a word from our president

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I love this time of the year when the days are warm and sunny while the nights are a little cool. Most of us were able to winterize our Airstreams without freezing our fingers, if you completed the job in October when we had some beautiful days. Some Airstreaming snow birds are already heading South for the winter. I like to ski and don't mind the cold so I'm staying here, at least for this winter!

Marilyn and I completed our last rally for the year, a Special Event Rally hosted by Carol Ortiz, at the Sun Valley Jazz and Music Festival here in Idaho. We volunteered again for the 2nd year, along with most of the other Airstreamers at the rally. We got to hear some terrific music performed by very talented musicians as we assisted in greeting and seating guests. By volunteering, we received a free pass to events at the Festival. We enjoyed the free shuttle bus that took us to the Sun Valley Opera House where we put in a total of 12 hours volunteering over our 6 day visit. The sound of the generators in the morning and evening to recharge the batteries was actually comforting as the nights are chilly. Yes, dry camping at its best! The golden aspen trees were in their full glory, a photographer's dream! We again put our names in

the red book to volunteer for next year's performance. If you have never been to the festival, it's really something for you to consider for next October. Carol Ortiz has announced her retirement of hosting this rally. Great job Carol! Bob and Darlene Caldwell will be the new hosts next year and are hoping to recruit helpers from our unit. Let them know if you are interested.

We will be having our Harvest Dinner at Louie's, which will be our last big group outing, for 2018 on Nov. 10th. Great food, door prizes and fun are in store for everyone! Our charities will be Idaho Food Bank and Boise Rescue Mission (correction from last newsletter). We are still calculating our total restaurant costs but should be under \$3 per person as of this date, payable at the restaurant. As usual, drinks are on your own.

Our regular breakfast will be on the second Saturday of December 8th at 9AM. Marilyn will be calling to remind you of that breakfast.



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Tom & Marilyn at Sun Valley Jazz & Music Fest Rally

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UPCOMING EVENTS

MONTHLY UNIT BREAKFAST NO BREAKFAST IN NOVEMBER due to Harvest Dinner.

All other months-8:30am on 2nd Saturday of every month. Golden Corral, 8460 W. Emerald St, Boise, ID. Marilyn Usselman (208) 863-2926.

NOVEMBER HARVEST DINNER

November 10, Louie's Pizza & Italian Restaurant, Meridian, ID. Hosts: Usselmans (208) 322-8155, Co-hosts: Settles.



CELEBRATIONS

November Birthdays

03--Cindy Little 08--Terry Little 09--Justin Carr/Willy Gorrissen 13--Linda Johnson 14--Jane Snively 15--Norma Massier 22--Debbie Jimenez 22--Debbie Jimenez 22--Darrell Ostyn 24--Gail Madsen-Clayton 27--Sandy Maack 27--Rochelle Bunnett 28--Dorothy Harkins 30--Rebecca Jauquet

November Anniversaries

- 07, 1992--Phil & Jan Nelson 12, 1973--Pete & Fay Petersen 13, 1982--Niels & Pam Vernegaard
- 19, 1994--John & Bonnie Ruskauff
- 23, 2000--Michael & Kathleen Archer

December Birthdays

- 02--Linda Settle 04--Susie Borowicz 06--George Brajkovich 08--Mike DeRuyter/Amy Patterson 09--Pam Vernegaard 10--David Jauquet 14--Martha Graybeal 14--Bill Massier 16--Joni Dronen 19--Carolyn Gedris/Chad Hickenlooper 20--Rob Bunnett 25--Bud Lankerak 26--Bonnie Ruskauff 27--Larry Conn **December Anniversaries** 03, 1994--Calvin & Kelly Huit 08, 1997--Larry & Susan Warren
- 19. 1997--Larry & Susan Warren
- 19, 1993--Chad & Julie Hickenloo
- 23, 1967--Ray & Sherry Hoem
- 29, 1973--Bob & Darlene Caldwell

IDAHO UNIT COMMITTEE LEADS

- □ Budget—Larry Conn
- Calling Coordinator-Marilyn Usselman
- Caravan-Darrell Ostyn
- Community Service-Judy Canada
- Constitution and Bylaws-Charlie Burke
- Directory-Gail Conn
- Historical-Betty Burke
- D Hospitality/Sunshine—Marilyn Usselman
- □ Legislative-Charlie Burke
- □ Membership—Mim Davidson
- D Newsletter-Cara Goedeking
- □ Rally Coordinator—Sharon Lawrence
- □ Safety-Open
- □ Website-Michael Schanze

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Justin & Jennifer Carr from Boise, ID Jack & Ellen Keifer from Boise, ID Emily & Daneille Neumarkel from Kimberly, ID Dennis & Heidi Patterson from Boise, ID



Membership News from Mim Davidson, Membership Chair

Email - mimad@cableone.net

Thanks to the members who have already renewed. If you have not yet done so, **renew!** Regular or lifetime members can easily <u>renew online</u> (or use the form in this newsletter). **Renew!** Affiliate members still need to use the paper form. Update any details that have changed. **Renew!** Learn safety tips, get technical help, and catch up on members' stories at the monthly breakfasts.



Health demands may limit participation for some. Others find that job requirements and family issues limit free time. If you're not renewing, please let me know why. It helps us improve the group – and you won't get more reminders.

Renew for the rallies...use the rally schedule to organize summer travel plans. Travel with us to check out a new place – or to look at a familiar spot through new eyes. We are planning outings April through August, a caravan in September, and a Special Events Rally in October. We'll try pop-up rallies and other meal get-togethers throughout Idaho. Share your ideas. **Renew now, please.**

From New Members:

from Michael & Joni Dronen of Driggs, ID

We are both recently retired and are looking forward to traveling and enjoying our new Airstream. Although we are long time tent campers, this is our first Airstream, and our first travel camper of any kind. We bought our 22 ft Sport there in Boise in August, and subsequently enjoyed our first adventure in the camper in September, traveling the Oregon coast. The trip was as enjoyable as we hoped it would be, and we look forward to many more future adventures.

We appreciate your offer to join in on activities and monthly meetings. We will certainly keep it in mind, when we find ourselves in the Boise area.

from Jack & Ellen Keifer of Boise, ID

After looking around, we concluded that a Basecamp looked like one of the most capable units to take on forest service and BLM roads but with most of the features we wanted. So far so good. We have spent 9 nights in it, including a 2 night trip to the BLM campground in the North Fork of the Owyhee River Canyon about 30 miles southeast of Jordan Valley including some fairly rough gravel roads with some steep pitches. It was a good trip but we did have to sweep out a fair amount of dust upon our return. Luckily it's a small trailer.

This is our first trailer after having various boats and tent camping for 35 years, although the last 18 were with C-Dory cruisers which permitted overnight stays. We did one trip to Priest and Pend Oreille Lakes where we stayed on board for 9 consecutive nights. I am happy to report that we were still friends at the end of the trip so we concluded that the limited square footage in the Basecamp will work just fine for us. If anyone in your club has a Basecamp, I would be interested in talking to them about winterizing the water system. Reviewing the literature and discussions have left me confused on the correct techniques. The Truma hot water system seems to be sensitive to antifreeze, yet it seems some people introduce antifreeze into the rest of the system while others say air only. Since this will be the first winter, it is critical that I learn to do it right as I have already been warned a freeze failure will not be warrantable.

Ellen and I try to stay busy as we are in 2 car clubs, play golf, go to some BSU football games, and a lot of College of Idaho basketball games. We also volunteer to deliver Meals on Wheels, have a small garden, and I do some woodworking. And of course we like camping in the mountains.

Wally Byam Caravan Club International Idaho Airstream Club 2019 Renewal

Renew Online!

Help us streamline re To be included in the 2019 International Mer	newals. Online is quick	-	110
Or complete this form and send it with your check to <i>WBCCI-Idaho Unit</i> to: Larry Conn, Treasurer Idaho Airstream Club 3030 N. 26 th St Boise, ID 83702	**************************************	e \$65 International plus \$15 Club for a total of \$80. orm for Affiliate renewal; pay o	*****
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Tell us about your family...Bill has a son Taylor, 35. Annie has two sons, Ben, 39 and Joe, 36 plus his wife, Oley. We have two adorable granddaughters, Alexandria (Alex) 11 and a half, and Jessi, 20 months. Our four-legged loves are Zoe, an 8 month old labradoodle and Bugs, a 15+ year old grey and white, snake-killing, mouse-hunting cat.

Tell us how you two met...We met in March of 1999 on Match.com, married that August in the Victoria BC harbor on the deck of a boat. We will celebrate our 20th anniversary in Yachats, OR with our Airstream overlooking the Pacific ocean next August.

How long have you been WBCCI members? 2 years

What kind of Airstream do you have? Other trailers? We purchased our 2012 Classic Airstream in March 2017. This is our first trailer and Bill spent months researching and looking. He signed us up immediately with WBCCI so we would meet others of like mind and begin our adventures.

What is the most interesting place you've visited? Our two favorite trips have been to Couer d'Alene in September 2017 and City of Rocks this September. Cataldo Mission and the train station in Wallace were one of many highlights of CDA. The Albion Normal school, the history of the area and hiking are memorable moments in the City of Rocks.

Besides traveling in your Airstream, what are your hobbies/interests? Bill's hobbies include cars (ask him about Mondial), the Dolphin, reading, family and friends and service to



others. Annie's hobbies include travel/work in Ireland, travel in general, walking/hiking, reading, granddaughters, friends and family. We recently returned from a 28 day holiday in Italy and France – wonderful people, beautiful scenery and great memories.

OCTOBER RALLY RE-CAP

by Sherry Hoem, Rally Host

We had 5 trailers show up for the **Trailing of the Sheep Rally**. There were 10 people attending the festival from our Idaho Airstream Club. The festival, as you might imagine, had lots of things going on at the same time. So we tried to outliine the various things that were going on and the things we, personally, were going to do. Some things cost quite a bit of money as an "entry fee", like some of the films were \$20 a ticket so not everybody attended - but those that did enjoyed the films immensely.

We didn't all go to all the festival activities together as there were so many. Most people wandered about, some going to the dog trials, others to the events in the park and many wandered about partaking in, and purchasing from vendors and the main event in the local park. We all attended the "trailing parade" in Ketchum and, as usual, it was an event to be observed.

We had a pizza dinner in Hailey we all attended along with about 20 members from the Airstream Jazz Festival rally so we had a rowdy meeting with about 30 of us together from parts of the western United States. It was fun and we got to visit with many people that we would not have seen.

We hope all had fun, enjoyed the festival and, while we didn't all go to the same things at the same time, we are sure most had the opportunity to fully engage in the many activities that are offered at the festival.



Pizza Dinner in Hailey

OCTOBER RALLY PHOTOS



Trailing of the Sheep Rally





Jon & Becky Brougher and Larry Conn



Larry and his new friend





Louie's Pizza and Italian Restaurant <u>Date</u>: Saturday, November 10, 2018 Time: 6:00pm Location: 2500 E. Fairview, Meridian, ID 83646

\$15 per person was paid with your reservation/coupon (additional fee of approximately \$3 each to be paid at location--please bring this with you)

Come join us for a lovely meal at a very fine Italian restaurant with family style dining. Drinks are on-your-own.

We will have door prizes! We'll also be collecting donations for two Idaho-based charities - Idaho Food Bank & Boise Rescue Mission.

<u>Hosts</u>: Tom and Marilyn Usselman, phone 208-322-8155 <u>Co-hosts</u>: Jerry and Linda Settle

2019 RALLY SCHEDULE

Tentative Schedule--Subject to Change

PLACE	HOSTS
Baker City, OR	Hosts: Conn/Usselman
Bend, OR	Hosts: Schanze/Collins
Tonasket, WA	Hosts: Davidson
Lewiston, ID	Hosts: Falk
Ponderosa State Park, McCall, ID	Hosts: Sargent/Schanze
Oregon Coast Caravan	Hosts: Ostyn/Settle
Sun Valley Jazz & Music Festival	Hosts: Region 10
Harvest Dinner	Hosts: Sargent
	Baker City, OR Bend, OR Tonasket, WA Lewiston, ID Ponderosa State Park, McCall, ID Oregon Coast Caravan Sun Valley Jazz & Music Festival



Cruisin' the Oregon Coast Caravan

The Idaho Airstream Club is sponsoring a **2019** numbered caravan along the entire 364-mile stretch of the Oregon Coast by way of Highway 101. Members of the caravan will meet in Portland on September 10th for a welcoming dinner and will end the adventure in Brookings on September 26th. Caravan leaders are Jerry and Linda Settle and Darrell and Maureen Ostyn.

A tour and lunch is scheduled at the **Ultimate Airstream** facility the following day in Portland. Then the caravan will travel to the most northerly point of Oregon, Astoria, for a three-night venture which will include tours of **Fort Stevens** and **Fort Clatsop**, the wintering site of Lewis and Clark. Possible "You're on your own" (YOYO) activities include the Astoria Column, the Columbia Maritime Museum, and the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center.

From Astoria, members will see spectacular coastal ranges, ocean views from numerous overlooks and day parks, and small resort towns-Seaside, Cannon Beach, and Manzanita. They will have opportunities to see the Tillamook Cheese Factory (ice cream) and the World War II Air Museum on the way to Lincoln City.



At Lincoln City and Newport an Alder Glass Blowing factory tour is scheduled, as well as tours of Yaquina Head Lighthouse, the Hatfield

Marine Science Center, and the nearby **Oregon Coast Aquarium**. (YOYO) excursions could include factory outlets, Cape Perpetua scenic area and the Heceta Head Lighthouse, the Newport Bay front, Nye Beach, and the Sea Lion Caves.

The caravan will then travel to the Coos Bay/ Charleston area for a **Spinner's Reel and Dune Buggy Tour** and visit beautiful Shore Acres and the Cape Arago State Park area. A Dutch oven cookout is planned, followed by an evening, just steps away, on the sandy beach of **Sunset Bay.** You'll experience a most spectacular sunset of the ocean and sea cliffs.

The last leg of our trip will bring us to undoubtedly the most dramatic and rugged part of coastal Oregon. Rocky shores and majestic sea-cliffs line much of the coast on this stretch. Small islands and sea stacks---rocky monoliths, embedded



in the ocean floor, dot the shoreline invoking such names as Lookout Rock, Battle Rock, and Face Rock.

Our last stop will be in Brookings where the group will board **Jerry's Rogue Jet Boats** and explore the Rogue River along the historic mail route. They will return to a campfire dinner at the Harris Beach Campground. For YOYO time, some members will have the chance to visit Brookings Harbor and Marina, the Azalea Gardens, the public library to see the 400 year old Samurai sword given as a peace offering by the WWII Japanese pilot for his attack of incendiary bombs, or sneak into the redwood area of California to the Trees of Mystery.

The Farewell Dinner will be held in the town of Brookings.

The scheduled caravan will offer individual time to explore personal interests, sample various sea foods, and enjoy the coastal air, sounds, and beauty. Most of all, the caravan will let us all experience and create lasting memories of this scenic coastal region with our Airstream friends. **(see Coupon on Page 11)**

Cruisin' the Coast Caravan Coupon

Sign-Up Coupon - September 10-26, 2019

te:Zip:
ouse Cell Phone:
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ear:Make:

Detach the above coupon and send in with payment - retain the lower half for your records/information

Rendezvous location and date are:

• Sandy River RV Resort, Troutdale, OR – Tuesday, September 10, 2019

Ending point location and date are:

Harris Beach State Recreation Area, Brookings, OR – Thursday, September 26, 2019

The caravan is limited to sixteen (16) Airstreams – first come, first served. If the limit is reached, a standby list will be created. In the event of a cancellation, the opening will be filled from the standby list.

Caravan leaders are Darrell & Maureen Ostyn and Jerry & Linda Settle.

- Contact Darrell Ostyn @ 208.880.2042 (cell)
- Contact Jerry Settle @ 208.695.3003 (cell)

→ Caravan Fee: <u>\$1600</u> with two people *(\$850 due with registration coupon)*

→ Coupon and registration fee due **December 1, 2018.**

→ Balance of caravan fee of <u>\$750</u> is due **June 1, 2019**.

→ Make checks payable to: WBCCI – Idaho Unit

→ Mail reservation coupon and caravan fee payment to: *Darrell and Maureen Ostyn, 1112 Big Creek Circle, Nampa, ID* 83686-2042

NOTE:

- Cancellations made <u>prior</u> to **May 1, 2019**, a \$100 fee will be assessed.
- Cancellations made <u>after</u> **May 1, 2019**, refunds will be at the leaders' discretion. The amount refunded will be based on reservations and commitments made to vendors that cannot be canceled.



President's Message (continued from Page 1)

A Newbie Weekend Rally was held by the Airstream dealership in Caldwell on the weekend of our October breakfast. Ten volunteers organized by Jerry Settle from our Unit visited for that Saturday afternoon to meet staff and to hopefully recruit new members. Mim Davidson and Duyane & Judy Canada each gave a talk about different aspects of membership, WBCCI club history and how we have fun! They did a very good job! One new couple joined that day and we invited a number of dealership staff members to join us for our Harvest Dinner. Please take a moment to introduce yourself and say hello. They might be the



ones working on your trailer in the future. Rubbing elbows turned out to be productive and promoted "goodwill and understanding.....through person to person contact" as Wally Byam once said.

Tom Usselman, President

Idaho Airstream Dealership



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NEXT NEWSLETTER: December 2018, deadline for submissions is December 1st!

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