



**GAIL WILLIAMS IS OUR AUGUST
PRESIDENT'S LETTER GUEST WRITER**

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THE AIRSTREAMER

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Jeni is still traveling so we welcome Gail Williams as our guest writer.

Greetings from the great northwest part of Canada.

Don and I just finished the Airstream Club "Canadian Rocky Mountain Caravan" and had a great time. It was a fast/busy three weeks but we saw and did many things and made new friends too.

We started on June 21st in Drumheller, Alberta Canada with a walking tour of the Badlands surrounding the Royal Terrell Museum of Paleontology (dinosaurs) and the museum itself. We then went to the Bar U Ranch which is a Canadian National Historic Site. The Bar U is famous for their Percheron horses.

I am most proud that I hiked the trail to the Lake Agnes Tea House above Lake Louise. I tried to think of a way to get out of the hike but I am glad I did it! The caravan included three gondola rides at different destinations offering views of scenery and wildlife; mom Grizzly bear and her cub at Lake Louise.

The last part of our trip was at the Calgary Stampede. We each received white Cowboy Hats at a special swearing-in ceremony of new Calgarians. We spent two days at the Stampede going through the barns and seeing different horse event. We attended my first rodeo on day one and the second night we saw the Chuckwagon Races and "The Greatest Outdoor Show on Earth". The Show included over 100 youth and young adults from the Young Canadians (School of Performing Arts) in an hour and a half performance celebrating the history and culture of the Stampede, Calgary, Alberta and Canada. The last half included a spectacular drone show and seemingly unending fireworks.

It was a great caravan but I will be happy to see all of you at our SNU rallies soon.

Gail Williams

THE SNU FAMILY MEMBERSHIP NEWS

No new members this month but mid-year membership renewals are starting to roll in:

- Karen and Steven Wylie #12110 from Carson City.

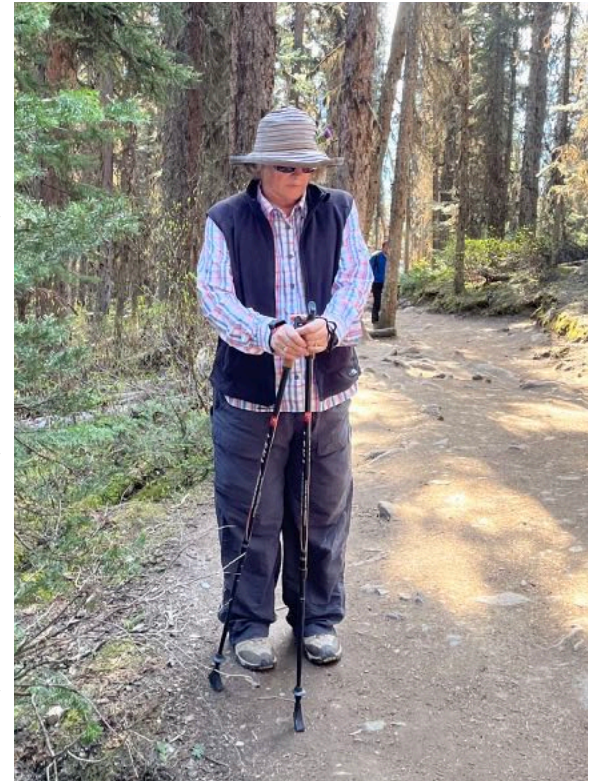
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SNU Berlin-Ichthyosaur Rally, Tuesday August 16th - Sunday August 21st - Join us at Berlin-Ichthyosaur State Park east of Gabbs, NV. Yes we've scheduled this one starting on Tuesday so we make sure to get some great campsites. Can't stay the whole time; fit your time to be with us one of more days.

Region 12 Bayfair Rally, San Diego, CA, Friday September 16th - 18th

SNU Anniversary Rally at Walker River SP, Thursday September 22nd - Sunday the 25th
Join us at Walker River State Park north of Yerington, NV for the Sierra Nevada Units 46th Anniversary! More info to come in August but put it in your calendar and stay tuned. Can't stay the whole time; fit your time to be with us one of more days, especially Saturday nights dinner celebration.

SNU Hope Valley Rally, Thursday October 20th - Sunday the 23rd - Join us at Hope Valley dispersed area on CA-88, west of and Markleeville, CA and CA-89. Hope Valley dispersed area is near 7000 feet elevation so we'll plan an alternate in case the Sierra Nevada's winter comes early. This will be one of the last official SNU rallies for the year so make a point to come out and rally with us.



on-the-Lake Agnes Trail

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20 YEARS AGO & 10 YEARS AGO IN AUGUST:

- The internet here in Alberta and Northwest Territories, Canada does not cooperate with your Editor so he can't access the newsletter archives but you can easily read them; click the image to view the August 2002 & 2012 Newsletters.

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Something new for our August rally, the Sierra Nevada Unit will hold a **mid-week** rally at Berlin-Ichthyosaur State Park east of Gabbs, Nevada Tuesday August 16th thru Sunday the 21st. Berlin-Ichthyosaur just completed improvements to roadways and areas within the park so we planned an early arrival to snag some of the larger campsites. The park offers a glimpse of early Nevada history, the preserved mining town of Berlin, the ruins of Union and an earlier look at Prehistoric aquatic mammals, the Ichthyosaur! The Ichthyosaur and Union ruins are just a short hike from the campground or take a longer hike into the Shoshone Mountains to the east. Want to explore more, take a 4X4 or high clearance vehicle tour of Ellsworth, Grantsville, Ione and Knickerbocker Mill mining ruins.

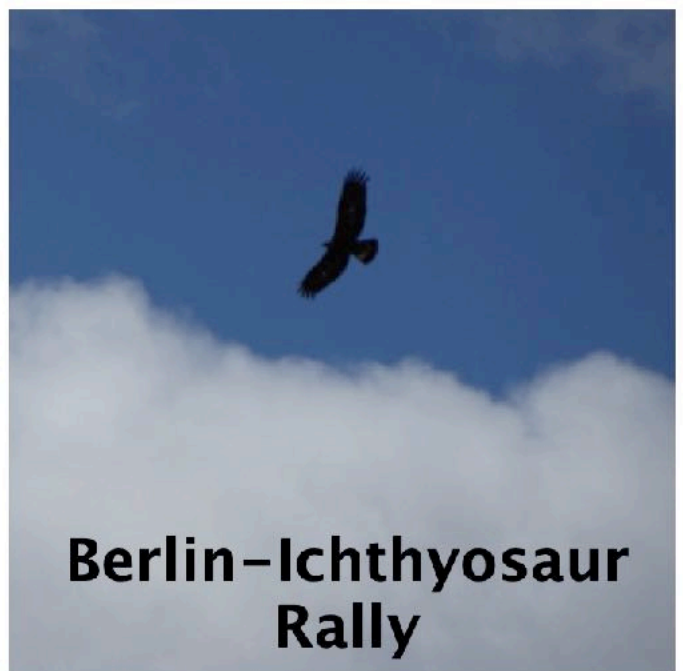
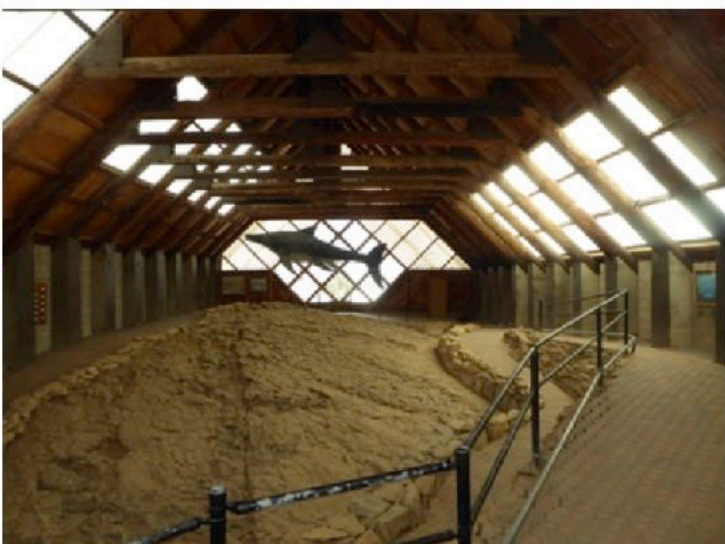
The best way to get to Berlin-Ichthyosaur SP is to head east and south from Reno or Carson City on US-50 past the historic Pony Express stops of Sand Springs Station ,Frenchman and Middlegate and then take NV-361 south towards Gabbs. Take a left just north of Gabbs and head east on NV-844 over Brunton Pass to Berlin-Ichthyosau SP. Total distance, 180+ miles from Reno.

Can't come for the whole weekend, come any you can make it but understand, a day visit will involve a 370 mile round trip from Reno!

We had a very small turn out at Weed Heights (Weeds). Bill and Mary had their refrigerator quit so they couldn't bring their Argosy, Diane Leipper wasn't feeling well so she and Bryan stayed home and one member got Covid so that couple stayed home; course Don & Gail were still in Canada so only 3 rigs attended; Jerry and Dyann, Me and Carmen, and Susie Brown. Bill and Mary did come in Saturday evening to visit and brought ice cream. It was a very hot weekend so having electric at Weeds was very nice. Evening walks were also nice. It was Carmen's 70th birthday Saturday. Jerry cooked his Nevada Surf and Turf for the pot luck Saturday and it was great. We had a group Dinner Friday night at the local Mexican restaurant. Very little smoke from the fires this year. The RV park was nice and care takers great as usual. It was a nice weekend get away.

Your editor and wife are still traveling the backcountry of Canada so this issue is **short!**

Birthday Girl



Berlin-Ichthyosaur Rally