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The Michigan State Jayco Rally

The 2012 Michigan State Jayco Rally was held on Father's Day weekend at the Church of God Campground in St. Louis, Michigan. Flight 17 Jaybird Travelers hosted this year's Rally. The theme was "Let's Honor Fathers and Grandfathers."

In attendance were the Burgons, the Dunhams, the Hodges, the Irwins and the Oshnocks.



Our first big surprise came in the form of renewable resource giants. Since we were at the campground for last year's Rally, 143 wind turbines were erected and working in the neighboring cities of Breckenridge and Merrill. This captivatingly modern take on the traditional windmill burst into view on both sides as you approach St Louis from the east. The inability to comprehend the massive landscape change in just a year, gave way to disbelief at the sheer



volume that dotted the countryside and pierced the sky for miles. Google "wind turbine fields, Breckenridge Michigan" to learn more about these interesting, future, energy producers.

Most of us arrived Thursday to settle in and have time to catch up with our other Jayco buddies. Some of us spent 1 1/2 hours in a cemetery changing a flat tire in 95 degree heat before arriving. However, before long we were ALL set up and eager for one of our favorite weekends to begin. This year all 5 Michigan flights and one from Indiana were in attendance.....that's a lot of catching up to do.





Kathy gave us all back the cotton wood bark we gathered for her last year when lightening hit the tree in the campground. Only, she altered it a bit....exhibiting her extraordinary talent. Thank You Kathy!!!



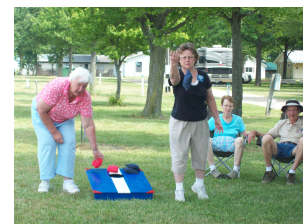
Friday was registration day. We got our agenda and welcome gifts at registration. There was a variety of cookies and goodies, coffee, iced tea and lemonade in the hospitality area. There were guessing games to analyze, as well as sign up sheets for the Saturday games. Supper was a Hot Dog Roast followed by a BINGO session. After BINGO there was an ice cream social. Lots of ice cream, lots of socializing!!!

Saturday is always our busy day. There was an officers meeting at 9:00am. We discussed the duties for each flight for next's years Rally. Our flight is charge of hospitality. We will have to each bake a few dozen cookies, or other sweet treats. We will talk at later meetings to finalize things.

There was also a discussion of the International Rally. Everyone will be given the opportunity to set up a hospitality area to feature their own state. We have decided to participate, especially since we are the host state. On Monday evening for an hour or so we will have a table and give out Michigan Apples slices, Michigan Cherries (If the Cherry crop is more viable than early estimates), and literature about Michigan's natural resources, natural beauty and recreational opportunities!

Donna Hornung handed out invitations to the "End of Summer" White Cloud campout. It is held at White Cloud City Park on September 27, 28, 29, 30. Call Donna at 231-689-6370 to RSVP. On Saturday there will be a group dinner. Donna takes care of the meat and asks everyone to brings a dish to pass. They would also like everyone to bring an unwrapped "something" to auction off or give as gifts. This is always a good time and I would encourage everyone to consider this outing. If you have any questions on this outing call Bev.

The rest of the morning was filled with Craft Sales, Jayco item sales, book exchange and games. Our club was in charge of games. We had Bocce Ball, Corn Toss game (Kathy came in second place :) almost Kathy!!) Horse Shoes and Euchre. It was a fun day as usual.





The dinner was catered and wonderful. No wait in the food area, as usual!! The after dinner entertainment was a twangy, heavy metal, opera program.....just kidding. I ran into the band before dinner and they asked me what kind of music I liked. I said anything except twangy country, opera and heavy metal. They

opened up saying they were a twangy, heavy metal opera band. “laugh, laugh” And of course they teased me all night long about twangy country and opera. In reality they were a country band and were very talented and entertaining. Lots of songs about fathers in honor of Father’s Day and of course patriotic songs. No opera....dadgum it! And what kind of a Jayco Rally would it be without ice cream to end the evening? Not one I’ve ever been to, that’s for sure.



Sunday.....Happy Father’s Day to all the fathers and grandfathers!!!!
A continental Breakfast was provided followed by a gospel sing-a-long and worship program.

Sadly, it was over for another year!



Can’t wait for the 2013 Michigan State Rally!!!

****Dues are past due now. Please send the \$10.00 fee to Bev as soon as possible!**

Hope to see everyone in July at the International Rally!!



Happy Birthday

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| July 17th | Betty Begarnie |
| July 17th | Garth Burgon |
| July 26th | Jerry Szarama |



Happy Anniversary

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| July 6th | Dunham |
| July 22nd | Burgon |

This is our 2012 Camping schedule. I have supplied the address, phone number and website for the campgrounds in addition to our camp site number if you wish to be as close together as possible. Please read all notes as they have special information you may need. Please check out websites for pricing, amenities and site maps. If you have any questions, please call Bev (248) 391-9809.

July 16, 17, 18, 19, 20

Jayco International Rally - Mackinaw City, MI
See Hitch for registration information or call
Jayco Jafari Int'l at 1(800)262-5178
(\$305.00 2 people/1 unit) Deadline: June 16th

August 17, 18, 19

****no discounts**

Krystal Lake Campground
5475 Washburn Rd.
Vassar, MI 48768
(989) 843-0591
www.krystallakecampground.com
Irwin site # 35

September 20, 21, 22, 23

***note Thursday - Sunday**

Friday AM Jiffy Plant tour

**** ask for Good Sams discount
(10%)**

Greenwood Acres
2401 Hilton Rd.
Jackson, MI 49201
(517) 522-8600
www.greenwoodacrescampground.com
Irwin site # 73

October 19, 20, 21

*** we will have use of a
building with fireplace!**

****Must send \$20.00 (one night)
deposit with your name before
10-1-12**

P.J. Family Campground - Stockbridge, MI
5250 Williamston Rd.
Stockbridge, MI 49285
(517) 565-3044
No site # Just register as Jayco Jypsies, we will all
be together. (We are already registered)