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**AANR-Florida
President
Joe Rivas**

Welcome to the December holiday season!

To begin, I ask that you please save 9:00 AM EST January 10, 2026, to attend the AANR-Florida Mid-Winter Regional Meeting. It will be held at Suwannee Vally Resort (White Springs, FL) and on online at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3035012318?pwd=Y1R2c3RIZVZ1K3U0UzgzdGFsRjNadz09>. An agenda will be shared in the weeks ahead.

This important meeting will focus on the business of the board and our highest priorities of membership growth and legal protection. As a region, we are approaching stabilization. Annual comparisons show membership totals are down 0.5% and revenue is down 1.3%. *We need your input* to help us develop and enact plans to increase membership, which supports the long-term sustainability of family-friendly nude recreation across our state and region.

We also want to discuss legislative matters and our responses to them. Issues related to the presence of minors where alcohol is consumed (whether purchased at a club or brought in by a member) and nudity is permitted were at the forefront of Florida's 2025 Legislative Session and continue into the 2026 Session.

Additionally, issues related to the use of criminal background checks persist. Many of our clubs require them, and those that do not have asked for low/no cost solutions. I have compiled a list and it has been shared with club managers and certifying officers soon.

It is important to note in this discussion that background checks are a complement, but not a substitute, for policies used at our clubs and beaches to encourage members and guests to report problematic behavior promptly (e.g. "If you see something, say something") along with staff training to deal with likely situations.

Thank you to everyone for ensuring that we provide and enjoy family-friendly nude recreation in a secure environment. Your actions are very important to member, guest, and employee safety and to satisfying legislative concerns. Issue of background checks and child protection are extending into new textile settings. There is proposed legislation related to background checks at public pools in Florida.

Second, please join me in giving the gift of AANR membership to friends and family.

- Legacy membership for children ages 0 through 17 is now free.

- Annual rates are \$31.50 for students (ages 18-24) and \$46.50 and for young adults (ages 18-28).
- A one-year membership starts at \$65, and a two-year membership starts at \$115.
- There are many other discounts available, including a \$15 savings when two direct members who live at the same address join or renew at this same time. Additional information on membership dues and discounts is available [here](#).

For the equivalent of \$0.18 a day, your gift of AANR membership:

- Serves as a passport to discounted admission to over 180 clubs and participating businesses across the nation and around the world.
- Provides legal support services.
- Supports the advantages of family friendly nudism, including a sense of belonging, body acceptance, self-confidence, better health, stress relief, and friendship.

In giving your gift of AANR membership, you also might want to share the following [new video](#) just released by AANR this week. It highlights the many benefits of membership.

Purchasing and/or renewing memberships can be completed at our clubs, calling AANR Headquarters, (800-879-6833), or clicking the Join/Renew button on [AANR's website](#). Enrolling legacy members (children) can be accomplished by contacting AANR Headquarters.

Finally, in the spirit of giving, I hope you will join me in making a gift to support the work of our Government Affairs Team. Your non-tax deductible gift can be made to

The American Association for Nude Recreation-Florida Region
[4414 Morristown Road](#)
[Jay, FL 32565](#)

Additionally, you can donate to [Wreathes Across America](#). Your gift posthumously honors those who protected our rights and advances their legacy by supporting efforts to combat adverse legislation that seeks to reduce or eliminate our nudist privileges and rights.

Using the QR code, below and through a special partnership, \$5 from every \$17 wreath purchased will go directly to fund the AANR Government Affairs Team (GAT). There are over 5,400 cemeteries where your wreath(es) can be placed. Additional customization options are available as you engage with the website provided by the QR code. Please note that it is very important to access their website through the QR code. Otherwise, the \$5/wreath will not be received by AANR.

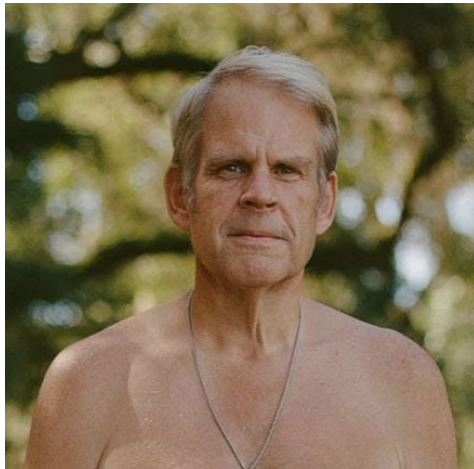
Finally, I hope that everyone has a safe, relaxing, and enjoyable holiday season and that you enjoy the many activities occurring at our clubs, resorts, and beaches throughout the month.

Thank you for giving me the honor and privilege to serve as your regional president.

Yours Naturally,

Joe

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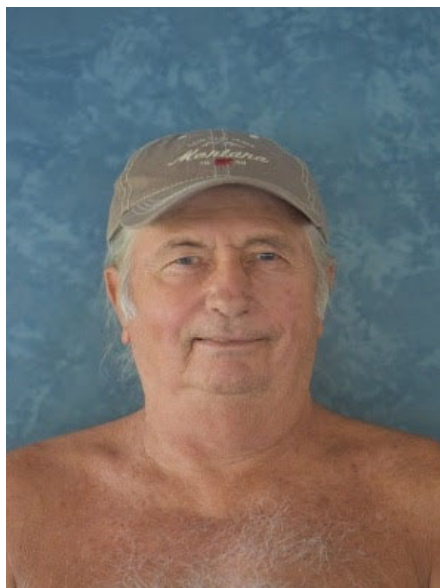


Erich Schuttauf
Executive Director

AANR is presently working on its 2026 budget as we speak. Among other things, we are making provisions for government affairs monitoring services such as StateNet legislative tracking and its Canadian counterpart. These tools help us to flag problem bills by keyword for follow-up action.

AANR will also review the budget for attending the National Conference of State Legislatures. This event allows us to make personal contact with numerous lawmakers and their staff to discuss nude recreation *proactively*, before issues arise.

I have also been working on a friend of the court (amicus) brief to be filed in a Florida appellate court concerning topless sunbathing.



Ralph Collinson
AANR-Florida Region Trustee

Trustee's Corner November 2025

This year has flown by. Our affiliated clubs are all gearing up for their holiday parties. Check their web sites and plan on starting off the New Year with your friends or with new friends at your favorite AANR club. All of the beaches are open also, Playalinda and Apollo at the Canaveral National Sea Shore were closed for several weeks while the Federal Government was closed. However, they are now open.

If you're planning a trip to the National Seashore, check their website before going. The increase in rocket launches at the Canaveral Space Center has the negative impact of closing the beach periodically during launches for safety and security reasons. It is anticipated that the new parking lot and bathroom facility at Blind Creek Beach will be opening very soon. Check the Treasure Coast Naturists (TCN) website for updates. TCN has sponsored New Year's Day skinny dips in past years, so check their website to determine if anything is planned this year. Haulover is in its high season. Always great weather in the winter in South Florida, and on sunny, warm days, you might share the beach with 3,000 or more naturists. Tampa Bay Free Beaches (TBFB) continues their efforts to secure a nudist beach in Pinellas County. They are still optimistic that 2026 could be the year. Check TBFB's website for up-to-date information.

The Florida Legislature will be starting its 2026 session soon. During the 2025 session, AANR and AANR Florida's Government Affairs Team (GAT) were extremely busy monitoring legislation that might negatively impact nudists and nudist clubs in Florida. Our efforts were very effective in 2025 with no negative impact; however, we expect similar activity in 2026, which is going to require that our GAT team be on the watch 24/7. I want to thank BG Parks for her assistance in last year's effort, it could not have been done without her help. If you visit Suwannee Valley Resort (SVR) this winter, take a moment to thank her for her very effective efforts in Tallahassee. AANR-Florida will be holding their Winter Meeting at SVR on January 10. Please join us if you're in the area. You can also join us on Zoom, and I will have that information posted as we get closer to the meeting. AANR is holding their Winter Meeting at SVR on February 6 & 7. Plan on attending, it is a great opportunity to meet and discuss your ideas and concerns with the AANR Board of Directors.

The Patti S. at Crossed Oaks Haven is gearing up for her next Bowling Event scheduled for Sunday, January 18th at Orange Bowl Lanes in Kissimmee. The recent crowds for these events have become so large that the bowling alley has asked that they limit participants to 80 bowlers. So if you want to attend, you need to RSVP at Crossed Oaks Haven on their website. They are planning on having at least 6 bowlers on each lane, and I expect that there will be cookies and maybe brownies for sale, and as usual, you can always renew your AANR membership at this event. I want to thank Patti for everything she does for nudists and nude recreation in Florida. If you don't manage to get into the January event, the next bowling is planned for March 15th.



AANR Education Foundation Art Raffle 2025

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Opening Day is September 8, 2025. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20

The last day is December 7, 2025,
with delivery in time for the holidays!

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Contact 352-817-2987

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Thebowlinglady61@gmail.com



Cost \$20 per person over 30, \$10 18 to 30 years old
\$5 spectator fee, under 18 free
Limit is 80 bowlers please preregister at one of the above contacts

Fees may be paid in advance or at the door.

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