

THE VALUE OF FRIENDSHIP

a letter from the Editor!



A good friend will bail you out of jail, but your Best Friend will be the one sitting next to you saying 'Man that was Awesome!' I had to laugh the first time I heard that

because it certainly describes me and my best friend Jen. Although we never ended up actually IN the pokey, I'm sure we were quite close on occasion. Although in the retelling of the story to our kids we thought it better to call it 'having an adventure' rather than getting in trouble. We met in 7th grade Home Economics class and have shared clothes, cars and yes, even boyfriends. Thirty years later and we still giggle like school girls and regularly threaten our families to break out our leg warmers, get our big bangs going and head to the mall. It's sure to send our daughters into total panic mode.

I've been truly blessed in life to have found a second best friend in my husband. He keeps me laughing and is just as likely as Jen to help me find adventure. Someone told us years ago that your best friend is someone who always "remembers when" and it's so true. He's my rock to stand on and my shoulder to cry on and if I ever needed to hide a dead body, he's the one I'd call. With our bad backs it would probably be a two man lift anyway!

When you ask an RV'er what's the best thing about motor homing they always say the friends you meet along the way. Many of you have fostered relationships you forged over a campfire many years ago. Whether it's another couple that you've traveled many a mile with or just the deepening relationships with family, nothing brings people together like "camping". Most of my favorite childhood memories involve me and my brothers in wet sleeping bags worn out after

a day full of hiking and sunshine and maybe if we were lucky, a dip in the pond.

Dan and Bobbie Jensen, featured in Connections! on page 6 have been "camping" since 1971. One of the first things you notice about these two is that not only do they share a deep and abiding love, but they're also best friends. If you've not had the pleasure of meeting them yet, just wait a minute, you'll run into them. They have friends, or a friend of a friend, at just about every mile marker between Florida and California. You can spend just about 5 minutes with them and understand why. We feel fortunate to welcome them to the Millennium family.

I'm so proud of my daughter Alex's debut article on page 7. Reading through it brought back so many good road trip memories. I hope you start planning an adventure with the kids immediately. They'll surely resist a bit but you'll create some really fantastic family memories that you'll cherish forever. It was so good to hear that while she was fussing a mile a minute (or a minute a mile) about her brother and his smelly feet, she was secretly loving the adventure. We've also included some great recipes for those family trips on pages 4 and 5. An entire meal prepared using your Advantium microwave!

As the fall approaches it's a great time to shift your focus to spending time with those you love, for making memories and deepening relationships. Whether you're making new friends or cherishing the old, remember one of my favorite mantras "count your age by friends, not years." Take a moment today and call your best friend to let them know how much you love and appreciate them.

Much love and Safe Travels,

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Evelyn

Chief Cook and Bottle Washer



"PIGLET SIDLED UP TO POOH FROM BEHIND. "POOH," HE WHISPERED.

"Yes, Piglet?"

"NOTHING," Said PIGLET, Taking POOH'S Paw, "I JUST Wanted TO BE SURE OF YOU.""

-WINNIE THE POOH



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Did you know the microwave in your Millennium can cook a delicious steak, complete with grill marks? Sure microwaves are great when you feel like warming up last nights leftovers, but did you ever think of making a whole meal in one?

Well with your Advantium microwave oven, you can cook delicious appetizers, entrees, and desserts, there's even a button just for bacon! Here are a few of our favorite recipes to try on your next trip out!



APPETIZER



Crab-Swiss Crostini

Makes 36

Ingredients:

- 1 (6-oz.) can crab meat, drained and flaked
- 1 1/4 cups shredded Swiss cheese
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 2 tablespoons thinly sliced green onion
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 1/4 teaspoon curry powder
- 1 French baguette, sliced 1/4-inch thick, toasted

Preparation:

Combine crab meat, cheese, mayonnaise, onion, lemon juice and curry powder; blend well. Spread 1 rounded teaspoon filling over each slice of bread. Arrange 18 slices on black metal tray. Cook for 7 to 9 minutes at U=Med Hi, L=Hi or until lightly browned. Repeat with remaining filling and bread.



Homemade Biscuits

Makes 10

Ingredients:

2 cups all-purpose flour 1 tablespoon baking powder 1/4 cup butter

1/4 cup sugar 1/4 teaspoon salt 1 cup whipping cream (not whipped cream!)

Preparation:

In a large mixing bowl, combine flour, sugar, baking powder and salt. Cut in butter with a pastry blender or fork until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Add cream; stir until mixture forms stiff dough. Turn dough out onto a lightly flour surface; knead 10 to 12 strokes. Roll out dough to 1/2-inch thickness. Cut out biscuits, using a floured 2 1/2-inch biscuits cutter. Place biscuits on black metal tray. On your Advantium, select Bread>Biscuits and cook for the appropriate time.

* Did you know that your Advantium is also a proofer? If you prefer homemade dough, let it proof by selecting that setting on your Advantium and waiting until the dough is doubled in size. For this recipe, the dough doesn't need to be proofed, but for something like cinnamon rolls, or pie dough, the Advantium is a great tool!

ENTRÉE

Steak au Poivre

Makes 4

Ingredients:

1/4 cup brandy

2 tablespoons butter, melted

4 beef tenderloin filets, cut 1-inch thick

2 tablespoons crushed mixed peppercorns (measurement can vary depending on what you like)

Salt to taste

Preparation:

Combine brandy and butter; blend well. Place filets in a shallow dish; pour brandy mixture over filets. Marinate in refrigerator for 30 minutes, turning filets over and brushing with marinade after 15 minutes. Remove filets from marinade. Press peppercorns into both sides with heel of hand; season with salt to taste. Arrange filets on black metal tray. Select speed cook>meats>Steak> and choose your thickness, level of doneness, and what kind of steak you're cooking. Then press start, your Advantium will let you know when to turn the steaks.

SIDE DISH



DESSERT



Chocolate Chip Cookies

Makes 4 dozen

Ingredients:

3/4 cup granulated sugar

1 cup butter or margarine, softened

1 egg

1 teaspoon baking soda

1 cup coarsely chopped nuts (optional)

1 package (12 ounces) semisweet chocolate chips (2 cups)

Preparation:

Mix sugars, butter, vanilla and egg in large bowl. Stir in flour, baking soda and salt (dough will be stiff). Stir in nuts (if desired) and chocolate chips.

Drop dough by rounded tablespoonfuls about 2 inches apart onto black metal tray.

Bake in your Advantium oven under cookie dough (not frozen) and bake for the appropriate time. Cool slightly; remove from tray and enjoy!

3/4 cup packed brown sugar

2-1/4 cups all-purpose flour

1 teaspoon vanilla

1/2 teaspoon salt

CONNECTIONS!

Meet Dan and Bobbie Jensen

The Jensen's currently live on Eagle Mountain Lake in the small town of Azle, near Fort Worth, TX...when they're at home! They've been traveling by motor coach since 1997, but started out camping in trailers and pop ups from the time they first met and married in 1971.

Now you might be thinking, "They met and got married all in one year!", but we assure you that's really not the case; it all



happened in only about 8 weeks! Dan walked into a restaurant with a buddy of his one night and saw her across the room, and he just knew it was love at first sight. He says, "She dazzled me...she still dazzles me!" What he didn't know was that Bobbie had a boyfriend. "I think I made up something about family being in town, so I wasn't available to go out with him when he asked, but I guess something changed because four weeks later we were engaged", says Bobbie. And four weeks after that, they were married. That was 42 years, 2 beautiful daughters, and 5 grandchildren ago!

Since then, Bobbie and Dan have shared a life filled with the blessings of love, faith, family, friends, travel, adventure, and FUN! They say the thing they most enjoy about the RV lifestyle is that they get to meet so many interesting people from so many different places. They feel so fortunate to have been able to explore so much of our beautiful country and to have been afforded the opportunity to have made so many dear friends along the way, who share this wonderful RV lifestyle!

As Bobbie and Dan prepared to purchase their next RV, Dan says he knew he wanted a Prevost, but finding the coach that fulfilled his desire for the machine and Bobbie's desire for a "home" made for a bit of a challenge. Lots of interesting choices and so many great people in the conversion business made the challenge even more difficult. What really sealed the deal was Dan's visit with Nelson. Dan says, "Nelson's integrity and understanding of customer service is extraordinary and he has exceeded our highest expectations." Having just taken delivery of their new bus, their favorite part of being a Millennium owner are the people they've met in Sanford at the factory. "It's like a big family that we've been grafted into and we so appreciate all the support we feel from each member of the Millennium team!"

Dan and Bobbie have traveled from coast to coast and from sea to shining sea, but they say their favorite RV pastime is the same everywhere they go; unhook the convertible tow car, put the top down and let the adventure begin! This couple is constantly on the go no matter what city, state, or country they wind up in. And when just relaxing you may find them reading or plugging in the ol' iPod to do some Texas Two-Step in the galley!

When asked about their most memorable experience in an RV, Dan and Bobbie immediately thought of the same thing. Many years ago, just outside of Gatlinburg, Dan had attempted, not so successfully, to make a u-turn on a two lane state highway. He ended up blocking both lanes of traffic and having to get out and unhook the tow vehicle. "I guess he forgot to put on the brake because as soon as he unhooked the tow bar, the car rolled forward and pinned him against the bus!" Thank goodness he wasn't injured (well maybe his manliness got a little bruised), but Bobbie sure had a scare! She says, "I ran out of the coach and backed up the car, and as soon as I knew he was safe, I burst into tears." We're sure Dan probably had quite the scare as well, as Bobbie heroically leapt from the coach, ran down the highway, and ripped the windshield cover (along with the windshield wipers) off the car...even though she only had to back up a couple of feet...our very own heroine summed up the courage to save the day!

We are so happy to welcome Dan and Bobbie as new additions to our Millennium family. We wish you all safe and happy travels!

Traveling with the Grandkids

Growing up in the Millennium family and traveling with my parents and grandparents across the country are some of my most cherished memories. Whether I'm braving a snowstorm on my way to Virginia with a hitchhiker in the backseat (thanks for that grandma) or I'm killing my brother in black jack on our week long drive home from Quebec, spending my summers on the road is something I had to get used to growing up in the RV industry.

But it wasn't always that pretty. As a teenager I thought spending the summer with my friends on the sunny Florida beaches would be way more fun than sharing the pull out sofa with my little brother (and his smelly feet), and I usually took quite a bit of convincing. But as I grew older, those experiences with my family became more and more a thing of the past. I missed the nights when we would all lay on the floor of the galley and watch a movie on the big TV, or when the whole family would work together to produce 200 of Momma's Best Bratwurst to feed a whole RV park. I realized that the RV experience was something that most kids my age didn't get to have like I did. I am fortunate to have grown up with such a close knit family, and some of those trips will be stories I tell my kids one day.

Of course, Momma's Best Bratwurst still taste pretty good when you get them off the grill at home, but it's just not the same when you're not eating potato salad with your fingers because someone forgot to pack the forks. Traveling and finding new things to do as a family is one of the most rewarding parts of life. I encourage you to pick up the kids, grandkids, dogs, cats, birds, whatever it may be, and continue your journey with what I promise will be a rewarding entourage.

Now I remember from experience that sometimes convincing kids to unplug and go camping can be pretty tough, and getting them to enjoy it can be even tougher. Even if they gripe a bit, don't



give up. Traveling with family is an experience that they'll cherish for a lifetime, and I promise they'll thank you for it in the end. Even if they're always up for a trip, here are a couple tips (from a self proclaimed "moody teenager" herself) to get everyone to hop on the bandwagon.

Make stops on the way there

There is nothing worse for an energy packed kid than having to sit still. If your drive is going to be more than a couple hours long, try stopping at interesting places to let the kids run around or do something fun. Stop and take pictures with the world's largest ball of twine in Idaho! Go visit the dinosaur park in Cabazon, California.

Have them be your navigator

Now I'm not suggesting you hand your five year-old a map and say "get me to California," but entrusting your older kids with your navigation keeps them connected. I still remember driving with my mom in a coach and her trying to explain how to read an atlas or find a rest stop.

Let them plan and prepare a meal

Start the day by telling them to find a recipe and make a list of ingredients, then make a pit stop at the grocery store, and let them shop for what they need. For the rest of the drive have them prepare the meal, and when you stop to eat, have the whole family pitch in to finish it up!

When you get to the campground, fill your evenings with family fun. Work in a game of charades or go for a family bike ride or scavenger hunt. I loved having my parent's full attention and your grandkids will too!

No lying around or texting all day (the kids not you.) Everyone should go to bed exhausted every night. Find things to do as a family, but make sure that you plan things that everyone will enjoy doing together, no knitting or golf club polishing!

As I get ready to go off to college and leave home, those memories of 'roughin it' (if you could even call staying in a Millennium rough) with my family, and sharing the couch with my icky little brother, will always be cherished. So, grab'em while you can, and experience the joy of traveling with the kids!

Enjoy the Journey!

Alex



Alex is the daughter of Millennium Founders Nelson and Evelyn Figueroa and has traveled extensively throughout the US "Millennium Style." From attending rallies to family vacations she's packed

everything from Polly Pockets to flat irons in her suitcase as she hit the road with the family. She has literally grown up in a Millennium.



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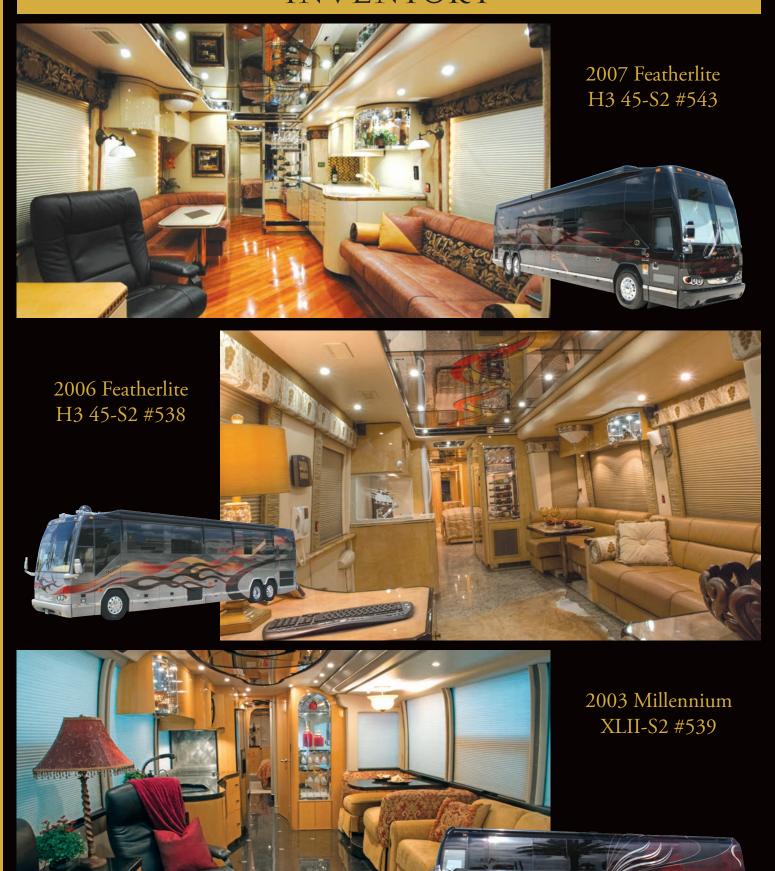
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