

Mountain Caravanner

Western North Carolina Unit WBCCI

SEPTEMBER 2013

PRESIDENTS NOTES

What a great rally we had last week in Hendersonville. It was so good to see some of our members that have not been able to attend previous rallies this year. Not only was it a great rally, the weather was good most of the time, and we also accomplished quite a bit of business. This is discussed in the minutes, so I will not repeat what Maxine wrote.

We are eagerly looking forward to our joint rally with the Piedmont Unit at Miles Motors RV Center in Swannanoa. During this rally we will find a time for a short business meeting for our unit in order to actually vote on the people nominated to be our officers for the coming year. You do not have to make a reservation with the campground, but we would like to know if you can come. So far, we have at least nine members who plan to attend and enjoy the fun and fellowship.

Hope to see you.

Dan McIntyre, President



Minutes of the meeting August 31, 2013

APPLE FESTIVAL RALLY, HENDERSONVILLE,
N.C. - AUG. 29 – Sept. 1, 2013

Campers for the rally were: Richard & Peggy Austin, Bob & Carol Griswold, George James, Tim & Mary Ann Joslin, Dan & Maxine McIntyre, John & Joyce Plaxco and Mart & Cari Plaxco.



President	Dan McIntyre
1.Vice Pres.	Tim Joslin
Treasurer	Ashel Ammons
Rec. Secretary	Maxine McIntyre
Corr. Secretary	Maxine McIntyre
1yr. Director	Carol Griswold
1yr. Director	Celeste Wirtz
1yr. Director	Bob Griswold
1yr. Director	MaryLynne Baxter
Membership	Dan McIntyre
Caravans	Tim Joslin
SunshineNews	Louise Moore
Web master	Renate Preissler
Newsletter	Renate Preissler



Also attending on horseback were Bob & Amy Olson, Hermann & Renate Preissler, Joe & Susan Ramseur and Bill & Carolyn Rosendale.

The meeting was called to order by President, Dan McIntyre and Pledge of Allegiance was led by George James.

Most important business for this meeting is the election of officers for the coming year.

**George James is willing to become President,
Tim Joslin is willing to continue as our 1st Vice President.
Ashel Ammons is willing to continue as our Treasurer.
Renate is willing to continue as our Webmaster and will take on the additional responsibility of Corresponding Secretary. We might add that Tim Joslin stated a willingness to help Renate with the duties of Corresponding Secretary.**

Both Tim and George will work on new membership.

For directors we have

Bob & Carol Griswold, Renate Preissler and George James, IV.

We still need someone to accept the responsibility of being Recording Secretary as Maxine would like to be replaced.

Dan reviewed our rallies for the past year, and urged attendance for the final two rallies for this year. The September rally has been changed and we are now joining the Piedmont Unit for their rally at Miles Motor Court in Swannanoa on Sept. 12 – 15, 2013. In October we will be going to Palmetto Cove for the installation rally.

We congratulated the Griswold's on their wedding anniversary as well as saying Happy Birthday to each of them. We fondly remembered some of our members who are no longer active, Lynn and Louise Moore and Janet Jehnzen, and hope they can join us at a later date.

There being no further business, motion to adjourn was made by Mary Ann Joslin, and all agreed. Meeting was followed by a luncheon with the entire group.

Respectfully submitted,
Maxine McIntyre, Recording Secretary



DUES: Please remember to send your WBCCI and Unit dues to the treasurer.



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Diane Crenshaw – 9 / 2

Renate Preissler – 9 / 3

Susan Ramseur – 9 / 7

Mary Lynne Baxter – 9 / 14

Margaret Nieters – 9 / 27

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Maxine McIntyre – 10 / 2

Gerald Nieters – 10 / 4

Dan McIntyre – 10 / 5

Cathy James – 10 / 27

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Jerry and Anita Sigmon – 9 / 11

John and Carolyn Plaxco – 9 / 17

Bobby and Dorothy Roberts – 9 / 19

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

Richard and Peggy Austin – 10 / 11

Frank and Carol Grable – 10 / 14



Sunshine News

Fred reports that Sarah is coming along well. Still having her ups and downs, but mostly gaining ground.

She has been getting out more and going to the cove.

We continue to pray for Sarah and wish her well.



Unit Caravan August 4 to August 10, 2013 To attend the Fiddler's Convention in Galax, VA

Submitted by Renate and Hermann Preissler # 2361

Caravanners Dan and Maxine and Tim and Mary Ann met Sunday morning at the Marion Rest Area on I-40.

Hermann and Renate were going to join them there too, but ran into a slight delay. The night before Hermann drove the tow car behind the Motor Home and hooked it up. Then Sunday morning he wanted to check the lights with Renate and the car was not starting. The battery was dead so Hermann scooted off to the next Wal-Mart to purchase a new one. Finally on the road, Hermann and Renate were able to join Dan and Maxine, as well as Tim and Mary Ann. Before turning off on I-77 towards Galax, everyone stopped to fill up their gas tanks and have lunch.

Then we continued our journey to Galax, VA. Upon arrival at the Cool Breeze Campground we were parked together and settled in. The Baxters, Olsons and Plaxcos had arrived previously.



At the first GAM (greet and meet) we were entertained by young students demonstrating their skills on the fiddle, guitar, bass, supplemented by Mary Lynne's clogging. Betty Patton was a delightful host as always.

The following days were filled with trips to the Cumberland Gap, listening to stories from Betty Patton and enjoying a Watermelon Feast. The first night of competition featured all the young talents. One of the young winners, 9 year old Carson Peters performed later on the Tonight Show. The Rally opening ceremony at the Blue Ridge Music Center was supplemented with a great concert by Wayne Henderson and friends and the museum held many treasures and information about Mountain Music. Another great day was enjoyed at the town of Hillville's famous courthouse and lunch on the Carter House porch. A day trip to Wayne Henderson's Shop and Museum rounded out the organized tours. The final dinner, a catered barbecue at the Crossroads Institute delighted everyone.

The GAM's all held entertaining surprises, talented musicians, (Sandy and Mary Lynne and 2 sets of "spoons"), plus Jay's totally out of this world dutch oven pies with ice cream.



This year the weather was cooperating nicely and even some of those sprinkles could not dampen all the excitement. Thank you to Jay and Elna, Betty and Junior for their hard work in making this a memorable rally.

IMPORTANT RALLY UPDATE:

The originally scheduled John C Campbell Folk School Rally in Hayesville on Sept. 19 has been rescheduled as a joint rally with the Piedmont Unit.

It will be held Sept. 12 – 15, 2013 at the Miles Motors RV Center and Campground in Swannanoa, NC.

Porter/Porter from the Piedmont Unit are hosting this rally.

If you like to attend, please contact Dan McIntyre asap. danmcintyre99@charter.net or 828-298-3298.

Tentative Itinerary for September Rally (by Piedmont Unit)

Thur. Sept. 12 Arrive at campground and set up.

6:00 Hot dogs with all the trimmings. Bring service & drink.

Fri. Sept. 13 9:15 Leave campground to tour Billy Graham's Training Ctr.

"The Cove" Exit 65. Tour begins at 9:30. Lunch on your own.

4:45 Leave campground for **Four Oaks Restaurant**. After dinner, we venture into the town of **Old Fort** for bluegrass music, etc.

Sat. Sept. 14 This day is **free** to see things that you might not have had time for on Friday, such as trolley ride in downtown Asheville, quaint town of Black Mountain, Hendersonville.

6:00 Dinner under shelter. Bring service and drink.

Business Meeting-election of officers will follow.

Optional: The Western NC Mountain State Fair will be going on (6 -15 Sep) at the Western NC Ag. Center in Fletcher. The location of the 2014 Region 3 Rally. Perhaps some folks might want to go to the fair one day/night.

Sun. Sept. 15 9:00 Breakfast under shelter. Bring service and cup.

Devotional and prayer for the road.

Directions to Miles Motors RV Center and Campground:

From Jct. of I-40 & Patton Rd. (**Exit 59**), N 0.2 mile on Patton Rd. (L)

Campground is on left. **800-982-5315 or 828-686-3414**

<http://milesrvcenter.com/Campground.htm>



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