

# Penn Coachmen

Spring 2025

\*What's been happening at Penn Coachmen?

\*What have you missed? \* What is new?

\*What is yet to come?

Pictures are posted on our private Facebook page.



### **Old Mill Stream, April 14-17**

We kicked off our 2025 camping season at Old Mill Stream Campground in Lancaster, PA. What a nice rally. Carol & Bob Crossett and their volunteers had a wonderful event set up for us.

Of course we had great food, that's at every rally, right? Carol had a craft for us to make. I even had a member, who wasn't able to join us, ask how we made them. She had a group of ladies make them too. It was a cute idea Carol and we had lots of fun. Some of the ladies came with their "Easter Bonnets". Fancy!! They had some trivia and games for us to play, it's not so easy to scoop up eggs with a blindfold on, lots of fun! A wonderful catered meal was provided & no one went away hunger! A movie was shown in the evening and there were a few campfires around the sites.

With around 27 RV's at the rally, we all had a nice time.

### **Dogwood Acres Campground, May 18 - 21**

Donna & Jay Henry outdid themselves again. We had a blast at this beautiful campground. We had pizza and a campfire the first night to get reacquainted with our friends, some we haven't seen for awhile. Francis and Robin Person, First Times, fit right in. Francis became one of our Fire Captain's! We had a nice dinner on Monday before our Membership Meeting. So many choices! So good...followed by another campfire. Tuesday morning we had an omelet station, which was so nice and the eggs were hot! Gary Cipa then put on a Memorial Day program and Faith and Nathan helped with "America's White Table" as Gary read the significance of each item on the table. Jay Beidel played taps on his Banjo. Next Gary had a seminar on "Spring RV Checklist" and what we should check in/on our RV's. A great game of Bean Bag Baseball was played and the Flamingo's won! Sorry Coachmen...maybe next time. Dinner was catered and was excellent. We find the best caterers, that's for sure! Glen Carson, a Banjo maker/player came in and talked to us about his career and all the Banjo's he made. Very entertaining. On Wednesday morning we had a light breakfast and found out who won the Flamingo Bingo game. Robin Person won first place and Janet Rizzuto came in second. What a fun game! We missed Bruce and Renee Bingham, and were sorry you couldn't get to the rally you planned. You left it in good hands with Donna & Jay.

### **New Members for 2025**

Nancy & Gunnar Pedersen

Diane & James Little

Betty & Brad Brown

Linda & Tom Haraske

Pam & Gary Steele

Francis & Robin Person

Welcome one and all. We are looking forward to seeing you at one of our upcoming rallies. We will hold a "First Timers" meeting to explain our chapter when you come to your first rally.



### **2025 Camping Calendar**

~~April: Old Mill Stream~~

~~May: Dogwood Acres Campground~~

June 16-19: Don Laine Campground

July 21-24: Lakewood Campground

August 17-21: Five River Campground

September 24-29: Pocono Raceway

November 5-9: GEAR, Myrtle Beach

First day is our "Early Bird" day. Check our website for more information!

### **ITEMS FOR SALE**

If you have any RV items you would like to try to sell, let me know and we will include it next time.

### **FRVA Updated Information**

Slate of candidates for national office 2025-2027 term:

National President: Paul Mitchell or Barbara Smith

National Vice President: Bob Weithofer or Les Naylor

National Secretary: Glenda Milner or Don Schleuse

National Treasurer: Nick Gilliam or Ken Lewis

Resumes for these candidates will be published in the May/June 2025 issue of Family Rving magazine. If you have any questions or would like to advise us of your voting opinion, please let Gillian Raye or Sue Cipa know of your choice. Go to our directory for our information.

### **Penn Coachmen updated information**

We had a semi-annual membership meeting on May 19th at the Dogwood Acres Rally. Many things were discussed. Here are some of the highlights:

- 1) Penn Coachmen Survey. This went out several weeks ago. We appreciate those who completed and returned it to Bruce.
- 2) Trailer: Effective April 2025, we have increased the amount for hauling our trailer to/from our rallies to \$100.00.
- 3) Membership dues: We voted on reducing our dues to \$5.00/year.
- 4) We talked about the FRVA Affiliate Program. Any RVer's you recruit can earn our chapter \$10.00. Please get some cards from Sue Cipa. They have the QR Code on the back that the new person scans, they join and our chapter gets credit for that new member.
- 5) Audit: Our 2024 Penn Coachmen audit was completed by our members Nadine Parker and Kathleen Gottschling. Everything was in order and a report has been filed. Thanks to both of them.

Please check our Chapter Directory for a list of all our members. We also have a private Facebook page you can see all the pictures that get posted from our rallies. Our website lists all kinds of information regarding our club. [www.PennCoachmen.org](http://www.PennCoachmen.org)

#### **Chapter Support:**

Sunshine Hostess: Donna Henry	Membership: Lynda Bucklew
Webmaster: Bob Bucklew	Facebook Admin: Bob Bucklew
Nominating Committee: Bob Crossett, Steve Mahanes, Diane Heck	
Historians: Peggy & Wayne Dilliplaine	

#### **Executive Board:**

President: Sue Cipa, Senior Vice President: Bob Crossett, Secretary: Donna Henry, Treasurer: Wayne Dilliplaine, Area Vice Presidents: Bruce Bingham, Carol Crossett & Bev Beidel, National Director: Gillian Raye, Past President: Gary Cipa