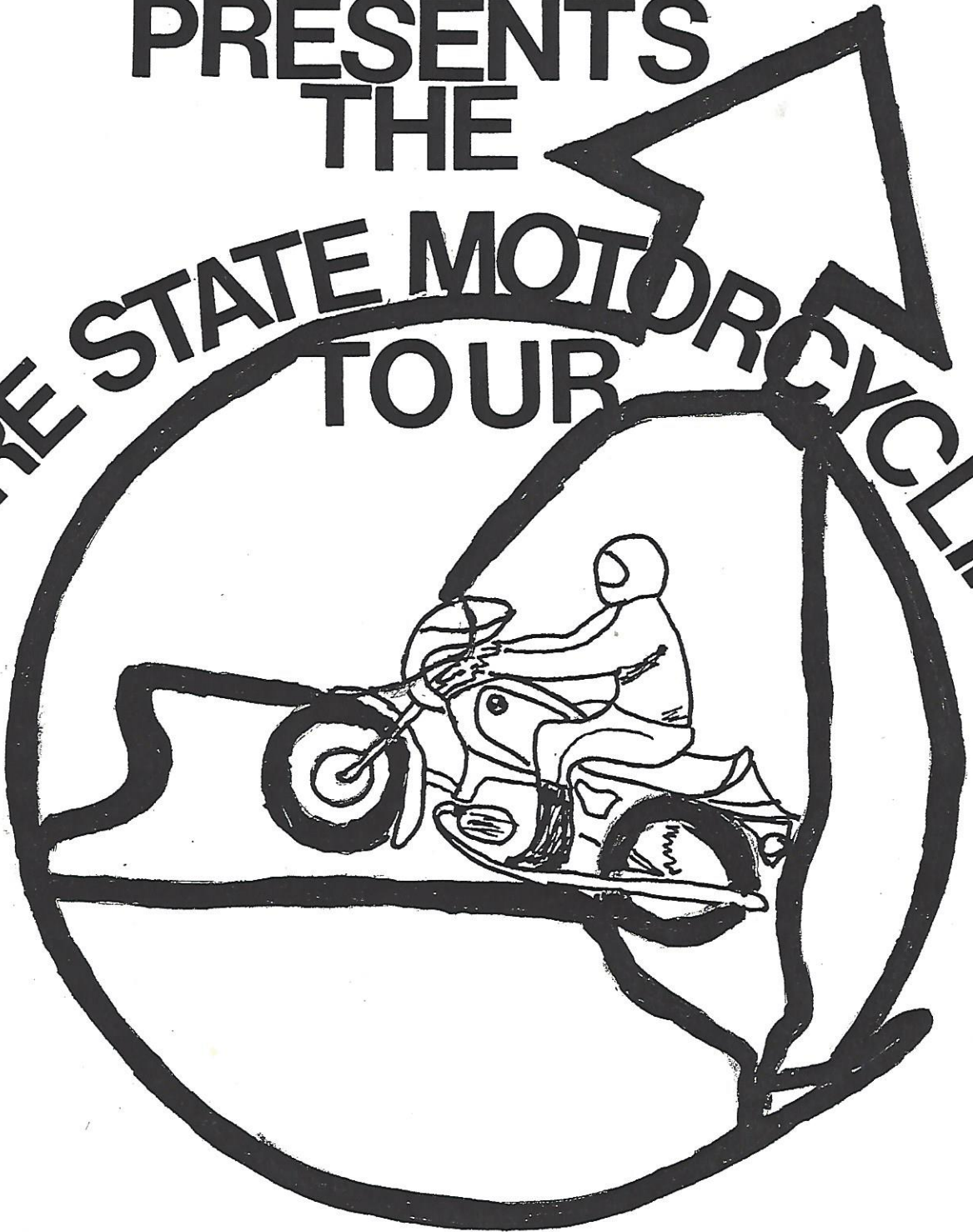


**EMPIRE CITY M.C.  
PRESENTS  
THE**

**EMPIRE STATE MOTORCYCLING  
TOUR**



Scenic Motor-cycling throughout the Empire State, New York!

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Dear *Bob*

First of all welcome ! The members of the Empire City, M.C. are happy that you are able to join us in what we hope will be a week full of adventurous but safe motorcycling through New York; The Empire State. For those who have and still think that New York City is all there is to the State, lean back on your sissy bar and enjoy. You are in for a pleasant surprise. Those familiar with the State will still find that there is still plenty of things to do and see.

Let me note the key principles that are the basis of this week-long tour and our planning for it;

THIS IS YOUR VACATION !!!  
SET YOUR OWN PACE,  
SIT BACK, RELAX AND ENJOY.

We recognize that some of you have additional plans, for others, however, this may represent most ,if not all, of your allocated time. With this in mind the planning behind this trip is geared to provide you with alternatives and options; you pick and enjoy what you want to do and when.

Before going any further we must remind all of one exception to the above. There are no alternatives or options when it comes to safe motorcycling. Your safety and that of your brothers depends on everyone obeying this rule. This is one area where we make no exceptions. With that said, let's move on.

The enclosed Tour Package contains information about more things to do than you will be able to do during the week. No one is expected to run from place to place. Take it slow and plan to come back in the future. The Tour Booklet(attached to this letter) provides directions to and from various suggested destinations, including how to get to the Tour's starting point, Port Jervis, and the other two places where we are staying, Watkins Glen and Cooperstown. We have also included handouts of places to see and things do in these areas. Take time to read through the Tour Booklet and the other material in the Tour Package beforehand. These are provided to assist you in developing your own individual or sub-group plans for the week. Lastly, we look forward to a good, enjoyable and safe week of motorcycling and brotherhood and we thank you for making us part of your vacation plans.

In Brotherhood and Love,

*Jose*  
Jose Reyes, Road Captain,  
Empire City, M. C.

## TOUR SCHEDULE

FRIDAY AUGUST 18th TO FRIDAY AUGUST 25th 1989  
(( OPTIONAL AUGUST 26th AND AUGUST 27th ))

### AUGUST 18th FRIDAY

- 0 Check in at Port Jervis Holiday Inn ..... after 2pm
- 0 Cold cuts available for late arrivals ..... 9pm to 12pm

### AUGUST 19th SATURDAY

- 0 Breakfast at Holiday Inn ..... 7am to 8:30
- 0 Check out in Hospitality Room ..... 8am to 9
- 0 Morning briefing of roads, area, other .....8:30
- 0 Departure for Watkins Glen (avoid traffic leave early) 9am on
- 0 Lunch ( on your own)
- 0 Check in at Glen Motor Inn in Watkins Glen ..... after 2pm
- 0 Dinner at Glen Motor Inn ..... 7pm
- 0 After dinner (on your own - Hospitality Room open) ... 9:30pm

### AUGUST 20th SUNDAY

- 0 Early bird continental Breakfast - hosp. Rm.... 6:30am to 7:30
- 0 Breakfast at Glen Motor Inn ..... 7:30am to 9:00
- 0 Morning briefing of roads, area, other .....9:00
- 0 Free Time On Your Own Till 9pm (see suggestions below)
- Suggestions; (depending on weather)
  - A. Letchworth State Park
    - Hammondport;
    - Glen Curtiss Aviation Museum
    - Taylor or Bully Hill Wineries (Wine Museum at Bully Hill)\*
    - Ride along Lake Keuka ( Rt. 54A and Rt. 54 suggested)
    - Lunch at Lakeside Restaurant (on Rt. 54A)
    - Tour Pen Yan
  - B. Watkins Glen State Park
    - Ride along Rts. 414n, 96A, 96s, 89s and see;
    - Trumansbury Falls State Park
    - Tour Ithaca area ( Rick Otis to conduct tour)
    - On the way back ;
    - Ride along Lake Cayuga and do the Cayuga Wineries Trail
- 0 Dinner ( on your own - see suggested restaurants)
- 0 Hospitality Room open ..... 7:30pm
- 0 Timespan Lasar/audio show in Watkins Glen St.Pk.\* .... 9:00pm

\* See Jose or Keith for information on group rates

#### AUGUST 21st MONDAY

- 0 Early bird continental brdft. at Hosp. Rm. .... 6:30am to 7:30
  - 0 Breakfast at Glen Motor Inn ..... 7:30am to 9:00
  - 0 Morning briefing of roads, area, questions, other ..... 9:00
  - 0 Free Time - Free Time On Your Own (see suggestions below)
- Suggestions; Depending on weather
- C. Ride along Rts.414s and 17e to ;
    - Harris Hill;
    - Soaring site and glide up to view the area from above\*
    - Visit National Soaring Museum
  - Ride back along Rt. 17w to;
  - Corning;
  - Corning Glassware Museum and Glass Making Center\*
  - Lunch - On your own (Glassware Mus. has decent cafeteria)
  - Rockwell Museum \*
- D. Do combinations of A, B, C, or your own thing
- 0 Dinner - ( on your own - see suggested restaurants)
  - 0 Hospitality Room Open ..... 7:30pm

#### AUGUST 22nd TUESDAY

- 0 Early bird continental brdft.in Hosp. Rm. .... 6:30am to 7:30
- 0 Breakfast at Glen Motor Inn ..... 7:30am to 9:00
- 0 Morning briefing of roads, area, questions, other
- 0 Free time - On your own until 6pm (see suggestion above)
- 0 Dinner cruise on Seneca Lake onboard the Columbia... 6pm to 10
- 0 On your own ..... 10pm

#### AUGUST 23rd WEDNESDAY

- 0 Early bird continental brdft. in Hosp. Rm ..... 6:30am to 7:30
  - 0 Breakfast at Glen Motor Inn ..... 7:30am to 9:00
  - 0 Morning briefing on roads, area, questions ..... 9:00
  - 0 Check out time in Hospitality Room ..... 9:30am to 10:30
  - 0 First organized group leaves for Cooperstown ..... 10am
  - 0 Free time on your own (see suggestions below)
- Suggestions
- A. Take your time to Copperstown (see suggested routes or map your own way) or go straight to;
  - B. Cooperstown and see;
    - Baseball Hall of Fame
    - Farmers Museum
    - Fenimore House Museum
    - Walking tour of Cooperstown
    - Lake tours
- 0 Check in at Bayside Motor Inn ..... after 2pm
  - 0 Dinner on your own ( see suggested restaurants)
  - 0 Hospitality Room open ..... 7:30pm

AUGUST 24th THURSDAY

- 0 Continental Breakfast in Inn's Lounge area .... 7:30am to 9:00
- 0 Morning briefing on roads, area, questions, other ..... 9:00
- 0 Free time - on your own (see suggestions below)
- Suggestions;
  - C. Scenic ride ( see Booklet) to;
    - Howe Caverns - Avoid crowds, start early for Caverns\*
  - B. Tour of Cooperstown (See suggestion B for wednesday)
- 0 Dinner on your own (See suggested restaurants)
- 0 Hospitality Room open ..... 7:30pm

AUGUST 25th FRIDAY

- 0 Continental Breakfast in Inn's lounge area ..... 7:30am to 9:30
- 0 Check out in Hospitality Room ..... 8:30am to 9:00
- 0 Morning briefing on roads, questions, other .....9:00

THE TOUR OFFICIALLY ENDS AT THIS TIME, HOWEVER, THERE ARE A NUMBER OF OPTIONS THAT INDIVIDUALS CAN TAKE. IF YOU ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND THE FULCON'S MIGRATION RUN, YOU CAN HEAD NORTH FROM THIS POINT. THOSE WHO PLANNED TO GO TO THE ROCHESTER RAMS RUN ON SENECA LAKE, CAN HEAD BACK WEST. PEOPLE HEADING BACK HOME CAN DO SO FROM THIS POINT. THE AREA IS CLOSE TO ALL MAJOR INTERSTATES AND WE WILL ASSIST IN MAPPING OUT A ROUTE FOR YOU. SHOULD YOU WISH TO CONTINUE AND JOIN ECMC BACK TO NEW YORK CITY FOR AN IN-TOWN WEEKEND YOU ARE MORE THAN WELCOME AND WE ARE PLANNING TO HOUSE ANYONE WHO WISHES TO DO SO. THE BALANCE OF THE SCHEDULE IS FOR THOSE HEADING BACK TO N.Y.C. OR ARE HEADING IN THAT GENERAL DIRECTION.

- 0 First group departs on Scenic route through the Catskills to West Point or the Hudson Valley Mansions ..... 9:30am
- 0 Tour West Point (time and speed depends on individual)
- 0 Check in at Ken's and Jose's (westside of Manhattan) by ... 6pm
- 0 B.B.Q. dinner at Jose's and Ken's ..... 8pm
- 0 Gathering of N.Y. area clubs/friends (same place) ..... 10pm
- 0 On your own ..... 12mid

AUGUST 26th SATURDAY

- 0 Breakfast/brunch at Jose's/Ken's ..... 12noon
- 0 Circle Line boat tour around Manhattan ..... 4pm
- 0 Or on your own .....
- 0 Dinner on your own .....

AUGUST 27TH SUNDAY

- 0 Breakfast/brunch at Jose's/Ken's ..... 10am
- 0 Homeward .....on your own.

## I. INTRODUCTION

### Overview

The Tour Package and Tour Booklet are designed to provide you with some information about the various areas we are planning to spend time in during the week long tour. The Booklet, together with the accompanying Package material, should provide enough information to allow you to make decisions as to what you want to do and see, where you want to go and how you want to get there. It is our intent to guide and assist and not dictate.

Throughout we have made suggestions on places to see and things to do. In most cases a member of ECMC has been there and found it worthwhile. However, if for example, you don't enjoy touring through historic towns or mansions then visiting these type sites will not be worthwhile as far as you're concern. The goal is to provide as diverse a package of material as possible to ensure that everyone's particular tastes and preferences are covered.

The Tour Booklet is divided into four main sections title as follows;

- I. Introduction
- II. Getting There
- III. Around Watkins Glen and the Finger Lakes
- IV. Around Cooperstown

Section I, Introduction provides general information on what to expect and bring with you. Section II, Getting There, provides detailed directions on getting to the three places where we plan to stay. Section III, Around Watkins Glen and the Finger Lakes, concentrates on detailing some suggestions on what, where and how in and around this area. Section IV, Around Cooperstown, provides details on this area.

### Safety Concerns

First of all, we recognize that our tour group will include veterans with at least one decade of riding experience and we don't want to appear to be "babying" our peers. However, there will be new or relatively new riders as well. In addition, it is unlikely that neither group has previously driven through most, if any, of the areas covered by the tour. The best policy therefore, is to provide the information on the condition of the areas roads traffic and pit-falls and let the individual decide. Throughout the Booklet we have provided "Pointer" to assist the rider. You will also find "Stay Alert" reminders. These are safety related notations and attention should be paid. These notations indicate that we have ridden through the particular

road segment or area in question and feel that a reminder is advisable. This may be due to road conditions, such as deteriorated or less than ideal pavement condition, sharp or blind curves, or degree of grade change. Particular traffic conditions, changes in traffic patterns, or traffic direction that may be confusing. For these and other reasons, a higher state of alertness is required when going through the areas in question.

Another safety concern involves the preparation of your motorcycle for the trip. You should assure that tires, brakes and other systems of your bike are in proper working condition.

## Preparations

### Clothes

The weather in the Finger Lakes and Cooperstown regions is normally warm to hot and humid in mid-August. On occasion the early mornings and evenings can be cool (in the Finger Lakes area, particularly). On the planned dinner cruise onboard the Columbia on Seneca Lake you should bring an extra layer that can be put on just in case. That not to be discussed four letter word, r.a.i.n., is something that, as bikers, we have or should by now learn to always be prepared for. There is no need to bring your formal dining or smoking jacket(s) unless, of course, this is a turn on for you; if so enjoy.

### Motorcycles

As you would for any long trip, we advise that you bring along a number of necessities and as you are most familiar with your own bike, we will not detail these for you. However, some suggestions include;

- basic tool kit;
- owners manual/repair handbook;
- a bulb kit and fuses;
- any item, which for your bike, is needed regularly and may be difficult to obtain in a short notice.
- up to you.

We have located the motorcycle dealers/repair shops in the area and are also bringing along (but hopefully not use) a bike trailer. Getting your bike serviced before the trip is a good idea. We are also bringing along a truck or van in which some of your equipment can be placed.

### Where To Call

Should a problem occur on route, the following telephone numbers should be used;

0 Getting to Port Jervis ....Pt.Jervis Holiday Inn.. 914-856-5299  
0 Getting to Watkins Glen ...Glen Motor Inn ..... 607-535-2706  
0 Getting to Cooperstown ....Bay Side Motor Inn .... 607-547-2371  
0 Getting to New York City ..Jose's/Ken's ..... 212-580-7946

## II. Getting There ???

To Port Jervis; Friday August 18th

From New York City; (Starting from George Washington Bridge)

Miles	Cum. Miles
22...Palisades Pkwy.N to N.Y. Thruway (I 287N/I 87N-Albany) ...	22
29...N.Y. Thruway north to Rt. 17west .....	51
17...Rt. 17w to I 84west (towards Port Jervis .....	68
18...I 84w to Exit 1 (last exit in N.Y.S.-Pt. Jervis .....	86
2...At bottom of exit Rd. turn right to Rt. 6w(Pt. Jervis)	
At first light make a half left off Rt. 6	
Immediately past intersection turn left onto	
Holiday Inn's entrance road .....	88

### Pointers;

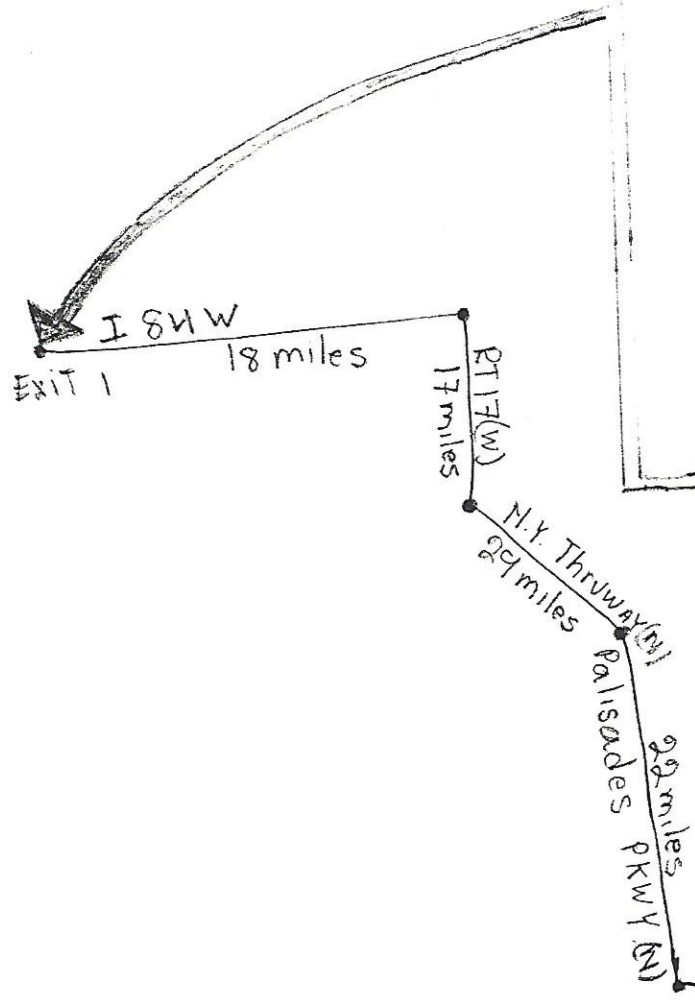
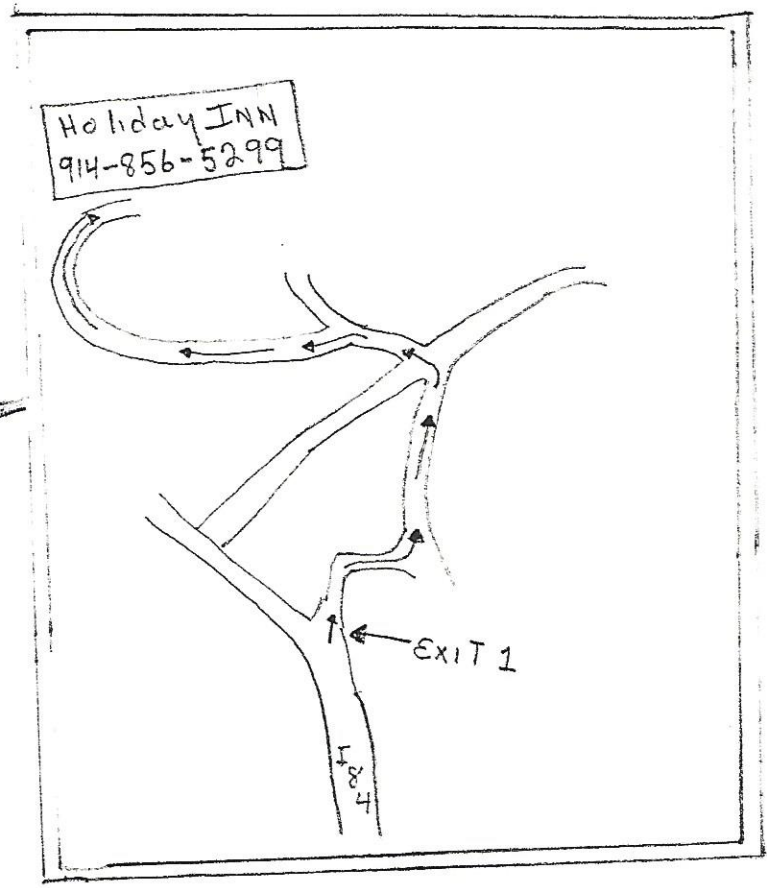
- 0 I 84 has some rough pavement in segments.
- 0 Palisades Pkwy. can have heavy traffic during rush hours and at times there are Police all over the place.
- 0 Should time allow and you want to use other roads, enjoy!

From Philadelphia..... (Starting at Norristown -Rt. 9 and I 276

Miles	Cum. Miles
77...Pennsylvania Tnpk,N.E. Exten. (RT. 9) to I 80 East .....	77
17...I 80E to I 380 North .....	94
30...I 380 N to I 84 East .....	124
52...I 84 E to first exit in N.Y.S. (Exit 1 - Pt. Jervis) ...	176
2...At bottom of exit road turn right towards Pt. Jervis	
At first light after underpass make left turn and	
immediately make a second left onto Holiday Inn's	
entrance road .....	178

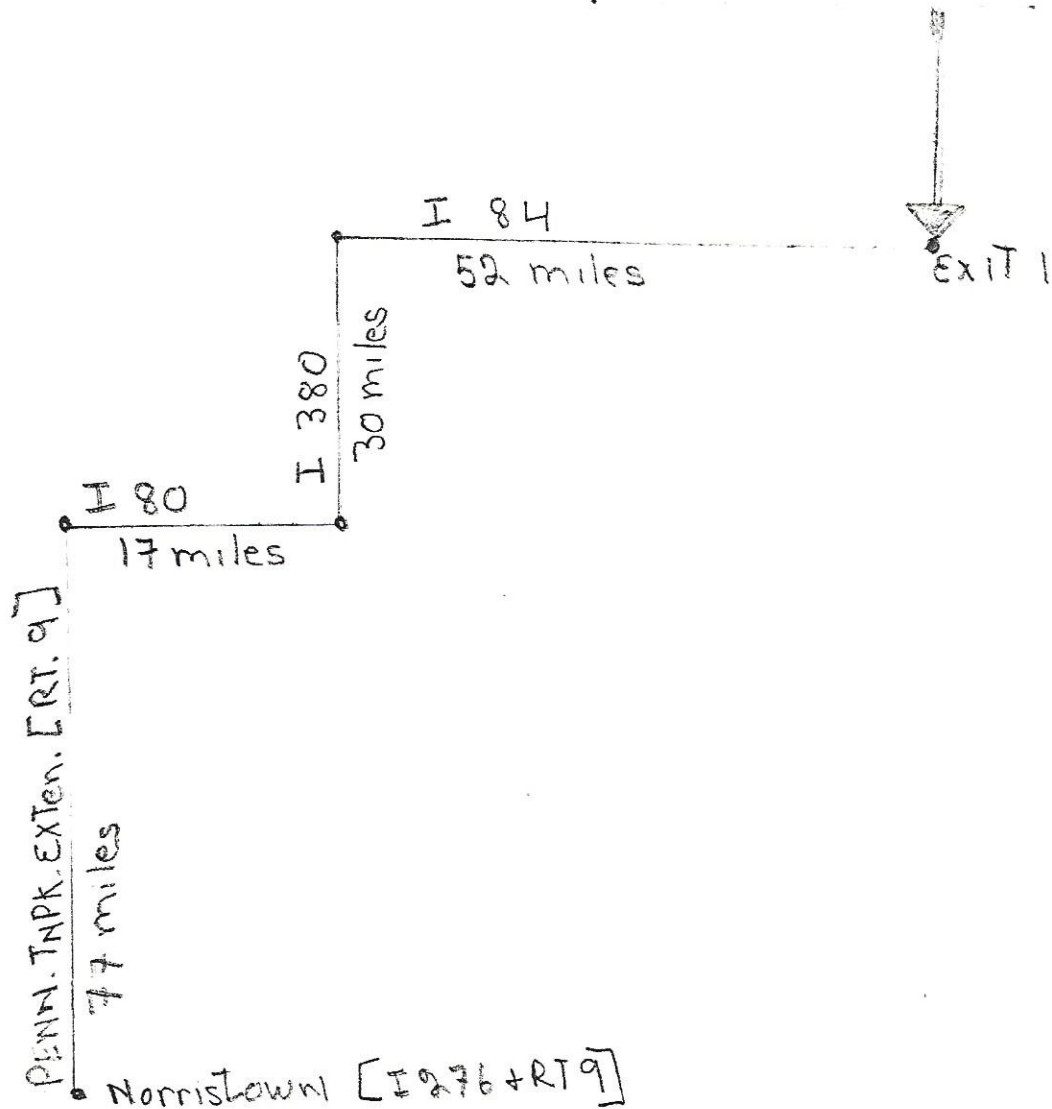
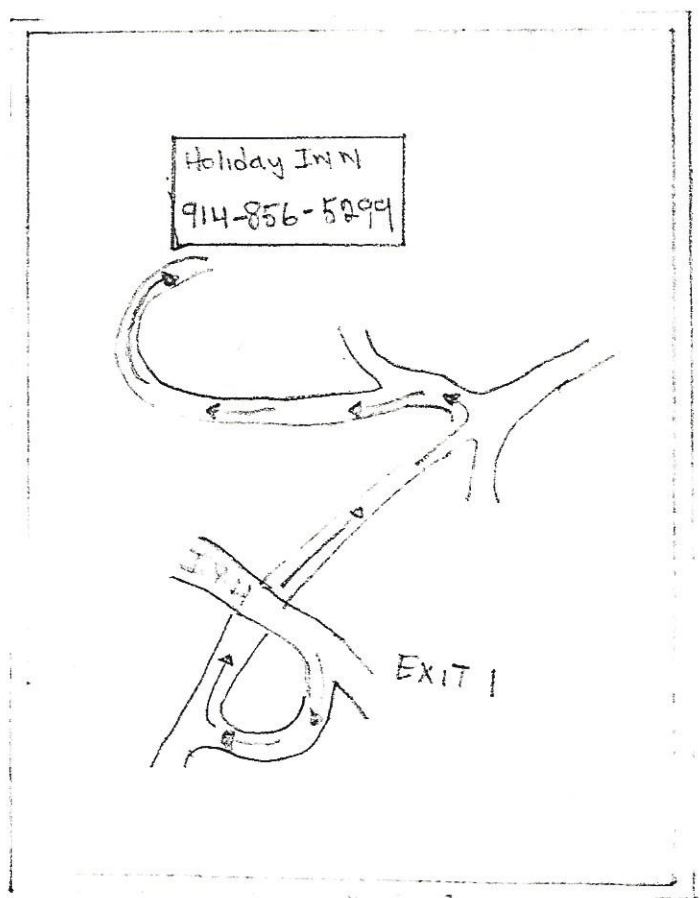
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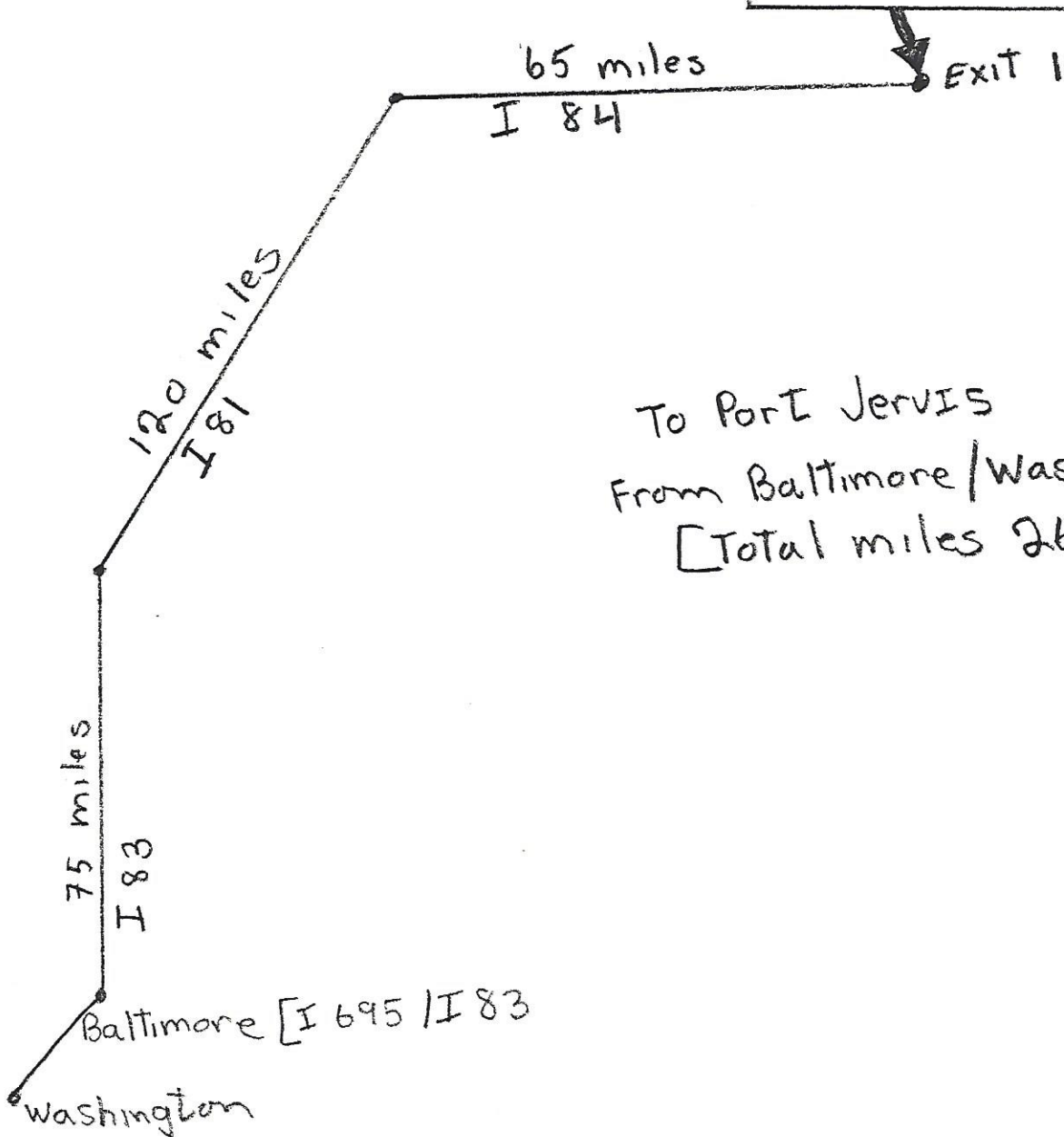
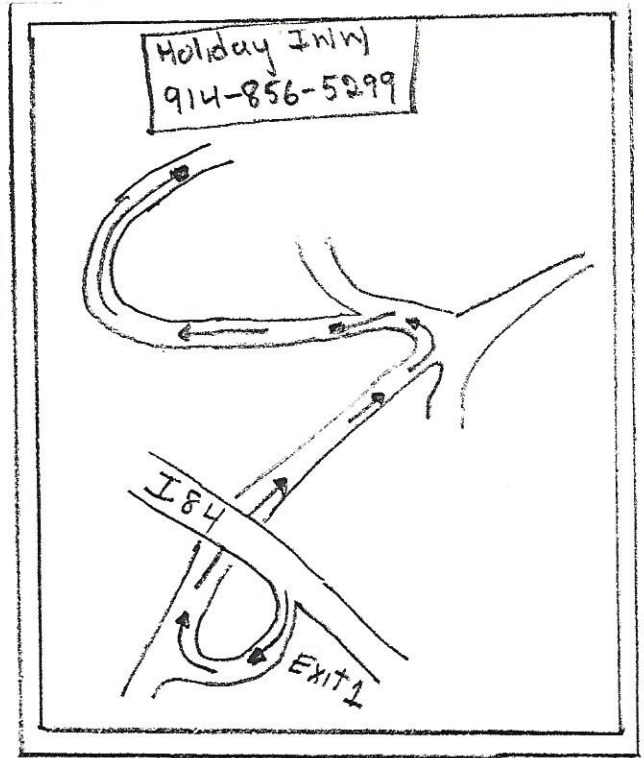
- 0 Heavy traffic can be encountered on RT. 9 leaving Phil. during rush hours. There is also some construction on Rt. 9 as you approach I 80 and on I 80 for a few miles. However, this is only for 5 miles
- 0 Should time allow and you want to use other roads, enjoy!



to Port Jervis  
From N.Y.C.  
88 miles

Port Jervis  
From Philadelphia +  
Points West  
Total miles 178 (From Phil.)





To Port Jervis  
From Baltimore/Washington Area  
[Total miles 262 [from D.C.]]

From Washington / Baltimore Area; (Starting at I 695 and I 83 N)

Miles	Cum. Miles
75...I 83 North to I 81 North/East .....	75
120...I 81N to I 84 East .....	195
65...I 84 E to first exit in N.Y.S. (Exit 1) .....	260
2...At bottom of exit road make right turn	
At first light after underpass make a left turn and	
immediately make a left turn onto Holiday Inn's entrance	
road .....	262

#### Pointers;

- 0 There can be heavy traffic leaving Washington/Baltimore and around York and Harrisburg, P.A.
- 0 Directions shown are all for interstate roads, however, these are in good conditions and once pass Harrisburg area there are some good vistas. Should time allow and you have alternatives, enjoy!

From Points West; (Starting at the I 80 and Rt. 9 Intersection);

...Follow directions noted for Philadelphia after I 80 /Rt. 9 intersection or if time allows Rt. 6 west and east of Scranton is a great road or you can follow I 84 after Scranton to Port Jervis.

From New England; Starting at N.Y.S. Border on I 84 West;

Miles	Cum. Miles
68...I 84 West to last exit in N.Y.S. (Exit 1-Port Jervis ....	68
2...Follow directions noted for New York City .....	2

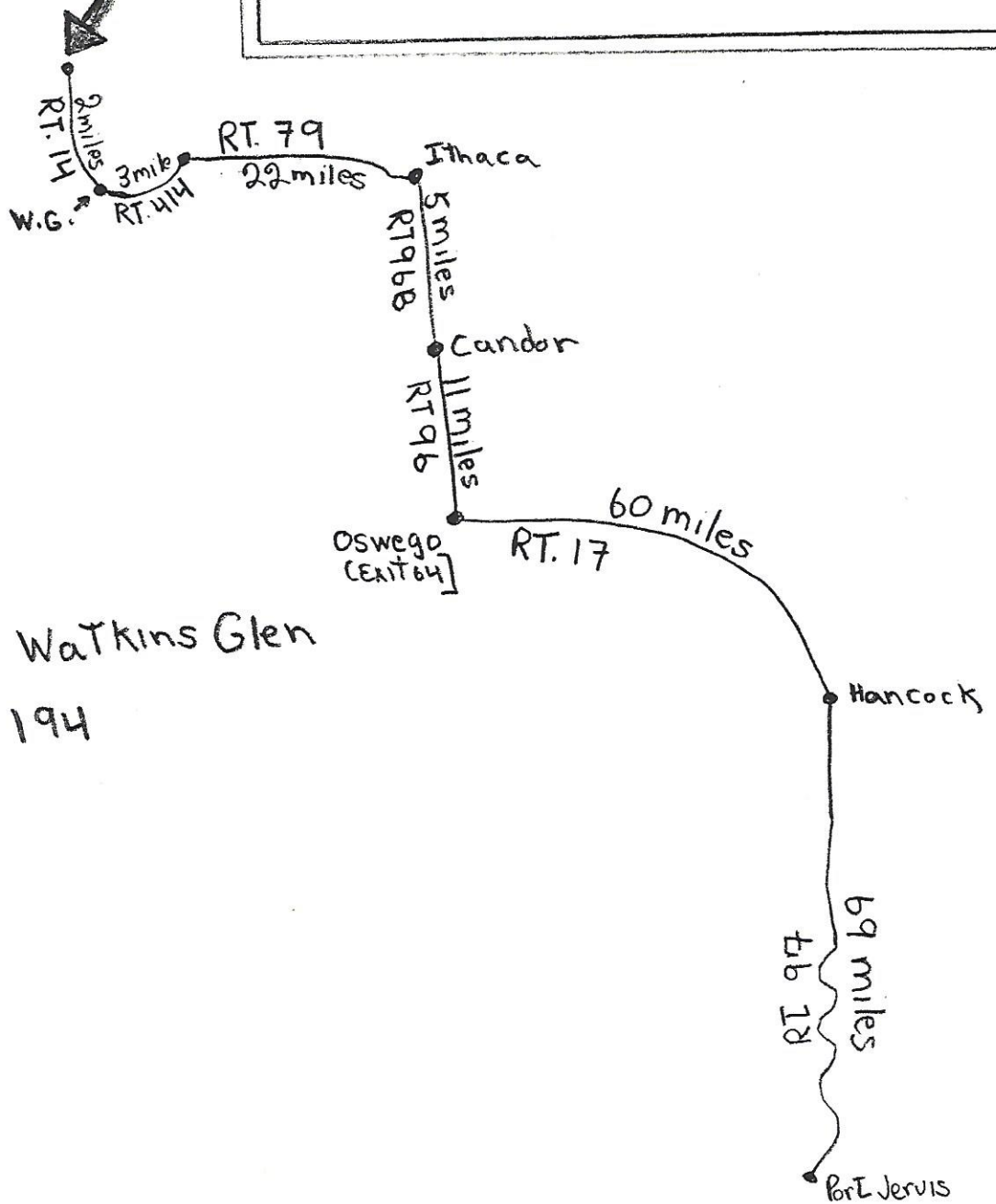
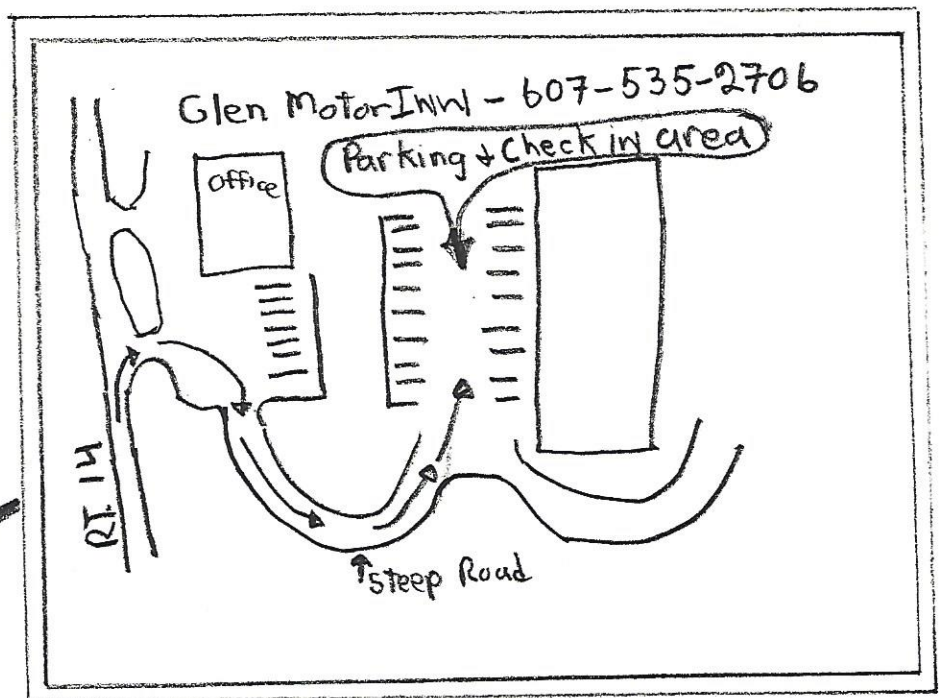
## II. Getting There ??

B. Port Jervis to Watkins Glen .....Saturday August 19th

Miles	Cum. Miles
2...Take Rt.6 thru.Port Jervis to Rt.97 intersection .....	2
2...Rt.97 North out of Port Jervis .....	4
69...Rt.97 N to Rt.17 West (at Hancock) .....	73
60...Rt.17 W to Rt.96 North (Exit 64-Oswego) .....	133
11...Rt.96 N to Rt.96/96B split (at Candor) Take Rt.96B .....	144
18...RT.96B North to Ithaca .....	162
** Rain alternate - Stay on Rt.96 N to Rt.224 West to W.G.***	
5...Rt.96B to Rt.13 North -(Right turn) for 1/4 mil. and left turn on to Rt.79 West -Follow Rt.79w over RR tracks and bridge to intersection of Rts.79, 89, 96; stay on 79 W	167
22...Rt.79 W to Rt. 414 South .....	189
3...Rt.414 S to Rt.14 North (no turns necessary) .....	192
2...Rt.14 N to Glen Motor Inn .....	194

### Pointers;

- 0 Rt.97 N is a scenic road - segment past Pt. Jervis is winding with sharp curves.....STAY ALERT..... but make sure to stop at one of the small overlooks (2) which provide great vistas.
- 0 Rt. 17 W is a good easy driving road, however through Binghamton area.....STAY ALERT..... I 81, I 88 & 17 converge, traffic can be heavy, and directional signs confusing. Stay on Rt.17 W throughout (Rt. 17 generally bears left)
- 0 Rts. 96 & 96B go through small towns with speed limits of 35 to 55 MPH. You may want to slow down as you near Ithaca, as this your first views of the Finger Lakes area and the view of Lake Cayuga is spectacular. The road also begins a 10 degree downward slope .....STAY ALERT.....The use of foot brakes at stops is recommended.
- 0 A number of turns are required to get through Ithaca, go slow and enjoy the views of the old buildings and young college crowd. But remember you come back during the next few days.
  - The turns to 79 W can be missed so keeps eyes open.
  - You will drive over RR tracks and one steel bridge.
  - The intersection of Rts.79, 89, & 96 can confuse, stay on 79
- 0 After intersection Rt.79 W slopes up 10 degrees with sharp turns and some blind spots....STAY ALERT....
- 0 Rt.79 W is a good motorcycling road; hills,valleys; enjoy.
- 0 Rts.79 and 414 S meet on a down slope, you have the right-of-way but keep alert as the lake views may distract you.
- 0 The ride through Watkins Glen is short, however you will be here for several days.



Port Jervis To Watkins Glen  
Total miles 194

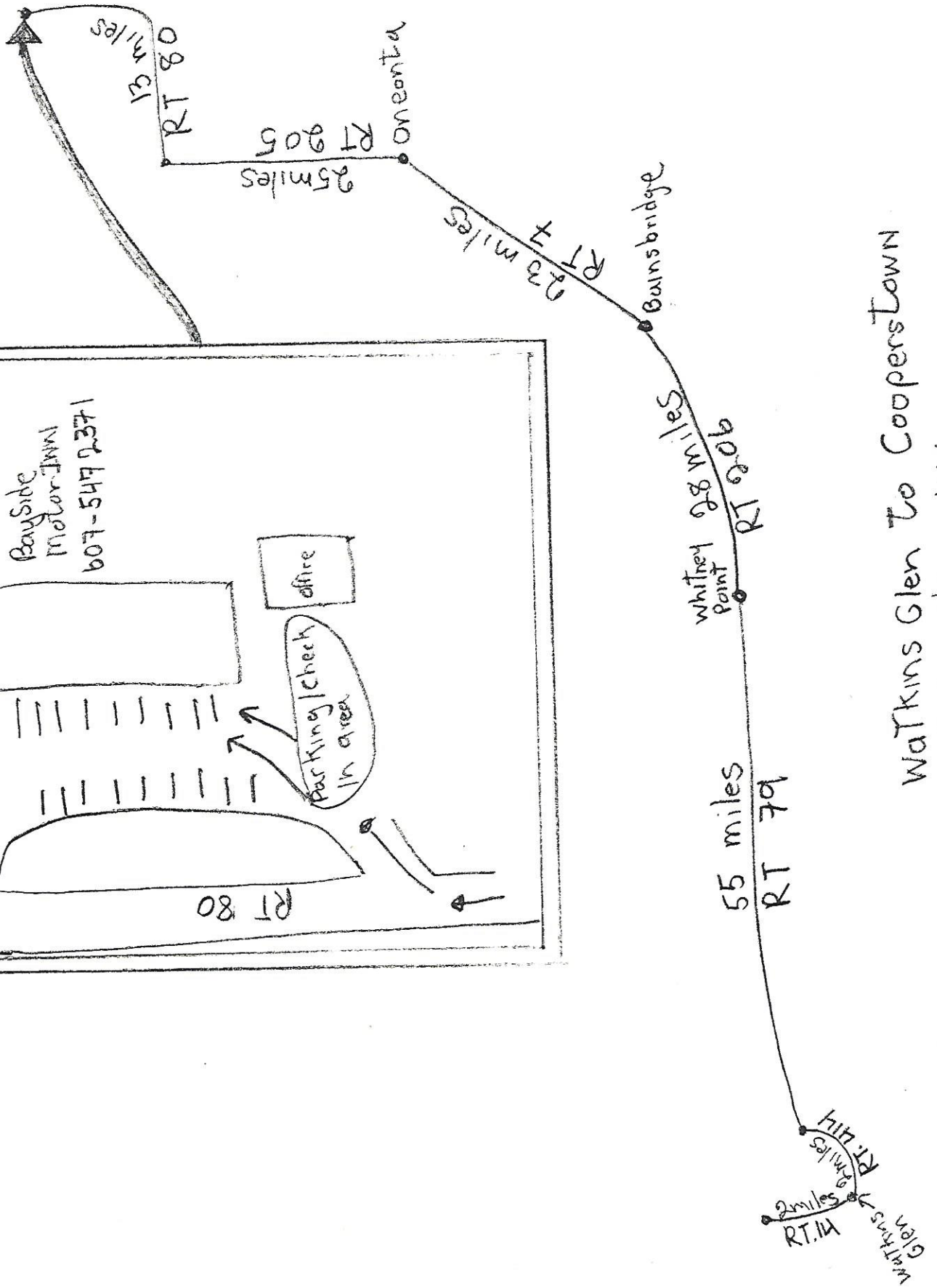
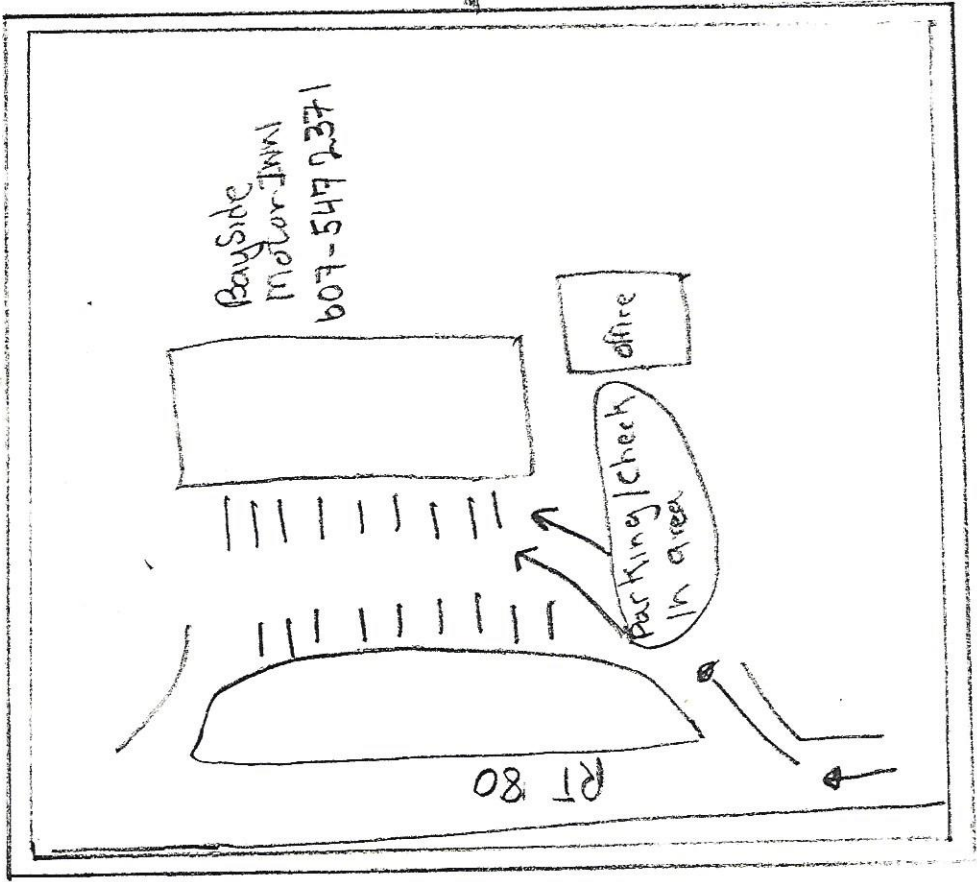
## II. Getting There??

C. Watkins Glen to Copperstown; Wednesday August 23rd

Miles	Cum. Miles
2...Rt.14 South to Rt.414 North .....	2
2...Rt.412 N to Rt.79 East .....	4
22...Rt.79 E to Ithaca .....	26
3...Rt.79 E thru. Ithaca .....	29
30...Rt.79 E out of Ithaca to Rt.206 East (at Whitney Point) ..	59
28...Rt.206 E to Rt.7 N/E (at Bainsbridge) .....	89
23...Rt.7 North/East to Rt.205 North (at Oneonta) .....	110
24...Rt.205 N to Rt.80 East/28 South .....	133
6...Rt.80 E/28 S to Rt.80 North (In center of Cooperstown) ..	139
7...Rt.80 N to Bayside Motor Inn (rightside of road) .....	146

### Pointers;

- 0 Everything already said about going through Ithaca still goes, except that there are fewer turns to make in town this time.
- 0 Cooperstown is worth spending time in, slow down stop and walk around. There may be traffic as this is the 50th year for the Baseball Hall of Fame. No events are planned for the days we are to be there, but crowds are still possible.
- 0 There are many other alternatives to Cooperstown; map out your route and enjoy.



Watkins Glen To Cooperstown  
TOTAL miles 146

## II. Getting There ???

Out of Cooperstown

Cooperstown To West Point;      Friday      August 25th

Miles	Cum. Miles
7...Rt.80 South (from Motel) to Rt. 28 South .....	7
20...Rt.28 S to I 88 West/Rt.28 S .....	27
3...I 88 W/Rt.28 S to Rt.28 South .....	30
...Rt.28 S to Rt. 23 S/E (left turn after I 88 overpass)....	30
35...Rt. 23 East to Rt.23A East (cross over bridge) .....	65
40...Rt.23A E to Rt.9W South .....	105
12...Rt. 9W S to Rt. 32 West (towards I 87) at Saugerties ...	117
1...Rt.32 W to I 87 South .....	118
41...I 87 S to Rt. 17K East (Exit 17 at Newburgh) .....	159
2...Rt.17K E thru Newburgh to Rt.9W South .....	161
5...Rt.9W S to Rt.218 South (This left turn can be easily missed, if you do, turn back at next turn .....	176
7...Rt.218 S thru. Cornwall-on-the-Hudson to West Point's back entrance (Lee Gate) .....	183

### Pointers;

- 0 Rt.23A turns and twists through the hill country and care should be taken, but road is in good condition.
- 0 Going through Newburgh is boring but its only for 5 miles.

### West Point to New York City

Miles	Cum. Miles
2...West Point on Rt. 218 South to Rt.9 West .....	2
4...Rt.9w South to Palisades Parkway South .....	6
36...Palisades Parkway south to G. Washington Bridge .....	42
1...Henry Hudson/West Side Highway South exit off Bridge (right lane) .....	43
4...H. Hudson/WestSide Hwy. South to 95/96 Streets Exit .....	47
1...Take 95th exit,making an immediate right turn at the very first traffic light onto Riverside Drive. Stay on Riverside Drive for 10 blocks to West 86 Street and make a left turn on to West 86. West 86 Street for 4 block to Columbus Avenue. Columbus Avenue 1 block to West 85 Street and make a right turn. Slow down and stop near middle of block at number 137 and your home. ....	48
(Combined Cooperstown to N.Y.C. Milage is .....	231

### Pointers;

- 0 The 95-96 Street exit off the H. Hudson can be tricky once you go the underpass. Keep a sharp eye for cars approaching from the left. You take the 95th Street exit.

Cooperstown To West Point and  
New York City  
Total miles to NYC - 231

Cooperstown  
RT. 28  
30 miles

RT. 23  
35 miles

RT. 23A  
40 miles

RT. 9W  
12 mi.  
41 miles

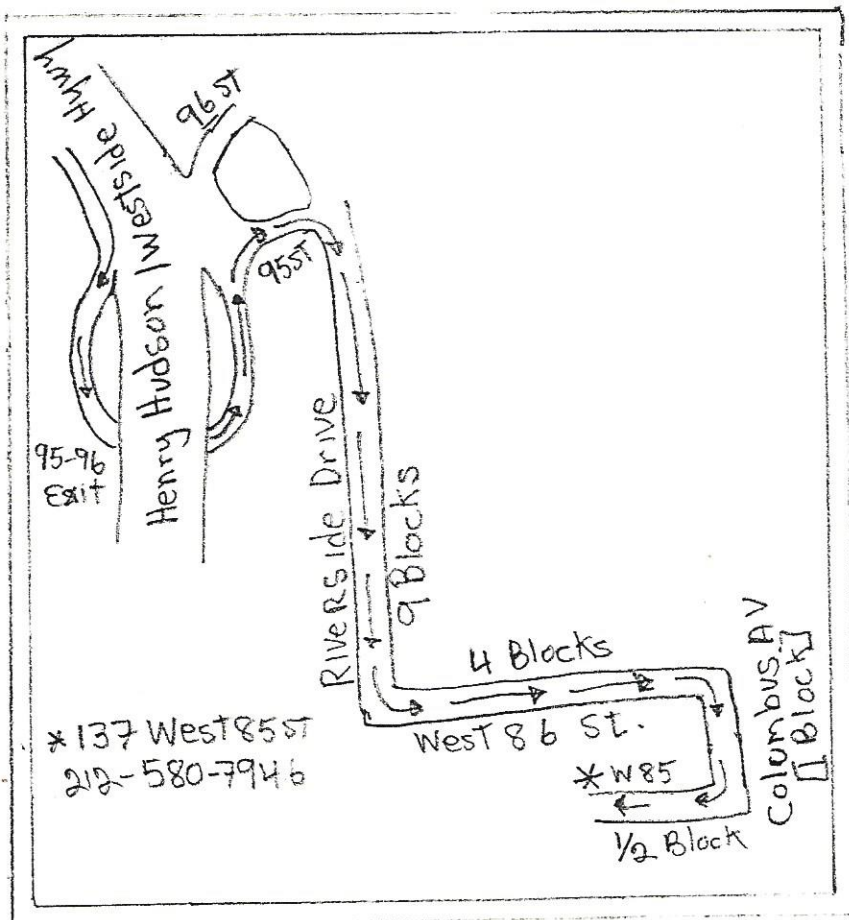
RT. 9W  
14 miles  
RT. 9A  
6 mi.

West Point [183 miles]

Palisades Int  
36 miles

G.W. Bridge

NYC



II. Getting There ???

Out Of Cooperstown;

Points North; (Montreal)

Miles	Cum. Miles
3...Rt.80 South to Rt.28 South .....	3
20...Rt.28 S to I 88 East .....	23
60...I 88 E to I 90 East .....	83
11...I 90 E to I 87 North .....	94
124...I 87 N to Montreal .....	218

Points South / West;

3...Rt.80 South to Rt.28 South .....	3
20...Rt.28 S to I 88 West .....	23
51...I 88 W to I 81 South / Rt.17 W .....	74
??...I 81 South or Rt.17 to points south and west .....	

Points South / East;

...Follow instruction for New York City and pick up I 84 East  
or instruction for Montreal and pick up I 90 East.

### III. Around Watkins Glen And The Finger Lakes Area

#### Parks

Letchworth State Park (N.Y.S.'s Grand Canyon)

Miles

Cum. Miles

1...	Rt.14 S to Bath Street (turn right at Salt Plant Sign) Bath to Rt.28 W/23 W (3 blocks) and make right turn .....	1
19...	Bear left at Rt.23/28 "Y" intersection. Rt.23 turns into Rt.114 at county line, but always head towards Hammondsport. (Do not take Rt.23A) Follow to Rt.54 S (slight left) ....	20
9...	Rt.54 South thru Bath to Rt.17 West .....	29
12...	Rt.17 W to I 390 North .....	41
33...	I 390 N to Mount Morris/Sonyea (Exit 6-Letchworth Pk) ....	65
7...	Rt.36 W (left turn) thru. Mt.Morris to Park entrance .....	72
19...	Park road is 19 miles if you take side trips, which you should to fully enjoy this ride .....	99
22...	At south exit take Rt.436 East(left turn) thru. Portageville .....	121
29...	Continue on Rt.436 E past where it joins Rt.36 S (near Dansville) and then on to I 390 South .....	150

From here on you can reverse the route taken to get to the Park or depending on time you can be adventurous and alternatives. Avoid Rts.63 and 21 as these are boring. See pointers for other ideas.

#### Pointers;

- 0 I 390 has beautiful vistas and excellent surface conditions with little traffic. You may want to return this way.
- 0 The Park is worth seeing and you should take your time. Stop at the various overlooks and detour on to side roads. However, at the first overlook of the Flood Control Dam, don't expect anything grand or even water behind the Dam. The dam was built to protect Rochester from floods and does not fill up unless a high water situation exist. A must stop, however, are the upper and middle falls at southern end of park.
- 0 Rt.436 East has some rough areas, but it's not excessive.
- 0 Combine this trip with a visit to Hammondsport, Lake Keuka, Taylor and Bully Run wineries, Curtiss Aviation Museum, etc. Reach Hammondsport by reversing trip thru Bath and Rt.54 onto Rt.54A North (left turn) into Hammondsport. There are a couple of good places for lunch along Rt. 54A Lake Keuka, including Lakeside.

### Watkins Glen State Park

This is really a walking tour, motorcycles needed to get to the Park entrance only. The main entrance is in downtown Watkins Glen off Rt.14 (Main Street - See map). Take your time and good shoes as you may get carried away. A shuttle bus is available to take people up to the top and then you can walk down.

This Park is also the site of "TIMESPAN", a nightly lasar/audio show experience which is recommended. We have arranged for group rates, so let us know if you are interested. This is not the "wow" that the handout advertises, but it is fun and interesting.

### Toughannock Falls State Park

There are various ways to get to the Falls and there are worthwhile seeing. Depending on seasonal rainfall, there may be a roar or a trickle, but always a sight. Once there, you can park at the lot just south of the Rt.89 Park entrance and walk to the foot of the Falls (about 1/2 mile) or/and you can enter onto the Park road and view the Falls from the scenic overlook.

You can coordinate the trip to the Falls with a couple of the "roads to ride", and a tour of the Ithaca area. There are some good wineries on the way (See the Cayuga Wine Trail hand out) and some small and interesting towns.

### III. Around Watkins Glen and the Finger Lakes Area

#### "Roads to Ride"

#### Route 89 - Segment From North Of Ithaca To Route 20/5

Total Miles .....37  
Conditions .....Good to Excellent  
Traffic .....South end of road near Ithaca and approaching intersection of Rts. 89,96,79, and 13 can be congested at times but always confusing. This can be avoided by turning right on to Rt.96 Alt. just north of Ithaca. On the other hand Ithaca is also an interesting town and you may want to spent some time there.  
Attributes .....Best way to see Cayuga Lake, the largest, and Rt. 89 goes along the Cayuga Wine Trail where some of the best small wineries are located.  
Coordinate With...Rts.414  
Toughannock Falls  
Ithaca  
As you please

#### Route 414 - Segment North of Watkins Glen to Lodi

Total Miles .....26  
Conditions .....Good  
Traffic .....Light to moderate  
Attributes .....Twists, turns, vistas of waterfall(Hector's Falls). Motorcycling through farms(grape vines) small towns, etc.  
Coordinate With...Rt. 89  
Wineries  
"Hog Farm"  
Circling Seneca Lake  
Toughannock Falls  
As you please.

#### Route 414 - Segment South of Watkins Glen to Corning

Total Miles.....26  
Conditions.....Good to excellent  
Traffic.....Light to moderate small town heavy as you reach Corning and on to the Glassware center  
Attributes.....Easy riding road; avoids heavy Corning traffic  
Coordinate.....Corning Glassware Center  
Norman Rockwell Museum  
Plane gliding (soaring)  
National Soaring Museum

#### IV. Around Cooperstown Area

##### Suggestions

##### Howe Caverns

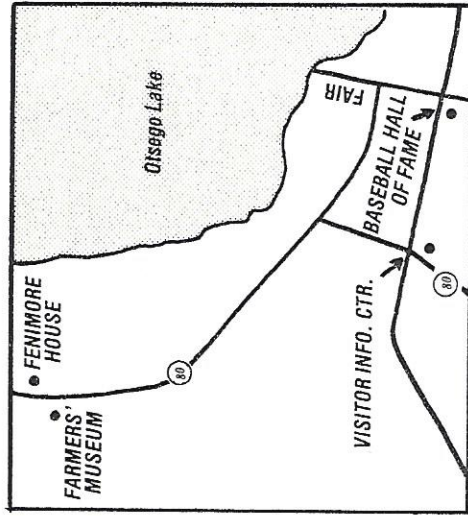
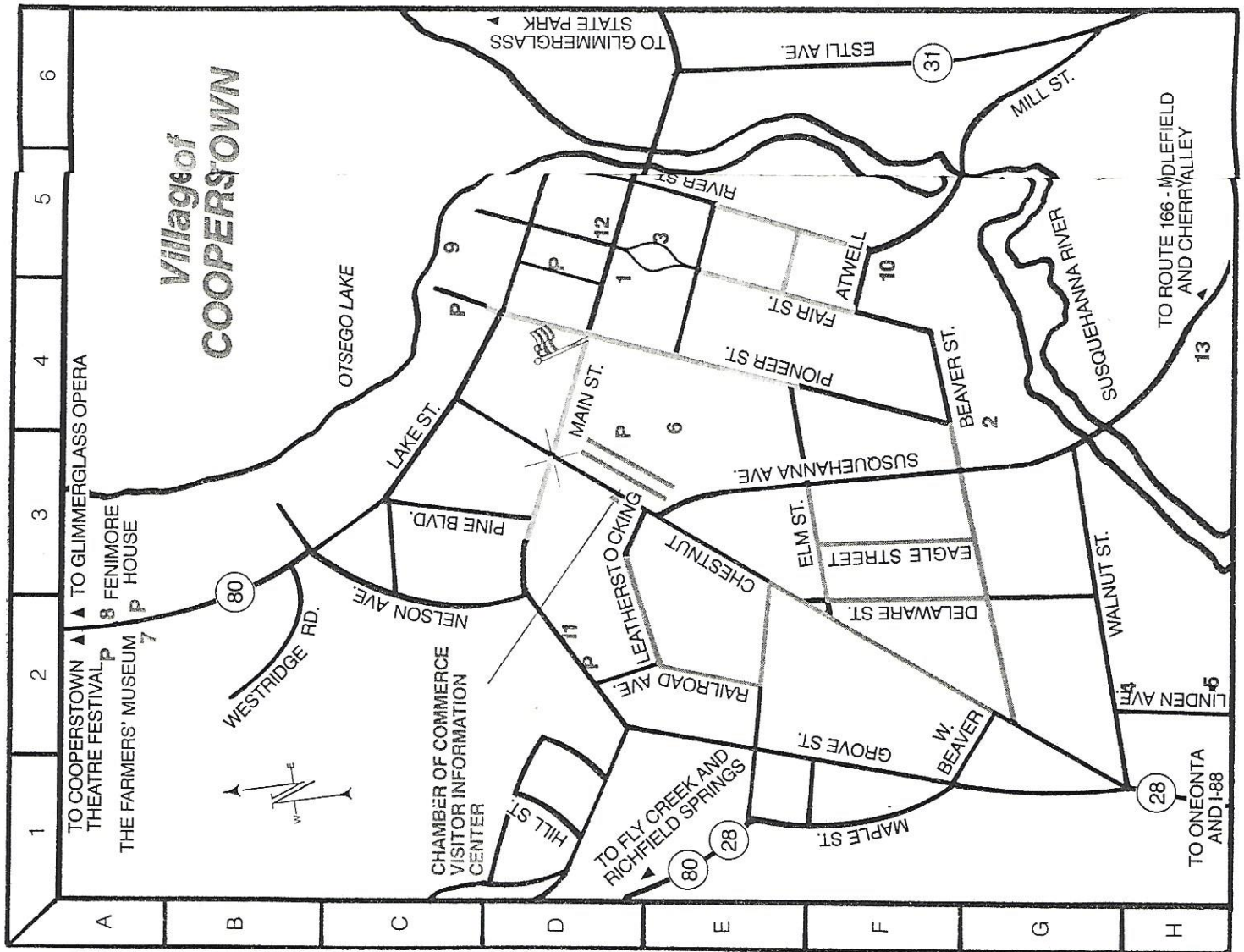
Miles	Cum. Miles
7...Rt.80 South to Susquehanna Avenue (Rt.52 E) just past town center and make left turn .....	7
7...Rt. 52 East to Rt.166 North/East .....	14
7...Rt. 166 to Rt. 165 north/east (at Roseboom) .....	21
12...Rt.166 N/E to Rt.10 South (pass Seward) .....	32
12...Rt.10 S to Rt.7 North/East .....	45
6...Rt.7 N/E to signs for Howe Caverns .....	51

##### Pointers;

- 0 Road conditions are good to excellent
- 0 If you have never been into Caverns this is a good start. The biggest but interesting if a bit too commercial.
- 0 The motorcycling there is as much fun due to the turns, twist and vistas along the road.
- 0 Get there early to avoid crowds. It opens at 8am and there is a place to eat breakfast.
- 0 Rt. 52/Susquehanna Avenue can be easily missed,(it is 2 blocks south of the Rt. 80/28 intersection in the center of Cooperstown), but if you can not find it then continue on Rt. 28 South and pick up Rt.166 E at Milford. Take Rt.166 E to Rt.165 E at Roseboom. Continue as noted above and enjoy the ride.

##### Cooperstown Touring Suggestions;

Total Miles...Walking tour  
Conditions....Walking tour  
Traffic.....Walking tour  
Attributes....Baseball Hall of Fame  
Farmer's Museum and Working Village  
Fenimore House Museum  
Cooperstown Historic Houses/Building Walking Tour  
Boat tour of the lake.  
Motorcycling around the lake  
Coordinate With.. N.A.



- 1 Baseball Hall of Fame
- 2 Bassett Hall Conference Center
- 3 Cooper Park
- 4 Cooperstown Elementary School and Kid City Playground
- 5 Cooperstown Junior-Senior High School
- 6 Doubleday Field
- 7 The Farmers' Museum and Village Crossroads
- 8 Fenimore House Museum
- 9 Lakefront Park
- 10 Mary Imogene Bassett Hospital
- 11 Otsego County Office Building
- 12 Village Offices, Library and Cooperstown Art Association
- 13 Alfred Corning Clark Gymnasium

**Parking Key**  
 RV and Buses Permitted .....  
 2 Hour Parking Enforced .....  
 Parking Lot ..... P