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Firemen's Field-City of Tonawanda

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Time for the last scheduled Club campout for the year. Even though it was raining and dreary we loaded up the motorhome and headed out. Our destination was the Tonawanda Fireman's Park. It was close to the Niagara River and six other couples were signed up to go. Bonnie worked in the morning and we arrived right around 3:00pm. We were the last to

arrive, but did get there in time for the after noon snacks and fellow-ship.

Around 5:30pm the first group left for Squires for the customary Friday night fish fry. It pays to be flexible, Squires had long waits for a table so a quick cell call to the rest of us, who were all together in Charlie's suburban, resulted in a change of plans. Joni called the Holiday Inn on Grand Island and they said sure come on over. We were there in 10 minutes and they had already set up two large round tables in a semi-private area, with a view of the river for us. We had a great meal, good waitress, and with the 4 entertainment cards we had, each **couples** bill was only about 15 dollars.

Back at the campsite everyone did there own thing. We had a nice building with kitchen and Dish TV. Some went to bed, some to their coaches and some played cards or other games. One of the big hits was watching the auto auction from Las Vegas. The evening went quickly and soon midnight was approaching and all went off to bed. It was still very damp with occasional rain showers. [Continued on page 2]

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It was great to wake up Saturday morning and see the sun shining in through the windshield. After a start like that the day just got better and better. Our co-hosts Scott, Joni, John and Wendy had the coffee ready early and then French toast, sausage and the fixings by 9. Plans for the day were set and everyone went their own way for the day. Some went to the craft show on Main Street, some to the Farmers market, some down to the river and others did their own thing.



Elizabeth and Alexus live only 8 miles away so they came over. Alexus and I relaxed a little and then went to lunch. We then went to the Herschell Carrousel Factory Museum.

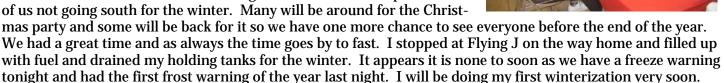
http://www.carrouselmuseum.org. We learned how they carved and finished the horses and other animals. A ride on the restored Carousel was part of the tour. We bought a puzzle there that several enjoyed trying to put together. You had to make a letter "T" out of 4 different shaped pieces.

We had several members past and present stop in and spend some time with us over the weekend and everyone enjoyed seeing them. Dinner was great; Chicken Cacciatore, several kinds of salads, bread, and of

course fantastic desserts. After dinner there was time for TV, games and just chatting. We even had a permit for a recreational fire aka campfire. But there was little interest as it was pretty nippy out. Bonnie had a missions report to do Sunday morning at church so she left after dinner for home. It was another cold night for sleeping and I sure missed her.

The sun was out again when I woke up on Sunday morning. Coffee was ready and fresh donuts, hard rolls, and toast were on the menu. We all gathered for a quick breakfast and then it was time to pack up.

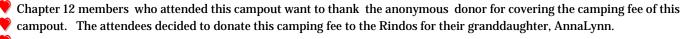
There was lots of talk about winterizing the coaches and campers for those of us not going south for the winter. Many will be around for the Christ-



The club is planning a new twist to some of the campouts next year with destination campouts that may last several days or even a week. Sounds great.

We have had a great first summer with the motor home. We have left the yard 16 times with it and spent the night in 18 different places. Looking forward to many more trips. Thanks for checking in.

Article and photos by Bob Jae.



Bob & Caroline would like to say thank you to the members for their generosity, thoughts and prayers!

ANNALYNN WANTS TO GIVE BACK!



For those of you who do not know; our granddaughter, Annalynn Surace, was diagnosed with Leukemia on Oct. 17, 2008. Maybe some of you remember her as she attended our first "Grandparents Weekend Campout" Annalynn was hospitalized at Roswell for 4 weeks to receive the "Blast" of chemo, then it was Consolidated chemo- a bag at hospital and one at home, now she is in a "Trial" chemo thru March. She is considered in remission. The doctors, nurses & hospital staff were wonderful to her and us. Annalynn is 23 years old, had just graduated from U of R and had started working in an abuse research project. She had a sore throat that didn't want to heal with medications. Annalynn has had a great attitude. She has it, so let's get on with it! She taught us how to accept it with grace. She is a real leader in that respect. In March, she organized a team (Herma-Heroes) for

\$5.00 each to play in the BASKETBALL MADDNESS game. She donated around \$250.00 with that event. To view her whole story & photos go to her Roswell sponsored Care Pages. http://www.carepages.com/login. Then select:annalynnsurace (all one word) The Carepages allowed her to receive support/cheer/get-well messages all in one place. She updates progress and events as needed. Thanks to all who have supported and prayed with us!!!! A big thanks to all the donors of blood and platelets.

Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS): LIGHT THE NIGHT – WALK "Doing the right thing!"



Just recently, Annalynn and members of her team, (Herma-Heroes) walked in the Light the Night-LLS event in Buffalo. This event is annual. It was held at the park by the zoo downtown Buffalo. Jacquie Walker from Channel 4 News was the chairman. She announced that they had received donations in the amount of \$335,000.00 that will remain in the Buffalo area!!! You only need to visit Roswell hospital and see how busy the lobby is-to get an idea of how many people and families are being assisted. It's like the New York City sidewalks! Team t-shirts were designed by Annalynn, "Doing the right thing!" Bob saw a sign up sheet that had \$550.00 donated by Annalynn's team. There was a tent full of balloons which were all filled with helium; white for survivors, red for supporters, and gold in memory. It was stated that the balloons were available to anyone who had donated \$25.00, but they must have given them

to everyone. Each illuminated balloon had a light bulb, with a wire which ran down the balloon to the hand held flashlight which you were to turn on when the walk started, bringing light to the dark world of cancer. A beautiful fire truck sounded it's bells and whistles and lead the march. They proceeded under an arch covered with balloons across the entire street. It was beautiful as they all turned on their lights in the dark. Annalynn walked too! We were very grateful for her health that week as she still has weeks when her counts are down and she needs a blood or platelet transfusions. I was very impressed with all the volunteers etc. All our coffee and foods were FREE; donated by many supporting businesses. Thanks LLS for helping our family & others live better lives



LLS: TEAM ANNALYNN IN TRAINING

Now the family has organized another team) and they are participating in an event thru the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS) to walk or run for a cure. This event will be held at Disney in Fl. on Jan. 9th. The Society has assigned them a goal of \$3800.00 each or \$40,000.00 for their team of 10 family members to be eligible to participate. If you have already donated, we thank you with all our heart! It may be fun for you to watch their team web site and see how they are progressing with their goals. You can see all the events they have planned to make their goals. We are knee deep in fund raisers: candy bars, Yankee Candles, lotteries, restaurant participation, Bon Ton Community books, Wine Tasting Fall Fest, Cirque Dreams Holidaze at Shea's, Chiavetta's dinners, etc. The most unusual fund raiser idea was Christianna's, sister to Annalynn. She ordered red, white and blue Mardi Gras beads and with helpers they took them to the Bill's game to sell. Everyone pooh-poohed her

idea, "she was going to get stuck with the box of beads." The first game she sold one box, for \$800.00 worth!! All totaled she has now sold 8 boxes of beads! Christianna has an employer that will match up to \$2000.00 if she makes it herself-without donations. SHE HAS IT MADE! The team is walking or running every Saturday morning at the UB track to get in shape for the race. They currently have raised funds @ \$13,599.90. Tickets available for Shea's:Cirque Dreams Holidaze for 12/18/09 call Debbie (716) 434-5634 \$100.00 Includes show, appetizers & drink. Please visit

http://pages.teamintraining.org/wny/wdw10/TeamAnnalynn for updates on our team's progress and upcoming events.

Visit: www.teamannalynn.com to order tickets for any of our events!

Chapter 12 & Region 1 - 2009 Events

2010 EVENTS

HRRVC NIAGARA FRONTIER CHAPTER 12

CHRISTMAS PARTY

DATE: DECEMBER 12, 2009

LOCATION: Colton RV Center

3176 Niagara Falls Blvd.

N. Tonawanda, NY 14120

Cocktails: 5:30PM

Hors d'oeuvres: by Colton's Roast Beef on Weck: by Club

Chairmen: Bob & Caroline Rindo

(585) 409-0026

(Wendy said that she would do the shopping for roast beef on weck)

If attending, please call Chairmen by Nov. 29th, and let us know what you would like to bring as a dish to pass to enhance the dinner. Bring a \$5.00 value Christmas gift per person for the gift exchange.

Elections of Officers will be held at the Christmas Party.

Just a reminder; the 2010 annual Niagara Frontier Chapter 12 dues are due by December 31st. The annual dues are just \$10.00 for each unit or entire family. Dues are collected at the December meeting each year, in our case, that's at the Christmas Party. Unable to attend, mail checks made out to;

Judy Murray, Treasurer

7116 Mavis Drive,

N. Tonawanda, NY, 14120.

Also, don't forget to renew your membership with the Holiday Rambler Recreational Vehicle Club when your HRRVC dues come due. If you know anyone who wants to join our chapter, they should be a member of HRRVC and have a registration number. Invite them to the Christmas party as a guest!

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HRRVC RAMBLIN' PUSHERS CHAPTER

2010 MAINTENANCE SESSION

MAY 2-6, 2010

ELKHART COUNTY 4H FAIR-GROUNDS

GOSHEN, INDIANA

If you own a Holiday Rambler Diesel motorhome, Your invited to attend.

2010 International Rally 46th Holiday Rambler RV Club

International Rally
Georgia National Fairgrounds
& Agricenter
Perry, Georgia
July 19th-July 23, 2010
Registration forms on line at
www.hrrvc.org.

REGION ONE
ONTARIO PROVINCIAL RALLY
Sept. 3-6, 2010
Rideau Acres on Hwy#15
1 mile north of Hwy #401
At exit #623

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