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MID-WINTER IBT ACTIONS

The International Board of Trustees meetings were held in Blythe, California on January 25-26, 2013. The Board considered 15 motions at its deliberations. Their makers withdrew seven of the fifteen motions. Following is a synopsis of the 8 motions.

Motion 1 is to approve a new flag for the Illinois Lincolnland Unit. A discussion was held during a pre-meeting attended by the IBT Board as to why it is necessary for the Board to approve flags after a Unit has approved them. It was felt more eyes looking at the proposal would catch any errors. The flag was approved.

Motion 3 is to allow the Vintage Intra Club (VAC) to conduct buddy rallies in the next two years in all 12 regions. The VAC has a goal to recruit new members. Having buddy rallies in all 12 regions is a way to their goal. This proposal will not allow a conflict in date with a local, national, or special event rally. The authority in the proposal will sunset after two years. The motion was approved.

Motions 4 and 4A deal with President's pins. Since the expensive pins are no longer in the budget, references to them were deleted in Proposal 4. Then Proposal 4a reinstated a less expensive alternative, which will be stocked at the Jackson Center office and sent to the units each year for awarding to the Past President. The units will pick up the cost, which is minimal. Passed.

Motion 5 eliminates reference to telephone calling cards. Passed.

Motion 6 adds the words "Intra Clubs" to the requirement for a 5 year constitution review. Passed.

Motion 13 authorizes the International 2nd VP to sign a contract for an International Rally in either Farmington, NM or a second backup location in case Farmington doesn't work out. Passed.

Motion 14 approved a Florida Unit flag.



Howdy All,

WOW, I had no idea California was so far away and looks a whole lot like West Texas where I grew up. The only difference was there are mountains instead of sand dunes!!

Doug Wylie planned an excellent caravan west with no uie's (no turn a rounds). Deming, NM had to be the coldest morning, 19 degrees!! Hence the icicle...



There were beautiful sunrises....just very early and COLD!!



There were flamingos everywhere for the IBT and Hobo Rally. I felt right at home with them all. There was even a boat race around my Airstream. Not sure how many inches of rain we had but by the time it was over, I had waterfront property ALL around my trailer!!



At the end of the IBT meeting on January 28, International Past President Barry Heckenswiler presented C.C. Gartman with the 2012 Region Award of Excellence. I accepted C.C.'s award for him and received the hug and kiss from Barry...lucky me!!!

Now it is time for our Region 9 Rally, "Steppin' Out" to Robstown, TX, March 4th through 9th, 2013. There is so much fun, fellowship and adventure packed into this rally; you don't want to miss it!!

I'm hoping to get the program put on the website in the next few days.

Blessings and see you down the road!!

Linda Wadle Knezek

REPORT FROM REGION 9 1st VP –
JOAN ERMIS

Joan is busy with her grandson Hudson who had surgery this past week.... being a grandma is more important right now!!

She will see you all in Robstown in March.

Joane Ermis
Region 9, 1st VP

REPORT FROM REGION 9 2nd VP –
ANDREW SELKING

Hey Fellow Airstreamers!

It's time to get your Airstreams out of storage, fill up the tanks, check the batteries and kick all the tires.

Seriously, I'm glad I did that to my trailer. When I did, I noticed a small chunk out of one of my tires. I decided I better check the rest as well. I ended up replacing all four tires, which isn't too bad after thousands of miles on the road!

After all, that's what I bought my trailer for - to travel the country.

Replacing the tires also gave me a good opportunity to get all the dust from Wyoming, Wisconsin and all states in between off my wheels. I'm now ready to take off with my bright shiny wheels and four brand new tires. My battery is ready with a little added distilled water and my awning has been lubricated. I encourage all of you to go through your checklists before hooking up and heading to Robstown! Being prepared will hopefully help you avoid problems down the road.

See you down the road!

Andy Selking
Region 9, 2nd VP

REPORT FROM REGION 9 MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN – DOUG WYLIE

Region 9 membership has been growing. Most of the units have been working very hard at it. What is the old saying “Show them and they will come”. If it were just that easy it would be all over in no time. The trick is hard work and being persistent. So, now all we have to do is get all of the members to beat the bushes and find those rigs that don't have numbers and just get them to come to just one rally. This is all that it will take, now that you have your assignment, go get them.

Doug Wylie
Region 9 Membership Chairman

Follow me to Robstown!!

