



*The Newsletter of
the GMC Great
Lakers Motor
home Club, Inc.*

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Regional GMC Club for Preservation
of the GMC Motorhome!



**Dale Frahm
President 2016
GMC Great Lakers**

Upcoming Rallies 2016

Michigan Adventure
Muskegon, MI
Aug 29, 30 & 31

Joint Rally with GMCMI
Sept 30 thru Oct 6
Mansfield, OH

Fall Leaves Rally
Oct 13, 14 & 15th
Stanwood, MI

Dales Wails!

Howdy Folks,

It is with a bit of sadness that I write this as one of my older sisters passed away a few days ago at the age of 89. I will miss her a lot. Now on to a happier note!

The Do Nothing rally at Algonac State Park was a lot of fun. Good friends always make it so. One of the things that happened to Merle Carpenter was a collision with a turkey. He will tell you more about that. One thing that came up was doing longer rallies. A number of people expressed interest in doing a whole week, more discussion on that at a future meeting. Now on to Mrs. Dales notes on the Algonac Rally. We had great weather and 20 coaches came for the weekend. On Thursday night a bunch of us enjoyed Hamburgers at a restaurant called the Raft. Dick and Lynn Balsley had been there before otherwise we would never have found it; I guess it's a hidden secret there. On Friday night we enjoyed a great potluck. What a great bunch of cooks we have in our group. I think we all enjoyed the leisurely weekend and Pizza from Jet's on Saturday night. Klaus and Joan Wolfert and Phillip and Pat Nau longtime members joined us. Several people would like to return there next year.

Happy Trails

Dale & Bee befrahm@yahoo.com

WORDS OF WISDOM

LIFE IS SHORT
BREAK the rules
FORGIVE quickly
KISS slowly
LOVE truly
LAUGH uncontrollably and NEVER REGRET anything that made
you SMILE!



September Joint Rally with GMCMI

The GMC Great Lakers MHC will be having our September as a join rally with GMCMI in their Fall Convention in Mansfield, OH. Those of you that are members should watch your snail mail for entry forms and those of you that get your info from GMCMI electronically should watch your email from Kim. For those of you that are not members of GMCMI can go to the website: gmcmi.com and download an entry form or use the entry form on page 5. The Ladies will be putting on a tea for all the ladies that are attending. The Great Laker Ladies are planning a “Ms. GMC Party” for the ladies social. The Mansfield Renaissance Historic Theater hosted the first Miss Ohio/Miss America Pageant in 1953 and continues today hence the “Ms. GMC Party”.

We hope you come and join in the fun and fellowship. It would be great if you would come in an evening gown or a swim suit or show us your talent. These are optional. If you have an evening gown that has a story, wear it or just bring it. Mansfield could be cold in September (or not) so you may want to wear your swim suit with something warm. This is a time to be silly and have fun.

Please bring your own tea cup or mug. Tea is always better in china. There will be ham roll appetizers, fresh fruit mix, gluten free crackers & cheese, as well as other goodies. Come to the party and claim your Tiara. Hope to see you there. More information is on the entry form or go to

<http://www.gmcmi.com/2016f-conv-info/>

Fall Leaves Rally – Stanwood, MI October 13, 14 & 15

Frank Griffin and Barb and their committee welcome the GMC Great Lakers to the “Fall Leaves Rally” at Stanwood, MI

River Ridge Resort is located at 2265 Eight Mile Road, Stanwood, MI 49346 and the phone number is 231 823-8338 and their website is: <http://www.riverridgervresort.com/>

It is a Luxury RV Resort on the spectacular all-sports backwater of the Hardy Dam. All sites are located on concrete pads and have full hookup including cable TV. They will be assigned on a first come, first serve basis and if you need handicap parking be sure to mark your entry form as such. Any additional days camping should be made directly with the campground. This campground is relatively new and has a modern heated clubhouse for our activities.

The rally fees include 3 nights camping, Thursday thru Saturday and also includes 3 continental breakfasts. Donuts and Muffins along with coffee and juice Friday thru Sunday. The highlight of the weekend will be 2 home cooked meals prepared by Chef Franklin on Friday and Saturday evenings. I have seen the menu’s and Frank can cook!

Early arrivals are more than welcome! Reservation must be received by Oct. 1, 2012.

Directions: Approximately 40 minutes north of Grand Rapids, MI. U.S. 131 North to Exit 131, then turn west and 2 miles to campground and turn left onto **Elder Rd** and go to the RV entrance. **DO NOT** use the first 2 turnoffs into the recreation areas, as you cannot enter the RV campground from those entrances!

Return the orange entry form!

Do Nothing Rally

July 15 & 16

Algonac State Park

The rally was a great gathering of club members with several spending a week at the park. The food was good, the ship didn't disappoint with passings at all hours and we got to see all the sail boats heading for Port Huron for the big boat race. Other than being busy during the waking hours we did nothing at the DO NOTHING RALLY!

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Do Nothing Rally BUSINESS MEETING

July 15, 2016

President D. Frahm called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m.
 Frank Griffin made a motion to dispense with all official business. Seconded by everyone. Motion carried.
 Phyllis Thornburg gave a report on the Michigan Adventure rally.
 Bee Frahm passed around some get well cards for us to sign.
 A motion was made to adjourn and was seconded by everyone. Meeting ended at 6:32 p.m.

Respectively submitted by Judy Dohm, Secretary

GMCGL 2016 Directory Addendum New Members as of 8-1-16

(For Member Use Only - Please do not redistribute!)

Last Name	First Name	First Name	Street Address	Email Address	GL #	Joined
Home Phone	Cell Phone	Cell Phone	City, State, Zip, Country	Alternate Email Address	FMCA #	# Rallies
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Registration
Deadline
is Sept. 15!

GMCMH Fall Convention

Friday, September 30 to Thursday, October 6, 2016 | Richland County Fairgrounds | Mansfield, Ohio

Downloadable interactive registration pdf available at: www.gmcmi.com/2016f-conv-info

GMCMH Member Number (on back cover of magazine)

First Person

Second Person

Street

City

State | Postal Code | Country

Telephone

First Name Cellular

Second Name Cellular

Email

Year and Model of GMC (if you are driving one)

Names, City, and State of Extra People in Coach if different than above _____

Handicap Parking Needed? Yes No

Is this your first GMCMH Convention? Yes No

Are you a GMC Great Laker member? Yes No

Are you a GMC Midwest Classics member? Yes No

Are you a GMC Eastern States member? Yes No

Are you CPR certified? (name/s) _____

I would like more information about the **Chili Cook-off!**

We/I wish to participate in the Sunday morning church service choir (name/s) _____

Suppliers/Vendors display preference: Inside Outside

Please list your products/services: _____

Please list any seminar topic(s) you could present _____

Please list any topic(s) on which you would like someone else to give a seminar? _____

Registration | bringing a motorhome

Includes electric and water.

Convention & Camping Fee \$425.00 \$ _____
(Two-Person Motorhome)

Convention & Camping Fee \$315.00 \$ _____
(One-Person Motorhome)

Additional Adult in above Motorhome (19 & older) ____ x \$180.00 \$ _____

Additional Child in above Motorhome (7-18, FREE under 7) ____ x \$75.00 \$ _____

Optional Early Night(s)
Wednesday, September 28 \$25.00 \$ _____
Thursday, September 29 \$25.00 \$ _____

Registration | NOT bringing a motorhome

Convention Registration (Two-Person Party) \$295.00 \$ _____

Convention Registration (One-Person Party) \$185.00 \$ _____

Registration | For Everybody

Convention T-Shirt(s) (indicate quantity)
S ____ M ____ L ____ XL ____ x \$8 each \$ _____
XXL ____ x \$9 each \$ _____

Derby Racer Kit \$12.00 \$ _____

Late Reservation Fee (postmarked after Sept. 15, 2016) \$25.00 \$ _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Payment Options

Check/Money Order Enclosed – Number _____
Please make payable to GMCMH – U.S. funds drawn on U.S. bank



PayPal/credit card payment arranged by calling Kim

Additional Registration Information

- Checks must be in U.S. funds and drawn on a U.S. bank
- Foreign checks **cannot** be processed
- Email confirmation will be sent. To receive confirmation via mail: include a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your reservation form.
- Late Reservation Fee of \$25 after **September 15**
- Cancellations **after September 15** will be refunded minus a \$25 cancellation fee. For cancellations after **September 23**, the cancellation fee is \$50.



Mail with payment to:

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Suite 119-156, Woodbury, MN 55125



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GMC Great Lakers Motorhome Club Proposed 2016 Rally Schedule

Completed	40th Birthday Party Rally	Holly, MI	Executive Comm.
Completed	Combined Rally with GLAMMA	Goshen, IN	GLAMMA
Complete	Do Nothing Rally	Algonac State Park	GMCGL
August 29, 30 & 31	Michigan Adventure	Muskegon, MI	Thornburg's & Crew
Sept 30 thru Oct 6	Joint Rally with GMCMI	Mansfield, OH	GMCGL & GMCMI
Oct 13, 14 & 15	River Ridge Resort Rally	Stanwood, MI	Griffin & Crew

Rally Refund Policy

If you have paid your fees for a rally that you had planned to attend but decide to cancel you must call the rally host a minimum of 7 days before the rally's listed start date. Any cancellations after the cutoff date will be prorated for non-refundable fees. (Rev. 8/2003)

Other 2016 Rallies Of Interest!

Completed	GMCMI Spring Convention	Nat. Peanut Festival Grounds	Dothan, AL
Completed	FMCA GLAMARAMA Rally	Elkhart Country 4H Fairgrounds	Goshen, IN
Completed	The "Great GMCMI Summer Get Together"	Branson KOA & Convention Center	Branson, MO
Sept 30 thru Oct 6	GMCMI Fall Convention	Richland Co. Fairgrounds	Mansfield, OH

Treasurer Report GMC Great Lakers Motorhome Club Inc. June 15, 2016	
Checking	\$8465.82
Savings	\$3007.86
Total In Accounts	\$11473.68
See detailed report in "Members Only" area.	
Respectfully Submitted Becky Johnson, Treasurer	

GMC GreatLakers is published for its member's 4 to 6 times per season. Should you not receive your newsletter please contact the publisher.

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Club Jackets & Shirt Information

Fleece Vest –Maroon Sizes XS to 5X = \$38.00

Jacket – Maroon Sizes up to 5X = \$50.00

Sizes over XX are \$2.00 to \$5.00 Additional

Sweat Shirt w/U.P. & L.P. on Front

SM – XL = \$13.00 2X – Up = \$15.00

T – Shirt (Same Logo as Sweat Shirt)

SM – XL = \$8.00 2X – Up = \$10.00

Sweat Shirts and T-Shirts available in any color

?Questions?

Call Judy: 269 683-2145 or Email at:

atlastaplace@sbcglobal.net

NEW FMCA Assist Member Benefit
Emergency Number 877 202-4176
Now included with your FMCA Membership
See FMCA Current Magazine For Details or go
online @fmca.com members area. 11/01/2015

New Email Address for Les Naylor, incoming Area VP & President For GLAMA effective Aug 16 is as follows:

lnaylor@fmca.com

Great Lakers Website The web site is located at: www.gmcgreatlakers.org To access the member's only area you need to enter your "GL000" number. The "GL" is in capitals letters. You then must enter your "last" name in lower case. Your GL number is listed in the membership directory under your FMCA number.

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