# **Campfire Chatter**

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# President's Message

NAFCA got an early Christmas president.....Chatter editors!

I'll let them introduce themselves but let's all help with our articles at least on time and thank them for stepping on board.

With the holidays right around the corner please stay safe and count your blessings.

NAFCAree planning is coming along nicely so please read Chatter each month as we continue to fill your weeklong campout with fun activities. Treasurer, Bill Neeb will be happy to take installments on trips, camping, etc. to make it easier to do more. Your camping deposit of \$100.00 deadline is February 1.

We are still waiting for word on our January full board meeting place but will let you know as soon as I know.

Hopefully we will be able to have fun after the holidays at the Holiday Inn in Sturbridge, MA January 29-31, 2021. Last year the food was excellent, attendance was up, the hotel was great and I don't know of anyone who didn't have an awesome time!

Last month I hope you read an article on "How to get a NAFCAree proposal" Both NAFCAree



and Spring Safari proposals for 2022 are due by Feb. 28, 2021 to me <u>linandjimo@verizon.net</u> for printing in Chatter.

Get more involved, get together with some friends and start the ball rolling. Membership wants more vote on these events so here is you chance!

As you plan chapter events please let everyone know, it defiantly will not happen if you don't plan it. Do what you can, look to the future as being bright and keep the spirt of the Holidays alive always!

Sometimes we overlook the simple pleasures in life....nobody wants anymore negative. Let's put positive in our lives!

Linda Ostiguy President

# Dear Campers, Family & Friends:

About a month ago, when I learned that it might be the end to this great little publication, I immediately felt the need to help out. Many of you know me from my years of camping with my parents, Jim and Linda Ostiguy (starting at 2 months old!). I grew up with all of you and now I look forward to my family growing up with you as well.

For those of you who don't know me, my name is Janell (Ostiguy) Forget and my husband Tony and I live in Charlton Ma with our 3 children; Zoe (12), Quinn (5) & Lucien (5). We also have a 6 month old Bernese Mountain dog, Taycan and 2 kittens who will be 1 on Christmas Day! I look forward to you getting to know you and sharing with you the things I remember and love most about NAFCA!

Janell & Tony Forget, Editors

#### 2021 Calendar Events

January 29-31: Mass Dinner Dance

Holiday Inn Express Sturbridge, MA

February 12-15: PV8 Springfield RV

Camping Show

Eastern States Exposition

Springfield, MA

April 16-18 Otter River Conservation

Otter River State Forest 86 Winchendon Road

Baldwinville, MA

May 14-16 NAFCA Spring Safari

Spencer Fairgrounds Spencer, MA

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July 17-24 NAFCAree Drummer Boy Resort

Gettysburg, PA



#### Snowbirds reminder

It's that time of year again when many of our members travel to warmer destinations for the winter. If you are receiving the Campfire Chatter by postal mail, we need your temporary address as soon as possible with the effective date.

Or please consider getting the Chatter by email to save printing and mailing costs. Address changes can be made quickly by email to:

#### membership@nafca.org

If you do not have email, send in the Change of Address form.

The Chatter does not get forwarded by the post office because it is considered a periodical. These get returned to the NAFCA PO Box and we in turn need to pay for returned mail and you do not receive the newsletter.

#### **Chatter Email Address**

The email address to submit articles for Campfire Chatter has changed. The new address will now be:

#### CampfireChatter@nafca.org

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#### **Great 80's Replay**

# 2021 MASS DINNER & DANCE "Great 80's Replay"

The 2021 Mass Dinner & Dance is still scheduled for January 30, 2021 at the Holiday Inn Express & Suites, Sturbridge MA

As with everything throughout the state, there is a limit to the numb er of people we can have in attendance, which is still low, even for us.

The hotel rooms are as follows: \$89 per night –

King Standard or 2 Queen Standard \$99 per night – King Suite, 2 Queen Suite & roll in sh ower King Suite

You need to call the hotel direct to m ake your reservations – 508 347 8000 – The deadline to make hotel reservations is 12/24/20.

We are trying for the same caterer & menu as last year's so we can make it a get away weekend, without the dinner & dance if the numbers don't increase-or cancel altogether.

Throwing it out to the people who attend – so what are your thoughts?

Kathy Lenakmlturbo@aol.com

#### Massachusetts State Director Report

Here we are the end of October and things are not changing for the better as I had hoped.

With flu season moving in it is more important to keep our selves safe and protect others; so let's keep up the social distancing and keep wearing our face coverings when needed.

Some of us have ventured out in small groups it's different, but we can make it work.

Please be patient and understand that we don't want to cancel things, so we may be waiting until the last minute to see where things are before we do.

We are still looking for proposals for the 2021 Fall Frolic and also anyone interested in becoming a deputy, let a team member know.

The 2021 Mass Dinner Dance is scheduled to be at the Holiday Inn Express in Sturbridge on January 30, 2021. Stay smart and be safe

Kathy Lena Massachusetts State Director

# MEMBERSHIP GIFT CERTIFICATES

A suggestion was made at a recent board meeting to sell membership gift certificates. With Christmas approaching, now is a great time to purchase new NAFCA membership for a family member or friend. From now until the end of the year, purchase 1 year for \$25.00. Starting January 1, 2021 the new rates will apply. Please send the form below with payment:

\$30 for 1 year, \$55 for 2 years or \$75 for 3 years

Last Name
First Name
Address:
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State/Zip
Phone:
Email:

Mail to: NAFCA, P.O. Box 345 Billerica, MA 01821

Send the form and we will send the gift certificate to you to give along with the membership card and a NAFCA welcome letter.



#### **MEMBERSHIP 581**

For the month of October, there were 2 new members in Maine and 3 members with late payments.

### **2021 NAFCAree News**

NAFCA Members, please plan on joining us for the 2021 NAFCAree in Gettysburg PA! July 17 - 24, 2021

Drummer Boy Camping Resort 1300 Hanover Street Gettysburg, PA 17325

Web Site: <a href="https://drummerboycampresort.com/">https://drummerboycampresort.com/</a>



For this month's Chatter article, the Committee is excited to announce the trips for the 2021 NAFCAree! There is so much information to share with you, we are going to split the trip descriptions into two months, this month and next month. In this Chatter, we will describe the trips for Sunday – Tuesday (with teasers for next month). In the January Chatter, we will

#### Sunday, July 18th: Gettysburg National Military Park Visitor's Center & Guided Battlefield Tour:

Tour begins with a self-guided tour of the park <u>Museum and Visitor Center</u> which offers visitors an updated museum experience that tells the story of the Battle of Gettysburg and its significance to our nation's history, within the context of the causes and consequences of the Civil War. Opened in 2008, the museum showcases an extensive collection of artifacts and archival materials and provides visitors with a perspective of the Civil War through the words of its participants and spectators, including Presidents Lincoln and Davis, Generals Meade and Lee, soldiers, correspondents, and civilians. Through a variety of exhibits, interactive displays, films, and a host of research resources, the museum provides a Civil War experience unlike any other.



This tour will also include the <u>Battle of Gettysburg Cyclorama painting</u> by French artist Paul Philippoteaux who spent months on the battlefield researching the battle with veterans, a battlefield guide and a photographer. It took Philippoteaux and a team of assistants more than a year to complete the painting. The result is a breathtaking canvas that measures 377 feet in circumference and 42 feet high. Longer than a football field and as tall as a four-story structure, the Gettysburg Cyclorama oil painting, along with light and sound effects, immerses visitors in the fury of Pickett's Charge during the third day of the Battle of Gettysburg.

After the Visitor's Center and museum, we will travel the historic fields of Gettysburg in the comfort of an air-conditioned guided tour bus and watch history come alive through the eyes of a licensed guide. Enjoy a truly unique perspective into the three-day Battle of Gettysburg where more than 165,000 soldiers fought with Union and Confederate armies. The battle lasted three days — July 1, 2 and 3, 1863, and raged through the town and the surrounding countryside. The largest battle ever fought in North America resulted in more than 51,000 casualties - soldiers that were killed, wounded, captured, or missing. Today, the Gettysburg battlefield receives nearly one million visitors annually from all over the world, drawn the area's historical significance and natural beauty. <a href="https://www.nps.gov/gett/index.htm">https://www.nps.gov/gett/index.htm</a>

# Monday July 19th: Seminary Ridge Battlefield / Gettysburg Heritage Center Museum / General Pickett's lunch Buffet / Shriver House Museum









This tour starts at the heart of the first day's fighting in Gettysburg, Seminary Ridge. Seminary Ridge Museum and Education Center, is located on Seminary Ridge along the National Park Service's auto tour route. Three floors of exhibits connect individuals and groups to the dilemmas which led to the Civil War, provide a powerful and personal view of the battle's first day, and show the work of one of the battlefield's largest field hospitals. The museum also features a museum shop and a mile-long outdoor walking trail with wayside markers. Please note that all three floors of museum exhibits and the museum entrance are handicap accessible.

#### http://seminaryridgemuseum.org/plan-your-visit.html

Our next stop will be the Gettysburg Heritage Center Museum where guests will witness the Battle of Gettysburg from two unique perspectives – the civilians who lived in the town of Gettysburg, and the soldiers on the battlefield. Take a step back in time to see the reality of war, and hear the stories of the people who called Gettysburg home. This story is told through 3-D photographs and programs, artifacts, interactive displays, and story boards. The second part of the tour is a 20-minute movie presentation that offers a great orientation to the Battle of Gettysburg. The award-winning movie, "Gettysburg: An Animated Map," is presented by the American Battlefield Trust. <a href="https://www.gettysburgmuseum.com/">https://www.gettysburgmuseum.com/</a>

This tour includes a lunch at General Pickett's Lunch Buffet where the buffet includes soup and salad bar, hot buffet, and dessert buffet. Please see their website for the full lunch menu.

#### https://www.generalpickettsbuffets.com

The last stop on this busy day will be the Shriver House Museum Tour where you will travel back in time with a guide in period attire and walk through the Shrivers' meticulously restored 1860 home to learn the other side of the story - the civilian side of the Battle of Gettysburg. Connect to the past while you listen to the story of George, Hettie, Sadie (7) and Mollie (5) unfold as you move from room to room to appreciate what life was like before, during, and after the Civil War. <a href="http://www.shriverhouse.org/">http://www.shriverhouse.org/</a>



#### Tuesday, July 20th: Day Trip to Lancaster for the Amish Experience

Join us for an air-conditioned bus tour of the backroads of Lancaster to get a glimpse into Lancaster County life. We will stop for an Amish at Home Experience with a homestead tour, Jacobs Choice Movie presentation and an authentic Amish Lunch.

#### Amish Farm and House Countryside Bus Tours

This 90-minute bus tour weaves through the farmland, takes riders to a tucked-away covered bridge, and passes Amish schoolhouses, buggies, barns, homes, and farmland vistas, all while sharing stories and facts about the Amish way of life. We will also stop at one of the popular Amish all-you-can-eat restaurants for lunch or dinner.

#### Teasers for next month:

#### Wednesday July 21st:

The Pride of the Susquehanna Riverboat Ride (Harrisburg):

Wednesday Evening July 21st:

Totem Pole Playhouse - Beehive - The 60s Musical

#### Thursday July 22nd:

Train Trip - North Central Railway of York / Amish Market

#### Friday July 23rd:

Eisenhower National Historic Site / Hickory Bridge Farm Lunch / Winery Tour

#### The Fine Print:

Although we expect that all trips will be provided as described, they are tentative and subject to change. In addition, the committee reserves the right to cancel or modify any trip if minimum participation is not met or availability changes.

Make your own reservation-several types of cabins available.) Admin Fee @\$50.00 \$  Non NAFCA member add 1 Yr Membership @\$25.00 \$  Initial Deposit \$  TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \$100 Deposit Due by February 1  Final payments due by May 1	Registration Form NAFCAree 2021
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#### The Details:

Camping Reservations: The cost for a full hook up site (water, electric, sewer and cable TV) for the week will be \$575.00.

Extra Family in a rig will be \$100 and extra adults will be \$50 each.

Cabins: There are several types of cabins available that range in price from \$ 778.60 to \$1,593.42 for the week. You will need to make your own reservations for a cabin by calling Kelsey Nelson at 844-289-6234. Some of these cabins will be near the rest of the group and some will not be.

#### For reference, the cabins nearest our group are on Picket's Thicket road.

Please mention that you are with NAFCA when making the reservation to receive the discount. If you will be renting a cabin, you will still need to fill out a reservation form and pay the \$50 Admin fee to cover NAFCAree costs (the same that everyone else is paying).

To see a description of the cabins, please go to <a href="https://">https://</a> drummerboycampresort.com/ Cabin and Cottage Rentals.php on the Drummer Boy Web Site.

There is a minimum deposit of \$100 due for camping by February 1, 2021.

Final Payment for camping will be due on: May 1, 2021. Progress payments are gladly accepted.

We hope that you will be able to join is for a week of fun in Gettysburg!

The 2021 NAFCAree Committee



#### TRIP RESERVATION FORM

#### NAFCAree 2021

Drummer B	oy Camping Resort
July 1	7 – 24, 2021
Saturday, July 17th Dinner - Zi	ti & Meatballs, Salad, Rolls, Butter
Adult Meals @ \$6.00 = Children Meals ( 7 – 9) @ \$4.0 (under 6 – Free)	\$ 0 = \$
Sunday, July 18th: Gettysburg Battlefield Guided Tour	National Military Park Visitors Center and
Adults@ \$40.00 = Children 12 & under @ \$36.00 =	
Monday, July 19th: Seminary R General Pickett's Lunch Buffet	
Adults@ \$60.00= Children Under 12@\$54.00=	\$ \$
Tuesday, July 20th: Lancaster A Movie/Amish Lunch	Amish Experienced: Homestead Tour/Jacob's Choice
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Wednesday July 21st: Pride of t	the Susquehanna Riverboat Trip
Adults@\$31.00= Children under 12@\$26.00=	\$
Wednesday, July 21st: Evening	: Baked Potato Bar
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	Totempole Playhouse - Beehive the 60's Musical
Adults@\$5000= Children under 12@\$50.00=	\$ \$
	ntral Railway Train Ride/Markets of Shrewsbury Trip
Adults@\$50.00= Children under 12@\$40.00=	\$ \$
Friday, July 23rd: Eisenhower I Adams County Winery	National Historic Site/Hickory Bridge Farm/Lunch/
Adults@\$62.00= Children 12 & under@\$50.00=	\$ Final Payment due by May 1, 2021 \$ Progress payments acceptable
Initial \$50 Deposit (refundable until May 1, 2021).  Total Enclosed:	\$ Make Checks Payable to: NAFCA \$ Mail to: P.O. Box 345
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#### NAFCAREE MERCHANDISE!

T-shirts and Golf shirts will be an ash grey 50 / 50 blend with the NAFCAree embroidered logo. We will try to get any ordered items to you

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#### **GET YOUR CHATTER BY EMAIL!**

Thank you to the several members who are now receiving the Campfire Chatter by email. We are now up to 230 digital copies. You will receive the Chatter around the 15th of month, every month. No waiting for the mailman to arrive. Another benefit to the digital Chatter is that it is now in color, you can have one sent to you and a second person on the membership. If you would like to have the Chatter by email, please send your request including your name to: membership@nafca.org

We will still offer the printed mailed copy in black and white print.

Thank you for considering this option to help save printing and mailing costs for NAFCA.

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#### **SMOKE SIGNALS**

#### Penobscot Valley Acres Chapter 37

Well another season is in the books; the clubhouse, shed and garage are locked and the windows covered. The water and power is off. The campground has been turned over to the wildlife for safe keeping this winter. it is always sad to see everything so quiet and empty but it is a wonderful place and time to go out for a walk about and maybe a fall picnic. Later in the winter it is a great place for cross country skiing and snowshoeing and other snow sports. We have been staying in touch with our friends through our face book pages and looking forward to next season when we can all be together again. Plans are already starting to be formulated for fun events next season.

We did, however, get sad news of the passing of one of our members, and dear friend, Homer Osborne. Our condolences go out to his wife, Sandra and their family. Homer was the kind of fellow that you liked the first time you met him. He was always there to offer a helping hand and a warm greeting to all and he will be greatly missed.

Well as not much is happening right now I will once again wish you all safe travels and a pray for an end to this awful pandemic.

#### Canvasback Chapter 157

All things sure have been altered with this China Virus! Thank-you so much for all of us who are still hanging in with NAFCA.

You may have seen that the Mass Dinner Dance weekend (January 29-31, 2020) is right now a go.

Although the Dance & Dinner May be limited to a smaller number of participation of maybe cancelled all together, sad to say. There is a chance this could be a get-away weekend only – no dance or dinner. Please see the NAFCA Group Facebook page for a straw poll on who might attend.

Canvasback Chapter has not camped or done anything together in all of the past nine months and we miss all of our NAFCA friends very much. I only hope the year 2021 will turn out to be a better year for us all than the past year was.

How can one report on the goings on of the chapter if nothing is happening? We must all stay strong and be positive we will come through this this world of today.

Don Daniel – Correspondent

#### Worcester Chapter 11

Columbus Weekend brought us back to Mineral Springs in CT. We had 12 rigs join us. Friday night we were welcomed with hot soup. It was cool enough that it was great. Thank you Ben & Gisele

We had an All American BBQ with burgers, hotdogs and Benny fries on Saturday along with potluck from everyone. What great cooks we have. We had fires at night to warm us up.

On Sunday, we had our chapter meeting, nominations, elections and installation of our new president: John Sullivan.

Welcome John and many thanks for accepting the job.

We expressed thanks to the rest of the board for staying on. A great big Thank You to Ben Mattson for all the years as president. Your work as president over the years is greatly appreciated and do es not go without notice. Now you can relax and enjoy

Now you can relax and enjoy camping as past president advising the new president along the way.

Thank you Marty Moore for stepping up to be our newsletter editor. As Gisele Mattson is retiring from that position, we cannot thank her enough for all her hard work. She will continue as Membership Secretary for Worcester Chapter.

We also had wagon masters' step up for all next year's camping. All months are covered. Look forward to camping next year.

In addition, our appreciation goes to Miner al Springs for allowing us to camp both Labor and Columbus Day weekends. They kept activities going while social distancing.

#### **SMOKE SIGNALS**

#### CT: Wolf Den Chapter 103

#### Merry Christmas!

At this time, I'm not so sure Wolf Den member's will be having our annual Christmas dinner, and Secret Santa. But, we must persevere, hope and believe the day will come sooner rather than later for our lives to be normal once again!

For many of us, it's not going to be very merry Christmas this year because of the Covid-19 pandemic, and everyone social distancing. Most families will not be gathering for a holiday feast or just to be around each other to open gifts, or whatever your holiday tradition may be, I know it's much different than usual. Even though, we still need to come together with our family and friends to support one another to help get through these trying times. With social media, we can share our individual joys through Face Time, Skype, Google Duo, and Zoom, to send warm wishes of holiday greetings of LOVE.

Perhaps, there may be someone you haven't spoken with, in many years, now might be that chance to catch up with a little more free time you might have. Go for it! Make someone smile and feel loved, and let them know you are there for them in a time of need. There are so many people who need a little extra help, and there are so many people out there who are helping neighbors, and communities. It's a wonderful feeling to know people really care. No one never wants to ask for help, but please... ask!!! Stay safe, wear your masks, and social distance. Let's get this pandemic over with!

#### The NAFCA Emblem

Typical of the North American Family Campers Association, our emblem is not the result of accident or casual effort. When the Association was expanded and its name changed in 1967, the Board of Directors realized a new emblem for the association was needed. The Board felt that the membership should have an opportunity to suggest the new emblem since in any democratic volunteer organization the best results are obtained by many people working on a project. Accordingly, an emblem contest open to all members was set up.

More than 300 entries were received in the contest. The judges had a most difficult task in narrowing down the large field. Many, many hours were spent studying entries before the winning one was selected. A number of entries had obviously been prepared by commercial artists while others were the work of small children who had good ideas, too.

It is interesting to note that the winning entry- that of Mrs. Virginia Sawyer of Rockland, Maine, a long time member and charter member of Pine Tree Chapter, was not professionally executed. It was Mrs. Sawyer's idea that won rather than her drawing ability.



NEXT MONTH WE WILL LOOK CLOSER AT THE ELEMENTS OF THE EMBLEM

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\$\$ Hide-A-Way Cove 1060 North Road PO Box 129 East Killingly, CT 06243 860-774-1128 hideawaycovecampground.com

Mineral Springs Family Campground 135 Leonard Road Stafford Springs, CT. 06076 860-684-2993 www.mineralspringscampround.com Groups receive 10% discount

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Nelson's Family Campground 71 Mott Hill Road East Hampton, CT. 06424 860-267-5300 www.nelsonscampground.com 10% discount not including holiday or discounted weekends

Ross Hill Campground 170 Ross Hill Road Lisbon, CT 06351-2922 860-376-9606 www.rosshillpark.com

\$\$ RV Parts & Electric 2385 S. Leonard Street Waterbury, CT 06706 203-754-5962 a1awning@snet.com

Wolf's Den Family Campground 256 Town Street East Haddam, CT 06434 860-873-9681 www.wolfsdencampground.com 10% discount not including holiday or discounted weekends

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\$\$ Indicates campgrounds that offer 10% discount off of their regular daily rate. \$\$\$ Indicates a 15% discount (GR) Indicates Group Rates are available.

\$\$ Circle CG Farm Inc. 131 North Main Street Bellingham, MA 02019 508-966-1136 info@circlecgfarm.com

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Lamb City Campground 85 Royalston Road Phillipston, MA. 01331 800-292-5262 www.lambcity.com

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\$\$ Pout & Trout Campground 94 River Road Rutland, MA. 01543 508-886-6677

Prospect Lake Park 50 Prospect Lake Road No. Egremont, MA 01230 877-860-4757 www.prospectlakepark.com

Prospect Mountain Campground 1349 Main Rd./Rte. 57, PO Box 323 Granville, MA 01034 413-357-6494 www.prospectmountaincampground.com

Spencer Agricultureal Association PO Box 46 Spencer, MA. 01562 508-885-5814 www.spencerfair.org

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\$\$\* Shir-Roy Camping Area 136 Athol Road Richmond, NH 03470 603-239-4768; shir-roy.com \*10 or more rigs (no holiday weekends)

#### RHODE ISLAND

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Abel Mountain Campground 354 Mobile Acres Road Braintree, VT. 05060 802-728-5548; ablemountain.com

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#### NAFCA CARES

We recently learned about the passing of long time PV8 member Jean Savoie. Jean was well known for his involvement in both PV8 chapter activities and the annual camping show. He and his wife, Francine Savoie joined PV8 in 1997. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family during this difficult time. We will all miss him dearly!

Now for some Happy News:

Sarah Adams and Adam Curtis were married recently, she is the youngest daughter of Jack and Donna Adams and grew up in NAFCA. Congrats to them both:)

Remember to keep me posted about our NAFCA friends so it can be shared with everyone in this column.

We need to stay in touch more than ever with all the disruptions going on in the world.

We need to keep our men and women in the US Armed Forces in our thoughts and prayers for a safe and quick return home.

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#### WHAT'S COOKING?

#### PUMPKIN CUPCAKES

1 (18 ¼ oz) pkg yellow cake mix

1 (4 serving size) vanilla instant pudding mix

1 cup canned

pumpkin

1/2 cup oil

½ cup water

3 eggs and

1 ½ tsp ground cinnamon

1 tsp ground cloves

1 tsp vanilla

#### INSTRUCTIONS

Beat all ingredients with mixer on low speed until just moistened. Beat on medium speed 2 minutes. Spoon batter into 24 paper lined muffin cups, filling each cup 2/3 full. Bake in 350° oven 20 minutes. Frost cooled cupcakes with Spiced Cream Cheese Frosting Yield 24 cupcakes

#### SPICED CREAM CHEESE FROSTING

Beat 1 (8 oz) package cream cheese, softened, ¼ cup butter, softened, 1 tsp vanilla and ¼ tsp ground cloves until light and fluffy. Gradually beat in 1 (16 oz) confectioner's sugar until smooth.