



ACWA Mission is to preserve the heritage of the Chuck Wagon

ACWA President's Message June 2022

Dear ACWA Friends,

Hello Friends,

I want to start by saying what an honor and privilege it is to serve as your president this year. This is my second year on the Board of Directors and the longer I'm on the board the more I appreciate our mission statement. We exist to preserve the heritage of the chuck wagon. When I'm out on weekends at different events and around other chuck wagon owners or enthusiasts, I always ask the question, "Are you a member of ACWA?" I get all kinds of answers from yes, to I have not renewed my membership, or sometimes simply no and then I ask them why not? I have received several different responses. Here are a few... "I don't have a chuck wagon", "my chuck wagon has rubber tires" and or "it's not authentic", "the ACWA is all about competitions", or maybe they've got their feelings hurt by an ACWA member in the past. My response to everyone has been "we exist to preserve the heritage of the chuck wagon so please consider joining us in doing that." It's really that simple. I do believe that needs to always be our focus. I truly love chuck wagons and cowboy cooking!

On another note, I just got back from Wagons for Warriors in Lebanon, Missouri. It was an awesome event with well over 20 wagons participating. I know a lot of my friends were at the Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City at their annual chuck wagon event. The chuck wagon gatherings are coming every weekend. Please take plenty of photos and be sure to post them to our ACWA Facebook page, especially ones with youth involved. Let's not forget they are the future of ACWA and we need to bring the youth alongside us every chance we get! Y'all have a safe June.

Vaya con Dios,

Justin Jackson
2022 ACWA President