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Welcome to the Continuation of the Birch Bark Blaze

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From Your Editor

Hello Everyone,

Our plan is to distribute a quarterly Newsletter to the North Country Voyageurs by email to keep everyone informed of our activities and plans. This is your Newsletter. We need input from you! Announcements, news, photos, tips and whatever might be of interest to others. The format is wide open...whatever you want. Share your experiences.

Terry and I just picked the name out of a hat. There are many dictionary definitions that seem to apply...: a trail marker, especially: a mark made on a tree by chipping off a piece of the bark,

: To lead in some direction or activity,

If you have a better one, let's hear it.

Doug Baha dlblaha@cox.net - Editor

While Doug is recovering, your chapter president will attempt to fill his shoes as editor.

From Your President

Hello from the North Country [North St. Paul, MN] where the temperature is currently above zero. Our winters are spent up here in Minnesota with the extended family. No, I do not envy those of you who are snow birds. Even though it becomes harder with age, there is a quality of life up here to be relished during our winters. There is something to be said for curling up in the evening with a good book and a hot cup of cocoa. Having grown up in the south and being stationed all over the US, I like to think that we [who are not snow birds] have a quality of life that far surpasses trying to chase endless summers. It has been said [by whom I can't remember] that life has not been lived until you relax and accept what is given.

Life is too short to sit idly and let it pass by.

The good thing Mary and I were able to do in 2020 was to be travel on the SMART Grand Frontier Caravan. Covid-19 presented some challenges when some prescheduled events were cancelled, but through resourcefulness, our WM & TG were able to see our caravan through to it's completion.



2021 offers the eagerly anticipated Vacation (Kids & grandchildren) in Alabama, the Canadian Maritimes Caravan, our National Muster and the Branson Caravan. These events will help make up for a serious bout of cabin fever.

With that being said, The North Country Voyageurs are in search of vistas unseen on roads not traveled as we are "Seeing the Country We Defend"!

Terry Johnson - President North Country Voyageurs

From Your Secretary/Treasurer

FINANCE REPORT: The treasurer reports a balance of \$555.78.

Carried forward from last report of December ,2020;

Balance: \$555.76

Income: \$20.02 Dues and interest

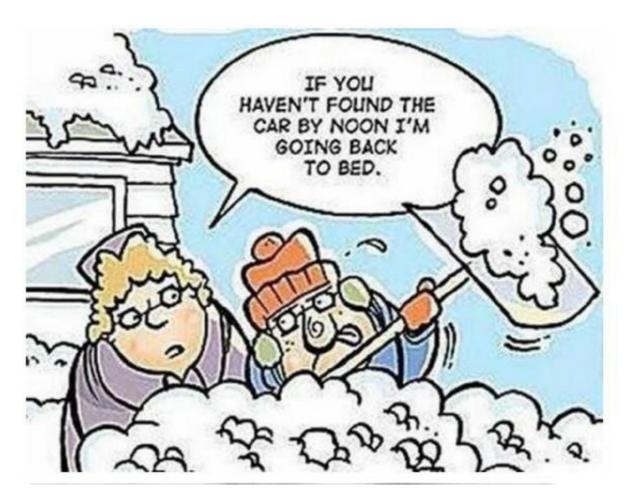
Debits: \$ 0.00

Closing Balance: \$575.78

GOOD OF THE CHAPTER:

We have SMART patches, decals, pins and hats @ hdqtr's prices!

^{*}We have 0ne member whose dues are in arrears.



If the Good Lord lets us, we will be going on the Canadian Maritimes Caravan, Seeing family in Alabama, 2021 National and the Branson Caravan arriving home in time to put the motorhome to bed.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Johnson NCV Secretary

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