 1-616-706-2543.

STATE DIRECTOR NEWS

Greetings! We hope you are busy camping and enjoying this great camping season.

We apologize for this late July issue. It seems every year July creeps up so fast!

As many of you may have heard, we had a devastating barn fire May 1st, and it was a total loss. We are grateful there were no injuries. Unfortunately, the caps for the Bench Project were stored in our barn. We have recently been gifted with enough caps to almost replace what we had collected. We are thankful to the Indiana Members of FCRV for helping our cause. The Project will continue as planned. We have caps for almost two benches. We have also received funding for two benches from chapters in the Northern and Southeast Districts. We have not yet met our goal of cap or funding. Please continue to sort, weigh and bag clean caps from the list in this newsletter. We are seeking additional donations from chapters and districts to pay for three benches. We have had one fundraiser at a state campout. The cost is currently \$295 per bench. We hope we can count on you for this project.

This year the Great Lakes Region Campout is being hosted by Michigan! The dates are August 3-7, 2022. We will be at the Hillsdale Fairgrounds in Hillsdale Michigan. Our Michigan hospitality to thank our guests will be Wednesday, August 3. We are serving Boston Coolers and need your help. Registration deadline for this campout is July 21. Please register today if you haven't already done so. With the help of many, we have several activities planned. Each state will host a hospitality every night during this campout.

Our National Website, www.fcrv.org is still a work in progress. We hope you have had time to review it to see the many positive and friendly changes. Do you have your chapter campouts posted on the website? What activities through pictures can you also share by posting on the website?

Below are the direct links to the forms to submit both events and recaps.

If you have any questions or need any help with this, please let us know!

They are requesting any events both past and present for **2022 AND 2021** that you can submit.

[Event Submission Form](https://fcrv.org/event-submission-form/) - <https://fcrv.org/event-submission-form/>

[Event Recap Form](https://fcrv.org/event-recap/) - <https://fcrv.org/event-recap/>

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NOTE: **MSA** History can be viewed on our website: <http://mifcrv.org/forms/MSA%20History.xlsx>



Michigan State Teen Association



Pictured left to right:
Grace Carey, Teen Queen 2021
Joanne Huhn, Teen Queen 2022
Otto Macintosh, Prince 2022
Andrew Huhn, Teen King 2022
Luke Kurburski, International Teen King 2022

2022 MSTA Officers:
President, Grace Carey
Vice President, Joanne Huhn

Marci Macintosh, Geoff Stringer,
Michigan Teen Directors
teens@mifcrv.org

Geoff and Marci enjoying the teen hospitality at Campvention.



Disaster and Safety Awareness Training

Hello Everyone,

I hope everyone is enjoying their camping season so far. Hopefully nobody has melted from some of our extreme temperatures and humidity.

This will be a brief article due to the fact I pretty much forgot about it until Linda reminded me.

During these hot and sometimes extremely hot and humid days we need to slow down and not overexert ourselves, stay hydrated, wear light loose fitting clothes, try to stay in the shade and/or air conditioning. Some days it seems impossible but just try to stay cool.

In this weather keep track of your air conditioning, ventilation systems, your fans at home and in your RVs and campers.

Don't forget your coolant systems in your vehicles along with your tires.

On another note, the Great Lakes Regional Campout is August 3-7 at the Hillsdale County Fairgrounds. There will be a DASAT program put on by Consumers Energy Public Safety Outreach about electrical and gas safety on Saturday at 1pm. Along with other activities throughout the weekend a good time will be had by all.

As always be safe and when traveling through Road Construction Zones or following farm equipment be careful, be cautious and slow down. Those people want to make it home safely themselves. You never know they may have plans to go camping with families and friends.

See you at the next campout.

Tom Lewis

Michigan State DASAT Director

DASAT@mifcrv.org

Michigan Chapters

This is the current list of chapters in Michigan requested by our National Office. Please email your current chapter officers by August 1, 2022, to: mifcrv@mifcrv.org
 Thank you, John & Linda English
 Michigan State Directors

	CHAPTER	NAT'L #	CHARTER
1	Tails-A-Wagon	204	3/10/1963
10	Roam'n Oaks	470	8/10/1964
26	Camping Nomads	725	8/27/1965
35	Ledge Loafers	830	3/11/1966
46	Timber town Travelers	972	8/11/1966
63	Eager Beavers	1200	6/6/1967
77	Tip of the Mitt	3980	2/15/2003
88	Early Risers	1495	5/20/1968
112	Showboat Wheelers	1760	5/2/1969
121	Rollin' Vikings	1827	6/24/1969
122	The Outsiders	4041	9/13/2019
127	Green Thumb-ers	1907	11/10/1969
175	Aqua-Jetts	2352	4/26/1971
184	Still-A-Goin'	2391	6/8/1971
186	Al Camp Egan	2410	6/24/1971
235	Lay-Zee-Hayseeds	2914	7/21/1973
258	Arrowhead Travelers	3142	1/20/1975
291	Nature's Nuts	3479	1/23/1979
312	Spinning Wheels	3885	12/10/1992
316	Traverse Bay Travelers	3942	1/28/1998

Michigan Field Directors

This is the list of field directors as of June 2021. Please email us by August 1, 2022 to state your commitment. for **2023**:
mifcrv@mifcrv.org
 Thank you, John & Linda English
 Michigan State Directors

REGINA & TERRY JENTZEN
AL & DONNA ZAUNER
DAVID & HEIDI MULL
TONY & JODEE PRUDEN
DONALD & CHALMA LUMLEY
PETER J & SANDY SHAUB
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JAMES & KAYLENE VANWAGNER
JAMES & DONNA SETZLER
BILL & DEBBIE PRICE
RAYMOND & JANE THORNTON
JOHN & JOYCE WILLIAMS
DON & DAWN WEBB
JOHN & LINDA ENGLISH

Scholarship Highlights

Congratulations Graduates!!! Soon you will be starting a new phase of your life. You've graduated from high school and will be heading off to college or beginning an exciting new career. Be sure to keep an open mind and a positive attitude; it can carry you a long way. Good luck and have a great year!!!

The 2021-22 scholarship application deadline will have passed by the time this edition of the Michigander has been published. To be eligible to apply for a scholarship **next year**, one of the requirements is the applicant **or** applicant's parents must attend at least one (1) Michigan FCRV campout this year and camped/stayed overnight one night. The qualifying campouts are: MSA State Spring, MSA State Fall campout and a District campout. **The Scholarship board will not be waiving this requirement this season, so get out there and camp, enjoy our wonderful camping family and support the Michigan State Association.** Have a great summer!!

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)

Michigan Scholarship applications are available on the MSA website, www.mifcrv.org. Be sure to apply for a National Scholarship by contacting the National Scholarship Director at fcrvscholarship2014@gmail.com. Be sure to enter FCRV Scholarship in the subject line. 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

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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.



Plastic Cap Recycling Project

Tree Plastics located in Evansville, IN will recycle plastic caps into park benches. All we do is collect **clean plastic caps free of paper, sort, and weigh the plastic caps!** The current additional cost of each bench is \$295 and can be accomplished with fundraising.

Our goal is to provide a park bench to the three fairgrounds that have hosted our district campouts for many years: Northern District at Gladwin Fairgrounds; Southeast District at Springfield Oaks 4H Fairgrounds; and Blue Water District at Eastern Michigan Fairgrounds.

Please bring your collection to our District and State Campouts and help with this project! Thank you! John & Linda English

ACCEPTABLE CAPS

Medicine bottle
Milk, creamer
Detergent
Hair spray
Toothpaste
Deodorant
Apple sauce pouch
Drink bottle, soda, water, juice, sports drink
Flip top (ketchup)
Spout (mustard)
Spray paint
Baby food
Shampoo, conditioner
Cottage cheese
Yogurt
Mayonnaise
Peanut butter
Ice cream bucket (under 8" diameter)
Cool whip
Pringle
Coffee can
Butter
Cream cheese
Spice

NOT ACCEPTABLE CAPS

Metal
Drink bottles
Prescription bottles
Plastic Ziplock type bags
Trigger sprayers
ALL fast-food drink lids
Plastic that is not a cap or lid, plastic pieces/parts
Human or Animal Medical Supplies
Paper
Trash
All food containers
Cardboard liners
All pumps (soap/lotion)
Grocery bags
Caps or lids with 1, 3, 6, 0r 7 recycle number
K-cups and straws



Experience Pure Michigan



Great Lakes Regional August 4-7, 2022

Hillsdale County Fairgrounds, 115 S Broad St, Hillsdale, MI 48242

www.hillsdalecountyfair.org

Early arrivals welcome anytime. The fairground is an open campground.

Activities begin Thursday, August 4, 2022.

There are many things to see and do in Hillsdale County. Plan to arrive early and enjoy South-Central Michigan!

Make Checks payable to:
MSA/FCRV

Send Registration to:
John/Linda English
Michigan State Directors

Registration Deadline: July 21, 2022 P.O. Box 215
Quincy, MI 49082

Questions: Call Linda at 248.797.5030 or Email:

mifcrv@mifcrv.org

You will be parked as you arrive.

Activity Fee \$20

Camping Fee is \$20 per night

Friday Gate Registration Activity Fee for
unregistered campers \$25 (please
preregister)

\$20 x ____ (# of camping nights)

\$20 activity fee

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ ____

2022 Great Lakes Regional, Hillsdale, MI

Please pre-register so we can contact you via email once we have off-site activities scheduled as a count may be required.

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Anticipated arrival date: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State/Prov.: _____ Zip: _____ Email Address: _____

FCRV Membership Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Type of Unit: _____ Length ft.: _____ No. of slide outs _____

____ We are handicapped and **MUST** be parked in the handicapped area. We have a valid state handicapped certificate, license, or doctor's certificate. Handicapped registrations **MUST** be received by the registration deadline to be parked in the handicapped area.

of Adults _____ # of Teens _____ # of Double Digits _____ # of Youth _____

Please include names and ages with registration form.

____ Special needs—please explain (medical, physical, food, pets, not self-contained, etc.):



MSA Retiree Rally

September 6-10, 2022

St. Louis Campground

8489 N. Bagley Road, St. Louis, MI 48880

989-681-2581



Join us for the annual MSA Michigan Retiree Rally! It is several days of fun, food, games, and other planned activities. Bring a member or guest and enjoy your time while visiting St. Louis.

Food provided includes:

- Breakfast Tuesday-Friday
- Two lunches
- One dinner

A donation to the Gratiot County Food Bank will be supported by a raffle.

Bring items for the dime auction.

Come catch up with our camping family.

Camping Fee is \$20 per night payable to the campground when you arrive for the rally. Indicate the MSA Retiree Rally to receive the discount camping rate.

Apartments and cabins are available to rent. You must call the campground in advance to reserve.

Food/Activity Fee: \$35 per person

Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ State/Province: _____ Zip: _____

FCRV Membership Number _____ Expiration Date _____

Type of Unit: _____ Length of Unit: _____ Slide Out (s): _____

Do you prefer NOT to be parked by someone with pets yes ___ doesn't matter ___

Parking is straight hobo. There is a restroom/bath house and dump station located within the camping area.

Amount enclosed: _____

For planning purposes, you MUST register on or before August 1, 2022:

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Questions: Call Mary Lou Heft, Michigan State Retiree Director, 1-616-706-2543.

THERE'S "GNOME" FUN LIKE FCRV FUN

2022 MSA State Fall Campout
September 16-18, 2022
Early Arrivals: September 15

Gladwin County Fairgrounds
401 S. State St. – Gladwin, MI



ACTIVITIES: **Thursday** – Early Arrivals **Friday** – Games **Saturday** – Camp Wide Supper, Craft, Family Games, Evening Activities **Sunday** – Praise Gang Puppeteers...stay tuned for updates.

Facilities: Electric, restrooms, bath house, water available, dump station, fire in containers, no gopher holes, hobo style camping (If you wish to park together, please come in together)

Please share something you can offer this campout. Our whiteboard will be placed outside the building to post announcements. Can we count on you?

Name: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ State/Province: _____ Zip: _____

FCRV Membership Number _____ Expiration Date _____

No. in Family: Adults: _____ Teens: _____ Dbl Digits: _____ Youth: _____

Email: _____

Fees: \$ 25.00 Activity Fee
\$ 15.00 Per Night Camping Fee
\$ 55.00 Total for Weekend
\$ 15.00 Thursday Early Arrivals

PLEASE return this registration form with a check for \$25 made payable to **Michigan State Assn/FCRV** no later than **September 10, 2022** to:

Jane Thornton
2022 State Fall Campout
2084 Madsen Rd.
Saginaw, MI 48601
Email: raythor2@aol.com Ph. 989-777-5958



Blue Water District Mixer
Sept 23-25, 2022
Eastern Michigan Fairgrounds (2 blocks north of I-69)
Imlay City MI 48444 (between Flint & Pt. Huron)

Mail payment with registration form to:

Rocky Lumley
603 3rd St
St Clair MI 48079
donrocky64@hotmail.com or
mibluewaterfcrv@gmail.com

Basic power only

Pre-registration (no refund) \$10.00
Camping fee \$35.00
Fri & Sat reg and camping fee \$45.00
Early arrivals begin on Wednesday September 21

Make checks payable to: **
Blue Water District Mixer

Registration Deadline September 12, 2022

**** Canadian Registrations WE CAN NOT
ACCEPT CANADIAN CHECKS PLEASE EMAIL
REGISTRATION TO
mibluewaterfcrv@gmail.com**

Any Questions call: Joyce Williams
586-242-4584 or email
mibluewaterfcrv@gmail.com

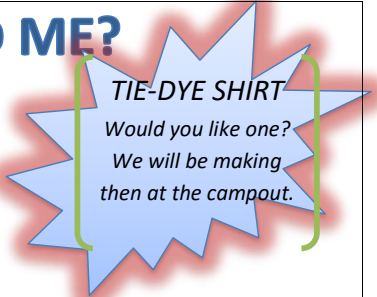
Total amount enclosed _____

Check number _____

CAN YOU FIND ME?



Blue Water District Mixer



NAME _____

PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

Go Green—your mail back will be sent to the email address provided below. Which do you prefer
_____ Email _____ US Mail Email address (please print)

Chapter Name _____ Chapter # _____

Type of unit _____ length of unit _____ #of slide outs _____

in family: Adults _____ Teens _____ Double Digits _____ Youth _____

Pets* _____

*Do you prefer to NOT be parked by someone with pets:

Please DO NOT park me by someone with pets _____ doesn't matter _____?

**A FREE WEEKEND WILL BE DRAWN
FOR THOSE REGISTERED BY AUG.17, 2022**

_____ Handicap parking, we understand we will not be parked with our chapter. We have a valid state handicapped certificate, license, or doctors certificate.

Total amount enclosed _____ Check number _____