

Wash-I-Bagos
August 2007 Newsletter
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FROM THE PREZ:

Arrangements are well along for our State Rally September 13 – 16th. You do not want to miss the fun, so mark your calendars and get those registrations in to Dick Quass, 19311 E Augusta Lane, Spokane, WA 99016. Friday Happy Hour will begin “Fiesta” time with a surprise followed by a Mexican dinner. Come prepared by dusting off those ponchos and sombreros and be part of the festivities. How many ladies know how to make the large crepe paper Mexican flowers? Please contact me tomm@olympen.com or 360-908-5098. After dinner we will be entertained by Tom Jones.

Wish you were all going to GNR with us. We will do our best representing you. Safe travels! Fran

WA State Rally: “Gather as Strangers – Leave as Friends”

The rally will begin Thursday at 7:30AM September 13th with registrations, followed by the Opening Ceremony at 8:30AM. A “early bird” pre-registration will be held Wednesday afternoon from 3 – 4PM. A weekend of activities from seminars, dealer & vendor displays, indoor/outdoor games, crafts, ice cream social, entertainment, golf tournament and great food is all on the program!

Rally fees: one unit/two people \$90; one unit/one person \$65; extra person \$25. Fees paid after September 1st increase \$20 per unit. Extra nights are \$13 per night. Your rally fee includes 3 nights camping, catered dinners Friday and Saturday nights, breakfast Friday and Saturday, and a continental “getaway” breakfast Sunday morning. Thursday evening the Peninsula WITS will have their charity project hamburger feed.

A \$25 per person **cancellation fee** will be charged for all cancellations. Neither 2007 WIB registrations nor rally gift certificates can be transferred to another unit. Gift certificates are for one coach, two people and extras pay \$25 each.

Handicapped parking needs MUST be requested on registration form. Upon arrival place your placard in windshield area to assist the parkers. **Remember, to park together, chapters must arrive together!** Use the generic registration form found in the WIT Magazine.

Driving Instructions: From I-5 heading N take exit 256A R onto Meridian.

Continue through town to cemetery on R and at intersection turn R onto Front St. Watch for signs to NW WA Fairgrounds.

We ask that everyone come prepared with electrical extension cords and water splitters in case they are needed. Any questions call or e-mail Fran Murkowski (see above).

Don’t forget to bring a dozen cookies for the hospitality table! This year we could use a few more “sugar free” as we ran out at NWRR.

Remember to be thinking of a theme for next year. Themes are voted on at the State Rally!

WA State Rally Committee Assignments:

Decorations:	San Juanderers
Hospitality:	Inland Empire Explorers
Rally Parking:	Rainier Ramblers
Setup:	Columbia River Rollers
State Raffle:	Evergreen Winnies
Ice Cream Social:	Sun Catchers
Indoor Games	Apple Rovers
Crafts:	Peninsula Wits
Outdoor Games/BBB	Harry & Jean Marenbach
Parade of Games:	Bob & Cathy Egger
Cleanup:*	Apple Rovers

***Apple Rovers need help lifting tables down Saturday evening so everyone able to assist will be asked to undo tables and chairs.**

Volunteer Assignments:

Bingo:	Leon Malfait & George Braun
Thursday Dinner:	Peninsula Wits Charity Project
Friday Breakfast:	Sun Catchers
Saturday Breakfast:	Chapter Presidents w/IEE pres. Don Gutenberg in charge
Sunday Breakfast:	Inland Empire Explorers

NEWS FROM WA CHAPTERS:

Don Gutenberg, president of IEE, wrote a note saying what a wonderful time their Club had on an outing to Newport, OR. It was so good they are having next years June outing at the same place. They got to go fishing, crabbing, sightseeing, shopping and, of course, eating, eating, eating (that's straight from Don)!

Gary Oliver, president of CRR, answered my request for news even though he has gone through the heartbreak of losing his wife, Sandy (the tomato lady as he called her). She lost her battle with lung cancer June 25, 2007. She will be greatly missed!
On a lighter note, Robert & Barbara Knapp purchased a new Vectra and are loving it!

Chapter presidents under the direction of Robyn Gleim are working on a promotional WIB package so we will all have the same guidelines to pass out to new Winnebago-Itasca owners and perspective WIT members.

WA State Law:

A permit is required for raffles especially when alcohol is involved. Rules are available on line or at most WA State liquor stores. A fee is charged. If food is being served there should be at least one person with a Health Dept. Food Handlers License. An addendum to the Committee Standards will address these two rules.

SAFETY TIP

Within the last 8 months three of our members have had problems with their RV tow hitches. Bolts have fallen off (not properly tightened or sheared) causing tow vehicle to swerve back and forth (luckily a car motioned driver to pull off road). Eventually the tow could have broken loose in heavy traffic on freeway. Also, there were defective welds found on a tow vehicle that were fixed before any damage occurred. Please check out your tow bars, bolts and welds periodically to prevent an accident from happening.

OREGON STATE RALLY

September 20 – 23 Rickreall, OR See details in WIT Magazine – several
WIB members will be attending and the more the merrier!