



MCW September Newsletter

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"FALL IS FUN" was the theme for Water Wonderland Winnies' 2009 Fall Campout, and a great time was had by all. 49 coaches attended – 17 from MCW. The campout was hosted by the Lansing Area Winnies at Alice Springs Campground in Ionia, Michigan. The campground just opened this year and already has plenty to offer. The weather was gorgeous which made it easier to be outside and enjoy all the activities and camaraderie. During the weekend, there was a scavenger hunt, Apple Card Bingo, a Miniature Golf "Tournament", "**Games on the Green**" and a Trivia Pursuit Game with a Football Flair. Motor Cities Winnies did VERY well



at all of these. Carol Bolter won 3 games of Bingo; Vickie Estep, Sherry Paszko and Don Eickholdt were big winners for the Games on the Green competition; and in order to win the golf tournament we had to bring in a ringer. Thanks, Bert for joining our club on Saturday (just hours before the winner was announced). MCW also won top prize for the Trivia Pursuit challenge. Marie Eickholdt and the Johnsons were on a roll!!!

With all of these activities, there was still time for people to do their own thing – some went to Camping World, others explored town, ate lunch out, went to an "unusual" flea market or just relaxed around the campground. Eating ice cream seemed to be a FAVORITE pastime. We want to give a big thanks to Skip and Nancy Yates for hosting great bonfires both Friday and Saturday night. There was a lot of "farting" around the campfire – luckily it was accompanied by a ton of stories and a lot of laughter.



These stories led to a new game I'd like to entitle ***"WHAT ABOUT BOB???"***

Using the following clues, guess the correct "BOB":

- If looking for a gift for this "BOB" – consider Cell phone insurance
- Lock your motor home bays and put anti-theft devices on all of your cable wires when this "BOB" is around.
- This "BOB" answers to the name of "PACK-MULE" and you can often hear him muttering the words "Yezza, Boss"

(The answers can be found at the end of the newsletter. Most of you shouldn't have ANY problem guessing the correct answer without peaking)

I almost forgot, in between all the FUN, we managed to squeeze in a couple of meetings and 4 catered meals.



BUSINESS MEETING

The September meeting of the Motor Cities Winnies was called to order by President Bob Dunn at 10:05 AM. The following members were present: Bolters, Dunns, Eickholdts, Emersons, Esteps, Garcia and Garcias, Heids, Hennells, Hornsbys, Johnsons, Laginess, Paszkos, Scramlins, Simonds, Thompsons, Yates and our new members – Bert and Judy Ruth.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The minutes from the August meeting were read by Pam Scramlin. Skip Yates made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Sharon Emerson. The minutes were approved as read.

TREASURER'S REPORT

2009 Treasury Report	Aug
BEGINNING CAMPING BALANCE 33 members and 1 Honorary Member	\$ 990.00
TOTAL OUTSTANDING DEPOSITS TO CAMPGROUNDS	
TOTAL CAMPING FUND	\$ 990.00
REGULAR BALANCE	
BEGINNING REGULAR BALANCE	\$ 1,412.34
Deposit from Mill Creek from Mackinac	\$ 640.00
Check for stamp for bank for Motor Cities Winnies	\$ (10.16)
ckeck to Marty Senkowski for Aug Camp out 30 people	\$ (60.00)
Interest	0.04
TOTAL REGULAR BALANCE	\$ 1,982.22
TOTAL BANK BALANCE	\$ 2,972.22
OUTSTANDING CAMPING FUNDS Holding Checks Yogi Bear \$50.00	
TOTAL OUTSTANDING DEPOSITS TO CAMPGROUNDS	50

Nancy Johnson gave the treasurer's report. Melinda Dunn made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Motion seconded by Ron Johnson. Report was approved as read.

OLD BUSINESS

There was enough club interest in going to Turkeyville for our August 2010 campout. It will be a combined outing with Cereal Cities. Hanlons, Hornsbys and Simonds will be the Wagon masters.

Our next campout is October 16-17 in Wapakoneta, Ohio. It is hosted by the Johnsons and Scramlins. Please make your reservations ASAP before the rates go up – plus an approximate headcount is needed for the caterer and entertainment. For those coming in a day early, there will be a tour of the AirStream factory at 10:00 on Friday. There is no charge for this. Friday dinner will be catered by the American Legion – approximate charge \$15 per couple. Saturday supper will be pizza and “fixings” at the campground – approximate charge \$7 per couple. For anyone interested, there is a Blue Grass concert in the area on Saturday night. Cost is \$7 per person and we will be seated together. The club will be providing breakfast on Saturday and Sunday.

The November campout is at Frankenmuth, Jellystone Park, November 6-8th. The Wagonmasters are the Dunns and Paszkos. One of the evenings will be a pot luck dinner. The meat will be provided... More details to follow in the next newsletter.

The Xmas party will be on December 5th at Juliano’s Restaurant in Warren, MI. It is located just north of I-696 on Van Dyke. There is more information and directions on the Water Wonderland Winnies website.

NEW BUSINESS

Bob Dunn said we still need Wagon masters for April and November 2010. We will be going to Turkeyville in August and Mio, MI in October. We only have 4 chapter campouts a year so hopefully someone will volunteer. If you are relatively new to the club or haven’t been a wagon master before, don’t let that stop you from volunteering.

Our club is responsible for the fall 2010 campout. The theme will be **PUMPKINS**. Bob and Melinda are still trying to find a campground that will accommodate 45-50 coaches. Ideally there would be a clubhouse or shelter for meals and entertainment. If you have any ideas, please contact the Dunns.

Bob Dunn got the OK from General RV in Wixom to use their bulletin board to help promote our club. He has been able to leave some brochures and the latest copy of our newsletter. He will try and update the information monthly. There was a discussion about business cards and additional brochures. Walt and Carole Heid graciously volunteered to do the printing AND folding of any additional brochures. ***THANK YOU, Heids!!!!***

Ran Hennells asked if anyone would be interested in a non-club event – maybe going to Nashville or Dollywood. It would have to be sometime AFTER the September 2010 campout. There seemed to be a lot of interest. Judy Hennells and Nancy Johnson will work on this.

Melinda thanked Nancy Yates for donating her hair to Locks of Love. Not only is that a wonderful cause, Nancy looks very good in her shorter “do”.

Bob Dunn gave us the highlights of the Executive meeting. The State Spring Campout will be in South Haven, Michigan. There will be nomination of officers. Mike Estep will be President

and Bill Hornsby will be moving to 1st Vice President. 2nd Vice, secretary and treasurer are open for nominations. The June State Rally will be in Hastings, MI. Bob reminded us that MCW is responsible for the fall state campout Sept 17-19, 2010.

Bob Garcia awarded the **TRAVELING TROPHY** to Skip Yates for not filing a police report when “someone” went to the wrong coach for cable wire.

A motion to close the meeting was made by Nancy Yates, seconded by Phil Scramlin. Meeting was adjourned 10:45.

Respectfully submitted by
Pam Scramlin



NEW MEMBERS

We’d like to welcome Bert and Judy Ruth to our club. They are from Holly, MI. A lot of you met them at GNR in July and they will be coming to our November campout.



October Birthdays and Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS

Skip Yates	8
Jeff Ferreri	10
Mike Estep	27
Pat Trainor	28

ANNIVERSARIES

Bob and Carol Bolter	10/16/1965	44 years
Don and Marie Eickholdt	10/19/1957	52 years
Elena Garcia/Jeff Ferreri	10/23/1999	10 years

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS FOR 2009

OCT 16-17	WAPAKONETA KOA	WAPAKONETA,OH
NOV 6-8	JELLYSTONE	FRANKENMUTH,MI
DEC 5	JULIANO’S RESTAURANT	WARREN,MI

THIS AND THAT

You are in our thoughts and prayers:

Carol Bolter is going into the hospital for cardiac tests

Skip Yates is having hip replacement surgery

Marion Marzion's mother passed away. The memorial service was this last week.

On a lighter note:

The answers to *What About "Bob"*

- a) Bob Dunn
- b) Bob Garcia
- c) Bob Paszko

To protect the "innocent", if you want or need more information, you'll have to ask them.
Good luck with that!!