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We are 30!!

Help us celebrate

Attend the June rally!!

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Know anybody that is in sickness or distress? In need of our aid and sympathy?



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President Reports

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Bart Barton

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Well, thanks to Char & Rich Burrell and daughter, Sarah, we got off to another great rally season. Great food, good fun and seeing old, and new, friends again. We had 23 coaches, good weather, and only one minor mishap when one of the coaches got stuck in soft ground but thanks to a tractor and a Jeep working together, he was extricated without too many frazzled nerves.

We would like to extend a hearty New York Centrals welcome to our newest members, Judy & Rich Brown, Anna & Jack Miller and Dick Betty Hood. We also had Ann & Ko Fey who were at their first rally with us and Judy & Rich Rouse who were at only their second. Guests included Barb Dingle and Linda Sutton. Also, it was great to see Tina & George Saba again. Glad you all were with us and we hope to see you on a regular basis from here on in.

We have a great rally season ahead of us. Esther & Jerry Rogers have a terrific rally lined up next month to celebrate our 30th anniversary. And the good times just continue to roll right through October in Lancaster PA.

I know fuel prices are high, and going higher on a daily basis, but if we don't use our motor homes, they might a well be driveway decorations. In my not so humble opinion, there isn't a better value out there than a New York Centrals rally. Close to home, great food, and most important the camaraderie of good friends, old and new.

We hope to see you all year.

Bart

1st Vice President Reports

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For those of you who did not make it to the campout at Cortland last weekend, I feel sorry for you. You sure missed a good one. Rich and Charlotte did a great job. The weather could have been a little warmer, but all in all it wasn't that bad.

We had a good turnout, lots of food, and plenty of good music. I did get my fill of the good food but I begged off on the music. Three of us watched the all star race on TV instead. Some might say that has nothing to do with camping and they would be right but we just could not pull ourselves away from it.

I hope that you are all planning on coming to the 30th anniversary campout in June. From all reports, it sounds like it is going to be another great weekend.

Thank you,
Bill Leach 1st VP

Secretary Reports

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Elaine Barton

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Hi all. It was SO GREAT to see everyone at the rally; both old and new members. It was nice to see Tina and George Saba again.

Thanks go to Charlotte and Rich Burrell for the wonderful rally; I only wish I could have been there for the whole time. Thanks to Kay Leach for taking minutes at the meeting.

Please remember to let me know by land line or e-mail when one of our members is ill so that I can send them a card. I have sent Glenda (Gingrich) a card and told her we hadn't forgotten her but I didn't know she had been so ill. I also sent a note to Fran Heifferon advising her of the brick we donated in Dick's memory at Sampson.

Hope all of you are planning on attending the June rally for our 30th Anniversary. Esther and Jerry have worked hard to make it a very special rally!!!!!! See you all then.

Safe travels!!!!!!
Elaine

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From Membership Chairman:

A big thank you goes out to the 33 members who paid their dues in the month of May! If your newsletter address indicates that you owe dues, (5/1/2007) please send your check for \$10. Make it out to New York Centrals. Mail it to: Sharon Coldren, 1106 Cloister Court, Liverpool, N.Y. 13090.

As an old Chinese proverb says:

Roses are red
Violets are blue
33 have paid their dues
How about youz??

Thanks
Sharon Coldren

From the National Director

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A ballot was received for the election of the Northeast Area Vice President. Sam Allen was the only nominee. Accordingly, I cast the Chapter's vote for Sam.

Sam had a get-together in Perry, GA. He vowed to visit all northeast chapters during the year.

As for elections, National FMCA offices are up for vote at the Governing Board meeting in Redmond, OR in August. There are two candidates for each position and there may be others nominated by petition or from the floor. Those nominated at this time are:

President: Ginger Painter & Connie Pool Sr.
Vice Pres: George Schipper & Nelson Stubbs
Secretary: Joanne Durbin & Duane Pindell
Treasurer: Doug Key & Robb Steinheider

Resumes for these candidates will be published in the June 2007 issue of Family Motor Coaching magazine.

The Chapter is still looking for someone to represent the Chapter at the Governing Board meeting. Anyone headed west? Anyone interested? You get lunch.

I will not be attending the June rally due to my nephew's wedding. I really wanted to attend the 30th anniversary celebration. Hopefully I'll get to some of the chapter's rallies. Maybe the Chapter needs to look for a new National Director candidate who attends rallies.

That's it for now.
Jean



Welcome New Members

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Member's Area

We welcome member's contributions. It is your newsletter.
We will publish as space permits



Help Needed in 2008

It is not too early to start thinking about 2008. We are going to need a lot of help. Several of the officers will not be running for re-election so there will be vacancies to fill. And as always, we need rally hosts for next year.

The New York Centrals is an all volunteer organization. It only works if you do. So please consider running for office or at least stepping up to host a rally.

Thanks for your support.
Bart

Two Michelin LT235/85r16/XPS tires on 10 hole "Ford" rims for sale, \$200.00.

Dempco Tow Dolly with surge brakes and wheels that steer . I want \$1400.00 but will consider a reasonable offer. I just purchased a new folding one.

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Webpage Update

The **Members Only** page has been completely revised. We are now storing a full year of Newsletters, as well as, Minutes of any meetings held by the club on our website.

You can access these documents through the 'Members Only' page. The information is designated by month only. By clicking on the month button you will get the Newsletter/Minutes for the most recent month. As new information becomes available it will overwrite the old.

Now with the click of a mouse you will have the latest and most current New York Centrals information available along with a years worth of back issues to refer back to.

Navigation buttons are being added throughout the website to help get you to the page you want without having to flip through your forward and back arrows. This is a work in progress. If you have any suggestions or if a button doesn't go where you think it should (happens sometimes) don't hesitate to contact me.

By the end of the year, all rally information pages should have a separate sign-up sheet so you won't have to print out the whole sheet just to sign up.

Assist Newsletter Editor

Since we will be gone July, August and September in 2008, we are looking for a volunteer to take over this job in our absence. This can be a temporary or permanent position. If anyone is interested contact me

Additional Rally Information

Usually there is additional information available on the website about a rally than is published in the newsletter. Things like more comprehensive directions, maps, area attractions and suggested restaurants and more can be available on the website. Also many times the information is available sooner. For instance, The August rally information has been available since May 8th. June rally information was uploaded May 9th, as soon as it became available. As of May 19th All Rally information through October has been published on the website. Some of the far out information may change and/or be updated as the time gets closer to the actual rally date, so check for updates and last minute additions on www.NewYorkCentrals.com

For Sale by Owner

Members wishing to advantage of the Newsletter free classified advertisement section will also find their ad on the website. These ads can be accessed from the Home Page thus exposing them to all who go to our website. Additional information will be available on the website and we have the ability to publish pictures.

If you would like to help **save a tree, save a stamp, save on clutter** and help the club save money, choose to receive your newsletter online. Contact me via any of the above means.

Bob

The mechanic and the heart surgeon

A mechanic was removing a cylinder head from the engine of a class 'A' motorhome when he spotted a well-known heart surgeon in his shop. The surgeon was there waiting for the service manager to come take a look at his RV when the mechanic shouted across the garage "Hey doc, can I ask you a question?"

The surgeon, a bit surprised, walked over to where the mechanic was working on the motorhome. The mechanic straightened up, wiped his hands on a rag and asked, "So Doc, look at this engine. I opened its heart, take the valves out, repair any damage, and then put them back in, and when I finish, it works just like new. So how come I get such a small salary and you get the really big bucks, when you and I are doing basically the same work?"

The surgeon paused, smiled and leaned over and whispered to the mechanic, "Try doing it with the engine running."

It's Rally Time !!

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Hosts</u>
June 15-17, 2007	<u>30th Anniversary</u> Camillus Elks Club Camillus, NY	Esther & Jerry Rogers grogers2@twcny.rr.com 315-593-7369
July 11-14, 2007	<u>N.E.A.R.</u> Northeast Area Rally Augusta, NJ	Bart & Elaine Barton bartona@rochester.rr.com 585-289-4792
August 3-5, 2007	<u>Waddington Days</u> w/ 1000 Island Voyagers Waddington, NY	Bill & Kay Leach Bill0212@aol.com 607-738-1623
Sept 21-23, 2007	The Brown Barn Boonville, NY	Bart & Elaine Barton bartona@rochester.rr.com 585-289-4792
Oct 11-14, 2007** Date Change	Lancaster, PA www.NewYorkCentrals.com for more details	Don & Dianne Daly don@gtmrecovery.com 315-458-5128

** October is Lancaster's busiest month. Don has reserved 18 campsites and will fill them on a 1st call basis. Call Don to reserve your spot as soon as possible. Sites are going fast. If more than 18 coaches sign up he will try to make more reservations. An official sign-up sheet will appear in the August newsletter. —ed.

North East Area Rally New York Centrals Participation

The North East Area Rally will be held in Augusta NJ this year July 11 - 14. The New York Centrals have volunteered to host seminars this year. As volunteers we get to go in as a group on July 10th, we get parked together close to the action, and we usually get a \$5.00 voucher for food or whatever. Plus, we have a lot of fun.

We usually have a happy hour everyday and a pizza party one night. The "work" is easy. Each couple gets to host 2 or 3 seminars, often ones they want to attend anyway. Vendors and new coach dealers are showing their stuff. And there is usually some great entertainment each night.

If you have been to the North East Area Rally before, you know what they are all about. If you haven't been, especially for new members, it is a great time, sort of like a mini-national.

I know NJ is a long way, and fuel is expensive and getting more so, but our coaches aren't of much value if we don't use them. So log on to our website, click the [NEAR Rally](#) button and sign up today.

Bart

If you are going to NEAR and wish to go in as a group get in touch with Bart at President@NewYorkCentrals.com or 585-289-4792. More information will be posted on the July Rally Information Page as it comes available. Ed.



15th Anniversary of the NORTHEAST AREA RALLY

Sussex County Fairgrounds, Augusta, New Jersey

[REGISTER NOW](#)

It's same old song — good times and sweet memories

For 14 years FMCA's Northeast Area Rally (NEAR) has shown motorhome owners a good time. Some things never change ...

This year NEAR celebrates its 15th year with — surprise, surprise ... more good times. Come to the Sussex County Fairgrounds in Augusta, New Jersey, for:

- Four nights of dry camping (July 11 to 14)
- Door prizes
- BBQ chicken dinner (\$10 per person)
- Red Hat Tea
- Stocked trout pond
- Golf cart rentals
- Youth program

“Let's Celebrate” is the theme for this year's rally. Motorhome exhibits, commercial displays, and technical and lifestyle seminars are further incentives to participate.

Attendees also can take advantage of FMCA's Education Program, which includes instruction on CPR/AED, safe driving, coach weighing and tire safety. On-site registration is required.

Four nights of entertainment are sure to enhance the celebratory mood at the fairgrounds.

Elvis, Patsy Cline, Neil Diamond, Tom Jones, Dolly Parton, Frank Sinatra, Lou Rawls, Ray Charles and Kenny Rogers will not be performing at the rally. But a group of professional impersonators are the next-best thing.

Cahal Dunne, an Irish singer and storyteller, also will appear.

So, make plans now to be a part of the Northeast Area Rally's 15th anniversary.

ALL motorhome owners are welcome to attend.

Thirtieth Anniversary Rally

June 15, 16 and 17, 2007

Camillus Elks Lodge. 6117 Newport Rd
Camillus, NY 13031

Hosts Jerry and Esther Rogers

phones : 315- 591-0256 or 315-882-1442 after Wednesday evening

Schedule of Events

Friday, 5:00 PM	Sandwiches, Salads and Splits (yes, banana!)
Saturday, 8:00 - 9:00 AM	Catered Breakfast
Saturday, 3:00 PM	Wine and Snacks (provided by hosts)
Saturday, 5:00 – 6:00 PM	Cash Bar in the banquet hall
Saturday, 6:00 - ? PM	Banquet and Program
Sunday, 8:00 – 9:00 AM	Another Catered Breakfast

The parking is FREE for the weekend so the entire cost of our rally goes for food.

You are welcome to come in on Thursday afternoon at no extra charge.

This is dry camping rally.

If you have a medical need for power, there are some outlets available. Let us know when you send in your registration.

We have planned to make the weekend a pleasant time for everyone, so except for those who have volunteered to make salads for Friday evening, you ladies should have the weekend off from cooking. If there is salad left over, it will be available for lunch on Saturday (for those who need it after the big breakfast).

Cost

\$40.00 per person for complete rally

For those who are coming in for the day:

\$20.00 per person for Banquet only

\$10.00 per person for Saturday breakfast

All prices include tax and tip so there will not be any extra expense that weekend other than the cash bar.

The facility is wonderful, as are the folks who are doing the work for us. You could even skip the tow vehicle and just enjoy our time together. There is lots planned (ok, it is mostly eating or drinking...what's not to like !?!)

Directions

The Elks Lodge (#2367) is off the Route 5 By-pass (Rt 695) on the west side of Syracuse. Take the "Warners, Camillus Exit". There is a DPW building on the corner and just around the corner on Newport Road is the Fire Department. The Elks building is 1.7 miles down the road. Call if you need more information. For a map and driving directions go to Google Maps or click on [map link](#) on the rally information page on the website.



Deadline for reservations is Wednesday, June 6 because the caterers need to order the food. Please try to honor that date.

Pilot and Co-Pilot _____ Your F Number _____

Phone Number where you can be reached _____

Attending complete rally _____ Attending Saturday only _____ Amount enclosed _____

Please send your check to:

Esther Rogers
1512 State Route 264
Phoenix, NY 13135



Drive Carefully!

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«City», «St» «CAN» «Zip»