

# FUN TIMES

SOUTH FLORIDA UNIT #30

Wally Byam Caravan Club International

July / August 2014



Airstream – Unit President’s July newsletter article

We are in Gillette, WY...still. It’s July 15... Tony’s deadline date for this newsletter. The reason we are still here: we left July 4 to fly to our family reunion- with our three children and their families – and returned July 13. We picked up our truck that was being repaired while we were gone and now we are packing up to leave for Cheyenne, WY, after a quick trip to Devils Tower.

So now about the WBCCI International Rally – just some various thoughts, recollections and impressions: The military was the focus of our rally – giving thanks for their service – past and present. It was a fun event primarily because one meets old friends and renews acquaintances and shares some wonderful memories having been on past caravans with many of them. The seminars were typical. The ones by **Howard Lefkowitz** were phenomenal. That man is a walking encyclopedia of information about RVs. **Beth Racavich** did an outstanding job of gathering, sorting, inputting, and printing a daily Pre-Rally Newsletter. Great job! **Fran**, you would be proud of her. **Bill Racavich** worked on the cargo committee. **Eileen** carried our unit flag in the unit ceremonies. **John** participated in the daily morning devotions and the Sunday worship service. John, as president, was our unit delegate at the rally. The delegates’ meeting was a pleasant, polite gathering. We voted to allow the dates of the International Rally to be moved, if necessary, to secure desired sites and voted to allow dues to be paid electronically through the WBCCI office when technology permits. **Jay Thompson**, former Region 3 President, was elected to the WBCCI Nominations Committee. At the Unit President’s Dinner, South Florida was recognized for its 50 years in the WBCCI. Region 3 had about 60 people at a great BBQ. The nights were cool. The facilities and campground (with three-point hookups) were excellent. The entertainment was pretty good...actually the WBCCI band was terrific. **Barbara and Jim Grimes, Bill, Beth,** and the **Frerkings** went to a nice steak house for dinner and toasted you guys who were not here. We also purchased jackets with the nice South Florida logo on them. More on that later!

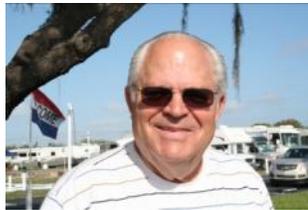
Eileen and I are going to visit some of the major sites in Wyoming and then from Denver we will probably head east to prepare for Eileen’s sister’s funeral in Louisiana sometime in the near future. The date is uncertain as it was a shocking, unexpected death, but we know that all is in God’s hands and even more we are comforted by His Love for her.

We flew to Baltimore in June for a gala held at the Hilton honoring John for his 35 year history of resettling more than 200 refugees from around the world. He was presented with the “Walk of Faith” award by the Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services before a crowd of more than 400 people who attended. At this 75th Anniversary Dinner for LIRS more than \$375,000 was raised for refugee resettlement. A young Vietnamese lady flew in from San Gabriel, CA, to present the award...a story that John will tell you about around the campfire some night.

The **Installation Rally is November 6-12 in West Palm Beach.** Tony is handling the arrangements with John Prince Park. Follow the directions he gives in this newsletter. Look at the proposed rally schedule. We have tried to plan a great program with a variety of activities appealing to all interests and ages. It would be great to see you all there to show your support as Tony is installed as our new president.

See you down the road!

John and Eileen  
President and First Lady

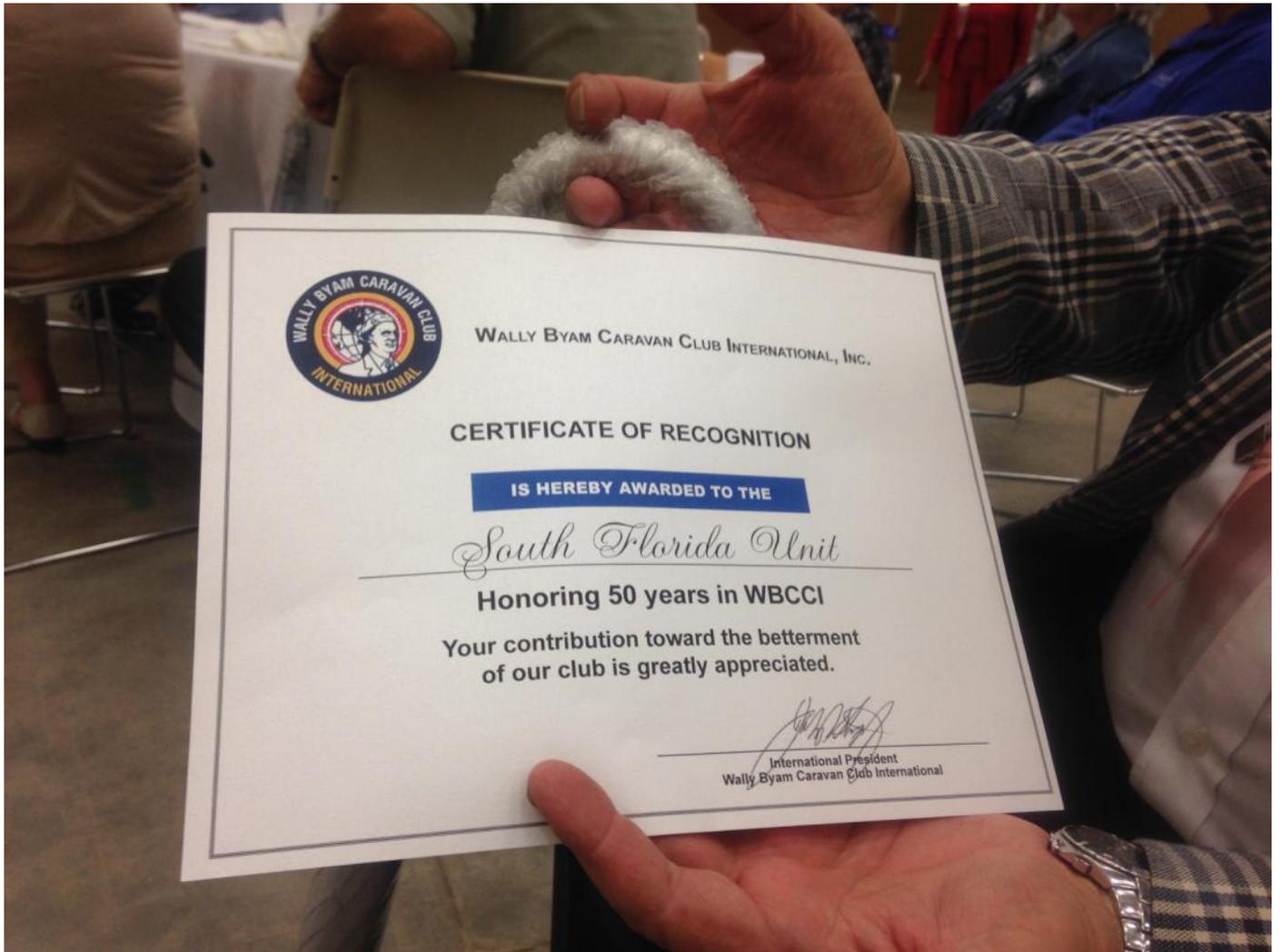


Luther wins second place for tricks in the dog show



John during worship service

## Our Unit 50th Anniversary



WBCCI President Stumpf, Region 3 President Jay Thompson, and unit 30 President John Frerking with 50 Year Certificate

John coming back from receiving the award

# November Instillation Rally Daily Activities

## **WBCCI SOUTH FLORIDA - UNIT 30 RALLY John Prince Park November 6-12, 2014**

### **Thursday – November 6**

3-5:00 p.m. Set up  
5:30 – Happy Hour  
6:00 – Dinner – spaghetti

### **Friday – November 7**

7:30 – 9:00 a.m. – Continental Breakfast  
9:30 – Leave for tour of Norton Museum and Gardens  
Lunch at museum café  
1:00 – Visit and brief tour of Breakers Hotel and walk along intracoastal and beach  
5:30 Happy Hour and Potluck

### **Saturday – November 8**

8:00 – Full Breakfast  
9:30 – leave for tour of Flagler Museum  
11:30 a.m. – brief tour of St. Edwards Catholic Church – home church of President Kennedy  
12:00 – lunch at Greene’s Pharmacy  
1:30 p.m. – bicycle ride along bike trail to see Palm Beach backyards  
3:30 - leave for Frerkings for relaxation, happy hour and supper

### **Sunday – November 9**

8:00 – continental breakfast  
10:15 – leave for 11:00 am service, tour and picnic lunch at Bethesda by the Sea Church  
Afternoon schedule:  
CityPlace – stores, IMAX theater, coffee, strolling  
6:00 – Happy Hour – Soup supper and dessert

### **Monday – November 10**

8:00 – breakfast  
10:00 – leave for Worth Avenue shopping, browsing, vias, etc  
Tour of the Glades -  
Dinner and Installation

### **Tuesday – November 11 – Veterans’ Day**

8:00 – breakfast  
Observance of Veteran’s Day - location TBA  
Lunch on your own  
3:30 RV Safety Seminar  
5:00 - Board/Members Meeting  
6:00 – Cookout – bring your own meat and a side dish – dessert provide

The rally fee will be forthcoming as soon as final figures are obtained.

# November Instillation Rally Registration

John Prince Park, 4759 S. Congress Ave., Lake Worth, FL. 33461  
November 6-12, 2014

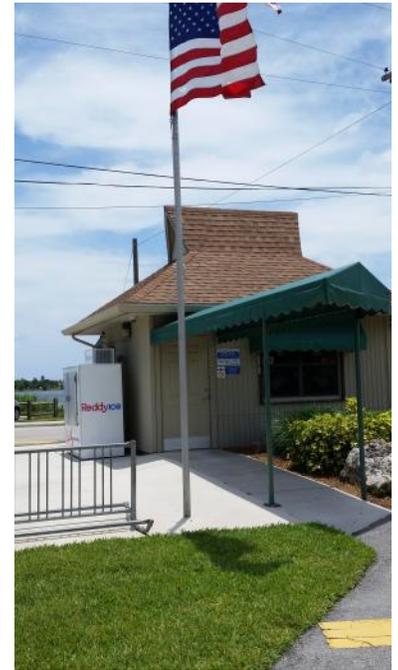
Contact Person: Tony Laurie 954-971-8802 or [tony@ajlaurie.com](mailto:tony@ajlaurie.com)



On June 4th Donna & I visited John Prince Park and talked with the reservations manager. They require that one person make the reservations for all attending. Upon arrival each unit member will pay directly to John Prince Park for their site. We are scheduled for six nights at \$31.00 + tax. If you wish to stay one more night, it will be free. Just mention you will staying 7 nights at check in. All of our sites will be Lakefront with full service. After check in I will assign your site on Lake Osborne. The rally fee will be forthcoming as soon as final figures are obtained.

Looking forward to another fun rally!  
Tony

PS: I will need your trailer or coach length and number of people attending.



Stop at Office to Check In



Current members signed up:

Tony & Donna Laurie  
John & Eileen Frerking  
Tom & Sissy Towsley  
Sue Quintana  
Max & Myra Joseph  
Bob & Gay Konnagan



## UPCOMING RALLIES & CARAVANS 2014 – 2015

**November 6-12, 2014 Installation Rally** at John Prince Park in Lake Worth, FL  
It is a County Park and the way to reserve a site is through Tony Laurie 954-971-8802.  
Your payment will be made to the campground upon arrival. The rally fee will be forthcoming as soon as final figures are obtained.

**January Rally TBA.**

**March 12-15, 2015 Spring Buddy Rally** at Highlands Hammock, Sebring, FL  
With the Florida Suncoast Unit

Call or go online today to reserve your campsite at Highlands Hammock State Park before they are all booked! 850-245-2157

Highlands Hammock campground download:

[http://www.floridastateparks.org/highlandshammock/doc/additionalinformation/Campground\\_map\\_2007.pdf](http://www.floridastateparks.org/highlandshammock/doc/additionalinformation/Campground_map_2007.pdf)

Reservation website:

<http://floridastateparks.reserveamerica.com/camping/highlands-hammock-sp/r/campgroundDetails.do?contractCode=FL&parkId=281036>



Complete information about our rally events, registration and daily details can be found on our Unit 30 webpage. >>> <http://southflorida.wbcci.net/>

## Member News



We are saddened to report that our friend, Bill Stone passed away on June 19th, while under Hospice care. Caroline and Bill had looked forward to going to a family reunion but Bill's sudden illness forced them to postpone the trip. They had planned to go to Gillette, WY.

Our hearts go out to his wife, Caroline. Memorial services will be held on Memorial Day next year in Kentucky.

William Sylvester Stone's Obituary in Herald Tribune

<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/heraldtribune/obituary.aspx?n=william-sylvester-stone&pid=171449762>

William Sylvester Stone, 82, a resident of Sarasota for 60 years, died peacefully June 19, 2014 at Tidewell Hospice surrounded by his loving wife Caroline Zimmer-Stone and family members. Bill was born in Carter County Kentucky, moved with his family to Ohio when he was four. He grew up near Marion, Ohio and attended Pleasant Township School where he excelled in basketball. Bill was an athlete and played basketball in the Army while stationed in France, and softball in Sarasota. Bill was a man of character and integrity, and a Christian. Whatever he did, work or play, he gave it his all. There was nothing he could not do, make or invent. He lived life to the fullest. He loved hunting deer & hogs in hunt camps built in the Everglades and later in Arcadia with his long time friend, Craig Soria. Bill was a successful businessman, the owner of Thermo Spray, an industrial specification painting company. He was a chapter director of the Gold Wing Touring Association. He was a Mason, a Shriner and member of the American Legion. He enjoyed caravans and rallies with the WBCCI Airstream group. Bill had a large close knit family. He is preceded in death by his sister, Georgia Williams of Placerville, CA. He is survived by brothers, Harold of Harpster, OH, Ottis of Marion, OH, Jack of Franklin, TN, Robert of Santa Rosa Beach, FL, a sister, Doris Boley of Knoxville, TN, a daughter, Sandra Stone, his first wife, Thelma (Walkins) Stone of North Port, FL, four step-children, their spouses, and nine grandchildren. Memorial services and burial of his ashes will be held at the Amy McGlone Cemetery in Carter County KY on Memorial Day weekend 2015. In lieu of flowers donations may be sent to Tidewell Hospice & Palliative Care, 5955 Rand Blvd. Sarasota, FL 34238.

July 1, 2014



[Visit the Region 3 Website @ region3.wbcci.net](http://region3.wbcci.net)



Region 3 flag bearers at Gillette

## **Results of the elections and votes at the Delegate's Meeting**

The results of the elections and votes on amending the constitution are:

International President-Joe Perryman International 1st VP-Jim Schwerdfeger  
International 2nd VP-Richard Girard International 3rd VP-Jim Cocke Two candidates announced from the floor that they were running for the 3rd VP position. They were June Ryan currently the Chairman of the budget Committee and former Region 8 President and Barry Bell, the outgoing President of Region 5  
The vote count was: Jim Cocke-3578 June Ryan-910 Barry Bell-367  
There were three candidates for the two positions on the Nominating Committee and Jay Thompson and Tom Smithson were elected. All three amendments to the constitution passed by large margins. Amendment #1 to allow clubs in foreign countries to become members passed with 100% of the vote. Amendment #2 to permit movement of the International Rally away from July 1 and July 4 passed 4779 "yes" to 29 "no". Amendment #3 to allow the optional payment of dues via electronic means passed 4562 "yes" to 234 "no".

Jay Thompson



**June**

Myra Joseph	1
Juanita Coghlan	2
Stewart Dunkel	12
Tom Tisdel	20

**July**

Donna Laurie	5
Tom Towsley	7
Duncan Ritchie	14
Bob Richardson	20

**August**

Jackie Tisdel	13
John Frerking	25
Charlie May	27
Marilyn Ulmer	28
Gundolf Boerner	29

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**June**

Tom & Jackie Tisdel	♥	2
Bob & Gay Konnagan	♥	13
Tony & Donna Laurie	♥	21

**July**

Reid & Jennifer Turner	♥	24
Bob & Bernice Richardson	♥	25
Duncan & Barbara Ritchie	♥	28

**August**

Bill & Beth Racavich	♥	5
John & Eileen Frerking	♥	8
Max & Myra Joseph	♥	28



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## UNIT OFFICERS

President	John Frerking
1st Vice President	Tony Laurie
2nd Vice President	Bill Racavich
Treasurer	Susan Quintana
Corresponding Sec.	Eileen Frerking
Record Sec.	Fran Perrucci
1 year Trustee	Myra Joseph
1 year Trustee	Beth Racavich
2 year Trustee	Tom Towsley
2 year Trustee	Donna Laurie
Past President	Max Joseph



The best of times are with our unit members at our rallies.

Join us at our November Rally!  
Tony & Donna Laurie



Rainbow over the Airstreams at Gillette

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