

NORTHWESTERN BUS NUTS

August 1, 2024

Words From Nut One....Al Roeske

Well, I stand corrected. Last month I reported that we were parked overlooking the Umpqua River at the Mill Casino in North Bend, Oregon. Turns out that the Umpqua River is nowhere near North Bend, Oregon. What we were looking at was the Coos River. Thanks to all those who spotted my error.

Eight coaches rallied at the Hood River County Fairgrounds July 10-14, 2024. We had the whole fairgrounds pretty much to ourselves, including a newly renovated building complete with a brand- new commercial kitchen. Greg Peyran, Mike Alonzo and Stan Borys cooked up more food than we could eat each morning. Hot sunny days were spent exploring the many orchards and vineyards along the world famous "Fruit Loop". The Western Antique Aeroplane and Automobile Museum (WAAAM) in Hood River was another favorite.

Friday evening was highlighted with a two-hour dinner cruise aboard the Sternwheeler on the Columbia River. The food was excellent, the weather was perfect, the staff was great, and a good time was had by all. We were joined by the Chattertons and the Shiremans who drove in for the boat ride. Saturday found 20 of us

seated around a huge table at Grace Su's China Gorge Restaurant in Hood River for some of the best authentic Chinese food ever, and tons of it. We all took home at least as much as we ate at the restaurant. All-in-all, it was about a 4 lb rally!

“Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass, it's about learning to dance



“Women with hard cider”

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SECRETARY VACANT **New club Secretary needed!**

Marsha Lewis has more than served her time as acting Secretary and is no longer in that position. We need a new one! Somebody step up!

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WORDS FROM THE EDITOR If you have something to share with the club, whether it be mechanical, electrical, or club matters, feel free to contact me and I will add it to the next issue. Also, I will happily accept suggestions for the newsletter. Email is my preferred method for these types of things. Douglas Brown
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2024 RALLY SCHEDULE

Aug 14,15,16,17 FMCA National Convention, Redmond, Oregon

Sep 12,13,14 Casey's Riverside RV Park, Westfir, Oregon

NOTE: This rally at was moved from June 2024. Another large group has sites reserved through the 11th. If you wish to go in early, you will probably have to take another site for the early days and then move on the 12th. If you plan to attend this rally you must call (541)782-1906 on or AFTER December 17, 2023, to reserve your site. All unassigned sites will be released on JUNE 26, 2024.

Oct 16,17,18,19 Silver Spur RV Park, Silverton, Oregon. Call for reservations at 503-873-2020. Tell them you are with the Bus Nuts. They will release the reserved spaces on September 16.

Redmond Registration

NorthWestern BusNuts Chapter is hosting the coffee hour at the FMCA International rally in Redmond, Oregon August 14-18, 2024. This involves serving coffee and doughnuts for about 3 hours each morning. We will be assigned 10 spaces near the coffee tent. Our arrival day is Monday, August 12. Captains are Al Roeske and Dick Wright. If you plan to attend this rally and if one or both would like to join us, you must register by phone.

Call FMCA (800) 543-3622

Tell operator you want to register for Redmond.

Tell the registrar you are a Bus Nut coffee volunteer and what electric power you want.

Call Al Roeske (541) 954-0676 with number of members volunteering

Redmond Caravan Information

July 30, 2024

Dear Caravan Leader:

To ensure your caravan's safe and timely arrival at the upcoming 2024 Redmond, OR Convention, please read and adhere to the following information that will assist FMCA in parking your caravan RVs:

- The Caravan leader is responsible for assuring that **ALL** caravan RVs are **PRE-REGISTERED** for the event.
- **Make sure all RVs in your caravan have the same parking.** For example, everyone gets 30 amp or 50 amp electricity, or everyone is in general parking, etc. The parking team will do its best to keep you all together.
- The Caravan leader is encouraged to pick up Will Call confirmation packets for registered caravan RVs at the Welcome Area before arrival. Will Call hours at the arrival area will be from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. beginning Saturday, August 10. **Note:** FMCA's parking credential **and** caravan card **must** be prominently displayed inside on the front windshield of each RV, per instructions on the reverse side of the card.
- Whenever possible, tow cars should be disconnected and driven separately into your permanent parking area.
- ***Members of your caravan who have registered for special parking, such as disabled members, need to be placed together at the end of the caravan. Trailers and 5th Wheels should lead the caravan.***
- The Caravan leader is **required** to have a cell phone.

An accurate final RV count must be communicated via phone/TEXT at 513-256-5779 OR by email (convention@fmca.com) to FMCA **no less than 24 hours before arrival** at the convention site.

CARAVANS MUST FOLLOW THE DIRECTIONS IN THE CONFIRMATION GUIDE AS APPROVED BY LOCAL AND STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES.

Thank you for your cooperation. We look forward to seeing you in Redmond!

Sincerely,

FMCA Events Department



Driven to Care Golf Outing



Attention FMCA Golfers!

FMCA sent out a flyer about the **Driven to Care Golf Outing** during the Redmond Convention. This is a note to remind you to sign up!

You don't have to be a golfing ace; you can be a beginner golfer. It is an opportunity to play golf, meet fellow RVers and, at the same time donate to a charity. All this fun and some of the proceeds will go to the "**Hospice of Redmond - Camp Sunrise**", a "grief camp" for children and teens.

The **Driven to Care Golf Outing** will be early in the morning on **Friday, August 16**, at the Juniper Golf Course close to the convention center. The outing fee is **\$125**. This includes **18 holes of golf** with a **cart**; practice range balls; a **continental breakfast** prior to teeing off; on-course non-alcoholic **beverages, lunch, and awards** at the conclusion of the round. There will be "longest-drive" and "closest-to-the-pin" holes on both the front and back sides. There will be "score improvement products" available for purchase prior to the shotgun start.

Sign up now! There are a limited number of spots! Encourage your friends coming to the FMCA Convention, August 14-17 at the Deschutes County Fair & Expo in Redmond, Oregon to join you.

If you have already registered, call the FMCA Events Deptment at 800-543-3622 to sign up for the **Driven to Care Golf Outing**. If you haven't already registered, you can call and register for the convention and the Golf Outing.

Come to Redmond and enjoy fellowship, seminars, vendors, entertainment, a Golf Tournament and much more!

The Northwest Area is the host for the Redmond Convention, and we look forward to seeing you in Redmond!

Safe travels,

Dennis Martin

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Northwest Area President