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posting our Trailblazer.**

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President's Message



I want to take this time to thank all of our members who have made our past year a huge success.

Our rally attendance has increased and we have had the pleasure of seeing many new members attend for their first time.

Starting in January in Florida, enjoying the beauty of Gulf State Park, in Gulf Shores, AL in April and our July trip up to the Cumberland Plateau staying at Deer Run RV Resort in Crossville has made 2010 memorable for us. Let's complete the year by seeing you at the Annual Rally & Meeting in October. Seashore Campsites in Cape May, NJ will host the club and we look forward to seeing you there!

Sincerely, *Eileen*



**Join us for lunch at
"The Lobster House" in
Victorian Cape May, NJ
Come to the Annual Rally!**

Your Club Needs You!

We are always looking for members who would like to serve the club.

There are many ways you can participate. Consider hosting a rally, or scouting out suitable sites for our group or even referring new members!

How about serving on the Board? Would you like to be considered for office? Contact any Board member to be placed on the ballot!

Fall Annual Meeting and Rally - Seashore Campsites, Cape May, NJ

Once a year we ask you to set aside some time to attend our Annual Meeting. This year, our meeting and election of officers will be held in Cape May, NJ at Seashore Campsites. The dates: October 18-21 and the nightly rate is only \$25.

We encourage members to attend and contribute your thoughts and ideas on what you would like to see from your club. From our recent attendance, we must be doing something right, but, there is always room for improvement! It's your club and we welcome your participation!

Cape May is a beautiful area and while we may be hitting it in the "off season" there should be less traffic and the fall should be a wonderful, crisp and cool time of the year to enjoy your Chinook!



For additional rally information, to suggest a rally site, or host a rally in your area please contact Alvin & Arline Cantrell our rally VP's.

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Saw your coach—please come join us for fun, family, and to learn more about your CHINOOK!

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SEASHORE CAMPSITES, Cape May, NJ - Oct. 18th to 21st

Our Annual Rally & Meeting is coming up next month in Cape May, NJ. You may still have a chance to obtain a site—don't miss out!

Call today—1-800-313-CAMP



Actually comprised of three small towns – Cape May City, West Cape May, and Cape May Point – Cape May is situated at the southernmost tip of New Jersey, where the Atlantic Ocean marries the Delaware Bay.

Honored as a National Historic Landmark, Cape May is internationally known for its Victorian heritage. Only here in the Queen of Seaside Resorts can you meander through the gas-lit streets of the nation's first seaside resort.

Tours of this historic town are available on a daily basis and satisfy a variety of interests. For the true history buff, the most notable tour is of the Emlen Physick Estate, offered through the Mid-Atlantic Center for the Arts and Humanities (MAC), which allows you to peel back the layers of time to learn how local ladies and gentlemen lived, worked, and played in the Victorian era. A delightful afternoon tea is provided by the estate's Carriage House Tearoom, while the Museum and Gallery Shop showcases precious china, silver serving pieces, teas and more.

For those looking to learn about the many cultural, historical and natural attractions unique to Cape May, a trolley tour is right for you. Great for first-time visitors to the island, these affordable tours explore the best of Cape May. (info available at www.capemaymac.org)

Enjoy a little retail therapy at the Washington Street Mall, a quaint pedestrian walkway straddled with close to one hundred picturesque shops and eateries. Renovated in 2008, the pedestrian mall sparkles like never before with new brick walkways and Victorian-style lighting, landscaping, and water fountains. It is a comfortable, exciting and memorable way to enjoy a lazy afternoon in Cape May.

The best way to truly experience the nooks and crannies of Cape May is via bicycle. Its flat terrain makes it easy to navigate, even for the less experienced rider. Behold the amazing views as you get an intimate look at the Victorian dwellings and drink in the splendid shadows that fall over the city at sunset. Though the summers in Cape May are unforgettable, the town truly shines in the fall and the winter holiday season.

Cape May provides a great locale for bird watching all year long. Many study birds indigenous to the area, while others prefer to observe the migration periods. Cape May is also a perfect arena to observe the beautiful monarch butterflies in flight. The nature preserve is an excellent location for viewing both birds and butterflies.

Cape May Point is a quiet sanctuary surrounded by the natural beauty of the Jersey Cape. Sunset Beach is a particular favorite, where visitors can search for Cape May "Diamonds," quartz stone keepsakes found sparkling in the sand. Here you can view the concrete ship "Atlantus" the only WW I concrete ship to sail. And a trip to Cape May is just not complete without a visit to the Cape May Lighthouse. Climb the 199 steps to the top and savor the panoramic view of the Jersey Cape from the Lighthouse observation deck. (Located in Cape May Point State Park)

The Mid Atlantic Center for the Arts (MAC) operates the Emlen Physick Estate, the Lighthouse and newly restored World War II Lookout Tower on Sunset Blvd. For information on all they have to offer visit www.capemaymac.org

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR RALLY VP'S

Hi Fellow Chinook members,

We have enjoyed meeting each of you at the rallies this past year. Thank you for your support and attendance. Many of you join in and lend a hand. We appreciate your participation.

Our recent rally at Deer Run RV Resort was enjoyed by those in attendance. Donna & Vic Cruz treated us to a night of karaoke, music and dancing. Terrell & Carol Hart were the finalists in our Scavenger Hunt! They managed to find every item on the list. Congratulations!!! Thanks to everyone who joined in the fun.

Looking way down the road to our **2011** Annual Rally and Meeting we have booked EZ Daze RV Resort in Southaven, Mississippi. The dates are **Oct 4-7, 2011**. Please note the rally runs Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights to allow time for our football fans to make their favorite weekend game! This resort is about 5 minutes from Memphis area. We stopped at the resort on a recent trip and were impressed by this nearly new resort.

If you have a chance, take a look at their website, we're sure you'll be pleased. www.ezdazervresort.com

Remember to make your reservations ASAP for the all of the upcoming rallies!

Arline & Alvin Cantrell

Rally VP's



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Winter Rally

January 10-13, 2011

Tampa, FL



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Days 2 & 3 - Breakfast and Dinner/Entertainment

*Singles: \$171

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1/12 - 1/16

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1/12 - Senior Day



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From the I-75 interchange, take I-4 east one mile to County Road 579 (exit 10). Turn north (left) on 579 and proceed approximately one half mile. Lazydays RV Campground will be on the west side (left).

If you are traveling westbound on I-4, take County Road 579 (exit 10) and turn north (right). Travel approximately one half mile on 579. Lazydays RV Campground will be on the west side (left).

MARCH 24 - 27, 2011

Brunswick, GA

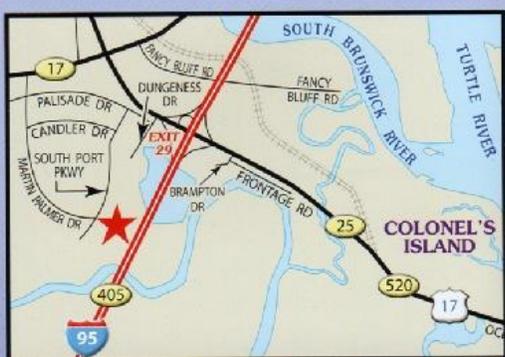


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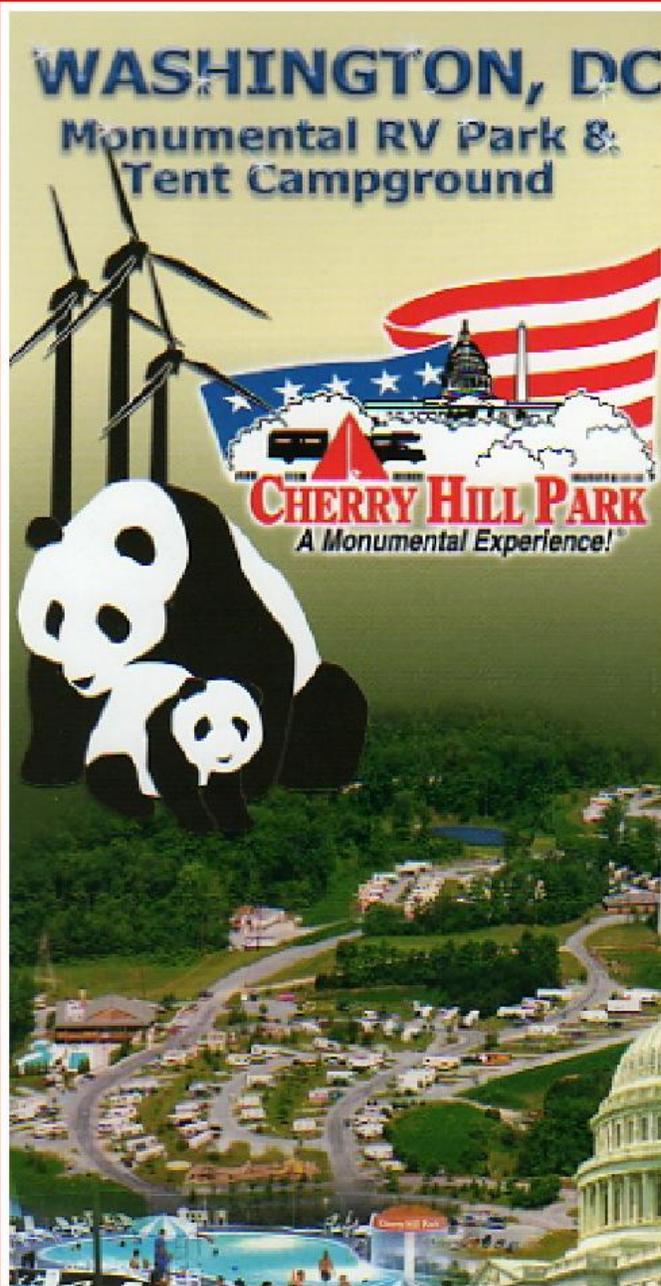
Rally rate: \$32 per night +tx

Deposit: \$32



From I-95 (exit 29) & US 17: Go 1/2 mile west on US 17, turn left onto US 17 South for 3/4 mile, turn east onto Martin Palmer Dr for 1 mile enter Resort straight ahead

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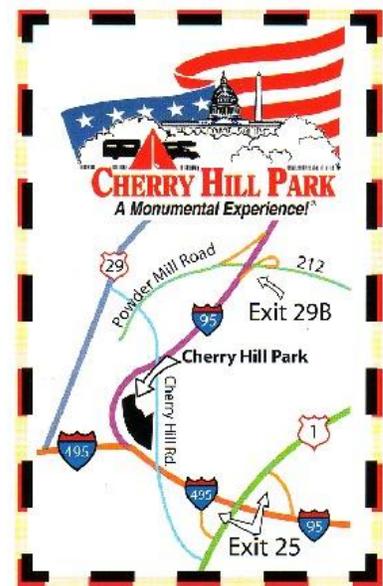
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MEMBER TRAVELOGUE

WHEATON ARTS

Millville, New Jersey

The important American glass industry began in southern New Jersey because of the availability of natural resources such as wood, sand, soda ash and silica. The nation's earliest successful glass factory was founded in 1789 by Caspar Wistar in nearby Salem County in Millville. Many of the nation's foremost glass factories operate in South Jersey.

In 1888, Dr. Theodore Corson Wheaton, a pharmacist, began making his own pharmaceutical bottles in a glass factory in Millville. From these beginnings today's giant glass manufacturer, Wheaton USA, formerly Wheaton Industries, Inc., evolved.

Early in the 1960s Dr. Wheaton's grandson, Frank H. Wheaton, Jr., visited the Corning Museum of Glass in Corning, New York. He discovered that much of the glass created and produced in southern New Jersey was displayed in this museum. He felt that these treasured museum pieces should be displayed in the areas in which they were produced...southern New Jersey.

Wheaton Arts (formerly Wheaton Village) became his goal. He searched for and finally located a collection of American glass from the Bucks County Glass Museum in Pennsylvania. This became the foundation for what is now the finest collection of American glass at Wheaton Arts.

Today, Wheaton Arts consists of 65 acres with 20 buildings in southern New Jersey. The **Museum of American Glass** houses over 7,000 objects, both historic and contemporary. The fully operational **Glass Studio** presents daily, interpretive demonstrations for the public with artists showing traditional and contemporary glassblowing techniques. In the **Artist Studios** artists demonstrate the traditional southern New Jersey crafts of pottery, wood and flame working. The **1876 Centre Grove Schoolhouse**, **Museum Stores** (General Store, Arthur Gorham Paperweight Shop, Brownstone Emporium and Boutique, Christmas Shop and The Gallery of Fine Craft) the **Event Center** and the beautiful pond-side picnic grove in a true Pineland Sanctuary now complete the complex.



WHEATONARTS
AND CULTURAL CENTER

MyArtMyMillville.com



www.wheatonarts.org



From Cape May Area: (42 miles)

Rt. 47 North, to Rt. 55 North, Exit 26. Turn left onto Rt. 555/Main Rd. Turn left onto Wade Blvd. Entrance .5 miles on right.

Use "1100 Village Drive, Millville, NJ 08332" to map GPS coordinates to Wheaton Arts entrance.



Deer Run
RV Resort
Crossville
TN
Summer
Rally



We eat in....



We
eat
Out...



We Sing....



We Play Games.....



And We Dance....



And We Tour.....

But it's
Our
Friends



That brings us back for more!

VP of Membership News

Our membership (currently at 98) is stable as new members join and some members leave. Since June, we've welcomed 7 new owners: Terry & Sally Arnold, Charles Behnke and Elizabeth Clarke, Skip Braden and Anne Brown, Frank & Betty Forte, Howard & Vera Leist (former members), Rich & Diane Poole, and Gayle Wroble. We also added a Western Club member, Dave Shehane, as an honorary member of our Club because of all the volunteer work he does maintaining our Eastern Club web site. Sadly, we say good-bye to: the Bufkins, who sold their Chinook in favor of a larger RV, and the Sturkies.

Members represent the following Chinook ownership:

Concourse	52	Cascade	4
Glacier	15	Summit	2
Premier	13	Toyota	1
Destiny	11		

Model years range from 1984 through 2006.

Looking ahead, it's getting time to renew your Club membership for 2011. Please send your \$35 check to Jim Runyon or bring it to the Cape May NJ Rally. New directories will be distributed at the March 2011 Rally, and mailed to non-attendees in April. We want your info to be included, but we must get your payment to do so.

More business cards with our contact info and rally schedule will be available at the Oct 2010 rally. As you meet other Chinook owners in your travels, please invite them to join us and pass on a card.

If you have any new ideas to enhance our membership, please pass them along to me or any Board member. We welcome your input.

Nita Wilkinson
VP Membership
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From left to right, attending their first club rally at Crossville, TN: Anne Brown & Skip Braden, Rich & Diane Poole, Peggy & Frank Shafer and Sally & Terry Arnold.
Not pictured: Don & Nancy Michel.

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CHINOOK CHOW—RECIPES FROM THE ROAD

Jo Phillip's Pistachio Cake



1 box of yellow cake mix
6 large eggs
1/2 cup oil
4 TBSP cocoa powder

1 box of pistachio flavor instant pudding
1 cup of sour cream
1/2 cup white rum

1. Mix all ingredients together using a hand mixer to create the light mixture batter. Mix no longer than 2 minutes.
2. Separate 1 cup of the batter and mix with the cocoa powder for chocolate center. Set aside;
3. Pour half of the light mixture batter into a greased and floured Bundt cake pan. Then pour all of the chocolate mixture of batter followed by the remaining light mixture batter.
4. Bake at 350° for 1 hour.
5. Allow cake to cool, remove from pan, slice and enjoy!

Peggy Shafer's Fresh Apple Cake



1½ cups cooking oil
3 cups all-purpose flour
1 tsp. cinnamon
1 ½ cups pecans or walnuts, optional

2 cups sugar
1 tsp. salt
3 cups raw chopped apples

3 large eggs
1 tsp. baking soda
1 tsp. vanilla

Sift flour, salt, baking soda and cinnamon. Mix oil and sugar, add eggs one at a time; add dry ingredients slowly. Mix in apples, add vanilla. Pour into 9x13 pan and bake at 325° for one hour or until tooth pick inserted into center comes out clean. Allow cake to remain in pan and cover warm cake with warm glaze. (see below)

Glaze

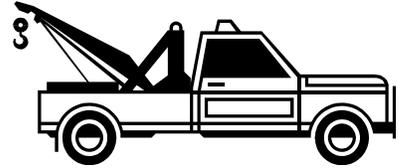
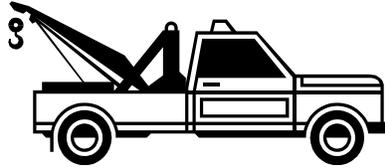
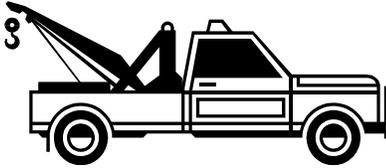
1 cup light brown sugar 1 stick butter or margarine ¼ cup cream 1 tsp. vanilla

Combine ingredients in a small saucepan and cook for 2½ minutes stirring constantly. (If you are going to use a caramel icing, punch holes in the cake with the wrong end of a wooden spoon, pour warm glaze over the cake making sure each hole is filled.) If you are not using caramel icing, use a skewer or fork to punch holes in the cake before pouring on warm glaze.

Caramel Icing

3 cups sugar ¾ cup butter (unsalted) ¾ cup evaporated milk 1 TBSP. corn syrup 1 tsp. vanilla

Separate sugar and brown 1/2 cup of sugar in small sauce pan. In a large sauce pan heat butter, milk, corn syrup, vanilla and 2½ cups of sugar. (When browning the ½ cup sugar be sure to stir constantly.) Add the melted browned sugar to the large pan, bring to a boil, reduce heat and cook for 7 minutes, stirring constantly. Remove from heat and beat with a mixer for 1 - 3 minutes according to preferred thickness. Pour icing over apple cake and smooth out. Cake is good with the glaze, but everyone likes the Caramel Icing better!



MEMBER MAINTENANCE TIPS . . . OR THINGS WE LEARN THE HARD WAY

ROUTINE MAINTENANCE

Remember to follow the routine maintenance schedules for your Chinook – be it Ford or Chevrolet or Toyota! After recently looking at the Ford Service website, you might want to follow the Maintenance Schedule for “Severe” use if you live in harsher climates or are towing.

Do you check your fluid levels frequently while on a long trip? Do you check your headlights, turn signals, tail lights, clearance markers? Be sure to have your co-pilot take a look before you get on the road. Sometimes we can forget what seems like minor things, but to operate a safe vehicle all of these should be operational. Don't forget the wiper blades too!

Driving through mountainous terrain in hot temperatures can be hard on the engine, transmission and tires. Don't pick this time to skimp on maintenance!

Duo Therm Roof Air

One of our members roof A/C failed while camping in the hot, humid weather. None of us want to experience being without our air conditioning when we need it most! While many things could be the culprit, in this case it was a simple, not so expensive, fix. As it turns out, we have also experienced the same failed part. The part needing replacement was the capacitor. There are two in our unit, the “Start” capacitor, and the “Run” capacitor. If you're A/C fails, and it's the capacitor(s) you are lucky...this turns out not to be a major repair!

This following address will take you to a document prepared by DuoTherm with recommendations for maintaining your roof A/C and Heat Pump: http://www2.dometicus.com/pdf/AC_Heat_Pumps.pdf

WEBSITES /PRODUCTS OF INTEREST:

www.amaz.com A-maz Water Stain Remover will remove the spots and mineral build up on your windows, chrome, etc. FOLLOW DIRECTIONS ! A-maz Water Stain Remover is applied with a special pad purchased separately. Some Ace Hardware locations carry this product or order online.

www.poliglow-int.com Poli Glow will restore that luster and shine to the exterior of your RV. Our member Cynthia Jones had their Concourse shining like new. For more info check out Poli Glow on their website. The kit sells for \$64.95 + shipping and handling online. It includes the 32 oz. Prep, 32 oz. Poli Glow (enough to do a 34' RV), 7" applicator and scrubby pad.

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**BIRTHDAY AND
ANNIVERSARY WISHES**




BIRTHDAYS

JULY

Ella Burr Steve Farris
Mark McCluski Terrell Hart
Carol Hart

AUGUST

Lance Bedwell Theresa Merrill
Fred Prah Marjory Wells

SEPTEMBER

Darnell Farris Carl Merrill
Jo Phillips Dick Sands
Mary Sands Jean Younger



ANNIVERSARIES

JULY

Larry & Luanne Dennison
Carl & Theresa Merrill
James & Evelyn Runyon

AUGUST

Ken & Ella Burr
Happy 45th! Steve & Darnell Farris
Lenny & Loretta Melancon
Don & Jo Phillips
Randall & Marjory Wells
Blair & Jean Younger



**SECRETARY'S
NOTES**

The Chinook Camping Club is sorry to inform you that one of our Past Presidents, Harry Bufkin and his lovely wife, Ginny have resigned from the club as they have traded their Glacier.

It seems they were searching for better sleeping accommodations other than the sleeper sofa.

Harry and Ginny found one of those "other" coaches to meet their current needs.

We will miss their involvement in our club and miss seeing their dearly loved Scotties!

Wishing them both God's speed on the highway of life!

Sue DeMartini, Secretary and Sunshine



SUNSHINE CORNER

Today give a stranger one of your smiles. It may be the only sunshine he sees all day!



Many who attended the Crossville rally were surprised by the early departure of Alvin & Arline. It seems Arline was not feeling well and needed to head home. Arline is getting the care she needs and we all wish her a speedy recovery.

Thanks for all the prayers and well wishes!



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2011 CLUB DUES ARE DUE BY NOVEMBER 1ST, 2010 -- \$35.00 PER COACH

If you have not already done so, please make your check payable to:

“Chinook Camping Club” and mail to:

Chinook Camping Club, Jim Runyon, Treasurer
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