

## FMCA CONVENTION, PERRY, GEORGIA: MARCH 2023

Another FMCA convention is in the books as we start off another year of RVing. Thirty nine Penn Coachmen members arrived at Perry and we went home with an additional 12 new members. What an amazing time we had. A few people went in for the RV Basic class prior to the convention starting and we had lots of volunteers from our chapter.

So many learning seminars to attend and crafts to do. The first timers meeting and chapter fair were well attended. Then we had the entertainment, what a good selection we had at this convention. The dueling piano's were fantastic and the John Denver tribute was great. Our chapter block party was well attended. We made so many new friends and got to get caught up with other FMCA members who we only see once or twice a year. We are proud to be called an International chapter now. The Woodhouse family is from Canada! We are so proud of all our members!

### Welcome the following folks to our family:

Michael & Linda Ritter, Jen Bowman, Brian & Donna Woodhouse, Walt Goldenbaum, Tim & Anne Bock, Bernard & Jennifer Hoppe, Dave & Nancy Stewart, Ed Reid, Duane & Reyna Britton, Bud & Vickey Mull, Marvin Ballard & Helen Holler, Martin & Dina van Zyl

Hope I did not miss anyone.

#### FMCA Welcome Parade

#### Eastern Area











Ladies Luncheon



Gaye Young



Phyllis at the Eastern Area Gathering

Evening

Entertainment





L-R....Kathie Balogh (FMCA Secretary), Barbara Smith (FMCA Treasurer), Gary Milner (Sr. V.P.)

And Phyllis Britz (Eastern Area V.P.)



# Dogwood Acres, Newville, PA

Our first rally of the year!







Sue & Ronald...



Campground pictures...

What a nice campground. Everyone had a good time. We have already voted to come back next year! Good job Millie & Joe!





...time for a campfire and smores & pies...great job Jay!

The group came together...





Manny, Chris, Rita & Greg trying to warm up







Friends having good times...





Millie fixing dinner. Turkey and all the sides were great! Good Job!

Manny, Chris, Greg, Dave & BJ all trying to stay warm around the campfire!



No policemen showed up....good job Jay!



Chuck looks very comfortable!!!



Gary's new furry friend. Luckily he didn't follow him home.





Nickel Nickel...two games, two winners...









Peggy



Ron

Upcoming Rallies:		
Grange Fairgrounds	Centre Hall, PA	May 26-29
Don Laine	Palmerton, PA	June 13-15
Pocono Raceway	Long Pond, PA	July 1-7
Roxbury Campground	Orrstown, PA	Sept. 22-24
GEAR	Lewisburg, WV	Oct. 4-8
Shady Maple Luncheon	East Earl, PA	Dec. 6

Apple Pudding Recipe from the Dogwood Acres Rally

IN A LARGE GLASS BOWL(10 INCH ROUND):



PUT OUT 1 WHOLE STICK OF BUTTER OUT TO SOFTEN.

CORE, PEEL AND WEDGE **10 GRANNY SMITH APPLES (**OTHER BAKING AP-PLES CAN BE USED BUT I HAVE FOUND THE GRANNYS THE BEST)

WHEN DONE PUT IN 1/2 CUP OF WATER AND COVER WITH CINNAMON.

IN SECOND BOWL PUT **SOFT BUTTER, 1 CUP SUGAR, 3/4 CUP FLOUR** AND USE A PASTRY CUTTER TO MAKE "CRUMBS" WITH THESE THREE INGRE-DIENTS. THIS YOU WILL SPOON OVER THE TOP OF THE APPLES AND RE-SPRINKLE WITH CINNAMON AS YOU WISH.

IT WILL BAKE FOR 1 HOUR @ 350.

IT IS EVEN GREATER IF YOU CAN PLAN IT COMING OUT OF OVER PRIOR TO DINNER AN HOUR AND SERVE WITH VANILLA ICE CREAM!!! MMMMMM!

ENJOY, BJ



It was soooo good!

COME TO OUR NEXT RALLY...

### Grange Fairgrounds Centre Hall Rally Penn Coachmen's Gathering May 26-29 Memorial Day Weekend

We want to invite you to come to our rally in May at Centre Hall, Grange Fairgrounds. See how good you are at our Carnival Games, come and relax, gather with friends, and make new ones.

Some information to know ahead of time:

- MAY 10 Send Registration in (to Sue Cipa) by this date, with check (\$25/person), payable to Penn Coachmen.
- May 25 Early Birds. If you would like to come in early and relax for a day, come join us on the 25<sup>th</sup>.
- May 26 Come in any time. **Our registration...1-3 PM** (in the building on the corner). Ice Cream social. Check out the program that will be handed out at registration for dates and times of all the activities.

Camping Fee, per night:

Electric & water & one free dump (at exit gate): 30 AMP \$45.00 50 AMP \$50.00

*Limited* sewage: \$10.00 extra/night.



Centre Hall Rally continued...



AT SOME SITE LOCATIONS AT THE FAIRGROUND, ELECTRIC RECEIPTABLES ARE 60 AMP (NEMA 14-60) INSTEAD OF THE NORMAL 50 AMP COMMONLY USED FOR RV'S. THERE ARE, HOWEVER, 50 AMP, NON-SEWER SITES AVAILABLE. A 60 AMP TO 50 AMP ADAPTER MAY BE NECESSARY. THE FAIRGROUNDS DOES NOT HAVE ANY ADAPT-ERS AVAILABLE FOR US TO "BORROW".

Come One, Come All...some highlights of the rally!

Potluck Dinner (Friday night) Bring your favorite dish to share) Carnival Days (Lots of fun games w/prizes handed out) Salute to the Military (Gary's Memorial Day Program) Informational presentations on GPS, GNSS and an insight to ship pilots (Chuck Parker) Picnic Dinner (Burger & Dogs on the grill) Free Time to visit the Creamery in State College Pack your lunch and bring it to our "social gathering", weather permitting. Bean-Bag-Baseball Annual Membership Meeting Flea Market \* More...

\* <u>Flea Market</u>: Several people expressed an interest in having a flea market. So, bring your surplus, treasures, and crafts. Weather permitting set up at your rig for others to buy. Rain...we'll do it inside.

Departing on the 29<sup>th,</sup> after breakfast and our military salute. You'll have time to get home to have a picnic with your families!

See website for additional information.



If you have any questions, please feel free to call one of the rally masters.



RV's start your engines and head your way to the Pocono Raceway , July 1-7 for our 3rd annual rally.





<u>Save the date</u>: October 4-8 and join us in Lewisburg, WV for the Greater Eastern Area Rally.

"Autumn in the Mountains" is shaping up to be another fun time.



We continue to keep our members who are in need of additional prayers in our thoughts.





### "Final Trip"

We have lost the following people this year from our chapter...

Ed Park, Andria Lee, Joan Graupner

Check out our website for the most "up to date" information. www.PennCoachmen.org Click on "Rallies" and select the location you are wanting more info on.

Any questions, please feel free to call, text or email me. 610-334-3287, sbc910@ptd.net





*Next year Penn Coachmen will be celebrating our 55th year.* 

It will be a great year!

