



TIDBITS FROM PENNY

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2013 Rallies & Events

4/18-21—Schnecksville, PA
5/24-27—Centre Hall, PA
6/11-13—New Holland, PA
6/19-22—FMCA 88th Family Reunion
7/19-21—Lebanon, PA
8/23-25—Bloomsburg, PA
9/11-15—Hershey—PA RV Show
9/20-22—Harrington, DE
10/5-8—Gardners, PA
10/9-13—GEAR—York Fairgrounds
11/8-10—Bethel, PA
12/9/13—1/2/14-Trip of a Lifetime
Pasadena, CA

2014 Rallies

3/17-20—FMCA 89th Family Reunion
Perry, GA
4/25-27—Pine Grove, PA
5/23-26—Centre Hall, PA
6/20-22—Gilbert, PA
7/18-20—Lebanon, PA
8/17-20—FMCA 90th Family Reunion
Redmond, OR
8/22-24—Bloomsburg, PA
9/19-21—Manheim, PA
October—GEAR (TBA)
11/7-9—Bethel, PA (Swatara)

UH OH!

Louise came out of her surgery, was taken to the recovery room and what was her first request? Let me see what they did to my Penn Coachmen Newsletter.



Does she like it or not?

That's where Moss and Moss say "Uh Oh". Does she like it or not? Will we still be the "temporary" editors of this prime piece of editorial excellence. We waited and waited and didn't get "the boot", so here we are again with the second in our attempt to keep all of you "in the know". And as for Louise, she's coming along very well. According to her husband, Bob,



President's Message



Hi Everyone from Harrington, Delaware:

The Penn Coachmen who participated in being at the Fairgrounds in Harrington, Delaware had a good time. The weather was nearly perfect and the Fairgrounds had a lot of activity.

Joe Thurston and Suzanne Knopp, with their rally hosts, kept everything running smoothly. Good job, Joe and Suzanne.

In a couple of weeks we will head for Mountain Creek Campground, then to York for the Greater Eastern Area Rally (G.E.A.R.). We are looking forward to a lot of participation from the Penn Coachmen.

If anyone has information or pictures for our next Yearbook, please send it to Jackie Shaak jcsdiamond@yahoo.com or Lorraine Shaak marykaylady1s@verizon.net. It's not easy to edit the book each year, so any information is appreciated.

I want to mention something I have noticed. That is the attendance to our Rallies. One of the best deals I have with my motor home is the Penn Coachmen who give me the following pleasures: *A Family of Friends, Fun, Reason to Travel and Affordability.* When you miss a Penn Coachmen rally, you miss these pleasures.

I hope to see you all at the next rally at Mountain Creek.

~~Ron Buckley, President



September Rally

Harrington, DE

Report has been that everyone had a good time. And it looks like the food was good. As usual!







**Upcoming Rally
Mountain Creek Campground
Gardners, Pa.
October 5-8, 2013**

As our rally season winds down for the year, we have put together a rally in South Central PA that includes a day at the South Mountain Fairgrounds in Arendtsville, PA, Adams County to attend the 49th National Apple Harvest Festival. Crafts, music, food and just good “old country fun” await the thousands of folks who attend the Festival each year. Then on Monday, we will visit the Boro of Carlisle and Cumberland County and the campus of Dickinson College, the second oldest college in PA. For many years Carlisle was the county seat of the county that extended to the Ohio state line. It was the place where George Washington led his forces as they headed west to put down the Whiskey Rebellion. On Tuesday, we will visit the US Army’s Heritage and Education Center and Carlisle Barracks, the second oldest Army post in the United States. Both hold treasures from the past which you will enjoy experiencing. On Saturday evening there will be entertainment provided by the campground including a Penn Coachmen mini meal and bonfire.



On Monday evening we will enjoy a Potluck supper which may include freshly made apple pies with Adams County apples and on Tuesday evening, we will bring in a locally made pizza, not the fast food kind. After supper, we will set up the caravan for our trip to York and the G.E.A.R. rally. Of course, there will be continental breakfasts each morning to send you off with a full belly!! There may still be spots available at the Mountain Creek Campground. If you are interested call them at 717-486-7681 and if space is available and you make a reservation, call us at 717-713-9541.

~~Bob and Norma Moss

Penn Coachmen Travels

Hi Everyone, Carol and I attended the 1st Great Lakes Area Rally produced by Great Lakes Area Motor coach Association in Goshen, IN. There were 475 coaches and it was held at the 4H Elkhart County Fairgrounds. It was a great rally. One of the entertainers was Sgt. Daniel M. Clark “The Singing Trooper”, retired Massachusetts State Trooper. We enjoyed him very much.



We stayed an extra week to visit the RV/MH Hall of Fame and toured the Amish Area, Shipshewana, Middlebury, Nappanee, Goshen & Elkhart. This area is known as the RV manufacture capital. Note the door on the Amish Phone Booth – it’s from an RV. See you at G.E.A.R.

~~Stan & Carol Seyfried



Another report from Penn Coachmen travelers:



Aug 19, 2013

After a long summer trip to Wyoming in June, we decided that there was still time for one more trip away from home, so the Moss's decided to go North to New York State. Our destination was the small town of Saratoga Springs, just North of Albany. A pleasant one-day travel was all the time needed to find ourselves just South of the beautiful Adirondack Mountains. Saratoga Springs was founded in 1819 and was famous for its natural springs

which were considered a cure-all for whatever ailed you. Even today there are several areas where tourists go for mineral water mud packs and hot water treatments. But, there is much more to see in the area. Several Gardens feature gorgeous flowers and fauna all summer long. The Saratoga Race Course, oldest flat racing venue in the Country has a summer season that lasts from July through Labor Day. When we were there the winners of the 2013 Kentucky Derby and Preakness raced against each other for the Travers Cup. The race is called by some, "The Summer Derby". We spent three days at the track, which was beautiful for its old town charm, park-like setting and food concessions like you would find at a fair. And, if that wasn't enough, just 10 miles Southeast is the Saratoga Battlefield National Park. It was here that the small and determined Continental Army defeated the mighty British forces of General Burgoyne and saved the entire Northeast from falling into British hands. Just a few miles North of Saratoga Springs lays the imposing waters of Lake George, just another reminder of the beauty to be found in our country. In seven days we traveled and visited all the above places and still had time to relax at our campground and enjoy the making of new friends. We would certainly recommend the area to all our Penn Coachmen friends as a place to enjoy in their motor homing travels.



Aug 21, 2013



Moving on out. MinnieHa-Ha, Lake George, NY

~~Bob & Norma Moss



There we are. Aug 24, 2013





Tidbit from Penny

Hi, fellow Penn Coachmen, It's me, *Penny*. I've had a lovely summer trip to the Midwest. Bill and Diane Freed, my foster parents, took me to some neat places.

Let's see, I guess it was early in July when we headed to Iowa. We had a slow trip as we had to wait for a new toilet in Indiana when one of the two on the coach broke. Other than that the trip was uneventful. We went to the Winnebago/Itasca Rally in Forest City, Iowa. I was bored, of course, since I don't dig all those technical classes they offered. I was fascinated with the repairs being done on the coach while we were in the factory. (They let me watch from inside).

Once we left there, we headed east for Wisconsin which was much more fun. We stopped at Wisconsin Dells, the Midcontinent Train Museum and Kewaunee, where we toured an old tug boat, went to Green Bay to the Packers Stadium and toured the Door Peninsula. Onward we went north to Iron Mountain where we rode the Lumber Jack Train to the museum in Laona.

Then, it was on to Manistique, MI on the north shore of Lake Michigan. We stayed at a lovely campground on Indian Lake, toured a crystal clear spring thirty feet deep filled with huge lake trout, and visited the Seul Choix lighthouse. The weather was perfect, nice sunny days and cool or chilly nights, great for sleeping. We went on to St. Ignace, touring Mackinac Island and drove north in the car to Sault Ste. Marie to see the Locks that connect Lake Superior to Lake Huron. We saw two huge ships go through the canal, one over 1,000 feet and a smaller one over 700 feet. We did not get to go into Canada, as the bridge was packed full and the wait to get in was 1 ½ hours.

From St. Ignace we headed south to the Grand Rapids area where we visited with a good friend from our old neighborhood. It was wonderful to see her and her family. After our visit, we headed east to Monroe, MI and toured the Ford Museum in Dearborn. Eastward into Ohio and PA we went. We made it to Bloomsburg on August 22nd. I was happy again to see all who attended the rally.



Love, from your pink fuzzy mascot, Penny

Wedding Bells in the Beers Family



We had a big event in our family this past weekend – 9/21/13. One of our granddaughters, Anna Beers was married to Travis Williams in Front Royal, VA near where we reside.

Our entire family was down for the weekend which made it very special. What a fun time to have everyone together at such a beautiful occasion.



~~Barbara and Darrell Beers

Upcoming Events

Greater Eastern Area Rally (G.E.A.R.)	October 9-13, 2013	York, PA
Western Area Rally	January 8-12, 2014	Indio, CA
FMCA 89 th Family Reunion	March 17-20, 2014	Perry, GA

Let's keep the following Penn Coachmen in our prayers:

Ed Molinsky – Ed has begun the treatments necessary for his recovery. He is in good spirits and doing well, according to Rae.

Louise Birett – in rehab recovering from spinal surgery.

Earl & Jean Ruch's great grandson, Grayson. An update from Jean is that they are continuing to give treatment to his lungs and have another couple weeks to complete this process. He is hanging in there. The good news is that he's growing and now at almost 3 months old weighs 4.5 lbs. Also, keep in your prayers Earl & Jean and their great granddaughter. As parents and grandparents, we know this is a very difficult time for all of them.

All Brandis – Karen Brandis reported that All was recently hospitalized after a fall. His initial diagnosis is cognitive dementia for which he will receive treatment in a rehab facility.

Take the time—send an email, a card or phone call to the above Penn Coachmen to encourage and give get-well wishes.

We all have seen advertisements on television or magazines to “try” a new recipe and if you are not a gourmet cook, you think “that sounds good” but you never quite get to it. At least that's how I am. But, the recent commercial for Hellmann's mayonnaise chicken sounded easy and tasty. So, with my husband's encouragement, I tried it. It was a different way to make chicken and very good. So, I'm sharing.



Parmesan Crusted Chicken

INGREDIENTS:

- ½ cup Hellmann's Real Mayonnaise
- ¼ cup grated parmesan cheese
- 4 boneless, skinless chicken breast halves (about 1 ¼ lbs.)
- 4 tsp. Italian seasoned dry bread crumbs.

DIRECTIONS:

1. Preheat oven to 425°.
2. Combine Hellmann's Real Mayonnaise with cheese in medium bowl. Arrange chicken on baking sheet. Evenly top with Mayonnaise mixture, and then sprinkle with bread crumbs.
3. Bake until chicken is thoroughly cooked, about 20 minutes.



*Note: Can also use Hellmann's Light Mayonnaise.

Those known to be celebrating birthdays in October



October 7	Al Heller	October 13	Louise Birett
October 7	Keith Garber	October 27	Roger Swetland
October 7	Betty Moyer	October 29	Bill Rollins
October 12	Ruth Morrell		

Editor's Note: Please help us update our birthday list. If you have joined Penn Coachmen in the past year, please email your birthday to normam0927@aol.com.

Thank you!

A Monthly Newsletter Request:

We have had a terrific response from articles and news submitted for the Penn Coachmen Newsletter. Keep it up. Let's have a backlog of items to pass on to Louise when she takes control again. Please send things like current rally recap, photos (especially from rallies), illnesses where prayer is needed, family events, motor home travels, recipes, jokes and any miscellaneous items you care to submit. This is your newsletter, lets share with each other.

Thank you, Bob and Norma

A few senior jokes to close out:



DRIVING

Two elderly women were out driving in a large car – both could barely see over the dashboard. As they were cruising along, they came to a major crossroad. The traffic light was red, but they just went on through. The woman in the passenger seat thought to herself "I must be losing it. I could have sworn we just went through a red light." After a few more minutes, they came to another major junction and the light was red again. Again, they went right through. The woman in the passenger seat was almost sure that the light had been red, but was really concerned that she was losing it. She was getting nervous.

At the next junction, sure enough, the light was red and they went on through. So, she turned to the other woman and said, "Mildred, did you know that we just ran through three red lights in a row? You could have killed us both!"

Mildred turned to her and said, "Oh! Am I driving?"

SENIOR DRIVING

As a senior citizen was driving down the motorway, his cell phone rang. Answering, he heard his wife's voice urgently warning him, "Vernon, I just heard on the news that there's a car going the wrong way on I-81. Please be careful!"

"Heck" said Vernon, "It's not just one car. It's hundreds of them!"

With that, we'll say so long for another month. Be safe and we'll see you in November.