

Rainier Ramblers RV Club



A Washington State Chapter of Winnebago Itasca Travelers

~ April 2010 Newsletter ~

*Extended Outing May 14-19
Horn Rapids RV Resort, Richland, Washington*



Outing Information

We can now officially welcome spring where the azaleas, rhodies, tulips, and daffodils are now popping with majesty. What a great time to head to the eastern part of our state for a joint outing with the Fraser Valley Explorers. Joe & Donna Coorough will be host and will once again have a very special weekend of outing activities planned. PLEASE NOTE RESERVATIONS ARE NOW CLOSED, AS ALL SPACES HAVE BEEN RESERVED.

Outing Agenda

Friday, you are on your own to explore, casinos, shopping, or just hang out with members to catch up. Late afternoon, a happy hour is planned. For dinner, the Coorough's will provide the main course. Please bring a salad or dessert to accompany the entrée.

Saturday enjoy the morning with your favorite activity. Information regarding wine tasting and dinner options will be handed out at the outing.

Sunday morning the Fraser Valley Explorers will provide a Canadian breakfast of pancakes, eggs and ham. Afternoon activities will include a beanbag baseball tournament; Team USA vs. Team Canada - revenge for the Olympic hockey match - do you think?

We will meet for a happy hour prior to a potluck dinner. Lynn Dickey will be preparing her famous Margaritas for sampling. Please bring your favorite dish to share for dinner. Following dinner, there will be special entertainment. Bring your sense of humor and be prepared for some good, old fashion fun!

Monday will be whatever your little heart desires. Happy hour is planned for late afternoon. Dinner will be a BBQ – please bring your BBQ's for grilling and your own food of choice.

Tuesday will be a day of relaxation. There are many options for dining that evening. How about wine tasting late afternoon with finger food, appetizers, Tapas, and hors d' oeuvres at the park, another BBQ, potluck, perhaps a visit to a local restaurant?

Park Information

Horn Rapids RV Resort is the Tri-Cities 5-star resort where golf, shopping, sporting events, and wine tours are plentiful and first rate. Amenities include:

- 225 full hookups. The pull-through sites will accommodate the largest RVs. Each site has parking for your tow or haul vehicle. All sites are back-in and include a cement patio with 20, 30, and 50 amp electrical service, water, sewer, propane, expanded cable TV, wireless internet access, and available telephone lines.
- Ample overflow parking exists throughout the park for your extra vehicles and boats, or those of your guests.
- Full service deli and espresso
- Self dog grooming/wash and fenced run
- Propane/RV supplies
- 3 laundry rooms; 3 shower facilities - handicap accessible
- Pool/spa/showers
- Full service mini-mart open 7 days a week
- Clubhouse/meeting room with kitchen

Activities and Places to Visit

The resort itself has a variety of game areas which include regulation shuffleboard, volleyball, and horseshoe pits. Other options: You may want to tee off at one of the 11-plus golf courses in the Tri-Cities area; visit a few of the many wineries and vineyards; perhaps a stroll through the open air market; drop a few coins or big bills at the casinos, or check out the shopping malls.

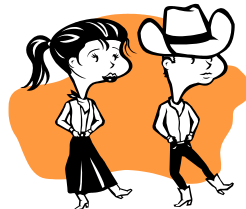
The Horn Rapids Golf Course is located directly across the street from the park. Check for discounts at the park's main office.

Directions: Coming South from Yakima on I-82 to the junction of I-182/Hwy 12 just north of Richland: take the exit and continue East a short distance to the junction with Hwy 240, also known as the 'Bypass Highway.' This will be exit #4.

Exit #4 (Hwy 240/Bypass Hwy) will take you around and under I-182, and place you on Hwy 240 heading North. Continue on Hwy 240/Bypass Hwy past the Richland airport to the junction with Jadwin Ave. This junction will be a bit confusing, as it is a four way stop with a divided highway. Make a left at this junction (you will still be on Hwy 240). Follow Hwy 240 to 2640 Kingsgate Way, just a few miles. Turn right into the park.

When in doubt, program your GPS to 2640 Kingsgate Way, Richland, WA and follow the directions the road diva recommends.

Northwest Regional Rally
May 20-23
Grant County Fairgrounds, Moses Lake, Washington



Wash-I-Bago and the Fraser Valley Explorers will be hosts with a 'Wagons West' theme at this year's NWRR. So, dig through the garage, dust off those old cowboy boots, spurs, hats, bandanas, and six shooters, and be ready for a new adventure!

Activities

Indoor and outdoor games; bean bag baseball; entertainment; dealer and vendor displays; ice cream social; craft competition; (see insert in this newsletter) golf tournament; seminars; crafts; line dancing, and raffles. The traditional memorial service to honor members who have passed away during the past year will also take place. A flea market is again planned this year as well as a non-denomination service on Sunday morning.

General Information

- Our chapter will be responsible for indoor games. We also will host the

Craft Competition Contest Saturday.

- A charity lunch and dinner will be available for purchase on Thursday.
- Attendees are responsible for their own breakfasts each day.
- Coffee and muffins/donuts will be available Sunday morning prior to the religious service.

Rally Fees

Power and water only sites only: One coach/two people, \$100; one coach/one person, \$70; extra person, \$35; extra night is \$20 per coach; these are the only available sites for the rally. Full hook-ups sites all have been reserved.

If you require handicap parking, you must fill out the portion on the registration form for “handicap” parking.

Note – fees paid after May 1 increased \$20 per coach; \$25 cancellation fee for all rally cancellations after May 1. Last minute emergencies will be taken into consideration.

The parking gates will close at 5:00 pm. As always, if chapters want to park together, they must arrive together!

Make checks/money orders payable in U.S. funds to NWRR, and mail with registration to Joe Hesketh, 2503 158th Ave SE, Bellevue, WA 98008-5417, contact Joe via e-mail NWRRtreasurer@aol.com, or by phone (425) 641-0278.



- ✓ One dozen cookies for the hospitality table
- ✓ Your own coffee cups for beverages
- ✓ Bring your club shirt to wear at dinner as well as your name tag

Directions: Set your GPS for 3953 Airway Dr., NE, Moses Lake, WA or

I- 90 Eastbound - take Exit 176 toward Moses Lake (WA-171) to Broadway Ave. E. (city center); proceed 2.9 miles to the intersection with Alder St. Turn left onto N. Alder St. (changes into Stratford Rd.) to the intersection with W. Valley Rd. which is a major traffic signal intersection; left onto Valley Rd., proceed 2 miles to intersection with Airway Dr. NE. Turn right onto Airway Dr. NE and proceed to fairground entrance on right.

I-90 Westbound - take Exit 179 to Hwy 17 northbound to the NW corner of Moses Lake. Watch for a sign to Airway Dr. NE. Turn sharp left onto Airway Dr. NE; proceed 2 miles to fairground entrance.

June 24-27



*Icicle River RV Park
Leavenworth, Washington*

As of that date, there are only four remaining spots reserved for our group. If you plan to attend, contact Joyce Norquist ASAP at Jnorquist@q.com. Please call the park directly for extended days at 509-548-5420. Joyce and Nancy Flanagan will be wagon masters.

Complete details in the May newsletter. Here is what has been planned by our hosts as of this writing:

Dinner Friday night: appetizers, or for those who are fluent in Spanish, tapas, for the French, hors d' oeuvres, for those in the know, finger food. Whatever you choose to call them, please bring your favorite item for dinner.

Saturday – games are planned.

Dinner Saturday night: our hosts will serve a taco bar.

*April 22-25 Outing
Columbia Riverfront RV Park*

First and foremost, we would like to thank our wagon masters, Dick & Terry Lamb, and first time wagon masters, JD and Kathy Allen, for a great job hosting the first outing of the year. Enjoying the activities were JD & Kathy Allen, Joe & Donna Coorough, Greg & Lynn Dickey, Dan & Nancy Flanagan, Jerry & Robyn Gleim, Jeff & Carole Grindstaff, Dick & Terry Lamb, Joyce Norquist, Rod & Sandra Wilson, Ron & Edna Wines, and Margo Wall.

It was a great time to relax and take in the sites of the area. Everyone was out enjoying either a round or two of golf at Lewis River Golf Course, the Annual

Lilac Festival at the Hulda Klager Lilac Gardens, Cedar Creek Grist Mill, Holland America Bulb Farm, or Tsugawa Nursery. The nursery was blooming with color in every plant imaginable. Many of us certainly contributed to the local economy, thanks to the many trips to the nursery.

Friday night was hors d'oeuvre night. This seems to be a great crowd pleaser. What a variety of tasty dishes to sample, followed by cards and a lot of hilarity and creative words describing the game at hand.

Saturday night our hosts served spaghetti, salad, and rolls. Delicious! A birthday celebration followed with cake and coffee.

Sunday morning, a great breakfast of scrambled eggs, breakfast meats, juice, fruit, and muffins was enjoyed before heading home. Do you think we ate well or what? Kudos to our chefs and bottle washers!

There was lots of great food, fun, and the sunshine of laughter and friendship. It does not get any better than this! What a great beginning to what looks like an enjoyable outing season.

Updates

Congratulations to Joyce Norquist on the purchase of her new Vista motor home. This was her maiden voyage and all went well. Margo Wall also joined Joyce for the weekend. We were delighted to have you both at this outing, and trust you will have wonderful adventures in future travels.



Get-well wishes go out to Sandi Wilson for a speedy recovery from knee surgery. She did an amazing job conquering the steps to the clubhouse and is anxious to resume golfing.

The Grindstaff's have an adorable new four-month old Golden doodle puppy. Let's work with the word 'puppy' here for a minute. This was Annie's first motor home adventure and you can only imagine her excitement; however, I am unsure how Jeff & Carole view her decorating skills of their coach. Removing the turn signal lever and using it as a chew toy probably isn't one of those skills, or her expertise at origami. As a suggestion, you may want to check for missing socks and stray underwear. May the patron saint of patience, St. Monica, be with you!

General Information

- Joyce has six club windsocks for sale, \$22 each, two flags, \$12 each.
- The Dickey's, Wilson's, and Gleim's have volunteered to be wagon masters for the October outing at Eagle Tree RV Park, Poulsbo. Thanks you! We still have two outings absent wagon masters (see below). Please contact Joe at jcoo@comcast.net to host one of outings.

July 22-25
December 4

Silver Cove RV Park, Silver Lake
Christmas Party, Tacoma Elks Lodge, Tacoma



*April showers bring May flowers - best wishes to those
Celebrating April and May birthdays and anniversaries*

April Birthdays

6 th	JD Allen	24 th	Donna Coorough
8 th	Sandy Brown	24 th	Harlan Stientjes
19 th	Lynn Dickey	30 th	Rodney Wilson

April Anniversaries

15th Joe & Carol Robel
17th Joe & Donna Coorough

May Birthdays

4 th	Dave Garinger	17 th	Dan Johnson
10 th	Edna Wines		

May Anniversaries

10th Dennis & Carletta Klarich

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Be sure to check our Rainier Ramblers' web site on a regular basis for the latest club information www.rainierramblers.org

REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR NAME TAGS AT OUTINGS & RALLYS

President's Message



As Jeanne and I begin our trip back to Washington State we are looking forward to coming home and reuniting with our fellow Rainier Ramblers. Although the calendar tells us it is May, there is still some winter left up North, but we are hoping that with this months' co-outing with the Fraser Valley Explorers from British Columbia will bring sunshine to Horn Rapids. Then it's on to the Northwest Regional Rally in Moses Lake. As always, NWRR promises to be a great chance to catch up with friends from other clubs that we haven't seen for a while and participate in games, food and information.

This seasons' Rainier Rambler outing schedule is a great one with some wonderful RV Parks and fun times planned. Make sure that you don't miss out on the fellowship and friendship, and make your reservations early. We still need some wagon masters, so check out the schedule and sign up for one of the open outings.

See you all Horn Rapids and NWRR.

Safe travels to all members.

Ken

2010 Craft Competition at NWRR



The Craft Competition will be held at the Northwest Regional Rally May 20-23. It is an excellent opportunity for craftspeople to exhibit their work before a group of very appreciative Rally attendees and to have their work judged against that of their peers.

Rules:

- Entrant must be a member of WIT
- Exhibits must have been made in the past year (since NWRR May 2009).
- One article per person per category will be judged. Additional items may be displayed.
- Best of Show and Reserve ribbons will be awarded, as well as a first, second, and special mention ribbons in each category. In addition, there will be a 'Peoples Choice' award.
- Crafts will be judged by WIT volunteers. Articles may be sold after the show.

Baskets	Drawing	Pillows
Beadwork	Embroidery, machine	Place mats
Bookmarks	Embroidery, Swedish	Plastic canvas needlepoint
Cards	Flowers (Paper or silk)	Quilting, machine
Cards-embroidery	Glasswork/stained glass	Quilting, hand
Ceramics	Jewelry	Rug - hooked or other
China painting	Knitting	Sculpture-paper, metal ,stone
Christmas decorations	Lace work	Sewing-hand or machine
Clocks	Leather	Tole painting
Counted cross stitch	Metal craft	Woodworking scroll saw
Crewel embroidery	Needlepoint	Woodworking band saw
Crocheting	Painting-Drawing	Woodworking table saw
Decorated shirts	Paper quilling	Other
Doll	Photography	

Articles may be made from a kit and must be identified as such.

Please contact Donna Coorough at donnacoorough@comcast.net with questions



Northwest Regional Rally Craft Competition Entry Form

First, second place, and honorable mention ribbons will be awarded in each category
Rosettes will be awarded to Best of Show, Reserve, and People's Choice.

Rules:

1. Entrants must be WIT members.
2. Exhibit must have been produced after May 2009.
3. Exhibitor must have produced item to be entered
4. Exhibitor may enter only one item per category

Entries accepted Saturday morning at 10:00 thru 10:30 am. Judging begins thereafter. Entries will be on display until 12:00 noon. Please pick up items Saturday between 12:00 and 12:30 pm.

Entry Form for 2010 Craft Competition

Name _____

Cell phone _____

Club _____

CATEGORIES - Check all the items you are entering

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Baskets | <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing | <input type="checkbox"/> Pillows |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beadwork | <input type="checkbox"/> Embroidery, machine | <input type="checkbox"/> Place mats |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bookmarks | <input type="checkbox"/> Embroidery, Swedish | <input type="checkbox"/> Plastic canvas |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cards | <input type="checkbox"/> Flowers (Paper or silk) | <input type="checkbox"/> Quilting, machine |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cards-embroidery | <input type="checkbox"/> Glasswork/stained glass | <input type="checkbox"/> Quilting, hand |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ceramics | <input type="checkbox"/> Jewelry | <input type="checkbox"/> Rug - hooked or other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> China painting | <input type="checkbox"/> Knitting | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture-any material |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Christmas decorations | <input type="checkbox"/> Lace work | <input type="checkbox"/> Sewing-hand or machine |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clocks | <input type="checkbox"/> Leather | <input type="checkbox"/> Tole painting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Counted cross stitch | <input type="checkbox"/> Metal craft | <input type="checkbox"/> Woodworking scroll saw |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crewel embroidery | <input type="checkbox"/> Needlepoint | <input type="checkbox"/> Woodworking band saw |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crocheting | <input type="checkbox"/> Painting-Drawing | <input type="checkbox"/> Woodworking table saw |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Decorated shirts | <input type="checkbox"/> Paper quilling | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Doll | <input type="checkbox"/> Photography | <input type="checkbox"/> Item is made from a kit |

