



# NEWS TO CAMPERS

National Camping Travelers, Inc. • A Family Camping Club

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## 60TH INTERNATIONAL RALLY, NATIONAL CAMPING TRAVELERS

*“In the Midst of History” ~ July 20 to 25, 2025, at  
Roxbury Holiness Camp in Orrstown, PA*



Ann & Clifford (Cliff) Fromm,

### National President - Cliff Fromm

Ann and I returned to Florida at the beginning of November for the Winter. We attended several end-of-the-season campouts up North before most campgrounds closed for the season.

The 60th NCT International Rally will be held from July 20 to 25, 2025, at Roxbury Holiness Camp in Orrstown, PA. The Rally will be held in the middle of one of the most historic areas in the Eastern United States. There are many things to see within just a short distance from the Camp. Carlisle, Chambersburg, and Gettysburg are rich in Civil War history. Lancaster, PA, Dutch Country, York, and

Bedford are about an hour away. Philadelphia is about two hours away and is home to the amazing Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. The camp has easy access from Interstate 81 and the Pennsylvania Turnpike. All campsites are full hookups and are arranged in a wooded setting. The plans are still coming together; more details will be provided in future *News To Campers*.

The Board is busy revising our *Operations Manual* and Secretary Bob is doing a great job getting all our records up to date.

We need candidates to fill next year's Board positions. We need a 2nd and 3rd Vice President, and Bob has decided not to continue as Secretary, so we need someone to fill his shoes in this critical position. As always, don't hesitate to contact any of your National Officers if you have any suggestions for improving your NCT experience.

*Safe Travels,  
Cliff Fromm  
National President 2024 - 2025*





Dennis and Madolyn (Lyn) Morgan

**National First Vice President -**  
**Dennis Morgan**

Hello everyone,  
Madolyn and I are spending the holidays in New England this year after a hectic travel year. We attended many campouts and slipped in a two-

week trip to Alaska. We did get our RV to Naples, FL, in late October but will not return there until sometime in January.

At the 2024 July NCT Rally, the NCT Board approved the 2026 NCT Int'l Rally to be held in CT at Mineral Springs Family Campground. District 1 chapters have had a close relationship with this campground for 35+ years. Over the years, we have helped prepare the campground for opening seasons and completed some facility updates. Many activities are planned for 2026, so everyone will have a great time.

Please keep your chapters active during the winter months with camp-ins and other events. Hopefully, our FL members and snowbirds can get together for a luncheon, which was done in past years.

We hope all had a nice Thanksgiving and could spend time with family and friends. Best wishes to all for a Merry Christmas and other holidays celebrated. May all have a happy and healthy new year.

*Dennis Morgan*  
*1st Vice President*

**Calling all NCT Historians  
or anyone interested in 50+ years  
of NCT material!**

NCT has 50+ years of items stored in Ray Geers commercial building. The building is currently for sale, so this stored material needs to be moved elsewhere. This material needs to be gone through and assess what should be kept. The stored material is in CT. Is there anyone out there that would be interested in looking at the material and storing it?

Please contact Ray Geer (860-608-5265) [nctdistrictone@gmail.com](mailto:nctdistrictone@gmail.com)  
or Dennis Morgan (860-202-7113) [dmorgan10@snet.net](mailto:dmorgan10@snet.net)

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP  
NATIONAL TRAVELERS CLUB

Please Enroll My Family In The N. T. C. I Enclose \$2.00 For Our First Year's Dues

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PLEASE PRINT

Name: Richard A. Egner

Wife's Given Name: Esther M. Hojaboom Date: 1-18-67

Street: Rt 2 Box 169 Jerusalem Rd

City & State: Willimantic, Conn. Zip Code No. 06226

Lodge No. Easton Star #44 Location Willimantic

Office Held York Site officiating Type Of Camping Equipment Tent Trailer

Signed: Richard A. Egner

Recommended By: Royal Arch Maggini

Please make checks payable to Secretary:  
Leslie W. Stannard  
13 Wiley Street  
Milford, Conn. 06460



Keith and Carrie Manbeck

**National Second Vice President -**  
**Keith Manbeck**

Hello, fellow NCT members.

Carrie and I are excited to serve on your leadership team and look forward to helping shape the future of our wonderful organization. We also look forward to meeting all of you as we continue our travels.

A bit about us: we reside in the thriving community of New Knoxville, Ohio, where we have spent most

of our lives. We have four children and 13 amazing grandchildren. Carrie and I have spent most of our working lives in customer service and management, working for local and national companies.

We look forward to utilizing our experience to help guide NCT's future. I am also a second-generation member of NCT. My parents, Janet and Alfred Manbeck, spent many years traveling with NCT.

One of the significant challenges we face is our membership. NCT is the best-kept secret of Freemasonry and Eastern Star. Please share information about your chapters and the organization with your Brothers and Sisters who camp. Don't be afraid to ask them to join you at a campout to see the incredible experience. If you have a state or district newsletter, ask if you can write an article to inform the readers about NCT. Also, if you have social media, please share your experiences so others can see what we are doing.

Merry Christmas, Happy New Year to all of you, and safe travels.

*Fraternally,*  
*Keith Manbeck*  
*National 2nd VP*



## Innumerable Caravan

Gloria Libera NCT # 003214 Member-At-Large (formerly CT1 CH 6), died February 14, 2010



Secretaries - MOTs - Send your camping schedules for publication





Robert (Bob) and Debbie Bennett

**National Secretary - Bob Bennett**

Good morning all,

This is to let you all know that I have decided not to run for the office of National Secretary this upcoming year.

Believe me that when I say this it is for personal and health reasons only. I will continue to help if possible, and will spend as much time as possible with the new secretary elect as needed.

It has been a great pleasure working for and with each and everyone of you.

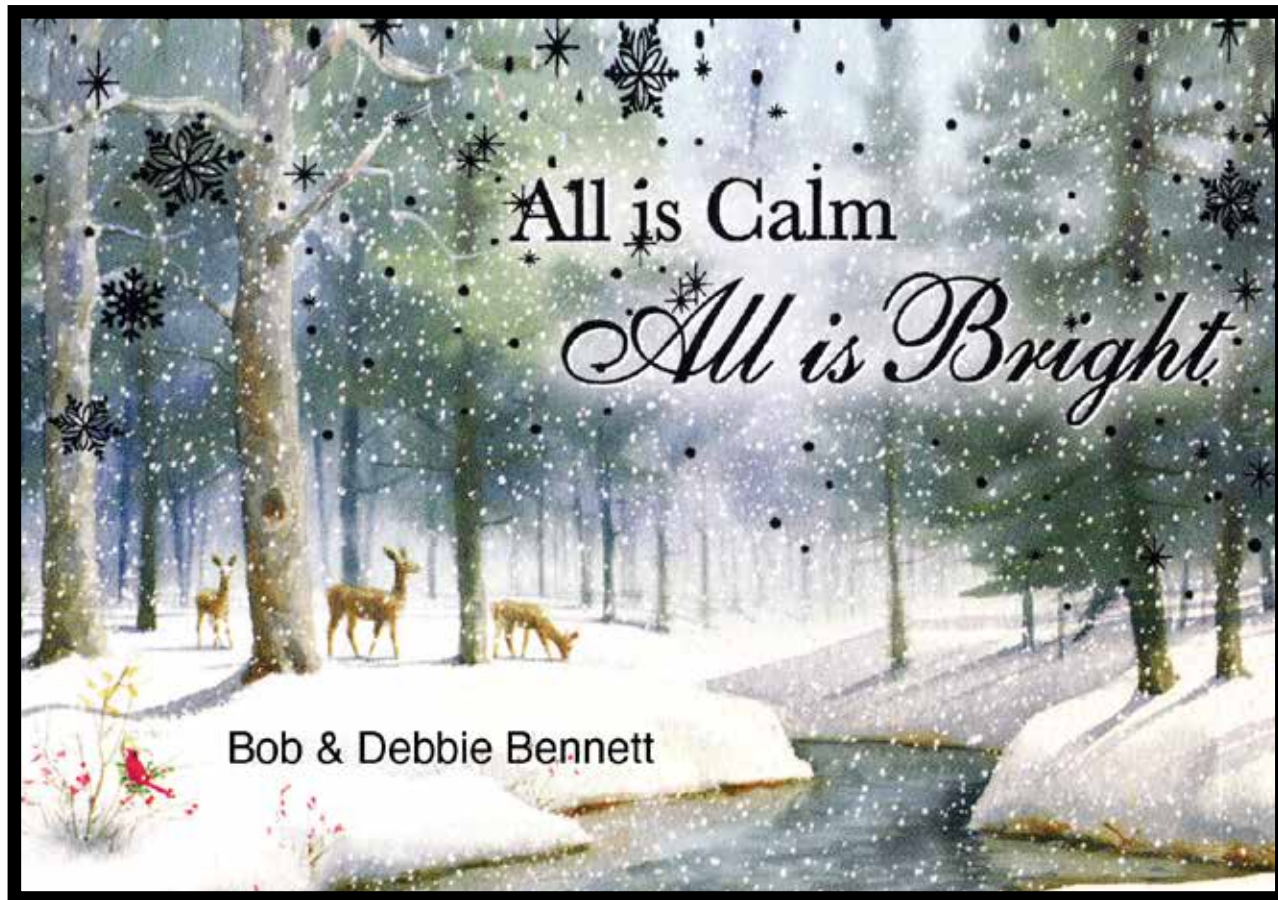
*Just a reminder that letters of intent for all National Officers and Bylaw updates need to be submitted to the National Secretary by the end of January 2025. Any and all early submissions will be appreciated.*

Thanks

*Sincerely and Fraternaly,  
Bob Bennett, National Secretary*

National Office address is  
National Camping Travelers  
PO Box 707, Parrish, Fl. 32419  
BobBennett69@outlook.com  
Phone # 716-481-3900

Acceptance of Nomination form is located on page 15







**Happy Holidays from District 1**  
Connecticut Chapter 6 & Massachusetts Chapter 9



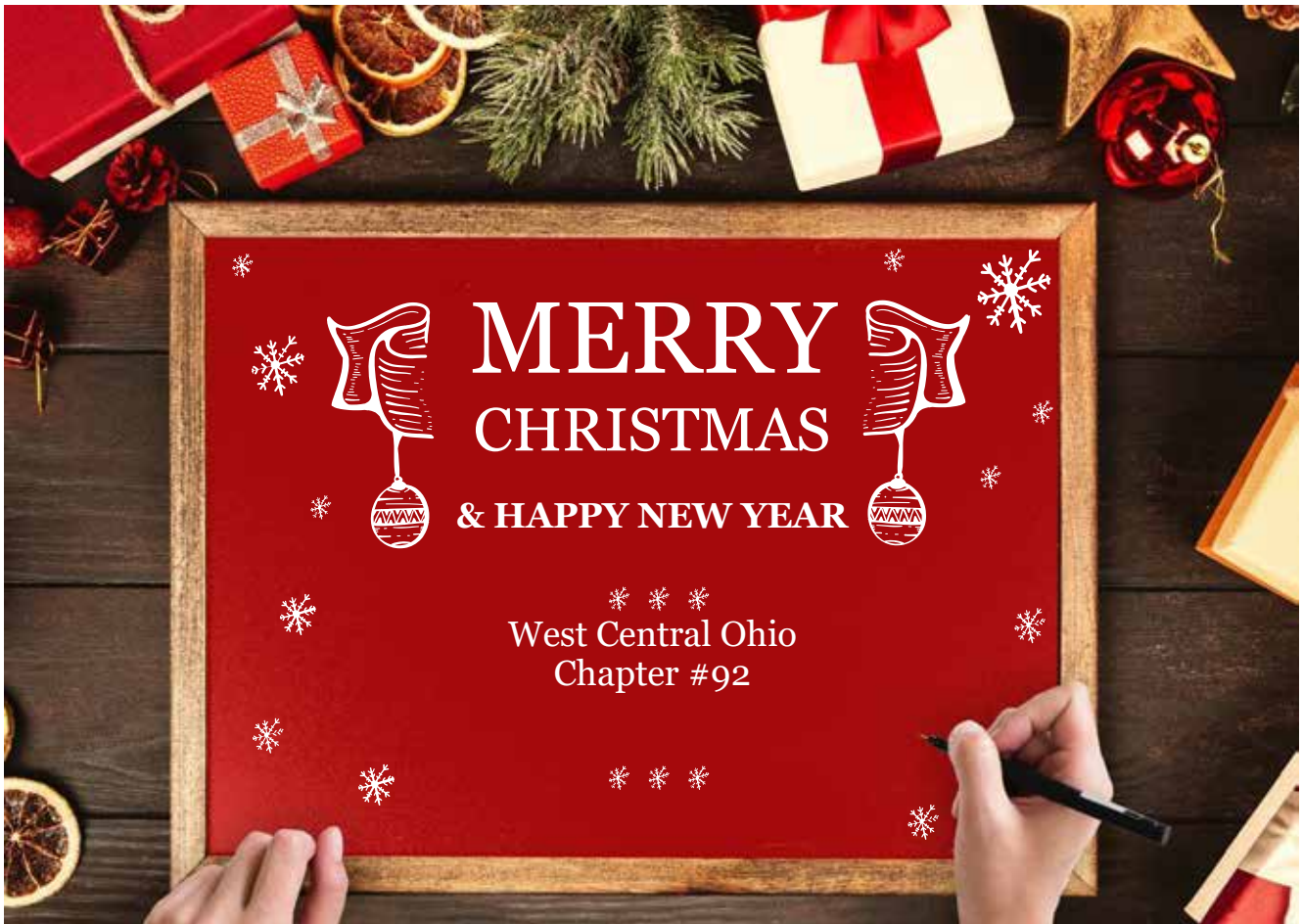
**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!**

**East Penn #12**



*Merry* CHRISTMAS

BLESSED HOLIDAY SEASON FROM  
PENN WEST 23







Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

WV Pioneer Travelers #200

*It is the time of year when we cherish the  
Memories we made in the year,  
and those we've shared it with...  
We wish everyone a  
Very Merry Christmas and a  
Happy and Healthy New Year!*



*Wishing you a  
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year*



*Cliff & Ann Fromm*







*WE WISH YOU ALL A  
MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR*



*P&J Art & Jansen Spencer*

2024-2025  
National Officers  
National Camping  
Travelers

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Dennis Morgan

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Art Spencer, PNP

Chris Egburtson

Jim Jackson, PNP



**District 11 wants to Thank You all  
SOOO much for a great camping season.  
Stay warm, and we'll see you all again  
next season!**



**Chris and Hilary Egburtson**



## Kudos to The Woods, et al.

Since 2001, Travelers Woods (aka "The Woods"), a campground in Bernardston, MA, has donated \$83,000 to Shriners Hospitals for Children in Massachusetts. The donations came from merchandise sales in its Shriner's Corner Store, donations by guests and local businesses, and campground activities and events. The Woods is frequented by District 1, National Camping Travelers, and their families.

Pictured to the right is about 126 pounds of tabs recently given by The Woods staff to Ray Geer of National Camping Travelers, who turned them into the Bedouin Shrine Club, adding another \$38 to be sent to Shriners Hospitals.





# District 1 Connecticut 1, Chapter 6 & Mass One Chapter 9, Camping Schedule 2025

**April 12,** Camp-in. Info to Come.

**May 16-18,** Friendship Rally & District Rally at Travelers Woods, Bernardston, MA,

**May 30 - June 1,** Shriners Northeast Annual Camel Caravan, Baylees Campground, Old Orchard Beach, Scarborough, Maine.

**June 20-22,** CT State Rally, Hampton Beach, Hampton, New Hampshire

**July 20-25,** NCT 60th National Rally, Roxbury Holiness Camp in Orrstown, PA. See last page of *News To Campers* for the campgrounds close to Holiness.

**August 8-10,** New York District 11 Rally, Big Brown Barn Campground, Boonville, NY

**Sept. 19-21,** Mass State Rally, Travelers Woods, Bernardston, MA

**Oct. 17-19** Last Official Campout of the season with dinner, Mineral Springs Campground, Stafford Springs, CT

**Nov.8,** Camp-in, Publick House Historic Inn, 277 Main St., Sturbridge, MA

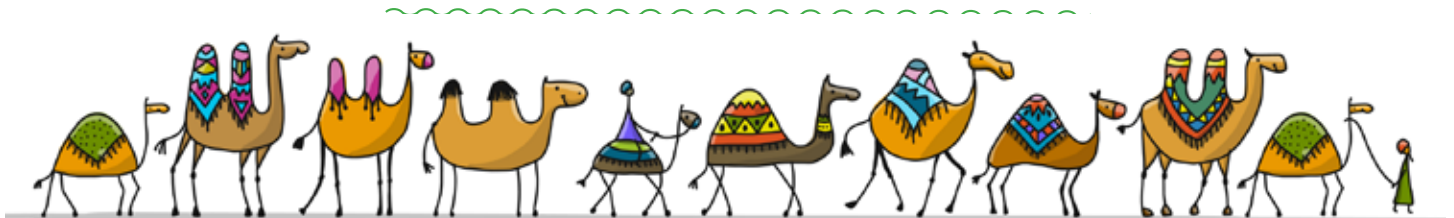
**Saturday, Dec. 13,** St. Mary's Brunch & Toy Drive Toy Drive, More Info Coming.

# District 1 News Connecticut 1, Chapter 6 June 2024 Camp-in



Camp-ins are the opportunity for everyone to enjoy a meal together because we can include those who no longer have a campers but want to still be part of the activities of the chapter. The camp-ins are a vital part of our chapter. Pictured here is the June 2024 camp-in was at Flanders Fish Market in Flanders, Connecticut, that has a restaurant specializing in seafood and a market with fresh seafood.

Pictured in our District holiday card on page 10, is the camp-in at Steaming Tender Restaurant in Palmer, Massachusetts, the historic and restored Palmer Railroad Station. Twenty District 1 members enjoyed a variety from the menu and some fantastic fellowship.



## **Shriners Northeast Annual Camel Caravan 2025**

Friday May 30 -Sunday June 1 a Baylees Campground, Old Orchard Beach, Scarborough, Maine. (Memorial day is May 26.) All Northeast Shriners and families and friends are invited to attend.

# Penn West #23 NCT Camping Schedule – 2024

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



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## West Central Ohio Chapter #92 Camping Schedule 2025

**April 27, 2025 Dine In.**  
**Beer Barrel, 4:00 PM**  
1200 Indiana Ave.  
St. Marys, OH 45885

**May 15-18, 2025**  
**Indian Lake State Park**  
13156 OH-235.  
Lakeview, OH 43331

**June 12-15, 2025**  
**Back 40 Campground**  
959 County Highway 111 E  
Rushsylvania, OH 43347

**July 10-13, 2025**  
**Cowan Lake State Park**  
1750 Osborn Rd.  
Wilmington, OH 45177

**July 20-25, 2025**  
**National Rally**  
Roxbury Holiness Camp  
13763 Cumberland Hwy,  
Orrstown, PA, 17224

**August 7-10, 2025**

**Poor Farmers**

7211 Lost Creek Shelby Rd,  
Fletcher, OH 45326

We'll be around the shelter house and along  
the creek

**August 14-17**

**District 2 Campout**

Sauder Village Campground  
22611 OH-2

Archbold, OH 43502

**September 11-14, 2025**

**Scenic Hills RV Park**

4483 Township Rd. 367  
Millersburg, OH 44654

**October 9-12, 2025**

**Darke County Fairgrounds**

800 Sweitzer Rd.  
Greenville, OH 45331

**November 1, 2025**

**Der Dutchman, 4 p.m.**

445 Jefferson, Ave.  
Plain City, OH 43064





# Suwannee River Travelers

NCT Chapter #229

Les Hall, Master of Travel – 386-364-6400  
John Lehmann, Wagon Master – 386-984-6070



Joy Hall, Secretary/Treasurer – 386-364-6400

Suwanneerivertravelers@hotmail.com

## Tentative Travel Schedule – 2025

### **January 10th – 12th**

Flea Market Extravaganza  
Eagles Roost RV Resort  
5465 Mill Store Road (I-75 – Exit 2)  
Lake Park, GA 31636 Susan  
229-559-5192 \$42/night

### **February 7th – 9th**

Bluegrass Music (FOTO Weekend)  
Twin Oaks RV Park  
401 Twin Oaks Drive (Sharon and  
Hoboken, GA 31542 Ermalene Crews)  
912-458-2365 \$25/\$30 per night

### **February 28th - March 2nd**

Camping at Convict Springs  
Suwannee River Rendezvous Resort  
828 NE Primrose Road  
Mayo, FL 3206 Frank Page  
386-294-2510 (w/PsprtAmr Discount) \$40/night

### **April 4th – 6th**

Bluegrass Music (FOTO Weekend)  
Twin Oaks RV Park  
401 Twin Oaks Drive  
Hoboken, GA 31542 Sharon Crawford  
912-458-2365 \$25/\$30 per night

### **May 2nd – 4th**

Camping at Convict Springs  
Suwannee River Rendezvous Resort  
828 NE Primrose Road  
Mayo, FL 3206 Frank Page  
386-294-2510 (w/PsprtAmr Discount) \$40/night

### **June 6th – 8th**

Bluegrass Music (FOTO Weekend)  
Twin Oaks RV Park  
401 Twin Oaks Drive  
Hoboken, GA 31542 Sharon Crawford  
912-458-2365 \$25/\$30 per night

### **July 14th – 18th**

60th NCT National Rally  
Roxbury Holliness Camp  
13763 Cumberland Hwy.  
Orrstown, PA 17244 Cliff Fromm  
717-575-9095 \$425

### **August 8th – 9th**

xxxxxusic (FOTO Weekend)  
xxxxxx Oaks Drive  
xxxxen, GA 31542 Sharon Crawford  
912-458-2365 \$25/\$30 per night

### **September 12th – 14th**

Camping in the Pecan Grove  
Cecil Bay RV Park  
1787 Old Coffee Road (I-75 - Exit 32)  
Cecil, GA 31627 Junita  
229-794-1484 (w/Good Sam) \$36/Night

### **October 10th – 12th**

Pioneer Days in Mayo  
Suwannee River Rendezvous Resort  
828 NE Primrose Road  
Mayo, FL 3206 Frank Page  
386-294-2510 (w/PsprtAmr Discount) \$40/night

### **November 7th – 9th**

Bluegrass Music (FOTO Weekend)  
Twin Oaks RV Park  
401 Twin Oaks Drive  
Hoboken, GA 31542 Sharon Crawford  
912-458-2365 \$25/\$30 per night

### **December 5th – 7th**

Christmas with FOTO (Friends of Twin Oaks)  
Twin Oaks RV Park  
401 Twin Oaks Drive  
Hoboken, GA 31542 Sharon Crawford  
912-458-2365 \$25/\$30 per night

Revised: 08/07/24

# CAMPERS OREE FMCA/NCT TRAVELING MAN MASONIC CHAPTER MARCH 6-9, 2025

**FOTO: BLUEGRASS MUSIC:** Friends of Twin Oaks

**TWIN OAKS CAMPGROUND** 402 Twin Oaks, Hoboken GA, 31542

**Get together just for Camping and enjoying.**

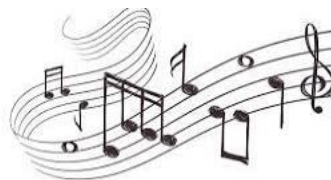
Friends of Twin Oaks will put on **Bluegrass Music** and a meal on Friday and Saturday. Be prepared to bring a covered dish to pass. I would like you to invite friends, FMCA, Escapees, or any other camping group. We can share ideas. Just show up. There will be no registration form, but you need to give us a courtesy call to let us know you are coming.

- **\$25 per night 30 amp.** Including H2O
- **\$30 per night 50 amp** using the 2ea 30 amp using a proper adaptor. Including H2O
- **Come early or stay longer, it is your choice.**
- 4 each dump station

PAYMENT IS DONE AT THE SATURDAY DINNER TO THE OWNER  
CASH OR CHECK

**CONTACT:** Art Spencer, 315 725-5757 or [agspencer57@outlook.com](mailto:agspencer57@outlook.com)

Les (Joy) Hall 386 364-6400 [leshall47@gmail.com](mailto:leshall47@gmail.com)



Please bring it if you play an instrument, Guitar, Banjo, or Bass.



# NATIONAL CAMPING TRAVELERS, INC.

## ACCEPTANCE OF NOMINATION

I, \_\_\_\_\_, DO HEREBY ACCEPT THE  
NIMONATION FOR THE NATIONAL OFFICE OF \_\_\_\_\_ IN THE  
NATIONAL CAMPING TRAVELERS, INC., AND DO AGREE TO ATTEND ALL BOARD OF  
DIRECTOR MEETINGS IF ELECTED TO THIS OFFICE.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ NCT# \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### Personal Resume:

Lodge: \_\_\_\_\_

### NCT positions and dates:

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### Community affiliations and activities:

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### Children (names and ages):

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### Other:

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Mail this form to the National Secretary:

National NCT Secretary

P.O. Box 707  
Parish FL. 34219

(use back side if needed, or attach extra pages)



# 60th NCT INTERNATIONAL RALLY

"In The Midst Of History"

Roxbury Holiness Camp, Orrstown, Pennsylvania

July 20 - 25, 2025

**PLEASE PRINT**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_ NCT#: \_\_\_\_\_

# Adults: \_\_\_\_\_ Children: \_\_\_\_\_ Children's Names & Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Contact & Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Arrival Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter #: \_\_\_\_\_ First NCT Rally? \_\_\_\_\_

Handicapped Parking? \_\_\_\_\_ Special Needs (Explain) \_\_\_\_\_

RV Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Length: \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

Slideouts: Left: \_\_\_\_\_ Right: \_\_\_\_\_ Electric: 30 Amp: \_\_\_\_\_ 50 Amp: \_\_\_\_\_

Present National, District or State Office Held: \_\_\_\_\_

There is a group using the facilities during the weekend before our Rally. Availability of campsites before Sunday may be limited. I will know much more next Spring when their reservations are in.  
  
See separate list for nearby campgrounds that would also be available before the Rally.

**REGISTRATION FEES:**

**PRICE**

Per Unit w/ 2 Adults \$425 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Per Unit w/ 1 Adult \$380 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Each Additional Person (18+) # \_\_\_\_\_ \$150 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Drive In (Per Person) # \_\_\_\_\_ \$150 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I/we plan to attend the 2025 NCT International Rally in Orrstown, PA and do hereby release NCT, Inc., NCT Rally Committee and the Roxbury Holiness Camp from all liability or responsibility at this Rally.

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to: Ann Fromm**

**MARK MEMO LINE: 2025 NCT INTERNATIONAL RALLY**

**Mail to: Cliff Fromm • NCT 2025 International Rally • 981 Clark Street • Lancaster, PA 17602**





# 60th NCT INTERNATIONAL RALLY

“In The Midst Of History”

Roxbury Holiness Camp, Orrstown, Pennsylvania

July 20 - 25, 2025

Make checks or money orders payable in US Funds to: Ann Fromm

**MARK MEMO LINE:** 2025 NCT INTERNATIONAL RALLY

Mail to: Cliff Fromm  
NCT 2025 International Rally  
981 Clark Street  
Lancaster, PA 17602

For confirmation, please include a self addressed stamped envelope.

**DO NOT MAIL** any registration forms after 7/1/2025.

After 7/1/2025, please contact Cliff Fromm at 717-575-9095 or [cefromm@comcast.net](mailto:cefromm@comcast.net).

**Cabins or Motel Rooms may be available on site for members wishing to attend without an RV. Contact me for availability information.**

There is a group using the facilities during the weekend before our Rally. Availability of campsites before Sunday may be limited. I will know much more next Spring when their reservations are in.

Updates will be posted in News To Campers and the NCT Website

See separate list of local area campgrounds.

## Registration fee includes:

Five (5) nights camping (Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday Nights)

Full Hookups (50 or 30 amp electric, water & sewer hookup)

Tuesday Catered Dinner

Thursday Catered Brunch

Hospitality (Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday Mornings)

Ice Cream Social

Entertainment

Parking will be hobo parking. If you wish to park together, you must arrive together.

More Rally details will be posted on the NCT website and News to Campers as it becomes available.

If you have any questions, please contact:

*Cliff Fromm at 717-575-9095 or [cefromm@comcast.net](mailto:cefromm@comcast.net)*

**The Cumberland Valley is filled with plenty of areas of historical interest.**

Gettysburg, Carlisle, Shippensburg and Chambersburg are a short drive away.

Bedford and the Pennsylvania Dutch Country are an hour away. Philadelphia is 2.5 hours away.

There are plenty of restaurants and shopping, including antiques, nearby. Golf is also available.

# CAMPGROUNDS NEARBY TO ROXBURY HOLINESS CAMP

## CHAMBERSBURG

Twin Bridge Campground [www.twinbridgecampground.com](http://www.twinbridgecampground.com) 717-369-2216

## CARLISLE

Western Village RV Park [www.westernvillagervpark.com](http://www.westernvillagervpark.com) 717-243-1179

## GARDNERS

Mountain Creek Campground [www.mountaincreekcamping.com](http://www.mountaincreekcamping.com) 717-486-7681

## MERCERSBURG

Saunders Park [www.saundersapark.com](http://www.saundersapark.com) 717-328-2216

## GETTYSBURG

Artillery Ridge Campground [www.artilleryridge.com](http://www.artilleryridge.com) 717-334-1288

Drummer Boy Camping Resort [www.RVontheGo.com](http://www.RVontheGo.com) 800-293-2808

Gettysburg/Battlefield KOA [gettysburgpa@mykoa.com](mailto:gettysburgpa@mykoa.com) 800-562-1869

Gettysburg Battlefield Resort [www.travelresorts.com](http://www.travelresorts.com) 717-337-3363

Gettysburg Campground [www.gettysburgcampground.com](http://www.gettysburgcampground.com) 717-334-3304

Granite Hill Camping Resort [www.granitehillcampingresort.com](http://www.granitehillcampingresort.com) 717-642-8749

Round Top Campground [www.roundtopcamp.com](http://www.roundtopcamp.com) 888-846-3139



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