TIDEWATER NEWS

WBCCI AIRSTREAM, Region 3, Unit III July 31, 2017

President.....Joyce Werner, 1st Vice President...Rhonda Evans, 2nd Vice President...Larry Evans, Treasure..... Bill Werner, recording secretary.....Ellie Worcester... .Past President......Ed Whitacre Dues are \$20.00 for the unit

What are your hobbies? Let us know what your hobbies are.



Bill & I play with "G" gauge model trains. Greg Worcester restores old cars & Airstream trailers. Ed Whitacre acts in local theater productions & sings. Larry Evans has a big garden & Rhonda likes to sew. Barbara & Bill German like to travel & go on Caravans. Let us know your hobbies.

Rally schedule:

August 6-12, 2017 Galax Old Time Fiddlers Convention. 16th Special Events Rally, Galax, VA 866-342-0300.

September 21-24, 2017 - Commonwealth Rally in Front Royal, VA. We will have water & electricity. The focus will be in downtown Front Royal exploring its history & heritage. We will be centrally located in town across from the Bing Cosby Baseball Stadium Complex & have use of the pavilion. More information coming.

October - nothing planned so no news letter

November 3-5, 2017 Urbanna Oyster Festival, no hook ups (NO water, electricity, or sewer). The NORVA Unit is doing this & the attached coupon needs to be mailed with \$75.00 to assure your site.

December 1-9, 2017 TBTO (Tidewater Big Train Operators - G gage model trains) Holiday Train Show - our 26th year. Free! Avalon Church of Christ, 444 Woodstock Road Virginia Beach. Hours: Sat. 10:00am-8:00, Sun 12:00-8:00, M-F 6:00pm - 8:00. Last Sat. 10:00 am -4:00 pm & we close. Bill & Joyce's Hobby.

January 2018 - no activity & no news letter

February 10, 2018 - 2:00 pm Saturday Lunch at Honey Butters Restaurant, Williamsburg, I-64, exit 231A route 60, phone 757-903-2874.

March 23-24, 2018 Ed & Janea Whitacre- Williamsburg (American Heritage CG). Phone 888-530-2267

April 22-29, 2018 Region 3 Rally, Myrtle Beach, SC. Ocean Lakes Family Campground section HH, phone 877-510-1413

May 18-19, 2018 Fort Monroe, Hampton, VA. Colonies RV Park, phone 757-722-2200. Cooking brats over wood fire and salad. Biking, & touring the old fort. Saturday dinner at Mama Rosa's Italian Restaurant.

RESERVATION / RALLY FEE COUPON OYSTER FESTIVAL RALLY, Nov. 3-5, 2017, Urbanna, VA	
Name(s)	_ WBCCI #
Address	_WBCCI Unit:
Rig type (circle one): Trailer Motor home Length:	
Planned arrival date (circle one): Nov. 2 Nov. 3.	(Depart Sunday, Nov. 5)
Phone # to contact you: () E-mail:	@ .
Please mail this coupon with your \$75 rally fee, payable to Tom Carmichael, Address: 2203 Turtle Hill Circle, Midlothian, VA 23112. 20 spaces are available. The first 20 reservations/checks received by Tom are guaranteed a space. Questions? Call Tom Carmichael at (804) 245-1710.	

Germans, Bill & Barbara

On ourhoneymoon in 1965, Bill and I decided that we wanted to buy a camper. We had never camped or even knew anyone who did camp. We thought it would be an economical way to travel. We purchased a 16' Scotty trailer. After 8 years we had traveled the entire east coast from Quebec to Key West, Florida. After that we took several cruises, took tours to Europe and flew to different destinations in the United States and rented a car.

We have been Airstreaming since 1998, the year that I retired from teaching school. Much to my surprise Bill announced that he had always wanted an Airstream. We bought our first Airstream two weeks later. Our first trip with the new Airstream was to the June Rally of the Tidewater Virginia Unit. Bill didn't want to go because he wasn't going to know anyone. Guess what? We arrived at the Rally and there were two people there that Bill knew and had worked with at Sears. We joined the WBCCI at that first Rally and have been Airstreaming ever since. We have been active in the Tidewater Va. Unit and we have taken 25 WBCCI Caravans. We especially love the Southwest and the Oregon Coast. In our Airstream we have traveled to 49 states and most of Canada.

We travel with our two miniature dachshunds Elsea and Scout. We travel in our 31' Classic Airstream. We bought a 25' Airstream in 1998. Bill decided he wanted something larger so we purchased our 31' in 2003 at the International Rally in Vermont. In 2005 we had a friend who gave us a vintage 1961 Airstream Globetrotter that Bill restored. We traveled to Vintage Rallies in that. We sold it to a neighbor two years ago.

We have one daughter who got married in 2010. She got married in June because we were due in Dawson Creek on July 12 to begin the Alaska Caravan. We are the proud grandparents of two granddaughters, Brooke (5) and Norah (1). We are now babysitting when we are not traveling. Brooke has been to two rallies with us and the Airstream is her favorite place.

THE INTERNATIONAL RALLY as reported by Barbara German to be in Doswell, Virginia, across from Kings Dominion . No dates yet so stay tuned.

Gordon's Travels (Skip & Kathy)

We are, as you know on our way to join the Nor' by Nor'east Rally on July 5. As I write we are in the Interlake RV Park in Rhinebeck, NY, where there is more to do than I had any idea.

We left home on Tuesday, June 27, and spent our first night on the road at Killens Pond State Park in Delaware. Wednesday was a slightly longer day than we like, about six hours overall, to reach our

campground here in Rhinebeck. For the last three days we have been enjoying a new part of the country for us.

Thursday I visited the Rhinebeck Aerodrome and air museum while Kathy rested to shake a cold. The unique aspect of this museum is that they fly many of their aircraft, something that is quite rare.



Yesterday Kathy and I visited Olana, the home of the artist Frederick Church. Today was our time to visit Storm King, a distinctive and special sculpture garden, and tomorrow we are to visit Franklin Roosevelt's home. Monday is mostly open although we may choose to visit the Culinary Institute of America. Kathy sure does build a great program.

From time to time I'll share a note while we are on the Caravan and on the road.

Please remember our food drive.

Welcome to our newest members:

- .. Patrick & Page McLemore, Walkerton, VA
- ..Brad & Kathy Tilley, Lancaster, VA
- ..Frank & Jayne Munoz, Virginia Beach, VA
- ..Mitzi Gant & Ken Morris, Virginia Beach, VA

International Rally 2018

Don Shafer confirmed in a phone call that the International Rally **WILL** be held in Doswell Virginia - next door to Kingsdominion Theme Park. No date yet. If you have never been to one you need to consider going to this one - they will never be closer. Watch the Blue Beret for more information.

Annual Dues

Renewal (2018) forms are in the mail. Please send \$85.00 along with the white form to:

WBCCI 803 East Pike Street, PO Box 612 Jackson Center, OH 45334

They will forward Unit dues to our Treasurer.