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FMCA

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Those Yankee boys are looking dapper as they get ready to race at Beech Ridge Motor Speedway last month. To see who took the trophy home, read Rally Recaps on page 4.—Photo by Beth King

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Where does the time go? It always seems to fly when you're having fun. This year is half over, but we still have a lot to look forward to. Wells' Beach Acres will be upon us shortly, then Barnstable, Deerfield Fair, Pumpkin Festival and we finish out the year with the Holiday Party.

Speaking of time going by fast, I will be finishing my first two year term as President this September. It has been a great ride. After some thought, I have decided to do it for another two years. I want to give a big thanks to Tom Kinsman for all he does as Vice-President (Wagon Master). Without Tom I don't know how I would be able to do it. Tom has also agreed to stay on for another term. I also want to thank all the officers who help make this job an enjoyable one. Special thanks to Joe Samara for his help coordinating the meals and always being there to give me friendly advice.

Tom and I are still looking for someone to take over the coffee duties. *Many hands make light work.* The slate of officers will be posted on the website www.YankeeTravelers.com and the election will take place during Wells at the General Meeting Sunday 10am. If you would like to add you name to the list, contact Leah Coady at 508-673-1681 or Sally Roche at 508-278-5057. Well, as Bugs Bunny says, "That's All Folks!" Hope to see you all at Wells.

See you down the road.

Bob Townsend, President

Schedule of Events 2007

BOLD PRINT DESIGNATES YANKEE RALLIES

- Aug 10th-12th Northeasterner's @ Stones Ranch, Auburn MA
- Aug 24th-26th Northeasterner's @ Barnstable Fairgrounds, Barnstable MA
for 16th Annual All Wheels Car Show & USAF Thunderbirds @ Otis ANG Base
This Northeasterner's Two For One Weekend rally is still on!!
Contact Heidi Trottier @ 508-477-2460 days, 508-477-4949 nights & weekends
- Aug 31st-Sept 3rd BEACH ACRES (Labor Day) Chapter Meeting, Wells ME**
Hosted by Chapter Officers
- Sept 14th-16th Northeasterner's @ Adams Fairgrounds, Adams MA
- Sept 21st-23rd BARNSTABLE FAIRGROUNDS, Tri-Chapter Rally, Barnstable MA**
Hosted by Chapter Officers
- Sept 28th-30th DEERFIELD FAIR, Deerfield NH**
Hosted by Leah & Bob Coady, Irene & Dave Vital, Janet & Arthur Gamache, Bob Heap, Audrey & Rich Manchester, Sylvia & Roy Longworth
- Oct 5th-8th Cape Codder's @ Horseneck Beach, Westport MA
- Oct 19th-21st PUMPKIN FEST, Swansea NH**
Hosted by Ellen & Tom Kinsman, Diane & Jeff White
- Oct 26th-28th HOLIDAY COSTUME PARTY, Tri-Chapter Rally, Hudson MA**
Hosted by Chapter Officers



FMCA Conventions & Rallies

Aug 13-16, 2007 FMCA 78th International Convention, Redmond OR

Labor Day Weekend Yankees Beach Bash

563 Post Road, US Route One
Wells ME 04090
207-646-5612
www.BeachAcres.com



Friday, Aug 31st to
Monday, Sept 3rd

Hosted by Bob Townsend & the Yankee Team

Coach with 2 adults: \$125 · Coach with 1 adult: \$100

Adult guest: \$35 · Children under 16 free except for Sunday's Catered Dinner: \$20

SCHEDULE

Friday	5-6:30pm	'Bite to Eat'
	7:00pm	Meet at the tent for Coffee & Dessert A-J bring desserts
Saturday	8-9:00am	Full Breakfast <i>The day is yours to enjoy the area!</i>
	9:45am	Board of Directors Meeting
	12:00pm	"Best Soup" Contest <i>Time to be creative!</i>
		More info on pg 8, Contact Bob Pierro 781-631-9397
	4:00pm	Cocktail Hour (BYOB)
	5:30pm	Chicken Marsala created by our famous <i>Mystery Chef!?!</i>
	7:00pm	Coffee & dessert K-R bring desserts
Sunday	8-9:00am	Full Breakfast
	10:00am	General Meeting Elections/Installation of Officers
	1:00pm	Craft Fair Contact Renate Gilliland 860-464-9353
	5:00pm	Catered Steamship Round of Beef <i>Bring tickets</i>
	6:30pm	Coffee & Dessert S-Z bring desserts
	7:30pm	Yankee Entertainment
		More info on pg 5, Contact Ellen Kinsman 508-946-2126
Monday	8:00am	Coffee and...

PLEASE BRING SET-UPS TO BREAKFAST & STEAMSHIP ROUND OF BEEF

Pets Restricted to Safari Area Only – You must pick-up after your pets

Dry Camping with the "Big White Tent", Water & Dump Station available

The Beach Trolley will still be running for your convenience

Remember the Ice Cream Scoop across the street.....*Irresistible!*

Directions: On ME Turnpike, take Exit 19 in Wells, turn left (East) onto Route 109, turn right (South) onto Post Road/US Route 1, go 2¼ miles to campground on left. Look for FMCA signs, you do not need to check in at the office

Reservation Deadline: Friday, August 17, 2007

LIMITED SPACE—RESERVE EARLY

Names: _____	F: _____	Coach Length: _____
Phone: _____	Coach with 2 adults: \$125	_____
Handicap: _____	Coach with 1 adult: \$100	_____
	Adult guests: \$ 35	_____
	Children under 16 are free except for Sunday's Catered Dinner: \$ 20	_____
	TOTAL: \$	_____



Please make checks payable to:
Send to:
Questions (508) 839-2134

YANKEE TRAVELERS
Ellie Townsend
57 Countryside Rd
No. Grafton MA 01536

Rally Recaps

Beech Ridge Motor Speedway

We had 26 coaches in attendance at this rally. A big thank you to our parking crew of Mike Gilliland & Ray Roche who kept us all from getting stuck in the sand.

As the coaches arrived, Ellie Townsend & I greeted the race fans with NASCAR mugs full of Maine salt water taffy and a map of the area. By 4pm Friday we were ready for our first Raceway Happy Hour. Thank you to everyone who brought appetizers to help us kick off this new event. A special thank you to Art & Sue Boucher for bringing all of the fantastic race decorations. At 6pm the fun was completely underway as Leo & Pauline Lozeau served their special Dynamite Sandwiches. Not only did we enjoy the sandwiches Friday night, but they were just as good Sunday at noon when we ate the leftovers!

After dinner we headed over to the speedway and watched an exciting show of special car races and demolition derby. As with all Yankee get-togethers, the food never ends. When we returned from the speedway, we were treated to hot fudge brownie sundaes with AnnMarie Samara's brownies and Ellie Townsend's incredible homemade hot fudge sauce. I think these two to the right were on whip cream duty.

Saturday morning started off just right with Joe Samara's special breakfast sandwiches. Thank you to all of the volunteers who showed up to help cook, serve and clean-up. With a great breakfast under our belts, we were off to the Maine Indoor Karting facility for an exciting morning of racing. There were 15 participants who suited up and raced against each other. Trophies went to Bill Mattress for 1st Place, Dan Meservey for 2nd and Joe Samara for 3rd as well as honorable mentions to Bob Townsend for 4th and Art Boucher for 5th.

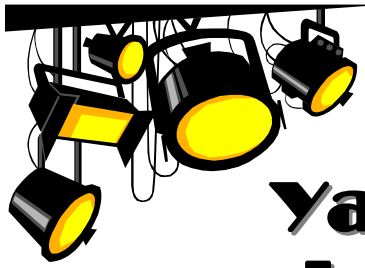
Saturday afternoon we took a drive to Bob Townsend's mother's cottage at Higgins Beach and took a walk out to the sight of the Howard W. Middleton shipwreck. We headed



back to camp just in time as it started to pour down rain but we didn't let a little rain ruin our fun. As the rain stopped, volunteers came over to help us wipe up the water while our hosts Bob Townsend & Bob King started to cook a fantastic dinner of steak, chicken, potato salad and fresh Maine corn with homemade Maine blueberry pie ala mode for dessert.

Sunday morning was the best treat of the rally. Yankee member and race car driver Dan Meservey was able to get each of us a Pit Pass. We would like to thank Dan very much for the incredible opportunity to go into the pit, meet the drivers and get a close up look at all of the cars. It made the races that afternoon much more exciting as we cheered on the drivers that we had personally met that morning. It was especially thrilling to watch Dan as he raced to an impressive 4th place in the modified division.

This first time rally at the Speedway was a huge success. We have already spoken to people from the raceway and they said they would love to see us again next year. -Beth King



6th Annual Yankee Travelers Labor Day Show Beach Acres, Wells ME

We need ACTS, SKITS, IDEAS & VOLUNTEERS!!!

Please fill out the form below and return it ASAP to Ellen Kinsman

Names of People in Act: _____

General description of Act: _____

Any props needed: _____

Forward info to Ellen Kinsman at tkinsman1@verizon.net or call 508-946-2126

Please get this information in soon as possible as the MC needs to organize her presentation

The benefits of being in the show are:

- a. You get a copy of the video so you can see yourself and the rest of the 'Not Ready for Prime Time Players' in their *full* glory;
- b. You get to see what really goes on back stage – sometimes funnier than what goes on out front.

Call for Volunteers:

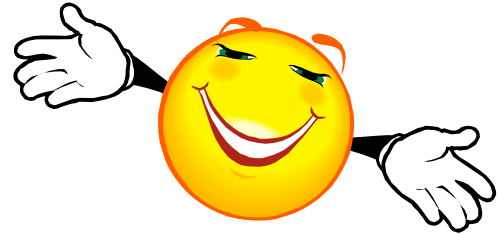
- 4 People to set up props before and in-between acts
- 3-4 People to act as ushers and crowd control
- 1 Assistant to MC (must be female to assist with costumes)



Club News

New Members—Welcome to Yankee Travelers

Shari Baker from North Attleboro MA
Kathy & Bill Cain from Raynham MA
Gerhard & Cheryl Fritz from Middleboro MA
Barbara & Bill Jones from Barnstable MA
Donna Wright & Ken Karlsen from Carver MA
Linda & Paul Loiselle from Plympton MA
Jo Olver-Male & Chuck Male from Afton NY
Fuzzy & Al Mirabito from Hyde Park MA



Stop by and say hello to our new members at the next rally!

A note from Ellie Burke...

Bob Burke had knee surgery July 20th on both knees and was in the hospital for four days then to rehab for a week. We are hoping to get on the road this Fall and do hope to see you all at Beach Acres.

We wish Bob a speedy recovery and thank Ellie for sending us this note. Please remember, we must receive written permission from a family member in order to publish information in the newsletter. Send info to Newsletter Editor Melanie Matz, email mmatz@optonline.net or PO Box 1874, Shelter Island NY 11964-1874.

If you haven't had a chance to check out the website lately, do it. Beth King has been taking some amazing photos at our rallies and they are a must see—including this lovely moment on the right. All the photos in this newsletter were taken by Beth.

Go to www.YankeeTravelers.com, click on GALLERY and your next click, CLICK HERE, will take you to Beth's photo gallery site, www.PhotoShow.com. You do

not need to register nor is there a charge to view these photos. When this newsletter went to press, there were photos from Scusset and Charlie Brown and last years' Hudson, Barnstable and Beach Acres rallies but Beth is adding more all the time. She has been doing a beautiful job creating slide shows from her fabulous pictures. We encourage you to take a look and feel free to share the link with your family and friends.



131ST ANNUAL DEERFIELD FAIR



Come Join Us at the Fair!
September 28th-30th 2007

Deerfield Fairgrounds
34 Stage Road Deerfield NH
www.DeerfieldFair.org



Hosted by Bob & Leah Coady, Dave & Irene Vital, Janet & Arthur Gamache, Bob Heap, Rich & Audrey Manchester, Sylvia & Roy Longworth

Saturday Night "One Pan Meal" Beef Stew, Bread Basket & Dessert

Bring set-ups, drinks & chairs

\$50 per Coach with Water & Electric

Limited number of spaces with water & electricity

First come, first served reservations

Additional parking available without water & electricity

RESERVE EARLY! Reservation Deadline 09/14/07

Directions: From the South: Take I-495 North to I-93 North toward Manchester NH

Then take Route 101 East to Route 43 North

Follow signs to the Deerfield Fair, watch for FMCA Signs

Questions? Call 508-673-1681

Reservation Deadline for Deerfield Fair Rally is Friday, September 14, 2007

Names: _____ F#: _____

Address: _____

Coach Length: _____ Phone: _____

Coach with water & electric **\$50** Amount enclosed: \$ _____

Make checks payable to: **Yankee Travelers Chapter FMCA**

Mail to: Leah Coady, 158 Vermont Ave, Somerset MA 02726

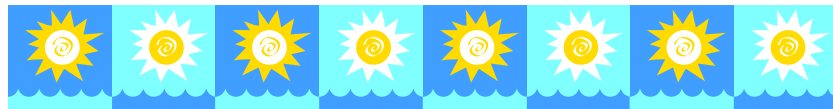
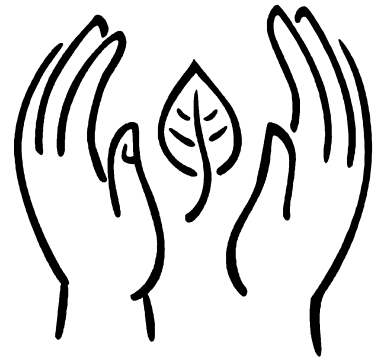
HANNAH'S HELPING HANDS

Joe & AnnMarie Samara are asking for our support for a very special cause close to their heart. Their nine-year-old granddaughter, Hannah Morgan, was diagnosed with Juvenile Diabetes in November of 2006. They will be taking part in the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation's Walk to Cure Diabetes in September.

*"I'm writing to ask for your support because now more than ever, each of us can be a part of bringing about a cure. Each of us can make a real difference. Please help "**Hannah's Helping Hands**" in finding a cure! Every little bit helps. Please visit my Walk Web Page if you would like to donate online or see how close I am to reaching my personal goal. Thank you."*

<http://walk.jdrf.org/walker.cfm?id=86706057>

Joe & AnnMarie Samara



Beach Acres - Soups On!



Hello Everyone,

This years Cooking Contest at Beach Acres will be for Homemade Soup. The contest will take place at noon on Saturday, September 1st.

Ribbons will be awarded to the Top Three Contestants by a panel of Judges who's names I will not disclose at this time to eliminate any possibility of bribery. (ha, ha, ha, ha)

May we suggest that you bring your favorite sandwich or salad and enjoy the soup with us for lunch under the big tent?



If you have questions contact us at rjelp@netzero.net or 781-631-9397.

Thank You,

Robert & Eileen Pierro, Chairmen

John & Cathy Doheney, Co-Chairmen





Fall on Cape Cod

September 21st-23rd, 2007

Barnstable County Fairgrounds

1220 Nathan Ellis Highway Route 151

East Falmouth MA

**Hosted by the Officers of the Three Chapters
Cape Cod • Northeastern • Yankee Travelers**

Thursday night arrival is OK – extra charge \$25 payable at gate

Rally Fees: \$80 2 Adults in Coach
 \$70 Single Adult in Coach
 \$10 Adult Guests Each
 Children Under 18 Free

Electric, Water (available) & Dump Station

- Fri 6pm Chowder, Soups, Crackers & Coffee hosted by *Northeastern Chapter*
 - 7pm Coffee & **A-L Bring Desserts to Share**
 - Sat 8-9am Breakfast in the Hall hosted by *Yankee Travelers Chapter*
 - 10am **CAPE COD CHAPTER MEETING/ELECTION**
 - 1pm **FLEA MARKET** *Your own goods in front of your own coach!*
 - 6pm Chicken Dinner hosted by all three chapters
 - 7pm Movie Night Join the FUN!
 - 9pm Ice Cream Social hosted by *Cape Cod Chapter*
 - Sun 8-9:30am Coffee & **M-Z Bring Favorite Breakfast Goodies to Share**
- Leave at your Leisure*



Directions:

From 495: Over Bourne Bridge, Rt. 28 to Falmouth Exit, take Rt. 151 toward Mashpee, go past first light, one mile on left.

From Rt. 3: Go Right at Rotary along the Canal and over Bourne Bridge, then follow above directions.

Reservations Must Be Received By September 7th

Questions? Call 413-655-8253



Name: _____ Tel.# _____ F# _____

2 Adults in Coach \$80 _____ Coach Length _____ Handicap _____

Single Adult in Coach \$70 _____

Adult Guests ____ @ \$10 each \$ _____

Of Children Under 18 _____ They are free – we just want to know how many are coming

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Make checks payable to: **Yankee Travelers**

Mail to: Marsha Robbins, 8 Marlow Drive, Peru MA 01235

FOR SALE

• Yankee T-Shirts and More!

Contact Leo Lozeau at 401-658-0782 for your Yankee Travelers shirts and sweatshirts as well as the Magnetic Yankee Name Bars in gold or silver. Leo will have samples at the rallies for you to see and try on.

• 2006 Class A Gas Damon Daybreak Bunkhouse

36 feet, 2,000 miles, 2 slides, sleeps 8, V10, generator, 3 TV's, basement storage, large fridge, awning, hydraulic leveling system, rear vision system, remote A/C and heat
Call Kim St. Claire at 781-344-9701

• Central Florida Deeded Lot for Class A Motorhome RV Community

It has concrete pad with full hookups and can build home later optional \$59,500
Call Bill Mattress at 508-726-1746

• 1998 Holiday Rambler Endeavor 38WDS

60,000 miles, kitchen slide, 2000 watt inverter, auto satellite, 10 mpg+, diesel generator, no smoke, many extras, one great coach at \$8,000 below book
Call Tony DiMaggio at 239-293-1603



YANKEE TRAVELERS BADGES ORDER FORM

Red Drum-Shaped Badge: white lettering with name bar attached at the bottom

First Name: _____ First Name: _____

Last Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Mail to Name: _____ FMCA#: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Make checks payable to: Jack Fahnestock

Mail to: 55 Loring Street, Auburn MA 01501

Badges: \$8.00 each # Badges _____ Amount \$ _____

Shipping: \$2.00 (2 badges) Amount \$ _____

Total enclosed \$ _____

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Yankee Travelers Chapter FMCA Membership Application/Renewal

No person may become a member of the Yankee Travelers Chapter unless they are a member in good standing of the National Family Motor Coach Association

This membership is ^{circle} _{one} NEW RENEWAL CHANGE ONLY FMCA# _____ FMCA Expiration Date _____

Name _____ Spouse _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

His Birthdate _____ Her Birthdate _____ Anniversary _____

I have paid my National FMCA dues or have applied for membership. I have enclosed dues of \$10 for 1 year (or \$18 for 2 years) and understand this is for membership in the Yankee Travelers Chapter FMCA, including Newsletters thru December 31st Annual dues run from January to December and must be paid by March 30th.

Signature _____ Date _____

Payable to: Yankee Travelers FMCA Mail to Membership Secretary: Leah Coady, 158 Vermont Ave, Somerset MA 02726

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