

NORTHWESTERN BUS NUTS

November 15, 2022

It was sure a nice feeling to be able to enjoy our friendship with fellow members. It has been a long time coming. What a great location for a rally. Thanks to Marsha Lewis, our newly appointed treasurer and temporary secretary, for her welcome bags for all participators attending the rally,

We held our general meeting and election of officers. The nominating committee slate of new board officers are as follows: President, Al Roeske, Vice-President North, Pattie Harper, Vice-President South, Doug Brown. There were no nominations from the floor. The slate was voted in by a unanimous decision. We are still hoping that some of our members will offer to help in filling our needed positions. Please contact one of our board members if you are interested in filling any of the open positions. With the loss of Bob Cotherman as our long time historian, this position is available, as is Secretary, National Director, and Alternate National Director. My 13 years of leading our club, I plan on still being in the background to help our club move forward with more rallies and the comradery that goes along with them.

At our recent rally held in Silverton, Oregon, we didn't furnish any meals. Doug Brown is a local resident and he made a list of suggested restaurants that served good food at a reasonable price. We used that list to make our dinner reservations. It worked out great. Times seem to be changing, or maybe our age is not conducive to spending time in the kitchen. We did have donuts every morning, that got all of us together to start our days and plan for lunch and dinner, times and locations.

FMCA's Western Area Rally will be held at Riverside County Fairgrounds in Indio, California, January 11th through January 15th, 2023. This has always been a fun rally and we have always been able to park together and have had an open space for holding our happy hour and meals. Barb and I are looking forward to attending, and hope to see a lot of our members in attendance. If you are planning to attend, please let Dick Wright (541)953-4655, know so he can make arrangements for enough parking area.

I would like to offer a special thank you to a few people; Sharen Shierman for coming to our rescue when we really needed it and for stepping in to fill

our need for a Secretary. She did a great job in holding down a very important position. My good friend John Shierman, our Vice-President North was instrumental in organizing many fun and exciting rallies, and involving other members. Eleanor Roeske took on the responsibility of Treasurer for years. Chris Hansen has been our newsletter editor and she has added special articles to let us enjoy her abilities. Our Chapter Historian has passed, I don't know of any member that is as dedicated as was Bob Cotherman. Barb and I drove to the Tacoma Washington location to retrieve any memorabilia that Bob had. There was not a lot of club related material that we were able to find.

Thanks to Pat Alonzo for the endless hours that she has dedicated to put together our membership book for many years.

Let's not forget our Sunshine Lady, Nancy Arionus, who mails our cards or flowers to members who are dealing with medical issues or difficulties of some sort.

Let's all thank all the members that are donating their time and energy to make the Northwestern Bus Nuts a great and strong club.

I want to say thank you for allowing me to be elected as your President since 2008. I have enjoyed filling this position. Some of my close friends in the club have stated that I was going to hold my office till "I got it right". Well, there's my statement; I must have finally "got it right".

P.S. Last, but not least, a big thanks to my loving wife, Barbara, for being Sheriff. She has made it fun fining people for not wearing their name badges.

Your x-Pres.,
Gary

The following families attended the Silverton rally in October. We had 14 coaches, beautiful weather and wonderful food.

Brown, Douglas	Shierman	Harper
Jones	Bowes	Blackwell
Alonzo	Clark	Chatterton
Roeske	Wright	

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Sunshine Lady – Nancy Arionus
Sheriff – Barb Chatterton

