# IDAHO UNIT OF WBCCI

## a word from our president

Hello my friends,

This is my last newsletter; the end of a year in the life of another Idaho Unit 35 president. I want to thank all of you for your support. Some of you have taken added leadership responsibility because I asked you, and others have stepped up of their own volition as needed to help our unit be strong. Rallies spent together are always great fun, and we have traveled well. There have been many hours of "gear talk", laughter, healthy banter, and no major accidents on the road. We have added numerous new members to our group, bringing with them their unique and beautiful view of life to our multi-colored tapestry called Unit 35. I feel our year together has been very successful. I am pleased.

I specifically want to thank:

- Cara Goedeking for her continuing work as editor of our Unit and Regional newsletters.
- My co-pilot Mim Davidson for her support of me as president, and her continuing work as our unit membership chairman….go Mim!
- Bob Caldwell and Charlie Burke for the many conversations we spent crafting our unit stratagem.

It is now Peter Goedeking's turn in the barrel! I know you will offer him and his board the same support and goodwill you have shown me. Peter and Cara carry a large part of our unit leadership, and I am pleased to step in behind them.

So—see you on down the road—probably at Smiley Creek!

Your Unit 35 2017 President,

*Fonny Davidson*

A very heart-felt **THANK YOU** to Fonny & Mim for all your hard work and dedication to our club this past year! We appreciate you both so much!! ~Your Membership

### IDAHO UNIT OFFICERS

**PRESIDENT** - Fonny Davidson

**1ST VICE PRESIDENT** - Peter Goedeking

**2ND VICE PRESIDENT** - Tom Usselman

**SECRETARY** - Mim Davidson

**TREASURER** - Earl Brace

**PAST PRESIDENT** - Michael Archer

**TRUSTEES** - Ben Campbell, Andy Falk, Charlie Burke, Pete Petersen

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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

## AUGUST SOLAR ECLIPSE TOTALITY RALLY

**August 18-22** Smiley Creek Lodge, Stanley, ID. Hosts: Fonny & Mim Davidson, Co-Hosts: Charlie & Betty Burke. Itinerary on Page 9. Contact Mim at 208-336-8325 or email mimad@cableone.net.

## SEPTEMBER CA–RALLY TO COEUR D'ALENE

**September 17-24** Hosts: Fonny & Mim Davidson, Co-Hosts: Norm & Bonnie Anderson. Contact Mim at 208-336-8325 or email mimad@cableone.net.

## IDAHO UNIT SUNSHINE NEWS

### August Birthdays

13--Bob Caldwell
13--Bob Simms
22--Susan Devine
30--Penny Libbey
30--Cindee Lantz-Miracle

### August Anniversaries

02, 1974--Bill Wilkinson & Sarah Googe
05, 1999--Bill & Annie Sargent
09, 2003--Bill & Sharon Lawrence
16, 1969--Charlie & Betty Burke
30, 1958--Bob & Sue Norris
31, 1964--Darrell & Maureen Ostyn

### September Birthdays

01--Kelly Huit
03--David Libbey
04--Sherry Hoem
06--Bill Gedris
08--Ben Campbell
10--Donna Peterson
14--Lester Schmidt
16--Barbara Brace/John Ruskauff
27--Peter Goedeking
28--Shawn Holes

### September Anniversaries

01, 1984--Larry & Gail Conn
04, 1981--Michael & Lucille Allen
10, 1966--Bill & Carolyn Gedris
11, 1998--Andy & Stephanie Falk
29, 1957--Willy & Margaret Gorrissen

## 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**—Open
- ❒ **Historical**—Betty Burke
- ❒ **Constitution and Bylaws**—Charlie Burke
- ❒ **Safety**—Open
- ❒ **Community Service**—Judy Canada

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!

Brad & Jenni Terry
from Meridian, ID

Mike Hardy & Sandy Smith
from Boise, ID

Dennis & Margo Proska
from Pocatello, ID

# FROM NEW MEMBERS...

## DILLION "PETE" & AUDREY COLE

**Q:** I see that you have a 2018 16' Sport. Is this your first RV?
**A:** Yes, we are total newbies!
**Q:** What information would you like to share about yourself and your interests?
**A:** We are both retired: Pete from INL and Audrey from IDEQ. Pete graduated as a Chemical Engineer from Texas A&M. I am an ISU graduate in biology. We both love the out of doors and have always been tent campers in the great state of Idaho until this year. We are long time birdwatchers and have experienced many backpacking adventures into the Idaho wilderness areas. We have lived in Pocatello since 1966, originally from far west Texas. We have 3 children and 6 grandchildren - all in Idaho. We just returned from our first 'real' trip with the Airstream - we ventured to Flagstaff to see family - and learned a lot about traveling with the trailer attached to our 4Runner. We had a great time, albeit traveling much slower than our normal pace. It's great to be able to enjoy the scenery at 60mph vs 80mph!

## RALLY REMINDERS!

*Information and registration coupons are available on our website (idahounit.wbcci.net)

- **August Totality Rally and Business Meetings**, 8/18-22.
• If you can't attend the rally, take a moment to complete and return your absentee ballot (page 5).
• Prepare for travel delays with plenty of water and snacks. Bring your patience!
• Be aware of bridge construction on US 20 past Fairfield. Single lane road with traffic light and delays.
• Final agenda will be emailed to those registered to attend.

- **September CaRally to Coeur d'Alene**
• Last call for registration! Join us for a short caravan and rally September 17-24.
• Spend a week on beautiful Lake Coeur d'Alene. Tour many historic and interesting sites in northern Idaho.
• Watch your email for more details if you're registered.

- **October Sun Valley Jazz & Music Festival** 10/18-22
• Why do people come from everywhere for this Region 10 Special Event rally?
• Spend a few days in Ketchum. Buy your own tickets to attend the concerts of your choice.

# member spotlight

The RUSKAUFF Family (John, Bonnie, Garrett, Tori and Aidan) from North Salt Lake, UT

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

Our family consists of John, Bonnie, Garrett (son, 22), Tori (daughter, 19) and Aidan (son, 14). Some of you have met our four-legged members - Otis the Westie and Rozz and Gatsby, the English Bulldogs. We have lived in Roy, Bountiful and currently, North Salt Lake, Utah.

**Tell us how you met.**

We both grew up in Ogden, Utah and went to the same high school. We started dating when Bonnie was a senior in high school and John was in his third year of college. We married eight years later and will celebrate our 23rd wedding anniversary this November.

**Why did you join/who asked you to join the club? How long have you been members? What kind of Airstream do you have? Have you ever owned any other trailers/Airstreams?**

We have been WBCCI members for three years and joined just after we purchased our 2014 27' International. The dealer in Nampa paid for our first year, but we've renewed since then due to the extremely warm welcome we received from everyone in the Idaho unit. We are currently members of the Utah and Idaho units. Our previous RVs were a camper and a motorhome.

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

Our favorite rally was probably Indian Springs, but we are totally psyched for the upcoming Totality Rally. Our favorite field trip was the Idaho Potato Museum and we will forever regret having missed the Museum of Clean.

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

Our favorite place to camp would have to be Redfish Lake or Stanley Lake - so beautiful! We also head to Moab every year for the Easter Jeep Safari and other favorites include Wasatch Mountain State Park in Heber, Utah and Smith and Morehouse Campground, also in Utah.

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

Our other interests are Utah football (Go Utes!), going to concerts at our favorite Utah venue, Red Butte Garden, attending bluegrass festivals and skiing in the winter. John enjoys strumming his guitar and trying to keep up with Aidan on the banjo. Aidan recently earned his Eagle Scout award and spent most of his summer at scout camp and jamboree. Tori and Garrett are full-time students - she studies nursing at Weber State University and he studies electrical engineering at Utah State University. Bonnie is the head ringmaster who tries to keep the whole show running smoothly, but would love nothing more than to sit and read all day long while the dishes pile up and the weeds take over.

# PROXY BALLOT FOR 2017-18 UNIT BOARD MEMBERS

These board nominees will be voted on at the General Board Meeting on August 20th, 2017 in Smiley Creek, ID (at the Installation Rally). **If you are unable to attend the meeting, we request that you please fill out and return this proxy ballot to Secretary Mim Davidson no later than Wednesday, August 16, 2016.**

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|---|---|---|---|
| President: | Peter Goedeking | For___ Against___ | Abstain___ |
| 1st VP: | Tom Usselman | For___ Against___ | Abstain___ |
| 2nd VP: | Vacant | For___ Against___ | Abstain___ |
| Secretary: | Betty Burke | For___ Against___ | Abstain___ |
| Treasurer: | Earl Brace | For___ Against___ | Abstain___ |

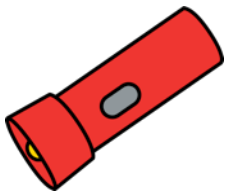
2-Year Term Trustees:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Ben Campbell | For___ Against___ | Abstain___ |
| Jerry Settle | For___ Against___ | Abstain___ |

Name_____ Signature_____

Please return this ballot to be received by August 16th to
Mim Davidson, 3422 Tamarack Dr., Boise, ID 83703
OR Email to: mimad@cableone.net

# IN SEARCH OF...



## WE NEED YOU!!

We are in need of **people to Host and Co-Host Rallies and a Caravan for next year**. If you are interested (or have suggestions for places to go), please contact Rally Coordinator Sharon Lawrence (phone: 541-212-9202 or email sklawrence50@msn.com). Peter and Cara Goedeking will also have a sign-up sheet at the August Totality Rally.

We are also in need of a new **Website Coordinator** for our unit website. If you are interested in this position or want more information on what it entails, please contact Peter Goedeking at 208-891-9083 or email goedp@yahoo.com.

# international RALLY photos

## July 22-29th Escanaba, Michigan

Our Idaho Unit was represented by (L to R): Lester & Mine Schmidt, Jerry & Linda Settle, Duyane & Judy Canada, Betty & Charlie Burke, Marilyn & Tom Usselman, and Marilyn & Jerry Collins.

Alice & Ethel (aka Judy & Linda) take advantage of a cute photo op!

Jerry & Marilyn Collins (Past International President & First-Lady-2008)

2nd VP Tom Usselman (very soon to be 1st VP) carried the Unit Flag

Alice & Ethel know how to entertain a crowd! Always a HOOT!!

# more international RALLY photos

A beautiful Escanaba sunset!

Past Region 10 President & First-Lady Bob & Darlene Caldwell with new Region 10 President Terri Warren

Thank you Bob & Darlene for serving Region 10 so very well this past year!

The stage backdrop at Escanaba

Region 10 President Terri Warren carries the Region 10 flag

# IDAHO UNIT wins at international

Marilyn Usselman took 1st Place in Airstreams by Light/Reflection theme photo contest. Congratulations!

Marilyn's amazing winning photo!

The talented Jerry Settle came away with a blue ribbon for his stained glass and a red ribbon for this fused glass work. GREAT JOB Jerry!

Our unit newsletter wins Best In Show for a 2nd year! Very proud :) Thank you to all who take time to read it!

# ECLIPSE

## Totality Rally & Business Meetings

## August 18 - 22, 2017

**Smiley Creek Lodge** 16546 N Highway 75
Saw tooth City, ID
Phone: 208-774-3547 or 877-774-3547

Payable to the Lodge at check-in: pets - $5/site and the remainder of your site reservation.

- Two pair of eclipse glasses will be provided to each family.
- DIY projects include building an eclipse projector and solar path lights.
- Please prepare your cameras, telescopes, etc. for sun-viewing safety.
- Provide your own plates & utensils at each meal. Sun tea will be provided through-out the rally.
- Plan to car-pool for activities.

**Friday, August 18**
Check In begins at 3:00 p.m.
5:00 Happy Hour
6:00 Dinner – Hosts provide brisket; others share sides, salads, desserts.

**Saturday, August 19**
YOYO (You're On Your Own) Breakfast
9:30 Executive Board Meeting
Morning Activities?
Lunch - YOYO
Afternoon Activities
- Maintenance Seminar
- DIY projects
- Tours / Geocaching

5:00 Happy hour
6:00 Potluck Dinner
September/October birthday and anniversary provide dessert.
After dinner activities
- DIY projects

**Sunday, August 20**
YOYO Breakfast
9:30 General Business Meeting
YOYO Lunch
12:30 New Officer Installation and reception
3:00 Eclipse lecture @ Community Center
6:00 Dinner - Bridge St. Grill.
BBQ ribs. (@$30/person)
After dinner activities
- DIY projects

**Monday, August 21**
8:30 Potluck Breakfast
10:15 Eclipse begins
11:30 Totality
12:45 Eclipse ends
YOYO Lunch
- Safe travels to all who leave today!

Afternoon Activities
- Geocaching
- Fishing
- Naps

5:00 Happy Hour
6:00 Potluck Dinner

**Tuesday, August 22**
YOYO Breakfast
- Safe travels to all!

Check out time is 11 am. (Free parking is available nearby if you plan to leave Monday.)

**NOTE**: We'll do our best to put you in the type of site requested, but may need to adjust due to limitations. Your registration costs may change accordingly. Please let us know if you require electricity.

If you have an easy-to-transport table or EZ-up, please bring it. We will create our own meeting and potluck space at the RV park.

# 2017 RALLY SCHEDULE

| DATE | LOCATION | HOST & CO-HOST |
|---|---|---|
| July 22-29 | International Rally, Escanaba MI | WBCCI |
| August 18-21 | Solar Eclipse Totality Rally - Business Meetings & Installations<br>Smiley Creek Lodge, Stanley ID-**Coupon Available on Website** | Davidson & Burke |
| September 17-24 | Short Caravan and Rally to Coeur d'Alene-**Coupon Available on Website** | Davidson & Anderson |
| October 18-22 | Sun Valley Music & Jazz Fest, Ketchum ID (may include Trailing of the Sheep)<br>**Coupon Available on Website for Idaho Unit Participation** | Region 10 & Davidson |
| November 11 | Harvest Dinner-Pizza and Game Night!! | Goedeking & Settle |

## Idaho Airstream Dealership

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