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Presidents Message:

Thinking positive, the remainder of 2021 should be without many

COVID-19 travel/event restrictions. USSVI has announced that the 2021 USSVI national Convention will be back at the Rosen Shingle Creek Hotel in Orlando, Florida from August 31 thru September 4th. The executive board received an email from Carl Griffin, USSVI Snug Harbor Base Commander and host base for the convention inquiring about any support that we, the SubvetRVers, would need at the 2021 convention. He notified me that they have already provided us with a meeting space on Friday September 3rd. 15:00 – 17:00 in the Suwannee 17 room for our Business and Membership meeting.

So with that in mind, let me know if you are planning on attending. SubvetRVers did not use the meeting room during the 2018 convention that was also held there. I will be there in attendance but I have a feeling that we will have the same response.

I am committed to attending the convention because I am attending the USS Gato SSN-615 reunion and coordinating the USS Remora's 75th Anniversary of her Commissioning reunion on November 4th in Kings Bay, GA.

Again I must reiterate that this is your club and for this club to survive you must get involved and participate. We conducted a Newsletter poll

to see if we could have only one newsletter for the remained of 2021. Of the 87 know active members only 21 voted in the poll. The majority of the votes called for continuing with the Quarterly Newsletter. We have lost 39 members and do not have accurate contact information for 28 others.

Post questions, suggestions, ideas, say something, etc. on our Google groups site. Get on the executive committee. Some input to the newsletter is usually all that is required and it doesn't consume a lot of your time generating it. The club needs your involvement. Step up and be counted.

In case you haven't heard the 2022 USSVI National Convention is schedule to be held in Buffalo, New York. Susan and

I will definitely be there. Hope to see you there too.

Bob Sharpe, President



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From the Treasurer

Fellow RVers

I as the treasure of the Club (SubVet R Ver's) am trying to update the Clubs data base. Sharlene Rathmell did it before I took over as Treasure in 2013. I sent out an email and ask to have you update your status on the clubs data base. I have gotten 14 emails back. It is your club. If you do not want to belong to the club then send an email, call me or send a snail mail. If you still want to be a member let me know about that with your update. I have done over 40 individuals update by email and USSVI data base. It takes a long time to work between both of the programs. You can make it easier by a simple email. We have 110 people on our Google groups email list. Try using your computer. I am 81 years old and I can send an email why can't you?

Now for the update of the clubs two accounts for the year of 2021.

Checking	1/1/2021	\$ 11.00
Ending balance	1/31/2021	\$ 11.00
Savings	1/1/2021	\$3457.92
Interest credit		\$ 0.20
Ending balance	1/31/2021	\$3458.12
Checking	2/1/2021	\$ 11.00
Ending balance	2/28/2021	\$ 100.00
Savings	2/1/2021	\$3458.12
Interest credit		\$ 0.13
Ending balance	2 /28/2021	\$3369.25
Checking	3/1/2021	\$ 100.00
Ending balance	3/31/2021	\$ 100.00
Savings	3/1/2021	\$3369.25
Interest credit		\$ 0.14
Ending balance	3/31/2021	\$3369.39
Checking	4/1/2021	\$ 100.00
Ending balance	4/30/2021	\$ 100.00
Savings	4/1/2021	\$3369.39
Interest credit		\$ 0.14
Ending balance	4/31/2021	\$3369.53



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The RV lifestyle is appealing for many reasons, not the least of which is simplifying your life – and your stuff. RVs have limited space and there usually isn't a lot of room for extra stuff. But if you've owned an RV for many years, you may have found yourself "upgrading" to a larger RV from time to time, whether it's because you were looking for more space, or vacationing by RV was the only way to vacation.

Still, there may come a time when those things aren't as important or necessary. You may find yourself thinking the opposite: It's time to downsize. Under what circumstances is it time to downsize the RV? Let's go over them here.

- Fuel mileage. An important line item in every RVer's budget is that for gas or diesel.
- Maneuverability. It pretty much goes without saying that larger RVs (motorized or towable) are trickier or more cumbersome to park and drive.
- Smaller carbon footprint. Smaller tanks. Less gas consumption. Lower electricity needs.
- Lower insurance costs.
- Simplicity. Since you are getting old you may find that you are not that interested in taking those long trips as you used to. Yet, you don't want to totally stop RVing. There are some really great Class B RVs that have much more room than older models. Home parking is easier and you don't really need to tow a vehicle anymore.

Is downsizing right for you?



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From the Secretary

Not much coming from me this time as I expect to be in the hospital tomorrow. Serious blood infection but not deadly I think. Had one before but its a week in the hospital and 6 weeks of driving 40 miles to get fresh infusion drugs (and lugging around 2 pumps and their bags.





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