

# NORTHWESTERN BUS NUTS

June 2016



## *What a great lifestyle*

I can't imagine what we would do if we didn't have our bus. We have met so many great people through our travels and rally get-togethers. Have you ever thought how many people you have become acquainted with because of your R-V-ing experiences? Every rally we attend, we get to know people a little bit better and for the most part, this is good, and the wealth of information we can learn just by listening to conversation. I have learned that I get more out of a conversation if I listen, (sometimes hard to do with my hearing aids) instead of talking, because I enjoy joking and teasing.

Well, if any of this makes sense to you or strikes a familiar note, you have a great opportunity coming your way, starting June 23-26, 2016 in Albany, Oregon, when the FMCA will host a rally at the Linn County Fair & Expo Center. Some members will be arriving Wednesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>. We will meet in a parking lot between I-5 and Home Depot. There are two lots adjacent; the first is gravel/dirt, with a lot of uneven ground. The second is paved (use this one if you have a choice) if both were full, there is street-18<sup>th</sup> Ave SE- it would be the first and only street south or past Home Depot. It is a wide street and has plenty of parking. Don't pass this street, or you will have to disconnect as the frontage road you are on is a dead end. The exit off I-5 is #233. Be there so you will have time to leave this location and convoy to the fairgrounds by 11:00 AM, Wednesday, June 22, 2016. Please contact Dick Wright if you plan to attend, so we will be able to work with the parking crew and be able to park together. The sooner, the better. Call Dick (541) 953-4655.

Our next rally is July 14-17, 2016 in Silverton, Oregon, a quaint little community. If you are planning to come early or stay later, please call the park at (866) 854-7785 for your extra days. We need to know by June 5, 2016 if you are planning to attend this

rally. We will be placing our food order with the caterer and you don't want to run low on food. There is a lot to see and do in this area. This is one rally you can't afford to miss. Remember, all meals are catered, so no cleanup!!! Please see directions enclosed in the newsletter.

**Watch out**, here comes September. Doug & Lori High, along with Tom & Karen Goldsby have an exciting rally planned for us at the Skamania County Fairgrounds in Stevenson, Washington on the beautiful Columbia River gorge. Send in your registration for these fun-filled events soon, along with a check for \$200.00 for two or \$150.00 for one person.

Our "Website" has been approved, so it will be available very soon. I am sure you will see it was worth the wait.

One last thing, we need members to put on your thinking caps and think about hosting a rally. I know you must have a favorite place that you could share with your fellow club members. Give your Vice Presidents a call to schedule your rally. John Shierman (360) 253-1526 or Al Roeske (541) 954-0676.

Until next time,

Your Pres, Gary



**FMCA'S 94<sup>TH</sup> Family Reunion & Motorhome Showcase**  
**August 3-6, 2016**

Eastern States Exposition – Home of the Big E  
West Springfield, MA

Seminars – Exhibits – Display Coaches – Coffee & Doughnuts – Ice cream social  
Entertainment – Ladies' Social – Games – Register online at [www.fmca.com](http://www.fmca.com) or by  
phone 800-543-3622 – Fax 800-543-4717 or 513-474-2332



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# 2016 COLUMBIA GORGE BUS RALLY

SEPTEMBER 8TH THRU 11TH  
SKAMANIA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS, STEVENSON, WASHINGTON

POTLUCK DINNER ON THURSDAY

BREAKFAST & DINNER ON FRIDAY

ONSITE ACTIVITIES FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

CATERED BREAKFAST AND DINNER ON SATURDAY

SUNDAY MORNING PASTRIES



**RALLY HOSTS DOUG & LORI HIGH AND TOM & KAREN GOLDSBY**

- THURSDAY COACHES GREETED - PARKING ASSISTANCE
- PARKING FOR 80 COACHES WITH POWER HOOKUPS FOR 35
- DUMP STATION LOCATED ON THE FACILITY GROUNDS
- CHECK-OUT BY NOON. ON SUNDAY.
- EARLY ARRIVAL AND EXTRA DAY'S LAYOVER CAN BE ARRANGED WITH FAIRGROUNDS

#### ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- HIKING
- FISHING
- GOLFING
- SIGHTSEEING
- WINDSURFING
- 2016 HOOD RIVER FLY-IN

BEAUTIFUL COLUMBIA GORGE  
46 MILES EAST OF PORTLAND, OREGON  
ON WASHINGTON HIGHWAY 14  
ALONG SIDE THE COLUMBIA RIVER





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MAIL-IN REGISTRATION FORM



NAME \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NO: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT**

**DOUG HIGH (360) 487-9147**

**OR**

**TOM GOLDSBY (360) 606-2913**





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## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

LOCATION: Skamania County Fairgrounds, 710 SW Rock Creek Drive, Stevenson WA

- Thursday, SEP 8th      12:00pm - Check in and parking. Power available for the first 35 coaches to register. Water & dump available. Bring extension cord please.  
6:00pm - Meet & greet potluck dinner in Exhibit Hall.
- Friday, SEP 9th      9:00am - Catered breakfast. Information will be presented on what to do in the Columbia Gorge Scenic Area, including tours of Bonneville Dam, fish hatcheries, scenic waterfall areas, etc.  
6:00pm - Catered dinner in Exhibit Hall.
- Saturday, SEP 10th    9:00am - Catered breakfast in Exhibit Hall. Shop at the quaint shops of Stevenson and the Saturday Market. Take a Gorge Sternwheeler cruise or accompany the ladies on a shopping trip to Hood River. While the ladies are shopping the men can visit the WAAAM antique aircraft and auto museum or the Full Sail Brewery.  
6:00pm - Dinner in the Exhibit Hall.
- Sunday, SEP 11th    9:00am - Continental breakfast in Exhibit Hall and depart by noon.

Rally Cost: *Coach with 2 people - \$200.00*  
*Each additional person - \$50.00*

Make checks payable to NWBN

Rally Hosts: Doug & Lori High (360) 487-9147  
Tom & Karen Goldsby (360) 606-2913

Mail to: Doug High  
7501 NE 58th Ave.  
Vancouver, WA 98662

A Confirmation Letter with directions and full details about the Rally will be sent to all Registrants upon receipt of your Rally payment. Remember, the first 35 coaches to register will get power hook up. Important: ***Please help us save postage costs by providing your email address for the confirmation letter.*** There is WAY too much to see and do in the Columbia Gorge to put in this registration notice, so more information will be sent to you with the confirmation letter, plus, packets will be handed out on site.

Cut off date for registration for the Rally is August 26, 2016.

## **INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS & AREA RALLIES**

April 15-19, 2016 North Florida Fair, Tallahassee, Florida

Contact: David Kessler at [dkessler@fmca.com](mailto:dkessler@fmca.com)

June 8-12, 2016 Elkhart County Fairgrounds, Goshen, Indiana

Contact: Jane Roush at [jroush@fmca.com](mailto:jroush@fmca.com)

June 23-26, 2016 Northwest Area Rally, Linn County Fair & Expo, Albany Or.

Contact: Kathie Balough at [kbalough@fmca.com](mailto:kbalough@fmca.com)

July 13-16, 2016 Midwest Area Rally, Amana RV Park, Amana, Iowa

Contact: Jim Vitte at [jvitte@fmca.com](mailto:jvitte@fmca.com)

August 3-6, 2016 FMCA Family Reunion & MH Showcase, Home of the Big E, West Springfield, Massachusetts. Contact FMCA Events Dept., [convention@fmca.com](mailto:convention@fmca.com)

September 12-15, 2016, Heart of Oklahoma Expo Center, Shawnee, Oklahoma

Contact Rod Sartwell at [rsartwell@fmca.com](mailto:rsartwell@fmca.com)

September 25-28, 2016, San Juan County Fairgrounds, McGee Park, Farmington,

New Mexico. Contact Jack Mayberry at [emayberry@fmca.com](mailto:emayberry@fmca.com)

October 5-9, 2016, State Fairgrounds of West Virginia, Lewisburg, West Virginia

Contact John Reynolds at [jreynolds@fmca.com](mailto:jreynolds@fmca.com)

January 11-15, 2017 Western Area Rally, Riverside County Fair & National Date

Festival, Indio, California. Contact Dick Gibbs at [dgibbs@fmca.com](mailto:dgibbs@fmca.com)



**RALLY IN THE VALLEY  
JULY 14, 15, 16, 2016  
SILVER SPUR RV PARK  
SILVERTON, OR**

COME TO THE "VALLEY RALLY" ***YOU BETCHA!!!***

- Visit beautiful Silverton Falls St. Park
- Willamette Valley Pie Co
- Woodburn Premium Outlets
- Antique Powerland, Brooks, OR
- \* Visit Mt. Angel
- \* OR Gardens
- \* Shop Unique Silverton

July 14	Thursday	-	Pizza
July 15	Friday	-	Breakfast AND Dinner
July 16	Saturday	-	Breakfast AND Dinner
July 17	Sunday	-	Continental Breakfast

COACH 2 PERSON	\$190.00	FULL HOOK-UPS
COACH 1 PERSON	\$150.00	FULL HOOK-UPS
GUEST	\$ 45.00	per guest

Come join in for a fun filled RALLY!!! Questions??? Contact  
 John Shierman 360-253-1526 Gary Chatterton 503-816-5782

Make checks payable to **NWBN** and mail to:

Barb Chatterton  
 13836 SE Clatsop  
 Happy Valley, OR 97086

**DEADLINE JUNE 1, 2016**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE \_\_\_\_\_ F# \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE/CELL \_\_\_\_\_

COACH TYPE \_\_\_\_\_ COACH LENGTH \_\_\_\_\_

CALL PARK IF STAYING ADDITIONAL NIGHTS:  
 SILVER SPUR RV PARK 503-873-2020

***YOU BETCHA!!***

**Silver Spur RV Park/ July 14,15,16, 2016 Rally- Directions:**

**From Portland** on I5, take exit 260B to Keizer. Turn left on Chemawa Road

**From Eugene** on I5, take exit 260 to Keizer. Turn right on Chemawa Road

Chemawa turns into Hazelgreen Road. Stay on Hazelgreen Road for 6 miles. Turn right on Howell Prairie for 1 mile and then left onto Silverton Rd 4 miles. Park will be on the right side of the road. Hope to see many of you and the rally!



**Northwestern Bus Nut Members – are you paid up on your dues? October 1st started a new fiscal year for the NWBN. Dues are \$20.00 per year. Please send your dues payment payable to:**

Northwestern Bus Nuts  
c/o Jeanne Wright,  
P.O. Box 41555  
Eugene, OR 97404

**Thank you!!**



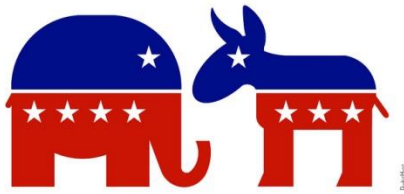
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Historial – Bob Cotherman  
Sunshine Lady – MaryLou Dickey  
Sheriff – Barb Chatterton  
Membership Book – Pat Alonzo  
Nominating Committee – Dick Wright  
MaryLou Dickey  
Pattie Harper**





## **Retired Person's Perspective;**

- 1. I'm not saying let's go kill all the stupid people. I'm just saying let's remove all the warning labels and let the problem work itself out.**
- 2. I changed my car horn to gunshot sounds. People move out of the way much faster now.**
- 3. You can tell a lot about a woman's mood just by her hands. If they are holding a gun, she's probably very unhappy.**
- 4. I decided to change calling the bathroom the John and renamed it the Jim. I feel so much better saying I went to the Jim this morning.**
- 5. Everyone has a right to be stupid. Politicians just abuse the privilege**



### **Rally Schedule 2016:**

June 23-26, 2016	Albany, OR FMCA
July 14-16, 2016	Silverton, OR
August	TBA – Need Host
September 8-10, 2016	Skamania, WA
October	TBA – Need Host

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