



# New York Centrals

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## TIV/NY CENTRALS JOINT RALLY

ASSOCIATION Island KOA

In spite of the weather, the rally was a very successful event. Seventy-four people in 37 coaches were in attendance. We had to dodge raindrops and wind gusts, but we were still able to have several opportunities to socialize in a large group. Luckily we were able to use a building nearby for our Friday night dinner of subs and slaw as well as the Saturday night catered chicken BBQ dinner. Saturday morning's breakfast was held outside and went well. Butch Charpentier and Jim Miller assisted Charlotte in cooking the eggs and sausage with additional assistance from several of the ladies who had crock pots to hold all the food.

Saturday afternoon did give us a little break and we were able to have a happy hour with sunshine. It also allowed our Game Master, Steve Essler, to hold some games which got several participants to become engaged in some heated competition. Steve made the games extra competitive by having the TIVs and Centrals compete to win the newly minted trophy known as "The Lyn". The winning chapter will have control of the trophy until the next joint rally. This year the TIVs were victorious and took the "Lyn" home with them.



The "Lyn"

Despite the rain, the ladies were able to play cards each night as well as making crafts on Saturday. Bev and Elaine had the ladies making jewelry and cards.

Overall, in spite of the weather not cooperating, the rally was a success and both chapters are looking forward to next year's rally in Waddington.



OK, I'll trade you this RoadTrek for the 4 coffee pots.

### OFFICERS

<a href="#">President</a>	Rich Burrell
<a href="#">1st Vice President</a>	Dan McCoy
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<a href="#">Webmaster</a>	Bob Flight

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# President's Report

Rich Burrell

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Charlotte and I survived the months leading up to the joint rally. We were so happy to see everything turn out alright for the rally, even though the weather was not ideal. With 37 coaches in attendance, this was the largest individual rally we have been involved with since we joined the Centrals. We want to thank all those who assisted during the rally with cooking, setting up and cleaning up. A special thanks to Jim and Sherry Miller who provided a 3 burner propane cook top which made preparing the eggs for breakfast a lot easier and faster than expected.

September will see us in Cooperstown for Hal and Judy Soutar's rally. We are looking forward to the rally and hope to see many of you there. During this rally we will hold our last meeting of the season which will include election of officers. Bob Flight has decided to step down from his position as second vice president of the chapter, however he will continue on as the chapter's web master. I just want to thank Bob for all he has done for the chapter.

See you in Cooperstown,  
Rich



# 1st Vice President's Report

Dan McCoy

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Rallies come and rallies go. With the wind at Association Island, our August rally may still be going, toward the Adirondack Mountains. But neither rain/wind nor the gloom of night can keep the New York Centrals (NYC) and the Thousand Island Voyageurs (TIV) from having fun at a joint rally. Rich and Char Burrell were our hosts and we all enjoyed our joint rally. It was nice to see so many of our newer members and I think we recruited three new members.

Steve Essler a member of the NYC and president of the TIV was in charge of the games and of course we all arrived and expected to get wet one way or another. Steve had "Mother Nature" on his team so water balloons played a small part in getting us wet. Steve supervised competition between the NYC and the TIV and of course the TIV with lots of NYC help took home the trophy, but next year will be another story. (*No cheating will be allowed*). Steve came up with a genuine gold plated plastic trophy with a small motor home on top. In memory of Lyn Gordon a member of both the TIV and the NYC who passed away this year, the trophy is called the "LYN". The TIV get to keep the LYN this year.

Hal and Judy Soutar talked about the September rally in Cooperstown and many of us are looking forward to our weekend in Cooperstown. Get you reservations made soon and join us.

Details for the October rally in Pennsylvania are published and Bart Barton is looking for your reservation. Bart must make all reservations so contact him soon.

The end of the season dinner is scheduled and details are published in this newsletter and on the WEB site.



Is this the August rally or is it the October rally?

## Secretary's Report

Charlotte Burrell

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Thank you to all who helped make the August rally at Association Island a success. I'm sorry that we could not deliver beautiful weather like Lyn and Chris did last year, but in spite of wind, rain and cold, we had a good time. It was so nice to see so many new members present, as well as many old friends. As always, we had a great time with the Thousand Island Voyageurs. Next year's joint rally will be hosted by the TIV and be in Waddington, NY.

We look forward to the September rally in Cooperstown and the October rally in Manheim, PA. If you haven't attended an October rally, you should know we do a lot of relaxing, going to flea markets, quilt shopping, and eating. It is a very nice rally in an area which is much warmer than it is in New York.

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

**Call or [email me](#)**

## 2nd Vice President's Report

Bob Flight

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The August Joint Rally at Association Island was a good one. Rich & Char deserve a big THANK YOU for an event very well done. Steve Essler's (our unofficial Activities Chairperson) water games were greatly toned down by Mother Nature's cool breezes and her own version of watering. Despite those complications, Steve came through with an interesting set of chapter challenges. Those flying water balloons were well captured in Dan's pictures. Can you spot the balloons just before they hit Steve? Look at the [Picture page](#) for his expression! The TIV's took home the trophy, "The Lyn"; in memory of Lyn Gordon. Next year we have to reclaim the trophy!

The September and October rallies are not far off. Please make your reservations as soon as possible. See our [Rally page](#) for details.

\*\* Bob

## From the National Director

Bart Barton

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While the weather was cold and windy, and rainy Saturday night, at Association Island we had a great rally. There were 37 coaches with great food, great games and lots of catching up with old friends.

Elaine and I will be hosting the October rally at Pinch Pond Family Campground & RV Park in Manheim, PA. The dates are October 14th through the 24th. You can come for all ten days, just a week, just a weekend, and/or any combination thereof. We are close to Hershey, Roots Farm Market, the Green Dragon and the Pennsylvania Dutch country (and a lot more). We only have 16 sites reserved. First come first served so let me know ASAP if you are coming. Full details are in the registration form elsewhere in this issue and on the website, [www.newyorkcentrals.com](http://www.newyorkcentrals.com).

As this is being written plans have not yet been finalized to bring the 2016 FMCA International Convention and Family Reunion to the State Fairgrounds in Syracuse, NY. We will keep you posted. If you have any questions, please contact me at 585.289.4792 or [bartonta@gmail.com](mailto:bartonta@gmail.com). Thank you.

*Bart*

## Treasurer's Report

Sue McCoy

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Opening Balance (As of Aug 1, 2014) \$2257.43

### Revenues

Membership dues	\$125.00
Clothing sales	\$230.00
Aug. Rally profit	\$326.00

Ending Balance (Aug 25, 2014) \$2938.43

## Webmaster's Report

Bob Flight

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All of the joint rally pictures and new member pictures have been posted to our [Picture page](#). There are several of the water balloon toss that captures the impending impact on Steve or Rich. Their facial expressions are priceless. Dan continues to provide an excellent set of pictures of our rallies. Let's give him a strong pat on the back to show our appreciation for all his efforts!

\*\* Bob

## Membership Report

Elaine Barton

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Sorry I didn't send a report last month, I missed the deadline. Thank you all for renewing your membership. This last weekend at Association we had 3 new couples sign up to be members and one at NEAR. So welcome to:

Richard and Gail Murtaugh from Central Square, NY  
Daniel and Sharon Bazinet from Ottawa, Canada  
Ralph and Ginger Dudgeon from Homer, NY  
Marie Lange from Syracuse, NY

There is also some good news. We have increased our membership this year so now we have 54 coaches. This is the first time we have had an increase like this since 2009! It shows that people are finding us on our webpage as well as current members are recruiting new member also! Good work everyone!!!!!!!



### September Anniversaries

3: Rich & Charlotte Burrell  
9: Dennis & Joyce Buccina  
23: Butch & Marty Charpentier

### September Birthdays

1: Dick Wheeler  
5: Butch Charpentier & Debbie Dhalle  
19: Steve Essler  
28: Dale Brookins

## Nominating Committee Report

Your nominating committee, Sandy Hallagan, Judy Brookins and Bart Barton are pleased to present the slate of candidates for the September 2014 election:

President	Rich Burrell
1 <sup>st</sup> VP	Dan McCoy
2 <sup>nd</sup> VP	Jim Wilson
Secretary	Char Burrell
Treasurer	Sue McCoy
National Director	Bart Barton
Alt. National Director	Steve Essler

As always, additional nominations may be submitted from the floor.

### Rally host/Co-Hosts are needed for the 2016 rally season.

If you are willing to host or co-host a rally, contact Bob Flight. [2VP@NewYorkCentrals.com](mailto:2VP@NewYorkCentrals.com)



## 2014 RALLY SCHEDULE

September 19-21, 2014	Cooperstown KOA Cooperstown, NY	Hal & Judith Soutar <a href="mailto:jgandrow@frontiernet.net">jgandrow@frontiernet.net</a> 518-673-2085
October 14-24, 2014	Pinch Pond Manheim, PA.	Bart & Elaine Barton <a href="mailto:bartonta@qmaol.com">bartonta@qmaol.com</a> 585-289-4792
October 26, 2014	End of season Dinner Spaghetti Warehouse	Dan & Sue McCoy <a href="mailto:CoIMac@TWCNY.RR.COM">CoIMac@TWCNY.RR.COM</a>



I'll bet Obama and Clinton never had to do anything like this as president.

New York Centrals 2015 Rally Schedule

<i>DATES</i>	<i>NAME-LOCATION</i>	<i>HOSTS</i>
<i>**May 16-18</i>	<i>Turning Stone RV Park Oneida NY</i>	<i>Lori Snyder, David Reffue &amp; Lee Kimler</i>
<i>June 20-22</i>	<i>Sylvan Beach Marina Sylvan Beach NY</i>	<i>Paul &amp; Sandy Hallagan Dan &amp; Sue McCoy</i>
<i>July 16-19</i>	<i>NEAR Essex Junction, VT.</i>	<i>Register on line</i>
<i>Aug 8-10</i>	<i>Waddington Homecoming Waddington NY</i>	<i>Joint rally w/TIV</i>
<i>Sep 19-21</i>	<i>Brown Barn Boonville NY</i>	<i>Harry &amp; Cheryl Zakorchevnoy Phil &amp; Pat Dana</i>
<i>Oct _??_</i>	<i>TBA</i>	<i>TBA</i>
<i>**Oct 18</i>	<i>End of season Dinner</i>	<i>TBA</i>

*\*\*Date subject to change*



Neither rain nor wind can keep these ladies from their crafts!

Steve and Anita on their "date" to the dumpster.



# New York Centrals September Rally September 19-21, 2014 Cooperstown KOA

**HOSTS:** Hal & Judi Soutar

Rates: Full hook up: 30 Amp/\$42, 50 Amp/\$50.

Cooperstown KOA  
565 Ostrander Road  
Richfield Springs, NY 13439  
**Reserve:** 800-562-340  
**Info:** 315-858-0236

Water/Electric: 36.75

Over 6 coaches: 10% discount  
Over 12 coaches: 15% discount

Come in Thursday, get Saturday at ½ price.

## **Directions**

**From I-90 Exit 30:** Go south on 28 approximately 12 miles to Richfield Springs. Left on 20, 5 miles, follow signs.

**From I-88 W Exit 24:** 20 W, 1/2 mile past 80, follow signs.

**I-88 E Exit 17:** 28 N to Cooperstown, 80 E to 20 W, follow signs.

## **ITINERARY:**

Thursday: Early Arrivals

Friday: 3:00-5:00 Meet & Greet, Local Cheese & Wine (and non-alcoholic beverages) provided by the host.

Dinner on your own, list of fine local dining will be in the welcome packet.

Saturday: 8 am Continental Breakfast. (Juice, coffee, pastries, bagels & condiments)

3:00 Happy Hour - BYOB, bring a snack to share.

5:30 "Brooks Barbeque" world famous chicken dinner

Evening – Cards, Campfire, and Conversation.

Sunday: Coffee, juice, muffins & bagels.

Cost: \$25.00 per person

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CO-PILOT \_\_\_\_\_

PILOT \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL \_\_\_\_\_

FMCA# \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$25 x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_.

Mail to Harold Soutar, PO Box 118, Palatine Bridge, NY 13428 by August 29, 2014.

# New York Centrals Family Motor Coach Association

## Dinner Meeting – Sunday October 26, 2014

This year's Dinner Meeting will be at the "Spaghetti Warehouse" 689 N. Clinton Street, Syracuse NY.

We will gather for cocktails at 2:00 PM at the restaurant with a cash bar, followed at 3:00 PM for dinner in a private room.

This year everyone will order from the regular menu with a wide selection of great meals ranging in price from \$9.00 to \$17.00.

It will be member's responsibility to pay their own bill and leave appropriate gratuity.

Please RSVP to Dan McCoy, [CoIMac@TWCNY.RR.COM](mailto:CoIMac@TWCNY.RR.COM) or 315-689-9397, with the number to attend, NOT LATER THAN October 20, 2014. If you forget to RSVP don't be afraid to come, we will find space, but please let us know to assist set-up.

### Directions:

From WEST (690 / NYS Fair) Exit 11/12 Genesee St. Left on Genesee St to left on W. Willow. Left on Franklin St, under the bridges turns left on N. Franklin. First right on Genant St. Left on N. Clinton St to restaurant on left.

From NORTH (I-81) I-81 south to exit 21 Spencer St. Right on Spence and left on N. Clinton St to restaurant on right.

From SOUTH & EAST (I-81 & 690) follow R 690W toward Baldwinsville. Exit 10 (Geddes St). Take left on Geddes St. Left on Genesee St and follow direction from WEST above.



Does anyone want a bite of my pickle?

# NEW YORK CENTRALS

## October Rally October 14 – 24

### Pinch Pond Family Campground & RV Park

### 3075 Pinch Rd, Manheim, PA 17545

The October rally is now set. Somehow I ended up as Wagon master (thanks a lot Bob and Rich) so here goes. The dates are October 14<sup>th</sup> through the 24<sup>th</sup>. You can come for all ten days, just a week, just a weekend, and/or any combination thereof. We are close to Hershey, Roots Farm Market, the Green Dragon and the Pennsylvania Dutch country (and a lot more).

Please DO NOT call Pinch Pond for reservations . . . they only want to deal with one person, yours truly. So please let me know as soon as possible if you want to attend. We have 13 sites reserved so call or email me NOW to lock in your site. We may be able to get a few more if the demand is there. I will need your payment in full by August 31<sup>st</sup>. Their website is www. <http://pinchpond.com/index.html> for more information.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Coach Length \_\_\_\_\_ Do you want 30 or 50 amp \_\_\_\_\_

Dates: (Please X each night you will be there)

10/14	10/15	10/16	10/17	10/18	10/19	10/20	10/21	10/22	10/23
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Rates are:	Daily (6 or fewer)	Week	Full 10 nights
	30 amp	\$39.60	\$264
	50 amp	\$41.40	\$276
			\$382.80
			\$400.20

**Cancellation Policy:** You must notify the Pinch Pond office and confirm with a Customer Service Representative that you intend to cancel a reservation. In order to receive a refund (minus a 15% service fee) or a rain check, cancellation must be confirmed at least 7 days prior to your check-in date. **NO REFUNDS OR RAIN CHECKS WILL BE GIVEN FOR HOLIDAY WEEKENDS OR INCLEMENT WEATHER.**

Camping Fee for \_\_\_\_\_ nights: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Rally Fee per Person: \$7.00 X \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Cost \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please make your check payable to Bart Barton and give it to me at a rally or mail it to:

Bart Barton  
4342 Shortsville Rd  
Shortsville NY 14548

I need to receive it by August 31<sup>st</sup>. Questions? Call (H)585.289.4792 (C)585.506.2930 or email [bartonta@gmail.com](mailto:bartonta@gmail.com) Thank you.

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In the immortal words of Chuck Berry, "Won't you play with my Ding-a-Ling??"