## **Reflections in Aluminum**

By Steve Piotrowski

We haven't used our trailer much since we came back from Florida and Louisiana this spring. We did enjoy ourselves at the Madison Rally and extend our thanks to Vicki and Dave for making that an excellent event. I look forward to their spirited leadership of the club next year. Speaking of leadership, Ed and Sandy are going to lead a caravan to the top of the Upper Peninsula this fall. It will be a beautiful time to visit the south shore of Lake Superior. Why don't you think about joining in on the fun?

You may wonder why the club doesn't have more events during the prime camping season, summertime in Wisconsin. There are so many members traveling with family during Wisconsin's prime camping season, events become difficult to organize. It also relates to the difficulty of finding open camping spots to host rallies.

I would encourage every member to think about his or her favorite local place to visit. Other unit members would like to explore your area to learn about its unique features. Rallies are usually three or four days long, which means one day for arrival and one day for departure, so there really only has to be one or two days of activities of interest to have a successful rally. Most of us live where we do because we find it interesting and enjoyable. If you can identify the reasons why you like living where you do, and there is a place to camp nearby, you have the makings for a great rally.

Give us your ideas, offer a little help, and you can have a parade of silver bullets traveling down the road to your favorite camping spot. They will probably also enjoy visiting your favorite place to retreat from the worries of life. Think about it and help you club become even better than it is today by helping to make a rally successful with your local knowledge.

## Say ya to da UP, eh! Caravan September 21 – 27, 2014

A Caravan by Ed Emerick

Plans for the caravan are coming along and so far we have ten trailers signed up. The itinerary has gelled as follows:

Sunday, 9-21-14 - Depart Washburn, WI

Sunday, 9-21-14 – Camp at Curry Park in Ironwood, MI 601-807 W Cloverland Dr, Ironwood, MI 49938 (906) 932-5050

Monday, 9-22-14 - Tour Stormy Kromer in Ironwood Stormy Kromer Mercantile 1238 Wall Street Ironwood, MI 49938

Monday, 9-22-14 – Travel to Porcupine Mountain Wilderness State Park, Union Bay Campground Stay for 2 nights

Tuesday, 9-23-14 – Explore the Porkies

Wednesday, 9-24-14 – Travel to Houghton, MI. Camp at Houghton RV Park. (If you want restrooms and showers stay at the Hancock Recreation Area campground.)

Thursday, 9-25-14 – Explore Houghton-Hancock area

Friday, 9-26-14 – Travel to Copper Harbor. Camp at Fort Wilkins State Park



Copper Harbor and Lake Fannie Hooe from Brockway Mtn. Ft. Wilkins State Park is between these two bodies of water.

Saturday, 9-27 14 – Explore Copper Harbor

Sunday, 9-28-14 – Depart for home

(Sandy and I will be heading back home Saturday morning 9-27, but caravanners may stay and play or travel to wherever your heart's desire.)



Copper Harbor Lighthouse as seen from the tour boat.

This caravan will be run without a kitty. You will need to make your own reservation at the Houghton RV Park. We will be in Site 16, on the water. They are beautiful sites with a covered picnic area and full hook-ups. And a great view of the lift bridge! \$30/night (and no reservation fee!) http://www.cityofhoughton.com/rec-rv.php

The Hancock Recreation Area will not require any reservation. I spoke to the campground, and after Labor Day, it is pretty empty. \$22/night.

http://www.cityofhancock.com/recreation-beach-campground.php

If you are interested, please send us an email!

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