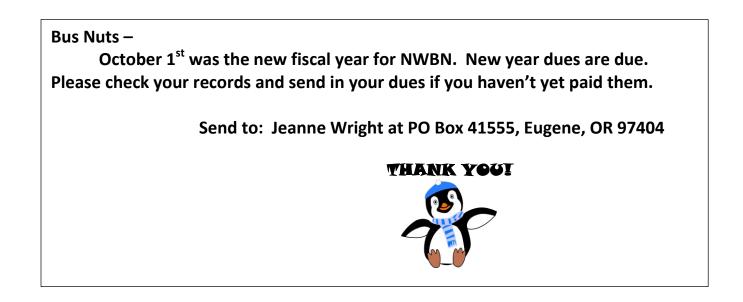
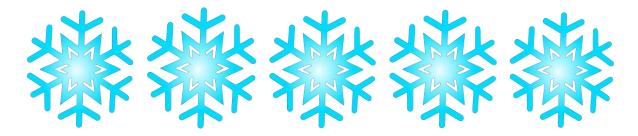
NORTHWESTERN BUS NUTS

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If any changes or additions are needed for the membership book, please email Pat Alonzo at: <u>palonzo_us@yahoo.com</u> or call 360 635 8724. The book will be submitted to the printer at the end of November.



Letter from the Prez:

September 14th was the start of the annual event "Octoberfest" held in Mt. Angel, Oregon. We had 18 coaches on hand to enjoy all the excitement this small town could muster up. A lot of the mustard was squeezed on the "sausage on a stick". We were a part of the 52nd Oktoberfest, along with an estimated 300,000 visitors. The quaint little town modeled the event on the Bavarian celebration that has been held each autumn in Germany since 1810. Many attendees dress in Bavarian attire. There is a large "Biergarten" that many took advantage of as well as a "Wiengarten". Music and dance added to our excitement of this fun event.

Lynell and Victor Hoffer invited us to share their property on W. Church Street, to park our R.V.s on during the event. The Shiermans and Chattertons arrived a day early to help lay out parking. Since we have used the same grounds for parking in the past, Lynell let us handle our own parking and gave us a choice of where we wanted to locate our generous spaces. Only about three blocks from the Festival, made it a most perfect spot.

We had 3 pop up covers that allowed us a 12 x 36 covered patio to have tables with food and drink. It served as a shade shelter as well.

We plan on holding another rally in the future at this location. A great time was had by all, so don't miss out on our next visit.

A guest was invited to park with us. The Roeske's and Wright's met this wayward stranger at a rally in Montana and he fit in just like he belonged, and he did, so you guessed it, Eric Mutter joined our family. We will give a proper introduction when we get together. Until then, I welcome you, Eric, to your new family of friends.

As October was closing in on us, Barb and I decided to leave early from home to allow us time to spend a few days with our good friends Mike & Carol Muffett. Zilla, Washington was the location of the first rally we were invited to attend, hosted by the Muffetts. We were made to feel so welcome, an enjoyed the camaraderie, that we joined the club. The rest is history.

Thursday, 20 coaches were on hand to officially begin the enjoyment of our final rally for the 2017 season. Mike & Pat Alonzo along with Al & Eleanor Roeske hosted this fun event.

We shared the same weekend as the annual event, the "Crush", a celebration surrounded around the almighty grape. Many took advantage of the wine tasting events located everywhere in the Prosser area. There was tasting and wine sales at the R.V. Park that we parked at as well.

Mike & Carol Muffett have a cannabis growing and processing operation. They offered to open up a guided tour for those of us that would like to take advantage of this most welcomed opportunity. Friday, the majority of us took Mike up on his offer. It was most enjoyable and informative. It is monitored by the State of Washington. You can be sure all the employees follow the strict rules. One of the most impressive rules that has to be followed is that each plant has an identifying UPC sticker that follows the product from seedling to product in retail stores. Thanks Mike, Carol and Jamie, their son, for the great tour. We all came away knowing a lot more about the world of Cannabis.

Our next function that we as a club will congregate at will be held in Indio, California at the Riverside County Fairgrounds on January 10-14, 2018. Some of us will go into the fairgrounds on Tuesday, 1/9/18 and are signing up registration for RV with 2 adults plus 30 amp electricity. The cost will be \$250.00 before 12/18/17. After that date, it will be an additional \$20.00. When registering, tell them you are with the Northwestern Bus Nuts. Let Dick Wright know if you plan on parking with us, so he reserves enough spaces for everyone. The sooner the better. Thanks Dick (541) 953-4655.

Until next time,



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