

MOTIV8ORS – Fair Lawn**A2, C1**motiv8ors.nnjsda.org**Various Sun. All Year****American Legion Post 171****Maryjane Clewell: 551-206-7905****17-08 River Road 07410****Rich Baumeister: 845-735-3222****Cell for dance: 551-206-7905, 845-629-5032**

In March, Susan Adam, Maryjane Clewell, and Marie Gower ventured to The Inn at East Hill Farm, in New Hampshire, for their Canada Meets USA weekend. Callers Don Moger and Ted Lizotte challenged them with interesting choreography at lightning speed. Horseback riding and a swimming pool were also available. The adventurous were given the opportunity to gather their own eggs for breakfast, or milk the cows. Our dancers chose to enjoy the family-style meals made without their help.

In May, Sue and Rich Baumeister were fortunate to visit the Holy Land and Jordan. They consider their trip truly amazing, especially when one realizes that Israel is the center of three major religions. Sue and Rich visited all the main sites in Jerusalem, floated in the Dead Sea, and dunked their feet in the Jordan River. After an inclusive tour of Israel, they spent several days in Jordan, where they visited Roman ruins and Petra. The Baumeisters returned home from the Middle East with many great memories.

Several of our members had a ball in July when they attended the annual IAGSDC Convention. This year's festivities, named Belles Run, were held in nearby Philadelphia. Other square dance events enjoyed by our members included Pass the Ocean, Hon! (Delaware); various offerings at Cherry Ridge Campsites (Pennsylvania); Star Spangled Banner Festival (Maryland); and a C1 Camp (Ontario, Canada).

Our members' families continue to expand. In April, Jan and Louis Thompson were ecstatically happy to announce the marriage of their younger son. Their older son and his wife joyfully welcomed a baby boy, making Jan and Louis grandparents for the first time. Vicki and Craig Sherman were busy celebrating two children's weddings in the space of three weeks, on two different coasts no less! Two of our couples, Barbara and John Marlowe and Hillela and Bob Ward, and Maryjane Clewell, were thrilled to welcome a granddaughter to their families. Susan and Frank Dreifus celebrated two special events in May: the engagement of one of their granddaughters and the college graduation of another.

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