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*We invite FCRV members-at-large across the state to visit our campouts.
Visit us whenever you can -- we welcome all FCRV members and visitors. Try us! We honestly believe you will like us!!!*

STATE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

I am home for a few weeks due to a wedding coming up in late August, so I can sit here at the desk and do this message instead of using the laptop, which jumps as I type and if I am not paying attention I have to back track and find out what I have typed.

Let me start by saying to the fourteen families that attended Campvention at Ladson SC a very big THANK YOU. As campvention ended you could hear many sighs of relief coming from those whom had spent the week and maybe more preparing for this event. Although the weather was warm (hot) the buildings were air conditioned so attending any meeting or program in one of the many locations you were comfortable. As State Director for one of the Eleven States in Region Six I thank all for your support. Region Seven will be hosting Campvention next year in Blyth Canada. Camping Today has the application already in it.

Retiree Rally 2012 will be in Tallahassee Fla. That application is also in Camping Today. That will take place in March of 2012. if you are planning on being in Florida for the winter, you may want to see what the distance is from that location and attend the Rally. The distance from Conway SC to Tallahassee Fla is 542 miles. Approximately a day and a half.

South East Regional Campout will be in Lebanon, TN in July of 2012 right before the National. More information to follow.

Hopefully, as it seems to be happening the price of gas seems to be coming down. If this continues, the only other reason for not attending some of the above campouts would be the distance. The outings in South Carolina are in most cases a three to four hour trip. Your support at these local outing is greatly appreciated, by those hosting.

At Campvention, it was great to see Gary Finkenbiner out and being involved with some of the committees. He has gone through and is still going through therapy and it is obvious, he is doing as the therapist is instructing him to do. Also great to see Iva along with him.

If you did not receive an email regarding Jeff Thomas, he had bypass surgery and is doing very well. To both Jeff and Betty, get well soon and just maybe you can be with us for a short stay at the Fall Outing at Yemmessee. To anyone else that may have had a bout with some illness, we hope you are feeling a lot better and our prayers and thoughts go out to you.

To all here in the State of South Carolina, I wish you all good health and would ask that you support Family Camper's and RVers by attending where and when you can.

"COME CAMP WITH US"

Yours in Camping,
Fred Muckle, SC State Director

A Special Invitation

To all of you South Carolina members who have never camped with our FCRV units:
Please consider this a personal invitation to experience
a State, Regional, or International Event in the coming months.
You are always welcome at any of our local state and chapter campouts.

SC State Association Minutes April 30, 2011

Minutes FCRV Spring Meeting April 30, 2011 @ Rocks Pond

Vice President, Beverly Horle called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM followed by prayer and Pledge to the flag. Roll call was then done. Minutes were approved as printed in the Red Bug. Treasury report showed we have \$2105.75. Old Business: Beverly reminded everyone about the Cadet Program. New Business: Marilyn stated the Red Bug deadline is May 25th. Beverly asked for a volunteer for fall camp out. Skeeter Scratchers will host the camp out Oct. 7, 8, and 9th at The Oaks, Point South. Walt Shealy asked how many are registered for Campvention and urged all SC members to register. He stated trustees made a massive budget cut and set a limit of at least 200 rigs to hold Campvention. LaNelle Chapman announced Southeast Regional may be hosted by GA next year. Jeannie Dean went over the list of sandwiches ordered for the trip to the island. J. O Martin brought up combining state and retiree camp outs back to back to help with the gas situation. John Derrick said the dates are set for both and would require constitution changes. Delores Derrick stated lots of states have them together. It was suggested we do this on a trial basis. The motion was approved. Sam Dowd asked to again be the SC Prince for Campvention, A motion was made, and approved by the group. The nominating committee presented nominations for State Officers: President: Andy Davis, Vice President: Joyce Williamson, Sec/Treas: John Derrick. There were no nominations from the floor. The vote carried unanimously. A motion was made to adjourn.

John Derrick, Sec/Treasurer

4/30/11

Chapter News

MYRTLE BEACHCOMBER NEWS:

Hello to all, and we hope you have had a good summer. It sure has been a very warm one and now that the month of September is drawing near maybe things will get a bit cooler.

It was great to see Gary and Iva out to Campvention in Ladson, SC this past July. The therapy that he has gone through has really paid off. Stay well the two of you and we look forward to seeing you both out to more outings.

We are looking forward to the next two State camp outs, the Fall outing at Point South, and the Second is the Retiree camp out at Apache Campground here in North Myrtle Beach. Check the Red Bug for reservation info and make your plans now. Hope to see you there.

To members who have not been well we hope you are feeling better and will be with us as the campouts come along. Stay well until we meet.

Fred Muckle
President

Most of our Chapters must have been so busy camping that they forgot to send us the news of their campouts. Hope they will remember to send some news for the next RedBug!



A NOTE FROM LA NELLE AND LEON ISHMAEL.....

Leon and I wish to say thank you for electing us to represent SC in Tallahassee in March. We are very excited about it and will do our best to show a positive attitude to all those we meet. I hope all of you will come to the rally and lend your support. In talking to Florida friends I know they are planning a great rally that you will want to be a part of.

Thanks,
LaNelle and Leon

WHERE ARE WE GOING? WHAT ARE WE DOING? WHEN IS IT HAPPENING?

Registration forms for National Rallies are always in your current issues of Camping Today.



SC State Campouts

FCRV Fall Campout is October 7-8-9, 2011 at The Oaks, Point South, SC . The Skeeter Scratchers will be hosting and having their usual supper (Lowcountry Boil). Hope to see you all there.

FCRV Spring Campout is April 20-21-22 at Orangeburg Fairground, Orangeburg, SC. Grays Roadrunners and Three Rivers will be hosting the campout. More details will follow later.

SC Retiree Camping Schedule

From the Desk of your Wagon Master – Guy Dean 5/25/11

The wait persons, at Benjamin's, are standing around waiting for us; the Palace Theatre curtains, when we arrive will ascend, the Show is ON!

What am I talking about?, the November **2011 Fall Retiree Rally** is to be held at the Apache Campground, in Myrtle Beach, SC. The Rally date is November 13 through 17, 2011. The "stage is set", we have a contract with the Palace Theater for dinner at Benjamin's and their special themed Ice Show; "Christmas On Ice". Dinner and show will be on Monday evening.

The Ice Show will be a new experience for us but we all know how good dinner at Benjamin's is. The price is right --\$48/ per person or, do the math, \$96 per couple. Money must be received by Iva no later than November 1, 2011 (that could "slide" a little if you're "in cobs" with Iva). No time like the present to get your **checks to Iva Finkenbiner** as the Dean's will probably be lost somewhere in Utah or New Mexico.

**From the computer of Guy Dean, your 2011/2012 Retiree Wagon Master.
Palmetto Retiree Chapter of FCRV rallies will be held as follows:**

RALLY	PLACE	DATE	Telephone No
Fall	Apache Campground-Myrtle Beach, SC	November 13-17, 2011	800-553-1749
Winter	Luncheon Ryans, Lexington, SC	February 2012	
Spring	Orangeburg Fairground, Orangeburg, SC	April 22-26, 2012	

DETAILS

Summer Rally August 21-25

The Henderson area of NC is still an 'Apple Pickin' Capital of The USA". That means that a bunch of us will surely head out early on Monday, perhaps, to find the finest apples in the area.

Arrangements will be made for members who wish to attend a performance, at The Flat Rock Playhouse, on Saturday evening prior to the start of the rally. Those who wish to attend will, of course, come in to the campground as "Early Birds", on Saturday the 20th. (See page 4)

Fall Rally November 13-17

We are returning to Apache Campground simply because we had such good time the last time. Yes, we are also going to, again, have dinner at Benjamin's. However this time we will, if you decide to join us, visit the Palace Theatre to enjoy "Christmas On Ice". This program, is touted to be an ice-skating extravaganza, and will be, at least in the opinion of the Wagon Master, a welcome change of venue. The cost for this "Dinner Extravaganza" will be less than those in the past, so please give it your every consideration.

2012 Spring Rally April 22-26
Orangeburg SC Fairground. Details later.

Please, fellow Retiree members, feel free to invite your RV'en friends or acquaintances to any of our rallies: we're still looking to grow our chapter. You are responsible for making your own reservations for each rally. Be sure to mention the fact that you will be camping with the Palmetto Retiree Chapter of FCRV.

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