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NY Centrals
Rally at the Gates Family Farm
16-18 May 2014

Nine motor homes descended on the Gates Family Farm on 15 and 16 May to join Earl and Shirley Gates' motorhome for a weekend of socialization, fun and good food. Some beat Friday's rain by coming in a day earlier.

All sessions were held in the garage that was supplied with plenty of tables and chairs and restroom. Friday started with a 3pm Meet and Greet Happy Hour followed by Dinner in Cortland.

Saturday proceeded with a pancake breakfast with some of the "best ever blueberry pancakes" (actual quote). A short business meeting followed and then guest speaker and helper Terry Fritz provided a short presentation on air brakes and some procedures with using them. He also discussed batteries and bearings. After the presentation, the NY Centrals were able to take advantage of the sights and sounds in the surrounding area. Three PM was again greeted with Happy Hour and the first picnic of the year with hot dogs, beans and an assortment of good food.

Both Friday and Saturday the NY Central Ladies could be found doing their favorite rally activity, talking and playing cards

Sunday morning started with a breakfast casserole, pastries, fruit and plenty of coffee and juice. The highlight of Sunday was at departure; will Rich and Char make it out or were they sunk in too much. Rich in his best, *me not worried*, attitude raised the levelers, blew up the air bags, was told not to stop once he was moving and drove his rig out with no problems.

All had a great time!
By Earl Gates



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This is from my new book, Air Brakes for Dummies.

President's Report

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The May rally at the Gate's was a successful event. A good time was had by all in attendance. We did not have a quorum so we were not able to have an official meeting and therefore not able to take the vote on the Bylaws amendments. We will have a meeting to take care of this at the June rally if a quorum is in attendance.

I hope to see more of you at the June rally at Streamside. It looks like Anita and Ralph have a good rally in the making.

Remember if you are planning on attending NEAR you can get the registration off FMCA website or from the magazine.

Our chapter is volunteering at NEAR, so if you are going and want to caravan in, let me know. Oswego Harborfest is also in July and it looks to be another great rally.

In August we will be hosting a joint rally with the TIV's at Association Island in Henderson Harbor, NY. We have reserved 30 sites and **you will need to make your reservations by mid June so we can secure the sites.**

It looks like we will have several fun opportunities to get together over the next few months, so I hope to see most of you.
Rich



1st Vice President's Report

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Susan's' slightly new (rebuilt) RV carried us without problems to the Gates Family Farm in Cincinnati for the May rally.

Pierrette Williams arrived in her new (previously loved) RV, which she has had for only one week. It's a really nice RV for her and it came with what she refers to as "her ball and chain", a cute little dog.

Earl and Shirley Gates planned their first rally and everyone enjoyed the rally as well as their farm. Even with the wet spring no one got stuck, even Paul Hallagan "the king of mud" didn't need help. The Gates invited a couple from Buffalo; they spend the winter with in Florida, Terry and Jill Fritz. On Saturday, Terry conducted an RV Seminar covering Air Breaks, Batteries and Wheel bearings. A lot of information was exchanged between members and Terry was very helpful.

Sue and I are looking forward to the June rally at Streamside RV and Golf Park in Pulaski. This will be a return visit for our group and I remember having a great time. Everyone is reminded to make their reservations directly with the park, ASAP and also send Ralph and Anita Walker the rally reservation.

NEAR in Essex Junction VT and Oswego Harbor Festival reservation dates are also coming up fast. Let's all get behind the new leadership of NEAR and support their attempt to correct the problems of the past.

We are looking for rally hosts or co-hosts for several months (Aug & Oct).

It's not too early to think rallies for next year, nor is it out if the question that YES, YOU could host a rally. I find a large part of the fun is the planning of a rally and then watching everyone enjoy what you have planned. *It's not hard anyone can do it.*

Secretary's Report

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Charlotte Burrell
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We had a great first rally at the Gates' farm. Even though it was wet, we had a warm and dry large garage to meet in. As usual, the ladies got in some shopping and card games. The talk on air brakes was really informative, and we were very lucky to get to know Terry and Jill. For those of you who didn't attend, we are hoping that Terry can also give an educational session at the July rally at Harborfest. I am getting some crafts together for NEAR Rally and for Harborfest. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at Streamside in June. Charlotte



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

Call or [email](#) me

2nd Vice President's Report

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Your May rally was wet and cool. We were not able to attend but instead attended graduation ceremonies in Rhode Island for our nephew. Looking forward we need Rally host(s) for the August joint rally with TIV. Last year's joint rally was hosted by TIV, even though Lyn & Chris are members of our group, it was a TIV lead rally. This year it will be a NYCentrals lead rally. We still need hosts for the October rally and the October Dinner meeting.

From the National Director

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Sorry we missed y'all at the May rally. Sounds like it was a great time. My knee replacement surgery went well and Elaine and I expect to be at the June Rally.

If you are going to NEAR and then to HarborFest you have two days to kill in between. Elaine and I are going to Coles Creek State Park in Waddington (Rt. 37 between Massena and Ogdensburg) for the nights of July 21st and 22nd. We will then go in to HarborFest on the 23rd. Coles Creek is about 140 miles from Oswego. If you would like to join us please reserve your site ASAP at: <http://newyorkstateparks.reserveamerica.com/welcome.do>

Bart

Treasurer's Report

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Opening Balance (As of April 8, 2014)	\$2539.31
Revenue	\$95.00
Membership dues	
Expenses	\$58.49
New checks	\$15.30
Flowers for G. Comins	\$43.19
Ending balance (May 19, 2014)	\$2575.82



What do you mean I can't have seconds?

This is as close to a BBQ we could let Terry get.





June Wedding Anniversaries

- 1 Mike & Robin Whipple
- 6 Jim & Kathleen Mancini
- 19 Charles & Debbie Dhalle
- 22 Bob & Sharon Shaw
- 26 Hal & Judy Soutar
- 28 Lyn Gordon & Chris Charney
- 30 Walter & Eleanor Kolczynski
- 30 Fran & Sally Stevens

June Birthdays

- | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 6: Vera Flight | 24: Ed Tickner |
| 16: Esther Rogers | 27: Richard Sparrow |
| 21: Shirley Gates | 28: Susan Nussbaumer |



So, if I wear this red
had I can be an
honorary Canadian!

Some of the hard core
“preparing” the decks
for the upcoming card
game.



Rally host/Co-Hosts are needed for the 2014 rally season.

If you are willing to host or co-host a rally, contact Bob Flight. 2VP@NewYorkCentrals.com



2014 RALLY SCHEDULE

June 20 - 22, 2014	Streamside RV Park Pulaski, NY	Ralph & Anita Walker rwalker5e@verizon.net 315-458-6729
July 18-21, 2014	NEAR (North East Area Rally) Champlain Valley Exposition Essex Junction, VT	FMCA Northeast chapter REGISTER ON LINE 800-543-3622 or arearallies@FMCA.com
July 24 - 28, 2014	Oswego Harbor Fest Oswego, NY	Rich & Charlotte Burrell rburrell@twcny.rr.com 607-753-8758
August 15 - 17, 2014	Association Island RV Park Henderson Harbor, NY	Joint rally w/TIV's
	Cooperstown KOA Cooperstown, NY	Hal & Judith Soutar jgandrow@frontiernet.net 518-673-2085
October ?? - ??, 2014	Open	
October 26, 2014	End of season Dinner (location TBA)	TBA

AUGUST RALLY @ ASSOCIATION ISLAND: RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY MID-JUNE TO SECURE THE SITES. WE HAVE 30 SITES RESERVED FOR THE CENTRALS AND TIVS. CALL 315-955-6522 TO RESERVE YOUR SITE.



Streamside
RV Park and Golf Course
Streamside RV Park and Golf Course
800 County Rte 28
(Tinker Tavern Road)
Pulaski, New York 13142

streamsidecg@yahoo.com

Rally dates: June 20-22, 2014 (early birds welcome Thursday June 19)

Camping rates: Full hookup, free WiFi

\$25/night or \$65 for 2 nights and 9 holes of golf for 2 including a cart

Call Phyllis at 315-298-6887 by June 1st to make your own reservations

Rally fee: \$10/coach

Tentative schedule:

Friday 3:00 – Meet and Greet (bring snack to share)

Dinner on Your Own – Fish Fry at campground restaurant

Saturday 9:00 - Breakfast

3:00 – Happy hour

6:00 – Dish to pass

Sunday 8:30 – Breakfast

Pilot _____ **Co-pilot** _____

FMCA # _____ **Phone** _____ **Cell Phone** _____

Arrival date _____ **Rally Fee** _____

Check here if you want the Friday night Fish Fry: _____

Mail to: Ralph Walker
500 Forest Drive
North Syracuse, NY 13212

Directions from South: Rt. 81N to Tinker Tavern Road exit, turn right, then ¼ mile to entrance

Northeast Area Rally

Rollin' On Wheels To NEAR's 2014 Fiesta

July 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21

Champlain Valley Exposition

Essex Junction, Vermont

[Register online](#). Or, Download and print the [registration form](#) (PDF)

Rally Highlights:

Evening Entertainment | Morning Coffee & Donuts | Hobo Flea Market at Your RV - Sun., Noon to 5 P.M. | Sky Divers | Ice Cream Social | Youth Activities | Chapter Fair | Display Coaches | Vendors | CPR/AED Class | Red Cross Blood Drive | Crafts | Technical & Lifestyle Seminars | Golf Cart Pilot/Copilot Obstacle Course | Door Prizes | Everything Canine | K9 Demonstration | Show Me The Biscuit | Goodie Bags | Fire & Life Safety Program | Golf Cart Rodeo | Performances By The Frustrated Maestros/Yankee Doodle Dandies

Optional Events:

All You Can Eat Pig Roast | Golf Cart Rental | CPR/AED Class, Please Contact Rally Master, Lou Snow

Rally Fees - U.S. funds only

	Pre-Registered	After July 1, 2014
RV with 2 people - general parking with water and electric	\$190	\$200
RV with 1 person - general parking with water and electric	\$170	\$180
* Handicapped Parking - 2 persons with water and electric	\$190	\$200
* Handicapped Parking - 1 person with water and electric	\$170	\$180
Each additional adult guest	\$40 per person	\$40 per person
Children under 18	Free	Free
All You Can Eat Pig Roast (Adults)	\$22 per person	\$22 per person
All You Can Eat Pig Roast (12 and under)	\$11 per person	\$11 per person
Sombrero (Adult & Child sizes)	\$5 per person	\$5 per person
Golf cart rental	\$240	\$240
Dinner Cruise on Lake Champlain (7/17)	\$50 per person	\$50 per person

Early arrival fees of \$15 per night in holding area or \$25 per night to be parked on-site on Wednesday, July 16. Payable on arrival.

All registrations received **after July 1, 2014**, will be held at Will Call.

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