

the barnyard bull-etin

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EARLY RISERS

JULY & AUGUST 2000

OFFICERS

President - Kathy Hartwig
Vice Pres. - Donna Setzler
Secretary - Beth Sulek-LaHousse
Treas. - Desi McIntosh

BIRTHDAYS

* July *

2nd - John Pilette
20th - Donald Setzler
24th - Lucy Sulek

* August *

9th - Ralph Sulek Jr.
11th - Jim Setzler
23rd - Sally Hatfield
30th - Kristen Sulek

ANNIVERSARIES

* August *

2nd - Brown
18th - LaHousse
21st - Hatfield
24th - Zitek
27th - Reau

AUGUST EVENTS

****General Meeting****

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8th - At the Hartwig farm, arrive between 6:00pm and 6:30pm. Dinner is at 6:30pm. See article else where in bulletin.

4th - 6th, Regionals in Wisconsin

11th - 13th, Myers Lake
Wagonmaster, Jones

FUTURE EVENTS

September

11th, General membership meeting

15th - 17th, State Fall campout in Imlay City.

POTLUCK\MEETING

The general membership meeting will be held at the Hartwig farm. Arrive between 6:00pm and 6:30pm. The potluck will start at 6:30pm, the meeting will follow. Bring chairs, place settings, drinks and a dish to pass.

HOLIDAY MIXER CAMPOUT

June 9th-11th, 2000. Four families arrived on Friday night at different times...the Coulters arrived first followed by the Hartwigs and then later the Browns & McIntosh's and caravanning with them was Doug Riley. It was Hobo style camping so Lee ended up on the other side of the campground from the rest of us. After getting set up, some went on a Taco Bell run. We enjoyed a fire on Friday evening. Saturday began early with a seminar from the President. Many issues of FCRV were discussed. Then we were off to play Family games from hula hoops to ring toss. Following the games there was a pet parade contest...there you could see Marci with Riley, Dave with Bear and Kathy had a pair of stuffed Love birds. Lunch of hot dogs and potato chips was served. At 1:30 Dave, Kathy & Marci did trailer decorating judging...many campers were decorated for different holidays...it was a hard decision to select three winners. Another seminar in the afternoon with the State Directors was very interesting. A few of us made a Wal-Mart run. A Flea Market & then a Holiday auction (where some of us won some treasures) was entertaining. After brats cooked over the fire we are off to watch the Nature Nuts and the Misfits battle it out in a game of bean bag baseball. After that

was the evening program. Marci did a flag routine & Dave and Marci were awarded ribbons for first place in the family games. The Princess sang and there was a band that played good music and a girl who sang and her father who played guitar and sang. Then we were back to the fire for the rest of the evening. Sunday morning was a French toast breakfast, then Church with the puppeteers and then the Delegates meeting. Then we packed up and headed home. A very nice campout.
Submitted by Kathy Hartwig

CHESANING CAMPOUT

Memorial Day Weekend. What a wonderful weekend! I don't remember laughing so much all weekend at any other camp-out! It's a good thing I took paper & pen along so that I could jot down a few thoughts before they were lost! Here they are...

Ask Marlene why she smiles so much, especially after dinner.

Jim Setzler had no flashlight in his rig-Wow! The man who takes everything, forget something?

Ask Bob Hatfield, our latest retiree, how long he was retired? Had a lovely trip & soon off on another.

I'm not sure what the nightly serenade was comprised of-bullfrogs, ducks, geese, raccoons-maybe it was the mating call of the camper!

The golf cart of Kathy & Dave's made numerous trips for the "good of the club" but I would have to say Kathy & Fred won the prize for bringing back the most firewood in one trip.

A few of us went to the Varsity Diner for ice cream-what a bunch of kids-spoiled our dinner, but it sure was good.

Jim Setzler had a good nose &

Kathy a good eye for Red Lobster. We (the group) piled into a vehicle & took off knowing we needed to go South-Jim S. picked the exit & Kathy just barely saw the sign...MMM good stuff!

Saturday we walked & walked & walked-not raining up here, sat down to our fabulous group pot-luck, then shared our "finds from the day. I think Marlene won the best bargain of the weekend, finding an authentic antique Japanese tea set (still with original stickers) for only \$8.00. Jim S. found a working air compressor (old Sears type) for free.

Jim & Lisa Z. got their trailer/pop-up initiated with toilet paper & balloons, seemed Autumn Rose was upset about "Pooh" being stuck on top of the camper in their love-seat!

We had a neighboring camper join our group for a while around the campfire, but I don't think he understood our group, when spontaneously rushing over to the port-a-john to give a standing ovation to the one coming out of it!

Every once in a while the Chesaning police would patrol the camping area, so we gave them a chuckle, when they drove by each one around the campfire would assume a "see-no-evil", speak-no-evil" or hear-no-evil" position until after they drove by. Got a few double takes on that one. It was heard "we got your number" on one trip by.

Sunday morning it rained. Beth L. & the boys packed up & headed for home. An hour later the sun was out!

In attendance were:

Dave, Kathy & Marci Hartwig

Fred, Desi, Mike & Heather

McIntosh

Jim, Lisa & Autumn Zitek

Beth LaHousse, Greyson & Guest

Bob & Sally Hatfield

Jim & Donna Setzler

Guests:

Rob & Marlene Stephenson

Ken, Melanie & Johnny Rae

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