Maritime Trip Day 24 September 15, 2010 57 degrees F, cloudy (it rained during the night)

Our campground was near a railroad track, so I enjoyed the sounds and rumblings from the train during the night. It reminded me of my childhood. We slept in, ate breakfast and left for Peggy's Cove at 11:30. We past the mid-point between the North Pole and the Equator, the 45 ° Latitude—the same as Petoskey! At 1:30 we stopped to view the Memorial for the 229 people who died in the Swiss Air Flight 111 crash in 1998. It happened just off the coast near Peggy's Cove, NS.

Arriving at Peggy's (short for Margaret as in the name of the bay) Cove, we stopped at the Visitor's Center & got maps of the village and the area. We enjoyed walking around the very small, quaint fishing village founded in 1811, taking pictures and checking out the local artisans. The village was started by 6 fisherman and their families. It is mostly rocks and wharfs! A sign for homemade pasties (past-eees) and tea drew us into Beales' Bailiwick Limited where we spent the next 2 hours! We LOVED the pasties & tea, sitting outside enjoying the view, company & food! We purchased cool stuff in the gift shop, including new jackets for both Bill and me. A stop at St. John's Anglican Church (circa 1885) revealed 2 beautiful biblical murals by a local artist, stain glass windows (one broken during the recent Hurricane Earl) and a passionate church member seeking donations to fix the window!

We started out towards our planned campground for the night but stopped up short when we spotted a sign for a Passport America campground—Wayside Camping. We had joined this camping club earlier in the year. It offers half price sites during certain times. We inquired and got into wooded, spacious sites near the restrooms for only \$18.00 each! It is great to be able to change our minds and plans in a moment! We fixed a super picnic dinner of hamburgers, squash, mashed potatoes, salad fixings and a few leftovers. Mmmmm good.

Dominoes and tea with cookies ended our evening. Finally, I won! (continued on the next page)

## Maritime Trip Day 25 September 16, 2010 51 degrees F, sunny

We decided to stay another day/night at the Wayside Camping. Bill needs to catch up on our trip website and we could all use a bit of down time—or so we said! After a picnic breakfast outside in the sun, Wayne, Lorene and I decided to head into town (10 miles) and see if we could get haircuts and find a grocery store. We found Calla Lilly- a hair salon but when we asked they charged \$15.00 for a "mens haircut" and \$33.00 for a "Ladies shampoo, cut & blow-dry". I explained that I have very short hair (and so does Lorene) and we only needed the "cut" part. "Ok," was the reply but it is still \$33. So Wayne got his haircut and we "Ladies" did not!

This is a beautiful area and the drive along the Bay is picture-worthy! This campground has a Laundromat up by the road, which I used.

The Atlantis Superstore was a big hit with all 3 of us! Since we had time we decided to prepare homemade sauce and pasta with salad for dinner. It was delicious and we enjoyed it outside, although the temperature starting cooling off and we had to play dominoes inside—and I won!

Wayne was extra tired tonight as he washed his motor home this afternoon. We are planning on leaving tomorrow as along as the weather cooperates. (continued)

Maritime Trip Day 26 September 17, 2010 55 degrees F, Heavy rain & wind

We got up early, planning to leave but the rain and wind were quite heavy. After discussion, we all agreed to stay another day and wait for better weather. We are in the woods sheltered from the worst winds by the water and it was still blowing to beat the band. So after a late breakfast, Bill and I put on our rain gear, Crocs and umbrellas and headed up to the office to pay for another day. The puddles were pretty deep with VERY cold water!

Dominoes were a great rainy day activity; Bill joined in (usually he is working on the website); and I won, again! Lorene made lunch, including homemade potato salad...delicious. Naps all around followed! We all got some cleaning and bookwork completed before it was time for dinner.

I made cream of celery chicken & brown rice with pear, blue cheese and almond salad. We enjoyed it! Reading and emails finished off this day 26.