

September 2010



Delmarva Beacon



Delmarva Unit 026 WBCCI Region 2

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President's Letter

Greetings to all from Alaska. We are now in Haines and having a great time.

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer as much as Maggie and I. We should be home about the first of October, just in time to get ready for the Installation Rally. Malcolm and I are looking forward to preparing a special meal for you. So now is the time to sit down and fill out your reservation form and mail it off to Les. We would like to get a head count as soon as possible. We are trying to make this a memorable event and show Les that he has our support, so please make every effort to attend.

Don't forget the Jersey Shore Rally in September and the Trap Pond Rally in November. Make sure you reserve your camping spot at Trap Pond for the Rally. Enjoy the rest of your summer and we will see you at the Installation Rally.

Chuck and Maggie



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Haines, Alaska



September Birthday's

September Anniversaries

- Judy Moore 2
- Tom Tretreault 2
- John Adams 6
- Lou Wright 7
- John Ashman 8
- Nelia Sholette 11
- Frank Blunda 18
- Peg Talbot 18
- Michael Kelly 21

- Earl & Betty Miller 4
- Roger & Celeste Sansom 17
- Robert & Dee Blom 23
- Dick & Peg Talbot 27



Post Cards from Alaska

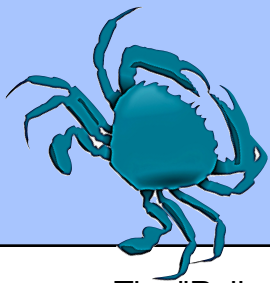
Autumn Colors along the Haines Highway



valdez, Alaska Harbor



Russian Orthodox Cross along a trail in Kenai, Alaska



Rally by the River

Crisfield 2010
by: Frances Mason



The "Rally at the River" at the American Legion Post in Crisfield started off with fireworks. Six trailers came in on Thursday evening and we went into the building for their hamburger night. While we were eating, storms came through with over 60 mph winds and a lot of thunder and lightning. We watched Parks' screen room blow into the river. The storms continued until long into the night, but on Friday morning we watched the sun come up over the water. On Friday five more Airstreams came. Some of us went to the museum and on the walking tour of Crisfield. We saw the crab shedding building and went into a soft crab packing house. There are many new condos along the water where there used to be more crab packing and picking facilities. Other people found the gift and antique shops along the main streets. The ones who took the tour had lunch in Gordons where the local watermen go after they deliver their early morning and afternoon crab catches. Friday evening we went back into the Legion for their shrimp night. Delmarva members, Noah and Carolyn Bradshaw joined us. They both work in Crisfield and could answer all the questions we could think of to ask about the area.

Saturday was another beautiful day, starting with a breakfast of Boots' pancakes. Claire had made a delicious blueberry breakfast bread and Majorie White brought a wonderful banana bread. At noon we boarded the boat for Smith Island. A few feet from where we stepped off the boat was the Bayside Inn Restaurant where we were served a family style meal including crab balls and clam fritters. The pastor of the Smith Island churches, Rick Edmund, met us at the restaurant and was our tour guide as we saw the museum and one of the three churches he pastors. There are actually three islands that make up Smith Island; Ewell, Tylerton and Rhodes Point and each has its own church. Of course, the guys found the ice cream shop, and all too soon it was time to return to the boat for the trip back to Crisfield. Later that evening we had pizza and root beer floats and a delicious 11 layer Smith Island cake donated by Judy Moore. No one went to bed hungry. **Continued on page 4**

Crisfield 2009



Sunday morning another beautiful sunrise and the smell of coffee brewing got us up for breakfast. Les and Mary Ann Parks, with the help of Herman Duke, presented a lovely worship service held in the grove of pine trees overlooking the river. The message was about "Aha moments" that remind us that God has created a wonderful world for us if we take time to enjoy it and watch for the special blessings.

As the trailers began to leave, one by one, we knew another special time together was ending. This rally was special for many reasons. Shirley Levitz and Jim Dahmann had come from their home in Tucson, AZ to visit family on the shore and joined us at the rally in their beautiful American Legend "Norman Rockwell" Airstream. Although Majorie White has attended several luncheons, this was the first rally she has attempted in her B-Van. We were proud of her and enjoyed her company and hope she will join us frequently. Nate and Livi came even though they had been to camp all week and were exhausted. The folks at the Legion watched over us, fed us well and invited us back. It truly is a beautiful place. You know, maybe this rally was an "Aha moment" in itself.

Attending were: Jim Dahmann and Shirley Levitz, Phil and Fay Cruchley, Herman and Wilma Duke, Frank Laughlin and Judy Moore, Neil and Connie Lindeman, Boots and Frances Mason, Carl and Margaret Morris, Les and Mary Ann Parks, Roger, Celeste, Nate and Livi Sansom, Clyde and Claire Warden and Marjorie White.



Support your club !

September...the Jersey Shore Rally: Call Tom & Connie.

October...the Installation Rally: Contact Les & MaryAnn.

November...Trap Pond Rally: Make your reservation at the park.

Delmarva Dues Coupon 2009-2010

WBCCI # _____ Landline Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Name(s) _____ Cell Phone Vendor: _____

E-Mail Address: _____ Birthdays: (month & day) His: _____ Hers: _____

Type of rig: (year, length & model) _____ Anniversary Date: _____

Courtesy Parking: Yes No (circle one) Winter Address: _____

Winter Phone Numbers: _____

International Dues: \$55 Unit Dues: \$12 Total Dues: \$67
(Associate Members \$12 Friends of Delmarva \$6)

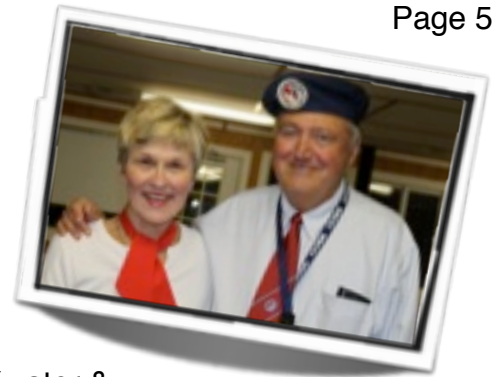
Send to:
Frank Blunda
15 Columbia Ave
Ocean View, DE
19970





October 14, 15, 16, 2010

Delmarva Installation Rally



Support our new President & First Lady: Les & Mary Ann

Details and Tentative Schedule:

Rally camping is Friday and Saturday night....Thursday is optional. The only fee for this rally is a \$ 20 per night camping fee (water & electric). The food budget will come out of the club treasury, as voted by members at the Maintenance Rally business meeting.

Friday: Pot Luck Supper....Bring a dish to share. Hamburgers and hot dogs/ condiments will be provided.

Saturday: Pancake and sausage breakfast.

Installation ceremony and dinner. Dinner Menu: Prime rib, oven roasted chicken, twice baked potatoes, salad and dessert.

Sunday: Continental breakfast.

Installation Rally Coupon



Name(s): _____ WBCCI # _____

Days Attending: Thursday Friday Saturday Length of Unit: Trailer _____ MH _____

Number in party: Adults _____ Children _____

Rally Fee: Night Camping X 20 = _____ Make checks payable to: Les Parks

To facilitate parking please try to arrive after 1 pm on Thursday October 14, and after 10 am on Friday, October 15.



Mail to:
Les Parks
2219 Inwood Road
Wilmington, DE 19810

Jersey Shore Rally September 17, 18, 19

Hosted by Tom & Connie Littel

Where: Jersey Shore Haven Airstream Park located in South Seaville, New Jersey. Centrally located to tour all of South Jersey. (Directions in the next Beacon)

Facilities: Rally field with 30 amp electric & water, dump site on the property, meal prep/ kitchen area and swimming pool & free Wi-Fi.

Checkout their web site at: <http://www.jerseyshorehaven.org/>
Rally Fees: \$ 15/ night for camping...pay when you register at the campground. Regular campground sites in the South Jersey/ Cape May area are usually \$45 to \$65 per night. Also: \$12 per person,(children free) pay to Tom & Connie when you send in your coupon. This will cover: light refreshments on Friday & Saturday nights, meat for the pot-luck on Saturday, full breakfast on Saturday and continental breakfast on Sunday.

Jersey Shore Rally Coupon

Name(s) _____

Unit # _____ Phone # _____

Number Attending: Adults _____ Children _____ (Free)

Total Enclosed: \$ _____ Send To: **Connie & Tom Littel**
22 North Woodward Ave
Wilmington, DE
19805-2281

Total enclosed is \$12/ adult only pay for camping at Jersey Shore Haven.



From the Beacon achives: Who, What, When and Where ? Can anyone tell me who these people are, what they are doing...etc. **There's a prize involved !e-mail me.**



Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc.

President's Monthly News

August - September, 2010



The following represents current information of general interest to the WBCCI membership.

I receive many unit newsletters each week. Most recent newsletters make reference to the 53rd International Convention/Rally at the Cam-Plex in [Gillette, WY](#). I'd like to share comments from the most recent Alberta - Saskatchewan Unit Newsletter President's Corner:

- *One of the most enjoyable International rallies I've been to*
- *The rally encouraged and allowed time to spend visiting*
- *Enjoyed Leadership Skills Workshops more than I expected*
- *Opening ceremonies flowed and took less than an hour*
- *Less regimented and more casual atmosphere, from parking to meetings*
- *3 nights of professional entertainment, which was top notch*

The consensus is that Tom and Norma Collier, and all the volunteer workers, deserve a lot of credit for a superrally at Gillette!

Membership and Finances. That's where our priority is.

Two things for Membership this month. Don McKelvey, Membership Chairman, has established three goals for us. By [June 1, 2011](#):

- *Increase Club membership by 300, compared to June 1, 2010*
- *Each Region increase total members*
- *Each Unit retain all those new members who joined in 2010*

Second, Frank and Joan Carson's photo is on the cover of the September Blue Beret. Frank is the recipient of the WBCCI Founders Award. He has recruited 100 members! Congratulations, Frank!

Bob Moss, WBCCI Treasurer, has completed Year End Financial Statements. In his August 11, 2010 letter, he states, "The good news is that the Club performed much better than was budgeted for the year ended June 30. The budget called for a loss of \$76,671. The Club actually achieved Net Income of \$33,973. This Net Income is the result of Net Income from the Gillette Rally of \$86,876 and a Club operations loss of \$52,903. When the Club operation loss is deducted from the rally income, the result is Net Income of \$33,973 to the Club." Your Region Presidents have the complete report, should you want more detail. **Continued next page....**

International President's Letter continued...

Region Presidents - I ask that you obtain an extra Region flag to be flown during the 54th International Convention/Rally at the DuQuoin State Fairgrounds "Magic Mile" racetrack. It so happens that there are already 14 flag poles ready for use - U.S., Canadian, and the 12 Region flags will fit perfectly. This is your initial notice. It should be quite a sight to see all those flags flying in the Grandstand area. Thanks in advance for your help. I had heard that Pilot had purchased Flying J. In yesterday's mail, a letter explained the changes. There now are more than 550 (250 Flying J and 300 Pilot) locations. For the time being, continue to use your same loyalty card.

Pilot has plans to expand RV services. Beginning **September 1**, fuel discounts are:

- *3 cents off per gallon of diesel (initially only available in RV lanes)*
- *2 cents off per gallon of gasoline (available only at travel centers with RV lanes)*
- *10 cents off per gallon of propane*
- *Discounts apply to a maximum of 300 gallons of diesel and 100 gallons of gasoline per month*
- *Due to certain state regulations, there are no fuel discounts in Wisconsin and New Jersey*

For details, go to www.pilotflyingj.com

Safe Travels!

**Norm Beu,
President**

Plan Ahead....Reserve this date.

Christmas Luncheon ★ December 4th

The annual Christmas Luncheon will be held Saturday
December 4th.

Hosted by Phil & Fay Cruchley

Place will be determined later.

**Last year was a tremendous success !
Lets do it again !**



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