



SUE CARLSEN

BIO:

Sue Carlsen is the current national Corresponding Secretary and has accepted the nomination for the combined position of Recording Officer/Corresponding Secretary. Sue, along with her husband, Chuck, served as the Michigan State Director for 7 years, and Assistant State Director for 12 years. She is currently Michigan's DAT captain and maintains the campout manual for the state association. Since joining NCHA in 1983, Sue's been actively involved at all levels of the organization -- chapter secretary and newsletter editor; co-hosted four state campouts; former Michigan Teen Director; field director; 18 years on the MSA Board of Directors; teen committee member at the 1988 campvention; secretary of the 2004 campvention; and served on the Steering Committee of the 2010 campvention. Sue and her husband, Chuck, received an FCRV Citation in 2004 and the FCRV Plaque in 2010.

Sue also volunteers in her community. She is the secretary of her homeowner association in Michigan and is a First Responder in her Florida retirement community.

Sue coordinated a graduate program at the University of Michigan before retiring in 2005. Prior to her career in education, Sue worked 20 years as an executive secretary.

PLATFORM:

Nearing the end of my first term as a Trustee, I still believe the best way to promote FCRV is to highlight the fun and friendship the camping lifestyle provides, and each of us must do our part. The Trustees have asked for input from the membership and have made some changes based on your suggestions. We hope a 5-day campvention will increase attendance at this annual event by making it possible for working families to travel to the campsite and enjoy the festivities all within a week's vacation. The Trustees continue to seek ways to reduce operating costs while strengthening communication with our membership and being on the lookout for new advertising opportunities. However, the elected leaders are not our best resource when it comes to growth – YOU are. I wish I could light a campfire under every member, every chapter, and every appointed field staff to renew our commitment to FCRV by spreading the joy we've known as a "family" to other campers. The glow of enthusiasm from each of you will go far in helping the Trustees reach their goals for increasing membership and revenue. If elected to a second term in the newly combined role of Recording/Corresponding Officer, I do my best to perform the duties of the position. Along with your vote, I ask for your pledge to help the Trustees achieve our goals by eagerly inviting your friends to Come Camp With Us!

