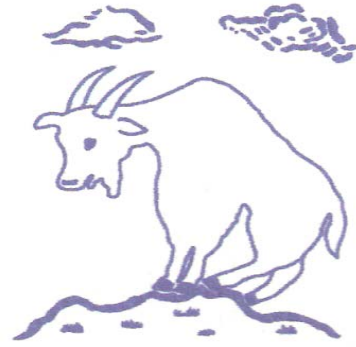


The Hillbilly



Publication of the Watchung NJ Unit (www.watchungunit.org)
Wally Byam Caravan Club International

September, 2011



President's Message

Hi One & All,

We have returned from Syracuse after attending our Grand-daughter's wedding. Some of the long time members will remember Heather as she was a regular attendant at the Int'l rallies. How the years fly by.. Now onward... From all reports, Dave Morrison and Jane Layman's, "Bring Your Own Lobster" rally was a huge success. Very hot, but a success! Thank you Jane and Dave for all of your endeavors!!

Good wishes to Kathy Forsythe, Region 2 President and the new 1st Vice-President Pat Mc Fadden. Next year's Region 2 Rally will be in Herkimer, N.Y. Rally dates will be **May 30 – June 3rd**, a change from the usual Memorial Day weekend.

We have had some news from Betty Lou Walker pertaining to the collection of books for Cathy Leiber/Judith's Reading Room. Cathy says to keep the books coming for our servicemen and their families. Judith's Reading Room has received a very special volunteer award from Wells Fargo (see page 9).

The Watchung August Rally, hosted by Linda & George Kiesel and Cathy & Scott Leiber was a most enjoyable weekend! There were 13 units in attendance. You could be as busy as a bee or just plain relax. Our business meeting went well, the nominating committee obtaining the 2 new directors needed. They are Cathy Edwards and Betty Lou Walker. We still need a 2nd Vice-President. PLEASE someone step up to the plate. Contact Fred Brugmans if you would be willing to serve.

The N.J. State Rally is coming up - September 15-18, at Jersey Shore Haven. Let's all support the rally!! Charlie Petrillo has put a lot of time and effort into making this a success. Have your coupons in by Sept. 10th!

Our next Watchung Rally will be October 7-10 at Rockview Valley Campground, Montague, N.J., hosted by Joe Fodor & Cathy and Fred & Jeanne Brugmans. This will be a Business meeting with election of 2012 Officers. Come out and vote!!

Our yearly dues are coming up, Marian will be looking for them.

See You Down The Road,
Ed



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2011 Watchung NJ Unit Schedule

<http://watchungunit.org/schedule.htm>

Get your coupon in by September 10th

September 15 - 18, 2011

NJ State Rally
Jersey Shore Haven,
So. Seaville, NJ
New Jersey Unit (Charlie Petrillo) – Chair

October 7 - 10, 2011

Annual Business Meeting
Rockview Valley Campground, Montague, NJ
Joe Fodor 732-287-1179
Fred and Jeanne Brugmans

November 5, 2011

George and Linda Kiesel will be collecting food for our annual food drive

Luncheon
Long Valley Micro Brewery
Long Valley, NJ
Cal and Barbara Bacon 908-876-4344
Bill and Betty Lou Walker

December 4, 2011

Installation Dinner
Anthony's Restaurant
Rockaway, NJ
Dave Morrison 973-627-8949

September 11th
2001 – 2011

On this 10 year anniversary, please take a few minutes during your busy schedules to remember those lost in this tragedy.

Community Service * by 9/30

For form, see

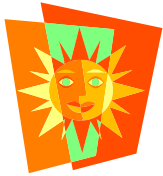
<http://watchungunit.org/forms.htm>

Time period = April-September, 2011
(guesstimate through the end of September)

Include a short description of service on back, or separate form

Food Pantry (line 27) = approximate dollar amount, NOT # of items

Volunteering = # of hours



SUNSHINE

A get well card was sent to Bill Walker. At the beginning of August, he fell and hurt his back, shoulder and collarbone. Had x-rays..nothing broken, chipped or cracked just bruised and hurting. After the x-rays, his feet swelled. Final consensus – no ‘over doing it’ for a while.



9/05 - Fred Spencer
9/11 - Richard Gibson
9/22 - Cathy Leiber
9/25 - Wilma Crawford
9/25 - Steve Nehlig
9/30 - Joe Devine

Bits and Pieces

REGION 2 (see News and Views) -

We now have 2 Watchung Members on the ‘Region 2 Team’. Congratulations to Steve Nehlig (Contributing Editor) and Dave Morrison (Webmaster)!



9/21 **Spevak,**
Ron & Marge



Congrats, Loretta Nauta on your 2 ribbons at International

Missed a Coupon? –

Visit the appropriate website

Fiddlers Convention Rally –



We really enjoyed this rally and recommend it to all. The competitions start every night at 6 pm. The first night is the youngsters - great. Other nights are banjo fiddlers, auto harp, dulcimer bands, and blue grass. Old time, great music. Hard to fit in happy hour and dinner! Entertainment is held at the rally sight. Visiting the work shop of Wayne Henderson guitars (5 year waiting list if you want order). One can find time to visit Mount Airy and Carter House.
- Thanks to Art and Dot Erickson for sending this in.

NUGGETS OF MEDITATION

From Jo

"Just as the body is dead when there is no spirit in it, so faith is dead if it is not the kind that results in good deeds."

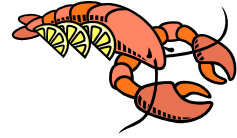
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Stay tuned next month, for write-up and pictures for the August rally at Korn's Camp Ground in Middletown, NY



Rally Report



July 22 - 24, 2011
Lobster Fest Rally
Jersey Shore Haven, So. Seaville, NJ
- Dave Morrison

For a second year in a row – the joint Watchung/WDCU July Rally experienced 100+ degree temperatures. Relief from the heat came from onboard air conditioners in the ten or so rigs dotting the rally field and from the Shore Haven pool. Fortunately the pool hours were extended to 9pm both Friday and Saturday nights – thanks Don Butler.

Rally goers arrived during the day on Friday with Joe Fodor and Cathy showing up during happy hour. The first evening was rounded out with the lobster orders being taken followed by a group swim that lasted until 9pm. After the Friday evening pool session a movie was shown in the pavilion. In keeping with the Rally theme we showed 'Splash' which featured the mermaid eating the entire lobster shell and all.

Saturday began with a continental breakfast in the pavilion. We discovered a wonderful bakery close to the Park and we presented fresh baked pastries, crumb cake, and bagels. Delicious!

Rally goers were on our own for the day. Folks chose various ways of beating the heat. Some headed to the beach, some found cool restaurants to enjoy lunch at, and some stayed home and enjoyed the pool. We had a nice size group visit the local Moose Lodge in Rio Grande for a cool lunch.

Lunch for Jane and I was followed by a trip down to Cape May for the big lobster purchase. We had so much fun picking up thirty-six lobsters at the bustling Lobster House. The purchase included lobsters ranging in size from 1.5 lbs. all the way up to 2.5 lbs.

Saturday evening started off with a lively happy hour which rolled right into dinner. The folks at Shore Haven gave us the keys to the wonderful kitchen and it was put to use in preparing dinner for the forty plus in attendance. We had potatoes in the ovens, four big pots boiling away for the corn on the cob and lobster, and we had the char-coal grill cooking even more corn on the cob and steaks for the surf and turf fans. Dinner was served and we had a ton of fun preparing it. For dessert we all enjoyed singing happy birthday to Jim Giordano from the Metro NY Unit and had a sheet cake from the same bakery that prepared the breakfast food.

After dinner everyone made a mad dash back to the pool. I have been visiting Shore Haven for close to ten years and I never saw so many in the pool at once. It was like a cocktail party sans the cocktails (no drinks allowed in the pool area). Because of the heat there was no campfire.

Sunday morning featured another delicious breakfast followed by an afternoon of good-byes as the Rally goers hitched up and headed home. Many thanks to Joe Fodor for his ever cheerful help with the dinner preparation Saturday night. And yes, even Joe was in the pool Saturday night!

Watchungers in attendance included Lynn and Gary Brink, John and Wilma Crawford, Joe and Cathy, Judy & David Cahall, Dave Thomas, Rob and Laurie Thomas and their daughter Miracle. The WDC Unit was represented by Margaret Van Beveren, Gayle and Rob Sunde, Braith and Howie Eldridge, and Lori and Greg Wilson. Metro NY was represented by Lourie and Jim Giordano. Wally-ites from the Park joined in on the fun as well including Sue and Hunt Jones.

Word is that Joe will not allow Jane and me to host a July Rally next summer – he can't take the heat that comes with our Rallies. In the mean time we are already working on next summer's rally theme around the London based Olympic Games?? Blood pudding??

See pictures on page 6

End

Get Ready for the Holiday Season



DATE November 5, 2011

TIME: 12:00 Noon

MENU:

Salad or Soup

Choice of Entree

Tomato Basil Penne Pasta,

Chicken Piccata or

Grilled Salmon /w Creole mustard butter

Dessert

COST: \$32.50 per person

(Try hand crafted beers and
the Beer Sampler! – extra cost)

DEADLINE: October 20, 2011*



Long Valley Pub & Brewery

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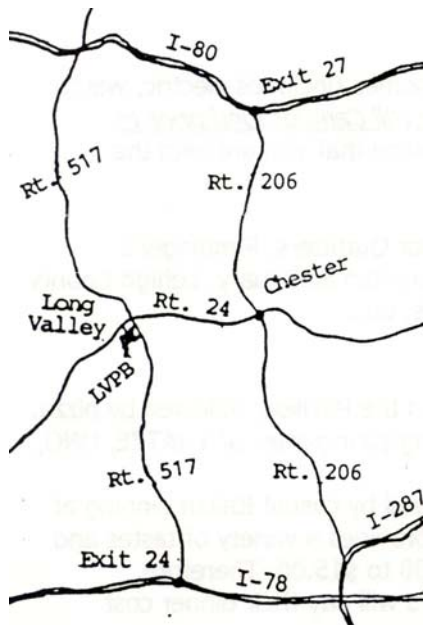
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Bring food for our Annual Food Drive!

Name _____

Spouse/Guest _____ WBCCI # _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Entree Choice (How many?)

Pasta (_____) Chicken (_____) Salmon (_____)

No of people ____ @ \$32.50 =\$ _____

Check # _____
(payable to Watchung NJ Unit, WBCCI)

Mail to: Cal & Barbara Bacon

9 Valley View Road

Long Valley NJ 07853

Co-Hosts: Cal & Barbara Bacon 908 876-4344 calvin.bacon@gmail.com

Bill & Betty Lou Walker 973 702-3042 lulu5616@ptd.net

* After October 20, call or email for availability.



Rally Hosts:
Jane Layman (#2778)
Dave Morrison (#6481)



UMMMMMMMMMMMMM!



David Cahall (#4058) and Jim Giordano (Metro) must be happy that the bands are still on



Gayle Sunde's (Pres of WDCU) granddaughter, Allisen



October Leaf Rally

Date: October 7,8,9,10, 2011

Location: Rockview Valley Campground

59 River Rd.

Montague, NJ

info 973-293-3383



Fri Social Hour

Sat Breakfast

Social Hour

Dinner

Sun Breakfast

Business Meeting

Mon Enjoy the Day

Directions:

Route 206 North

To Montague. Make Right turn onto
River Rd. (Co Rd 521)

not Clove Rd.

continue to Campground on Right
pull into Rally Field.

(stay right pass office)

Mail to: Joe Fodor

PO Box 10793

New Brunswick, NJ 08906

732-287-1179

Water and Electric Hook-ups

Dump Station available

Co-hosts: Fred and Jeanne Brugmans

Reservation Deadline is September 23, 2011

Make checks payable to: **Watchung NJ Unit WBCCI**

Name _____ WBCCI Number _____

Address _____ Phone _____

Arrival Date _____ Departure Date _____

Parking per Night \$30.00 x _____ = _____

Rally Fee per person \$6.00 x _____ = _____

TOTAL _____



Region 2

NEWS & VIEWS

www.wbcc2.org

AUG. 2011



From your President,

As this is the first issue of the News and Views under my "reign", I want to tell you how honored I am to be your leader for the next two years. I am following in the footsteps of many good leaders of Region 2, including our Past President, Roy McDonald. We thank Roy and Bonnie for their service and continued help.

I am planning to meet many new people in person at rallies during this time, as well as linking up with current friends. I am going to enjoy working with my team:

- 1st Vice President Pat McFadden
- Recording Secretary Gene Forsythe
- Corresponding Secretary Beverly Clayton
- Treasurer Bill Kent
- Immediate Past President Roy McDonald
- Caravan Chairmen Rich Griffin
- Contributing Editor Steve Nehlig
- Family and Youth Chairman Linda Amme
- Membership Chairman Pat McFadden
- Newsletter Editor Beverly Clayton
- Safety Chairman Phil Broomall
- Webmaster Dave Morrison

I am looking for volunteers for these Chairman positions: Community Service, Historian and Public Relations.

I look forward to serving you and spending time with you. Let me know if you have constructive suggestions to improve Region 2 and/or WBCCI. I want all of us to have "Fun, Fellowship, and Adventure" while traveling safely.



Kathy

Kathy Forsythe, President
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From your Past President and First Lady:

Hello Region 2 - We hope that everyone is having a great summer and not complaining about the weather! When it was hot in Du Quoin, at least we had the rain. Here in Ontario we have just had HOT!

We would like to thank the Region for our lovely remembrances for our time as President and First Lady. My yellow bouquet of roses was so beautiful and they did make it home with me, a little wilted, but I wanted to show my family what they were like. The picture hardly did them justice. Roy used his monetary gift to buy a Kobo E - reader - a toy he didn't have! He figured that now he might have a bit more time for reading and has hooked up with the library here in Brantford so there is no end to his list of books.

We will certainly miss seeing all of you on a more regular basis but remember, I will still travel with some Maple Leaf Creme cookies so come over for a visit and a cup of tea.

Thank-you for putting your confidence in us and for being such a supportive Region. Roy and Bonnie MacDonald

Past President and Past First Lady of Region 2"

Here are Roy and Bonnie, parading with Unit Presidents at Region 2 Rally in May,

with Kathy leading Region 2 Flag



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REPORT ON INTERNATIONAL

Gene and I had a good time at International in DeQuoin, "FLEXIBILITY" was the watchword. The outside venue was great, but if it rained, we went inside.



This is Gene's photo of the backdrop at the outdoor venue designed by Ron Amme.

We were busy from the moment we got there. I helped Gene set up the sign shop then he worked with a harem while I was in meetings and doing other IBT chores. The attendance was down, a total of 539 rigs were on site, but Region 2 had 65 attendees, over 10%! The seminars were great, leadership and caravaning for example. We had terrific entertainment and the band was superior, as usual. Just think they come together for a short amount of time and the quality of the music they produce is outstanding. We went to the Canada day invitation only breakfast - Roy was host and we enjoyed ourselves but I forgot my crown and they were disappointed.

The Region 2 Luncheon on July 1 was held at the American Legion. It was a fish fry and the food was plentiful and delicious. Several International officers joined us including President-elect Barry Heckenswiler with Lesley, 2nd Vice President-elect John Boutwell and Secretary-elect Jo Jugel with Kari. Past International and Region 2 President John Shull did the honors of installing Pat McFadden as Region 2 1st Vice President. Pat and Judy provided centerpieces for the event and Pat presided over my "roast". We presented gifts and thanks to outgoing President and First Lady Roy and Bonnie and wished them well on their future travels.

The IBT minutes are available on the web site: www.wbcc1.org. The main item, the rewrite of the constitution, was tabled and will be discussed and resubmitted next year. The amendment to the International constitution regarding nominated

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candidates for International office passed. The Nominating Committee will now submit a list of qualified candidates to International office by March 1 for inclusion in the April Blue Beret and all qualified candidates will be presented to Delegates at the annual Delegates Meeting.

But, the Rally is not just the business event, it is meeting new people, learning about new activities and getting early information about new caravans and rallies in the south in the winter. It is not just the pomp and circumstance but information gathering. Of course it is OK dressing up once in a while and doing the princess wave. The women Region presidents behind me also did it!

Region 2 is a big part of International- we have a lot of participants in many areas. I was very proud of Region 2 units, events and people. In addition to the volunteers from our Region who serve in various areas including Band, Sign Shop, Entertainment coordination, Community Service, Caravan Info, Registration, Bulletin Boards, just to name a few, many of our members participated in activities for which awards are presented. (see article page 3)

As most everyone knows by now, Kathy McKelvey, Past Region 2 First Lady, fell and broke her hip before International and so she and Don were unable to attend the International. We heard recently that her surgery went well and she is up and about undergoing physical therapy. We missed Don greatly at IBT, but are glad to hear they plan to travel in September, spending time with family. We send our best wishes for her continued recovery and hope to see them this winter if not before.

PREVIEWS OF COMING ATTRACTIONS

The State Rallies are still on our calendar. Gene and I will be attending. Hope to see you there. They are:

- PA State Rally, September 7-11, Lebanon Fairgrounds, Lebanon, PA
- NJ State Rally, September 15-18, Jersey Shore Haven, S. Seaville, NJ
- NY State Rally, September 29-October 2, Ulster County Fairgrounds, New Paltz, NY

After that we will be visiting several units doing officer installations. If you haven't scheduled one of the region officers to do this, contact us right away to set this up.

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WOW, what an honor! Congratulations to Cathy and Scott Leiber and Wells Fargo. Cathy's nomination was selected out of more than 500 nominations received this year. Please read this excerpt from the Wells Fargo Team News article from 8/16/11...and keep collecting those books!

Nonprofit organizations have \$400,000 more to strengthen their communities thanks to Wells Fargo's 33rd annual Volunteer Service Awards. The program honors 241 Wells Fargo team member volunteers with three levels of grants to the nonprofits they serve:

- One grant of \$25,000
- 15 grants of \$10,000
- 225 grants of \$1,000

An access-to-books organization cofounded by **Cathy Leiber**, a utility clerk with Wealth, Brokerage and Retirement in Bethlehem, Pa., received the top award of \$25,000. [Judith's Reading Room](http://www.judithsreadingroom.org), named for Leiber's late cousin, custom-designed seven libraries to give Afghanis and U.S. soldiers increased access to literature. In one year, the organization collected nearly 13,000 books and shipped more than 5,300 to U.S. soldiers and 2,050 to Afghani children. One library established at a school in Kabul serves 9,000 children and was the city's first.

"I'm both humbled and proud," said Leiber. "The funds will be used, among other things, to measure the impact of our donations and catalog thousands of donated books in our inventory. Wells Fargo is helping Judith's Reading Room move to a new level of service."

www.judithsreadingroom.org



REGION 2 2012 RALLY
May 30-June 3, 2012.

A site for the 2012 Region 2 Rally has been chosen. It is Herkimer Fairgrounds in Frankfort, NY. The dates will be a week later than previous rallies as voted upon by the attendees this year. Mark your calendars for May 30-June 3, 2012.



Herkimer County is in central New York State, northwest of Albany, and east of Syracuse. The northern part of the county is in the Adirondack Park. The Mohawk River flows across the south part of the county. The fairgrounds are located near exit 31 on I-90, the New York Thruway. There will be many things to do in the area in addition to activities being planned for the Rally. Some of the local attractions include: diamond mining (yes, diamonds!), the Remington Gun museum, Canal and River cruises and shopping at Canal Place in Little Falls. There will be tours and other activities, and some may wish to visit the Turning Stone Casino in Verona. The coupon will be available later this year when planning is more complete.



Parking area at Herkimer Fairgrounds



A typical electric hookup - multiple outlets per pole - all 30 amp receptacles - and 2 water faucets on each pole

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AWARDS WON BY REGION 2 MEMBERS

This year the awards Region 2 members received were:

- | | | |
|--|---|--|
| CENTRAL MD
Hobby Show Handwork | Shirley Bishop | 3rd |
| CENTRAL PA
Hobby Show Wood Items
Hobby Show Hand Paint | Bill Bucher
Joan Bucher | 1st
2nd |
| DELMARVA
Hobby Show Cards
Hobby Show Misc.
Hobby Show Pro. Quilt | Margaret Morris
Mary Ann Parks
Susan Comstock | 1st
2nd
3rd |
| Art, Youth
Photo Prints People
Photo Prints Airstreams
Unit Bulletin Board
Unit Bulletin Board Geog. | Erin Koziellec
Claire Connelly
Sue Comstock
Delmarva
Delmarva | Best of Show
3rd
3rd
1st |
| HUDSON MOHAWK
Photo Prints Animal Friends
Photo Prints Animal Friends | Pat Cabana
Pat Cabana | 1st
2nd |
| KEYSTONE PA
Duplicate Bridge
Duplicate Bridge - Total
Duplicate Bridge | Cindy Yerk
Cindy Yerk
Cindy Yerk | 1st
1st
2nd |
| METRO NY
Pet Show Costume | Cathy Novak | 1st |
| MID ATLANTIC
Hobby Show Handwork | Carol Baker | 2nd |
| ONTARIO CA
Hobby Show Knitting
Pet Show Best of Show
Pet Show Best looking dog
Pet Show Obedience
Pet Show Peoples Choice | Margaret Skells
Pat Anderson
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Pat Anderson | 1st
Trophy
1st
2nd
Hon Mention |
| WATCHUNG NJ
Hobby Show Machine Quilt
Pet Show Best looking dog | Loretta Nauta
Lorotta Nauta | 2nd
2nd |

+++++ New Unit Officers! - please send me a copy of your Unit activities and doing this, we want to be sure all units' activities are listed in upcoming Blue Beret issues and officers are listed in the Membership Directory.



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