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Dear RVers of Idaho Members,

I'd like to start with a big thank you to Ken and Monica for their three-year commitment as Directors of RVers of Idaho. They stepped up when we needed them most, putting us on solid footing and leaving us well-prepared for the future. We truly appreciate all of their hard work and dedication.

We had a fantastic Fall Rally at Trinity View Campground this year. Suzanne and Julie, as Rally Chairpersons, along with their team, did a great job with the decorations, games, dinners, and festivities. We had 52 people attending, staying in 28 rigs and 3 cabins.

While Swing Golf was rained out and Horseshoes was canceled because the shoes were too heavy for our age group, the Slingshot competition was a hit—despite 30 mph winds! Of the 26 participants, high winds kept most from hitting the targets, but three made the finals: Pete Peterson won first place, with Carol Peterson and Bob France tying for second. The Cornhole competition went several rounds, with Bev Evans and Dale Eis emerging as the winners. Bean Bag Baseball also had great participation with four teams, accompanied by perfect weather.

We were excited to welcome 8 new members (rigs) at the Fall Rally:

- Caldwell Ramblers: Tina and Omar Farmer
- Capitol Gypsies: Donna Halpin, Donnie and Debbie Brown, Dale Brown, and Kathy Brown
- Time to Travel: PJ and Sandra Jewell

Additionally, Norm Kamp has returned and joined both the Gypsies and Time to Travel to squeeze in as much camping as possible. Please join me in welcoming everyone—they are a fun group, and we're thrilled to have them!

During the rally, the Wagon Masters from each chapter met to discuss ways to improve our camping experiences. One key proposal is for each chapter to schedule campouts for the third week of the month. Once set, these will be combined into a single calendar so everyone can see where chapters are camping throughout the summer. This will allow members to join other chapters' campouts when space is available. For example, if the Capitol Gypsies plan a campout in Challis, they could reserve extra spaces for members from Time to Travel or Caldwell Ramblers to participate.

I'm pleased to announce that the following individuals have agreed to stay on for another year in their roles:

- Legislative Representative: Larry Craig
- Webmaster: Jerry Robertson
- Registrar: Bert McFadden
- Secretary: Suzanne Craig
- Warehouse Manager: Ron Agenbroad

Thank you to each of you for continuing to serve!

Looking ahead, Judy Heinbach has agreed to chair our 2027 Fall Rally in Glenns Ferry. Thank you, Judy! I ask our members to please step up and assist Judy; there is a lot of behind-the-scenes work, and more hands will ensure a successful event.

We have secured Glenns Ferry for the 2027 Rally, and they have offered to lease it to us for 2028 at the same rate. Beyond that, the future location is open. Please start thinking of potential locations for the 2028 Rally and beyond. Keep in mind that we need roughly 30 spaces, a clubhouse that accommodates 50 to 75 people, and affordable space rent.

Finally, a quick reminder as winter approaches: remember to winterize your RV. Check the caulking around windows, maintain tire pressure, and park on wood or plastic rather than concrete to protect your tires over the winter. Be sure to check tire date codes as well; RV tires should generally be replaced every 5 to 7 years regardless of mileage. Lastly, add a fuel stabilizer like STA-BIL to your motorhome's gas tank to prevent fuel breakdown while sitting.

Thank you to everyone for voting for Julie and me as your Directors of RVers of Idaho. We will do our best to ensure a fun, safe, and enjoyable camping year ahead.

Thank you,

Brad and Julie