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"Family Fun Through Camping in Michigan"



2026 Campout Announcements

September 4-7, Evart, MI

September 7-11, Retiree Rally, St. Louis, MI

September 11-13, State Fall, St. Louis, MI

September 25-27, Blue Water, Imlay City, MI

Note: click on the blue link for registration forms; web version.

<https://mifcrv.org/calendar/default.htm>

Registration forms are published in the electronic edition posted on our website: www.mifcrv.org, *Calendar of Events*
Please support the many activities scheduled for 2024.

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President's Message

Fellow Campers,

Have you ever had something that you knew you owned, but, for the life of you, you can't figure out where it is? Well, MSA sometimes has that same problem. MSA owns or sometimes uses several different pieces of equipment and supplies. Because of the nature of our organization, all of this is in the hands of individual members. But we occasionally lose track of what we have or who has it. I would like to try to rectify this.

I am going to create an inventory list. It will list: 1) things that MSA owns (examples, sound equipment, flags and stands) and 2) things that MSA does not own but uses on occasion (examples, games like cornhole, drink dispensers). Information on the list will be: 1) what it is, 2) what group or person owns it, 3) who is currently in possession of it, and 4) the contact information for that person.

This inventory is intended only for things used at statewide (spring, fall, retiree), regional (Great Lakes Region) and national (Campvention, Retiree Rally) campouts. It is not for things that are owned by local chapters or districts and used exclusively by them (it's up to you to keep track of your stuff). Also, while the Praise Gang Puppeteers regularly use equipment at state campouts, it is used exclusively by them and doesn't need to be on the list. However, I would like to include anything that MSA owns that is obsolete; for example, teen pageant materials.

Of course, any inventory is only as good as its input. Please let me know (via email or in person at a campout) of anything that you are in possession of that you think should be in this inventory. Also, please let me know if anything changes hands, even temporarily, for example, to send the state flag to Campvention.

Brian Fuller
MSA President

State Director News**State Director Report**

Campvention was amazing! But there hasn't been a Campvention that I didn't think was amazing. We had a wonderful time and Jan and her crew were gracious hosts. For a recap on Campvention, see my Campvention article later in the Michigander.

Michigan's next campouts are the Traverse Bay Travelers in Ewart Labor Day Weekend and then the Retiree Rally and State Fall Campout in St. Louis. I hope to see you all at these campouts as we turn the corner on summer and enter the second half of camping season.

At the Spring Campout, I announced that my family and I will be hosting the State Spring in 2027 in Marshall. The theme will be "This is how we do it! Like a totally 90's State Campout". You are all personally invited!

Nationally, FCRV has set up a virtual chapter named the Wandering Pathfinders. This club will be used for new members that join that do not have any Chapters or State organizations in their area. This way the new member will be included and may eventually attend a regional or Campvention. The Dyrt has reached out to FCRV to partner with us (after seeing our new website). Their app connects campers with other campers and shows places to camp. They are offering FCRV members a free year of their app. This is not in place at this time, so DO NOT try to join yet until we have more instructions to get your free year. You can look at their app to see what it is all about. There is now a google calendar on the FCRV website. I am adding the campouts for Michigan and we were the first state to have our campouts listed! You should check out this calendar to cross camp with other states, especially if you'll be traveling through their area for other camping.

If you have any FCRV bucks, those little slips of paper you've received over the years for participating in CAMP, DASAT and other programs are going to expire at Campvention in 2027. Be sure to use them up in the next year.

National Dues are now available one year at a time and online only. If you are struggling with completing them, please let me know. I'll help you.

Thank you to everyone who volunteered to help with committees for the 2027 Campvention. I still have open spots that I'd like to fill with Michigan people. If you're interested in helping out, please get in touch with me and we'll find you the perfect spot to share your talents!

Be sure to register early for the 2027 Campvention in Marshall, Michigan at the Calhoun Country Fairgrounds. The early fee for registration saves you money and helps the committee plan for the number of attendees. I have included the registration form in this Michigander.

I'll see you all down the road!
Marci (and Geoff)

Chaplain's Corner

It is great to be in Michigan and getting to enjoy the summer outdoors. I hope all of you are spending time working in the gardens, swimming, fishing, loafing, and traveling. Now, let's not forget camping. I will soon be leaving for a couple weeks camping at the Original Dulcimer Players Funfest in Evart, MI.

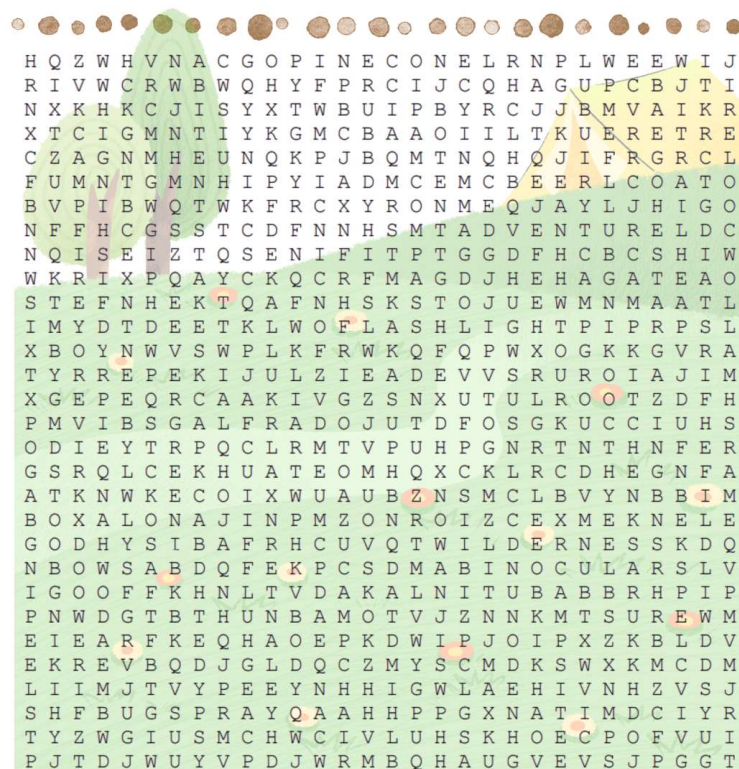
What is better than cooking outdoors with family and friends and listening to various styles of folk music. The actual festival is July 16-18, 2026, but people arrive soon after the 4th of July.

God has provided people with a variety of talents for us to enjoy our time on earth. I can only imagine the variety that He has provided for us when we get to Heaven. 😊

Psalm 150

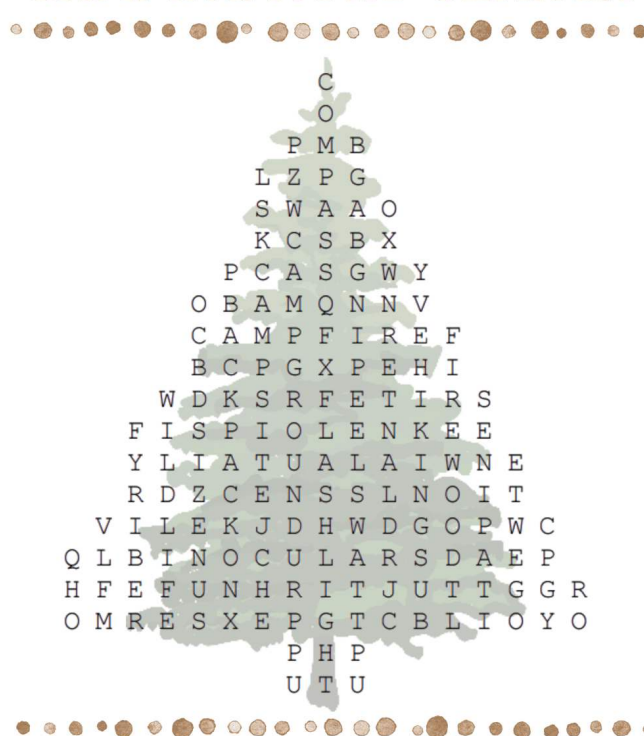
- ¹ Praise ye the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the firmament of his power.
- ² Praise him for his mighty acts: praise him according to his excellent greatness.
- ³ Praise him with the sound of the trumpet: praise him with the psaltery and harp.
- ⁴ Praise him with the timbrel and dance: praise him with stringed instruments and organs.
- ⁵ Praise him upon the loud cymbals: praise him upon the high sounding cymbals.
- ⁶ Let every thing that hath breath praise the LORD. Praise ye the LORD.

MEGA CAMPING WORD SEARCH



1. Tent 2. Campfire 3. Lantern 4. Backpack 5. Sleeping Bag 6. Marshmallow 7. S'mores
8. Trail 9. Forest 10. Lake 11. Mountain 12. Compass 13. Flashlight 14. Binoculars
15. Campground 16. Campsite 17. Firewood 18. Hiking 19. Adventure 20. Wilderness
21. Wildlife 22. River 23. Meadow 24. Pinecone 25. Evergreen 26. Trailhead 27. Hiking Boots
28. Camp Chair 29. Cooking 30. Stargazing 31. Canoe 32. Kayak 33. Fishing 34. Bug Spray
35. First Aid 36. Map 37. Cooler 38. Picnic 39. Camp Kitchen 40. Tent Stakes

CAMPING WORD SEARCH



WORD BANK

1. Campground 2. Campfire 3. Flashlight 4. Sleeping Bag
5. Binoculars 6. Compass 7. Backpack 8. Lantern 9. Firewood
10. Hiking 11. Pines 12. Wildlife 13. Campsite



Scholarship Highlights!!

Congratulations graduates!!! High school is behind you and before you know it you will be heading off to college or starting an exciting new career; the beginning of a new phase of your life. Keep a positive attitude as you start this new journey, it can carry you a long way. Good luck and have a great year!!!

I would like to thank the Woolworth Family for their contribution to the Scholarship Fund in memory of Juanita Woolworth. Your generosity is very much appreciated!

By the time this edition of the Michigander has been published the 2025-26 scholarship application deadline will have passed. 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 and a District campout. So, get out there and camp, enjoy our wonderful camping family and support the Michigan State Association. Have a great summer!!

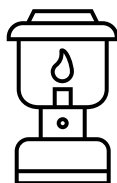
IMPORTANT REMINDER: Teens living at home planning to attend college or a trade school, upon turning 20 years of age, will need to request a 20-year old honorary membership from the Michigan State Director to apply for a free membership. To be eligible for a National or Michigan FCRV scholarship, you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

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.



DASAT

Hello Everyone

Happy camping.

The state spring camp out at St Louis was great, kudos to everyone involved in making it happen.

Recently I was checking and updating our first aid kits. Does everyone have at least one first aid kit? When was the last time you checked it? Did you replace items you may have used in the past? Are the contents still usable? Have you checked expiration dates? Yes, contents of first aid kits have expiration dates. Does your kit meet the needs of you and your family as well as your intended activities? There's nothing worse than opening your first aid kit and there's missing, expired, or unusable contents.

Here's some things to consider when thinking about purchasing or building your own first aid kit.

Before you purchase, update or build your own kit think about what your activities are and what may be needed. Is your kit going to be used for home, travel/camping, sports activities, cutting wood, hunting/fishing/boating, trail riding, workplace specific and many more.

We have multiple first aid kits for our vehicles, 5th wheel, home, pole barn, hunting and cutting wood.

You can purchase almost any type and size of first aid kit online, at pharmacies, or big box stores. If you don't want to buy a kit you can purchase first aid supplies and build your own kits, items can be found again online, at pharmacies and big box stores.

One drawback to buying a first aid kit is that some kits may contain items you may never use.

Contents of first aid kits have expiration dates like Aspirin/Tylenol, dressings and other over the counter items. Some contents may be weather sensitive, don't store in direct sunlight or high temperatures as well as don't some items freeze (eye wash, antibiotic ointment, etc.) This is why you check your first aid kit at least twice a year (warm and cold weather seasons).

First aid kits come in all shapes and sizes, from small very basic setups to large elaborate kits similar to what 1st Responders carry and use.

Depending on your first aid kit you can supplement your kit by adding special specific items like, burn treatment, overdose treatment, poisoning treatment, allergic reactions, etc.

Don't forget to add the statewide poison control phone number 1-800-222-1222 to your first aid kit and to your cellphone. Also consider getting trained in CPR/AED and some type of first aid training.

So just keep in mind when deciding on a first aid kit what your personal needs and activities it may be used for and check or inspect it at least twice a year and after each use.

Safe travels everyone.

Respectfully

Tom Lewis

State of Michigan DASAT Director

Campvention 2026

Let's be honest... Campvention this year was quite a hike for our state (though not as far as for Connecticut, whew!) A small group made the trek, including my herd (Geoff, Otto & I), Brian, Mary Beth, and the Hicks family from the FFCC chapter. Huron, South Dakota, sustained significant damage due to a storm on Thursday evening. It was later confirmed that there was a tornado, but early reports saw winds over 100 miles per hour. Brian and Mary Beth were both on grounds during this ordeal and both were safe and their campers did not receive damage. Due to the storm, many of us traveling had to overnight outside of Huron, as the police were turning people away from the city on Friday. Saturday, Huron and the South Dakota State Fairgrounds opened and we were able to come in and set up. Between the storms and travel troubles, many campers were delayed arriving, so the Executive meeting was postponed and everyone came together to put on the Opening Ceremonies. A beautiful Flag Ceremony honoring our country's 250th birthday kicked off Campvention. A delicious hospitality was provided by the host region featuring meats, cheeses and ice cream local to South Dakota.

On Monday, Campvention went ahead at full steam. Corn Hole kicked off in the morning for the Adults and Teens. There was a long row of boards lined up in the large main building and we all enjoyed the air conditioning and comradery. The teens served a hamburger and sloppy joes fundraising lunch. Entertainment was Pam Linton and the Cotton Kings, a rousing band. Afterward, we had a S'mores campfire for the teens, but some young-at-heart adults joined in on the fun and answered some campfire "Would you rather?" questions.

Tuesday dawned hot and sunny, so, of course, we took the teens to the Maga Ta-Hohpi Waterfowl Production Area and helped repair their observation deck. We met and worked with wonderful volunteers and were able to rip up all the boards and get over half of the new boards down. Some well-deserved ice cream was found at Putters and Scoops, a local ice cream shop. I tried Huckleberry ice cream and found it to be delicious! Some of the adults went out to the Golf Outing, while others enjoyed the Pet Parade. The youth threw a birthday party for America. After some Bingo and Seminars, we all came together to watch the Scuba Cowboy. His music spanned the generations and he had a large group of us up on our feet and dancing. He was so fun; don't be surprised if you see him at future events! The party continued with line dancing after.

Wednesday was tour day, where everyone had time to go out and explore. Some attendees went to museums, others went to a tea, some saw the murals, some enjoyed tours of the Maga Ta-Hohpi site. I saw the laundromat and the Fire Pit restaurant. Wednesday night was the group Hospitality. If you haven't been to a Campvention in the last two years, they have changed how hospitalities happen. Instead of each state, club, group having a time and date for a hospitality, we all get together and have a stop in the building to provide refreshments. Michigan gave away Better Made chips, Faygo Firework Pop and Vernor's. New York had cheese and wine/grape juice. Wisconsin also had cheese, of course. Connecticut had donuts, Colorado had cookies, Kansas had chips and goodie bags, the Trustees had dirt pudding and information on The Dyrt, a new friend of FCRV. Participation was very high this year the Midwest Quackers serving duck candy, Indiana serving popcorn, and the Friends of Maga Ta-Hohpi giving us native seed packets. Wednesday night ended with a Night Hike at the Maga Ta-Hohpi site. The volunteers had prepared fun activities and we learned so much about what South Dakota is like at night. There was a station for learning about nocturnal animals, their sounds (I correctly identified that the animal was "angry"... an angry badger!), constellations, how to identify objects when you can't see and what tracks you might see on the prairie. We earned junior ranger badges for our efforts!

Brian led CAMP walks all week with a very special walk on Thursday around to the Huron Murals with a volunteer from the area to tell the attendees about the murals as they walked.

Thursday also had Washer Toss for the Adults, a Carnival for the Youth, and a day to sleep in for the Teens, while I went to the Executive meeting for Regional, State, and Program directors. The meeting was collaborative with the Trustees asking for our opinions on the future of FCRV. Don't be surprised if I ask you

these questions to report your thoughts back to them. In the afternoon, the Teens went to the local waterpark. It wasn't as big as last year's, but the teens said it was better because there was no wait on the waterslides. Back on grounds, the adults enjoyed line dancing, card bingo and a quilt trunk show. The evening was capped off with the TP Insurance raffle. Many spectacular prizes were given out including an RTIC cooler, Blackstone grill, a mini Solo firepit, a Linda English quilt, accommodations at Myrtle Beach, gift cards, cash prizes and much, much more. After the general membership meeting where we installed new officers, I enjoyed a tram ride back to my campsite and Taps played on the Trumpet at 2200.

Friday morning was full of Color Bomb Tag for the Teens, craft projects for the Youth and Marketplace. Our members are very talented and had beautiful items to purchase. The afternoon had trivia and a wrap up meeting for the first timers. In the evening, there were closing ceremonies, entertainment, and hospitality for the 2027 Campvention to be held in Marshall, Michigan. We served Pasties and ABC (Apple, Blueberry, Cherry) pies and invited the attendees to join us next year in the Great Lakes Region!

It's always surprising how fast Campvention slips away, but with all these activities, we have so many memories to enjoy afterward. I hope all of Michigan will consider joining us next year. The best Campvention is always the next Campvention!

Let's Do This!

Marci (and Geoff) from Michigan



Source: Marci McIntosh

Recipe Corner

Berry Chantilly Cake

Source: bromabakery.com

Ingredients

FOR THE CAKE

- 1/4 cup unsalted butter, at room temperature
- 3/4 cup vegetable oil
- 1 1/2 cups granulated sugar
- 3 large eggs, at room temperature
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1 teaspoon almond extract
- 2 2/3 cup cake flour
- 2 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoons salt
- 1 1/3 cups milk

FOR THE BERRY SYRUP

- 1/4 cup water
- 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- 3 tablespoons mixed berry or raspberry jam
- 1/2 teaspoon lemon zest

FOR THE CHANTILLY CREAM FROSTING

- 8 ounces mascarpone, cold
- 4 ounces cream cheese, at room temperature
- 3 cups heavy cream
- 2 cups powdered sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1/4 teaspoon almond extract
- Pinch of salt
- 1/2 cup fresh raspberries, rinsed
- 1/2 cup fresh blueberries, rinsed
- 1/2 cup fresh strawberries, rinsed and quartered

Instructions

- First, make the cake.** Preheat the oven to 350°F. Line 3 8-inch round pans with [parchment paper](#) and grease the sides with cooking spray. Set aside.
- In a [stand mixer](#) fitted with the whisk attachment, beat the butter and oil on low speed until combined so the oil doesn't fly everywhere. Gradually increase the speed to medium-high and beat until smooth, about 2 minutes.
- With the mixer running, slowly pour in the granulated sugar and continue to beat on medium-high speed until the mixture is light, fluffy, and turns a very pale yellow color, about 2 minutes.
- Use a silicone spatula to scrape down the sides and bottom of the bowl, then add the eggs, vanilla and almond extract. Beat on medium-high speed until the mixture is light and fluffy, about 2 minutes.
- In a separate [mixing bowl](#), whisk together the flour, baking powder, and salt. With the mixer on low speed, alternate adding in the dry ingredients and the milk in 3 additions (you'll add half the dry, then all of the wet, then the other half of the dry). It's okay if the batter still has a few lumps in it—you don't want to over mix.
- Divide the cake batter evenly between your prepared pans, using the spatula to spread the batter into a flat, even layer. Bake until the cake has risen, the top springs back to the touch, and a butter knife inserted in the center of the cake comes out clean, 25 to 30 minutes.
- Place the cakes on a [cooling rack](#) and allow them to cool slightly. To remove from the pan, drag a butter knife around the edge of the cake, then carefully flip the cakes out onto a cutting board, peel away the parchment paper, and re-invert it, right-side up onto a cooling rack to cool completely.
- Once the cake has cooled, make the berry syrup. Combine the water and sugar in a microwave safe bowl and microwave on high for 1 minute. Stir until the sugar is melted completely into the water. Add the jam and lemon zest and stir to combine. Set aside to cool.
- Next, make the frosting. In a stand mixer fitted with the whisk attachment, cream together the mascarpone and cream cheese until completely smooth, about 45 seconds. Add the powdered sugar and heavy whipping cream and beat on low speed gradually increasing to high until soft peaks form. Add the vanilla, almond extract and salt. Beat until medium peaks form, keeping an eye on the frosting the whole time. It can quickly curdle so you want to make sure to not over beat it! Transfer about half the frosting to a [piping bag](#).
- Assemble the cake. Place the first cake down on a cake stand to serving plate. Dip a pastry brush into the berry syrup and generously dab the syrup into the top of the cake. Pipe a thin layer of the Chantilly cream all over the top of the cake. Top with about 1/3 cup of the fresh fruit, gently pressing the berries down into the cream. Pipe another thin layer of Chantilly cream over the top to cover the berries and use an offset spatula to smooth out the top. Repeat with the second cake layer.
- Use the rest of the Chantilly cream to frost the top and sides of the cake. Top with the remaining fruit to garnish and place in the fridge until ready to serve

Campout Schedule 2026

Date	Place	Event	Notes
September 4-7	River Country Campground Ewart, Michigan	Labor Day Camping	Reach out to Anne Kurburski for further details
September 7-11	St. Louis Campground St. Louis, Michigan	Michigan Retiree Rally	
September 11-13	St. Louis Campground St. Louis, Michigan	State Fall	-This campout is still looking for a host
September 25-27	Eastern Michigan Fairgrounds Imlay City, Michigan	Blue Water District Mixer	

Announcements

- Please send in registration forms or campout announcements to be published in the next edition
- Articles or announcements are due by the 20th of the month prior to publishing
- Please send in recipes to share with others, especially if they are yummy!

Blue Water Mixer 2026

We would like to invite you to our 2026 Blue Water Mixer at the Imlay City Fair Grounds.
The theme is "**New Beginnings**".

Our Mixer is under the direction of **NEW** people.

Due to the passing of Joyce Williams, and John, Rocky & Don Lumley's health, they have stepped down. We are very thankful for all their years of hard work for putting on this Mixer. Plus, the years as members of FCRV. We thank you!

We have decided to put our feet in the water and will try our best to see if we can keep our Mixer going. So, Ron O'Dell & Barb Blankenship are going to team together and co-chair the Mixer.
It will be a "NEW BEGINNING" for the two of us.

So first off, be patient, we are learning a lot. We have full plates already and never took on this adventure. So, if things are different (not quite correct) or something has been forgotten, "we apologize" in advance.

We are going to have our camp out the last weekend in Sept. as usual. SEPT 25 - 27, 2026 with early arrivals on Sept 24.

If you are a first-time camper at our Mixer and have never camped at our Mixer in the past, (State Sponsored Camp outs do not count as mixer) we are offering a first timers, new Beginnings discount for all FIRST TIMERS.

We are having :

FRIDAY

- Card Bingo, quarter per game.

SATURDAY

- Pancake breakfast with Sausage (Only Butter & syrup, and for pancakes) extras are BYO
- Soup Lunch
- Family games
- Potluck Dinner – Ham will be provided, please bring a dish to pass and table service.
- Evening program

SUNDAY

- Praise Gang Puppeteer church service

We will see if we have more fun events added but at this early stage of the game, we have a NEW BEGINNING.

Ron O'Dell and Barb Blankenship would love to see you joining us and helping us see our Mixer survive.

We hope that our Canadian friends come back and join us. We missed seeing you this year.

Pre-registration	\$10.00
Camping fee	\$40.00
Fri. & Sat. Registration & Camping Fee:	\$50.00
Early arrivals 9-24,2026	\$20.00 extra.

Discounts for First time Camping with us:

If you are not a FCRV member you get a discount of \$10 to find out who we are. You are also eligible to get 6 months free membership to the Family Campers & RVers.

First time Mixer attendees get a \$10 discount.

Invite a first-time attendee and if they come for the weekend, you get a \$5.00 discount.
Hope all of you join us and earn some discounts!



NEW BEGINNINGS

Blue Water District FCRV

September 25-27, 2026

NAME _____

PHONE () - Email address (please print) _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____

Go Green - your mail back can be sent to your email address. Please check one: I prefer _____ Email _____ US Mail _____

Chapter _____ Chapter # _____

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

of famil: Adults _____ Teens _____ Double Digits _____ Youth _____ Pets _____

Eastern Michigan Fairgrounds - 2 Blocks North of I-69
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Pre-Registration Deadline September 11, 2026

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PHONE: (734) 800-5810

A FREE WEEKEND WILL BE DRAWN FROM THE REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED BEFORE AUGUST 14, 2026

* Do you prefer to NOT to be parked by someone with pets: DO NOT Park me by pets _____ does not matter _____
_____ Handicap parking, we understand we will not be parked with our chapter. A valid state handicap certificate, license or doctors certificate is required.



MSA Retiree Rally September 7-11, 2026

St. Louis Campground is a public campground
8489 Bagley Road, St. Louis, MI
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 and Gratiot County. Come catch up with our camping family.

The food provided includes:

- Breakfast Tuesday-Friday
- Dinner plans for 3 meals:
 - Potluck dinner, meat provided. Bring a dish to share.
 - Grilled hot dogs and sloppy joes by donation plus bring a dish to share.
 - Hors d'oeuvres potluck.

Bring items for the dime auction. Proceeds will be donated to charity.

Camping Fee is \$25 per night payable when you arrive for the rally. You **MUST** stop at the office before proceeding to a campsite. 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.

Activity Fee: \$35 per person.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

FCRV Membership Number _____ Expiration Date _____

PLEASE return this registration form with the non-refundable Activity Fee of **\$35 per adult*** with a check made payable to **MSA/FCRV** no later than **August 1** to:

Jim/Donna Setzler
12299 Strasburg Road
LaSalle, MI 48145
jimsetzler@gmail.com
drsetzler@hotmail.com
734-497-5380 (Jim)
734-652-0939 (Donna)

Number of people attending: _____ Check number: _____ Amount enclosed: \$ _____

Questions: Call John English, Michigan State Retiree Director, 1-517-617-4629.



2026 MSA State Fall Campout

Sept 11-13

St Louis Church of God Campground

**8489 North Bagley Rd
St Louis MI 48880
989-681-2581**

Pre-registration (nonrefundable)\$25.00
Make checks payable to:
Michigan State Assn/FCRV and mail with
registration form to:

James & Kelly Carey
635 Atlantic St
Milford MI 48381
(248) 240-21201
rubonsrule@yahoo.com

How Many Attending:

Retiree Rally _____

MSA Fall _____

Highlights of this year's events are:
Bingo with Samie-Jo & Brian

Saturday Breakfast Potluck
(bring a dish to pass)

Saturday Night Potluck
(BBQ Provided)
Soup, salad & dessert needed

Family Games

D.A.S.A.T. & C.A.M.P. programs

Praise Gang Puppeteers Church
Service

Lots of fun and fellowship

Camping Fees will be paid at the Campground office

Retiree Rally Early Arrival Sept 7, Rally Sept 8 - 11, 2026

Mailed Registration Deadline: Aug 29, 2026

Name: _____	Amount enclosed: _____
Address: _____	Phone: _____
City: _____	State: _____ Zip: _____
Type of Unit: _____	Length: _____ # of slides _____
# in family: Adults _____	Teens _____ DBL Digits _____ Youth _____ Pets _____
_____ Handicapped parking (with permit Chapter: _____)	
Special Needs (please be specific) _____	
Email: _____	Snail mail: yes _____ No _____

**FAMILY CAMPERS & RVers 2027 CAMPVENTION****"Dreams Begin"****July 11-17, 2027****Calhoun County Fairgrounds**

720 Fair St, Marshall, MI 49068

**REGISTRATION:**

Welcome to Campvention 2027. Everyone must complete a registration form, including second families and camp day passes. Submit payment with the completed form. All funds shall be in US currency, including checks and money orders. There will be room for you if you decide to come at the last minute. Simply bring this registration form with you.

****Refund policy:** If you are unable to attend, all except \$25 will be refunded AFTER the conclusion of 2027 Campvention.

Registration deadline May 15th - Pay before December 31, 2026, to receive a \$30.00 discount (\$395.00).

	<u>Registration</u>	<u>At Gate</u>
One Family in the Unit	\$425.00	\$450.00
Extra Family in the Unit (separate pay)	\$205.00	\$225.00
Week Drive-in Day Pass (July 11 - 17)	\$205.00	\$225.00
Drive-in Day Pass (per day)	\$40.00	\$50.00

Early Bird Days: July 8-10 @ \$35/night (pay upon arrival – cash/check)

Is this your first Campvention?: _____ Are you an FCRV Member?: _____ Member #: _____

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Spouse/Guest: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State/Province: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN YOUR UNIT:

Adults: _____ Teens: _____ Youth: 9 – 12 _____ Youth: 5 – 8 _____ Total number of people in Unit: _____

****Please list the names and ages of all youth and teens on the back of this form.**

CAMPVENTION PARKING: (There will be no special needs sites available at the gate.)

Check if you are requesting a special needs site: _____ (Valid Handicap parking proof must be presented upon arrival.)

Please note the LENGTH of camping rig behind type:

Motorhome _____ 5th Wheel _____ Travel Trailer _____ Pop-Up _____ Number of slide outs _____

Electricity: 30 amp _____ 50 amp _____ (50 amp is limited. Handicap first. Then first come, first served.)

****Bring extension cords. Water available. Bring hoses and Y connectors.**

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION: Thursday 7/8 _____ Friday 7/9 _____ Saturday 7/10 _____

CAMPVENTION HELP: Would you like to help with event(s)? Staff will follow up with a contact if yes: Yes _____ No _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: FCRV Campvention 2027

Mail checks and completed forms to:

FCRV Campvention 2027

635 Atlantic St.

Milford, MI 48381

For inquiries please call Marci at 313-590-3092

or Linda at 248-797-5030

Confirmations will be sent via Email.

Please allow a month for processing.