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NORTH CAROLINA –
WBCCI – Unit Officers 2008

THE
TARHEEL TRAVELER

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

How has this year been for the Club? I cannot possibly list everything our members have accomplished or contributed, but please read along as I recount some highlights.

Dale Dowler did a great job recruiting nine new members this year, another in a series of good recruiting years. The Club had three luncheon meetings, all very well attended, this year. We had outstanding attendance at Region 3 Rally, and many of us were able to watch our Past President, Sandy Dowler, accept the Merit Award on behalf of Carolinas Unit of NC.

The Carolinas Unit had seven rallies, starting with the May rally at Yost Farm and wrapping up with our traditional Ocean Lakes Rally in Myrtle Beach. One of the things Debbie and I have always enjoyed about Carolinas Unit is the opportunity to rally at different places every month and Bob Clark treated us with some excellent rally locations in 2008.

Carolinas Unit had six units attending the 51st International Rally in Bozeman, MT, and all six contributed in a big way and helped maintain the great reputation our Unit has always enjoyed in WBCCI. Ann Hall won first prize for her scrapbook entry and prepared and presented our Club's wonderful Bulletin Board. Carolinas Unit members participated in the WBCCI band, the parades, Ushering, the Post Office, Property Committee, Amateur Radio Club, Awards, and presented two seminars. Carolinas Unit members were busy and contributed greatly at the 51st International Rally.

Bert Kalet organized, with support from David and Denese Lee, our Unit's excellent Vintage Rally this fall. Bert's planning was thorough, attendance was good, programs were excellent, and everyone said they had a wonderful time. We hope he'll do it again!

Lynda Brown has published eleven informative and enjoyable Tarheel Traveler newsletters in 2008. She tirelessly gathers the news, seemingly magically puts it all together so it fits and looks great, and gets the completed newsletters to you every month, January through November. Please tell her thank you when you talk to Lynda!

Linda Fishel kept our focus on Community Service throughout the year, as our Club supported giving to charities through Region 3, then International, then to our local charities. Our club, thanks to Linda's guidance, contributed generously again in 2008.

Bob Clark was busy all year updating the Membership Directory for distribution and asking every member what You think about and want from Your Club. We received interesting and helpful comments and direction, and will look forward to using this input in planning for next year.

I have had three great years, with help from all of you, serving our Club. Debbie and I have enjoyed representing you at Region and International functions, and are so proud of the great membership and history of our Club. My sincere thanks go out to Sandy, Linda, Peggy and Ray Moser, Bob Clark, and too many more of you to mention. Thank you all.

See You Down The Road,

Jim - President 2008

Installation Luncheon, December 6, 2008

Our "Officer Installation Luncheon" was held at Bethania Moravian Church in Bethania, NC on Saturday, December 6 with 24 units attending. Members were: Lenwood & Doris Ammons, Jack & Nat Bingaman, Monroe & Peggy Bowles, John (II) & Bernie Carriker, John (III) and Sandy Carriker, Rusty Carroll, Duane & Pat Carter, Bob Clark, Jim & Deb Cocke, Ed & Deanie Dixon, Dale & Sandy Dowler, Charles & Linda Fishel, Chuck & Ginger Fishel, Steve Gantt, Jerry and Ann Hall, Rudy & Valia Kane, Harold & Martha Kerns, George & Margie Lamb, Dick McKenzie, Ray & Peggy Moser, Haywood & Faye Overcash, Paul, Miriam, Alex & Eric Ross, Don & Inabelle Sides, and Jim and Jean Tyson. Former Past President C. A. Coram, Former First Lady Francis Collins, and Beverly Ross, mother of Paul Ross, also attended.

After greeting one another, renewing old friendships and making new ones, everyone was seated and Bob Clark welcomed everyone and advised how they would get something to eat! Charlie Fishel gave the Invocation and everyone lined up at the kitchen in anticipation of a great meal. After receiving a plate full of food, all were seated and enjoyed a delicious meal as Christmas music was provided by Scott Rainey on the piano. Toward the end of the meal, Bob Clark introduced and thanked the Bethania Moravian Church Women's Fellowship, who prepared and served the meal. Scott Rainey was also introduced and thanked for the wonderful music. Linda Fishel was recognized for making all the meal arrangements and table decorations.

During the luncheon, the new unit flag was displayed and offered for sale to members at fifty dollars for a 3 X 5 nylon flag. The club ordered twenty five flags in order to get a reduced price and the flag sales seemed to go very well. The updated Membership Directory was also distributed to all members present.

Harold Kerns, Region 3 Past President, assisted by his wife Martha, installed the unit's directors and officers for 2009. Bob Clark presented Debbie Cocke a twenty five dollar Wal*Mart gift certificate and Jim Cocke a new Unit Flag. Bernie Carriker advised that another gift for Jim was in progress and should be ready for delivery next week.

Jim Cocke made farewell remarks as the Past President and thanked the club for a great year. Linda Fishel reviewed the luncheon and rally schedule for 2009 and Bob Clark closed the luncheon with a few remarks as the unit's new President.

Everyone seemed to have a great time and enjoyed a wonderful meal!

Bob Clark - President 2009

NOVEMBER 2008 RALLY
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 06 – SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 09, 2008
OCEAN LAKES FAMILY CAMPGROUND – MYRTLE BEACH, SC

Our last rally of the season was held at Ocean Lakes Family Campground in Myrtle Beach, SC with 23 units attending. Members were: Lenwood & Doris Ammons, Bruce & Lynda Brown, John (II) & Bernie Carriker, John (III) and Sandy Carriker, Duane & Pat Carter, Bob Clark, Jim & Deb Cocke, Charles & Linda Fishel, Chuck & Ginger Fishel, Jerry and Ann Hall, Myrna Harris, Charles and Peggy Heavner, Burl & Barbara Horstmann, Rudy & Valia Kane, Harold & Martha Kerns, George & Margie Lamb, Ray & Peggy Moser, Haywood & Faye Overcash, John & Joyce Plaxco, Paul, Miriam, Alex & Eric Ross, Jim and Jean Tyson, Dean & Rebecca Woods, and Frank & Joyce Yost.

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Friday brought another day of shopping and enjoying the area. The weather was beautiful! Friday afternoon saw an abbreviated social and everyone then gathered for a convoy to supper at Sarah J's Seafood Restaurant in Garden City, SC. The food and service was excellent and all seemed to enjoy a good time together.

Saturday was another day of, you guessed it – eating and shopping. Breakfast was prepared by the cooks and no one left hungry. During the afternoon, John Carriker III and Sandy held a bike rodeo for the children, well, the children and the “big kids”. The spectators seemed to have as good a time as the participants. Some of the events were a sight to see; you just had to be there to appreciate it. There are no words that do justice to some of the results. During the evening, all enjoyed lasagna and all the trimmings prepared by our cooks. As always, they did a great job and the food was delicious. After the meal, awards were presented to the bike rodeo winners.

Sunday morning, members met for a continental breakfast and devotions. The remaining sugar cake from the Saturday breakfast prepared by Charlie Fishel did not last long. Duane Carter made sausage biscuits with the remaining sausage and they disappeared about as fast. Margie Lamb held a brief devotional, followed by goodbyes and packing for the trip home.

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Bob Clark - 1st Vice President 2008

FLY THE U.S. FLAG

Thanks to all members who participated this year in the “Fly the US Flag” promotion. The flag flying in the breeze added appeal to out trailers and motor homes. It also showed our fellow campers in all the campgrounds our pride and patriotism. Thanks again and let’s keep it up next year!

The winners at the November Rally in Myrtle Beach were George & Margie Lamb. Congratulations!

Winners to date:

June	Ross Family
July	Lenwood and Doris Ammons
August	Ray & Peggy Moser
September	Will & Lana King
October	Chuck & Ginger Fishel
November	George & Margie Lamb

See you in April 2009 with your flag flying!

Bob Clark - 1st Vice President 2008

THANKS AND CONGRATULATIONS

Thanks to the following members who have agreed to serve as committee chairpersons for the 2009 season. Congratulations to them also, as they will have the opportunity to serve the club and their fellow members in very satisfying and rewarding ways. Remember, the club does not run itself; it takes the talents of many of its members to keep things running smoothly.

CAROLINAS UNIT OF NC – WBCCI - 2009 COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Budget - Debbie Cocke	Medical - Margie Lamb
Caravan - Martha Kerns	Membership - John Plaxco
Constitution/By Laws - Ray Moser	Property - Paul Ross
Ethics/Grievance - Jim Tyson	Publicity - Myrna Harris
Family/Youth - Sandy Carriker	Public Relations - Peggy Bowles
Food - Duane Carter	Safety - John Carriker III
Historical - Ann Hall	Sunshine - Sandy Dowler
Hospitality - Peggy Moser	Web Communications - Jim Cocke
Legislative - Miriam Ross	Worship - Charlie Fishel

Thanks again for agreeing to serve your Club!

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Bob Clark - 1st Vice President 2008

"MEMBERSHIP"

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Please correct the spelling of last name for new member Ms. Tommi **Lauer**. It appeared incorrectly spelled in the October Newsletter and, thus, in the new directory.

It should have appeared as follows:

Ms. Tommi **Lauer**
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Our apologies Tommi!

Lynda Brown
Newsletter Editor

Note: If someone interested in our club and in becoming a member contacts you, please ask them to call me. Remember...Our Unit's member recruitment is a team effort!

Please recommend someone today!

Thank you!

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SUNSHINE REPORT



We would like to extend wishes for a good and safe Holiday Season for everyone. Blessings to all!

If you or someone in the club that you know have been ill and would like to be included in the Sunshine Report, please let us know so we can report their names in this column of the newsletter and let others in the club be aware.

Sandy Dowler
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

JANUARY

06 Shelton Barefoot	23 Burl Horstmann
07 Sandy Dowler	24 Chuck Fishel
15 Harold Kerns	27 John Lee
16 Faye Overcash	29 Dean Woods
19 Lynn Rorie	31 Don Sides
20 Wendi Summerlin	

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

JANUARY

12 Rick & Marie Moore
26 Charlie & Kathleen Barnette
31 Bruce & Lynda Brown

WITH SINCERE SYMPATHY

We extend our sincere sympathy to:

Ginger & Chuck Fishel and family
Ginger's mother, Vera Wilmoth, passed away on December 1.

Graham Johnson (Past President 1980-81) and family
Graham's wife, Jacqueline, passed away on December 12.

May God's blessings and love be given to these our dear friends and keep them in our prayers.

JANUARY 2009 LUNCHEON
SATURDAY, JANUARY 3 - 12:00 NOON
GOLDEN CORRAL – HANES MALL – WINSTON-SALEM, NC

Our January Luncheon will be on **January 3, 2009** at the Golden Corral at Hanes Mall in Winston-Salem at 12:00 noon.

Please be certain that you wear your name tag, so that any new members or visitors will know who you are. Looking forward to seeing you on January 3rd and wishing you a very “Merry Christmas” and a “Happy New Year”.

Looking ahead, we will be at Gary’s Barbeque in China Grove for our luncheon in **February**. This will be on February 7th at 12:00 noon. I will provide directions to Gary’s in the next newsletter. If you have any questions, please just call me at 336-922-6862. or email at cwfishel@windstream.net.

Linda Fishel

1st Vice President - 2009

WBCCI
52nd International Convention/Rally
JUNE 28 – JULY 4, 2009
MADISON, WISCONSIN

It is never too soon to sign up for the 52nd International WBCCI Convention/Rally!

Check out the “Blue Beret” for Registration Forms:

- Register for Convention/Rally
- Application for Handicapped Parking
- Volunteer Coupon

Also, remember the International Community Service Projects and the many programs presented at the Rally.

BECOME INVOLVED!

REGION 3

2009 REGION 3 RALLY
PERRY, GEORGIA
APRIL 22 – 26, 2009

SET THE DATE ASIDE TO ATTEND!

Watch the “Blue Beret” for Registration Form! It is never too soon to register to attend and get involved in all that has to be done to accomplish a successful rally!

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******SEE YOU THERE******