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September Rally Report

Herkimer Diamond Mines KOA was the site of our September Rally and although the weather could have been more cooperative, we enjoyed a most beautiful area. In fact, several folks said they would come back to this campground. The sites were level and well groomed, as was the rest of the park.

Friday night, many of us traveled up the hill and across the street to the Crystal Chandelier for fish dinner. The food was very good. Unfortunately, we had to wait a very long time for it. However, it gave us all a chance to talk and get to know each other better. And - that was good. Prior to dinner, we had our usual wine, cheese and snacks at the pavilion. The pavilion was very large (we only filled a small section) and was equipped with a kitchen and rest rooms.

Saturday, we were treated to the Little Falls White Rose Bakery specialty, jelly buns, and other pastries. Dave's cousin owns this bakery so we're very partial, along with another member of our group, one J.B. In the afternoon, some people went up to the Diamond Mines and others did their "own thing". We met again for a ham and pot luck dinner. The campground provided ice cream for dessert. A few stayed for the campfire behind the pavilion and indulged in the campground's "smores". There were even park benches so you didn't have to bring chairs.

Sunday morning, we had a delicious pancake breakfast again prepared by the campground. Some of us left early, some stayed around for a little while and a few stayed another day. We were given a free camping day on either side of the rally by the campground. A few of us went to the diamond museum and enjoyed a very informative talk by the owner, Dr. Rene Shevat. We were given a special gift and we also did some shopping, especially the North Syracuse members!

We can all agree it was a great rally and a very interesting one.

Your hosts,

Dave & Evelyn Blovat
Chuck & Marilyn Machell



Anniversary Book

Don't forget to send your recipes and pictures to me via email at grogers2@twcny.rr.com or by snail mail at 1512 State Route 264, Phoenix, NY 13135.

Our deadline is October 15. Don't be left out of this book. I think it will become a real keepsake.

Esther Rogers



Dinner Meeting

October 22nd

President Reports

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Well, you all went and did it again and re-elected me President. Again, I am honored that you all put your trust in me to lead this chapter next year. Along with my great co-officers, I will do my best to keep us growing, and having fun but I'll be asking for your help come spring.

I do want to thank Ev and Dave Blovat, and Mar and Chuck Machell, for a terrific rally at the Herkimer Diamond Mines KOA. We had a great time. Thank you all.

I want to take this opportunity to let you know about the appointments I made for next year. Bob Shaw has again agreed to serve as both Newsletter Editor and Webmaster. Sharon Coldren will again serve as Membership Chair. And Don Daly agreed to audit the Treasurer's report.

The nominating committee for 2007 will consist of Dave Blovat, Chair, and Ev Blovat and Jerry Byron. And Chuck Machell will chair a committee of one to review our bylaws and report to us by June 30th of 2007 on proposed amendments, if any, to improve our meeting and elections procedures, and to bring the bylaws into compliance with FMCA guidelines. Many thanks to all of you for agreeing to help.

I hope to see many of you at the October dinner meeting (see details elsewhere in this newsletter and on the web). For the rest of you, safe travels and have a good winter. And thank you for placing your trust in me again.

Bart

1st Vice President Reports

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I am sorry that we could not be there for the September campout, I understand that it turned out very well.. Believe me, if you are going to miss a campout, do not make it the election of officers.

I would like to bring you up to date on the rally 2007 situation.

May:	Rich and Charlotte Burrell at the Music Park
June:	Esther and Gerry Rogers 30th Anniversary at Camillus Elks Club
July:	N.E.A.R Rally at Augusta, N.J.
August:	Waddington, N.Y. with the 1000 Island Voyagers
September:	Elaine and Bart Barton at the Brown Barn
October:	Don and Diane Daily at Lancaster Pennsylvania

If there are any changes or questions, please contact Bart, Paul or myself.

We are looking forward to seeing many of you at the dinner in October.

Thank You
Bill

Secretary Reports

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Elaine Barton

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Thanks for electing me to serve another year but this will be my last year. We are planning on going to Alaska in 2008 and so I won't be home that summer to take minutes.

Just a reminder, if you know of any member that is ill or has surgery, please call or e-mail me at wainepooh@yahoo.com and let me know so I can get a card out to them. We are all scattered during the winter months and I only know to send a card if I am given the information to do so.

The rallies for 2007 sound great, and if you didn't go to Waddington, think about going. It is a great weekend, food is catered, and there is a lot to do and see. It is right on the St. Lawrence and you can go down and watch the big boats going through the seaway.

Hope to see a lot of you at the October dinner; if not safe travels and we will look forward to seeing everyone in the Spring!

Elaine

From the National Director

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Dick Heifferon

In addition to the oral report at the Herkimer meeting, most of the items the Chapter wished for were approved at the National Meeting.

Prior to the morning session the Susquenango and Empire State (Joan Becker National Director) met briefly about our opposition to the elimination of the Alternate National Director and term limits for other local officers. The BAR resolution was opposed. With the exception of changes in funding most items in proposals were defeated.

So, in the near future our representatives must be on alert for similar proposals, which will take local authority away from all Chapters.

In years of being a delegate in other large groups, I have never seen so many past officers oppose the sitting President. I actually expected to hear of the President's resignation.

I wish to thank Jean (Happy) Canfield for helping send a quick report to NY Centrals. And again thanks to Esther and Jerry for taking the time to be sure we had a quorum at the election meeting. I also wish to thank the many officers and people who helped at the Herkimer Rally.

Fran and I are still under treatment for our health problems. I'll try to see if my daughter can keep up with e-mail to the Chapter.

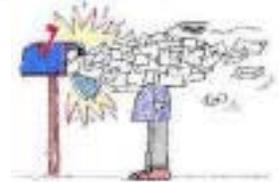
Again, THANKS to all.

Dick

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Help save a tree...Save a stamp...Help save clutter

Beginning with the October issue we are going to be storing a full year of Newsletters on our website. That means that with the click of a mouse you will have the latest and most current New York Centrals information available along with a years worth of back issues to refer back to.

Many of our members are telling me that since I began notifying them by e-mail when the Newsletter is available on the website that they no longer read the copy they receive in the mail a few days later as it is *OLD NEWS*.

So if you would like to help save a tree, save a stamp, save on clutter and help the club save money and not receive a mailed copy of the newsletter contact me via any of the above means.

Bob

2008 New York Centrals Rally to Alaska

No, we really don't have a rally planned for Alaska but the Leaches, the Shaws and the Bartons are planning to take a 48 day Alaskan caravan during the summer of 2008.

We will be going with Fantasy RV Tours <http://www.fantasyrvtours.com/> from July 13 to August 29, 2008. We would really like it if some more Centrals decided to join us.

Contact any one of us for more details.

Bart

Hello, I am Nancy Willette. Dick and Fran Heifferon are my dad and mom. They asked me to email you the attached director's report. They are doing okay right now; both are still going through tests with the doctors. If anyone would like to correspond with them thru email, I would be glad to pass along any messages. My email is: rwillette@yahoo.com

Auction to Benefit Our Treasury

We had several items donated to us. We decided the best way to raise money would be through a silent auction. If you can use any of these items please send a written or emailed bid (New York Centrals members only) to **Sharon Shaw, 5739 Sunset Terrace, Cicero, NY 13039** or Treasurer@NewYorkCentrals.com postmarked no later than October 18th. We have established a minimum bid for each item so your bid must be at least that much. We will then notify the winning bidder and the item can be picked up at the October dinner meeting or at a rally next year.



Blue Ox Aventa II Class IV 7500 lb Tow Bar with cables, etc. This is the tow bar I use. It is in very good condition. It lists on RV Upgrades new for \$464. If you want to upgrade to a better tow bar, this is a great deal. See at: <http://www.rvupgradestore.com/index.asp?PageAction=VIEWPROD&ProdID=61>



Minimum Bid: \$75.00



Gen-turi Generator Stack. This has the original box and the storage bag. It was used very little and is in excellent shape. Remember, generator stacks are required for dry camping rallies with the New York Centrals. If you do not have one, here is a chance to get one at a discount. It lists new at Camping World for \$133.99 plus \$11.00 shipping:

<http://www.campingworld.com/browse/skus/index.cfm/Maintaining-Your-RV/Generators/Genturi-Generator-Exhaust-System/deptID=3:subOf=369:skunum=14041:src=TSC>

Minimum Bid: \$40.00



Ladder Mount Bicycle Rack with straps. Excellent condition and I believe all the straps are present. Very similar to one that lists new at Camping World for \$44.99 plus \$12.00 shipping:

<http://www.campingworld.com/browse/skus/index.cfm?skunum=25896&src=SRQB>

Minimum Bid: \$10.00



High Low Hitch Drop Down 6" drop. I believe this is also a Blue Ox product (it looks like mine). Same idea as those listed new at Camping World from \$84.99 to \$99.99 plus shipping:

<http://www.campingworld.com/browse/products/index.cfm?prodID=5454&src=SRQB>

Minimum Bid: \$10.00

Remember, the minimum bid is not necessarily what these items will go for. You will be bidding against other members so bid what the item is worth to you. If you want further information about any of the items, please call or email Bart.

New York Centrals October Dinner Meeting

Sunday, October 22, 2006 4:00 pm

We will meet at Emile's Restaurant on Routes 5 & 20 between Geneva and Waterloo. The restaurant will let us meet at 4:00 pm for cocktails and conversation. They don't open until 5:00 PM so we will have the place to ourselves until then«Next Record If». At 5:00 pm we can order off the menu below. Prices include tax and tip. All entrees include Emile's salad bar, baked potato and coffee or tea. The Pasta and Grilled Chicken Marinara do not include the baked potato. Alcoholic and fountain drinks are extra.

Entrée

Broiled Haddock	\$15.40
Pasta w/Sausage, Meatballs or Mushrooms	\$11.70
Veal Parmigiana	\$17.85
Grilled Chicken Marinara over Pasta	\$15.95
Prime Rib of Beef	\$28.25
Petite NY Strip Steak	\$21.50

The servers will provide separate checks. They ask that couples sit next to or across from each other to make the process easier.

If you plan to have the Prime Rib, please let me know when you RSVP so I can let Emile's know how many for planning purposes. Please RSVP by October 16th by phone at 585-289-4792, snail mail to 4342 Shortsville Rd, Shortsville, NY 14548-9766, or email me at bartonta@rochester.rr.com.

Directions: Emile's is located at the corner of Border City Road and Routes 5&20. There is a traffic light at the intersection. Emile's is on the Northeast corner; there is a Hess gas station on the Northwest corner; and the Serven Vol. Fire Co. is on the Southwest corner. From Syracuse, take Exit 41 from the NYS Thruway. Then take NYS Route 414 South 4.4 miles to Routes 5&20. Take NYS Routes 5&20 West 5.7 miles. Emile's will be on your right. From Rochester, take Exit 42 from the NYS Thruway. Then take NYS Route 14 South 6 miles to Routes 5&20. (There is a traffic light and signs at 5.9 miles for a left turn to 5&20.) Then take NYS Routes 5&20 East 2.3 miles to your second traffic light. Emile's will be on your left.



CALLING ALL SNOWBIRDS

The NY Centrals get together in Florida will be held on January 16, February 13 and March 13.

We will meet at Plant City at Parkesdale for Strawberries and conversation. 2 PM will be the meeting time. We hope you can join us. Check the directory for cell phone numbers and call Rita Snyder or Esther Rogers if you have questions

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