

# IDAHO AIRSTREAM CLUB

## *a word from our president*

OK...just for the record: *I'm sorry!!* The timing was just too coincidental! I offended "mother nature" and brought that cold icky weather back!! I walk under ladders. Breaking a mirror makes me look better. If a black cat crosses my path, I reach out to pet it!---that's just how I roll!

Don't forget Spring is coming or maybe it's actually here now, because we had to 'spring' our clocks forward and lose a hour of sleep this past weekend.

So my job (*for now*) is taking me to Taiwan for two weeks. It's a new country I haven't been to, with new culture and foods (*and some old ones too thanks to Mr. R. McDonald*). In some ways it's exciting, with all the new opportunities. But there are many ideals I don't share with them:

Taiwanese	Me
If you can't walk there, it's too far	Don't mind driving across town for something
City is their life	I could never live in a really BIG city
They have a lot street food markets	I love a home-cooked meal
They don't have a lot of open-air parks	I love our national parks

Though I am traveling in a big *comfortable* airplane for 14 hours and staying at a nice hotel this month, I'd rather be rolling down the windy road and pull into a quite little pullout in the woods or stop in some '*off the beaten path*' town for these two weeks.

Wally created this company during a time when trailer travel like ours was *VERY* special...

*"To provide a more satisfying, meaningful way of travel that offers complete travel independence, wherever and whenever you choose to go or stay."*

Enjoy the journey, make the destinations memorable and treasure those friendships that will last a lifetime!

See you down the road (*soon*)!

*Peter Goedeeking*



**Loretta's ready for some camping!  
Are you?**

### IDAHO UNIT OFFICERS

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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

## APRIL BREAKOUT RALLY

**April 26-29** Trail Break RV Park, Glenns Ferry, ID. Hosts: Pete & Cara Goedeking, Co-hosts: Larry & Gail Conn. Contact Cara at (208) 887-5388



## idaho unit **SUNSHINE** news

### March Anniversaries

01--Mark Anderson  
03--Kristin Hansen-Mellish  
05--Duyane Cananda  
06--Tom Usselman/Terry Graybeal  
07--Ann Lindley  
10--Kim Blackburn/Faith Dawson/  
Jodi Charrier  
12--Ray Hoem  
15--Dave Johnson  
19--Jan Nelson  
20--Jerry Settle  
22--Sue Norris  
24--Lucille Allen  
25--Kevin Golding  
29--Judy Canada  
30--Annie Sargent/Ron Jessick  
31--Sandy Smith

### March Anniversaries

20, 2005--Benji & Kristin Mellish  
22, 1986--Jim & Kelley Hobart  
23, 1973--Doug & Kyong Draves

### April Anniversaries

02--Gary Betts  
03--Jim Hobart  
04--Larry Peterson  
04--Phil Nelson  
05--Vincent Falk  
05--Niels Vernegaard  
17--Bryan Mann  
20--Danny Robinson  
21--Douglas Draves  
24--Betty Burke  
24--Emily Lankford

### April Anniversaries

14, 1956--David & Penny Libbey  
22, 1986--Steve Lockwood and  
Molly O'Reilly  
21, 1977--Floyd & Donna Tschacher  
23, 1971--Tom & Marilyn Usselman

## 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!

David & Linda Johnson  
from Post Falls, ID

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# MEMBERSHIP NEWS

*from Mim Davidson, Membership*

## **FROM NEW MEMBERS-GEORGE & BARBARA BRAJKOVICH**

George and I are retired. Upon retirement, in 2003, we moved from Nevada to Idaho! We live in Star. We love Idaho and are so happy that this is where we chose to retire! George loves fishing and working on projects in the garage where he is restoring a tractor. I enjoy cooking, crocheting and spending time with family and friends.  
~Barbara

## **FROM NEW MEMBERS-TOM & SHARON PAGE**

My husband Tom and I recently purchased our 19' Flying Cloud. When I first met Tom in 1975, he had a Winnebago. In between the two RVs, we had a set of twins, tent camped and traveled around the world. It helped that I worked for Delta Airlines for 39 years, so we had some pretty daring adventures. Tom was the West Coast Manager for an industrial firm. Since we retired recently, we decided having an Airstream was the way to go. We've already taken a trip to Death Valley National Park and loved it. We really look forward to meeting everyone at the breakfasts and joining you for adventures at Idaho Unit rallies. ~Sharon

## **FROM NEW MEMBERS-DAVE & LINDA JOHNSON**

Linda and I have been RVing since I retired in 2008. This is our second Airstream and we LOVE it! We have lived in the Coeur d'Alene/Post Falls area since 1972. We owned a heavy road & utility construction company in the local area. We sold in 2005 and I agreed to stay with the new company for 3 years. Since that time, as we love to travel, it made sense to start RVing as we have two small dogs who travel very well. We also have a condo in the McCall area where we love to ski & fish. We have raised two boys--Jason is an attorney in Spokane, WA and Jeremy pastors a church in Springfield, MO. We also have 4 grandchildren. We have been involved in our local church here in Coeur d'Alene for over 38 years.

We are certainly looking forward to meeting the group and traveling together. Next time we get to Boise we will keep the breakfast in mind. Also, we are situated on 5 acres in Post Falls and I have a parking spot with power & water for anyone traveling thru our area and needing a spot to land. We love meeting people! ~Dave



*Calvin & Kelly Huit*

from Meridian, ID

### **Tell us about your family (including 4-legged members)...**

We married a little later in life (first time for both of us). Kenneth, Calvin's younger brother, who was 15 at the time, moved in with us two months after we were married. He lived with us for two years. By the time we were able to focus on having a family, we were too old.

We have one dog, our "sweetheart". Reilly Jo is a bichon frise teacup, and truly has the "Life of Reilly". She helps fill a void in our life.

Kelly works for St. Luke's managing the IT Service Desk and the Identity and Access Management (IAM) staff. Calvin manages Information Technology, including all I.T. staff, software, and hardware for the Idaho State Department of Agriculture (ISDA).

We also started a business: Calvin has patented a hearing aid case technology. We are finally in the process of having an injection mold made so we can mass-produce product. It's been a long process to get where we are, but things are starting to come together: our patent was issued and filed last September (after three years, nine months in the making).

### **Tell us how you two met...**

We met in church, and were friends for more than 9 years before we took interest in one another. Our relationship grew through volunteer work. We have been married for more than 23 years.

### **How long have you been members?**

We've been members since late 2004.

### **What kind of Airstream do you have? Have you ever owned any other trailers/Airstreams?**

We currently own a 2005 30' Classic. We bought it 'lightly' used from Prescott, AZ. We found it using <https://www.searchtempest.com/>.

Our previous Airstream was a 1966 22' Safari, that we bought and rebuilt from the frame up. The process took about 4 years.

Our Safari was our first RV. Calvin never wanted any other brand, as his great uncle (an aeronautical engineer) owned an Airstream.

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## Member Spotlight

(Calvin & Kelly Huit)

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### Why did you join/who asked you to join the club?

After buying our Safari, we were told by Bodily RV (now Camping World) that the Airstream Club was holding a rally there the following weekend, and that they would be able to answer the questions we had about our Airstream.

### What have been your favorite trips/rallies as a part of the club?

We don't get out much, and I'm sure we have missed some great rallies and caravans. The times we were able to get out, we enjoyed the City of Rocks and Jordan Valley; we particularly enjoyed the two caravans that combined spanned the entire Oregon Coast. The first caravan of the two is what endeared us to the club.

### 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?

Two field trips stand out to us: the dredge at Sumter and the taxidermy viewing in Glenns Ferry.

### Any places that we haven't gone as a club that you would recommend to others? (campgrounds, parks, etc)

We would like to have a rally at Winchester State Park. Maybe even a rally somewhere near Priest Lake!

We love the ocean so our favorite places tend to be close to it. We like the Sea Perch RV Resort near Yachats Oregon. We also enjoyed Malibu Beach RV Park in California (34 02' 00.70"N, 118 44' 23.55"W) – the back of our Airstream was over the edge, literally!

### Besides traveling in your Airstream, what are your hobbies/interests?

We both "play" with photography, and also have a drone we hope to use for our business.

Calvin likes to hunt, fly fish, and do wood work. His recent interests includes completing a 47 inch (soon to be) radio controlled model of the fishing vessel Northwestern (which is featured on Discovery's Deadliest Catch) that he bought off eBay from Scotland.



# bits, bites and rivets

## WHAT IS A RALLY? from Mim Davidson

A **RALLY** is an opportunity to join other Airstreamers for a weekend of fun and adventure. Rallies take place in communities all around Idaho, as well as eastern Oregon and northern Utah. Hosts and co-hosts find camping facilities, and organize tours and other adventures within the surrounding area.

### Sign up for a rally

- Approximately 2 months before the rally, the hosts publish a coupon in the newsletter on the Idaho Unit website.
- Print it and fill in the requested information.
  - Don't worry if you can't stay for the whole rally. Tell the host your arrival and departure dates.
- Write a check for the requested amount. (Sorry we aren't yet set up for electronic payment.)
  - This may be first night's site reservation or a partial payment of projected rally expenses.
- Send it to the hosts listed on the coupon.
  - A deadline may be indicated. Contact the hosts if you find out late that you can attend or if you have to cancel.

### Planning

- The Newsletter will provide the rally schedule:
  - Meals – we usually have a combination of potluck, restaurants, and on your own.
  - Planned activities – you'll have a good idea of clothing and other items to bring,
  - Costs – such as the campground or special activities.

### When you get there:

- Check into the campground and pay any remaining campsite costs.
- Unhook your rig and get set up.
- Have fun!

### Before you leave:

- Check with the rally hosts to pay the Rally Fee. This per-person cost covers shared items and activities. New members and guests may use a 'Free Rally Fee' coupon instead.



## PLEASE SAVE YOUR BOXTOP\$

Remember to collect BoxTop\$ from hundreds of your favorite General Mills products found throughout your local grocery store. We are collecting for Whitney Elementary, a "Title One" school in Boise, ID. Turn them in to Cara Goedeking at the monthly breakfast meeting.

# april breakout rally & business meetings

Trail Break RV Park, Glenns Ferry, ID

April 26-29, 2018 (Thursday-Sunday)

Hosts: the Goedekings & the Conns

Sites are \$30 per night and they have a "Buy 2 Nights Get the 3rd Night Free" offer, so if you stay all three nights, you still only pay \$60!

**DO SOME SPRING CLEANING**--We are collecting donations for local Twelve Baskets Ministry & their Thriftique Store--**bring a box of "stuff"** to donate to a great cause!

## **THURSDAY, APRIL 26**

Check-In at Office **after 2pm** (pay for your space)

**5pm** Happy Hour--bring drinks & a snack to share

**6pm** Potluck dinner--bring whatever you want to share (main dish, side dish, dessert)

## **FRIDAY, APRIL 27**

**9am** Potluck Breakfast (bring an item to share)

Lunch is on your own

Afternoon is free--see ideas below

**5pm**--Happy Hour

**6pm**--Catered Mexican Meal (enchiladas, fajitas, beans and rice) & Dessert (provided by those with January, February, & March Birthdays & Anniversaries)

## **SATURDAY, APRIL 27**

**8:30am** Continental Breakfast provided (muffins/pastries, yogurt/granola, fruit, & juice)

**9:30-11am** Executive Board Meeting (at Three Island Crossing Interpretative Center Conference Room)

**10am**--**New Member Seminar** (at Trail Break)

Lunch on your own/Afternoon free--see ideas below

**3pm**--Games

**5pm**--Happy Hour

**6pm**--Smoked Pulled Pork provided by hosts. Please bring a side or dessert to share.

## **SUNDAY, APRIL 28**

Breakfast on your own

**9:30-10:30am** General Meeting (at Three Island Crossing Interpretative Center Conference Room)

**12noon** Check Out--Safe Travels!

## **THINGS TO DO NEARBY:**

- Crossings Winery and public 9-hole golf course.
- Three Island Crossing State Park and the Snake River (boating/fishing) and Disc Golf Course (at Three Island Crossing)
- Hiking. Hike along the Historic Oregon Trail or take a trek in the Bennett Mountains (Bluebird Trail).
- Biking and Walking Trail. The recreational trail starts at the Three Island State Park and ends in downtown Glenns Ferry.
- Go donate your stuff to the Thriftique Store. Visit Hometown Hardware (cute trailer "stuff"). Go buy fudge at the Fudge Factory!

## **COUPON for Breakout Rally & Business Meeting April 26-29, 2018**

Trail Break RV Park, Glenns Ferry, ID

Hosts: Peter & Cara Goedeking, Co-hosts: Larry & Gail Conn

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ WBCCI # \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Number in Party: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Arrival Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Departure Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Trailer Length: \_\_\_\_\_ MH Length: \_\_\_\_\_

Pets: Yes/No How Many? \_\_\_\_\_ Will you be using a Free Rally Coupon? \_\_\_\_\_

Please send this coupon & registration fee of \$30 payable to **WBCCI Idaho Unit** by April 6th to: Peter & Cara Goedeking, 1409 Ponderay Rd, Boise, ID 83705

# GET YOUR COUPON IN NOW FOR THE SEPTEMBER CITY OF ROCKS RALLY!

Yes, it's still early, but sending in your coupon now will reserve your space for what is sure to be a very popular rally! Existing reservations will be assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis...so please don't wait or you might miss out!!

## City of Rocks Rally

Half of the campground RV sites we have reserved are already spoken for, so get your coupon and payment in as soon as possible to ensure getting a space. September is one of the busiest months at City of Rocks and the campground will fill up early. Therefore, we need to get a count of the rigs that will be attending as soon as possible in order to be able to reserve more campsites if necessary, and the earlier we try to reserve more sites the better our chances. The existing reservations will be assigned on a first come first serve basis.

We will be staying near the little town of Almo, in the Smoky Mountain Campground at the east entrance to the City of Rocks National Reserve. This is a State of Idaho campground with water, electricity, bathrooms with showers, and a dump station.

The rally will be a joint rally with the Wasatch Unit and an excellent opportunity to get acquainted with some of our fellow Airstreamers from Utah.

We will tour City of Rocks National Reserve during the rally including a short nature walk with a ranger, with a longer walk for those who wish to see more. This will give us the chance to get a closer look at the rock formations (and the folks climbing them) and an explanation of the surroundings by the ranger. The photo at right was taken during our nature walk at the 2011 rally

The rally schedule isn't yet finalized, but we will be visiting the old normal school in Albion for a tour, and

## September 20 to 23, 2018

there will be time in the schedule for those who wish to visit the nearby town of Oakley which has been designated a National Historical District because of the turn-of-the-century architecture. There is also a lovely little museum in Oakley.

In addition to the beautiful scenery, this was on the California Trail. Many of the pioneers marked their names in axle grease on some of the rocks and they are still plainly visible.

The rally ends on Sunday. For those who would like to stay over until Monday, let Earl know so he can tell you what site you will be in so you can contact Idaho Parks and Recreation and reserve Sunday night. Contact Earl at the address below or:

ekbrace@cs.com  
(208) 376-0305



### CITY OF ROCKS RALLY

**SEPTEMBER 20—23, 2018**

**Hosts: Barbara & Earl Brace Mim & Fonny Davidson**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ WBCCI No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Number in Party: \_\_\_\_\_ Trailer \_\_\_\_\_ or Motorhome \_\_\_\_\_? Length: \_\_\_\_\_ ft.

Date of Arrival: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Departure: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have an Idaho State Parks pass? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Deposit = \$45.00

Return this coupon together with \$45 to:

Earl Brace  
1504 Newport Street  
Boise, Idaho 83709

Make checks payable to:  
*Idaho Unit—WBCCI*



# 2018 RALLY SCHEDULE

DATE	PLACE	HOSTS
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 29-30	Caravan to Region 10 Rally Overnight at Wildhorse Casino Pendleton, OR	Hosts: Usselman/Schanze
May 30-June 3	Region 10 Rally Hood River, OR	Hosts: Region 10/OR Unit
June 22-23	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



**July is prime camping season and we STILL have NO RALLY scheduled...only a possible picnic.**

Would you PLEASE STEP UP and be willing to organize and host a Rally? We can help with ideas...we just need someone to say **YES!**

Please contact Rally Coordinator Sharon Lawrence (phone: 541-212-9202 or email [sklawrence50@msn.com](mailto:sklawrence50@msn.com)) or Unit President Peter Goedeking (phone: 208-891-9083 or email [goedp@yahoo.com](mailto:goedp@yahoo.com)) if you can help!

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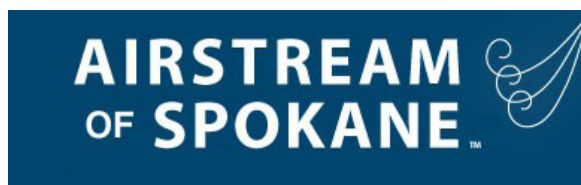
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### On the Web (Helpful Links)

[www.airstream.com](http://www.airstream.com)

[www.airstreamofspokane.com](http://www.airstreamofspokane.com)

[www.anareservoirrvpark.com](http://www.anareservoirrvpark.com)

[www.wbcci.org](http://www.wbcci.org)

[region10.wbcci.net](http://region10.wbcci.net) (Region 10 website)

[idahounit.wbcci.net](http://idahounit.wbcci.net) (our website)

[www.airstreamlife.com](http://www.airstreamlife.com)

[www.tour.airstreamlife.com](http://www.tour.airstreamlife.com)

[www.airstreamtrailers.com](http://www.airstreamtrailers.com)

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