

# IDAHO AIRSTREAM CLUB

## a word from our president

As I write this note, Annie and I have returned from joining our club's past leadership in Homedale at the beautiful Snake River RV Park. And even more recently, just got back from sharing the nuances and intricacies, as well as the joys, of Airstream ownership. A small group of new owners were invited to bring their trailers to this seminar, sponsored by Airstream Adventures Northwest. Jade, the company representative from Portland, as well as Claudio the leading technician from the Caldwell facility, were on hand to guide the first timers through their first camping experiences in an Airstream. Past Presidents, Mim and Fonny Davidson, Charlie Burke and Bill Lawrence, once again honored their commitment to serve Airstream owners, by explaining about pre-trip planning, towing, set-up and what to expect on the road, and enjoy and maintain their new trailers. All the participants found the seminar useful, and we had an opportunity to pitch the benefits of WBCCI membership. As a result, we gained a few new members.

It is my sad duty to inform those of you unaware, Past President and lifetime member Phil Nelson has passed away. Services for him will be Saturday, October 12 at 11 AM. The church is located at 3007 Sunnyridge Rd., Nampa, Idaho. Viewing begins at 10 AM. Phil and Jan are beloved members of our club, and Phil will be greatly missed. A floral arrangement was sent on behalf of the group. We send our love and condolences to Jan and the entire family.

Having just camped along the shoreline of the beautiful Snake River, I am reminded of the abundance and services it provides to all those who surround it, in her journey to the sea. It is analogous to our time spent together. Perhaps this is something we should try to remember on our journey. To be of service is our highest calling.

See you down the road,

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## IDAHO UNIT OFFICERS

**President** - Bill Sargent

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Lance Taylor, Sharon Lawrence



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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## MONTHLY UNIT BREAKFAST

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

## OCTOBER SUN VALLEY MUSIC RALLY

**October 15-21.** Sun Valley Jazz & Music Fest Rally. Ketchum, ID. Hosts: Caldwells (780) 990-9111, Co-hosts: Usselmans/Uptons.

## NOVEMBER HARVEST DINNER

**November 9.** Harvest Dinner, Smoky Mountain Pizza, Parkcenter Blvd., Boise, ID. Hosts: Sargents (208) 949-5274, Co-hosts: Warrens. **Due November 1st.**



## CELEBRATIONS

### October Birthdays

02--Ellie Goedeking/Catherine Langerak/Murvin Lindley  
03--Michael Archer  
04--Calvin Huit  
08--Fonny Davidson  
12--Bonnie Anderson  
17--Earl Brace  
18--Catherine Langerak  
21--Donna Tschacher  
22--David Levi  
25--Susan Warren  
26--Kathleen Archer/Dorothea Robinson  
27--Myrna Merell  
28--Earl Peck  
30--Mim Davidson  
31--Michael Schanze

### October Anniversaries

03, 1959--Murvin & Ann Lindley  
06, ???--Kevin & Marsha Golding  
19, 1992--Bryan & Allie Mann  
29, 1983--Fonny & Mim Davidson

### November Birthdays

03--Cindi Little  
08--Terry Little  
09--Jennifer Carr/Willy Gorrissen  
13--Linda Johnson  
14--Bunny Snively  
15--Jon Enderson/Norma Massier  
21--Rita Dean  
22--Debbie Jimenez/Darrell Ostyn  
24--Gail Madsen-Clayton  
27--Rochelle Bunnnett/Sandy Maack  
28--Dorothy Harkins  
29--Sawyer Heuvel  
30--Rebecca Jauquet

### November Anniversaries

12, 1973--Pete & Fay Petersen  
13, 1982--Niels & Pam Vernegaard  
18, 1995--Michael & Regina Allen  
19, 1994--John & Bonnie Ruskauff  
23, 2000--Michael & Kathleen Archer

## 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
- ☐ **Hospitality/Sunshine**—Marilyn Usselman
- ☐ **Legislative**—Charlie Burke
- ☐ **Membership**—Mim Davidson
- ☐ **Newsletter**—Cara Goedeking
- ☐ **Rally Coordinator**—Kim Schanze
- ☐ **Safety**—Open
- ☐ **Website**—Michael Schanze

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

**John & Terry Burke**  
from Weiser, ID



**It's fall...that means it's**  
*membership*  
**RENEWAL TIME!**

If you haven't yet renewed your club membership, the easiest way to renew is online **here**.

# Membership News

We completed the Oregon Coast Caravan. What an experience! One of the best reasons to be a member of the Wally Byam Airstream Club is caravans! Our hosts found tours and experiences to create wonderful memories. They reserved campsites all along the coast. They suggested places to visit on your own at each stop. All we had to do was show up!

Our Rally Coordinator is filling next summer with Airstream experiences. Many thanks to the members who are stepping up to plan these events. We will camp and explore April thru October. Take a moment to pencil the dates of the rallies or caravans that interest you. Even if you've 'been there', you may not have 'done that'...

Many thanks to Airstream Adventures Northwest (AANW) in Caldwell for their support. Many of our new members join because AANW pays for the initial membership, most of whom participate and remain members. AANW invited us to join them for a 'Newbie Rally' for new Airstream owners. This was a great weekend that allowed the Idaho Airstream Club to share our insights and reasons that we enjoy Airstreaming and the Wally Byam Caravan Club. I believe we are adding 2 new members to our ranks. We certainly had great weather – and enjoyed getting to know AANW people better.

Take a moment to **renew your membership**. Note any changes – new trailer, different address, etc. The dues are the same as they have been for several years - \$80 for a year of information and fun.

Affiliate renewals still require paper... **Print the form** on the Idaho Airstream Club website and mail it in. Pay only the \$15 unit dues.

Thank you to every Idaho Airstream member! It is great to share with you!

**Mim Davidson, #30657**

**Membership Chair**

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## In Memory of Phil Nelson



Long-time member and Past President Phil Nelson passed away the end of September. He is survived by wife Jan, a son, two daughters and nine grandchildren.

Phil and Jan joined the Idaho Unit twenty-one years ago and although the last few years they did not have an Airstream, they remained active in the club by joining us for breakfasts and Harvest Dinners.

One of his greatest passions, besides his family, was working with CNC (Computer Numerical Control) machines, robotic-type machines that use a router to make parts. He founded and was very active in a CNC User's Group at Woodcraft in Boise.

Phil always had a smile and kind words to share. He will be greatly missed. And our heartfelt sympathy to Jan in this time of loss.

A memorial service will be held this Saturday, October 12th at 11am at the LDS Church located at 3007 Sunnyridge Road in Nampa. Viewing begins at 10 AM.



# New Member Intro

## From Tony Wilson & Lorrie Bauer



In 2015 we started out looking for a canned ham type trailer to fix up and take camping. In July of that year we found a 1959 Airstream listed on Craigslist in Challis, Idaho. We both knew it was an iconic trailer. It wasn't what we were looking for, so we talked about it for a couple days, did some research trying to find more information on this type of trailer then we decided to contact the seller to get some details. He received it from his parents several years before. The last couple of years he used it as a hunting rig. He said it was all original, that it had an ice box (not refrigerator), a bed and couch. After talking with him for about 20 minutes I told him I would discuss it with Lorrie and get back to him later in the week.

A few days later we just so happened to be at an RV dealer that was hosting a BBQ when I (Tony) received a phone call from the seller asking us if we wanted the Airstream or not. He explained that he had received phone calls from several people, many out of state, wanting the trailer and for more money than he asked for, even sight unseen, from a lady in Florida. Because we made first contact, he wanted to give us the opportunity first (not a common trait now days). So, we said yes, that I would be up there the next day to pick it up.

We're nearing the end of a reno/restoration that both of us thought wouldn't take that long, but at times thought that it would never end. We love to dance, but we weren't ready for the one step forward and three steps back routine! We're still excited and can't wait to get this project done before the end of this year.

We've been together for eight years. We live in Twin Falls. Lorrie is an administrative assistant for the City of Twin Falls for the Economic Development department and Urban Renewal Agency. Tony is a software analyst for the College of Southern Idaho. He is also a Navy Veteran, 21 years. We enjoy camping, wood working, dancing, traveling and socializing. We're very excited to be able to enjoy camping and traveling in our Airstream and making new friends on the road. We're not able to make the meeting this month or next, but we're planning on November - Harvest Dinner!



## SUNSHINE REPORT

From our Sunshine gal, Marilyn: Get Well Wishes go to those nursing viral symptoms caught in Oregon (most of us on caravan). Our sincere condolences go to Jan Nelson on the loss of her husband, and our good friend, Phil Nelson, Past Idaho Unit President.

Cards were recently sent out to:

John Merell - surgery in Astoria OR while on caravan

Sandy Maack - knee replacement

Ron Jessick - hip replacement

Kim Schanze - foot surgery

**NOTE:** If you know of any of our members who may be "under the weather" or need a little comfort, please contact Marilyn Usselman so that the appropriate wishes can be made and cards sent. Either call Marilyn at (208) 863-2926 or email her at [usselmanm@hotmail.com](mailto:usselmanm@hotmail.com).



## member spotlight

### Lance Taylor & Vicki Lundin-Taylor

**Tell us about your family...** We and daughter Sarah arrived in Idaho in 4 during the first great California migration. Son Stoney stayed behind to finish up at San Francisco State University. Both of our children, now grown with families of their own, living in Portland, have blessed us with four precious granddaughters. Vicki's background includes a career with Wells Fargo Bank, retail sales, and founder of Harlan-Campbell Communications in Boise. She received her PhD and currently serves as executive faculty at Sofia University in Palo Alto & Costa Mesa, as well as a private practice in life and leadership coaching. Lance retired from a 35 year career as an entertainment executive in Los Angeles. We've always had the companionship of dogs and our latest has been with us for 16 years, a shitzu named Martini. We sold our home earlier this year, bought an Airstream, and moved into an apartment in downtown Boise overlooking the Capitol.

**Tell us how you two met...** We met in the days before online dating, video chatting, or swiping left or right on a computer screen...the old fashioned way. Vicki was getting together with her best girlfriend who came up to LA from San Diego and Lance was having dinner with his younger brother. After dinner, Lance went to the restaurant jazz bar. Despite looking like a dork in my seersucker sports jacket, Vicki accepted my business card and called a month later, hoping to set me up with her friend who was coming up to LA again. Instead, I let it be known I was interested in her, not her friend, and she cautiously agreed to meet me for coffee.

**How long have you been members? What kind of Airstream do you have? Have you ever owned any other trailers/Airstreams?** We bought our Airstream in February and waited for it to arrive via Seattle and Portland before it could be safely driven over the Blues and detailed in Caldwell so we've only been members for about 8 months. We have a 2019 Tommy Bahama 27' FB we've named "Tiny Bubbles" and she is our first.

**Why did you join the Idaho Unit/who asked you to join the club?** We knew Airstream had a community of fellow Airstreamers and that was certainly one of the main reasons we adopted "Bubbles". We talked with Steve Wells at Airstream about the club and he put us in touch with Mim and Fonny, who welcomed us with open arms. There is something very special about joining with the friends we've made at the club and spending time at the rallies and breakfasts. The rallies are great but it's the people, the hosts and campers that makes them great.

**What have been your favorite trips/rallies as a part of the club?** We'd have to say the rallies to Baker City and Bend have been our most favorite. We travel quite often to Portland and have always zipped right on by Baker City in the past. A benefit of traveling with "Bubbles" is that travel has slowed down and the weekend in Baker City was really fun and rewarding. Bend was a great weekend, not only for the field trips which were spectacular, but our evening get togethers were filled with great stories and music. We've been back to Bend and stayed at the same RV park.

**What is the most interesting place you've visited (can be a "field trip" experience that was part of a rally)?** While in Bend, we spent an afternoon among the alpacas. What a great combination of a learning experience and communing with these gentle creatures (the alpacas and our fellow Airstreamers). Hard to decide who made us feel more welcome: the ranchers or the alpacas.

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

We're so new to this experience that we're relying on Airstreamers to recommend trips and campgrounds. This October we're participating in the Newbies Rally and looking forward to spending Thanksgiving on the Oregon Coast before putting Bubbles to bed for the winter. Next year we're looking forward to the International in Colorado and the Regional in Washington along with the club rallies.

**Besides traveling in your Airstream, what are your hobbies/interests?** Vicki and I are fair weather golfers. Since retirement, Lance volunteers with Stage Coach Theatre in Boise, is researching family with Ancestry, and continues downsizing efforts as we sold our house and moved into an apartment downtown Boise. Vicki continues to be involved with ICF, a coaching trade organization, and provides pro bono mentoring with "Dress for Success", a volunteer organization that advises women of limited means as they seek to enter the workforce.

# SEPTEMBER CARAVAN RECAP

by **Linda Settle, Caravan Co-Host**

Another unit caravan is now in the history book for our club. For several members it was their first caravan; for others it was their 4th or 5th. Experienced caravaners or not, we never expected so much September rain on the Oregon coast - Astoria to Brookings. Our travels included an unplanned "leak test" and not everyone passed. However, we all had a great adventure.

Ask anyone on the caravan what their top 3 experiences were and you'll get many different answers. Below are some hints of what the responses might be. Planned or unplanned, it was all part of the Cruising the Oregon Coast experience.

- ~Peaceful beach walks and sunsets on the horizon.
- ~Sunshine and smiles from our youngest caravaner.
- ~Yummy samples at the candy store in Coos Bay
- ~Multiple attempts to get the dune "buggy" up the sand dune in Florence.
- ~Walking to & from the welcome dinner in Troutdale.
- ~Waking up and finding your trailer parked in a huge puddle in Lincoln City.



Brookings, OR



Yaquina Head Lighthouse, Newport, OR

- ~Watching a fellow traveler learn to jump in the puddles.
- ~Understanding the process of an Airstream remodel in Portland.
- ~Building a tsunami-proof structure in Newport.
- ~Traveling with a Rogue River jet boat pilot who can literally spin the boat.
- ~Explaining the warning of "Don't touch the Water" in Sunset Bay State Park.

Begin to picture where you'd like to go on the next unit caravan. Keep it in the back of your mind. Build on it little by little. Talk about your ideas with other Airstreamers and you could be part of a future Idaho Unit caravan. The adventures continue...



## September Oregon Coast Caravan Photos

photos courtesy of Jerry Settle, Caravan Co-Host



The group at Ultimate Airstream



Alder House Glassblowing studio in Lincoln City



Fort Clatsop



Pullout along the Coast



Sand Dunes Frontier sand dunes tour



Central Oregon Coast



## HARVEST DINNER

**Date:** November 9, 2019

**Where:** Smoky Mountain Pizzeria & Grill, 415 E Parkcenter Blvd., Boise, ID

**Time:** Happy Hour 5:30-6:30 pm; Dinner served at 6:30 pm

Menu will include choice of House or Caesar Salad, Teriyaki Chicken Fettuccine, Lasagna, Cheese Tortellini, and Pizzas (Pepperoni, Ultimate, Garlic Chicken and Valley Veg)

Drinks available from the bar (not included in price)

**Hosts:** Bill and Annie Sargent

**Co-hosts:** Larry and Susan Warren

### Harvest Dinner Coupon – Give Thanks

Names: \_\_\_\_\_

WBCCI # \_\_\_\_\_ # Attending \_\_\_\_\_

Contact info: Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please send this coupon with a check for \$18 per person (includes 6% tax and 20% gratuity) payable to WBCCI Idaho Unit **by November 1<sup>st</sup>** to:

Bill Sargent, 5670 E Millet Drive, Boise, ID 83716



**2020****Idaho Airstream Club****Rally  
Schedule**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Host/Co-Host</b>
<b>April 23-26</b>	Break-Out & Bus. Meeting Ambassador RV Resort, Caldwell, ID	<b>Settle/Falk</b>
<b>May</b>	<b>Rally and Location: TBD</b>	<b>Burke/Davidson</b>
<b>June 4-8</b>	<b>Park at the River Wallowa Lake, OR</b>	<b>Schanze/Goedeking</b>
<b>June 19-20</b>	<b>Caravan to International Rally</b>	<b>Lawrence</b>
<b>June 20-27</b>	<b>International Rally Loveland, CO</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>July 9 - 12</b>	<b>Rally and Location: TBD</b>	<b>Conn/Taylor</b>
<b>July 21-26</b>	<b>Region 10 Rally Lynden, WA</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>August 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend</b>	<b>Officer Installation &amp; Business Meeting: Crouch, ID</b>	<b>Canada/Archer/ Centeno</b>
<b>September</b>	<b>The Narrows SE Oregon</b>	<b>Lawrence/Betts</b>
<b>October 14 - 18</b>	<b>Sun Valley Music and Jazz Fest</b>	<b>Caldwell/Usselman</b>
<b>October Date: TBD</b>	<b>Halloween Party Boise, ID</b>	
<b>November</b>	<b>Harvest Dinner</b>	<b>Warren</b>



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[region10.wbcci.net](http://region10.wbcci.net) (Region 10 website)  
**[idaho.airstreamclub.net](http://idaho.airstreamclub.net)** (our website)  
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November 2019

Deadline for submissions is Sunday,  
November 4th

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