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### **IBT Report**

Robstown, Texas was the location of the mid-winter IBT meeting from Jan 19 to 24, 2015. There were 56 members parked at the campsite and 12 were in hotels. Region 7 had 8 members present – from Wisconsin – Pearl Adams-Kyle, Bill Nelson, Bill & Mardi Upton, Steve & Lynne Piotrowski; Minnesota – Harry & Sharon Ramler, Pete & Kathy Yanke; and from North Dakota – Don & Lillian Thomson and Bruce & Gail Harrower. Congratulations to Steve Piotrowski for being appointed as a member of the Constitution & Bylaws Committee, chaired by Don Shafer.

The following motions were presented at the IBT Meeting, with their results: Motion 1 – Richard Girard, Int 2nd VP moved that the IBT approve the hiring of Lori Plummer for the position of Corporate Manage. Motion passed with unanimous consent.

Motion 2 – Richard Girard, Chair of Lifetime Membership Fund moved to strike out the entire section of Bylaws and Policy, Article IV, Membership and Membership Privileges, Page 7. Sec. 4 which gave the Board of Trustees the authority to award a lifetime membership to a Past President of the International Club. Motion passed with 12 Yes and 5 No.

- Motion 3 Richard Girard, Chair of Lifetime Membership Fund moved to strike out in Article III – COMMITTEES – STANDING COMMITTEES – GENERAL DUTIES – POLICY N. "or for the discontinuance of the Lifetime Membership program." and to delete the same phrase from Article XVI – Financial Management – Policy – Financial Management #2. It also deleted the reference to Article IV, Section 4 which was deleted in Motion #2. Note: This motion was to remove any reference to the discontinuation of the Lifetime Membership Fund to protect the status of the Lifetime Members. Motion passed with unanimous consent. The Lifetime Membership Fund Committee will present a new program for the fund to be presented at the June 2015 IBT meeting. Motion #2 that was referred to the Lifetime Membership Fund Committee at the July 5, 2014 IBT meeting which suspended the Lifetime Membership program was defeated with 0 Yes 17 No.
- Motion 4 Bob Stansbury, Region 12 President moved to change Article IV Sec. 11 C & D which changed how regular members can renew their membership in the following calendar year if they are not paid by December 31st. Members can renew their dues from Jan 1 to June 30th, by paying their \$65.00 International Dues plus the Unit Dues. From July 1 to December 31st , they will be "Lapsed" members and can renew by paying their previous years International and Unit Dues and the current years International and Unit Dues. In other words, if you did not pay your 2014 dues by December 31st, and you pay them after July 1 of 2015, then you must pay \$65.00 x 2 (2014 & 2015) International Dues and Unit Dues x 2 (2014 & 2015). Motion passed with unanimous consent.

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## **President's Message**

Spring will soon be arriving in Region 7 and members will be getting their rigs ready for another summer of fun, friendship and adventure. Your Unit Officers are planning a fun-filled year for you. Why not offer to help out with the rallies and events – it is a lot of fun and help is always needed. Check out the Activities on Page 3 and start planning your summer!

Have you made plans to go to the International Rally in Farmington? If so, perhaps you can join the Region 7 caravan "Silver Trails to New Mexico" that is being led by Linda Agre. See information, column to the right.

The Region 7 rally is being held in Wisconsin Dells, WI from August 12 – 16, 2015. Parking is at Country Roads RV Park, one of the finest RV parks and campgrounds in Wisconsin. Camping is NOT INCLUDED in the rally fee, and you must make your own reservations by April 15th, 2015 - call 1-608-253-2132. You can register for the rally on-line and then mail your payment. More information is available on the Region 7 website at region7.wbcci.net and in the rally flyers that were e-mailed or mailed to all Region 7 members.

Our sincere condolences go to the families of Darina Lindroth, who passed away in August of 2014 (see info on page 4) and John Shull, husband of Mary Anderson Shull of the Minnesota Unit who passed away on November 19, 2014. John was International President from 1992-1992. Travel safe and we will see you down the road!

Gail.

## **Region 7 Breakfast at** the **IBT**

On Thursday, Jan 22nd, there was a Region 7 Breakfast at Denny's Restaurant in Robstown, Texas. There were 14 people who attended -- Pearl Adams-Kyle, Bill Nelson, Bill & Mardi Upton, Steve & Lynne Piotrowski, Harry & Sharon Ramler, Pete & Kathy Yanke, Don & Lillian Thomson and Bruce & Gail Harrower. The food was great and the conversations lasted for two hours. The rest of the day was a free day to do whatever you wanted. Some toured Rockport and Port Aransas, and others toured the northern part of Padre Island.



## Silver Trails To New Mexico!

#### Region 7 Caravan to the International Rally ! Farmington, NM • June 13-23, 2015

I have been on caravans and lead caravans but this caravan I am really excited about.! I love the 'Land of Enchantment' and the history of the old west.

We will not be cooking for a crowd on this one. I just don't have room for pots and pans nor groceries. Your 'kitty fee' will be for camping and tours only. Three Rendezvous spots have been selected to avoid 'back tracking'. Our first will be our starting point at the MN Airstream Park. The camping fee for this night IS NOT INCLUDED IN THE KITTY FEE AND YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE TO MAKE YOUR OWN RESERVATION (ASPark phone #320-743-2771). The second rendezvous park is at Worthington, MN and the last Minden, Nebraska.

The trip from Worthington to Minden, Nebraska will be a long one (361 miles). We will be spending 2 nights at the Harold Warp Pioneer Village and RV park. Harold Warp was an early plastics tycoon and the inventor of Flex-O-Glass and Jiffy Wrap. I have not been here but from all reports it is very interesting.

Dodge City and Ft. Dodge, KS will be our next stop to visit with Marshall Dillon and have 'Happy Hour' in Miss Kitty's Saloon.

The next leg of our journey is another long driving day (348.6 miles) to Angel Fire, NM. We will be staying with fellow Airstreamers (Lynn & Maria Eubank) at the Monte Verde RV Park until June 23rd. Tours of the New Mexico Enchanted Circle will start from here. We will visit Taos, Santa Fe, Chimayo, and much more.

Stops (leaving ASP Clear Lake MN)

- 1. Worthington, MN
- 2. Minden, Nebraska
- 3. Dodge City & Fort Dodge, KS
- 4. Angel Fire, NM
- 5. Farmington, NM

This caravan is limited to 15 Units. If interested please contact: Linda Agre 320-295-1117 or via e-mail: agre5628@aol.com



## **Region 7 Activities**

June 13–23, 2015: Silver Trails to New Mexico Caravan Lead by Linda Agre, 320-295-1117 or e-mail agre5628@aol.com (see page 2 for more information)

June 28th-4:30 pm

Social Hour at Farmington Inside Dining Room Hosts – Pete & Kathy Yanke 320-260-7803



August 12–16, 2015: There's Something for Everyone Rally Wisconsin Dells, WI Hosted by Gail & Bruce Harrower – 204-781-1987

#### MINNESOTA UNIT ACTIVITIES

May 7–10, 2015: Spring Rally – Learning Along the Way, Olson Park Campgrounds, Worthington, MN Hosted by Ray Nickel, 615-773-0871, raynickel@tds.net

June 4–7, 2015: Technical and Membership Rally, Minnesota Airstream Park, Clear Lake, MN Hosted by Linda Agre, 320-295-1117, Agre5682@aol.com

#### NORTH DAKOTA PEACE GARDEN UNIT

May 2, 2015: 12:00 noon - Spring Luncheon & Business Meeting - Eagles Lodge - Valley City, North Dakota -Contact - Art Idso - 701-388-0615 -E-mail: aidso@wtc-mail.net

June 4–7, 2015 Summer Opener Rally, Fort Sisseton State Park, Britton, SD

#### WISCONSIN UNIT ACTIVITIES

- March 14, 2015 Saint Patrick's Day Luncheon, 11:30 at Revere's Wells Street Tavern, 505 Wells Street, Delafield. Hosted by Dave Sherman & Vicki Engelstad, 608-423-4561, dwsherman@wisc.edu vengelstad@yahoo.com
- April 3–5, 2015 Easter Camp Out, Peninsula State Park, 9462 Shore Rd, Fish Creek, WI. Hosted by Ed & Sandy Emerick, 920-475-7893, SandyEmerick@yahoo.com
- April 24–26, 2015 April Camp Out, Wisconsin Dells KOA, South 235A Stand Rock Road, Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965 608-254-4177. Hosted by Bob & Heidi Manak, 262-524-8711, bob.manak@wbcci.net

April 25, 2015 April Luncheon & Business Meeting, 11:30 at Moosejaw Pizza & Dells Brewing Co. 110 Wisconsin Dells Pkwy S, Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965. Hosted by Bob & Heidi Manak, 262-524-8711, bob.manak@wbcci.net

May 15–17, 2015 Madison Camp Out, Lake Farm Park Campground, 3113 Lake Farm Rd, Madison, WI 53711. Hosted by Steve & Lynne Piotrowski 608-255-3953, slpiotro@tds.net



## **58th International Rally**

Farmington, New Mexico June 26 - July 4, 2015

Vendor Display Days June 26 - July 3, 2015

Activity Dates

- June 25 IBT Seminar & Meeting
- June 26 Opening Ceremony
- June 27 Airstream Seminar & Draws
- June 29 FREE DAY to Tour
- June 30 Delegates Meeting
- July 1 Canada Day
- July 4 Independence Day, Flea Market & Closing Ceremonies
- July 5 IBT Seminar & Meeting

Technical Seminars

- 1. The Care and Feeding of Your RV
- 2. Batteries, Chargers, Inverters and Solar Systems
- 3. Troubleshooting and Repair Of Water Heaters, Furnaces & Refrigerators
- 4. Troubleshooting and Repair Of Your Air Conditioning System
- 5. Setting Up a Typical Towing System
- 6. How To Run an Old Fashioned Maintenance Rally & Why You Should Every Year
- 7. Trailer and Motor Home Round Table

Seminar descriptions are available at http://farmington.wbcci.net

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- Motion 5 Bob Stansbury, Region 12 President withdrew his motion to change the fiscal year end of the club.
- Motion 6 Bob Stansbury, Region 12 President withdrew his motion to change the members of the International Rally Site Committee. President Joe Perryman agreed to set up a committee to study the options available and report back to the IBT at the June 2015 meeting.
- Motion 7 Bob Stansbury, Region 12 President moved to have all standing committee reports published on the WBCCI website in a downloadable format and sent electronically to all members of the IBT. These reports need not be read aloud at the meetings. There will be no copies of these at the meetings. Motion passed with 12 Yes 4 No and 1 Abstained.
- Motion 8 Bob Stansbury, Region 12 President moved to have all Standing Committees appointed by the International President and approved by the Executive Committee and that all Standing Committees should have a minimum of 2 additional members. Motion passed 14 Yes 3 No.
- Motion 9 moved by Richard Girard, Int 2nd VP that the IBT allow a contract to be signed for rental of the fairground facility in Escanaba, Michigan for the 2017 International Rally. Motion passed with unanimous consent. The 2017 rally dates are proposed for July 22 – 29, 2017, and are subject to the signing of the contract.

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2015-2016 Nominating Committee Report The following candidates have been certified as Qualified Candidates for the following positions:

indiduces for the following positions.			
President:	Jim Schwerdfeger		
1st Vice President:	Richard Girard		
2nd Vice President:	Jim Cocke		
3rd Vice President:	Barry Bell		
Treasurer:	Richard Turner		
Recording Secretary:	Euna S. Ridenour		
Member Nominating Con	nmittee: Helen Bourgeois		
Member Nominating Con	nmittee: Patti Reed		

The 2016 Mid-Winter IBT Meeting will be held in Rayne, Louisiana from Jan 10 - 15, 2016.

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Linda Agre, Region 7 president for 2013-2014 was awarded the "2014 Region Award of Excellence" in recognition of exceptional leadership. The certificate was signed t by John Stumpf, 2013-2014 International President. Congratulations Linda – you did a great job!!

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2015 International Rally Update

As of Jan 23, 2015, 320 rigs have pre-registered for the Farmington, New Mexico International Rally. This should be a great rally, so if you haven't registered yet, please do so. You could even join the Region 7 caravan to the International Rally. See below for details. Be sure to check the WBCCI website for updated information on Farmington.



#### Helen Darina Lindroth

Helen Darina Lindroth, 89, of Grand Forks, ND, passed away on August 29, 2014 at her home in Grand Forks, ND. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Harlan in 1995, one brother Maynard Slusar, and one sister Catherine Slusar.

Helen Darina Slusar was born October 18, 1924. She graduated from the Minnesota School of Business, Minneapolis, MN in 1943 and then worked at the Twin Cities Ordnance Plant until her marriage to Harlan Ortel Lindroth in 1946. They retired in 1986 and spend winters in Fort Myers, FL and traveled in their Airstream trailer in the summer. Darina continued traveling with her Airstream until she turned 80 years old.

They were active in the Wally Byam Caravan Club, an Airstream trailer club. She held offices in the North Dakota Peace Garden Unitt, was Region 7 1st Lady from 1990-1992 and International Treasurer 1993-1994. I. She also was a member of the Elks Lodge in Fort Myers and volunteered there until the last few years.

She is survived by her daughter Barbara (Richard) Wessling of Grand Forks, ND; two grandchildren, Jon (Erin) Wessling of Maple Grove, MN and Chris Wessling of Eden Prairie, MN. Also survived by two great grandchildren, Jacob and Sophia. Brother: Ernest Slusar and Sister: Jeanette Ohnstad and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Harlan in 1995, one brother Maynard Slusar, and one sister Catherine Slusar.

Funeral service was held on September 2, 2014 at Calvary Lutheran Church, 1405 South 9th Street, Grand Forks, ND.

## **Region 7 Rally "There's Something for Everyone"**

#### August 12 – 16, 2015

Country Roads RV Park Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin For complete information see the attached flyer or see the website for information and on line registration. http://region7.wbcci.net

#### Region 7 - There's Something for Everyone 2015 Rally Reservation

Name:				
Address:				
City:				
State/Prov:				
Zip/Postal Cod				
Phone:				
E-Mail:				
WBCCI #: Handicap Parking:				
Arrive:		_ Leave:		
RALLY FEE:	#	Rate	Total	
Adults – each		\$140.00		
Children - each		\$70.00		
TOTAL FEE PAY	ABLE	In US Funds		

Friday, August 14th Tour Selection (Check One)

Adults & Child

Circus World Museum House on the Rock

#### Make checks payable to: WBCCI Region 7

Mail Payment to: WBCCI - Region 7 c/o 23 Village Drive Ste. Anne, MB, Canada R5H 1H4

Register On-Line <u>region7.wbcci.net</u> Send your check to the address above!

Questions - E-mail: Gail Harrower airstream4478@gmail.com

Minimum - 20 Units Maximum

Maximum - 50 Units

Schedule Subject to Change



Parking is at Country Roads RV Park, conveniently located in Lake Delton. It is truly one of the finest RV parks and campgrounds in Wisconsin. Their

grassy pull-thru campsites are located on a beautiful setting, clean and quiet, and you will enjoy a relaxing getaway. Located at S1633 State Hwy.23, Wisconsin Dells, it is 2 miles from WI Dells Strip (I-90/94 at Exit 89) and across from the Super Wal-Mart, close to casinos, shopping and attractions. **Children under the age of 18 are to be accompanied by an adult 100% of the time.** Camping is **NOT INCLUDED** in the rally fee, and you must make your own reservations by April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015 - call 1-608-253-2132. Rate is \$36.63 per night for your RV with two people. Don't wait to make your reservation!



Country Roads RV Park 1-608-253-2132 Sites Reserved: #7 to #16 (Need WIFI, book these!) : #34 to #43

## There's Something for Everyone



August 12 – 16, 2015 Country Roads RV Park Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin





#### "There's Something for Everyone"

A fun-filled rally is planned for you at Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin. Parking is at Country Roads RV Park, conveniently located in Lake Delton.

You will tour the International Crane Foundation on Thursday morning. You will have an opportunity to observe the 15 crane species; learn about crane biology;



investigate the current threats to crane survival; discover methods used to conserve endangered species; and learn about ICF's international work and initiatives. Tours will occur rain or shine!



You will have a fun -filled night starting with a homecooked meal, singa-longs, and delicious home-

made strawberry shortcake. Then enjoy the Wisconsin Opry show with toe-tappin' songs you'll know and love. The shows offer a variety of classic and modern country music, bluegrass, gospel, rock & roll, red hot fiddlin', banjo pickin', and you don't want to miss Stephy slappin' the upright bass!

We'll go on a hayride out to enjoy the sights and sounds of the back 40!

See acrobats, circus animals and clowns as they bring the circus to life. Watch the new



Illusion show, guided tours of the world's largest circus wagon collection, plus a carousel and animal rides, the original Ringling Bros. Circus buildings, demonstrations and fascinating new exhibits. All shows are included. **OR** 

When you visit **The House on the Rock**, you'll see Alex Jordan's fantastic dreams unfold as you stroll from wonder to wonder. The House itself is an engineering and artistic marvel – each room is integrated into and around the chimney of rock.

A must see is The Infinity Room extending an unsupported length of 218 feet and soaring 156 feet above the valley floor.



Inside is the World's Largest Carousel featuring 269 handcrafted animals, 20,000 lights and 182 chandeliers. The House contain some of the world's most eclectic, exotic and whimsical



collections and displays.

We will hop on the Dells Boat Tours and see the most "classic" of the area's - the "dells" rock formations that tower above the river. At the

Stand Rock shore landing, the photo that made

the Dells famous - of photographer H.H. Bennett's son caught mid-air leaping from one rock bluff to another - is now recreated with a trusty dog. There is a second



shore landing at Witches Gulch. Here there is a glen with mysterious passageways that also provides a natural cool-down from your perch atop the double-decker boat.





You will be at the 3rd Annual H a b e I m a n Cranberry 100 Super Late Model Race also featuring the

Sportsmans, Outlaw Bandits, and Bandit Classes. This Super Late Model Race has attracted some of the best Super Late Model drivers in the Midwest the past 2 years at the Dells Raceway Park. What a great evening to end the rally!

#### Rally Fee Includes:

#### \* Welcome Dinner \*

\* International Crane Foundation Tour \*

- \* Dinner & Show at Wisconsin Opry \* \* Hayride \*
  - \* Circus World Museum \*
  - **OR** \* House on the Rock Tour \*
- \* Dells Boat Tour to Witches Gulch \* \* Dells Raceway Park Raceway \*
  - Two Dinners at Rally Site \* Schedule Subject to Change