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



**Call or email  
Charlotte  
Burrell**

The minutes of the September meeting appear on our website [www.NewYorkCentrals.com](http://www.NewYorkCentrals.com) Look in the Members Only section.  
- ed.

## Lancaster, PA

Hey ya~all;

We had a truly GREEAATTTT time, as good as last year with better weather. Daly's, Hallagan's, Kimler's and Saba's all stayed over Sunday and left Monday.. We found out we had somehow missed one of the all-you-can-eat places, so we covered that Sunday night. Mondays drive was like driving the entire route during the peak color season ---just a really relaxing drive, very little traffic, no delays until we got above Scranton that was 1 lane for about 15 miles, but traffic moved right along so we really can't count that. >>> 346.1 miles from Roamers to Lathrop Dr, Cicero on Rt 81 ~ Lee Kimler drove 278 miles going east to rt 10 and then north, a difference of 68 miles less just coming home. Time wise we got to the Flying J in Northern Pa about 20 minutes before Lee.

There were a lot of questions about returning for a 3<sup>rd</sup> year in a row. Lancaster is the type of place that retains its interesting diversity. There were many things we didn't get to do so going back only makes sense.

So if you intend to attend Lancaster 2009 10/5 ~ 10/12 at The Roamers Campground lemmiknow. Newsletter has all info thanks to Bob Shaw. If you are going get your reservation in to Roamers

Thanks,  
Dianne & Don Daly



## First rally of the season

Doug Arthur has worked hard on this. It will be a great time!

See old friends. Make new friends

Details on page 5

## June Rally

Jerry and Esther Rogers are making plans for the June rally in 2009. It will be at the Fulton Elks lodge and will be on June 19, 20 and 21. If you know someone who was a member and is no longer camping, let us know and we will contact them in the Spring and invite them to the Saturday dinner. We already have Earl and Dot Longley and Bob and Pearl Jones on the list, but are sure there are others you would like to see.

The Elks will be doing a breakfast and a dinner. The Rogers will do a breakfast too so it looks like we will not go hungry. Plans are being made for entertainment after Saturday's dinner. Stay tuned and save the date.

Esther

## President Reports

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Bill Leach

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Good Morning everyone. It is now 6:00 A.M. and it looks like it is going to be a nice day.

Since this is a camping club you would expect this article to be about camping. We have not been camping since last October and I have trouble remembering what we did last week.

I have heard of a few families that have decided to hang up their camping equipment, sell their motorhomes and stay home. This is something that is going to happen to all of us in time, and we are surely going to miss them. Though we hate to see our friends leave us, it is something that we all must brace ourselves for, and realize that we are all getting older. Kay and I have talked about when we decide to get out of the camping business, but we are not quite ready yet.

We have also heard of some of our members that have been ill, and will not be traveling with us this summer.

We are very sorry to hear this and hope that they will all be with us later this year or early next year. So hurry up and get well.

I hope to see many of you joining us in attending the International Convention in Ohio this July. If you have never attended an International Convention believe me, they are nothing like a regional convention. There are a lot more vendors, the entertainment is usually much better, and there will be a lot more display coaches. There will be many more in attendance, and you will have a lot more fun. Please let us know by the May campout if you are planning on attending, and having fun with us.

If you plan to attend the Northeast Rally this summer, please let Bart Barton know.

I guess I have carried on long enough for now, so until we see you the next time have a good time, and enjoy life. Happy trails to you.

Bill Leach President

## 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Reports

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Paul Hallagan

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Hi Everyone

Hope everyone got thru the winter fine . I know some had a great time in the South, and others like Sandy & I stayed in NY and had a great time (HA HA ).

Now to let everyone know we have some great rallies set up for everyone ,look to the rally section of the newsletter to find where they are.

Now I need your HELP for the 2010 schedule, please tell us about your ideas so the 2010 rallies will be as good the ones in the past.

Thanks Paul

## Treasurer Reports:

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Sharon Shaw

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It's dues time again!!

Our dues are \$10.00 a year - \$15.00 for new members. Sharon Coldren is not able to be our Membership Chairperson this year as she and Dick are in the process of selling their motorhome. Sharon has done a great job and will certainly be missed.

At this time we do not have a Membership Chairperson so I will be collecting the dues until later notice. Please send your dues to me: Sharon Shaw - 205 Northridge Drive - Central Square NY 13036.

Thank you!  
Sharon Shaw

[If your address label says "May 09" you owe dues for this year. ed.]

## Alternate National Director

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Bart Barton

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Elaine and I are looking forward to getting back in the swing of rallies again. We really missed seeing all of you last year. We will be attending both the National at Bowling Green and the NEAR in Vermont. I will be available to represent the chapter at both if Jean is unable to do so.

Also, I have been asked to coordinate the volunteers at the NEAR in Vermont. If you haven't let Bill know if you are going to attend, please let him know ASAP. We need to let the folks at NEAR know how many volunteers will be attending. Thank for your help.

*Bart*

### 2009 Rally Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Hosts</u>
May 15 - 17	<a href="#"><u>Frost Ridge Campground</u></a> * Le Roy, NY 585-768-4883	Doug and Mildred Arthur 585-295-8547 <a href="mailto:darthur4@rochester.rr.com">darthur4@rochester.rr.com</a>
June 12 - 14	Bonney Castle Guests of TIV	John & Alice Foy 315-388-4258
June 19 - 21	Fulton Elks Club - Dry camping	Jerry and Esther Rogers 315-593-7369 <a href="mailto:grogers2@twcny.rr.com">grogers2@twcny.rr.com</a>
July 17 - 19	TBA	
July 20 - 23	International Rally Bowling Green, Ohio	Bill & Kay Leach 607-562-3059 <a href="mailto:Bill0212@aol.com">Bill0212@aol.com</a>
August 12 - 15	NORTHEAST AREA RALLY Champlain Valley Exposition Essex Junction, VT	Bart & Elaine Barton 585-289-4792 <a href="mailto:bartonta@rochester.rr.com">bartonta@rochester.rr.com</a>
Sept 18 - 20	Owens Orchard Weedsport, NY	Dan & Sue McCoy 315-689-9397 <a href="mailto:COLMAC@twcny,rr.com">COLMAC@twcny,rr.com</a>
October 7-12 2008	<a href="#"><u>Roamers Campground</u></a> * <a href="#"><u>Lancaster, PA</u></a> *	Don & Dianne Daly <a href="mailto:ddaly3@twcny.rr.com">ddaly3@twcny.rr.com</a> 315-458-5128
October 2008	<a href="#"><u>Dinner Meeting</u></a>	TBA

Doug Arthur sez:

Our first rally of the 2009 season is already showing interest from many of our members. Mildred and I are looking forward to seeing everybody. We are hoping for a large turnout. I am including some local websites that may be of interest.

Frostridge Campground - <http://www.frostridge.com/> Jello Museum - <http://www.jellogallery.org/> Genesee Country Village - <http://www.gcv.org/> Lilac Festival - <http://www.lilacfestival.com/> Red Osiers Restaurant - <http://www.redosier.com/> The Depot Restaurant - <http://www.dandrdepot.com/>

This is my first time sponsoring a rally so any suggestions would be greatly appreciated.

# From your Webmaster/Editor

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## On a Personal Note

As we indicated in this newsletter exactly a year ago, we had to postpone our Alaska trip that we scheduled to take with the Bartons and Leaches. A lot of us enjoyed following their trip on Bart's website [www.Onward2Alaska.com](http://www.Onward2Alaska.com). Thanks folks for sharing your experiences. I know that it is a lot of work to document a trip of that magnitude. Note: There is a link to Bart's website on our website [www.NewYorkCentrals.com](http://www.NewYorkCentrals.com) for any of you who have not had a chance to review their trip.

Sharon's 50<sup>th</sup> High School reunion is in September this year. Considering this, we signed up for the motorhome Alaska caravan leaving Dawson's Creek June 6<sup>th</sup>. Due to lack of participation, our departure date was postponed until the 20<sup>th</sup> then again rescheduled for the 14<sup>th</sup> of July. A departure that late meant our return date would be too late so we again canceled.

We did not want to postpone the trip again so we decided to leave the driving to others. June 9<sup>th</sup> we leave Toronto via rail to Vancouver. Then it is on to Anchorage by ship and a land tour of Alaska and the Yukon Territories and on home. We will arrive back in Central Square July 3<sup>rd</sup>.

I will be publishing the June newsletter and Bart has graciously agreed to do the July edition. Although Bart is an accomplished webmaster in his own right, we each use different methods (incompatible) to update the website. Therefore, he will send me an electronic copy in Alaska and I will publish to the website from there. Since e-mail communication might be spotty (at best), I may get behind a few days. So as not to cause a delay, Bart will send out a hard copy, via snail mail, as usual, and e-mail the newsletter to everyone as well. Thanks Bart.

## Newsletter Participation

I want to encourage all of our members to share any experiences they may think would be of interest to our group. This is your newsletter! The more people that use it the more interest it is to all. Short notes will be printed in the newsletter. Longer articles will be posted on the website and referenced in the newsletter. Contributions to the 'Members Only' webpage, including pictures are welcomed.

We all should remember that the newsletter and webpage are the communication horns of our chapter. For existing members, they are the way we keep up to date. For new and prospective members, they are the personality of our chapter. In a time when we are losing members for many reasons, it is mandatory that we encourage our membership to participate in our activities.

## Other Ramblings

As you have already read in this newsletter, we no longer have a Membership Chairman. This is a critical time to have this office vacant. This the season when FMCA sends us lists of new members in area. These lists provides the chapter with prospects for new members.

The other thing is that chapter dues are due May 1<sup>st</sup> for most of our members. If your mailing label says May 09 on it your dues are due now. The Membership Chairman normally collects dues. If you are interested in helping with membership, please get touch with Bill Leach. This is an appointed position. During the interim please send your dues to:

Sharon Shaw  
205 Northridge Dr  
Central Square, NY 13036

Just a reminder  
(from the bylaws)

The nominating committee shall present the slate of officers at the July meeting and give same to the newsletter editor who will publish the slate in the August newsletter.

## And a Final Note

I want to thank Paul Hallagan for doing such a fine job last year acting as our interim President and full time Vice President. We had great rallies and it is the first time since I have been a member of the New York Centrals that attendance actually increased as the year progressed. It is a real tribute to Paul's hard work. While Regional and International rallies are important and exciting to attend I think Paul has proven that our local rallies are the back bone of the chapter

*Bob*

## **FOR SALE: HP LAPTOP \$450.00**

Many of you know our friend Barb was planning to go to Alaska with us last year but at the last minute she had to cancel for medical reasons. She bought a nice laptop to take on the trip but unfortunately she has hardly used it so she would like to sell it. It is an HP Pavilion dv6700 with an Intel Core 2 Duo T5550 processor at 1.83 Ghz, 32 bit. It has 3 Gig of RAM. It has a built in web cam and it looks like stereo microphones. It has a RWDVD and a 15.5 inch diagonal screen with Vista Home Premium w/SP1. She bought it last May (2008) for over \$700.00 and is offering for \$450.00.

If I didn't already have two laptops, I would buy it because it is better than either of mine. I checked [www.TigerDirect.com](http://www.TigerDirect.com), The closest they have to it lists at \$499 plus shipping and it is not an HP. I will bring it to the rally if anyone wants to see it. If you have questions, please email me at [bartonta@rochester.rr.com](mailto:bartonta@rochester.rr.com). If you want it but can't make a rally, shipping and insurance would be about \$13.00 which is less than half what you would pay in sales tax if you bought it at a store.

# MAY RALLY



## Frost Ridge Campground

8101 Conlon Road Le Roy, NY 14482

May 15 - 17, 2009

(Rally dates are in conjunction with the Rochester Lilac Festival)

**DIRECTIONS:** From Jct of I-90 & SR-19 (exit 47), S 0.3 mi on SR-19 to North Rd, E 1 mi to Conlon Rd, S 0.3 mi (L).

**HOSTS:** Doug & Mildred Arthur  
[darthur4@rochester.rr.com](mailto:darthur4@rochester.rr.com)  
Home-585-295-8547 Cell-585-490-8369

**Itinerary:**

Friday:	4:00 pm	Wine & Cheese
		Dinner on your own (There are many restaurants in the area)
		Campfire
Saturday:	8:00 am	Coffee & pastries
	4:00 pm	Wine & Cheese
	Evening:	Potluck Dinner
		Campfire
Sunday	8:00am	Pancake breakfast

**Activities:**

Jello Museum  
Genesee Country Village and Museum  
Lilac Festival

**Other things of interest:**

Camping World is only 6 miles away (in case you forgot something)  
Diesel fuel is 3 miles away

**Camping:**

Make camping reservations (including early arrivals) directly with Frost Ridge (585) 768-4883:

**Cost is:**

Camping: \$28 per night (Sites are water and electric)  
Rally Fee: \$10.00 per person

**MAILTO:** Doug & Mildred Arthur, 104 Garland Ave, Rochester, NY 14611



Pilot: \_\_\_\_\_ Co Pilot: \_\_\_\_\_ F#: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Tel.# \_\_\_\_\_

We will arrive: \_\_\_ Wednesday \_\_\_ Thursday \_\_\_ Friday \_\_\_ Saturday

Number of people X \$10.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Questions???? Call Authur' s 585-295-8547**



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