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59TH INTERNATIONAL RALLY, NATIONAL CAMPING TRAVELERS

BACK TO BASICS ~ MORE S'MORES IN 2024 - JULY 14-18, 2024

DEERHUNTERS ~ HARRISVILLE, PA

OFFICIAL BALLOT ISSUE!



Patricia (Pat) and Harold J, (Jim) Jackson

National President - Jim Jackson

Happy Spring to all NCT members,

The new camping summer season is just beginning for all of us up north.

This is the March issue of *News To Campers* and, I think, the most important issue of the year — the **BALLOT** issue.

We have several bylaw changes to address. The main one is the separation of Secretary and Treasure. As Dave Fant can attest, the Secretary, Treasurer, and Webmaster have gotten to be too much for one person. Hats off to Dave for doing the job of three men for the last few years. I appointed two brothers last year, one for the Secretary and one for the Treasurer. I have taken the job of webmaster, trying to keep the gonct.org up to date.

This year, when the March issue of *News To Campers* comes out (other than members paying for a hard copy), you will have to print the ballot and mail the ballot back to our National Secretary by the deadline. Please vote to let your voice be heard.

The next item I want to cover is National Camping Travelers and FMCA. We, the Board of Directors, have decided to keep the NCT the way it is — no changes to our organization. Now, a bunch of us who belong to FMCA and NCT have decided to open a chapter in FMCA. Anyone in NCT belonging to FMCA and would like to be a member of the **Traveling Man Masonic Chapter**, please let us know. We hope that this brings FMCA members, who are also Masons, into National Camping Travelers.

One last thing is the National Rally. I have been questioned about the 5-day rally and 6-day camping. Ok, the Rally will open on Sunday, July 14, but we decided to have everyone be able to come in on Saturday the 13th and not have to pay for an extra day of camping.

Now, since the PA State Rally is being held at the same place June 27-30, Tracy contacted Deerhunters, and those of you who attend the PA State Rally can leave your camper there for a small fee to Deerhunters.. For off-site free storage, contact Mary Sue Steele.

- Jim, Pat and Sassy

Jim Jackson, 9505 National President 2023-2024

National First Vice President - Cliff Fromm

We're over halfway through Winter and getting closer to Spring and the 2024 Camping Season. The weather down here in Florida has been cooler and rainier than last year, but we are still enjoying our Winter down here and are attending a lot of Lodge and Shrine events with our Florida Brothers.

The Mid-Winter meeting was held on February 6 at the Golden Corral in Winter Haven, Florida. We had a good attendance and had a great time of fellowship with our Masonic family.

President Jim Jackson and Secretary Bob Bennett have all the records and the website up to date. Thanks to all the Chapter Secretaries for their assistance in helping get all the information together. Please check your listing in the Member Directory and let Secretary Bob know if there are any corrections to be made. The By-Laws changes are ready for your review and will be on the ballot in the March 2024 edition of News to Campers. Please remember to cast your votes and return your ballot to the National Secretary by the deadline.



Ann and Clifford (Cliff) Fromm

Please contact any of your National Officers if you have any suggestions for improving the NCT experience.

Safe Travels, Cliff Fromm, National First Vice President

Sickness and Distress



Vin Kalinauskas, NCT #21617, CT 1 Ch 6, had his shoulder replaced on February 7. The shoulder is doing great but his low b/p issues are a problem (again). He's a fighter and is looking forward to physical therapuy and later, the camping season.

Our National Secretary, Bob Bennett, took a digger off his truck. He's recovering from a broken wrist and broken tailbone. And to beat it all, it was the day before he was supposed to leave for a long-awaited trip to Puerto Rico. But he is back on the job... but is using the hunt-n-peck system on the keyboard of his computer until things heal up.

National Second Vice President -<u>Dennis Morgan</u>

Hello to all who read this,

Hopefully, all receiving this newsletter are having a happy and healthy new year so far. The winter season appears to be moving along fairly quickly, so we should be hitting Spring soon!!! Madolyn and I have been having a busy winter, but we had a chance to attend one day at the FMCA Southeast Area Rally in Lakeland, FL. Brother David Brigham and I were able to bounce a few more questions to FMCA Executives while we were there. Madolyn and I also attended the NCT Snowbird Luncheon in Winter Haven, FL, on February 6.

The NCT board has been meeting monthly to review bylaw change recommendations from the committee and to discuss the possible options for the future NCT.

The NCT National Board is looking into forming a standalone FMCA Chapter for Masonic campers. The NCT organization will remain the same as it is now. While creating an FMCA Chapter, hopefully, the name of this chapter and its structure will represent our current NCT membership and its values. We need to all work together in order to keep this organization going.



Dennis and Madolyn (Lyn) Morgan

This March N2C newsletter contains a ballot for National Officers and by-law changes for a vote. Please vote and return this ballot following the instructions provided in the newsletter.

It shouldn't be long before we'll meet up on the road to attend Chapter, District, or National events. We hope to see as many of you very soon!

Keep on camp'n!

Dennis Morgan, 2nd Vice President

Daylight Savings Time Begins Sunday, March 10.

Spring Forward 1 Hour!

And don't forget to change your batteries.





Robert (Bob) and Debbie Bennett

National Secretary - Bob Bennett

I hope that this finds you all well and in good spirits as we come to our 3rd quarter of this year with our spring issue of *News To Campers*. I want to thank you all for your support and counsel during my time as your National Secretary.

We will have some changes for your consideration on our upcoming ballot included in this issue. First, we are asking to change the Secretary/Treasurer into two separate offices.

We have one brother applying for 3rd VP. If we get another applicatant, one of them will be moved into the 2nd VP position and the other will be 3rd VP, as Brother Dennis will be moving to 1st VP. The other issues are by-law changes that are way overdue.

SEC. 11a - NATIONAL Ballot shall be included in the March issue of *News To Campers*. The Ballots will be sent to an email address designated in the *News To Campers* in an envelope marked "BALLOT." All Ballots must

be postmarked no later than May 10th; Ballots are to be counted on May 15th. Included with the Ballot will be a resume of the NCT and other activities of each candidate seeking National Office, with a photograph if possible.

For those members who have chosen a hard copy the National Office will mail out the *News To Campers* and balloting information. Again, these must be postmarked by May 10.

I look forward to helping each Chapter and/or member in any way that I can. Debbie and I look forward to seeing all of you this summer at the National Rally in Pennsylvania.

Happy Camping...

Bob Bennett, National Secretary

National Office address is National Camping Travelers PO Box 707 Parrish, Fl. 32419

BobBennett69@outlook.com Phone # 716-481-3900





Mary Sue and Robert Steele

National Chaplain Robert Steele

Greetings, Brothers and Sisters.

Well, according to our Pennsylvania groundhog, Spring is just around the corner. It's near time to sweep out our campers and get them ready to go. Sometimes we tend to put the Lord in storage, so let us all dust off our thoughts and get started with another season with Jesus Christ. It may take something as simple as a groundhog to jump-start our thinking about the Holy Spirit.

God be with you till we meet again.

National Chaplain, Bob Steele

Innumerable Caravan

Name	Date of Passing	NCT #	Chapter	Home
Walton Schlechtweg	October 14, 2023	012533	6	CT
Hummy Seufert	October 31, 2023	020703	179	DE
Efrain Nieves Torres	November 4, 2023	009513	(27) Member	r at Large
Lina Herring	December 23, 2023	022151	231	GA
Eleanor M. Lianos	December 25, 2023	015625	6	CT
Walter L. Cayce	December 31, 2023	004646	12	PA

We would like to extend our heartfelt sympathy to the families and friends of those whose members have been called to the Celestial Lodge above where the Supreme Architect of the Universe presides.

Our Thoughts and prayers are with each and everyone of you during this difficult time.

News & Schedule Connecticut 1, Chapter 6 National Camping Travelers, District 1

- * May 17-18, 2024, District Rally at Travelers Woods, Bernardston, MA.
- * May 31-June 2, 2024: Bailey's Campground at Old Orchard Beach, Maine.
- * **April Spring Cleanup at Mineral Springs**, Stafford Springs More to come.
- * June 9, 2024, CT State Rally at Ray & Sue Geer's home in N. Stonington, CT.
- * June 21-23, 2024, Wakeda NH. This is in the same area as the campout that was planned, then cancelled, in 2023 due to hurricane rains.
- * **July 14-18, 2024, National Rally** in Harrisville, PA., Back to Basics More S'mores in 2024!
- * Aug. 8-11, 2024, District 11 Camping Rally at Southwoods RV Resort in Byron, NY. Some should plan on leaving on the 7th due to distance.
- * Sept. 20-22, 2024, Campout in Maine? More info to come.
- * Oct. 2024, Turkey Roast at Mineral Springs, in Stafford Springs. More to come.

Mass One Chapter 9, NCT Camping Schedule – 2024

April 10 Camp-in Lunch & Tour at The Overlook, Charlton, MA (Massachusetts Masonic Home) \$10 for lunch.

May 17 – 19 District 1 Rally at Travelers Woods, Bernardston, MA.

May 31 – June 2 Shrine Northeast Camel Carava, Bailey's Campground, Old Orchard Beach, ME.

June 21 – 23 CT 1 Ch 6 Wakeda Campground, Hampton Falls, NH.

July 14 – 18: NCT National Rally, Harrisville, PA.

August 8 – 11 District 11 Camping Rally, Southwoods RV Resort, Byron, NY.

September? Camp-out in Maine with CT 1 Ch 6.

October? CT 1 Ch 6 Turkey Roast at Mineral Springs Campground, Stafford Springs, CT

November ? Camp-in



Penn West #23 NCT Camping Schedule – 2024

May 10- 12, 2024 - Deerhunters (Maple Springs) Rt. 58 East, Eau Claire Rd, Harrisville, PA. Managers: Mary & Mike. Phone: 724-735-2666.

June 14-16 – Tionesta Corps of Engineers Campground

Rt. 36, Tionesta, PA. Make own reservations. www.recreation.gov loop 2. TionestaRecAreaCampgroundPa.com 877-444-6777/814-755-3592.

June 27 - 30 - PA Rally - Deerhunters Campground.

Harrisville, PA. State Director – Jeffrey Knox. Checks to: PA State Rally. Reservations to: Tina Krasnansky. 2430 Applebutter Rd., Hellertown, PA 18055-3301

July 14 -19 , 2024 – 59th NCT North American Rally, Deerhunters Campground - Harrisville, PA

National President –Jim Jackson Theme - "Back to Basics-More S'mores in 2024" Registration to: Tina Krasnansky 2430 Applebutter Rd., Hellertown, PA 18055-3301

Aug. 9-11 - Tionesta - Rt. 36, Tionesta, PA Make own reservations. Loop 2. 877-444-6777 / 814-755-3592.

September 13-15 – Sharps Campground, Shelocta, PA 724-354-2356 or 724-840-8988. Manager - Gail Sharp.

October 11-13 - Deerhunters (Maple Springs)

Rt. 58 East, Eau Claire Rd., Harrisville, PA. Phone: 724-735-2666

November 9, 11:30 a.m. Lunch at the Villa Grande 183 New Castle Rd., Butler, PA

December 14-11:30 a.m., Lunch at the Villa Grande

West Virginia Pioneer Travelers #200

Midwinter Luncheon Winter Haven, Flordia

Larry and I represented WV Pioneer Travelers #200 at the Mid Winter Luncheon in Winter Haven, Florida. We hope you enjoy the pictures! We had several in attendance, including three Past Presidents. We discussed the upcoming National Rally in Harrisville, Pennsylvania. It was good to see old friends.

It's been an unusual winter in Florida, cold and wet. Hopefully, sunny days are ahead. Take care, and I hope to see you all at the National in July.

Janet Aylestock, Secretary





















<u>Finger Lakes Travelers</u> <u>Camp Schedule - 2024</u>

May 17-19 Cheerful Valley Campground cheerfulvalleycampground.com 1412 State Route 14, Phelps, NY 14532 · ~38.5 mi (315) 781-1222

June 21-23 St. Johns Weekend Utica

West Canada Creek Campsites www.westcanadacreekcampground.com 12275 State Route 28, Poland, NY 13431 (315) 826-7390

July 14-18 National Rally in PA (Refer to NCT News To Campers)

July 19-21 Jamestown NY Camping

Camp Chautauqua campchautauqua.com 3900 Route 394, Stow, NY 14785 (716) 789-3435

August 8-11 District Rally at Southwoods

Sept 20-22 Conesus Campground

Conesus Lake Campground www.conesuslakecampground.com 5609 E Lake Rd, Conesus, NY 14435 · ~16.1 mi (585) 346-2267

October 4-6 Gannett Hill Park

(Mike Simmons will share the details).

Finger Lakes Travelers District 11, New York

Greetings fellow campers! Come join us for the 2024 District 11 Camping Rally which will be held at the Southwoods RV Resort in Byron, NY from August 8 - 11. A weekend of fun and fellowship has been planned and is being sponsored by the Finger Lakes Travelers. Please refer to the attached flier on page 11. for additional details and reservation form. Take care and see you in August.

Mike Simmons - FLT Master of Travel Chris Egburtson - NY State Director and FLT Wagon Master



HARRISVILLE DEERHUNTERS ASSOC. HARRISVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA PENNSYLVANIA STATE RALLY **JUNE 27—30, 2024**

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\$30 per Extra Night Camping (Grounds open June 24) \$	4) \$
\$30 per person drive in.	\$
Total	\$

AFTER JUNE 14 DO NOT MAIL REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT. CONTACT REGISTRATION CHAIRPERSON OR STATE DIRECTOR.

at the Rally. hereby release NCT, Inc., the Pennsylvania State NCT of any responsibility Enclosed are registration fees for the 2024 Pennsylvania State Rally. I/We

Signed Date

HARRISVILLE DEERHUNTERS ASSOC. HARRISVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA PENNSYLVANIA STATE RALLY **JUNE 27— 30, 2024**

Mail to: Make Checks Payable to: PA State Rally Hellertown, PA 18055-3301 2430 Applebutter Road Tina Krasnansky

TLKras@ptd.net

Email

REGISTRATION INCLUDES

Three Nights Camping: Thursday, Friday & Saturday

Tentative Schedule:

Thursday Opening Ceremonies, Card Bingo

Friday Morning Hospitality, Ice cream social

Saturday

State Meeting, Memorial and Worship Services Homemade sausage gravy & biscuits

Catered Dinner

Entertainment

Sunday Morning Hospitality Closing Ceremony

Dump station is available. Refund upon written request if received by June 14, 2024 All sites have water and 30 amp service

Physical address is:

Harrisville Deerhunters Association

110 Spring Maple Lane Harrisville Pa. 16038

DIRECTIONS

From I-80 - Exit 29. Take Rt 8 South for about 5 miles. At light in Harrisville, go East on Route 58 for approximately 1-1/2 miles Turn left at Maple Spring Lane. Proceed to the campground.

Email: Tjknox@embarqmail.com ■ Phone: 724-992-2185 **Jeff Knox, PA State Director** 155 Sutherland Road, Grove City, PA. 16127

2024 District 11 Camping Rally August 8th-11th Sponsored by

Travelers	Mail Checks Payable to: New York State District
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Egburtson, NY State Director

on@gmail.com Phone 585-233-4174 osser Rd, Branchport, NY 14418



Instructions for Submitting Ballots

<u>Use the OFFICIAL NCT 2024 BALLOT from the Website or</u> the Ballot that was Mailed to You as your Paid Subscrtion.

Ballots are page 13 and 14. Both sides must be completed.

Circle "Yes" or "No" on ALL voting questions.

Vote for <u>Officer Candidates</u> on page 13.

Vote on the <u>By-Laws Changes</u> on pages 14.

Pages 15-20 are the <u>Proposed</u> By-Law Changes for 2024.

Be sure to include your NCT NUMBER on your return envelope instead of your return address.

Put You Ballot in an Envelope, and Address and Mail to

NATIONAL CAMPING TRAVELERS PO Box 707 Parrish, Fl. 32419

Ballots must be postmarked by May 10, 2024, to order to be counted.

GONIC FAMILY CAMPING CO

OFFICIAL NCT 2024 BALLOT

Put in an envelope and mail to National Camping Travelers PO Box 707 Parrish, Fl. 32419



PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Circle "Yes" or "No" to select the name of a Candidate or the By-Law. After you have marked your ballot, indicate the State or Province to receive credit for the ballot. The ballot should then be **PUT IN AN ENVELOPE**. *Do not put your return address on the envelope*. Place only your NCT # in the return address position on the envelope. Upon receipt, the number will be checked and deleted before the sealed envelopes are delivered to the counters.

Ballots must be postmarked by May 10, 2024 to be counted.

BALLOT	CIRCLE	YES	or NO
NATIONAL THIRD VICE PRESIDENT	Candidate KEITH MANBECK	YES	NO
NATIONAL SECOND VICE PRESIDENT	No Candidate	YES	NO
NATIONAL TRUSTEE	Candidate ANDREW KRASNANSKY	YES	NO

KEITH MANBECK - NCT #22301, served West Central Ohio Chapter #92 as Wagon Master for 2018, 2019, 2020; MOT for 2021, 2022, 2023; and served as Ohio Director 2022-23.

Keith belongs to Mercer Lodge No. 121 in St Marys, PA, and Celina Lodge No. 241 in Celina, PA.

His additional Masonic affiliations are PHP of St. Mary's Chapter No. 51, RAM; St. Mary's Council No. 81, R&SM; PEC of Sidney Commandery No. 46, KT; Ohio Priory No. 18, KYCH; and is a Past Soverign Master of Buckeye Council No. 92, AMD. He belongs to the Valley of Dayton, AASR, is a Past Soverign Prince and is a 33°.

Keith is a DDGM of the Grand Lodge of Ohio and served as Grand Tyler for 2022-23.

He enjoys being a volunteer for the Equestrian Therapy Program near his home in New Knoxville, Ohio.

ANDREW KRASNANSKY - NCT #14816, joined East Penn Chapeter No, 12 in 1986 and has served as as Wagon Master and MOT several times. He was PA State Director for three years, elected 5th District Director 2002-2003. In 2014 he served as National Director and was National Rally Chair in 2021. Andy is currently in his second Term as National Trustee.

He was Master of Hellertown Lodge No. 563, 1995-1998, when it merged with Bethlehem Lodge No. 283. He was Treasurer of the lodge from 2002-2004. He was elected Secretary of Bethlehem Lodge No. 283, in 2004 and still holds that office. Andy is a board member of the Bethlehem Temple Association.

Andy is a member of the Valley of Allentown Consistory; Bethlehem Forest No. 61, TCL; Rajah Shrine where he serves as Trustee of the Rajah Shrine Caravaners' Camping Club. He is Past Patron (many times) of Rose Croix Chapter No. 235, OES, and holds a dual membership in Calypso Chapter No.163.

A life-long member of Incarnation of Our Lord Parish, he volunteers for fundraising, community outreach, and the food bank. He is secretary of the South Bethlehem Volunteer Fireman's Relief Association.

Proposed changes to the By-Laws are listed following the Offical NCT 2024 Ballot. Vote for the proposed By-Law changes on page 14.

OFFICIAL NCT 2024 BALLOT



(Side 2)

PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES 2024



Circle "YES" or "NO" for each proposed change. YES = FOR the change. NO = AGAINST the change.

PROPOSED	CHANGE 1	PROPOSED	CHANGE 8
YES	NO	YES	NO
PROPOSED	CHANGE 2	PROPOSED	CHANGE 9
YES	NO	YES	NO
PROPOSED	CHANGE 3	PROPOSED	CHANGE 10
YES	NO	YES	NO
PROPOSED	CHANGE 4	PROPOSED	CHANGE 11
YES	NO	YES	NO
PROPOSED	CHANGE 5	PROPOSED	CHANGE 12
YES	NO	YES	NO
PROPOSED	CHANGE 6	PROPOSED	CHANGE 13
YES	NO	YES	NO
PROPOSED	CHANGE 7	PROPOSED	CHANGE 14
YES	NO	YES	NO

Ballots Must be Postmarked by May 10, 2024, to be Counted.

State or Province to receive credit for the ballot (optional)_____

PROPOSED BY-LAW CHANGES 2024

Vote FOR or AGAINST the Proposed Changes on the Official NCT 2024 Ballot on Page 12.

ARTICLE ONE BY-LAW 2021

SEC. 2- MEMBERSHIP

SEC.2a - REQUIREMENTS A member must be a Master Mason or member of the Order of Eastern Star in good standing in a recognized jurisdiction of the United States, Canada or Mexico. A member may join the Chapter of his/her choice. No investigation or ballot on the prospective member is permitted. There shall be no lines of jurisdiction. Membership in National Camping Travelers, Inc., consists of one family unit, husband, wife, and all unmarried children under the age of 21 years.

PROPOSED CHANGE 1 - 2024

SEC. 2 - MEMBERSHIP

SEC.2a - REQUIREMENTS: A member must be a Master Mason or have an affiliation with a Masonic related organization in a recognized jurisdiction of the United States, Canada, or Mexico. A member may join the Chapter of his/her choice. No investigation or ballot on the prospective member is permitted. There shall be no lines of jurisdiction. Membership in National Camping Travelers, Inc., consists of one family unit, husband, wife, and all unmarried children under the age of 21 years.

BY-LAW 2021 ARTICLE ONE

SEC. 2I- FORFEITURE OF MEMBERSHIP Any member forfeiting membership in his/her Blue Lodge or OES Chapter under which they became a member of NCT will automatically forfeit membership in National Camping Travelers, Inc. A member may be asked by the National Secretary or the Chapter Secretary to verify their good standing in his/her Masonic body.

PROPOSED CHANGE 2 - 2024

SEC. 2i - FORFEITURE OF MEMBERSHIP: Any member forfeiting membership in his/her Blue Lodge or other Masonic body under which they became a member of NCT will automatically forfeit membership in National Camping Travelers, Inc. A member may be asked by the National Secretary or the Chapter Secretary to verify their good standing in his/her Masonic body.

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BY-LAW 2021 ARTICLE ONE

SEC. 6a - The National Elected Officers of this Club shall be: President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Third Vice President Secretary-Treasurer and four Trustees.

PROPOSED CHANGE 3 - 2024

SEC. 6a - The National Elected Officers of this Club shall be President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Third Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and four Trustees.

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BY-LAW 2021 Article ONE

SEC. 6c - TERM OF OFFICE The National President, First Vice President, Second Vice President and Third Vice President shall serve a term of one year. The National Secretary-Treasurer shall serve a term of two years but at the completion of the two-year term, may be re-elected to that office for an unlimited number of terms.

PROPOSED Change 4 - 2024

SEC. 6c - TERM OF OFFICE The National President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, and Third Vice President shall serve a term of one year. The National Secretary and National Treasurer shall serve a term of two years but at the completion of the two-year term, may be re-elected to that office for an unlimited number of terms.

BY-LAW 2021 ARTICLE ONE

SEC. 6d - VACANCY In the event of a vacancy of office of the National President, the First Vice President, or the Second Vice President, the duties of the vacant office will be assumed by the next Officer in the normal line of progression, but he will not advance to that office. If the vacancy occurs in the office of Third Vice President, the duties will be assumed by the Second Vice President until the next election of Officers, at which time there will be two officers elected. One to fill the Second Vice President elect, and one to fill the Third Vice President elect. A vacancy in the office of Secretary-Treasurer will be filled in a manner deemed appropriate by the National Board of Directors until the next National Election.

PROPOSED CHANGE 5 - 2024

SEC. 6d - VACANCY In the event of a vacancy of office of the National President, the First Vice President, or the Second Vice President, the duties of the vacant office will be assumed by the next Officer in the normal line of progression, but he will not advance to that office. If the vacancy occurs in the office of Third Vice President, the duties will be assumed by the Second Vice President until the next election of Officers, at which time there will be two officers elected. One to fill the Second Vice President elect, and one to fill the Third Vice President elect. A vacancy in the office of Secretary or Treasurer will be filled in a manner deemed appropriate by the National Board of Directors until the next National Election.

BY-LAW 2021 ARTICLE ONE

NATIONAL SECRETARY-TREASURER The books shall be kept in accordance with general and accepted accounting principles. His books and accounts shall always be available for inspection by the National Board of Directors or any other committee authorized to inspect them He shall appoint an auditing committee of three members, approved by the National President, including at least one member of the board, who lives in the vicinity of the National Office to audit the books. This shall be completed by September 30th of each year and a copy of the audit shall be sent to each member of the National Board of Directors. Shall submit a proposed annual budget to each member of the National Board of Directors thirty (30) days prior to the annual Meeting for their approval, to be voted on at the next Annual Meeting. Other responsibilities are listed in the Operations Manual.

PROPOSED CHANGE 6 - 2024

NATIONAL SECRETARY Shall be familiar with National By-Laws. Shall keep membership records up to date, collect dues and forward the monies to the National Treasurer. Shall be responsible for the preparation and publication of News To Campers. He shall receive all monies and forward them to the National Treasurer for deposit. Shall forward all bills and receipts received to the National Treasurer for payment. Shall keep minutes and notes of all National Board Meetings. Shall submit a proposed annual budget, prepared by the National Treasurer, to each member of the National Trustees thirty (30) days prior to the Annual Meeting for their approval, to be voted on at the next Annual Meeting. Other responsibilities are listed in the Operations Manual.

NATIONAL TREASURER The books shall be kept in accordance with general accepted accounting Principles. He shall receive and deposit all monies sent from the National Secretary and keep an accurate and current account thereof. Hold all funds and pay them out when bills and receipts of expenditures are received from the National Secretary. Check bank statements to make sure all checks and deposits have cleared the National account. He will prepare an annual budget to be submitted to the Board. He shall appoint an auditing committee of three members, approved by the National President, including at least one member of the Board to audit the books. This shall be completed by September 30 of each year. The completed audit shall be sent to the National Secretary to submit to each member of the Board. Other responsibilities are listed in the Operations Manual.

BY-LAW 2021 ARTICLE ONE

SEC. 6h - A Past National President of NCT may only be nominated to run for the elected National Office of National Secretary-Treasurer and/or National Trustee.

PROPOSED CHANGE 7 - 2024

SEC. 6h - If a Past National President of NCT is nominated to run for an elected National Office, he may only be nominated for the offices of National Secretary, National Treasurer or National Trustee.

BY-LAW 2021 ARTICLE ONE

SEC. 7a - The National Board of Directors shall consist of twelve (12) members including the current Elected Officers, a representative of the Past National Presidents Association, the appointed National Director and the immediate Past National President, who will serve as a Trustee for one year. The National President shall serve as Chairman of the National Board of Directors. Refer to the Operations Manual for a complete list of duties.

PROPOSED CHANGE 8 - 2024

SEC. 7a - The National Board of Directors shall consist of thirteen (13) members including the current Elected Officers, a representative of the Past National Presidents Association, the appointed National Director, and the immediate Past National President, who will serve as a Trustee for one year. The National President shall serve as Chairman of the National Board of Directors. Refer to the Operations Manual for a complete list of duties.

BY-LAWS 2021 ARTICLE ONE

SEC. 8a - DUTIES Shall review and approve the proposed annual budget prepared by the Secretary-Treasurer, which is to be submitted to the National Board of Directors at the old Board Meeting. Additional responsibilities are listed in the Operations Manual.

PROPOSED CHANGE 9 - 2024

SEC. 8a - DUTIES Shall review and approve the proposed annual budget prepared by the Treasurer, which is to be submitted to the National Board of Directors at the old Board Meeting. Additional responsibilities are listed in the Operations Manual.

BY-LAW 2021 ARTICLE ONE

SEC. 9f - A qualified member of NCT desiring to seek the office of Third Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, and/or Trustee will complete the Acceptance of Nomination form found in the Operations Manual and forward it to the National Office for review. The National Secretary-Treasurer will forward all nomination forms to the National President for review/action and recommendations. Upon completion, the National President will notify the National Secretary of the results of findings. The names of all candidates will appear on the ballot in order as selected by the National President. All nomination forms must be postmarked by December 1st.

PROPOSED CHANGE 10 - 2024

SEC. 9f - A qualified member of NCT desiring to seek the office of Third Vice President, National Secretary, National Treasurer, and/or Trustee will complete the Acceptance of Nomination form found in the Operations Manual and forward it to the National Office for review. The National Secretary will forward all nomination forms to the National President for review/action and recommendations. Upon completion, the National President will notify the National Secretary of the results of findings. The names of all candidates will appear on the ballot in order as selected by the National President. All nomination forms must be postmarked by December 1.

BY-LAW 2021 ARTICLE ONE

PROPOSED CHANGE - 2023 - PASSED

The following was proposed and passed in 2023 at the National Rally, but was never posted in the online By-laws.

SEC. 11a - National Ballot shall be included in the March issue of NEWS TO CAMPERS. The Ballots will be sent to a Members email address of record in the National database. Members paying for a hard copy of NEWS TO CAMPERS will receive an envelope marked "BALLOT." Included with the Ballot will be a resume of NCT and other activities of each candidate seeking National Office, with a photograph if possible. All Ballots must be received no later than May 10; Ballots are to be counted on May 15.

BY-LAW 2021 ARTICLE THREE

SEC. 2d - A member's spouse may vote and hold office in the Constituent Chapter of which they are members, with the exception of Wagon Master and Master of Travel who must be Master Masons

PROPOSED CHANGE 11 - 2024

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BY-LAW 2021 ARTICLE THREE

SEC. 5 - AUDIT All Masters of Travel and Masters of Travel, Pro-Tern, shall have their Treasurer's books audited and cash checked at least once a year by at least three Master Masons or appointed chapter members by the Mot, who are members of NCT. A copy of the audit must be sent to the National Secretary-Treasurer.

PROPOSED CHANGE 12-2024

.SEC. 5 - AUDIT All Masters of Travel and Masters of Travel, Pro-Tem, shall have their Treasurer's books audited and cash checked at least once a year by at least three Master Masons who are members of NCT, or by chapter members appointed by the MOT. A copy of the audit must be sent to the National Secretary.

BY-LAW 2021 ARTICLE THREE

SEC. 6b - The Master of Travel of a constituent Chapter wishing to disband or dissolve shall notify the State/ Provincial or District Director in writing. On receipt of the letter, the Director shall meet with the Chapter Officers to arrange for an orderly audit of all records and financial liabilities. He shall inventory all Chapter property and arrange for proper disposal of the same. Any Chapter assets remaining will be forwarded to the National Secretary-Treasurer to be deposited in the National Treasury.

PROPOSED CHANGE 13 - 2024

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BY-LAW 2021 ARTICLE FOUR

SEC. 1a - Every Proposition to revise, alter, or amend this Constitution and By-Laws shall be submitted in writing to the National Secretary-Treasurer at least sixty (60) days prior to the ballot issue of News to Campers. If certified by the By-Laws committee as being in proper form, the PROPOSED CHANGE to amend shall be mailed to the membership for a final vote. A two-thirds majority of the votes cast shall be necessary for adoption.

PROPOSED CHANGE 14 - 2024

SEC. 1a - Every Proposition to revise, alter, or amend this Constitution and By-Laws shall be submitted in writing to the National Secretary at least sixty (60) days prior to the ballot issue of NEWS TO CAMPERS. If certified by the By-Laws committee as being in proper form, the PROPOSED CHANGE to amend shall be mailed to the membership for a final vote. Atwo-thirds majority of the votes cast shall be necessary for adoption.

END OF BY-LAW PROPOSED CHANGES

Hello all,

This is a picture of the tee shirts that will be for the 2024 rally. I will take orders for the tee shirts and deliver them at the rally.

The shirts are \$20 for sizes S-L. XL and larger are \$25 per shirt.

If you want a shirt mailed it will cost an additional \$10.20 per shirt. Thank the USPS for that.

Please make checks for shirts payable to
Harold Jackson,
620 Grange Drive,
Apollo, PA, 15613.



Make sure to include <u>your name</u>, the <u>size(s)</u>, <u>how many</u> of each size, and if you want them shipped, please include <u>your address</u>.

Thank You, Jim Jackson (Yes, my real first name is Harold.)



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Handicapped Parking (with valid permit only): (Yes) (No)
Present National, District or State Office held:	
RV type:Length:	ft, # of slide-outs
REGISTRATION FEES:	PRICE:
2 people/RV	\$375.00
1 person/RV – 30 amp	\$325.00
Each Additional Person (age 18 and older)	\$200.00
Drive-In (per person)	\$200.00
Extra night(s) Camping #of nights	\$ 35.00
TOTAL ENCLOSED:	\$
	y in Harrisville, PA and do hereby release NCT, Inc., NC sociation from all liability or responsibility at this Rally.
CIONED	DATE
SIGNED	DATE
Make checks payables to: Tina Krasnansky	y
Mail to: Tina Krasnansky Attn: 2024 NCT National Rally 2430 Applebutter Road Hellertown, PA 18055-3301	

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REGISTRATION NOTES:

Make checks or money orders payable in U. S. Funds to: Tina Krasnansky Memo Line: NCT 2024 Rally

a. Mail to: Tina Krasnansky
2430 Applebutter Road
Hellertown, PA 18055
E-mail: TLKRAS@ptd.net

b. For confirmation, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope.

<u>DO NOT MAIL</u> any registration forms after 7/01/24. After 7/01/2024, please register at the Rally.

Registration fee includes: Six (6) nights parking (Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights); electric, water, one honey wagon dump, catered dinner, two breakfasts, games, chevrons, hospitality, entertainment, door prizes, awards, crafts, ice cream social and goody bag.

There is a dump station on the grounds.

Parking will direct hobo parking. Those who wish to park together must arrive together.

Additional Rally info will be published in the *News To Campers* and on the NCT website.

If you have any questions, please contact:

Tracey Knox, Rally Chairman - E-mail: tjknox@embarqmail.com

NCT Members Only: Check out the Dashbard on the Website for Manuals and Forms.

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More Information about the 2024 Rally ally is being held at the Deerhunters Sportsman Club and Campgroun

The rally is being held at the Deerhunters Sportsman Club and Campground. It is located outside of Harrisville, Pa. Just south of I-80 off Rt. 8.

<u>Important Note:</u> The campground only has 30-amp outlets for our use. They are to upgrade the power but will still only be 30-amp. I have talked to the campground manager and the big rigs can run generators if needed for AC use.

There is a dump station at the campgrounds and we will provide one dump per unit. The going price right now for extra dumps is \$15 payable to the man that runs the pump.

The theme for the rally is "Back to Basics - More S'mores in 2024". We plan on having campfires on most nights when we can sit or stand around the fire and tell lies. We are going to also supply ingredients to make S'mores. Thus the "More S'mores in 2024".

Anyone wanting to play golf, Bob Steele is the man to see. He will set up for games at the rally. We will have a sign in sheet.

Deerhunters will work with us for a clay pigeon shoot. You provide shotgun and shells. They will provide clays and operator for a small fee.

We are also planning a trip to Wendell August Forge.

Grove City is an interesting place and is only a short drive from the campground. I copied a little of the following information about the city.

Grove City is a borough in southeastern Mercer County, Pennsylvania, United States, located approximately 60 miles (97 km) north of Pittsburgh and 75 miles (121 km) south of Erie. At the 2020 census, the population was 7,894.[5] It is part of the Hermitage micropolitan area.[6] It is the home of Grove City College, a private liberal arts college, as well as George Junior Republic. The nearby Grove City Premium Outlets take their name from Grove City. Historically an industrial center, Grove City has manufactured locomotive engines, carriages, gas engines, foundry products, and motor trucks.

Jim, President Tracey, Rally Chairman





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