

June 2022 Wagon Tracks
Twentieth Century Wagontrainers, A Chapter of FMCA
<https://tcw20cent.homestead.com>

Current TCW Schedule						
Start Day	Dates	Rally Name	Location	Host	Co-host	Sponsor
Wednesday	July 13-16	GEAR	Lewisburg, WV	FMCA	NA	FMCA Eastern
Thurs	August 4-6	Northeast Area Rally	Fryeburg, Me	FMCA	NA	FMCA Northeast
Thurs	September 8-11	Seaside	Seaside Heights, NJ (Bay Front Piers and Park)	Rich Russo	Mary & Bill Burdge	TCW
Friday	October 14-16	Pocono Raceway	Pocono Raceway	Penn Coachman	NA	Penn Coachman

TCW President's Letter

Matt Hoelzel

Greetings 20th Century Wagontrainers. A hello from the beautiful state of Ohio. Staying a bit to go to a nephew's wedding, see family, and not drive so much due to the cost of gas. Talking about fuel, I hope everyone is capable of getting out on the road and going somewhere. Even if it is a short drive, for example, to a rally or two.

Ellen and I will be heading out to SC, by car, to finally have our pre-sheetrock inspection for the new house build. Great sign things are progressing. We'll head back to Ohio and then in a few weeks head to Kentucky. Eventually into Lewisburg, WV for the GEAR rally. I would appreciate if anyone is going to the GEAR rally to let me know. See if our chapter can volunteer for any available positions to help at the rally.

On a different, but good topic, as president, I have been getting emails from a few people looking to become members of TCW. That is an unexpected good thing being part of. I am excited for TCW in knowing the great times that we all have at our rallies and to know other people will be joining us for these good times. So until the next time I see everyone, be safe, healthy, and get out and have some fun

All about Fun,

Rally VP

Rich Russo

We're nearing the end of the year with only Seaside and possibly the holiday luncheon left. Helen notified me that she can't do the luncheon this year. It would be great if someone stepped up and organized it. It's only a matter of finding a place and contacting them with the expected number of people. The place we've had it is central and reasonable. We usually had it the Saturday after Thanksgiving. We need hosts and co-hosts for Lancaster, Miller, and Seaside for next year and for any other rallies we will have. If you have any ideas for rallies let me know.

Sunshine VP Report and Other News

Helen Caserta

Fortunately, no sympathy cards needed lately. But, 2 get well cards were sent. Ed Patterson had a pace maker "installed". I've spoken to him at home since then and he is happy to be home and feeling better. Ursula Mento is having eye issues and I've sent her a card as well.

Enjoy your summer everyone, keep me posted if you know of someone that needs a card.

Seaside Sunset Beach Rally

September 8-11, 2022

Seaside Bay beach, Seaside Heights, NJ

Host Rich Russo

Co-hosts Bill and Mary Burdge

Arrive Thursday after 9:00AM

Meals haven't been finalized but I expect it to be about the same as in the past. As always, bring your plates, utensils and beverages.

There are usually a lot of events happening that weekend and I'll try to have information about what is going on. The entry fees at state parks have been lifted for the year so Island Beach is free

This is dry camping so arrive with empty holding tanks and full water tank. Generator stacks are required!

If you want to park together then please arrive together.

If you need to run your generator outside to 7AM-11 PM hours let me know and we'll park you away from others

Register by August 31

DIRECTIONS: Garden State Parkway Exit 82 – Route 37 East. Follow Route 37 East all the way over the bay bridge. Once over the bridge, follow Route 35 North for Seaside Heights. On your left you will see the RV's parked in the lot. Get in the left lane and make a legal U-turn across from the Acme Supermarket. (N39°56.814, W74°4.731)

Detach and Mail

SEASIDE SUNSET BEACH RALLY RESERVATION FORM – SEPT 9-11, 2022

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

F# _____

I need use of my generator from 11PM to 7AM

I need handicap accommodations

Cost is \$70 for 2 people in a coach and \$35 single.

Make checks payable to TCW

MAIL To : Richard Russo

Deadline August 31

MAY RALLY/FLEMINGS JUNKYARD WRAP-UP

From Frank Winter:

A dismal weather forecast did not keep our high-spirited members from enjoying a cheerful (and sometimes sunny) weekend at Fleming's Junkyard on May 12-15, 2022. Bryan and Becky parked us in a relatively dry area away from the mud, and Bryan kept the oversize campfire going all weekend. It was a relaxing weekend without structured activities. The traditional evening campfire activities were augmented with a pick-your-tune singalong, in which each person named a song and then Steve blasted them out of an internet wi-fi speaker for all to join in. Breakfast and lunch were on our own, but the antique diner was opened for a sumptuous pot-luck dinner featuring our members' favorite home-cooked specialties. Dinner at the local Elks club provided a quiet respite from the activities at the campsite.



From Judy Blatt, KFBO

First rally under our belts. It was a small turnout, but worth the trip to get the year started with friends we haven't seen for a while. Seven coaches joined the fun and renewed camaraderie: Steve and Wendy Acropolis, Bill and Mary Burdge, Bob and Peggy Pittenger, Joe and



Lydia Veri,
Frank
Winter,
Hank and
Judie Blatt
and of
course
Bryan and
Becky

Stirickland. We were parked in a lovely shaded area with a giant fire ring that was kept going almost constantly except for the bit of rain we experienced.



Generally, meals were on our own, but Friday dinner we went to dinner at the Elk Lodge. The menu was limited, but very good. Bryan treated us all to our first drink which was an unexpected surprise and totally unnecessary.



Thank you Bryan. Saturday we had a pot-luck dinner and for the limited amount of people, was quite varied and delish. For some reason, our first rally always ends up on Hank's birthday (80) so I made his favorite chocolate cake with chocolate icing for dessert. That went over well as it always does. What is it about chocolate that everyone enjoys it so much? Guess I'll continue the "tradition". Always a hit.



In a blink or the eye, the weekend was over. Seems like we just greeted each other and it was time to leave. That's always what happens when you're having fun. Really looking forward to the rest of the camping season and other all too short rallies with dear friends.

Lancaster Country Acres Wrap Up

Charlotte Lawyer

Eight TCW member coaches spent April 28-May 1 at Country Acres Campground in the rolling hillsides of Lancaster County. Thursday evening was hot dogs and light snacks. Some members ventured out to Revere Tavern for dinner. Friday started out with egg sandwiches from Charlotte's Walk up Window Café. Friday night we enjoyed Bob's Barbecue, baked beans, and lots of great sides and deserts from

our



members. We were warmed up by a nice propane fire that evening. Saturday began with pancakes and bacon. We followed up breakfast with a business meeting. Everyone enjoyed exploring favorite shops and finding new sights to see in Lancaster County. Saturday night was Zook's Famous Chicken Pot Pies. And boy were they delicious!!! Afterwards we gathered around a nice warm campfire. Thanks to everyone who came and helped out.



Mark your calendars for a return trip April 27-April 30, 2023. TCW has eight sites reserved for next year and we are hoping to add two more sites to our reservation. We also need a host for next year. The Lawyer's are headed out west and won't be traveling through Pennsylvania next year. Please contact Charlotte or Dennis if you are interested in hosting this rally in 2023. We can answer any questions you might have and help with suggestions. Looking forward to hearing about new adventures next year at this beautiful campground!

Miller Wrap Up

Nick & Naomi Theisz

Eight member families attended. As always, Miller is a lazy rally allowing people to do whatever they want.

Friday morning was a quiche breakfast. Pizza was Friday nights dinner.

Chef Nick made crepes and waffles for breakfast on Saturday morning. Saturday dinner was catered by Olive Garden.

Sunday breakfast was left-over quiche with pancakes and waffles as options.

August 4 – 6, 2022

COME AND SUPPORT THE NORTHEAST AREA

FMCA was formed in 1963 in Hinckley, ME. Northeast Area was asked to do a Rally there and Fryeburg is the closest facility we could find.

Come join us for a fun-filled Rally. We have been working hard to finalize the Rally. There will be 4 nights of Camping, 30 amp with water and dump stations, Coffee and Donuts, Seminars, RV Displays, Commercial Vendors, two nights of entertainment, Chapter Fair, Block Parties, Ice Cream Social, Hot Dog Social, and Ladies Tea. Entertainment for the Ladies Tea will be a Traveling Trunk Show.

Some points of interest are the Conway Scenic Railroad with daily trips. Take a trip to Mount Washington, it has one of the few cog train rides still in existence.

Some local businesses of interest that are within a half hour drive, Camping World, L.L. Beans Outlet Store, Walmart's and many places to eat and shop.

The day for participants parking is Wednesday August 3, 8 am to 5 pm. You will be using Gate 4 off Route 5. We are using the Trackside Camping Area. If you are a group and want to park together you need to come together. If you would like to come early or stay late, that is fine. You will be able to camp across the street from the Fairgrounds in the Fairview Camping Area for \$40.00 per night with 30 amps,

water and a dump station, payable at the Fryeburg Campground Office. For information call (207) 935-3268.

The first 150 coaches to register will be entered in a special drawing for a Certificate for \$500 off your next Adventure Caravan trip. You must be present to win.

Registration is now open and the Registration Form is attached to the newsletter distribution.

Northeast Area Executive Board

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John Traphagen

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Newsletter Editor Comments

Dennis Lawyer

The next newsletter will be published by October 30.

Penn Coachman Pocono Raceway

Penn Coachman will have the "open" rally again this year at the Pocono Raceway Oct. 14-16 (Early Bird Oct. 12 and/or 13). TCW members are invited to join. Look for detail information in the fall. Information <https://www.poconoraceway.com/penncoachmen.html>

TCW members who went last year report that it was a great rally, wonderful parking accommodations, lots to do and food is amazing. Let's have good representation from TCW!!!!

TCW Badges

To order TCW badges, you need to call Debbie of Lasered Effects at 732-377-9344 to order them. They are \$18 each. Shipping is extra and Debbie will determine the cost on shipping after getting your mailing address.

The company name is Lasered Effects, LLC 15 Hastings Court, Bridgewater, NJ 08807.

You need your name, hometown, state, and your FMCA number on your badge.

For Sale

2000 Winnebago Adventurer 32V for Sale
Class A, Grey Exterior with White Trim
Interior Color Package: Amethyst Frost with Waterford Oak Cabinetry
One bump out

Mileage 124,300
Original owner

Overall in good used condition--interior in excellent condition
\$11,000 or best offer
Contact motorhome30@yahoo.com for pictures or additional information.

TCW Lancaster Business Meeting- 4-30-2022

President Matt Hoelzel called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM.

Pledge of Allegiance

A moment of silence for three of our members who have passed: Tony Caserta, Nancy Russo, and Betty Jeckert.

Secretary's Report: (Mary Burdge) Minutes from our last business meeting held at the Seaside Heights Rally on 9/11/21 were published in the September TCW Wagontracks. There were no corrections and/or additions to be made. All were in favor of accepting the minutes as reported.

Treasurer's Report: (Nick Theisz) *Section Removed*

Sunshine Report: (Helen Caserta). Helen reported that she sent sympathy cards to: Diane Dockerty on the loss of her brother, Gene Jeckert on the loss of his wife Betty, Rich Russo on the loss of his wife Nancy, and Joan Caserta on the loss of her husband Tony. Cheer cards were also sent to Rich and Nancy and to Shep Steenbock after his hospital stay for an infection.

Membership Report: (Charlotte Lawyer) Charlotte reported that we currently have 40 members.

National Directors Report: (John Reynolds) John reported that he and Helen will not be attending the FMCA convention in Lincoln, Neb. in August because it is not an election year and there are no large controversial items on the agenda.

He reported that a new GEAR vice president will be elected. Candidates are Phyllis Britz and Dennis Ducharme.

The GEAR rally will be held in Lewisberg, West Virginia July 13-16th.

Newsletter Report: (Dennis Lawyer) Dennis reported that information will be sent out for the Miller Rally to be held 6/2-6/5. The next newsletter will be published prior to the Seaside Rally.

President's Report: (Matt Hoelzel) Matt discussed improving membership. It was suggested leaving letters at Scott's Motor Coach introducing TCW to prospective members. Charlotte will request FMCA to send a list of new members to be invited to join our chapter.

Phyllis Britz (Northern Region VP of EAMA) attended the meeting. She discussed the benefits provided by FMCA, including FMCA Assist. She reported that the northern region has six active chapters and she recommended having a chapter fair at the GEAR rally to recruit new members. Matt discussed buying an ad for the GEAR rally (½ page for \$75.00). Phyllis invited us to attend the Penn Coachmen Pocono Rally in October

New Business

Charlotte reserved 10 sites for the Lancaster Rally for April 2023. Her and Dennis will be traveling and will not be able to host. A host/co-host is needed. Volunteers please.

Helen reported that due to conflicting plans, she will not be able to host the Holiday Luncheon. Again, volunteers needed.

Matt discussed possibly making a donation following the passing of a member. Discussion tabled until next meeting.

Matt presented Charlotte with a Plaque of Appreciation for 4 years of service as president.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting and all were in favor. Matt adjourned the meeting at 11:19 AM.

Respectively submitted,

Mary Burdge, Secretary

**20th Century Wagontrainers, Chapter of FMCA
Membership Form**

Name: _____ FMCA #: _____
Street Address: _____ Apt. _____
City/Town: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ -

Home Phone () _____
Cell Phone: (_____) _____ His Cell Phone: () _____
Hers

E-Mail address(s) _____

Year First Joined TCW Chapter: _____

Motorhome Information: Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

Year: _____ Length in Feet: _____ No. of Slideouts: _____

The above info will be included in our annual membership directory sent to members only.

Are you an FMCA member? Yes No

Only those who are FMCA members in good standing may belong to this chapter.

TCW welcomes all FMCA members who own a self contained wheeled vehicle that includes permanently installed cooking, sleeping, and sanitary facilities.

Dues are \$15.00* per year

If you are sending your dues, please attach your check payable to: Twentieth Century Wagontrainers.

If you are an existing member, please enter your F number and any changes you would like made to your membership information

Mail to:

Nick Theisz

74 Salem Rd.

Township of Washington, NJ 07676-4529

Questions? Contact: Charlotte Lawyer, Membership VP. Phone 717-578-9098.

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