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FMCA

July/August 2008

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It's hard to believe that our 2008 camping season is half over. What a great first half! A special thanks to those who have hosted or assisted the rallies. Ellie & I just returned from nine days at Scusset with the Cape Codders & Northeastern Chapters. Great job by Bob Ekmarck & crew for a wonderful time.



We have two exciting rallies coming up. We will once again be at Beech Ridge Motor Speedway for a weekend of racing fun. This rally is full at 30 coaches.

After that we are off to Wells for our largest chapter rally. Last year, we had 105 coaches. As always, the crew is planning an exciting weekend for you. Saturday night will be Jimmy Buffet Night. Come decked out in your best Buffet attire. Joanne Callanan is busy planning the decorations. Ellen Kinsman & crew are planning another fun-filled show Sunday preceded by a wonderful Chicken Kabob dinner by Jeff White & crew. As I have mentioned before, no rally goes off without a lot of assistance. See the Wells Rally Sheet on page 3 to sign up to help. There are a couple of business issues that we will be bringing up at the annual meeting. First, to raise the dues to \$15 a year. This figure will just about cover our mailing costs. Second, that all Yankee rallies will carry a \$15 non-member fee. When you think of it, for \$15 they can join the chapter.

Also in September we will be having a Tri Chapter Fall Round Up at Barnstable Fairgrounds-see page 5. Does anyone know enough about line dancing to show others? Please let me know.

Don't forget that in August there is the Northeast Area Rally in Essex VT.

Look forward to seeing you down the road. Bob Townsend, President

Schedule of Events 2008

BOLD PRINT DESIGNATES YANKEE RALLIES

All dates & locations subject to change

Jul 24th-28th	BEECH RIDGE MOTOR SPEEDWAY, Scarborough ME
Jul 31 st -Aug 3 rd	Cape Codders @ Plum Island Airport, Newburyport MA
Aug 22 nd -24 th	Northeastern @ Car Show, Barnstable Fairgrounds, E. Falmouth MA
Aug 29th-Sep 1st	LABOR DAY @ BEACH ACRES, Chapter Meeting, Wells ME
Sept 12 th -14 th	Northeastern @ Adams Fairgrounds, Adams MA
Sept 19st-21rd	BARNSTABLE FAIRGROUNDS, <i>Tri-Chapter Rally</i>, E. Falmouth MA
Sept 26th-28th	132nd DEERFIELD FAIR @ DEERFIELD FAIRGROUNDS, Deerfield NH
Oct 3 rd -5 th	Cape Codders @ Campers Inn, Merrimack NH
Oct 10 th -13 th	Cape Codders @ Horseneck Beach, Westport MA
Oct 17th-19th	HOLIDAY PARTY @ HUDSON ELKS, <i>Tri-Chapter Rally</i>, Hudson MA
Oct 25th-27th	PUMPKIN FESTIVAL, Swanzey NH

FMCA Conventions & Rallies

Aug 7-10, 2008	Northeast Area Rally, Essex Junction VT
Oct 9-13, 2008	Northeast Quadrant, Croton-on-Hudson NY

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 \$ _____



LABOR DAY BEACH BASH



Friday, Aug 29th to Monday, Sept 1st

THIS IS A CLOSED RALLY
YANKEE MEMBERS ONLY

Hosted by Bob Townsend
& the Yankee Team



BEACH ACRES

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

Coach with 2 adults: \$125 · Coach with 1 adult: \$100 · Adult guest: \$35 · Children under 16 free

SCHEDULE

Friday	5:30pm	Bite to Eat	
	7:00pm	Coffee & Dessert <u>A-C bring desserts</u>	
Saturday	8-9:00am	Full Breakfast (<i>Bring Setups</i>)	
	9:45am	Board of Directors Meeting	
	2:30pm	Best Cake Contest – Contact Bob Pierro 781-631-9397 <i>Time to be creative! Desserts to be shared after judging YUM</i>	
	5:00pm	Jimmy Buffet Night – Come dressed in your best Buffet attire	
	5:30pm	Virgin Frozen Margaritas – BYOB to add <u>D-R bring Island Themed appetizers</u>	
	7:30pm	Cheese Burgers in Paradise , Plus more island favorites	
	7:30pm	Ice Cream Social	
Sunday	8-9:00am	Full Breakfast (<i>Bring setups</i>)	
	9:45am	General Meeting Elections/Installation of Officers	
	1:00pm	Craft Fair Contact Renate Gilliland 860-464-9353	
	5:30pm	Chicken Kabob Dinner by Jeff White & Crew	
	7:30pm	Yankee Entertainment – Contact Ellen Kinsman 508-946-2126 See page 7	
Monday	8:00am	Followed by Coffee and Desserts <u>S-Z bring desserts</u> Coffee and...	



Questions? Call 508-839-2134

Pets Restricted to Safari Area Only-You must pick-up after your pets • Generator hours 7am-11pm-Must Use Up-Pipe
Dry Camping-come with holding tanks **empty** and water tanks **full** • Dump Station available

The Beach Trolley will be running for your convenience & don't forget, the *Ice Cream Scoop* is just across the street!

Directions: On ME Turnpike, take Exit 19 in Wells, turn left (East) onto Rte 109, turn right (South) onto Post Rd/US Rte 1, go 2¼ miles to campground on left. Follow FMCA signs on Right



Deadline: Friday, August 15th LIMITED SPACE • RESERVE EARLY



Names: _____ F: _____ Coach Length: _____

Phone: _____ Coach with 2 adults: \$125 _____

Is this your 1st Yankee Rally? YES NO Coach with 1 adult: \$100 _____

As the saying goes, *Many hands make light work.* # ___ Adult guests: \$ 35ea _____
If every attendee does at least one job,

we all can enjoy this farewell to summer. # ___ Children under 16: \$ _____ N/C _____

What can you do to help out this weekend? TOTAL: \$ _____

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|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Breakfast Cooking Crew | <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Dinner Prep | Checks payable to: YANKEE TRAVELERS
Mail to: Ellie Townsend
57 Countryside Rd
N. Grafton MA 01536 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coffee Crew | <input type="checkbox"/> Chicken Dinner Clean-up | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Breakfast Clean-up Crew | <input type="checkbox"/> Show Set-up/Decorating | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Buffet Set-up/Decorating | <input type="checkbox"/> Show Backstage Crew | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Buffet Clean-up Crew | <input type="checkbox"/> After Show/Mon AM Tear Down | |

Rally Recaps

by Tom & Ellen Kinsman

Peters Pond Rally

We had 20 coaches for this wet Mothers Day weekend. We were happy to have the use of the hall since outside wasn't cooperating. The eating began Friday night with hotdogs and beans. For dessert we had an Anniversary cake for Bob & Eileen Pierro. As usual we had many hands helping make this rally a success. Saturday morning brought more showers along with Yankee Breakfast sandwiches and home fries. During the day on Saturday folks headed out shopping or just kicked around the campground checking out the new sites. Which reminds me to mention that we were split up into two areas of the park due to not enough sites in any one area. The same will hold true for next year unless we need less than fifteen sites. During this weekend we also mingled with some familiar faces from the Roadrunners club.



Saturday night dinner was a potluck. We outdid ourselves for variety and great tasting food. We certainly do enjoy our food!!! Dessert was again delicious followed by another special cake provided by Sally Roche with a picture of our birthday girl Rie Samara. Later Saturday night a game of Left Right Center broke out with some "dude from the hood" who helped us all have a good belly laugh. Thank you Leo and Bill for the free entertainment. Sunday Mothers Day morning breakfast was a special treat provided by co-hosts Bob & Ellie Townsend. We had a healthy and delicious breakfast of fresh fruit, yogurt and granola. Ellen & I presented all mothers with potted plants from the club. We'll check up on them later in the summer to see who has the green thumbs in the group. The weather cleared of course as readied to leave after a fun filled weekend. I know fuel prices are out of sight so we'll try to keep rally prices down.

Charlie Brown Rally

Twenty seven coaches joined us at Charlie Brown campground for a fun filled Fathers Day weekend. With the exception of a few thundershowers Saturday night the weather was fantastic. The facilities at this campground are outstanding for a rally. Friday night began with the "famous" Italian wedding soup coupled with lots of great bread followed by our usual array of desserts. The Executive Board had a brief meeting in preparation for Saturday's General Meeting. The night owls among us had a fire under one of the oversized gazebos to cap off the evening.



Saturday morning brought lots of sunshine and a hearty breakfast of omelets in a bag, home fries, English muffins, orange juice and coffee. The general meeting took place at 9:30am so everyone could take advantage of the wonderful weather. The minutes from the meeting will be available at a later date. Some of the guys took off on their bikes for a day trip while others stayed behind in anticipation of the "Great Charlie Brown Boat Race" that has become a tradition at this rally. Boats sold out quickly. The group gathered by the rivers edge to cheer on their favorites.

Then we began preparing for the social hour and another food extravaganza. Our special thanks to Earl & Janice Nield for their generous contribution of delicious French fries and to Damian & Mildred Ruiz for the crispy Tostitos. Hmm Hmm Good. These special treats add so much to this social hour and we were so happy to have them both with us again this year. Many joined in after for some serious Left Right Center. We then retired to another fire under the gazebo putting a perfect ending to another great day of camping.

Sunday morning Happy Fathers Day. A breakfast of fruit, granola, yogurt and homemade muffins created by Darlene & Joe Pas sent the fathers home with some food for thought. Thank you to Joe & Darlene Pas for co-hosting this rally with us. Also a special thanks to our parking crew of Ray & Sally Roche and Mike & Renate Gilliland and to the many volunteers who helped to prepare the food for our many meals, those who brought firewood and everyone else who pitched in to help make this rally a huge success. We couldn't do it without your support. Hope to see you at the next rally!! Safe travels.

Tri Chapter Fall Round Up

September 19th-21st, 2008

Barnstable County Fairgrounds

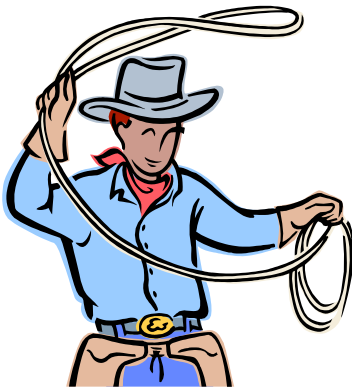
1220 Nathan Ellis Highway Route 151 East Falmouth MA

Hosted by the Officers of the Three Chapters

Cape Cod • Northeastern • Yankee Travelers

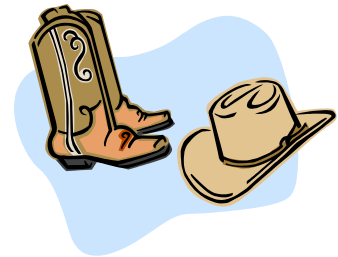
Thursday night arrival is OK – extra charge \$35 payable at gate

Rally Fees: **\$90** 2 Adults in Coach
\$80 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 **Western Night** Music by *Wild Bill Doheny*
Come dressed in your best Western duds
- 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 8th

Questions? Call 508-839-2134



Name: _____ Tel.# _____ F# _____

2 Adults in Coach **\$90** _____ Coach Length _____ Handicap _____

Single Adult in Coach **\$80** _____

Adult Guests ____ @ \$10 each \$ _____

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

Total Enclosed \$ _____ *Is this your first Rally? YES NO*

Make checks payable to: **Yankee Travelers**

Mail to: **Ellie Townsend, 57 Countryside Rd, N Grafton MA 01536**

Club News



New Members—Welcome to Yankee Travelers

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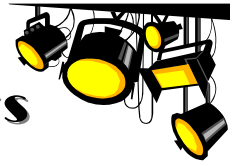
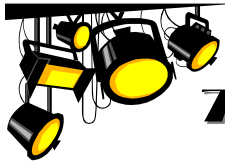
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7th Annual Yankee Travelers Labor Day Show

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: _____

Fill this out and give to Ellen Kinsman, either
mail to 638 Plymouth St, Middleboro MA 02346,
email info to tkinsman1@verizon.net or call 508-946-2126
Please get this information in soon as possible

Sign up on the Wells Rally Sheet on page 3
to help set-up, backstage and/or breakdown the show



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 & 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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Don't Forget...

- Wells deadline August 15th*
- Tri Chapter Fall Round Up @ Barnstable
deadline Sept 8th*

