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As we enter the 2012 camping season, we must also take time to celebrate the 35th anniversary of the formation of the club.

At the FMCA International Rally, held at the New York State Fairgrounds in May of 1977, three new chapters were formed. The new chapters were the Susquenango, Mohawk Ramblers and our own beloved New York Centrals. Among those instrumental in the creation of the new chapters were Andy Mancini, Gerry Rifkin and George Snyder. These 3, along with others at the rally thought there was a need for additional chapters in the area, so they proposed these three to FMCA.

Since that time, many a good time has been had at the monthly rallies of the New York Centrals.

As we enter this, our 35th year of existence, another fun and enjoyable rally season begins. This season we will be starting out at Wilkins RV in May, followed by the June Anniversary rally at the Camillus Elks. July will bring the Oswego Harbourfest and the Northeast Area Rally in Essex Junction, VT. August is the FMCA International Rally in Indianapolis, Indiana and September will see us at the Brown Barn. An October rally in Pennsylvania is being planned.

Hopefully we will see many of you at these rallies so we can renew friendships and create more fun memories.



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President's Report

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Hi everyone,

Here we are at the beginning of another exciting new rally season. I hope all the snowbirds got back safe and had a fun winter season. Those of us who stayed in the North Country, like Sandy and I, can't complain about winter as we had a near absence of snow this year. We had less than half the average snow fall.

This year everyone has worked very hard to make a full schedule of events for all to attend. Just to highlight a few, we start off the first rally at Wilkins RV in May. We then follow with the 35th anniversary rally in Camillus, the NEAR in Essex Junction, Vermont, Harbor Fest Oswego NY, and the International rally in Indianapolis IN.

With that said I would like to see each and everyone come to this summer's events.

Your President,
Paul Hallagan



1st Vice President's Report

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Welcome back! I hope that as spring begins it not only finds your flowers blooming, but also your anticipation for rally season growing.

This season, as we celebrate 35 years of New York Central rallies, we look forward to several months of fun and friendship.

Last fall, Charlotte and I took our daughter to start her college education at the University of New Haven in Connecticut. Has it ever been quiet around here! I am enjoying my retirement even though I have spent most of this time having my knees replaced and then recuperating from the procedures. While this has kept me laid up for a good part of the winter, it's been worth it as my new knees feel great. Of course this kept Charlotte busier than ever with work and then nursing me (but I'm worth it!!). Now we are ready to go RVing and we are looking forward to the season.

See you soon, Rich

Craft Corner

I have been getting together craft projects for our rallies. In May, we will be making bird feeders, a project that was suggested by Fran's daughter. They are small and portable and can be hung outside our homes or campers. I also have a grapevine wreath decorating project planned for June (again, something that I thought might look good in or outside our RVs). I also have hopes to make hanging candle holders or wind chimes out of wine bottles for the September rally. Save some of your bottles! I would love to have others help with ideas and teaching. Please let me know your ideas or what type of projects you would like to do at our rallies.

Charlotte

2nd Vice President's Report

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SNOWBIRDS RETURN, LET THE PARTIES BEGIN ANEW!

WOW, what a winter, I should almost say where was winter? Sue and I really enjoyed the "summer" type winter while in the south. It was warm, sunny and nearly rain free. Checking back home with our son, it sounds like those of you who stayed home had a very mild winter as well.

We really met a lot of very nice campers this year and made a lot of new friends. We were able to bring a little bit of the New York Centrals traditions to one of the RV locations we stayed. Sue and I hosted the first "Meet and Greet" Happy Hour they had ever had and it was so much fun we did it again before we left.

Of course, not everything ran as smoothly as I might want you to think. Yes we did have a few problems this winter. With Sue nursing a repaired broken wrist, she fell out of the coach (*It was only a small push*) and sustained a "hairline" crack in her elbow. On the way home in Savannah GA we lost the alternator on the coach and spent 24 hours at a Freightliner garage. It's very reassuring that we have MEDICARE and FMCA Coach Net road service who immediately came to our rescue and got us off the road and to Freightliner service center.

It's now time for all of us to get our "*Chariots*" ready to roll and start a very exciting new rally season. We should all pledge to attend as many of the rallies as we can and recruit a new family. We all know the ladies "jibber – jabber", do crafts, play games, while the men sleep and tell stories *-not all of them true but who questions them* -we are all friends. Review the rally schedule and put them on your 2012 calendar now.

We will see you all in May, with more stories and pictures.

That's My Story And I'm Sticking To It.

Secretary's Report

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

Call or [email](mailto:Secretary@NewYorkCentrals.com) me

I am so looking forward to our camping season! All winter, I kept thinking that I'd rather be in the RV than at work. With Rich retired, it is hard to keep going to work each day!! We had a great and nearly snow-less winter, but even so, I dreamed of camping in the south like so many of you do. I can't wait to get a glass of Bart's World Famous Lemonade, catch up on everyone's news, do some crafts and play Phase 10.

Please let me know if any of our members are sick or need a card for any other reason.

We have ordered new shirts for this camping season. I got a good deal, so the prices will remain the same for the fourth consecutive year. We now have tank tops in every size for any of the ladies who would like one.

From the National Director

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A lot is happening at FMCA. The Executive Director left for personal reasons and it was decided not to replace him for cost savings. Jerry Yeatts has assumed those duties. Membership numbers have dropped to below 50,000. Everyone is looking at ways to reduce costs and increase membership. If you have any ideas, please talk with me so I can pass them on to FMCA.

Elaine and I will be going to the International Convention in Indianapolis August 27th through August 30th. If you are planning to attend we would recommend you register at [FMCA Register](#) or call 800.543.3622 ASAP if you want 50 amp full hookup sites. 50 amp sites are currently available only for coaches 30 feet and under. 30 amp electric is available for all. Cancellation policies this year are a little different. Cancellations for attendance must be in writing and received by August 17th and FMCA will keep a \$10.00 cancellation fee. Cancellation of an electrical site after July 9th and before August 17th will include an additional cancellation fee of half the electric cost.

Elaine and I will be leaving for Indianapolis around August 21st or 22nd and going into the convention parking on August 25th. If you would like to travel with us, please let me know at 585.289.4792 or bartonta@gmail.com. Unless there is a groundswell of requests from the membership, the New York Centrals will not be volunteering at this year's FMCA convention.

The Northeast Area Rally (NEAR) will be held again this year in Essex Junction. The dates are July 19th to July 22nd. You can register for NEAR at [Near Registration](#) or call 800.543.3622. Elaine and I have made other plans and will not be attending NEAR this year.

Elaine and I are looking forward to seeing you all at Wilkins in May and/or Camillus Elks in June.

Bart

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

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It is getting to be that time of year again, time to renew old friendships and time to make new ones. We have three couples who rejoined us over the winter:

Michael and Robin Whipple

Earl and Linda Ward

Larry and Carol Southwick

When you meet them at any of the rallies please make their acquaintance and make them feel welcome. Right now we have 134 members or 67 coaches.

Remember dues are due in May. You can either send them to me or I will be at the rally at Wilkins. We are looking forward to seeing everyone again!

Elaine

FROM THE WEBMASTER

A whole bunch of thanks and kudos to Bob Shaw once again. For some reason I ran into problems trying to access and edit our website www.newyorkcentrals.com while we were in Biloxi this winter. Bob graciously stepped back in and made necessary updates and changes for me. Thank you Bob. I kind of think he will straighten me out and fix my problems (with the website ☺) before we leave next year. Please log on, check your personal info and let my know if there are any changes to be made.

Bart

OCTOBER RALLY REPORT

Rich & Charlotte Burrell, Hosts

We went to the White Oak Campground in Strasburg, Pa for our October rally. We had 10 coaches in attendance (and 27 people), some for a full week and some for a few days. A great time was had by all. The food was delicious and the company was delightful. The ladies made birdhouses and the greatest tie-dyed t shirts. We also visited the flea markets and helped the American economy improve. Our October rally for this year has not been set up yet; if you have ideas on campgrounds or areas to visit, please let us know.



Mid Winter Luncheon

This year the mid winter luncheon was held at Danzer's Restaurant in Syracuse. With about 40 people attending, we were seated in a rear room of the restaurant. Danzer's is known for its good food and large portions, and they didn't disappoint! All who attended seemed to have enough to eat, plus more by looks of the doggie bags. Everyone had a good time catching up with friends.





Welcome New Members

Mike & Robin Whipple
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RECIPES



SHRIMP APPETIZER SPREAD

Burr and Betsy Stoker

1 package (8 ounce) Cream Cheese, softened
½ cup Sour Cream
¼ cup Mayonnaise
3 packages (5 ounces each) frozen cooked Salad Shrimp- thawed
1 cup Heluva Good Seafood Sauce
2 cups (8 ounces) shredded Mozzarella Cheese (I use the finely shredded kind)
1 medium green Pepper- chopped
1 small Tomato – chopped (I remove the seeds to eliminate some of the juice)
3 green Onions with tops – sliced
Assorted crackers for dipping or can use the scoop chips

In a mixing bowl, beat the cream cheese until smooth. Add sour cream and mayonnaise and mix well. Spread mixture on a round twelve (12) inch serving platter. Sprinkle with the shrimp. Top with seafood sauce. Sprinkle the mozzarella cheese, chopped green peppers, tomatoes and green onions on top. Cover and refrigerate until ready to serve. You can use canned shrimp and eliminate the seeds from the tomatoes to keep it from being too juicy.

ENJOY!



May birthdays

6: Jim Canfield
13: Roseann Essler
18: rosemary Mercier & Beverly Vrabel
19: Pat Lull

20: rich Smitka
21: Dennis Buccina & Kay Leach

23: John Foy & Sally Stevens

26: Frances Casalenuovo
29: Harry Zakorchevnoy

30: Cheryl Zakorchevnoy

Rally host/Co-Hosts are needed for the 2013 rally season. Check out the tentative schedule and consider hosting a rally. Contact Dan McCoy 2VP@NewYorkCentrals.com or COLMAC@twcny.rr.com if you are willing to host a rally.

2012 Rally Schedule		
Date	Place	Hosts
May 18-20, 2012	Wilkins RV	Bill & Kay Leach
June 15-17, 2012	Camillus Elks 35th Anniversary	Bart & Elaine Barton bartonta@rochester.rr.com (585) 289-4792
July 26-30, 2012	Oswego Harbor Fest w/Penny-Mixers & Fingerlakers	Rich & Charlotte Burrell rburrell@twcny.rr.com (607) 753-8758
July 19-22, 2012	NEAR/ESSEX JUNCTION, VT.	TBA
August 27-30 2012	FMCA INTERNATIONAL RALLY Indianapolis, IN	Paul & Sandy Hallagan
TBA	FULTON ELKS w/Thousand Islanders	TBA
September 14-16, 2012	Brown Barn Boonville, NY	Steve & Roseann Essler Steve.essler@hotmail.com (585)223-7086
October 2012	TBA	

Motorhome for sale

2002 Pace Arrow with 2 slides. Very clean inside and out. 38,600 miles.

For more info: call Ko Fey (315)685-3059

Campout at Wilkins R.V., May 17-20

Exit Route 86 at exit 38.
Turn left at red light.
Follow signs for approx 2 miles.
Turn right into Wilkins

Anyone desiring service on your campers please notify Wilkins RV at least a week in advance. Wilkins will have service people available

Thursday	4:00 P.M. 7:00 P.M.	Wine and Cheese party Games
Friday	8:30 A.M. 2:00 P.M. 4:00 P.M. 6:30 P.M. 7:00 P.M.	Coffee and Donuts Crafts Wine and Cheese party Dinner on your own Ice Cream Sundaes Games
Saturday	8.30 A.M. 9:30 A.M. 10:00 A.M. 4:00 P.M. 5:00 P.M. 7:00 P.M.	Dish to pass breakfast Meeting Shop tours & Seminar Wine and Cheese party Catered dinner Games
Sunday	8:00 A.M	Coffee and Donuts

Hosts: Bill and Kay Leach Co Hosts: Cheryl and Harry Zakorchevnoy

Rally Fee:

\$20.00 per person (16 and under free). Send Rally fee and reservation to Kay Leach, 11914 River Road, Corning, NY 14830

F# _____ Pilot _____ Co Pilot _____

Address _____ Tel.# _____

Number of people _____ X \$20.00 = \$ _____

Questions???? Call Leach's (607) 562-3059

New York Centrals June Rally
Celebrating 35 Years of Fun and Friendship
Camillus Elks Lodge #2367

6117 Newport Rd, Camillus, NY 13031

June 15, 16 and 17, 2012

You may arrive Thursday, June 14th after 1:00 pm (no additional fee).

Directions: From the west: Exit 40 on the NYS Thruway (I-90) to SR 34 south. Then east on SR 31 to east on SR 173. Turn south on CR 36, Newport Rd. **From the east:** Exit 39 on the NYS Thruway (I-90) to I-690 south. At exit 6 take SR 695 (SR 5) toward Auburn. Turn north on CR 36, Newport Rd.

Hosts: Elaine and Bart Barton

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Co-Hosts: Mary and Paul Dammers

Home: 315.465.7948 Cell: 518.222.3468 pmdazny@gmail.com

Thursday:

Early Arrival: Happy Hour if enough coaches are there. Supper on your own.

Friday:

4:00 pm – Happy Hour - Hosts will provide Bart's "Internationally Famous Lemonade", wine and cheese (or if you prefer bring your own drink). Please bring a small snack to share. Supper on your own at one of the many local restaurants.

Saturday:

Breakfast 8:30 am - Coffee, Donuts, Fruit, etc. Business Meeting to follow. Lunch on your own.

6:00 pm - - Catered Buffet Dinner by the Elks.

Sunday:

Father's Day breakfast by the Elks included in your rally fee.

Cost: \$33.00 per person. This is dry camping, so come with full water and fuel tanks and an empty holding tank.

Generator stacks and jack boards required. We would love to see past members, or current members who no longer own a coach, who wish to come for the dinner only (\$21.00 each).

Crafts will be provided for the ladies by Char and Elaine Friday and Saturday afternoons if there is interest.

Mail Reservations by June 5th to Elaine Barton, 4342 Shortsville Rd, Shortsville, NY, 14548-9766 so we can let the Elks know how much food to get. If you decide late, please call us as soon as possible at 585.289.4792 or 585.506.2930.

Pilot _____ Co-Pilot _____ Phone _____ Arrival Day _____

Mailing Address _____ email Address _____ FMCA # _____

Attending Full Rally \$33.0 per person: Number: _____ X \$33.00 = Enclosed _____

Coming for Saturday's dinner only - \$21.0 per person: Number: _____ X \$21.00 = Enclosed _____

Fingerlakers 40th Anniversary Rally

We have all been invited to the Fingerlakers Chapter 40th Anniversary Rally July 12 – 15, 2012 at York Fireman's Field in York, NY. \$60 per coach (\$50 for single, \$15 for additional person) will cover 3 nights dry camping, 3 breakfasts, a theme dinner (wear black pants and red shirt), 2 ice cream socials and entertainment. There will be a pound auction, where every person brings a 1# item (no pasta) to be auctioned. This should be a very enjoyable rally with our neighbor chapter. RSVP: Millie Worden, 3050 Federal Road, Pavillion, NY 14525 585-243-2951

Richard Burrell

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