

UNIT NEWS

MONTEREY BAY CALIFORNIA UNIT



JANUARY HAPPENINGS:

It has been a busy January so far for a number of MBCU trailer families. In addition to the New Year celebration, on Thursday, January 14 the Burnes and Dahmes as hosts met seven (7) other trailer families on Embarcadero Blvd. in Palo Alto and the nine (9) of us moved into the area immediately adjacent to the Stanford Stadium in preparation for watching the "Shriner" football game scheduled for Saturday the 16th. That evening Bill and Irene Burnes treated us to a "Happy Hour" and a delicious repast at the home of Terry and Eloth Burnes' (Bill and Irene's son and daughter-in-law). They were great hosts and it was a beautiful gesture and all guests enjoyed it to the fullest. Thanks folks. Shopping and eating out were the main events of Friday. Saturday we awoke to rain and more rain until about 11:30 AM when it cleared and the sun came out for the "Shriner" parade. It was a good football game with the West winning by a narrow margin. The half time show featuring the "Kilgore Rangerettes" and their large entourage put on a precision dancing and acrobatic show that was unsurpassed in my opinion by any performance of its kind. Yours truly needed a little help to get out of the parking area on Saturday. Some of those that stayed until Sunday morning were thanking Ken Harris for his assistance in moving their trailers. Thanks both Burnes families and the Dahmes. Lets do it again next year.

Beautiful sunshine during the day and a clear sky at night on 21 and 22 January enabled the 16 trailer visitors to Alameda gain full appreciation of the beauty of San Francisco Bay and its environs. Kay (Harrison) McQuade hosted the "Happy Hour" Thursday at the Harrison home and did a beautiful job. Thanks daughter, we love you. Good and plentiful food was available later in the evening at the ANAS Officers' Mess. Friday morning the Follraths, new Unit members, led a tour of Alameda including the Harbor Bay projects, Bay Area Teleport, Spite House, Victorians and other places of interest. Thanks Bob and Jean, it was a good insight into Alameda. Friday afternoon the Alameda contingent moved to Pleasanton where they met the remaining trailers. Friday night we had "Happy Hour", dinner on our own and then Happy Anniversary to the C. Penners (39) and the Hoffmans (51) at the Jockey Club. Saturday the usual with a tasty Mexican meal after "Happy Hour" and Quiz Show entertainment in the evening. The hosts C. Penners, Ashton/Rose with Doris and Kay and miscellaneous helpers gave us a marvelous rally. Thanks "Gang" for a job well done. Attendees: Anderson, Arzi, Rose/Ashton, Barber, Brown, Comrie, Dahme, Donald, Follrath, Ginter, Hadden, Harris, Harrison, Hoffman, Kellond, Leipper, McIntyre, Meyers, Oliver, Paxton, C. Penner, J. Penner and Schneider Burnes dropped by on Thursday but did not stay. 23 trailers in all.

NEWS ITEMS:

The extensive work done by Art Kellond and Lloyd Brown on the up-dating of the Unit Handbook became apparent 14 January when Art began distributing them at the Palo Alto gathering. For those of you that have not gotten your's yet, come pick them up and meet the guys who done it. Thanks again and again for the contribution to the Unit.

Change the date of the "Buddy Rally" at Donalds Ranch FROM: 26-29 May '88 TO: 19-22 May '88. This changed was approved at the General Meeting, 23 January '88 to facilitate attendance at the "Airstream Western Spring Rally, Oregon State Fairgrounds, Salem, Oregon. We will have a caravan to Salem if desired. Drop the Prez a line if yes.

MBCU UNIT HANDBOOK:

Add: Bob and Jean Follrath # 17441, 1706 Moreland Drive, Alameda, CA
415/523-5413 (Unit Member)

CONDOLENCES: To the Gerry Letourneau Family on his accidental death.
To Ken and Claire on the passing of her father.

CARAVANS: Hobo Rally Caravan leaving for Blythe, CA on 5 February.
Contact Prez if you want to go or have questions on it

Grand Ole Opry/Southern States Caravan 27 Mar to 6 June '88
See Jay Leith or Joe Gorman for information.

Region X11: Ed Dodd, Long Beach Unit will lead a caravan to
Huntsville on or about June '88.

Bill Wood, San Diego Unit will lead the Mother
Lode Country Caravan departing from Del Mar
September 30.
See Bulletin Board on above caravans.

CORRESPONDENCE: Alberta Cootis, Chair, Community Guest Program for
the '88 International RALLY wants a volunteer couple
for the program. If you are going to Huntsville and
want to help the address is 4201 Middle Court,
Bloomington, IN 47401 See Bulletin Board

Feather River College, Quincy, Plumas County, CA is
having an "RV Only" one week mountain experience in
the Feather River Wonderland at the north end of the
Sierra Nevadas. The Browns are knowledgeable on this
program. Talk with them and/or see Bulletin Board.

Wes Gough, Skit Chairman for Region X11 requests all
units to think about having a skit for presentation
at the Region X11 Rally in September. Prez will
coordinate.

We received a "Resolution" from the DELMARVA Unit
relative to the "Way of Life" program. See Bulletin
Board. This correspondence will be reproduced for
study by our Executive Board.

Letter from Don Johnson regarding the Region X11
Seminar. The Prez intends to go and encourages as
many of the members as possible to attend. Seminar
will be from 17-20 March at Tulare, CA. See Bulletin
Board for details. Being just prior to the Los Banos
rally it may present a chance to visit the area.

NOTE: Not sure this is the exact format or way to express the items
and thoughts to you on which I desire and need a feedback. A
feedback that will assist me in attaining the goals of our
organization. Prompt me where you can and be patient. I'll
try.

Wale & Virginia

RESOLUTION

*Your ideas and
input are needed*
Ed

WHEREAS, the Airstream/Argosy division of Thor Industries, Inc., has seen fit to start a new travel club called Airstream/Argosy Way of Life, and

WHEREAS, said club offers discounts to members on rallies and caravans as well as other discount offers, and

WHEREAS, said new travel club will collect dues and will have its own newsletter, and

WHEREAS, the president of Airstream, Inc., is a member of the International Board of Trustees of Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., and is the person responsible for starting said new club, now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that Delmarva Unit WBCCI goes on record as viewing the start of said new club as detrimental to WBCCI and as bound to affect adversely membership of WBCCI. It is the view of this unit that the new club has been organized to enhance the sale of Argosy trailers and thus the profits of the Airstream division of Thor Industries.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the president of Airstream, Inc., be removed immediately from the Board of Trustees of WBCCI. The rationale is that no person willing to damage WBCCI should be on the International Board of Trustees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in the future no mailing list of members of WBCCI be made available to Airstream, Inc.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the editor of the Blue Beret should accept no copy from Airstream, Inc. WBCCI should be run for the benefit of its members and not for the benefit of Airstream, Inc. Publicizing a club which will undermine WBCCI (see pages 38 and 39 of October 1987 issue) should not be a function of the Blue Beret.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that WBCCI should cease to accept funds from Airstream, Inc., relative to the sale of Airstreams to WBCCI members. The funds are really paid by the Wally Byam member who buys the trailer or motorhome as the "gift" is really figured into the price of the unit purchased.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Delmarva Unit members go on record as favoring a dues increase to compensate for funds lost as a result of dropped Airstream "gifts".

This resolution approved this 5th day of December, 1987
by the members of Delmarva Unit WBCCI.

Attest:

James B. Turner - President
Bob T. Parker Jr 1ST V.P.
Robert C. McInerney, Imm. First Pres.