

October 2024 Wagon Tracks

Twentieth Century Wagontrainers, A Chapter of FMCA

2024 TCW Schedule						
Start Day	Dates	Rally Name	Location	Host	Co-host	Sponsor
Wednesday	Oct 23-27	GEAR	Fletcher, NC (Western North Carolina Agricultural Center)	FMCA	FMCA	FMCA
Cancelled						
			2025 Rallies			
Sunday Noon	November 17	Holiday Lunch	"On The Deck" Restaurant 10 Simon Lake Drive, Atlantic Highlands NJ	Matt Hoelzel	None	TCW
Thursday	April 24-27	Lancaster (See Page 5 for Registration Details)	White Oak Campground, Quarryville, PA	Mary and Bill Burdge	Lydia & Joe Veri	TCW
Monday	May 5-8	Brewery Rally	Readington Brewery and Hop Farm, Neshanic Station, NJ	Matt and Ellen Hoelzel	Co-host needed	TCW, KFBO, Jersey Gems
Thursday	June 5-8	Seaside	Seaside Heights, NJ	Host Needed	Co-Host Needed	TCW, KFBO, Jersey Gems
Thursday	September 4-7	Seaside	Seaside Heights, NJ	Bob and Valerie Payne	Co-Host Needed	TCW

Legend: Too Late Register Now, Non-TCW Rally Register Later

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TCW President's Letter

Matt Hoelzel

Greetings all TCW members. I would like to express my condolences to the members and family of Rich Tufano. He recently passed. He was a past Jersey Gem President as well as the Area Vice President.

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TCW Officers			
President	Matt Hoelzel		
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Sunshine VP	Helen Caserta		
Membership VP	Debby Osborn		
Treasurer	Nick Theisz		
Secretary	Mary Burdge		
National Dir.	Charlotte Lawyer		
Newsletter Editor	Dennis Lawyer		

Ellen and I are hoping all is well and everyone is safe after the bad weather events of last month effecting the Southeast. The area was devastated. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all those affected. GEAR Rally was scheduled to be held this month in the same area near Ashville NC. The rally has been appropriately "cancelled."

I want to thank all the hosts and co-hosts as well as those who volunteered their time during our 2024 rallies. Rallies can't happen without those putting time and effort in to make it happen. In addition, I can't forget to thank those who actually attend our rallies.

I heard the Sept rally in Seaside Heights went great. I knew it would be. Sorry I was unable to attend. Rallies are already being put together for 2025. We will be partnering with the Jersey Gems and Knot for Busses Only for the June Seaside Rally and a new rally on the grounds of Readington Brewery and Hop farming in Neshanic Station. Ellen and I will be hosting that new rally May 5 to 8, 2025. We are looking for a co-host. A full write up will be in a future newsletter. It is in the area of the Yankee minor baseball team the Somerset Patriots, Northlandz miniature city trains, and Flemington.

TCW's most popular rally is the Sunset Beach, Seaside Heights rally in June. TCW is now looking for new hosts and co-hosts for the rally. Thank you, Nick and Naomi for all you have done for a number of years. I know you will be totally available to help those that will step up to take over the most popular rally.

For the last two years, I have been organizing a rally in Okeechobee Fl at the beautiful Silver Palms RV Resort. Normally it has been during the last 3rd or 4th week of March. Due to Ellen and my trip to the Perry Ga. rally in 2025, a new date will need to be worked out. I still need to work out availability for sites. Future newsletter will have that info.

Want to mention for those that may have missed, that Gary Milner, the FMCA President has decided to step down from that position. He had recently been diagnosed with a serious medical condition that demands his full attention. Also, he wants to dedicate more time to his family. My thoughts and prayers go out to Gary and his family. Wish him and his family all positive thoughts.

Last thought on FMCA. The financial situation has seen better days. One way to really help has been to recruit, recruit, recruit. New members would also be beneficial for TCW. I had strongly promoted the GEAR Rally. Now I am strongly promoting the Perry, Ga rally in March, 2025. We have seen it before where the NE area rally had been cancelled. If not enough families enroll for the rally, it may be cancelled. So, until we see y'all again, remember,

"It's All About Fun" Matt Hoelzel (President-TCW)

Rally VP Message

Rich Russo

The 2025 rally season is starting to develop. We still need hosts and co-hosts for some rallies.

Lancaster: April 25-27, Bill and Mary Burdge, Joe and Lydia Veri
Readington Brewery: May 5-8, Matt and Ellen Hoelzel, Co-hosts needed
Seaside: June 5-8 Hosts and co-hosts needed
Seaside September 4-7, Bob and Valerie Payne

Sunshine VP Report and Other News

Helen Caserta

Anyone hearing of a member (or former member) being in need of some "sunshine", please let me know and I will get a card out to them. My email is Louie158@gmail.com.

Newsletter Editor/Webmaster Comments

Dennis Lawyer cbdenlaw@gmail.com

I hope you all have had a chance to look at the new TCW Website www.tcw-fmca.org. I have added a section of photographs on the website. I hope you like the format. Remember the TCW newsletter in its entirety is on the website.

I was told that some people didn't get a newsletter. Sorry if you think you didn't get one. In the future, I will send one to each email address, send a group email stating that I had sent it, and note in TCW Facebook page. I also changed my email address.

All comments or questions associated with the financial report can be directed to Nick.

National Director News

Charlotte Lawyer

I received news that there will be a special election for Eastern Area President. There is only one candidate seeking this office. His name is Gary Lyons, F473121. Mr Lyons has been National Director and President of the Carolina Drifters. The ballot is to be postmarked by November 4, 2024. Please email me by October 18 in case you have any comments associated with this action. charlottelawyer@comcast.net

Membership VP News

Debby Osborn

We've have four new members. I couldn't tell you exactly when they joined, but it's been within this year. They are:

Scott and Laura Durlenster of Newton, NJ
Thom and Dale Kummerle of Princeton Junction, NJ
Chuck and Sue Parker of Medford, NJ
Hank and Judie Blatt of Richboro, NJ

Would also like to remind everyone that their dues are due. Please sent them to Nick Theisz, 74 Salem Road, Township of Washington, NJ 07676-4529 by November 1st. You can use the membership form on the last page of the newsletter.

Have a nice fall. Deb Osborn

Included with this newsletter is a file attachment of the latest files for address, email, and telephone of our members.

Seaside Rally #2 Wrap UP

September 5-8, 2024

Our September Seaside rally was enjoyed by Valerie and Bob Payne, Naomi and Nick Theisz, Ben and Millie Aurelio, Eileen and Bob Tittle, Peggy and Bob Pittenger, Frank Winter and guest Judy, Anna and Mike Zamorski, Barbara and Owen Tidwell, Holly and Victor Stivaly, Mary and Bill Burdge (Hosts) and Lydia and Joe Veri (Co-Hosts). Wendy and Steve Acropolis visited on Wednesday night (the 4th) and joined us for dinner at Stewart's. We also had visits from members Hank and Judie Blatt, Myrna and Ed Patterson, and Debby and Rich Osborn. Bill and Mary's son and granddaughter, Ken and Kendra spent time with us on Saturday.

Thursday afternoon we had a Welcome Party hosted by Valerie and Bob Payne. Delicious appetizers and wine were enjoyed by all as we caught up on recent events.

Friday was a beautiful sunny day and we started with a bagel breakfast. Everyone then spent the day enjoying the area- boardwalk, bike riding, kayaking, or just relaxing. Pizza and Caesar salad was served for dinner.

Saturday was another sunny day until we were sitting by the beach for Happy Hour when the sky turned black and the wind picked up causing all to gather chairs and rush inside. Thankfully, the weather cleared in time for dinner which was provided by Mia's Cafe.

Sunday, we had donuts and coffee before heading home.

(Pictures by Peggy Pittenger)



Lancaster, PA Spring Rally
April 24-27, 2025

White Oak Campground
3156 White Oak Rd.
Quarryville, PA

The deadline for the group registration is past, however, there may still be sites for this rally. This is a lovely campground and we have use of a building in case of cold weather. You can register by calling 717-687-6207.

Please let Lydia Veri know when you make your reservation

The following FMCA conventions and area rallies may be of interest to the membership.

FMCA's 110th International Convention

- March 12-15, 2025
- Perry, GA

FMCA's 111th International Convention

- July 16-19, 2025
- Gillette, WY

Northeast Area Rally

- October 08-11, 2025
- Essex Junction, VT

Greater Eastern Area Rally

- November 4-8, 2025
- Myrtle Beach, SC

Happy Holidays TCW members. Reservations have been made. An open menu will be available. It is time for the TCW Holiday Luncheon. Date: Sunday November 17th, 2024.

[Menu — On The Deck Restaurant & Harbor View BAR](#)

Time: NOON

Place: "On The Deck" Restaurant

Address: 10 Simon Lake Drive, Atlantic Highlands NJ

RSVP: . **ASAP.** Matt Hoelzel. Pres-TCW

20th Century Wagontrainers, Chapter of FMCA

Membership Form

Name: _____ FMCA #: _____
Street Address: _____ Apt. _____
City/Town: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ - _____
Home Phone () _____
Cell Phone: (____) _____ His Cell Phone: () _____ Hers
E-Mail address(s) _____
Year First Joined TCW Chapter: _____
Motorhome Information: Manufacturer: _____
Model: _____
Year: _____ Length in Feet: _____ No. of Slideouts: _____

The above info will be included in our annual membership directory sent to members only.

Are you an FMCA member? Yes No

Only those who are FMCA members in good standing may belong to this chapter.

TCW welcomes all FMCA members who own a self contained wheeled vehicle that includes permanently installed cooking, sleeping, and sanitary facilities.

Dues are \$15.00* per year

If you are sending your dues, please attach your check payable to: Twentieth Century Wagontrainers.

If you are an existing member, please enter your F number and any changes you would like made to your membership information

Mail to:

Nick Theisz

74 Salem Rd.

Township of Washington, NJ 07676-4529

Questions? Contact: Debby Osborn, Membership VP. Phone 609-802-2480 .

Email: debbyosborn@yahoo.com

TCW Badges

To order TCW badges, you need to call Debbie of Lasered Effects at 732-377-9344 to order them. They are \$18 each. Shipping is extra and Debbie will determine the cost on shipping after getting your mailing address.

The company name is Lasered Effects, LLC 15 Hastings Court, Bridgewater, NJ 08807.