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May 14, 15, 16 – Fireman’s Field, Williamson, N.Y. Apple Blossom Festival, Hosted by Chapter 1



17 Units arrived at the Firemen’s Field for the Chapter 1 Buddy campout. In attendance from Chapter 12 was Donnelly’s, Gaydica’s, O’Neill’s, Parkhill’s and Rindo’s. The field is right beside an apple orchard; the blossoms were 2 weeks early this year and most were gone! Friday night Fish fry was at the Branding

Iron Restaurant. The afternoon was open to visit the Apple Blossom Festival attractions: craft tents, food vendors etc. At 3PM the parade started. This



Williamson High School Band



Bagpipers



Fife & Drums Core

year’s theme was “Books In Blossom”. Author & actress, Debra Ford Smith was there to read and sign her new book. Many of the floats were about storybooks. (Grinch etc.) There were many huge fire trucks and ladder machines which blew their whistles and sirens for all. Politicians waved from snazzy cars with beautiful girls in gowns from the Queen’s court. Many high school bands from neighboring towns were in the parade. The Fife and Drum marchers were very good. The 7 Bagpipers were outstanding, dressed to the hilt! Some had green plaid kilts and others had red plaid kilts. Tradition has it that a “true Scotsman” should wear nothing under his kilt!

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The float committee worked hard making an apple tree with blossoms for many floats. An Apple Tree for the Apple Festival!

Some campers went to Ontario to shop at the LW EMPORIUM. Upon entering the village you are welcomed by a beautiful covered bridge spanning a small pond and waterfall. The Gallery of Shops, centrally located in this turn-of-the century village offers three floors of unique gifts, one of a kind items and hard to find collectibles.

Fireworks was provided which many of us enjoyed from inside of our RV's, as it was so cold and windy. Sunday morning, members went to the Fly In Breakfast at the airport. Everyone went on his or her own schedule. Upon returning to Firemen's Field, everyone started to pack for the trip home. Many thanks to Chapter 1 for the Saturday morning "huge" breakfast for all. Pancakes, French toast, egg and potato casseroles, sausage and bacon, & goodies! Thanks also for arranging the order and pick up of the Chicken dinner which was very good too.

UPDATE- ANNALYNN (OUR GRANDDAUGHTER)

Team Annalynn made their pledge amount and earned the right to race at Disney. During the Disney Race, Team Annalynn walked thru rain, sleet and snow. They walked from Epcot Center to the Disney castle (Annalynn waited here) and back again. They were froze! Annalynn's team won special recognition for one of the highest financial pledges at an awards dinner. They all received a gold Donald Duck medal for participating in the race.

Arriving back home Jan 9th, Annalynn had a check up scheduled. The test showed that the Leukemia had returned. She was admitted and went thru chemo again and 37 days of hospitalization. They advised a Bone Marrow Transplant. All our prayers were answered when a donor was found, passed her physical, and donated.

Annalynn was readmitted on the 21st of March. She had 2 days of chemo and 3 days of complete body radiation to prepare for the transplant, on March 26th. The bone marrow was delivered in a bag like blood or platelets. She was sedated and the marrow dripped down thru her tubes to the heart for distribution. After many complications (33 more days of hospitalization) she was well enough to return home. Now she can not be alone for 100 days from date of transplant. (July 4th) A bone marrow test was done this month to see if the bone marrow cells have been accepted by her body. The results are a yes by 100%!

Thank you all for your cards, donations, and prayers. Thank God for research and donors. They have given Annalynn a second chance.

June 19th: American Cancer Society Relay for Life @ Emmet Belnap Middle School, Lockpot, NY ...camp & walk the track all night!

June 26th: Ride for Roswell: bicycle event. The Team will pull Annalynn in a bicycle cart!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Brian and Anne Tapner

Just before the Christmas party last year, Brian and Anne Tapner joined our Chapter. They are from Mississauga, On. They met Sandy & Howie Pitt's at a rally in Michigan, who referred them to our Chapter.

They drive a 34ft. Admiral Holiday Rambler. They have owned a 30 ft. Arsita-HR and a 26ft. Trailer. So, they have been campers for some time now.

Brian retired in 1998 from Industrial/Commerical Design-RVA Construction. Anne retired in 1995 from Nortel.

They have been married for 30 years and have 2 children and 5 grandchildren. They both love to travel and have attended two rallies. Their favorite charity is the Salvation Army.

Welcome Brian and Anne. Hope to met you soon.

HOT FUDGE CAKE Taste of Home recipe-Baked in a slow cooker (3 qt. Crock Pot) Moist, like a cobbler!

Prep: 20 min. Cook: 4 hours

1-3/4 cups packed brown sugar, **divided** // // // //

1 cup all-purpose flour

6 tablespoons baking cocoa, **divided** // // // // // //

2 teaspoons baking powder

1/2 teaspoon salt

1/2 cup milk

2 tablespoons butter, melted

1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

1-1/2 cups semisweet chocolate chips

1-3/4 cups boiling water

Vanilla ice cream

• In a bowl, combine 1 cup brown sugar, flour, 3 tablespoons cocoa, baking powder and salt. In another bowl, combine the milk, butter and vanilla; stir into dry ingredients just until combined. Spread evenly into a 3-qt. slow cooker coated with cooking spray. Sprinkle with chocolate chips.

In a bowl, combine the remaining brown sugar and cocoa; stir in boiling water. Pour over batter (do not stir). Cover and cook on high for 4 to 4-1/2 hours or until toothpick inserted near the center of cake comes out clean. Serve warm with ice cream. Yield: 6-8 servings.

CAN'T MAKE THE INTERNATIONAL?

In July, Craig and Maria Donnelly are making arrangements to get a group together for a campout for those that are not attending the International Rally. It will be the weekend of July 16, 17, 18th. It will be at the Watkin's Glen Race track for the Finger Lakes wine festival. The cost is \$35.00 for 2 nights. It will be dry camping. Go the to the following website for information and to make reservations. www.theglen.com. Look for tickets & events/ Finger Lakes Wine Festival/Camping.

They have made their reservation for sites in section F. Use this link, <http://www.flwinefest.com/> and grab the map for Section F. We would be able to all park together. You may also call 1-866-461-7223. It looks like a great event.

Let me know if you are interested or have signed up. My # is (716) 692-8323 -Joni Parkhill

Chapter 12 & Region 1 - 2010 Events

June 3, 4, 5, 6 – Mass/New Hampshire State Rally

Falmouth FG
Falmouth, Mass

****June 25, 26, 27 – Red Rock Ponds**

Holly, N.Y.
585-638-2445

Hosts: Scott & Joni Parkhill (716)692-8328
John & Wendy Gaydica

If planning to go there are still a few sites left if anyone else is interested.

July 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 – International Rally
Perry, Georgia

****July 30, 31, Aug. 1 – Hidden Valley CG**

Jamestown, N.Y.
716-569-5433

Host: Howard & Sandy Pitt (716) 664-1497
Dave & JoAnn Krehl

Must call in your reservation before July 4th.

"DESTINATION WEEK"

Aug. 13th - 21st

****Aug. 13, 14, 15 – The Villages @ Turning Stone RV Park**

Verona, N.Y.
315-361-7275

Aug. 15, 16, 17, 18 : Strawberry Park RV Resort

www.strawberrypark.net
Preston, Connecticut
274 miles (approve. 4 1/2 hours)

Mystic, Ct, Newport, RI, Providence, RI, Groton, Ct., Foxwoods, Mohegan Sun

Aug. 18, 19, 20, 21: Newburgh/KOA RV Resort

www.newburghkoa.com
Plattekill, NY
153 Miles (approx. 3 hrs.)

NYC bus trip, West Point, antiques in New Platz, Orange County Choppers

Aug. 21: Cheerful Valley Campground

Phelps, NY
264 Miles (approx. 4 1/2 hrs)

Sept. 3, 4, 5, 6: Region 1 Rally
Rideau Acres
Kingston, Ontario
613-546-2711

**Registration Deadline: July 30, 2010
Write up in the Ramblings-pg 65**

****Sept. 24, 25, 26: Branches of Niagara CG**

www.branchesofniagara.com
Grand Island, N.Y.
773-7600

To Be Announced

Oct TBA: Wine train adventure @ Spring Lake Winery

- Board train on Lockport @ 10 am
- 1 hr. train ride with breakfast
- 1 hr. tour of Medina Railroad Museum
- Spring Lake Winery – lunch with music
- Wine tastings available \$\$

Board train @ 3:30pm. Returns to Lockport @ 4pm.

Camping available nearby @ Daisy Barn Campground, Wilson, NY if desired.

LET JONI KNOW IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN DOING THIS (716) 692-8328

****Club campouts. Hosts needed.**