## **IDAHO UNIT OF WBCCI**

## a word from our president

Merry Christmas Airstream family!

Hard to believe Christmas is upon us, and a New Year is just around the corner.

Looking back on the year past, or to the coming season, and with the holidays in mind, I connect with this next Wally Creed:

To open a whole world of new experiences...a new dimension in enjoyment where travel adventure and good fellowship are our constant companions.

Christmas is most often thought of for its presents. As Christmas day draws closer, it's not so much the anticipation of gifts to come that I dream about, but blessings our Savior has blessed us with already: life experiences, seeing His creation through travel and fellowship.

I am the first to admit I am NOT the most eloquent of verse. But I hope that the genuine thankfulness of the friendships we create shows through clearly as we spend time together. It is the gifts of you--the memories created as we travel together seeing beautiful places, the fellowship we've had, and most importantly the family we've created--that I treasure the most.

A very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you all!!

Your President, Peter Joedeking





#### **IDAHO UNIT OFFICERS**

President - Peter Goedeking

Ist Vice President - Tom Usselman

2nd Vice President - Bill Sargent

Secretary - Betty Burke

Treasurer - Earl Brace

Past President - Fonny Davidson

Trustees - Charlie Burke, Pete Petersen,

Jerry Settle, Ray Hoem



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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### MONTHLY UNIT BREAKFAST

**8:30am** on the 2nd Saturday of every month. Golden Corral, 8460 W. Emerald St, Boise, ID. Marilyn Usselman (208) 322-8155



## idaho unit SUNSHINE news

#### **December Birthdays**

02--Linda Settle

04--Susie Borowicz

08--Dori Halbert

09--Pam Vernegaard

10--David Jauquet

14--Martha Graybeal

14--Bill Massier

19--Carolyn Gedris

21--Phyllis Voigt

26--Bonnie Ruskauff

27--Larry Conn

#### **December Anniversaries**

03, 1994--Calvin & Kelly Huit

08, 1997--Larry & Susan Warren

23, 1967--Ray & Sherry Hoem

29, 1973--Bob & Darlene Caldwell

30, 2007--Mike Monnie & Linda Smiley

#### January Anniversaries

02--Faith Simms

02--Linda Dixon

03--Stephanie Falk

05--Maureen Ostyn

16--Fay Petersen

19--Kim Schanze

19--Marilyn Usselman

21--Bill Snively

27--Mike Monnie

29--Larry Warren

#### January Anniversaries

01, 2002--Duyane & Judy Canada

#### **IDAHO UNIT COMMITTEE LEADS**

□ Budget—Earl Brace

☐ Calling Coordinator—Marilyn Usselman

☐ Caravan—Darrell Ostyn

□ Directory—Gail Conn

☐ Hospitality/Sunshine—Marilyn Usselman

☐ Legislative—Charlie Burke

□ Newsletter—Cara Goedeking

☐ Rally Coordinator—Sharon Lawrence

☐ Membership—Mim Davidson

☐ Website—Michael Schanze

☐ Historical—Betty Burke

☐ Constitution and Bylaws—Charlie Burke

☐ Safety—Open

☐ Community Service—Judy Canada

# Welcome New Members!

Terry & Cindi Little from Boise, ID

and

Roger & Tracy Staats from Boise, ID

and

David & Margie Wilkins from Boise, ID



## **MEMBERSHIP NEWS**

from Mim Davidson, Membership Chair

### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

Thank you to the 60 families who renewed! We look forward to sharing with you next year. We'll explore Idaho and parts of Oregon together. We are here for each other – when something doesn't work quite right, you have a special need or celebration, or you want to go exploring...

Please let me know if you are unable to renew. If we can improve, let me know that too. Five families have confirmed life changes that prevent them from renewing. We will miss each one!

If you haven't yet renewed, it is not too late! Renew today – use the <u>online method</u> to save a stamp and a check! Your name won't be printed in the International Directory, but you'll be on **our** list. We'll watch for you at rallies and breakfasts.

## **HELP STILL NEEDED!**

Our Membership team would like to develop an informational, **new member brochure** similar to our international form. **Do you have the skills &/or interest to make it happen?** 

We will use photos from our recent rallies to tell the story of our Idaho WBCCI group. This brochure will include our membership application too.

If you're interested, contact Membership Chair Mim Davidson at 208.336.8325.

#### FROM NEW MEMBERS-TERRY & CINDI LITTLE

We are both retired and moved from Ohio to Boise 3.5 years ago to be near the mountains. The West is so beautiful, so we decided that camping would be a wonderful way to experience it.

We purchased our first new Airstream in October. Actually, it's also our first camper! It is a 19 ft International Signature model.

We are looking forward to this new adventure!

## FROM NEW MEMBERS-DAVID & MARGIE WILKINS

Mim posed: I see that you have a Basecamp. Is this your first RV?

They replied: Yes, we're newbies! Margie and I transplanted to Boise in 2000 from Texas.

Margie is a GIS analyst at the ID Department of Water Resources and David is on the geosciences faculty at Boise State. We now call Boise our forever home! We like getting out of the city and into areas where you can see the stars at night. We also like visiting vineyards and wineries and good food, and are hoping to blend all of these into road trips with our Basecamp.



Where are you from? Tell us a little about your city/town and why you like living there...Idaho is our home. Susan and I both grew up in military families, and we both joined the Air Force. Susan served 30 years (retired Chief), I served 24 (retired SMSGT). On retirement we moved to the mountain community of Wilderness Ranch (18 miles from Boise towards Idaho City)--we loved living there for 11 years. It was a hard decision to move to Boise last October...but we are really enjoying our new home on the Greenbelt and the conveniences of downtown living.

**How about your family...**Together we have three adult children, five grandchildren and are looking for more. We lost Nugget our dog of 19 years last summer. We're content with Max our cat for the moment.

**Tell us how you met.** We locked eyes then hearts in Okinawa Japan 20 years ago--just so happens we lived right next door to each other in the Senior Noncommissioned Officers dorms. When typhoons hit the island it was very convenient...we were stuck inside for days :o). There is a reason they call me "Lucky Larry" :o).

How long have you been members? We have been members for 2-1/2 years.

What kind of Airstream do you have? Have you ever owned any other trailers/Airstreams? We have a 2013, 25' "silver": o) Serenity. We have had some form of camping equipment all our lives...blanket (whiskey)/sleeping bags/tents/pop up campers/travel trailers...improving every time...what next? Hotel room; o).

Why did you join/who asked you to join the club? I remembered seeing rows of Airstreams heading "down the road"--thought there must be a club, so I googled it and found our Airstream group. I made a last-minute call to Peter Goedeking (host) and he said they had room at the Cascade Rally. We showed up and had the greatest time--we met Alice (Judy) and Duyane, who got on to me for not having an antisway bar. Charlie had a good time at my expense--these old-timers got a kick out of my rookie mistakes and still do. This 1st rally really hooked us...it felt like family.

What have been your favorite trips/rallies as a part of the club? They have all been great--hard to narrow it to one, so I won't. The Peterson Farm Rally with the field trip to the Idaho National Laboratory (INL) nuclear facility...awesome...The Cascade Rally (our 1st)...awesome...The Pendleton Rally and Rodeo... awesome...The Jazz Festival Rally...awesome...Totality Rally...awesome. They're all awesome!

What is the most interesting place you've visited (can be a "field trip" experience that was part of a rally) as part of a trip/rally? The most interesting field trip was to the Idaho National Laboratory (INL) nuclear facility, which powered the 1st Atomic City. The nuclear-powered aircraft experiment that had the owl living in it, the tour of the nuclear facility "while in operation", the museum tour...fascinating!

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## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT - WARRENS (cont'd from Page 5)

Any places that we haven't gone as a club that you would recommend to others (campgrounds, parks, etc) We camped at White Bird Idaho, in the Swift Water RV Park, a beautiful campground embraced by the Salmon River--lots of Indian history, 183 miles north of Boise. Camping at the Wild Horse Casino outside of Pendleton has plenty to do--Umatilla Indian Museum, Casino, bike riding, historic Pendleton with an underground city and Walla-Walla wineries a short drive. Then there is always MOAB...beautiful.

We tried to get an Airstream rally set up at Linder Farms in Boise for next year with a Halloween theme, they said they didn't have room. We would love to find a place to have a Halloween themed rally-costumes/pumpkin carving/decorated Airstreams...scary stuff. Maybe Craters of the Moon?

**Besides traveling in your Airstream, what are your hobbies/interests?** Everything interests us! We're both back in college advancing our degrees, not sure why? Susan is a spin instructor and a personal trainer at the downtown "YMCA". She also teaches special needs programs through Boise Parks and Recreation. I recently retired from the water treatment industry. I teach cross country skiing at Bogus, gave up the Harleys and muscle cars for mountain biking, road biking, roller blading, fishing, watching football, traveling, building Legos for stress relief, investment and managing properties. Anything "fun" ... count us in!

We are so fond of everybody in our club...you make our world a better place. God Bless, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!





## bits, bites and rivets





## NEW SERVICE MANAGER AT AIRSTREAM ADVENTURES NORTHWEST-

#### **MEET RICHARD WILSON**

Richard Wilson (see photo) moved to the Treasure Valley from Ventura County, in sunny Southern CA. Richard has been happily married to his high school sweetheart for 14 years, and has a 11 year old son. Richard and his family are avid camping enthusiasts--they really enjoy the outdoors and are very excited to see what the Gem State has to offer. Richard also has a passion for all forms of motor sports, and enjoys racing cars. He takes pride in his work, and is passionate about assuring client delight in his line of work. He's looking forward to a great new career with Airstream Adventures Northwest!

#### **NEW SALES MANAGER AT AANW**

**Taylor Anderson** is the new sales manger at Airstream Adventures Northwest. He replaces Jon Endicott. Taylor was on the sales staff prior being promoted to sales manager.





## HARVEST DINNER RE-CAP

## by Cara Goedeking

We decided to take a chance and go a little unconventional for this year's Harvest Dinner on November 11th. The Goedekings and Settles (your hosts & co-hosts) decided to try to keeping the event very low-cost and family-friendly...and overall, I'd say it was definitely a success. We opened up the doors of our little church building to 40 club members (including brand new members Terry & Cindi Little--so glad they joined us!!). We started the evening by visiting during our BYOB (bring your own bottle) Happy Hour. Then we snuck in a quick officer installation...with Lester Schmidt (past International Treasurer) in charge--our 2nd VP Bill Sargent was officially installed! For dinner we had Idaho Pizza Company deliver some delicious, hot pizza--had some salad side dishes--and enjoyed some yummy Costco cheesecake!

Then it was all fun and games...we had a fun gift exchange (with some stealing allowed...that's what keeps it interesting!) and some great door prizes courtesy of Airstream Adventures NW, Bill and Jane Snively and Judy Canada. Nearly everyone went home with something fun! We were also able to donate \$130 to the American Red Cross for hurricane relief.

Thanks to all who attended--and especially to all who came early to help us set up and stayed late to help us clean up...we appreciated the group effort!



Jerry & Linda Settle, our amazing Co-Hosts!!



Enjoying good food and fun fellowship is really what it's all about!!

## HARVEST DINNER PHOTOS



Susan Warren, Jane Snively, Bill Snively, Larry Warren
Terry & Cindi Little



Darrell & Maureen Ostyn



**Andy Falk** 





Audrey Falk, Ellie Goedeking & Gretchen Falk

## more HARVEST DINNER photos













Ken & Marsha Golding with Betty & Charlie Burke

# 2018 RALLY SCHEDULE



DATE	PLACE	HOST(S)
April 26-29 Business Meeting	Break-Out Rally!!! Trail Break RV Park Glenns Ferry, ID	Hosts: Goedeking/Conn  *New member seminar to be hosted by the Canadas
May 29	Caravan to Region 10 Rally Ovenight at Wildhorse Casino Pendleton, OR	Hosts: Usselman/Schanze
May 30-June 3	Region 10 Rally Hood River, OR	Hosts: Region 10/OR Unit
June 22	Caravan to International Rally Overnight in Central Oregon	Hosts: Lawrence
June 23-30	International Rally Salem, OR	Hosts: International Committee
July 21	Local Area Picnic	Hosts: TBD
August 23-26 Business Mtg/ Installation	Canyon Pines RV Park Pollock, ID	Hosts: Merell/Canada
September 20-23	City of Rocks National Reserve, ID	Hosts: Brace/Davidson
October 11-14	Trailing of the Sheep Rally Ketchum, ID	Hosts: Hoem
November 10	Harvest Dinner (location TBD)	Hosts: Usselman



## SNOWBALL

SHEL SILVERSTEIN

I MADE MYSELF A SNOWBALL,
AS PERFECT AS COULD BE,
I THOUGHT I'D KEEP IT AS A PET,
AND LET IT SLEEP WITH ME.

I MADE IT SOME PAJAMAS,

AND A PILLOW FOR ITS HEAD,

THEN LAST NIGHT IT RAN AWAY,

BUT FIRST - IT WET THE BED!

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