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# Presidents' Message

First I would like to extend my apologies to all our Region VII members for the delay of this newsletter. Bob Manak has been waiting for my report with great patience. One of the reasons for this is, yes, I did have a back injury in Nov/09. I spent a little time in the hospital for nerve damage and still am going to physiotherapy to retrain my leg to walk properly. I also drove to Rayne, LA in January for the IBT meeting and left one day early for health reasons relating to that back injury. Things seemed to be going in the right direction for a while, but life has its own way of intervening. My father, while on vacation in Victoria, BC, had his own health issues and landed in the Victoria Hospital. As the doctors would not let him fly home alone, I traveled from Winnipeg to Victoria, via train, car and ferry to be with him. I stayed until he was finally released from the hospital and then the two of us traveled via car, ferry and train back to Winnipeg. Everyone is now home safe and almost sound. Thank you for your indulgence and now back to Region VII.

Sometimes it may not look like your Region or International officers are working to make things better for the club. This is far from the truth. We work very hard and please remember that there are 12 Regions with varying ideas on how things could or should be done. Some Region VII members are very definite about how they perceive things should be done. So, too are members in the other 11 Regions. It is a delicate balancing act.

I ask all members to come out to your Unit meetings and have your say and listen, with respect, to what your fellow Unit members have to say. This is an RV Club, not the US Congress or the Canadian Parliament. Things are changing. Maybe not as fast as some may like, but as fast as the total membership will allow. Longtime members are still members, and we all must remember that their opinions matter also.

I have received a resume for the position of 2nd VP for Region VII and have passed this information on to the Region VII nominating committee for their consideration. Please remember that if this person is nominated for 2nd VP, he/she almost immediately moves up to 1st VP at the International Rally in July. So we are still in need of a 2nd VP for Region VII. This is your chance to step up and work hard for your Region, so it can have it's say on how this club should move forward into the next decade. You will still receive a reduced amount of expense money, even though some would like to see officers work for them and put the Region's views forward, at the Region Officers' own expense.

And while on the subject of expenses and costs...for those who are unaware, officers' travel expense reimbursement has never covered all the expenses one incurs as a Region Officer. Officers always have subsidized their own travel for Region and International business. It has been accepted as part of the position from the get go. Also, reducing the number of Region officers attending the Unit President and Committee Chairman's appreciation luncheons is in the very near future. You will see in the next number of International Rallies a great deal of

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change in costs and how things are done.

See you in Gillette, but if you can't make it there, then I encourage you to come to Medora and support your new Region VII President, Joan Lahr and her first Mate, Mike. Decisions are made by those who show up. Joan has an entertaining and adventure-filled Rally set up for you to enjoy.

Terrol and I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone in Region VII who has helped us over the past 2 years. Special thanks go to our Region Executive members, the Unit Presidents and all members, who jumped in to help at rallies or whenever the need arose. We appreciate each and every one of you.

Happy Trails - Until we Meet again... Don Rogers, Region VII President & Terrol Rogers, Region VII First Lady

# **Region Photos**

By Bob Manak

Photos from Region events and the International are available on the Region website photo page at http://region7.wbcci.net/photos/. The photos are located at Picasa, they can be viewed, played as a slide show, downloaded, or printed by an outside company (including your local Walgreen's). If you have photos to contribute please email them to me and I will post them. If you have a web gallery (Flicker, Picasa, Mac or other) that contains Region 7 content that you would like to share, please email me the link.



# Region 7 Luncheon

Join fellow members for our annual Region 7 luncheon at the International Rally, scheduled for 11:30 a.m. on June 29 at Gillette's award winning Prime Rib Restaurant. The delicious menu features chopped beef steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetable, salad, bread, dessert and beverage, all for \$15.00. Tickets can be purchased at the Region 7 registration table during the rally.

# Fourth of July Picnic

All members are invited to attend a Fourth of July Picnic at the International Rally this year. The event will be held from 12:15–1:30 p.m. at Equality Hall. Burgers, baked beans, potato salad, dessert, and beverages will be served. Tickets will be sold during registration for \$5.50 per person.

# Region VII Vice Presidents Positions

# Wanted...

Due to Stanley Schwenke's recent resignation, candidates for the positions of Region VII Second Vice President and Incoming Second Vice President are urgently needed. Applicants will be interviewed by a three person nominating committee. If you are interested, please contact Don Rogers or Joan Lahr to ask any questions about the position and responsibilities.

Please send your resume to: Don Rogers, Region VII President 47 Amelia Cr. Winnipeg, MB, CA R2K3X8 Or email your resume to terdon@mts.net

# **Awning Maintenance**

By Bob Manak

The nice spring weather gives us opportunity to do some Airstream maintenance. I placed links to some very useful videos about ZipDee awning maintenance on the Wisc website. One video is on awning fabric cleaning and three videos are on hardware repair, adjustment and replacement. Look under the "Reference Articles" tab http://wisc.wbcci.net/about/reference-articles/

# **Unit Presidents Checklist**

For the International Rally

- Unit flag and flag pole. Bring your unit flag, pole, and merit banners. Unit presidents or their designated alternate use the flags during opening and closing ceremonies. There will be an opening ceremony practice. Only bring poles to the practice.
- Flag ceremony dress code. Dress for unit presidents or their designated alternate is white shirt or blouse, red tie or scarf, dark pants or skirt, black or dark shoes, and official Blue Beret.

# For the Region Rally

- Unit flag, flag pole, and stand. Bring your unit flag, pole, stand, and merit banners. Unit presidents or their designated alternate use the flags during opening ceremony.
- Flag ceremony dress code. Dress for unit presidents or their designated alternate is white shirt or blouse, red tie or scarf, dark pants or skirt, black or dark shoes, and official Blue Beret.
- Region 7 board of directors meeting. Elected officers, appointed officers, and unit presidents or their designates make up the region board of directors. Dress for the region board of directors meeting is region 7 polo shirt or any white shirt or blouse and dark pants or skirt.

# Region 7 Rally • Saddle Up to Medora August 2–9, 2010 • Medora, North Dakota

Don't miss out on a genuine western adventure in Medora, North Dakota. Our North Dakota members will host a variety of fun filled events that everyone can enjoy. Rally fee includes Medora Musical tickets, North Dakota Cowboy Hall of Fame tour, Chateau de Mores Historic tour, ladies luncheon at the Chateau, and five dinners, including Pitchfork steak fondue, a catered dinner, a welcome BBQ, and four "hearty" breakfasts. Bring your Golden Age Passport card for free admission to tour Theodore Roosevelt National Park and Elkhorn Ranch. A flea market, Airstream open house, and best dressed cowboy and cowgirl contests are on the schedule. Free country western music at the campground every night! Many other attractions await you in Medora and the surrounding area. Red Trail Campground, located right in Medora, is offering water and electric sites as well as full hook-up sites if needed. See Campground information below. Refer to the Region 7 website for more information and a rally brochure.

Rally fee:

Name	Per person # x \$112.00 \$
Spouse	Student gr. 2-12 # x \$96.00 \$
Address	Pre-school # x \$25.00 \$
City	Rodeo tickets-adult # x \$12.00 \$
State/ProvZIP	Rodeo tickets-child # x \$5.00 \$
Phone	Total \$
Email	Make checks payable to: Region 7, WBCCI
WBCCI # Unit	Reservation forms due July 1st  Mail to:
NOTE: Rally fee does not include campground fees. Please call Red Trail Campground directly to reserve your campsite (800-621-4317).	Pete Yanke 1013 SE 13th Ave. St. Cloud, MN 56304
Mention Airstream group when reserving.	Questions to:

# For Sale or Trade

# **Airstreams for Sale**

For sale – 1999 27ft Airstream Safari, road side queen bed model.

Camp and rally reservations due July 1st.

Additional equipment:

360 watt solar system with 2000 watt inverter/100amp charger & 4 golf cart batteries,

Spare tire & underside carrier, Hensley Arrow Hitch, 3 fantastic fans.

Shell is in excellent condition.

Asking \$20,000.00

Bob Wiltrout 715-532-6692 green.bananas@yahoo.com

# Willing To Trade Even Up

We have a 1973 25 ft Trade winds Land Yacht with front dinette. Willing to trade down to a 20 ft. or smaller Vintage Airstream trailer.

262-251-2159 or 262-327-4336

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Joan Lahr

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February 27, 2010
Don Rogers
President
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Dear President Rogers,
Please accept the enclosed resume' for the office of 2nd Vice President Region VII Wally Byam Caravan Club International.
Sincerely yours,
Linda L. Agre

# LINDA L. AGRE

## PROFILE

Outgoing, friendly individual who loves to travel and is ready for the challenges of the Office of Region VII 2nd Vice President of W.B.C.C.I.

## EXPERIENCE

## PRESIDENT MINNESOTA UNIT, 2004-2005

Planned and organized Fall Rally at Lanesboro, Minnesota - Fall 2004. Planned and organized Spring 2005 Rally at Ortonville, Minnesota at which the North Dakota and South Dakota Units were invited to join the Minnesota Unit. Planned and organized Installation Rally 2005. The Minnesota Unit received a Superior Merit rating for this year.

#### TREASURER, LANDYACHT CARAVANEERS CLUB 2003-2005

Served as Board Member and Treasurer of the Minnesota Airstream Park. Set up and entered all bookkeeping on to a computer system. Set up budgets, profit and loss statements, and balance sheets. In charge of payroll and filing of all Federal and State tax reports.

### CARAVAN LEADER 2004

Planned and lead 14 day slow caravan from Clear Lake, Minnesota to the International Rally at Lansing, Michigan in June 2004.

#### OFFICE MANAGER, 1976-2002

Office manager - Roth Chevrolet, Inc. - Willmar, Minnesota - Retired in October 2002

Duties included: Payroll, Profit & Loss Statements, New & Used Car Inventory, Insurance & Warranty Reports

#### AWARDS

Received the W.B.B.C.I. Best In Show Award for Drivers' Manual at the Lansing International Rally 2004. W.B.C.C.I. Superior Merit rating 2004-05 for the Minnesota Unit.

## SKILLS

Able to plan and organize rallies with good communication skills in a friendly setting. Able to understand problems confronting W.B.C.C.I.

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