



# MoHud Race(s) Arrive Early

The middle of May (18th-19th) was an unusually early start for our MoHud race season.. The date change from our typical early July date forced some overhaul in the planning and schedule of the race this year. It also made it extremely difficult to maintain the large driver turnout usually seen at our event. We had hoped for at least 200+ cars to break even financially. With weather always a factor, spring especially fickle, \rain predicted for the weekend, all factors kept our race to a field of about 120 cars. Not nearly enough for financial stability! Although the planning and execution went extremely well, and drivers were able to get more track time than usual, the two days proved to be a very large loss for our MoHud region.

Thanks should go to all the “usual suspects” who worked to make the event an excellent two-day race for MoHud. There are too many individuals to name here but if you were there, you know who they were. If you weren’t there, you still know who they were. They are the very same people who continue to give MoHud one

of the finest reputations for excellence in the Northeast Division. Our region and these workers can take great pride in the kudos received from participants!



Photos courtesy Clark W. Nicholls

*The tower at Lime Rock is a popular place to be when the races are taking place. Along with all the race personnel in their assigned stations up there, many crew members and spectators also watch the class races from this vantage point.*

## NOTICE!

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 MOVED  
 TO JULY 11TH  
 Meeting  
 was moved from  
 the 4th because  
 of the holiday!**

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# RE GENE TRICOZZI REPORT

Since the last KO report Mo-Hud has been very busy with both Solo and our annual race at Lime Rock Park. As our racing season unfolds we are faced with many good things and some not so good. You may be aware of the outcome of our two day Regional at Lime Rock, but if not, let me bring you up to speed. In order to have a successful event we needed to have both good weather and 200 entries to break even. The weather reports leading up to race day were not favorable which could explain the poor turnout. After the dust settled we had 118 entries and as you can guess the income fell way short causing a huge loss. It will be a few more weeks until Chip has all the final numbers and we will then have a clearer picture to present to the members. We have been blessed with vendors, members and sister regions who, having realized the large loss Mo-Hud is faced with, have reduced or waived their fees all-together. This leads me to an amazingly kind gesture by David Belden. In a letter to our registrar, David explained he was unable to attend the race due to a family situation. David's letter stated "I gather that Mo-Hud did not have a good entry and will probably lose money on the event. While I can't forgo my entire fee I do want to support the region, one of the better regions to race with. I realize that it isn't much, but I would like to help a little bit." David asked for a small portion of his entry to be refunded with the balance donated to Mo-Hud. The next time you see Dave be sure to thank him for his generous support.

I received a copy of the Glen region's publication Sparkplug, from which I pass on a portion of their RE's report. Ed Zebrowski recounted "A few weeks ago the first Glen Region Solo of the 2007 season was scheduled to take place on Sunday May 6<sup>th</sup> I planed to make a

"bonsai" run the day before to the middle of Ohio to pick up an enclosed trailer for the karts. Everything went well until about 30 miles after picking up the trailer. The transmission went out of the van. While sitting alongside Interstate 271, wasting time after calling a tow truck, I was thinking of who I knew in that part of the world. Charlie Campbell of Mo-Hud region is a good Spec Miata friend and lives in Corry Pa. near the Ohio border. I gave Charlie a call and even though the entire Campbell family was celebrating Tom and Charlie's father's birthday, Charlie said, "No problem. I have been in the position you're in and I'll be right there. It will take about an hour and a half for me to get there." Knowing a fellow SCCA'er in a time of need was priceless. As Charlie put it, "I know you would do the same for me if I was in your neck of the woods." **Way to go Charlie, well done!**

As for Solo, Russ Burckhard has been bringing some innovation to Solo. Russ has solicited sponsors who have given store certificates and also successfully started a 50/50 raffle that has brought some additional income to the region. Keep up the good work Russ!

The Board of Directors met shortly after the Race, to discuss finances and the direction we need to pursue to keep the Mo-Hud Region viable. One of the major cost saving decisions is to make the Knock Off purely electronic and have it available on the Mo-Hud web site. This may not be a popular decision but it will save the region approximately \$5,000.00 per year, a savings we must take advantage of. The Board decided to have copies of the KO available at our membership meetings for those who may have problems downloading the issues from our website. This new policy will take effect in January, 2008.

As a reminder submissions to the KO should be e-mailed to Lisa Hanifan and the deadline is the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month.

I do look forward to any input.  
Gene



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# SOLO Co-Chair Report

by Russ Burckhard

The season is off to a great start. We had our first event on April 29<sup>th</sup> and it was the best showing we have had in years. Just under 90 drivers showed up to test their skill on another one of Berts fine creations. The rain kept speeds down and added to the challenge of maintaining speed and control. Bruce Kosakoski posted the fastest time of the day. We were able to get in 5 runs each, not bad considering the weather and a few stray walkers taking a shortcut thru the lot during a charity walk causing us to stop the event for a while. The new display worked flawlessly all day. It took me a while to get it to work when I received it, but once I got the right cable combination to get the laptop, timer and display to work together, it was worth the aggravation. We had one small incident in the paddock. A driver pulled out of his spot and drove over another drivers stuff. Fortunately, the only damage was a Quart of oil, a pair of sunglasses and some oil soaked items. We need to be a little more cautious and considerate of other people's property in the future.

On the day prior to the event we held a car control school. We received a lot of praise for both the school and the event. The instructors were very helpful to the students and are deserving of all the credit for putting on a great school. The majority of the students came back the next day to put what they learned to the test.

The season continued early in June. A test and tune was held on Saturday June 2<sup>nd</sup> also at Adirondack Community College. Over 20 participants drove to their hearts content or till their tires gave out, 15 to 20 runs each was the average. Event #2 was held the following day. The threat of thunderstorms kept attendance in the 60's. All but the last run group had dry conditions. We had to stop the event for about a half hour while a thunder and

lightning storm blew through. The rain stopped, but the course was wet for the last run group. Everyone got 6 runs and then we had a bunch of takers for fun runs at the end of the event. Richie Sorrentino posted the fastest time of the day.

The National tour was held at Devens Airfield in Massachusetts on June 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. We have 4 Champions, CONGRATULATIONS. Alex Shchipkov won DSP, Bruce Kosakoski won FSP, Arnie Bebee won CP and Andy Furlong won EP. Jim Garry got 2<sup>nd</sup> in CM behind his co-driver, Ken Hurd. DJ McArdle finished 10<sup>th</sup> in SM followed by Eric Smith in 11<sup>th</sup>. Bert Huiest finished 8<sup>th</sup> in STS and Lyndon Peck finished 4<sup>th</sup> in CSP. Saturday was run in a steady rain and Sunday was dry.

A Show and go on June 23<sup>rd</sup> followed by event #3 at Fulton-Montgomery Community College will have just happened by the time you read this. I will report on that next issue. I met with the folks from FMCC and presented them with a plaque on behalf of the region in appreciation for allowing us to use their site to hold our events. They were very appreciative of the award and thanked us for being respectful of their property.

I want to welcome the new members to our region. We had a few sign up at the events and some took applications home to fill out and send in. I also want to welcome **JVG Motorsports** and thank them for patronizing the Knockoff. They have also agreed to give out some gift certificates at our upcoming events; Adam Larson was the first winner. **JVG Motorsports** can be found at Kohl's Plaza in Colonie. You can contact them at 456-1064 or at [JVGMotorsports@msn.com](mailto:JVGMotorsports@msn.com) for all your performance parts.

Upcoming event; Event #4 at FMCC on July 15<sup>th</sup> followed by event #5 at ACC on August 12<sup>th</sup>.





# Latest News from the COMPETITION CORNER...

*Jack Hanifan*



## June 2008 Competition Report

Since my last report, our members have competed at Pocono, LRP, Summit Point and NHIS. The NNJR Mothers Day Double Regional was sparsely attended and only about 20 cars entered the 3hour Enduro. MoHud did well with the team of Dave and Alan Lendrum winning overall in a SM.

The MoHud Double Regional at LRP the following weekend had a dismal turnout of 120 cars. The board had attempted to lure drivers with a "low entry fee" of \$399 for both regionals. The region needed about 202 cars to break even; you can do the math to figure out how we did. Why such a low turn out? With the 53 thousand dollar rental fee for the track plus the cost of insurance, sanction fees, trophies, give aways, end of the day parties, and miscellaneous items such as water, printing etc. - We needed the

support of the drivers and did not get it. Weather may have been a factor with the threat of rain all week. (All of the racing except for the very first one on Saturday was in the dry.)

The Race was a critical success with drivers getting almost two hours of track time. 52 minutes of qualifying on Friday and a 12 minute warm-up followed by two 20 lap races on Saturday. More on the race at the July meeting which will be held on the 11<sup>th</sup> of July because the first Wednesday of the month is July 4<sup>th</sup>.

MoHud was represented at the Summit Point 12 hour race by the Karl family who finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in SM. Pete Smith's team was leading SSM when they were punted by a Mercedes. They had to change a shock but managed to finish 6<sup>th</sup>. The event saw one SM hit a turkey and a BMW kill a doe.

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**There were 24 records printed.**

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<b>June</b>		
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Linda A. Thomson	06/25/87	20
Robert C. Behrens	06/08/92	15
<b>July</b>		
Paul F. Gifford	07/01/77	30
Bill Bennett	07/22/92	15
David P. Canavan	07/09/92	15
Paul Hebert	07/17/97	10
Kenneth L. Porter Jr	07/17/97	10
Gene M. Tricozzi	07/08/97	10

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**There were 9 records printed. There are 384 members in the region.** National has announced an incentive program for membership referrals. Details will be posted to the web site and the KO. A new membership brochure has been issued by National. Twenty free copies are being sent to each of the regions.

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Pete Smith,  
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## PLANNED EVENTS:

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I have reserved the Dutch Apple for **August 15** for a dinner cruise on the Hudson. If we can have a commitment of 70 people, the cost of the boat will be \$21.42 per person, and the cost of dinner is \$16.99 ea, with a cash bar, this would bring the total cost to **\$38.41 per person**, if we get more people the cost would go down.

The cruise is about 3 hours long and we would sail at 6pm from Albany.

Now the hard part, I'm going to need to know how many people are interested before I proceed with the arrangements. The boat holds 145 people so bring your friends, neighbors, and in-laws.

**PLEASE let me know no later than July 15** if you are interested, if we don't have close to 70 people by that date we'll have to bring our own canoes with a bag lunch!!

Info on the Dutch Apple can be found at [dutchapplecruises.com](http://dutchapplecruises.com)

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### GO KART NIGHT:

It will be at the Funplex Funpark in East Greenbush again this year. We'll get things started around 6pm.

There are batting cages, bumper boats, miniature golf, and of course the much anticipated GO Karts!

The Funplex is located just west of the intersection of RT 9/20 in East Greenbush, near the Pizza Hut.

**There will be a special 50 and Over event, some of us are tired of getting embarrassed by Kids!!**

More info at [funplexfunpark.com](http://funplexfunpark.com)

### GOLF:

**August 9th** will be the 4th annual Mo-Hud golf tournament at Burden Lake CC.

The cost will be \$32 for 9 holes of Golf including food afterwards.

Please be there for a 2:30 tee off.

**Please call me @ 518-587-9755 or e-mail me at [dsmith3@nycap.rr.com](mailto:dsmith3@nycap.rr.com)**, to confirm you're coming, hurry before the tournament is full!!

Thanks again this year to Dick Stewart for his great help.

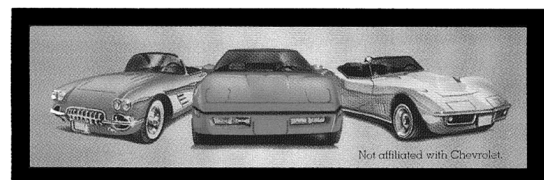
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## MoHud at the Museum's Auto Show

On Sunday, May 20, MoHud participated in the Saratoga Automobile Museum's annual car show. This is one of their biggest events of the year and, as always, a big crowd was on hand. As in the past, our good friend, Ron Hedger, arranged for us to have the premier location on the lawn directly in front of the building. The weather was great, the crowd large and the interest in our cars and programs good.

Thanks to the following for taking the time to make their cars available: Jerry Zaluckj, Jeff and Jack Lehner, Bruce Kosakowski, DJ McArdle, Dick Stewart (2), Jon Waterhouse, and Tom Campbell. Thanks also to Russ Burckhard and Jim Bucci for helping with the set up.

This is a great opportunity to increase MoHud's visibility in the community and helps strengthen our ongoing relationship with the museum, an all-around good thing for everyone. If you haven't had the opportunity to stop by the event, please remember it for next May.

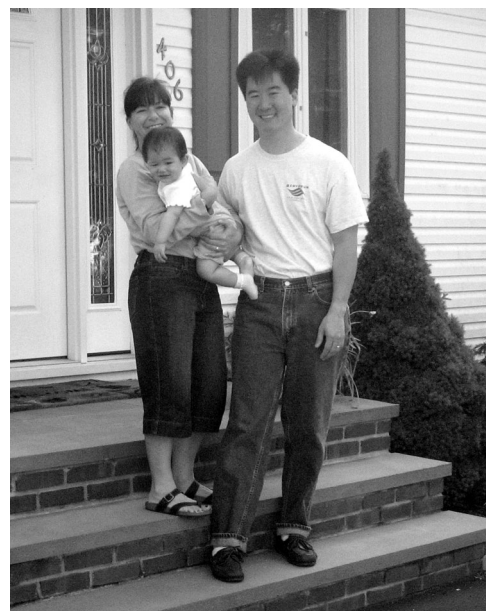


*Saratoga Auto Museum, via Ron Hedger, graciously gave MoHud the premier lawn site at their annual car show in May.*



*MoHud member and FV racer Libbie Alexander recently graduated from SUNY Cortland with a BS in Biology and a minor in Chemistry.*

## Young MoHud Members News



*Mike (MoHud Miata racer) and Elaine Lo welcomed their new daughter Amanda to their family this past spring. Amanda looks just as anxious for the racing to start as Mike and Elaine.*

# NeDiv Roundtable

by Harry Adalian

For those who have not been to a SCCA NeDiv Roundtable or Mini-Con, they are meetings held once a year for the Northeast Division (NeDiv) of SCCA. The Mini-Con is held in the fall and the Roundtable is held each spring. This gathering of people from the division enable us to meet and exchange ideas, work out schedules and provide all other “behind the scenes” operations to put on SCCA Motorsports in our division. You have probably already heard about all the musings and schedules so I will just take a minute and give you my belated impressions.

As always I had a great time. I traveled with Tom Campbell and Gene Tricozzi; we were met by Mo-Huders Roly Heacox, Jack Hanifan and the honorable John Sheridan who had come in from Florida.

The roundtable schedule had the usual conflicts built into it but Gene and I were able to split up to get the most information we could to bring back.

New on tap this year for the online registration were a bunch of enhancements to help the registrar, so we will not have to learn too much this year. If you used online registration in ‘06 make sure you update the personal information, car information, or any medical that may have changed.

I went in to the tech meeting with our Divisional Administrator of scrutineering, Bill Etherington. It was a small group of people but we discussed many things on a one-to-one basis. Two things came out of this meeting that I feel were significant. One is the use of non resilient padding in the cage area for head protection. A lot of people in the past have had a resilient padding in this area, this year it will need to be updated. *The GCR states: “Forward braces and portions of the main hoop subject to contact by the driver’s helmet (as seated normally and restrained by seatbelt/shoulder harness) shall be padded with non-resilient material such as Ethafoam® or Ensolite® with a minimum thickness of one-half (1/2) inch. Padding meeting SFI spec 45.1 or FIA 8857-2001 is strongly recommended.”* I would recommend getting the SFI 45.1 padding

Second thing of interest is your friendly tech people will be looking at your shoulder belt installation. With the onset of the HANS and greater attention given to driver restraints, it has become more important that shoulder belts in the vehicle are as described by the GCR. We’ve been instructed to give this special attention this year so please take the time to see your belts are installed in a compliant manner. In addition to the angle of the belt from the shoulder to the roll cage, there should

be some consideration to have the anchor points of these belts not be spaced more that 6 inches apart from the center of the belts. While I am on this subject I would like to see all of my friends get a right side safety net. This is an inexpensive, very critical (IMHO) piece of safety equipment being recommended this year. I don’t know why it was not made mandatory since they added the requirement for the second bar in SS and other classes this year but it wasn’t. Hell, while I’m on my high horse you should have a Hans by now too.

To my surprise, there is still a fuel test port problem. By now I hope everyone has had them in, if you don’t or have a problem figuring how to get it done feel free to contact Richard Welty (chief of tech) or myself for some ideas. Enough of tech!

Jeff Dahnert, the VP of Finance from SCCA, spoke at the directors meeting. He mentioned they are working on better disclosure and we should see something soon. He also mentioned he gave a Powerpoint presentation at the national convention and SCCA’s cash flow is on a par with other organizations of this budget level.

I love this organization, the people in it and their dedication to the sport. After my short tenure of 11 years, to this day, it still astounds me how much everyone gives and how little they ask. I am however becoming increasingly cynical about the institution that is SCCA (national). I mean no disrespect to the many people that have put in decades of work and dedication. It is their work that has made this organization what it is. The problem I have is with national looking for more money. This is the most expensive motorsport organization I belong to including motorcycles. Seems to me when this club was formed some 60 years ago a lot has changed. It takes SCCA too long to spot a trend and even longer to do anything about it. I realize this is also a strength in some cases but after listening to Jeff speak about threats to the organization and how people are leaving for other venues and organizations and the need to find more revenue kind of hit a nerve with me. I don’t believe getting more capital is the answer to the club’s problems. I would like to see the national staff reduce their expenses and bring the club’s membership and benefits in line with other organizations that perform similar services.

God bless the Workers, Specialty Chiefs and Stewards, to me, they are SCCA and could operate under any banner with the grace and integrity they display.



# Monthly Membership Meeting Minutes 6/6/07

## Membership Report / Dave Wachtel

19 new members chiefly due to the solo program  
*See membership report.* Several significant anniversaries  
*See membership report*

376 members in the region

## Webmasters Report / Dave Wachtel

Broken Links on web have been repaired (as reported by Eric Smith, Russ & DJ)

Race Grid & Results have been posted

222 members have email addresses which equates to 59% of members

## Treasurers Report / Chip Van Slyke

I cannot give an accurate summary at this time until the balance of the race income and expenses are accounted for, but I do know there will be a substantial loss. I should be able to give an accurate accounting by next meeting.

## Solo Event / Russ Burckhard

Event last weekend; 20 entries for test and tune. 56 entries for Sunday's event. Each entrant got 16 runs on Saturday. Thunderstorm on Sunday required 1 hour shutdown

50/50 drawing held for second time. JVG Motorsports is sponsoring the solo program

Blind raffle for \$25 JVG Gift certificate given at event.

Next event 6/23, 6/24 at FMCC. 3rd event of the year. National Tour - this weekend at Devons AFB.

Jim Gary submitted a new site project to Russ about Plattsburgh AFB.

## KO Report / Lisa Hanifan

Per Board Meeting – KO will be Electronic ONLY as of January 2008. Deadline for KO submissions is 15<sup>th</sup> of the month. EMail address's for current membership will have to be solicited for remaining duration of printed KO.

## Museum Car Show Report – Tom Cambell

Saratoga Auto Museum car show two weeks ago. Good turnout from MoHud members including several racers, solo cars and MoHud van.

General turnout was 'OK' due to threatening weather.

## Competition Report / Jack Hanifan

Mothers Day Pocono Event was a double regional + Enduro. Dick Stewart finished 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> /Geoff Stim finished 4<sup>th</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> /Bob Karl Jr. 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>

Enduro Results: David and Alan Lendrum 1<sup>st</sup> /Charlie Cambell 2<sup>nd</sup> /Ken Lendrum and Jarod 3<sup>rd</sup> /BK and Dominic Karl 6<sup>th</sup> /Bob Jr. & Geoff Stim 7<sup>th</sup>

Summit Point 12 Hour Enduro: Pete Smith's Team had pole for SSM. Led for 2 hours, beaten up by Mercedes. BK Motorsports qualified 4th in class finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in class. Herb Sweeney hit a turkey. A BMW hit a deer in turn one.

MoHud Limerock Race: 25 minute qualifying sessions on Friday (2 sessions); 20 lap or 25 minute races on Saturday (2 races each class). Jack thanked Rich Alexander for being a short-notice flag marshall. Peter Kroth did a fine job on Grid. Nancy did a great job at Registration. Bruce and Bill took care of many small but important details.

Pete Kroth – Chief of Grid at LRP pro event

Dave Canavan asked if workers did not show at LRP pro-events, what would happen? General discussion held that SCCA could not ask workers *not* to attend.

## New Business:

### MoHud LRP Race Report – Chip VanSlyke

Not all numbers are in for the race but Mo-Hud will lose a significant amount of money on this event. Break even numbers for the event were estimated at 200 entries. Total entries were in the area of 118.

There were some savings due to other vendors and regions who provide services to the MoHud region for the race, waiving their fees for our event due to the known losses.

Next Meeting will be held on 7/11 due to the 4<sup>th</sup> being on the first Wed of July.

Go-kart event in East Greenbush will be on Aug 1<sup>st</sup>. This will be our August Monthly meeting.

Golf outing will be announced in next KO – sometime in late July

Motion to adjourn accepted.

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## Webmasters Report

Russ Burkhart and Eric Smith reported some broken links on the web site and made some constructive suggestions about content and organization. The owners of the sites that were linked to had changed their URL's. The links have been repaired and Russ' suggestions have been implemented. Thanks to them and everyone else who have made suggestions and pointed out errors in the web site. Keep the suggestions and corrections coming. The race grid and results have been posted. Solo results have been posted to the web site and are current.

## Web/e-mail delivery of the KO

222 members or 59% (not including the latest update) of our membership have e-mail addresses. These are folks who could in principle get the KO via e-mail or via download from our Web Site. It's impossible to determine how many of these have broadband. The regular KO with pictures can be delivered easily to broadband subscribers. For members with dial up only, the regular issue of the KO can take on the order of hours to download. It's possible that a dialup friendly version could be produced for members without broadband access.

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## **IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS: The KnockOff Goes Electronic!!**

As of the January '08 issue, the KnockOff will no longer be mailed in paper form to members. Therefore, all members are requested to provide their email addresses to either Editor, Lisa Hanifan or Membership Chair, Dave Wachtel. Use the email addresses on page 2 of this publication to contact either or jot it down and give it to one of the officers.

Your other choice for viewing the newsletter will be to read the KnockOff on our website where it is posted each month and thereafter archived by Dave Wachtel.

We believe this will be a much more efficient means of getting all the news to members as quickly as possible as well as provide a substantial financial savings for the club's treasury.

Please let us know if this is a hardship for anyone of our members. We are aware it will mean a very new

approach to access information for many members especially those less active at the monthly meetings.

On the plus side, it may provide an additional means of financial support if we are now able to solicit patrons for our website. Many more visitors see the website than do the paper version of the KnockOff. It assures a larger audience for supporters as well as provides our club additional opportunities for feedback.

We are hoping it will bring our members more up-to-the-minute news as quickly as they are able to check the website or open their email. Let's hope this message will get out to all members before the end of the year. Please pass the word along regarding this change.

If you have comments concerning this change, please pass these on to any one of the officers or directors. They are your elected officials and will gladly respond.