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The Philadelphia Folk Festival operates a campground, and every year it's the Camping Committee that sets it up and keeps it running. The Committee is run by over 400 volunteers, and coordinating them effectively requires a great deal of record keeping. For 20 years, the committee has been using a computerized database of some form or another. For the last 10 years Sean Woods has been operating that Database in a Tcl based application. This paper will describe many of the challenges Sean has encountered, lessons learned, and ways in which Tcl in particular has aided him on his quest to keep the data flowing, the volunteers in the field, and him from out in front of a computer for the entire festival.