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2018/2019
Calendar

Nov 21-25, Thanksgiving at Hee Hee Illahee, Salem, OR

Hosts: Ada and Carl Harsch & Floyd and Joyce Hensley

*****2019*****

March 14-17, 2019, Brookhollow RV Park, Kelso, WA.

Hosts: Frank and Dana Suttell

May 2-5, 2019, Spring Fling, SilverSpur RV Park, Silverton, Oregon

Hosts: Vern and Glenda Serex

June 6-9, 2019, Northwest Area Rally, Expo Center, Albany, Oregon.

Host: TBA

June 11-13, 2019, Ashland, Emigrant Lake RV Park, Ashland, Oregon

Hosts: Mike and Bev Carrick & Kathy Esslinger and David Glen.

Aug. 26-29, 2019, Casey's RV Park, Westfir, OR

Hosts: ???

Sep 26-29, 2019, Balloon Festival Prosser WA.

Hosts...???



President's Corner

October 2018



Fall already! It seems like just a few weeks ago it was 95 degrees outside and now today it's 51 degrees! Oh wait, it was just five weeks ago! The seasons change fast in my neck of the woods. A week ago the trees were still green, but today fall colors are everywhere! Ghosts and Goblins will be knocking at our doors in a couple of weeks – are you ready?

It may be time to think about winterizing your coach, but wait! The Thanksgiving Rally is coming up. The Harsches and the Hensleys have planned another classic Thanksgiving Dinner Rally for us. You will find information in this newsletter and on our web site. Registration closes **October 21** so make your registration now before you forget.

Now may be the time to start planning your coach winterization. There are several checklists available online on how to winterize your coach. If you still have your Country Coach Owners Guide it will also have detailed instructions. If you have a hydronic heating system, be sure to follow their specific instructions on how to winterize the boiler (it may not agree with what your coach manual says!). For instance, my coach instructions say to blow out all the water lines with compressed air, while my aquahot requires potable antifreeze in the hot water line. So, when I winterize, I blow out all my water lines then add potable antifreeze enough for just the Aquahot, the line to the outside hot water sprayer and the water pump.

Update on your President: Summer is over, so I have had to relocate to another RV Park for the winter. I'm still in the Spokane area and retain my mailing address. It was a hectic weekend getting decamped and getting my coach out of the park that I was in for the end of summer. I was on a dead-end road in the back of the park right on Silver Lake. It was beautiful, (and dusty) but not a lot of room to maneuver 45 feet of Country Coach. The park was closing for the winter so, fortunately, the site across from me vacated so I was able to do a six-point turn around so could drive out instead of backing up for about a third of a mile. I finally got settled into my park for the winter and had everything cleaned and unpacked ready to spend the winter when a forest fire erupted around us! Peaceful Pines became pretty hectic and not so peaceful around noon Monday when they issued a Level 2 evacuation order for us (voluntary evac but be ready to pull out with 5 minutes warning). So, repacked the coach and got it road ready. By 2 or 3 in the afternoon I noticed that no one else was here in the park, just brave (or dumb) me and Buddy! The smoke was very thick. The firefighting planes gave me a free RV wash several times (not the best wash, but what can you expect for free). At the peak of the fire the flames were 20 or 30 feet above the trees and maybe 150 yards south of us (300 yards south of my coach) but you could still feel the heat. The highway in front of us was closed all afternoon and early evening. The fire was subsiding by 5:30 and the firemen thought that it was well contained around us, so Buddy and I went into Spokane for dinner and a meeting. By the time we came home around nine they were just opening the roads and other folks started coming back. Spent last night unpacking and setting up again until about midnight.

Today I've been cleaning up my site a bit and getting caught up with things like this message and the chapter web site. There's never a dull moment around my house!

FMCA: Did you know that your FMCA dues includes [FMCA Assist](#)? What's that you ask? FMCA Assist is there when you need it if you have a medical emergency while you are traveling 100 miles away from home (a full-timer is considered to always be 100 miles from home). You do not need to be traveling in your RV. You don't even need to sign up for the service, it is free with your paid FMCA dues. FMCA Assist will return your dependents, spouse and pets (you have to provide the pet carrier) to your home location. FMCA Assist will also return your vehicles including your RV, tow vehicle or dingy. If the hospital you are initially taken to cannot provide the necessary care, FMCA Assist will move you to a facility where you can get the care you need. There are international travel benefits as well. There are no fees for their services for a qualifying event but remember, this is not health insurance so they do not cover your actual medical expenses. Visit the FMCA web site at <https://site.fmca.com/fmca-membership-benefits> and watch the informative video before you plan your next trip (RV or otherwise). Be sure that everyone traveling with you is aware of how to contact FMCA Assist if you ever need it.

Officer Contact List

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Northwest Country Coachers Chapter of FMCA

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www.nwccers.org

Our Yahoo Group:

NW-CC-ers@yahoogroups.com

An early heads-up for next year!

For those who attended this year's Rally at Casey's RV Park in Westfir, thank you for coming and for all your help.

I have booked the same park for a mid-week rally next year. We'll be "in" on Monday 8/26/2019; "out" on Thursday 8/29/2019. I was able to get 14 Pull-Thru sites (33 34 36 38 39 40 41 42 43 45 46 47 52 53) **with** the club house, so get your spot early. You can book on the website at the address below, or call to get the site of your choice.

I signed up for #36, Brent Hicks got #38, and Denny Huffman got #40 for next year. Hope these dates work for the rest of the group.

Hope you can make it!

Floyd

<http://www.caseysrvpark.com/>

(541) 782-1906

Membership Directory Update

The Membership Photo Directory is now available online through our web site in the Members Only section. You will be asked to login with your FMCA number (don't forget the letter prefix). If you have difficulty let the President know. The login passwords were recently updated for 2018.

Online Membership Directory

Our directory is a convenient way to put faces with names of our membership.

If you want a copy of the directory, a member can request one via the web site. Your request will send an email to the webmaster to forward a copy.

Another item regarding information sharing is a **FaceBook** page for **Northwest Country Coachers**. Some members already are friends on that social media. If you are interested, feel free to "Like" or "Join" the **NorthWest Country Coachers Motor Coach Club** Facebook page.

Third Annual NWCC Thanksgiving Rally

Hee Hee Illahee RV Resort
4751 Astoria St., NE, Salem, OR
503-463-6641/877-564-7295
November 21 – 25, 2018

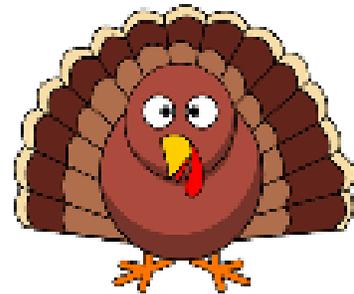
Hosts: Ada and Carl Harsch

Co-Hosts: Joyce and Floyd Hensley

Come and join your NWCC friends and enjoy a bounteous Thanksgiving dinner at this 5-Star RV resort. We have use of the clubhouse for the entire length of our stay. The hosts will prepare the turkey, gravy and ham and attendees will be asked to bring a side dish to share; a list of needed items will be sent out in early November. Please be certain that the person in each coach who will be preparing the food gets the notice. Bev and Mike Carrick have graciously offered to host a sandwich and chips lunch Friday at their house.

Tentative schedule:

Wednesday evening:	Host provided supper and dessert, light appetizers by attendees
Thursday morning:	Potluck breakfast
Thursday evening:	Feast!
Friday morning:	Host provided breakfast
Friday lunch:	At Bev and Mike Carrick's
Friday supper:	On your own
Saturday morning:	Host provided breakfast
Saturday evening:	Re-runs
Sunday morning:	Host provided farewell breakfast



On Saturday night, after supper, we will be having an auction to benefit the 2018 NWCC charity, the Amy Fisher House Foundation, and Richard Beck has agreed to be the auctioneer. We would like folks to donate items for the auction, so start thinking about possibilities for contribution.

Please contact Ada at 541-326-7800 or akirkman@charter.net for any questions.

Reservations:

The cost per night is approximately \$45. Please complete the registration form below and submit it to our treasurer, Sibylle Beck. Registration is also available on our website www.NWCCers.org; click on Rally Information. **You must call the resort directly at 503-463-6641 to book your reservation and pay a deposit of \$40.** The remainder will be paid at time of check in. If you want to come early or stay late, let the park know when you call. All sites are full hook up and we have 12 sites reserved. The site rate is based on the number of attendees.

Cancellation Policy: Must call the resort by 10/21/2018 for refund; there is an \$8 processing fee.

**NWCC Member Rally Fees: \$15.00/person,
\$30.00/couple + side dish/family**

**Meal Only Thursday or Saturday: \$3.00/person +
side dish/family**

**Non-Member Rally Fee: Please add \$10 each +
side dish/family**



**Registration for 2018 Thanksgiving
Hee Hee Ilahee, Salem, OR**

Pilot _____

Co-Pilot _____

Telephone _____

Number of People: _____

Arrival Date: _____

Departure Date: _____

E-Mail: _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Checks can be mailed to:

Northwest Country Coaches
c/o Sibylle Beck,
4485 River Road S.,
Salem OR 97302

A great time was had by all at Casey's RV Riverside Park September 20-23, hosted by Floyd and Joyce Hensley and Carl and Ada Harsch,



side Park Sep-
and Carl and



Eleven Country Coaches and one Newmar gathered for another NWCC Rally.

All of the coaches had riverside sites and the weather was mostly lovely,



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There were a number of natural attractions to visit, such as the Salt Creek Falls, an

tions to



easily accessible and

beautiful park with a wide variety of trails which were enjoyed by some of our group.

And the food.... there was scarcely room for all the dishes on the counter. If anyone went hungry it was completely their own fault. Highlights were Joyce Hensley's signature Blueberry Breakfast Casserole and the enormous pans of Chinese food that Sibylle and Richard Beck toted from nearby Oakridge.

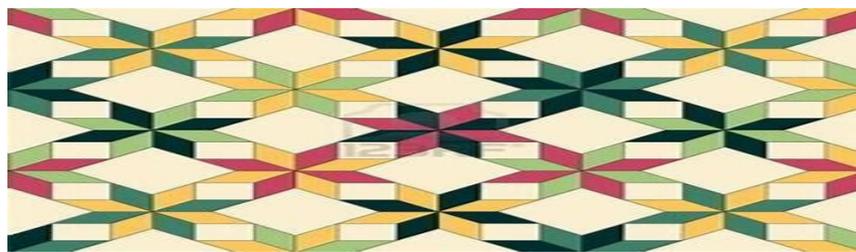


NorthWest Country Coachers
Casey's Riverside Park Westfir, Oregon
Ada & Carl Harsch Wagon Masters
Joyce & Floyd Hensley Wagon Masters
September 20-23, 2018

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Our Newmar guests were Beverly and Gary Nault who are full-timers.

They were planning to be in the area, saw our rally listed in FMCA and asked Floyd if they could join us. We enjoyed getting to know them. Beverly is an award winning author of 10 books and graciously gave us two autographed copies for the Thanksgiving Rally charity auction. Also up-for-bids at the auction will be two beautiful quilts (one of which is shown here) made and presented by Ada Harsch.



The ever-present puzzle wasn't a very interesting one, so was left unfinished, returned to its box and left behind for someone else to solve.



Our two hostesses take a moment to rest before the next "invasion" of hungry folk.



Lots of good conversation—making new friends—renewing acquaintances— solving issues—enjoying one another's company!



Joyce goes into "fly" patrol mode! Pesky little critters were abundant.



Save the dates for the Third Annual Thanksgiving Rally

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Initial notice

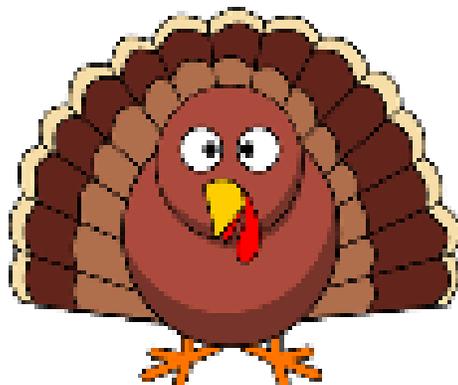
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We will be having an auction to benefit the 2018 NWCC charity, the Amy Fisher House Foundation, and Richard Beck has agreed to be the auctioneer. We would like folks to donate items for the auction, so start thinking about possibilities for contribution.

Information about meals, schedules and registration will be forthcoming. Contact Ada at 54326-7800 or akirkman@charter.net for any questions.



NWCCers Charity for 2018

Army Fisher House Foundation at Joint Base Lewis & McCord (JBLM) in Tacoma WA

The Fisher House Foundation is best known for a network of comfort homes where military and veterans' families can stay at no cost while a loved one is receiving treatment.

Madigan Army Medical Center has a full spectrum of specialty and subspecialty services for adult and pediatric patients to include Developmental Pediatrics, Perinatology Fellowship, Hematology/Oncology, NICU, and Radiation Therapy.

Our mission is to provide our military members and their families a comfortable, nurturing and secure environment while they receive medical care at Madigan Army Medical Center (MAMC).

Fisher House Information: The Fisher House is located about one half mile from MAMC. The house provides seven family rooms with private bathrooms, TV/DVD, WiFi, telephone and computers. The house has a living room, dining room and kitchen; these common areas are shared by all families. The FH will provide most amenities to include toiletries, towels, linens, high chairs, booster seats, futons, "pack and plays". Families are responsible for their meals and the kitchen is well furnished with the items needed for food preparation. Each family will have some refrigerator and freezer space plus a cabinet for their food. Laundry area and detergent are provided.

Eligibility and Cost: Fisher Houses prioritizes their rooms according to the severity of the medical condition. All active duty, retired military and military family members who live at least 40 miles away from the medical center are eligible. Referral can be made in advance; however, that does not guarantee placement into the FH. There is no charge to stay at the FH and demand for our rooms is high; because of this, families should make a back-up plan and be prepared to stay in a local hotel (average \$125 a night).

The Fisher House receives a significant portion of their funding through charitable contributions. Our donations come from individuals, spouses' clubs, military organizations, and chapel designated offerings. The Fisher house operates as a Non-Appropriated Fund Instrumentality (NAFI) of the United States Army. Donations made to the Fisher House are tax deductible. Donations can be mailed to: Lewis-McChord Fisher House, 9999 Wilson Ave, JBLM, WA 98433, or if you have questions, please email or telephone: fhmamc@aol.com, 253-964-9283, or you can make donations on-line at www.givedirect.org/give/givefrm.asp?CID=780. Please select Fisher House at Lewis-McChord from the drop down menu. Donations made on-line are forwarded to us from the Fisher House Foundation.

Editor's Note: For further information and source for the above:
<https://armyfisherhouses.org/joint-base-lewis-mcchord-wa/>



NorthWest Country Coachers

An FMCA Chapter Chartered September 29, 2007, as a Local Northwest Area Country Coach Owners' Club
Membership Application

Date: _____ Referred By: _____

Driver Name _____ Co-Pilot Name _____

Date of Birth (MM/DD): _____ Date of Birth (MM/DD): _____ Anniversary (MM/DD) _____

Mailing Address:

Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phones: Home (____) _____ Driver Cell (____) _____ Co-Pilot Cell: (____) _____

Residence Address if different than Mailing Address:

Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

More Information:

*FMCA # _____ E-mail Address: _____

Your Country Coach Information:

Year: _____ Length: _____ Model: _____ Coach # _____

Emergency Contact:

Contact: _____ Relationship: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Address: _____

Any Special Medical Information: _____

Your Special Interests: _____

Names and Types of Pets in Coach: _____

Your Favorite Activities: _____

NWCC Facts: Our Club holds several rallies each year in the Northwest to promote friendship and camaraderie among Coach Owners. We are a chapter of FMCA; therefore, our members must also be current FMCA members. The Club's annual membership dues are \$25 with an additional one-time \$25 application fee. Application dues/fees received after October 31 will cover the remainder of the calendar year and the following year.

Please send your \$50 check payable to
NORTHWEST COUNTRY COACHERS
to our Treasurer, Sibylle Beck

treasurer@nwccers.org

Please join our Yahoo group for continued communication and e-letters at NW-CCers@yahoogroups.com

Our Chapter Website is nwccers.org

Applicant Signatures

Driver _____ Co-Pilot _____

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NWCC Directory for CC Service and Parts

The following companies have been submitted to this directory by our club members. They have been found to be knowledgeable and helpful about Country Coaches. Most of these companies offer services locally (unless noted otherwise) but in many cases have provided technical assistance over the phone. If you need service or technical assistance call one of these companies to get started. **** Offers NWCC Discount**

Company	Contact	Service
Amazing Creations	Scott Adams 93150 B Prairie Rd Junction City, OR 541-556-0501	Custom cabinets, flooring and general remodeling/upgrades Amazingcreations1@yahoo.com
Bend RV Repair	Jeff Spear 62980 Boyd Acres Rd. Unit A-2 Bend, Oregon 97701, 541-388-5448	Complete RV Repair www.bendrvrepair.com Referred: Lee Casebeer & Tom Lowery
Brazel's Performance	Alan Sanders 3912 Harrison Avenue, Centralia, WA 98531 877-786-1576 Referred by Russell Warren	Alignment, suspension, maintenance, dynamometer, electrical & mechanical repairs shop—50-amp sites and dump www.brazelsrv.com
Carrier & Son's RV Service Center Facebook: @Carrier RV Service	Tom & Teresa Carrier 29525 Airport Rd., Eugene, OR 97402 Off: 541-461-1673; Fax 541-461-1674 Referred by: Terry and Les Apple	Skilled service craftsmen are able to handle most of your RV service needs from the smallest job to a major structural rebuild job.
Coach Masters of Bend	Blake 29525 Brandis Ct., Bend, OR 97701 541-330-6863	Parts, Service, Repair Coachmasters@bendcable.com
Coach Solutions	3451 Kendra St, Eugene, OR 97404 541-514-9000 Brian Van de Walker	House and Chassis Electrical; Audio/Video, including RTI Remotes. Local service & Fly-in Anywhere USA
Dave Root RV Glass Repair	Dave Root, Bend, OR 541-280-3612	Reseals, Thermo-Pane windows, all RV side windows www.daverootrvglassrepair.com/
Davis Cabinets	150 E 10 th Ave., Junction City, OR 97448 541-998-8778, Shaun Davis	Interior upgrades, cabinetry, window shades www.daviscabinets.com
Guaranty RV Center **	So Hwy 99, Junction City, OR 877-463-0067 NWCC exclusive sales dealer NWCC \$25 discount on retail service	Service, Parts, Body Shop and RV Sales www.guarantyrv.com
Kaiser Brake and Alignment	265 Taylor St., Eugene, OR 97402 541-344-5887	Alignment, brakes, tires
K&M Mobile R.V. Repair LLC	Kevin Waite (Former Country Coach Service Tech. & Owner) 95430 Noraton Rd., Junction City, OR 97448 541-953-6162 (Cell)	Mobile Repairs, Technical Support Country Coach Parts kvn.wt.7629@gmail.com
Kustom Coach Works	Bobby Vodden PO Box 395, Halsey, OR 97348 541-501-3371	Custom audio/video installations KustomCoachWorks@yahoo.com
Mike's Mobile, RV Service RVIA certified	Mike Woodard, Owner/Operator Gig Harbor and Kitsap County, WA, area Cell: 360-621-8496	mikesmobilervservice@yahoo.com Referred by: Russ Warren

Company	Contact	Service
Olstrom Custom Coach LLC NEW	Eric @ 1-520-485-3750 Www.olstromcc.com	Based out of Tucson is mobile to anywhere for repairs
Oregon Motorcoach Center **	29417 Airport Rd, Eugene, OR 97402 541-762-1505 Effective 01/03/2012: Current NWCC Badge gets 10% discount on Parts.* Bob Lee, Founder of OMC and NWCC Honorary Lifetime Member	*Present your NWCC badge for discount. You will need verification that your club dues are current. Interior restoration, modifications, remodel, service and parts Fax: 541-762-1509 www.oregonmotorcoachcenter.com
Premier RV Services	Gary - 541-554-3997 Office: 541-998-2640 325 E First Ave, Junction City, OR 97448	Sales - Service - Storage premierrvstorage@gmail.com Referred by: Brian & Kay Case, Bend
RCV Custom Coach Service	Mobile RV Service and Upgrades 93076 Unit E, Hwy 99 So., Junction City, OR Or POB 41779, Eugene, OR 97404 Bob Vinson, Owner, Phone 541-870-6233 Text: 541-543-5625	Quality Solutions Brought to You Fax 541-359-1962 www.rcvcustomcoach.com bob@rcvcustomcoach.com Referred By Herb Harris and Cathy Lamb
RV Glass Solutions	Eugene, OR 888-777-6778 Doug Rutherford – former CC Service Manager www.RVGlassExperts.com	Windshield replacement, glass and windows. Many CC windshields in stock. Call for a referral in your area.
RV Service Pro In the Puget Sound area	Mobile RV Service from Seattle to Olympia. Certified RV service and repair professionals for all your RV service and repairs 253-229-6209 www.rvservicepro.com	They do good work at fair prices. They overhauled my Aquahot for me. Recommended by Fred Dent
Salem Brake and Wheel Inc.	1235 12th Street SE, Salem, OR 97302 Kevin Smith, 503-581-3214	Alignment, Wheel Balance, Chassis Repair, Complete Brake Svc, Complete Service, Gas/Diesel Repair and More
Silverleaf Electronics	2472 SW Ferry St., Albany, OR 97322. 888-741-0259, 541-220-5494	Total Coach Monitoring System, Vehicle Monitoring System www.silverleafelectronics.com
Specialty Crate, Inc Logistics Division	41 North Danebo Ave. Eugene, OR 97402 Randy Stout 541-689-8840	Country Coach parts – chassis, body and house.
Splendide (Westland Sales)	15650 SE 102 nd Ave., Clackamas, OR 97015 503-655-2563	Washing machine repairs
Specialty Marine and RV 503-678-6501	Tom Dinsmore 20781 Olmstead Road NE Aurora, OR 97002	Diesel-powered coaches only Custom Accessories, Installations, Repairs and Services
Washington Auto Carriage	Terry Fout, General Manager 5301 E. Broadway, Spokane Valley, WA 99211 509-535-0363; 800-456-0363	24 Hour Emergency Mobile Service: (509) 534-9358 wac@waautocarriage.com Recommended by Fred Dent
Watson Diesel Repair LLC	PO Box 2478 Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-5255 watsondieselrepair.com	Services and repairs all diesel engines - primarily big rig trucks but also works on coaches.
Winnebago/Country Coach Factory Service Facebook: @WBCService 866-311-7133	135 East First Street Junction City, Oregon 97448 541-234-2167 Doug Beaudry, Service	Service Center www.countrycoach.com/coach-service-center/ **CC Apparel: http://countrycoachwearables.promoshop.com