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Dear Airstreamers,

Did you know, the most lovely sound in the world is that of our alarm clock announcing a new act in life's great adventure! It's starting to feel like spring with the buds popping out of their dormant state and the spring flowers starting to burst into bloom. All this activity sets one in the mood for adventures, be it here in Washington or jumping in your rig and traveling across the country. Therefore, we are leaving for about six weeks, seeking sun, rest and good visits with old friends!

The Valentine Rally, hosted by Deborah and Tim Haley, with helpers, was such a success filled with interesting information which happened in 1940; grant you some of us, were not even born yet. What people ate, like Spam, is still a favorite in this time frame, wow! We had fun making Valentines for everyone, sort of brought us back to our first grade memories. Russ Decker and Crew did such a grand job with the big band music and taking pictures of all the beauties dressed in period attire. Many thanks to all of you folks for doing a wonderful job leading us in the church service. Then, the icing of events for the morning was the young people treating our ears to a grand acappella music event! It was so very nice to have all those young people around! Thank-you, Deborah and Tim.

Everyone shine up your Leprechaun Pins and green garb because the rally hosted by Wymans and Gordhamers at Toutle River RV Park is going to be a blast, so get in your rigs and come for fun!

Keep on your calendar the Tri -Unit Rally coming in April, then the Crab Rally in May, next the Fishing Caravan, then so one does not get bored, head for The International Rally in Lewisburg, Virginia. Airstream Travels Create Excitement!

I feel it is so important to let people know how much we appreciate all the work and time they have committed to us. The two wonderful couples I want to acknowledge are Ron & Carolyn Florence and RB & Zelma Bernd. They have both given their time, advice and service to all of us! We love you all, please remember you are constantly in our prayers. Please let us know when and how we can help in any way; we know your travels are extremely challenging as you proceed into this next phase of life!

Sincerely and with much care,
Norman Bahl, WA Unit President and Sylvia Bahl, First Lady and all of us

St. Patrick's Day Rally March 18-20, 2016

We are planning lots of fun, food, and activities for the St. Paddy Rally, March 18 - 20, at the Toutle River RV Park.

There will be a hunt for the pot 'o gold, games, music, social hours, dinner Friday and Saturday nights, breakfast Saturday, and a continental breakfast on Sunday. Join the fun.

The deadline to register is March 10, Each person sending in a registration needs to call the RV Park to pay for their first night of camping: 360-274-8373. Registration is under Airstream St. Patrick's Rally. Sara is our contact person. (Tues-Fri, noon to 5pm)

Rally Hosts: **Jan & Lee Wyman** and **Mark & Kim Gordhamer**



Happy St. Patrick's Day

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**Annual Fireman's Dinner
Sunday March 13, 2016**

We are planning a roast beef dinner.
We need volunteers to sell tickets.

This is a great time to sit down and have dinner with our
local FIREMEN and EMT'S.

Call Darlene Leslie for tickets 360-459-8749

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

Position OPEN for election in September.
Contact Larry Alvar, Nominating Chairman
Contact Ginny Scott for Job Description

HARBOR ACTIVITY CREW (HAC) March events:

Breakfast at Red Wind, February 29, 2016 - bus available,
signup in the hall. Meet at the hall at 8:15am leave at 8:30am
Lunch at the Mayan on Marvin - the one over the I-5 bridge,
March 7th, must sign up by February 29th. We need to make
reservations seven days in advance -signup sheet is in the hall.
Meet at the hall at 12:30pm leave at 12:45pm for lunch at
1:00pm.

Also we will have a **Bingo** at the hall on **April 1, 2016**.


The next **HAC meeting, March 16, 2016 at 2:30pm**. We invite
everyone to attend and bring ideas for activities people would
like to see happening in the Harbor.

Jean Harrison

Walla Walla Balloon Stampede
October 12 - 16, 2016

RV Resort Four Seasons, Walla Walla, WA

There will be lots to do in Walla Walla: Fort Walla Walla,
Whitman Mission, Downtown Walla Walla has
unique shopping, several wine tasting shops,
Pendleton Woolen Mills 35 miles away besides
watching the balloons fly and night glow. More
information to come.



**Tri-Unit Rally with the
(British Columbia &
North Cascade & Washington Units)
April 21-24, 2016**


RESERVATIONS TO BE MADE THROUGH THE
RV PARK: HOLLAND HAPPENINGS

Whidbey Island
North Whidbey RV Park
565 Cornet Bay Road, Oak Harbor, WA 98277
360-675-9597 / 888-462-2674
www.northwhidbeypark.com

Hosts: Rohms
**Contact: Carol Ortiz so she knows who is
Coming, 360-491-6511 and can plan for meals.**

APPRECIATIONS

Bill and I would like to thank all of you who sent cards,
called and prayed for my recovery from back surgery.
Your care certainly helps lift my spirit and lighten my
recovery. Hopefully the rash of back surgeries of club
members will end with mine! **Connie Reed**



**Save the date May 6-8, 2016
for Crab Feed Rally**



Fishing Caravan May 10-20, 2016

The first fishing caravan of the WA Unit was May 1979.

We are still going every year because it has been a fun time for fisherman and those who want to just relax, read a book, go sightseeing or just sit around the campfire and look at the beautiful lake and scenery. We have great social hours, 2 pancake breakfasts, potlucks and even a day for the ladies to go out and have lunch in Republic.

The resort has had new owners for a couple of years and this past year they have installed new septic systems, water and 20, 30, 50 amp hookups.

We will spend 10 great days at Black Beach Resort on Curlew Lake. If you are interested in renting a boat, the phone # is 509-996-2448.

If have questions, feel free to call me at 360-459-8747. Please send in your reservation using the coupon below, as soon as possible.

2016 UNIT FISHING CARAVAN MAY 10-20, 2016

Name _____
 Spouse/Guest _____
 Address _____

 Phone _____ Cell _____
 Unit (WA/Other) _____ WBCCI # _____
 Trailer _____ Motorhome _____
 Length _____
 Email _____

Rally host: Darlene Leslie

Deposit: \$200 due by Jan 30, 2016

Caravan Fee: \$375 for couple, \$350 for single due by April 15, 2016.

Make checks payable to: WA Unit WBCCI

Mail to: Darlene Leslie,

9101 Steilacoom Rd SE #85, Olympia, WA 98513

Phone 360-459-8749

Who will take the trophies home this year?

Help needed:

Volunteer needed to **manage the software** that is used by the Corresponding Secretary to keep track of membership.

Present software is Microsoft Office Access but that could be changed if there is something better.

Books and training available.

Another responsibly is **getting the Directory published.**

Contact **Lori Hyde** as soon as possible.

360-438-9154 or alori@comcast.net

FOR THE RECORD

NEW MEMBER:

#1036 **SAWYER, John & Terry**

5521 86th NW Gig Harbor, WA 98335

Home Phone: 253-858-6648 Cell (John): 253-507-2273

Cell (Terry): 253-507-2274

jpsawyer@msn.com (John):

terrydsawyer@hotmail.com (Terry):

CHANGES:

#2800 **LATIMER, Pat & Phil**

Delete Phil's cell phone

Home phone: 360-459-8508 (no longer Yuma also)

#3378 **HAMILTON, Jerry & Lois**

816 E Mountain View Ave, Cottage 1 Ellensburg, WA 98926

ST. PATTY'S RALLY, MARCH 18-20, 2016

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone: Home _____ Cell _____

Unit: WA _____ Other) _____ WBCCI # _____

E-Mail address for info _____

No. in Party _____ Adults _____ Children _____ Disabled _____

No. attending _____ X \$25 _____

Total Enclosed \$ _____

Phone Toutle RV Park 360-274-8373

for reservations

LAST DAY TO REGISTER MARCH 11.

Make separate check per rally to

Washington Unit, WBCCI

Send to Paula Perryman

9101 Steilacoom Rd SE #76, Olympia, WA 98513

253-226-5242 paulapman@gmail.com



Yuma Meeting

You can still call me this season for information, 360-459-8508

Airstream Breakfast will be March 17th at 9:30 at the Ihop.

Pat Latimer

CHRISTMAS DOLL PROJECT

WE NEED MORE HELP WITH SEWING.

PATTERNS, FABRICS & NOTIONS ARE AVAILABLE!

Call Maureen Isaman 360-455-4057

In Memoriam

The officers and members of the Washington Unit, WBCCI express their sympathy to the family and friends of our departed member:

#5089 DAVIS, Jerry

Chaplain's

CORNER

The story is told of an old man who lived on a farm in the mountains of Kentucky with his young grandson. Each morning, Grandpa was up early sitting at the kitchen table reading from his old worn-out Bible. His grandson who wanted to be just like him tried to imitate him in any way he could.

One day the grandson asked, 'Papa, I try to read the Bible just like you but I don't understand it, and what I do understand I forget as soon as I close the book. What good does reading the Bible do?' The Grandfather quietly turned from putting coal in the stove and said, 'Take this old wicker coal basket down to the river and bring back a basket of water.'

The boy did as he was told, even though all the water leaked out before he could get back to the house. The grandfather laughed and said, 'You will have to move a little faster next time,' and sent him back to the river with the basket to try again. This time the boy ran faster, but again the old wicker basket was empty before he returned home. Out of breath, he told his grandfather that it was 'impossible to carry water in a basket,' and he went to get a bucket instead. The old man said, 'I don't want a bucket of water; I want a basket of water. You can do this. You're just not trying hard enough,' and he went out the door to watch the boy try again.

At this point, the boy knew it was impossible, but he wanted to show his grandfather that even if he ran as fast as he could, the water would leak out before he got far at all. The boy scooped the water and ran hard, but when he reached his grandfather the basket was again empty.. Out of breath, he said, 'See Papa, it's useless!'

'So you think it is useless?' The old man said, 'Look at the basket.' The boy looked at the basket and for the first time he realized that the basket looked different. Instead of a dirty old wicker coal basket, it was clean.

'Son, that's what happens when you read the Bible.. You might not understand or remember everything, but when you read it, it will change you from the inside out.'

Moral of the wicker basket story: Take time to read a portion of God's word each day; it will affect you for good even if you don't retain a word.

Thought for Today: God's Love is like the ocean, you can see its beginnings but not its end.

I really like this story because I don't remember things like I used to, but then I think God isn't concerned about my brain anyway, He's more concerned about my heart. **Mary Lisius, Chaplain**

VALENTINE RALLY THANK YOU

Tim and Deborah Haley would like to thank everyone that helped make the Valentine Rally such a success. We had a lovely relaxing time listening to 1940s music, and making Valentine Cards for our shut-ins and each other. We were able to collect \$326 to give to the USO on behalf of the Washington Unit, WBCCI. Thank you for your generosity. Our USO Canteen theme was a huge hit with dancing, costumes, a photo booth, and a 1940s canteen menu, including Spam sandwiches. We ended with an outstanding performance from two of the Western Washington University A Cappella Club groups: Major Treble and Rebel Clef. A huge thank you to these young people who were so appreciative of our hospitality and welcome. Our members generously opened their homes and trailers to host these students for the night. It takes a village so I want to thank the following people for their exceptional help:

Darlene Leslie - for running the kitchen and producing 4 excellent meals and hosting students

Linda Ott- for decorations that knocked it out of the park, and hosted students

Nancy Morman- helping with rally bags, ribbons, kitchen, coffee and clean up, hosted students

Julie Hockaday- Valentine Card making, making sure all of our sick members got cards and bags.

Tim Dowel- hours in the kitchen-great job on the mac-n-cheese, hosted student



Mike Gebbie- kitchen (especially dishes) and cleanup
Marti Gebbie- garbage and setting up tables and chairs in my unique floor plan
Richard Stolarik- kitchen, even when you had to go to work
Carol Ortiz- Piano accompaniment, organizing the church service
Don Ott- decorations, cleanup, and hosted students
Russell Decker- Music Master Extraordinaire, 5-1/2 hours of music prepared and sound for the concert, photo booth and hosted students
Deborah Decker- kitchen, writing and printing the church programs, and hosted students
Don Lisius- Beanbag Baseball
Mary Lisius- Church service and meal prayers
Charli Westerfield- organizing card games, clean up and hosted students
Lorrilla Mark- community outreach coordinated delivery of flowers and cards
Matt, Dillon and Brandon Gebbie- decoration and tables
Dan Hockaday- clean up despite having to work early the next morning
Jerry Patten- music and photo booth
Ople Morman- clean up
Donna O'Reilly- laundry
Mark Johnson and Anita Panko- clean up
Norm Bahl and Sylvia Bahl- clean up
Gwen Huffman- scripture reading and hosted students
John and Inge Gebbie- table set-up, clean up and hosted students
If I forgot anyone it was not intentional, please forgive me.

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Submit articles for the April 2016 WA Sound by deadline midnight, March 19, 2016 to

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