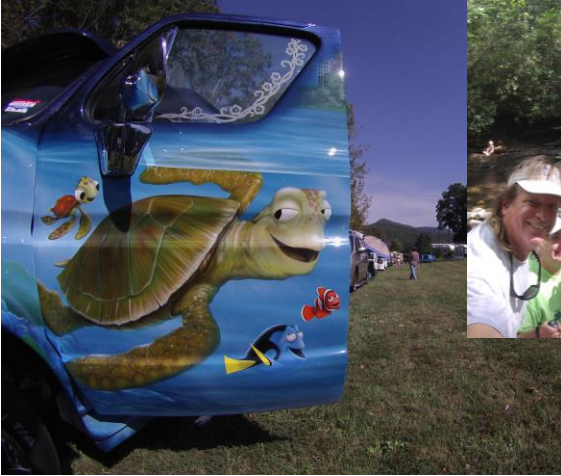


FVC Newsletter



November 2017

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Next FVC meeting/ eVANT

Date: November 11th, 2017

Time: After the Van Show – mid afternoon

Cost: Walk in Gate Fee is \$10 park outside – Camping is Seperate

Event: Carlisle Vanarama – Goto Vanarama area for show and/ or
Camping - **See Map** -

Place: Sun 'n Fun

Lakeland Linder Airport KLAL
4175 Medulla Road
Lakeland, FL 33811
863-644-2431



Schedule:

After the Van Show - Meeting begins

Officers to Meeting Area (New Business sheet is displayed)

1. Minutes of last meeting
2. Roll call and Roster update
3. Treasurer's report
4. Newsletter report
5. Van-in updates
6. Van-in proposals
7. Old Business
8. New Business – Open Discussion
9. Vote for 2018 officers
10. 50/50 Raffle

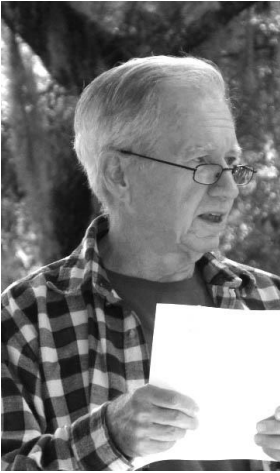
Next Meeting Jan. 20th, 2018
Vanners in the Forest Pig Roast

---Next Newsletter Deadline Dec.10th, 2017---

On the Cover: Wick @ GSVR Van Show
& a side tour with the Six Pack GPS

HANDICAP PARKING

FLORIDA VAN COUNCIL



Minutes of the September 2, 2017 meeting at Ross Prairie Campground near Dunnellon are as follows:

SpookyTooth called the meeting to order.

Minutes of the June 17, 2017 meeting were read and approved with 1 correction. Mention was made that this campground is a little southwest of Lake City. That should have said this campground is a little southwest of Ocala.

There were 11 clubs present and ONE Excused Absences (out of 13 active clubs total) during roll call.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Leslie gave the Treasurer's report.

NEWSLETTER REPORT:

Gnarly gave the newsletter report. Deadline for inputs to the next newsletter is October 8, 2017. That date was selected to be sure those who have inputs from GSVR XIII will have time to get their articles in for the November issue.

MEETING DATES for remainder of 2017:

November 11 FVC meeting in conjunction with Carlisle Auto Show at Sun 'n Fun - Lakeland

VAN-IN UPDATES:

GSVR XIII September 29 - October 1, 2017 - "GSVR XIII" - Hosted by the Southeast Van Council (SEVC) – Catfish said that everything is on schedule. Penny noted that they will have Friday night Soup and Grilled Cheese, Raffle Table and Hot Wheel Races. Saturday Show & Shine, Kids games, BBQ Pulled Pork Dinner cooked onsite. Bring a pot luck side dish. Live entertainment on Saturday night. Penny said they will have T-shirts available at the event.

Florida Van Council October 27 - 29, 2017 - "Back to 1987" We have 13 pre-reg so far. Spookytooth called Brenda and everything is on schedule.

Carlisle Events November 9 - 12, 2017 – Sun 'n Fun, Lakeland, FL at the Lakeland - Linder regional airport. Spookytooth called Lew, who said camping is available for Friday and Saturday. \$119 for full hookups; \$46 for dry camping. Leslie checked the Carlisle website and the site said it was too late to pre-register for any camping at the event.

Museum of Vanning December 8 - 10, 2017 - 2nd annual Christmas Party and Fund Raiser to benefit the Museum of Vanning, Joe Madonia invited everyone to visit the museum and noted that this event is a fundraising event for the museum. All donations are tax deductible, as the museum is a 501 (c) 3 corporation. Joe noted that everyone should check the information on the flier. There will be a 3-piece tropical band for entertainment.

New Years Eve December 29, 2017 to January 1, 2018 - Rick noted that there will be the usual New Years Eve event at the Chester Ranch in Morriston. Friday - Soup. Saturday - Pot Luck. \$10 per head.

Vanners in the Forest IV January 19 - 21, 2018. Leslie noted that the campground has already been paid for, so the dates are secured, but we haven't had an officer's meeting to decide prices, etc. Spookytooth said we should just go with this years prices.

Hi-Way Vanners April 6 - 8, 2018 - Together Again - Fishing Contest, Raffles, Hot Wheels Racing, Games, Scavenger Hunt, Van Show. All you can eat dinners for 2 nights. \$65 per van (2 people) \$80 at gate. Additional person \$20. Children \$10. Pre-reg deadline March 9, 2018

Fore Play Vanners May 4 - 6, 2018 - Cinco your Lips In the River - Ellie Ray's RV Resort, on the Santa Fe River in Branford. Two springs on the property and a beautiful pool. They hold a lot of biker events, so they should handle us just fine. The property has a good restaurant that serves breakfast, lunch and dinner. You can bring your boat, kayak, etc. There will be a van show. \$65 pre-reg. for van \$80 for camper. Pre-reg cutoff is April 1, 2018 Buy your groceries before you get there.

VAN-IN PROPOSALS:

Joe had fliers for the 46th National Truck-in® on July 28 - 29, 2018 at the Jasper County Fairgrounds in Rensselaer, IN.

A motion by Gnarly (seconded by Cari) that the FVC host our usual event at Sunshine Key was carried by a unanimous hand vote. The dates will be October 26 - 28, 2018.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS and OPEN DISCUSSION:

Steve Capps noted that he was getting married in a church wedding on May 12 at 11:00 AM. Contact him for details.

A number of guests and new members were introduced. Pete, Just Ed, and Jose Jr. are guests; Becca, Jose Sr. and BOO are new members.

Hi-Way Vanners noted that they have set up a tubing trip down the Rainbow River tomorrow. It will be a two hour trip.

Panda Mark started a conversation about the FVC events not having van shows. How do we promote vanning without van shows at our events? It was noted that we can't really have a van show at most of our events because of trophy expenses and most of our locations don't have public access. It's our private party. It was pretty much concluded that, while we want to have as many van shows as we can to attract new members, we would be better off showing as many of our vans as we can at existing car shows.

Gnarly noted that we are emphasizing the negative. We do have van shows at 2 of our upcoming events. The conclusion was that we should make a better effort to find out where and when these car/van shows are and post them on our Facebook page so we'll all have the information available and we can show our vans more. Leslie said that she will put the info on the FVC Facebook page. All you have to do is send her the info in a Private Message.

Everyone was reminded about the 2018 Council of Councils (CofC) meeting in New Orleans.

Cale noted that there was a golf event next Saturday at a St. Andrews style golf course. Let Cale know if you're interested.

Leslie thanked Deb, to a round of applause, for finding this campground for our Labor Day meeting.

There was a heated discussion regarding what age a vanner has to be to show his van. We have 2 vanners under 16 who actually own vans, but have to have someone else drive the van to a van show. A few members felt that you had to be at least 16 years old and drive your van to the show. Gnarly noted that we should be trying to attract younger vanners, not scare them off. Leslie noted that her son worked his ass off doing odd jobs to get money to fix up his van and he certainly deserved to show it, even if he's not old enough to have a driver license to drive it to the event.

The consensus was that younger vanners should definitely be able to show their vans, whether they are old enough to drive them to the event or not. It was noted that there is nothing in the FVC by-laws stating a minimum or maximum age requirement to be an FVC member. FVC members of all ages just have to follow the FVC rules.

The topic of kids being in their campsite after 10 PM came up. Some of the members felt that we need to enforce the requirement that kids (16 and under) be in their campsite by 10 PM at all FVC-sanctioned events. At this point, Fore Play requested sanctioning for their event in May of 2018. Sanctioning was granted by a hand vote of 11 FOR and 1 AGAINST. Leslie said that this should be left up to the host club. It was concluded that the host club should put kids curfew information on the event flier so there is no confusion on the matter. Scribe John noted that very few clubs even ask for sanctioning any more so it may be a moot point.

Secretary's added note: The members seemed to think that kids were defined as 16 and under. Resolution 28, dated November 16, 1996 in the FVC by-laws and resolutions is printed below and clearly states that "Kid is defined as 17 and under for all FVC-sanctioned events."

28. November 16, 1996: There will be a kid's curfew of 10:00 PM at FVC-sanctioned events. Curfew means that the kids are in their campsite. Kid is defined as 17 and under.

NOMINATION FOR FVC OFFICERS FOR 2018:

The following persons were nominated for FVC Officers for 2018:

<u>Office</u>	<u>Nominee</u>	<u>Nominator</u>	<u>Second</u>
President	Rich Qualters	Bullwinkle	Steve
President	Deb Killion	Leslie	Cari
Vice-President	Cari Patton	Leslie	Bullwinkle
Treasurer	Leslie Stanziani	Linard	Steve
Van Judge	Joe Van	Leslie	Cale
Newsletter Editor	Gnarly	Steve	Rick

Notes:

- 1. There will be one vote per paying member, not per family.
- 2. Nominations for officers re-opened at the November 11 meeting.
- 3. Scribe John is lifetime Secretary, so no nominations for that office

Cari made a motion to adjourn and the meeting was concluded.

Respectfully submitted,
Scribe John, Secretary

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15 Independents

FVC President

Labor Day Weekend 2017 was one of the best that our Vanning Family has seen in quite a while. I definitely see us using Ross Prairie Trailhead Campground again. Many thanks to Deb and Robert of Hi-Way Vanners; you promised and delivered a nice place. The tiki bar was a hit every night and having a band on Saturday night was very nice.



We also gained a few new members -- Boo's father, Jose, bought a van as did Jose Jr. and now Boo has his own family van club. We had a few visitors with Just Ed and wife, with an '83 cherry GMC. Also, Pete from St. Pete came out with his '96 Ford, they all showed a lot of interest in vanning.

We weren't able to make GSVR but I'm sure there were plenty of good times had by all.

Last, I can't be more grateful to Mook, Randy and all of the other officers for making a dream come true. Maggi and I will get to Jolly Rogers RV Resort and Campground on Wednesday, October 25th, and stay till Monday, the 30th. This is only half the time that we usually spend in the Keys, but it's better than what we were facing. And yes, the swimming pool will be open!

Thanks to all
Van Safe
Spooky Tooth

Another hurricane season, another Keys Truckin affected, moved, & otherwise redirected. I live in a resort town, where tourism reigns most important, similar to the keys, they need those tourist dollars rollin in to survive. I'm happy to redirect the tourist dollars I get and relocate the \$\$ down there, where its been even thinner than my town over the past couple of months. Just doin our part to pay it forward. Thank U Mook for allowing some FVC Vanners to help the Keys get back on their feet!



Gnarly; FVC Newsletter Editor - news@floridavancouncil.com

FVC Vice President



Hello FVC.

As I didn't get my article in time for the previous newsletter I need to get it going here. Special thanks to a couple of people for stepping up on their game. Deb Killion for an amazing year with not one, but two amazing campgrounds for our use. They certainly proved to be dynamite sites! Mook has come through with a wonderful save on our Keys trip. Sad to see our favorite place in such bad shape but this new place will prove to be a welcome to the stressful year I have had. I did finally get retired! LOL. Don't forget the election of officers at the Carlisle eVant. Nominations will be reopened before voting. The Vanners at the Museum is next in December, followed by New Years weekend at Chesters'. The year will be done before we know it. There are already eVANTs scheduled for 2018. There is the Pig Roast at River Forest in January. The Council of Councils in NOLA in February will have a good showing from Florida. Broward is doing their thing at Tom McCumber's property in White Springs, scheduled for March. Hi-WY Vanners is hosting again in April in Floral City. Wow! What a terrific line up! I hope to see you at at least one of these eVANTs. Take care and be nice. No one gets out alive. Cari

FVC Treasurer



I want to start out by saying thank you to all that attended the Labor Day event. We had an amazing long weekend (minus the motor blowing on the way there in Black Magic). I want to extend a huge thank you to Hi-way Vanners (esp. Deb and Robert). The event would not have been what it was without them. They went

above and beyond and found the location, the band, organized the tubing trip, and made the incredible tiki bar .

I heard all had a great time and a wonderful turnout at GSVR. Thank you all for supporting the vanners of SEVC.

A shout out and thank you also needs to go out to Mook. She worked extremely hard to find a place for everyone to get together since the Keys original location could not host our event.

I hope to see you all in Lakeland at the Carlisle event. We will have elections at the meeting. Make your voice heard as to what you, the council members want the FVC to be. If you are unable to attend, you can cast an absentee ballot with Scribe John.

Until we see each other again, take care and be safe out there.

Leslie

Hi All!!

I hope everybody survived hurricane Irma. We had lots of water in the back yard and a tree on the house. Luckily I had strapped my three palms together with my orange straps and it slowed the fall.



The only damage it did was to dent the flashing a little. So now that tree is gone, the other two met the same fate. We won't have that problem anymore. We are still waiting on the trash pickup as of 10/13/17. We were lucky our electric was only off for 8 hours on Saturday. They must have felt sorry for us since Wilma. We were out for 10 days that time. I saw a picture of Thumper's van on Facebook and it didn't look good. I see the van kept the tree off his house!

The last Van-in in Dunnellon was nice. Having the place all to ourselves was nice. The band was great with lots of southern rock and a tiki bar with lots of choice's. I loved the key lime pudding!! Great job Highway vanners! I left on Sunday to go see Pam's sister and bro-in-law that just retired there. That was the first time we saw there new home.

On way home, about thirty miles from home. Lew's trailer had a blow out on the driver's side and it ripped the fender off. Oh boy, the joy of changing a tire on I-95 after a long weekend. Word of advice, when changing a tire on the road, face the traffic. That way when somebody wanders off the road you can try and get out of the way. If you see somebody changing a tire, try and get over. Pam was in the van praying the whole time.

Broward is having our get together at Sidewinders again. We have a date set for March 16-18 2018. More details to come but the price will be the same. So mark your calendar.

The key's is up next. We will be at a different campground. A little bit more money but not much. It will be strange to not be at Sunshine Key, but we will make the best of it I am sure. So be safe and see you soon.

Linard

End of Summer
Car n Truck show

at the
Clearwater
Quaker Steak n Lube

-RV





Our thoughts and prayers continue to be with everyone effected by this summers fires/hurricanes and hot temperatures. What a long strange trip it's been. Miagi made the Nats and tell us they had a great time.

We continue to take any opportunity to add to our bank in support of Together Again and the Labor Day Tiki Bar did help tremendously. Thanks to everyone for your support of blue balls, red headed sluts and dirty girlscouts. A Hi-Way Vanners thank you to Leslie for all her time behind the bar keeping things running. We were happy to provide a moment of entertainment while loading for the Sunday River float, sure happy that the green van had no guts. We fit

22 Vanners in for the 20 minute ride to the property to begin. Perfect day for a float after the weekend began with a cooling overcast the first day. The weather broke clear just in time for Highway Starz to set up for a great night of music and fun Saturday night. Thanks to drummer Richie for making our event just 5 days after a stint was put into his chest!

On to Cherokee NC.... GSVR/SEVC and the beautiful Smokey Mountains did not disappoint. If you haven't made that run, it's one of the most welcoming van-ins of the year. From Joni (the property manager) to everyone that kept things on track, another great E-Vant! Thank you all. We hated to have the Keys cancel, so much destruction from Irma made that decision for us, Robert and I are not sure what to do with our time off and will probably crash JoeVan & C for the weekend.

On a serious note, thank you to everyone who supports my nomination as FVC president. I have had many of you take the time to speak with me about ideas for the direction they hope the Council takes in the future. If elected, I want to hear from you all, the Council is here to serve Vanners. If you can't attend elections, vote by proxy via John Cunningham. Well, that's a wrap...until next time. Remember, if you ain't Vanners, you ain't shit!

Luv ya, DragonLady Deb

Florida van council's featured van

Andrew Boo Amaya's - 1987 G20



Boo's van is the first vehicle he ever owned. It was given to him by his father when he turned 18. He has owned it for about 9 years now and is waiting to find the perfect name for it.

The van sports a custom grille, after market wheels and deluxe side marker lights. It really brings the van to the next level. The original fuel injected 305 has been replaced with a fresh built carbureted 350 engine. Boo and his dad have put suspension air bags in the rear, replaced the doors and are working towards paint and a interior renovation.



Boo may be new to the vanning world but has a true love and passion for his van and all others. This van is one to keep an eye on as he continues his work on it.



Labor Day weekend meeting 2017





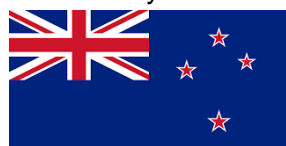


Hello vanners,

I just wish to send my kind wishes to vanners of Florida, older members will remember me of my time with them either on the road in vans or staying with them in their homes in '97 after my attendance at the 25th Truckin' nationals in La Plata, Maryland.

Hello to Ice Man, Cale Capps, Lou and Agnes Skoko and know I'm now back online, on a new computer system of 21st technology, have a lady to be together 9 years in my small home in Palmerston North, New Zealand, Sue my gal is now in a wheel chair from a accident, shit happens in paradise as of myself now only have one eye, we are a great couple and I still own my van, a '76 Bedford CF – a English van of long wheel base of 16 feet long, 6 foot 6 wide called Andromeda and nowadays just a vanner of Vandits of NZ of which I believe there is Vandits of America.

I will sign off for now and hope to read a email from you and is it possible for you to forward me any new emails of the vanners mentioned in my email.



Happy vanning,
Guy Partridge of New Zealand.



A Skokoberry Summer

This summer has flown by. It seems just yesterday that we left Florida. It seemed strange to begin our vacation without the Beverly Beach event. Now, we have attended 15 events in 17 weeks. The first of those free weekends we spent at Smitty's and Brenda's house,

Nancy came over. So that sorta was another vanning event.

5/12 Since Beverly Beach was canceled due to storm damage to campground. We began our trip at Spring Back. It was so nice to see our northern friends. Ma and Dave, were the first to arrive. Ken and Karen arrived soon after us. By time SOVC arrived we had their area half full. We parked with SOVC at most of the events. Roger was able to come while DeeJay was still recouping in a rehab center. We were happy Redneck and Desperado were able to stop by with Sussie and Shiela for the day. Fish and Fritter, Nancy, Gloria, Woodstock, Big Jim, Smitty and Brenda from SOVC all were there. We had a nice relaxing week-end visiting with friends we hadn't seen all winter. Thursday night, we went out to the local Mexican restaurant. They had all the usual fixins plus 2 for one Margaritas. The hosts treated us to dinner Saturday night. Lew and I froze every night. The weather was only tolerable because the band was indoors.

5/18 At Spring Fever, we arrived before the host. Poor Donnie and Becky got put to work before they even got to park their Van. Fish, Smitty and Brenda joined us. Boobra came over Saturday early morning and spent the night with us. Sixpack spent some time fishing. He released all he caught back into the pond. Friday, Captain Geech and the Shrimp Shack Shooters played. Brenda and I went up close to dance to the music. It was nice to see Boobra again.

5/26 Memorial Day found us at Mid Wests event at Jasper County Fairgrounds in Rensselaer, IN. Ma and Dave were there with Karen and Ken Friday SOVC joined us and the Party continued. Judith, Coop, Nancy, Randy and Rhonda also parked with us. We had a shared bar Sovc and FVC we served Pink Panty Pull Downs.

6/2 Fast Times at Cortland High was a good time we partied with twins Larry and Gary, and Henry. Ma and Dave was across the street. Everyone was decked out for Prom Saturday night.

6/9 Next, was the SOVC meeting held at their meeting room at Fishes house. Unfortunately, it was canceled due to so many deaths that week. We went to Big Jim's funeral. Nancy spent the night with us at Fishes. Beth and Don make great hosts.

6/16 On our way to CBS, we stopped at the football hall of Fame. At CBS Roger brought biscuits and gravy. His tasted like DeeJay's delicious. The band played the Cow Bells song, ask Lew to see the video. Sporty said he could fix the dent in our camper from The Cortland High event when an untied tarp flew into the camper and really dented the camper corner. Sixpack was sick.

6/23 Vans Across America was the first of 3 eVANTs at Mansfield Fair grounds. Lew spent one day with Sporty fixing the dent. Thank-you so much Sporty. Thursday, we went to Ninja a Japanese Steak house with Amy, Troy, Ron and Karen. SOVC parked with us. We just happened to park in their usual spot. Glad Beth was able to spend the week-end with us. Glenda and JR, Ken and Carla, Jim and Janice, Dave and Ma were there. Dave was still recovering from being in the hospital with pneumonia. The kids made van models from a shoe box. Good Job! The Host served dinner Thursday. Amy (from Knightmare) was everywhere including helping Gordo make grilled cheese sandwiches at midnight.

6/30 We had a great time at John and Linda's Forth of July party. Theme was Back on the Farm. Linda raises chickens and a pig, which lent authenticity to the eVANT. Vanners and family all had a good time. Lots of food, games, and things to do.

7/12 FVC and SOVC squeezed into what seemed to be a large area when we tried to save it. It was nice to see friends from home. Mook and Randy, Spookeytooth & Maggy, Bullwinkle and Louri,

Cale and Rebecca, Gene and Edith, Oop and Jo, Dano, Panda, RV, from FL. Panda sponsored a safety meeting. Fish from SOVC also sponsored one. Smitty brought the club bar/trailer. Roger brought DeeJay. Tommy Trucker manned the largest blender you ever saw. Nancy, Woodstock, Gloria, Donna, Billy, Goofy, Mary, John, Linda, Timlin family, Ma, Dave, Amy, and Matt I could go on and on all parked around us and partied all week. Redneck came up for the day. It was so good to see him again.

7/18 After Nats we went to Brenda & Smitty's house, followed them to the El Dora speed way, where I got my picture taken with Kenny Wallace. After that he ran the other way any time he saw us. The dirt track race was fun and something different. Next week-end Nancy came to visit and we all enjoyed a laid back week-end. The following week-end we were still at Smitty's, so we went to the Celina Fair, where the amphibian cars were the hit.

8/4 Next we went to Back at the Track, a primitive eVANT. Ask to see Lew's video of his trip down the track. He'll tell you the story how he got permission to do that.

8/11 found us at CITA. We had a beautiful spot next to a small pond and in the middle of a group of trees. It was nice to park next to the Illinois bunch. Darrin and Rita could only stay for a day. They are in the process of building a house in Florida and have been flying back and forth taking care of all the paperwork, not to mention getting their current house ready to sell. Beeper, Jerry, Lala, Farmer, Shelly, most of the SOVC gang were all there. We had a great time with friends we hadn't seen since Spring Fever. They had a beer and bar truck which was open every night, at the band. A good time was had by all.

8/18 back to Mansfield for Nightmare. We parked in our usual spot under the tree. The Nightmare gang out did themselves with games, music (bands), and entertainment. We ate at our favorite restaurant a Japanese Steak House with Amy's parents and a few other vanners.

9/1 Buttler and Van Like an Egyptian, although I thought Van like an Eskimo was more like it. They had some new games. They have some crazy or uniquely talented people creating these games up there. The club from Niagara area had a Sunday Happy Hour complete with snack bar. While we had a great time we were trying not to think about when we would see these guys again.

I have such mixed feelings: on one hand I hate to say good -by to all our Northern friends. We've met so many new friends and enjoyed old ones. However, I'm looking forward to seeing my kids, grandchildren and friends in Florida. I try to console myself with the hope that I will see a lot of them at GSVR and Council.

Agnes & Lew

Thanks to all the Florida Vanners and those from other states like MO, IL, OH, NY, VA, PA, IN, NC, TN, SC and GA for making the Great Southern Van Run a record success with 58 Vans in attendance ! Also to those signing up as Independent Members of the SEVC; along with 6 Clubs to support the continued success of GSVR XIV (#14) next September 28-30, 2018.

Jim Bulger / Blue Lemon
Treasurer, SouthEast Van Council



Ray, Carol and I had a great time on our Alaska trip. I drove 17,108 miles from the time I left in May till I got back.

I attended 10 truck-ins along the way. Added 10 National parks to my list (only 14 to go) of parks visited.

Got to drive a dog sled, hiked many glaciers. Spotted Elke, Mountain Goats, Grizzly and



Black bears, Dahl Sheep, Cariboo, Woods and Plains Bison. Visited numerous waterfalls and climbed some mountain. Now it's time to go back to work. Have to stash enough money for next year. I haven't decided on the adventure but there is plenty of time.

I was really happy to see so many of you at GSVR, I've missed my FL vanning family. Not sure if I'm going make the Key this year. I have to go back to work to pay for the new refrigerator I had to buy when I got back. See you all in Lakeland.

Vanning Around the World

Please send all flyers: Judith Pilon 817 Wildabon Ave. Lake Wales, FL or e-mail.

Judpilon@aol.com or 407-484-2234

November

3-5	CA	Dazed and Confused by Wheels of Confusion Vans at La Laguna Campground Lake Elsinore CA Pot luck Saturday night, limited Electricity, and t-shirts pre-reg by 10/25 \$45. plus a 6 pak at gate for 2 adults and kids under 16 Extra adults \$10 each gate \$60 and a 6 pk at gate. T-shirts \$15. send to Wheels of Confusion 5phil Jones PO Box 10691 Santa Ana CA 92711 info call Sluggo 714-576-1884
4	MA	24th Halloween Party by Getaway Truckers van club at Riverside Sportsmen Asso. Riverside RI. Motel 6 821 Fall River Ave Seekonk, MA 508-336-780? Live Band, Costume contest, Giveaways, Buffet, trophies Pre-reg \$12. before 10/1 at door \$15. for more info call Dave 508-826-2272, Boat 401-219-0811
11	FL	FVC meeting at the Carlisle Auto Fest Sun n Fun grounds Lakeland, FL Lakeland - Linder regional airport. This event will have the FVC meeting on Saturday, November 11 around 3:30 or 4:00 PM. Lew said it will be the same as last year.
17-19	ME	Dead Bird Day hosted by Astro & the Aussie, the Dave Cave, Hatch's Corner ME
24-25	MA	Fill the Van with Toys Thanksgiving weekend location be determined call Pete 508-673-6116

December

2	RI	Truck-in for Tots by New England Van Council and Marines Toys for Tots. 10 am - 4 PM West Warwick Elks Lodge 60 Clyde St West Warwick RI admission one new toy per adult or cash donation info call Boat 401-219-0811
2	MO	41st Annual Christmas Party by Three Trails Vans at Pleasant Valley Community Center, Pleasant Valley, MO exit I 35 exit 14 at the stop light turn right, go in front of the quick trip and at the top of the hill at the Fire Station turn right best decorated table, snacks, and set ups provided by Tree Trails Vans BYOB \$10 per person and a \$5. toy or \$15 per person without a toy. Music provided by Noone's Tunes. nearby hotels are Fairfield In 816-792-400 8101 N. Church Rd., Comfort Suites 816-781-7273 8200 N Church Rd. all are on rt 152 straight up the West outer road from the party
29-1/1/18	FL	The Chester's New Years Eve Party at the Chester Ranch, 12251 S.E. 66th Place, Morriston, FL 32668 Cost \$10.00 per person. From I-75 take Rt 40 west to Rt 41 north for 5 miles to 80th Street west to Rt 121 south to CR 337 north to 120 CT east to 66 PL south. The house is on the left. From US 19 N turn right on to RT 121 and left on CR 337 to 120 Ct east to 66 PI right. Bring a covered dish and what you are drinking for New Years. \$10. donation

January 19 - 21, 2018

Florida Van Council

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Vanners in the Forest IV

River Forest Group Camping Site, Deland, FL

Kids 16 and under need to be in their campsite after 10 PM



Gate Opens At 3:00 PM Friday

Pre-Reg **\$45** before Jan. 10, 2018. **\$55** at gate.

2 Adults, Kids under 16 free. Additional adults **\$5** ea. -

Info: Leslie (386) 697-6388

Friday Night: Chili Cook-off or Soup

Saturday Evening: Pig Roast/Covered Dish We provide the meat.

GPS Info. (Latitude, Longitude)

29.01287, -81.39076
29°0'46"N, 81°23'27"W

Map link to Campground Entrance

45700 RIVER FOREST BLVD Deland, FL 32720

Directions: From Deland, Florida, drive West on State Route 44 to the first intersection after crossing the St. Johns River. Turn Right on County Road 42, and the entrance to the campground is on the right.

Make checks payable to the FLORIDA VAN COUNCIL c/o Leslie Stanziani 4895 SW Pinemount Rd. Lake City, FL 32024

e-mail lstanziani@gmail.com

Name _____ e-mail _____
Phone _____ Cell _____ Total amount enclosed \$ _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____
Club Affiliation _____ No. of Adults _____ Children _____

I hereby release Florida Van Council and its members from any and all responsibility for injuries, theft or damages which might occur to me, my family, attending guests, vehicles and property. I will be responsible for persons entering with me. Anyone under the age of 18 must have a parent or legal guardian sign this release. Florida Van Council reserves the right to refuse entry to this event.

Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature if under 18 _____

2018

January

19-21	FL	Vanners in the Forest IV - Florida Van Council - River Forest Group Camping area - 45700 River Forest Blvd. Deland, FL 32720 - Ocala National Forest (near Deland) - Pre-Reg cutoff is January 10, 2018 Pre-reg \$45 Gate \$55 for 2 Adults - Additional adults \$5 each - Kids under 16 Free - <u>Friday night</u> : Chili Cook-off or soup - <u>Saturday evening</u> : Pig Roast/Covered Dish - We provide the meat. Kids 16 and under need to be in their campsite after 10 PM - Gate opens at 3:00 PM on Friday - Info: Leslie (386) 697-6388 Click Here for Flier
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February

10-18	FL	Carnival Sunshine cruise. Leaves from Port Canaveral FL and going to the Southern Caribbean which includes the port of Aruba, Curacao, and Grand Turk, Contact Eddie Smith
22-25	LA	Council of Councils 2018 Voodoo on the Bayou 2 - Romp in the Swamp - Vintage Chevy Van Council - New Orleans, LA - Vintage Chevy Van Council on Facebook CofC 2018 on Facebook

March

9-10	IL	44th annual Ground hog Party at Magnuson Grand Hotel 19067 W. Frontage Rd. Raymond, IL make hotel reservations Call 217-324-2100 rooms \$74.50 plus tax. (\$15. per night extra for pets) includes free breakfast. Weekend party price is \$25. per person with free Beer and live music, 8-12 in the main party room. DJ Saturday.(Sat only is \$15 per person Saturday 5th Annual Buss Ride to Fast Eddies Bonaire & the Grafton Winery. Free Beer and Cocktails on the bus. pre-entry required buss is \$20. send to Vanatics Ground hog party PO box 192 Auburn, IL 62615 call Darrin 217-652-
16-18	FL	Laid Back Weekend. Primitive at Sidewinders by Broward Chapter. Target shooting, bonfire, pot luck etc. \$15 per van pre-reg or at gate Make checks payable to: Earl Morris Mail to: Linard Morris; 12931 SW 10th Court; Davie, FL 33325 From I-75 exit SR136, Right on US 41 past Steven Foster Memorial; at flashing light turn right on SR137, cross railroad tracks take first right on 157 Ave.; follow around to the big log home. Info: directions – Sidewinder 386-397-1616 eVANT – Linard H. 954-472-0461 M. 754-224-8292

April

6-8	FL	Together Again - Hi-Way Vanners - A Primitive Event - 8888 Gobbler Dr. - Floral City, FL - A weekend of camping on a private lake with canoes, campfires and family style fun. - Fishing Contest, raffles, hot wheels racing, 50/50, games, midnight grill, music, scavenger hunt, pancake social, van show - Pre-reg by March 9, 2018 \$65 per van (2 people) All you can eat dinners for 2 nights, included. Gate \$85 - Additional person \$20 - Children \$10 - Click Here for Flier
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TOGETHER AGAIN

April 6 - 8, 2018

HI - WAY VANNERS

A Primitive Event

8888 Gobbler Dr

Floral City Fla.

Join us for a weekend of camping on a private lake with canoes, campfires and family style fun. Bath houses and toilets on site, bunk houses available for the kids.

FISHING CONTEST (catch & release) RAFFLES
HOT WHEELS RACING 50/50 DRAWING GAMES
MIDNIGHT GRILL MUSIC SCAVENGER HUNT
PANCAKE SOCIAL w/ biscuits & gravy (\$2 all u can eat)
VAN SHOW

**PRE REG \$65 per van
(2 people)**

**All you Can Eat Dinners
for 2 Nights included**

**Gate \$80 additional
person \$20 children \$10**

**PRE REG DEADLINE
March 9, 2018**

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____

Zip _____ Phone _____ email _____

Club _____ Signature _____

I release Hi-Way Vanners, its members and Good Council Camp from and all responsibility for injuries, theft or damages which might occur to me, my family, guests, vehicles and property. I will be responsible for persons entering with me. Anyone under the age of 18 must have a parent or legal guardian sign this release. Hi- Way Vanners reserves the right to refuse entry to this event.

Return signed reservation and checks payable to:
Robert Killion 6328 Candlewood Dr. Wesley Chapel Fla 33544

5-8	NV	The Cove #13 a Free Campout. 50/50 raffle, meet vanners, camp by the water. goodie bags, games. Dash Plaques etc. Directions RT 163 between Christmas Tree Pass and the Needles Highway west of Laughlin in the Lake Mead Recreation Area. (there is a stop sign coming out of the turn off) The road is very bumpy but suitable for large motor homes and vans GPS N35 13.992 W 114 35.637 Call Bill-O 928-201-2001 or Michelle 702-885-6139
27-29	IN	Blue Grass Vanners in Friendship IN. more to come as available
May		
4-6	FL	Cinco your Lips In the River - Fore Play Vanners - Ellie Ray's RV Resort - 3349 Northwest 110th St. - Branford, FL 32008 - Snorkeling spring on site as well as a Beautiful Pool, Bar / Restaraunt - Breakfast / Lunch / Dinner - Canoe rentals - Much more - Van Show & Live Music - \$65 pre-reg. by April 1st, 2017. - Additional Cost at the Gate - Additional Cost for Sleep in Trailers or RV's - More info: Gnarly 727-235-1260 cptgnarly@gmail.com OR Shogun 386-804-1063 shocap@aol.com Click Here for Flier
11-13	OH	Spring Back Spring Back Van-in theme is Zombie Apocalypses At the fairgrounds Mt. Vernon OH. at Knox CO Fairgrounds, 129 Fairgrounds Rd., Mt. Vernon Oh. Dinner on Saturday night. Live music Show and Shine, games, Saturday night dinner etc pre-reg \$30. by 5/1 at get \$40. trailers \$15. extras people over 2 vanners in van \$10. each Thursday arrival extra \$10. Dash Plaques, van show, Games, Live music Patches, t-shirts , food vendor Vans on the Run PO Box 247614 Columbus, OH 43224 call 614-271-0563
18-20	MO	Spring Fever #41Wasted away in Vantasiaville New location Shoemaker's RV Park, Bevier, MO Celebrate 41 years of Spring Fever. Grounds has a swimming beach water slide paddle boats plenty of showers and 30 and 50 amp electric restaurant and store. Vans only pre-entry van and 2 adults 2 night pre-entry \$50/ 3 night \$60. gate 2 nights \$60. 3 nights \$70. extra nights \$15. extra nights \$15. trailers \$10. extra people over 18 \$10. pre reg by 4/10 send to Vantasia Vans 8649 North Hull, Kansas City MO 64154 contact Don Noone at DNOONER@aol.com 913-486-8866. or Patti at Vanrpati@gmail.com check our the grounds at www.shoemakersrv.com 955 Macon St Bevier, MO on site Water slide, paddle boats, restaurant, and store, near by attractions Walt Disney's home town and museum, JC Penny's and Mark Twain's , General Pershing's boyhood homes and museum.
25-28	IN	42nd Midwest International Truck-in Tail Gate Party in it's new location Jasper County Fairgrounds Rensselaer, IN Hot showers and plenty of restrooms. for more info go to www.midwestvansltd.com or contact Game at 219-405-5994 mvlgame@comcast.net or mvlodge1@gmail.com pre-reg by 5/9 pre-reg \$45. Gate \$60. van and 2 adults. If you arrive on Thursday \$20., trailers \$20. extra people send to Sherman Simmons 708-536-8291 c/o Midwest Vans Ltd. 245 Heritage Dr. Dyer, IN 46311 pub crawl on Sunday, Show-n-shine, Bright -n-shine, Raffles, VanKana, Game, Food and Ice, Bright-n-shine, bands ADA Accessible Indiana does not sell alcohol on Sundays.



Fore Play Vanners

Presents

Cinco your Lips In the River



May 4-6, 2018



Ellie Ray's on the Santa Fe River

3349 Northwest 110th St. - Branford, FL 32008

www.ellierraysrvresort.com

Pre-Reg by April 1st, 2017

Pre- Reg is \$65

Additional Cost at the Gate if not Pre-Reg'd

Additional Cost for Sleep in Trailers or RV's

Checks payable to:

Randy Fleming
3932 Poinsettia Dr
St Pete Beach, FL 33706

More information contact:

Gnarly 727-2351260 cptgnarly@gmail.com OR Shogun 386-8041063 shocap@aol.com

Snorkeling spring on site as well as a Beautiful Pool, Bar/ Restaraunt Breakfast/ Lunch/ Dinner - Canoe rentals - Much more

Van Show & Live Music

I release Fore Play Vanners, its members, and Ellie Ray's RV Resort from any and all responsibility for injuries, theft or damages which may occur tome, my family, attending guests, vehicles and property.

I will be Responsible for persons entering with me. Anyone under the Age of 18 must have a parent or legal guardian sign this release. Fore Play Vanners reserves the right to refuse entry.

Signature _____ Date _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City/ State _____ Zip _____

e-mail address _____

25-28	NY	Memorial Day Weekend "Hosted by Concerned Vanners" at Washington County Fairgrounds, 392 Old Schuyerville RD Greenwich, NY gates open noon on Friday Pre-reg b y 5/1 \$40. van and 2 people extra people over 16 \$10 Gate \$45. trailers under 16 ft. \$15. over \$25. early arrivals \$5. per day motor homes and van pre-reg \$65. gate \$70 motor homes alone per reg \$55. gate \$60. call Lucy 518-891-3093 or Frank 203-732-2179 mail to Lost Memorial Day Weekend C/O Lucy McCasland PO Box 893 Saranac Lake, NY 12983
June		
1-3	OH	Buckeyes Van Association Presents Up in Smoke at Trumbull County Fairgrounds 899 Everett Hull Rd. Courtland OH Pre-reg van and 2 adults \$35. gate \$40. trailers \$25. Extra people \$10. vendors \$100.send to Buckeye Van Asso. c/o Cherie Smith 956 Andrew Ave, Salem, OH 44460 info Cherie 330-332-1906
8-10	ONT/CA	Van-fest21. Canada's Largest Van and Truck show or e-mail vanfest@hotmail.com , from the west on 401 take Wellington Rd to Hwy 3 St. Thomas to Springwater Rd. to the Conservation Rd. From the East 401 to Hwy 73 thought Aylmer to Conservation Rd. address is 8079 Springwater Road Aylmer, ON GPS Cords are N 42 45.019 W 81 01.685 details to come
15-17	OH	CBS Vans Vanner Circus. Mudstock OH. pre-reg \$30. gate \$35. extra vanners over 2 \$10. no electric or water.Electric for medical reasons provided make check to Jamie Thornburg 44816 CR 23 Coshocton OH
July		
25-29	IN	the 46th Van Nationals (the Mother Load) Jasper County Fairgrounds 2671 W. Clark St. Rensselaer, IN Worlds Largest Van Happening, Show N' Shine on Saturday, Rock N' Roll, Goodie Bag's, Dash Plaques Lots of Vendors and great Vans (the Whole Works) General Admission (van and 2 people) Pre-entry \$55. Gate \$70. Camper trailers pre-entry \$20. gate \$35. Extra People \$20. Friday - Sunday only \$45. Pre event Camping Van \$30 trailers \$20. Mail pre-reg to National Truck-in Board 308 Lilac Lane LasVegas, NV 89107 for more info visit www.Nationaltruckin.com or call 502-822-NATS <u>Gates will not open until 7/25 do not come early the Fair will still be going on and there is no place to line up)</u>
August		
16-19	CA	Wild in the Woods #15 by Sunshine Super Vans at Wooded Hill Group-CA Directions from North I-5 take 805 or 15 south take I 8 E exit S1 (Sunrise Highway turn Left at Morris Ranch/wooded Hills look for the pink right turn bsewardaz@gmail.com 928-201-2001 or Michelle Lilsis74@sbcglobal.net 702-885-6139 PRE-REG ONLY \$40 for van and 2 adults and kids. Space is limited please let us know if your going to participate Mail to Bill-o 3440 Sunbonnet Dr. Bullhead City AZ 86429
8/31-9/3	PA	Return to Butler by Three Rivers Vans @Butler County Fairgrounds located on RT 422.1127 New Castle Rd. Prospect, PA. Van and 2 people Pre-reg by August 10th, \$50. Gate \$55. Camping trailers \$25. extra people in van (over 15 years old)\$25. Send to Three Rivers Vans Inc. 303 Baker Dr. Aliquippa, PA 15001 call Carol at 724-375-6484 for more info

8/31-9/3	OR	Corn Cob Camp out #44.by Zephyr Vans and Truck Asso. at Schroeder Park in Grand Pass Oregon In spaces 3-17 Float trip, plenty of sweet corn. Pre-reg by August 20 \$60. US for van and 2 adults. \$70. gate. extra adults over 18. \$20. trailers \$20. RV's \$90. pre-reg \$100. at gate. Contact Lynn or Paula 510-352-2605 send to Zephyr @ 1651 Burkhart Ave San Leandro, CA 94579
September		
7/9	CO	H.A.V.E."S12 Annual Van-in Mardi Gras? Truck-in at Lake George Cabins & RV Park, 8966 County Rd. 90, Lake George, CO 80827 sponsored by the H.A.V.E.s & H.A.V.E N.O.T.S Restroom, showers, power, live Band, Shot Bar, Beer, games, Costume Party , horse shoes, raffles spit & shine, buff & bright. Vans and Panel's only. Pre-reg \$40. by 8-1 gate \$45/ van and 2 adults. club trailers \$10. sleeping trailers \$15. extra people \$10. for early arrivals and cabin rental call 719-748-3822 for info contact Beeper 720-434-3042 or Cindy-Lou 719-229-7242 Make checks to H.A.V.E.'s send to Lisa Castaneda 16455 E. Layton Ave. Aurora, CO 80015
13/16	PA	Keystone Madness by Performance Vans at Summit Station, PA pre-reg by 9/1 \$35.van and 2 adults, gate \$45. \$75. motor homes Gate \$80., extra people \$10. trailers \$20. Early arrivals welcome \$5. per night. send to Performance vans PO Box 1333 Pottstown, PA 19454 call mike 610-779-3677 t-shirts, show and shine food vendors, games, live music lite show. vans, panels and pick-ups welcome
21-23	OH	Last Chance #41 at New Philly OH. at Woods Tall Timbers Lake . 1921 Tall Timber Lake RD. van and 2 people gate \$40. Gate \$50 trailers \$20. extra people \$10. Cabin rentals available 330-602-4000 Mail to TIT PO Box 270 Bolivar, OH 44612
28-30	NC	GSVR XIV Cherokee, NC Hosted by Southeast Van Council. Friday night Soup & Sandwiches. Covered dish pot luck dinner Saturday night, Hot Wheels race, show & shine, 50/50's games, moonshine contest. Live music Saturday night by Moonshine Creek. Call Flaming Arrow Campground to make your reservations 828-497-6901 (local) or 877-497-6161 (toll free) 283 Flaming arrow Dr. Whittier, NC 28789 www.southeastvancouncil.com
October		
	FL	Back to 1987 by Florida Van Council at Sunshine Key Camping Resort US Highway 1 MM39 Florida Keys. Pets on a leash, costume contest dress like it's 1987 when we first came to Sunshine Key), quiet hour 10 pm games, Pre-reg required by 10/1 is required to get the vanners deal. We only have a block of campsites, When they are gone you will have to pay the regular campground rates. Van and 2 adults \$90. \$15. for extra persons over 18. \$120 for van and sleep-in trailer or motor home. If you drive a 1987 van (must have proof) we have a Blue Light special price is 1/2 price. That's right \$45. for the van. send to Florida Van Council C/O Leslie Stanziani 4895 S W Pinemount Rd. Lake City FL 32024 e-mail lstanzian@gmail.com Rates apply 3 days prior to and 3 days after truck-in. call the campground directly 305-872-2217 and ask for vanners rate. info Spooky Tooth 954-695-5786

Florida Van Council

Membership and newsletter application

Club – If you are not a member of a club write “independent”

Name

Address

City

State

Zip

Phone

Email

- All members may vote at meetings and hold an office.
 - If you renew your membership after December 31 it will be an additional \$1.00 (\$21)

Fees

\$20 (1 year Jan. – Dec.)

\$15 (1/2 year July 1 – Dec. 31)

- It is your responsibility to notify the FVC of any address or phone number changes or you may not receive your newsletter.

*** Please make all checks and money orders payable to:

Florida Van Council

and mail to:

FVC Treasurer:

Leslie Stanziani

4895 SW Pinemount Rd.

Lake City, FL 32024

Keep on Vanning. It doesn't get any better than this!