



2016 Rally Schedule

All events are sponsored by NWCC

Sept 22-25, Co-Rally with the Puget Sounders Club at Wine Country RV Park during the Great Prosser Balloon Rally, Prosser, WA, Robbins

Nov 23-27, Thanksgiving, Hee Hee Illahee, Salem, OR, Schleuse & Casebeer

All dates are subject to change. Please consider hosting a fun weekend with your club.

2017 Rally Schedule Coming Soon

Watch this Space



President's Corner



The Leavenworth Rally is behind us and everyone had a good time, but it was really hot. The play was very good. Dana and I stayed an extra day so we did not have to deal with Snoqualmie Pass (I-90) traffic and it worked out well for us. The traffic was light going over the pass Monday.

The Balloon Festival in Prosser is up next. This looks like is it going to be a big rally with 26 coaches. I plan on holding the annual meeting at the Rally. This year we are electing

Secretary, National Director and Alternate National Director in Richland. The only other business is selecting a new charity for 2017. Currently, there is thought being given to the Shakespeare Festival Education Fund as the Charity for 2017. Suggestions are welcome. If there are any club issues you would like addressed at the meeting, let me know so I can add them to the agenda.

We got an e-mail from Bobbi Radford with some information on FMCA business. There will be a dues increase for 2017 FMCA dues. The dues are going up \$10 to \$50. You can get the current dues rate until October 1, 2016. The FMCA Assist program is going to change somewhat and Don Schleuse should be able to talk about that at the Prosser meeting.

We are looking to finalize the host and co-host for the FMCA Pre-Rally in June. The rally is at Harmony Lakeside RV Park on Lake Mayfield in Mossyrock, WA (<http://www.harmonylakesidervpark.com/>).

Fred Dent is also looking for a co-host for the Blackwell Island Rally in Coeur d'Alene, ID.

Our next rally is The Great Balloon Festival in Prosser. We have 26 coaches registered. The park did a great job of getting some last-minute sign-up sites.

For those interested in the history of the Manhattan Project and Hanford Reactors, they are now offering tours. The tours are a little over 4 hours and start at the Manhattan Project National Historical Park's Interim Visitor Station in Richland. Dana and I are arriving a day early in Prosser and going on the tour on Thursday. If you are interested in going on the tour, you should go to their web site and register.

The B Reactor National Historic Landmark

<http://manhattanprojectreactor.hanford.gov/>

See you in Prosser.

Frank Suttell, President, Northwest County Coachers

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www.nwccers.org

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NEWSLETTER EDITOR NOTES

Preferences for newsletter submissions:

- ⇒ Submissions are needed before the end of each month. If you cannot meet that timeframe, inform me and I will wait for you if possible.
- ⇒ Please submit only .jpeg and .doc materials. PDF is not preferred...
- ⇒ Include sources for any previously published materials.
- ⇒ I will format submissions as appropriate for positioning in the newsletters. I will edit the submissions, so please do not send text in a format that cannot be corrected, e.g., do not submit text material in a picture/jpeg format.
- ⇒ Do send lots of rally pictures and identify them as to persons and places (if you know them), but do not identify pictures by inserting text into the pictures.

Thanks. s/Terry Apple,
je.modifier@gmail.com



Online Membership Directory

Our directory is a convenient way to put faces with names of our membership.

If you want a copy of the directory, request one via the web site. Your request will send an email to Frank Suttell, President, and he will forward a copy.

Another item regarding information sharing is a **FaceBook** page for **Northwest Country Coachers**. Some members already are friends on that social media. If you are interested, feel free to "Like" or "Join" the **NorthWest Country Coachers Motor Coach Club** Facebook page.

Lee Casebeer

Thanksgiving Rally

It's not too early to start planning to join us for our annual Thanksgiving Rally November 23 – 27, 2016. Once again, we will be celebrating at Hee Hee Ulahee RV Resort in Salem, OR. Ten spaces have been reserved, so check your calendar and pencil us in. We have a great time visiting and eating a huge turkey and ham dinner with encore presentations another night. If you have any questions regarding the event, give me a call at 360-305-8458.

Barbara Schleuse, Hostess



Chuckles courtesy of Comic Relief Group Members on RVillage:

TEACHER: Now, Simon, tell me frankly, do you say prayers before eating?

SIMON: No sir, I don't have to, my Mum is a good cook.

FREE PUPPIES: 1/2 Cocker Spaniel, 1/2 sneaky neighbor's dog.

FREE PUPPIES: Mother is a Kennel Club registered German Shepherd.

Father is a Super Dog, able to leap tall fences in a single bound.

"I've never had major knee surgery on any other part of my body," --Winston Bennett, Univ. of Kentucky basketball forward.

"Outside of the killings, Washington has one of the lowest crime rates in the country,"
--Mayor Marion Barry, Washington, DC.

My goal in 2016 was to lose 10 pounds... only 15 to go!

I find it ironic that the colors red, white, and blue stand for freedom, until they are flashing behind you.

You know you are old when you wake up with that "morning after" feeling... and you didn't do anything the night before.

Dance like no one is watching. E-mail like it may one day be read aloud in a deposition.

FOR SALE BY OWNER. Complete set of Encyclopedia Britannica, 45 volumes. Excellent condition, £200 or best offer. No longer needed, got married, wife knows everything.

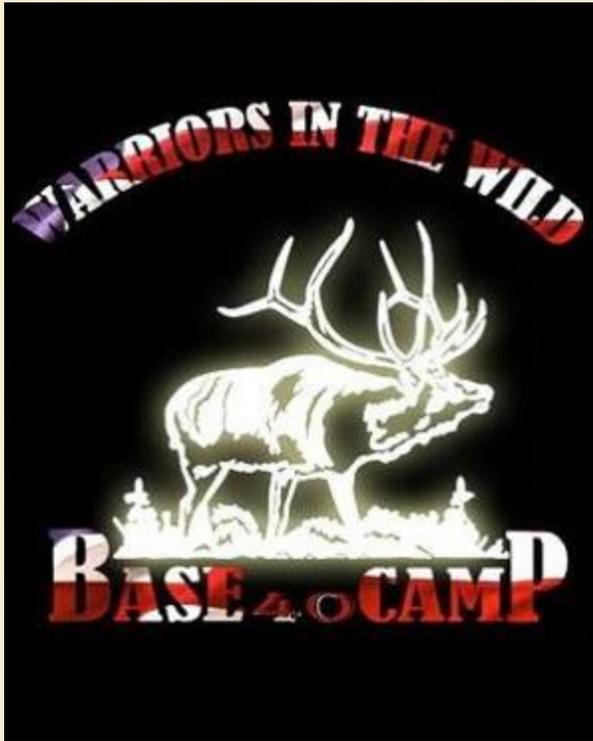
At a fabric store, a pretty girl spotted nice material for a dress and asks the male clerk, "How much does it cost?" "Only one kiss per yard," replied the clerk with a smirk. "That's fine," said the girl, "I'll take ten yards." In expectation and anticipation written all over his face, the clerk quickly measured out the cloth, wrapped it up and teasingly held it out. The girl took the bag and pointed to the old man beside her and said, "Grandpa will pay the bill!"



Base Camp 40, Warriors in the Wild

(www.bc40hunts.com)

NWCCers' 2016 Charity



Richard Beck has been involved with Base Camp 40 for two years now. He has guided our nation's brave veterans on two fishing trips to the Queen Charlottes in Canada. Every time he comes back, he is more moved by the stories these brave soldiers tell him and he is amazed how much these men and women change and relax in just a few days fishing in the Pacific Northwest. Base Camp 40 is an all-volunteer organization. According to their listing on Colorado's Secretary of State website, the program services to total expenses is 97%. Check out their website to see all the other projects Base Camp 40 is involved with. The money raised takes our nations' brave veterans on all-expenses-paid outdoor adventures across the country and Canada.

Their website is very informative with great pictures: <http://www.bc40hunts.com/>

Submitted by Sibylle Beck

FMCA DIRECTOR'S NEWS

FMCA Dues Increase Effective 1 October, 2016

The Governing Board voted to raise dues by \$10 per year effective 1 October 2016. To save a few dollars, you can renew or extend your membership early either by calling FMCA Membership Services at (800) 543-3622 or by using the online form. These are the current renewal rates that will remain in effect until the October deadline.

1 Year: \$40
2 Years: \$76
3 Years: \$108
5 Years: \$160

Prosser Balloon Festival

Sept 22-25, 2016



CLOSED

Hey Everyone, we hope you are enjoying the Spring weather!!

Although the Prosser Balloon Festival is about 4 months away, we received a notice from the park that they would like our group to start calling in their reservations because they have a 6-PAGE waiting list!

We have 20 spots reserved for our group and this is going to be a co-rally with the Puget Sounders Club. They don't have a host yet, so we haven't been able to make much in the line of plans, but we have time for that. And, if they don't get a host, we'll just do our own thing.

There will be the normal rally fee, which we will coordinate with Dana Suttell (treasurer). Here is the information:

Wine Country RV Park, Prosser, WA, Sept 22-25

Prices vary per site, so you will need to coordinate that with the park folks.

www.winecountryrvpark.com

330 Merlot Dr.

Prosser, WA 99350

(509) 786-5192

Open 9:00am-5:00pm

We'll need to put the **CUT-OFF date on July 1st, 2016**, so they can let any remaining spots we don't use go to others.





LEAVENWORTH, WASHINGTON, RALLY ICYCLE RIVER RV RESORT

AUGUST 11-14, 2016

POSTMORTEM



Leavenworth was a wonderful rally hosted by Ruth and AL Sorensen and Floyd and Joyce Hensley. The Icicle River RV Park was nestled right on the river. Hensleys hit the jackpot and had a site right there on the river. I guess if you are a host and arrive a day early, it has its benefits. The Sorensens and Hensleys welcomed us on Thursday as everyone arrived. Later that evening, we gathered for a taco meal. Following dinner, we played Bingo—Bingo that had us all asking questions of each other, questions to fill out the cards. This was served up using candy for game pieces. Well, you can guess where the game pieces ended up. We all learned new things about our club friends and raised money for our Base Camp 40 charity. We have to mention the special decor that was done for us—mini coaches racing down the tables with cookie road signs.

With temperatures reaching the mid-90's we toured the village and surrounding areas, shopped, ate and, of course, had the required ice cream. The group enjoyed a meal at a wonderful German restaurant. On Saturday, Al and Ruth made special arrangements at the Enzian Hotel for breakfast. We had a wonderful meal and listened to the Alpine Horn played from the front balcony.

Saturday night, we all headed for the mountains and experienced "The Sound of Music" performed at the Ski Hill Amphitheater. The weather was perfect to watch the sun go down and enjoy the show. It was a really wonderful production. We were seated very close to the stage. The actors seated everyone and were wonderful about questions and sharing.

This area offers so much and is truly a destination. Thank you again to Al, Ruth, Floyd and Joyce for hosting us. We hope we will rally there again in the future. (Contributed by Frank and Dana Suttell)



Yes. That's Vern—the one on the left.



MWCCers' 2016 Charity



www.bc40hunts.com



nwccers.org

The membership of Northwest Country Coachers chose Base Camp 40 as their charity for 2016. You can find more information about this fine organization on their website at www.bc40hunts.com. Northwest CC member Richard Beck has been involved personally with this all-volunteer organization as a fishing guide for our nation's disabled and brave veterans.

We had our personal name plaque made a few years ago and several members have asked where they could get one of these. The design is lasered onto a wood-laminated plaque.



If anybody is interested in purchasing a name plaque for \$60, we would have them done at cost and donate \$22 to Base Camp 40.

For more information, contact Sibylle Beck at sib@nu-teksupply.com or call 503-302-4639.

*Sidetracks from
Herb Harris*

Pretty basic but some good points. Cheers, Herb

RV slide room maintenance

(Aug. 30, 2016, in [LetsRV](#), [RV Owner News](#))

RAPID CITY, S.D. — RV Slide Room Maintenance is the focus this edition. RV Slide Rooms are designed to be “more high tech than high maintenance,” but the RV slide room maintenance requirements that are there are very important. Lubrication is key as is using the proper lubricants. Seals both inside and outside must be inspected periodically and also need treatment to remain soft and pliable. We discuss methods of manual override to close slide rooms when there is no power present. RVers are cautioned NOT to adjust slide rooms and to use trained RV Technicians to do this type of work. We also talk about the preventive maintenance to be done on your slide rooms. To read the full story by Living the RV Dream, copy and paste: <http://blog.livingthervdream.com/ltrvd0384-rv-slide-room-maintenance/>

Wal-Mart long term parking lot camping is a growing phenomenon across the country and has become a “rest stop for the masses.” Doubt the Wal-Marts in Bend or Redmond want to be responsible for this type of community – Wal-Mart management is starting to discourage this activity which is unfortunate for those who really need just an overnight stop. Herb

Wal-Mart lot in Bend, Ore., houses a community

(Aug. 30, 2016 in [LetsRV](#), [RV Owner News](#))

BEND, Ore. — Some Wal-Mart parking lots have become an unofficial rest stop for the masses — both an overnight stop for travelers of all stripes, as well as a temporary home for people with only a vehicle to sleep in. The resulting scene, at least in Bend, is a kind of community snapshot of the local economic situation — a collision of tourism and housing issues between the parking spaces. It’s the haves, the have-nots and everyone else inside shopping, all contained in one parking lot, along with the tension that can come from this sort of arrangement. To read the full story by The Bulletin, copy and paste: <http://www.bendbulletin.com/localstate/4619382-151/wal-mart-parking-lot-in-bend-houses-a-community?referrer=carousel7>

Aqua-Hot introduces annual service kits

FREDERICK, Colo. — RVers who enjoy the moist, even heat that their Aqua-Hot hydronic heating units provide can now travel with everything needed for routine maintenance, a release from the company stated. The Annual Service Kit comes in a nylon storage bag, and is ideal for both the DIYer and those bringing their motorhome to a qualified RV technician. Two versions are available, based on whether the Aqua-Hot model runs pink or green boiler antifreeze. The company recommends staying with the same color of boiler antifreeze. All other tools and parts are the same. Everything needed is included in the Annual Service Kit: a bottle of concentrated boiler antifreeze, an electrode adjustment tool, refractometer, fuel filter and nozzle, and burner gasket. Each piece is protected in the storage bag with individual foam slots. It comes with Aqua-Hot maintenance and boiler antifreeze tip sheets. Having all the tools and disposables in one convenient spot ensures that a dealer or service center will have immediate access to the OEM parts needed for an annual service, the release stated. It’s also handy for those who enjoy doing their own work and maintenance. Annual Service Kits have a suggested retail price of \$249.99, and are available from www.aquahot.com, a factory authorized service center or RV dealer. For more information, contact Aqua-Hot Heating Systems at 800-685-4298 or 303-651-5500 or visit www.aquahot.com.

For those with Aqua Hot Hydronic heating units in their coach, service kits are now available. Cheers, Herb

SOURCE: Aqua-Hot press release (May 27, 2016, in [Camping and RV Products](#), [RV Industry News](#))

Did You Know?



Something naturally beautiful to share with you.

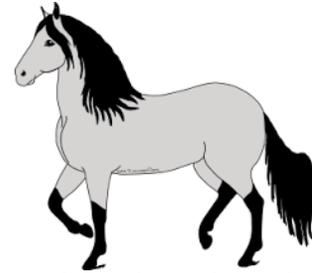
Check out the following videos about Paso Fino horses and especially watch the video about Gonzo: “Gascon Horsemanship—Remember Gonzo . . .”:



<https://www.facebook.com/GasconHorsemanship/videos/1160027827353785/>

They are born to move that way, holding their heads high.

The Paso Fino Gaited Horse



DID YOU KNOW THAT FANTASTIC VENT WAS PURCHASED BY ATWOOD MOBILE PRODUCTS SOME TIME AGO AND THAT DOMETIC GROUP NOW OWNS ATWOOD MOBILE PRODUCTS ??? AND SO IT GOES.

Guaranty Plans Opening of 55-Unit RV Park in Jan.

Posted By *RVBusiness* On August 9, 2016 @ 12:03 pm In Breaking News |

Junction City, Oregon

One of the nation's largest RV dealers is becoming even bigger, according to a report by the *Register-Guard*.



In January, Guaranty RV Super Centers plans to open a 55-unit RV park near its Junction City, Ore., sales, parts and maintenance businesses, company officials said.

Crews broke ground Monday (Aug. 8) on the eight-acre park, which will be behind Guaranty's Travel Center at 93668 Highway 99.

The \$1.5 million project will include installing electrical lines, septic service, and grading and landscaping work, marketing director Marshall White said.

The park will offer full hookups, an outdoor pavilion clubhouse, dump station, pet area and Wi-Fi.

“We are a convenient location and destination near the new Winnebago factory, our own RV service center and a number of beautiful destinations in Oregon,” White said.

The RV park will be in walking distance of Guaranty's sales lot and its travel center, which offers parts and installation, repair and other services. For the full story, copy and paste:

<http://registerguard.com/rg/news/local/34661290-75/guaranty-to-open-rv-park-in-junction-city-next-year.html.csp>



NorthWest Country Coachers

An FMCA Chapter Chartered September 29, 2007, as a Local Northwest Area Country Coach Owners' Club

Membership Application

Date: _____ Referred By: _____

Driver Name _____ Co-Pilot Name _____

Date of Birth (MM/DD): _____ Date of Birth (MM/DD): _____ Anniversary (MM/DD) _____

Mailing Address:

Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phones: Home (____) _____ Driver Cell (____) _____ Co-Pilot Cell: (____) _____

Residence Address if different than Mailing Address:

Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

More Information:

*FMCA # _____ E-mail Address: _____

Your Country Coach Information:

Year: _____ Length: _____ Model: _____ Coach # _____

Emergency Contact:

Contact: _____ Relationship: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Address: _____

Any Special Medical Information: _____

Your Special Interests: _____

Names and Types of Pets in Coach: _____

Your Favorite Activities: _____

NWCC Facts: Our Club holds several rallies each year in the Northwest to promote friendship and camaraderie among Coach Owners. We are a chapter of FMCA; therefore, our members must also be current FMCA members. The Club's annual membership dues are \$25 with an additional one-time \$25 application fee. Application dues/fees received after October 31 will cover the remainder of the calendar year and the following year.

Please send your \$50 check payable to
NORTHWEST COUNTRY COACHERS

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Please join our Yahoo group for continued communication and e-letters at NW-CCers@yahoo.com

Our Chapter Website is nwccers.org

Applicant Signatures

Driver _____ Co-Pilot _____

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NWCC Directory for CC Service and Parts

The following companies have been submitted to this directory by our club members. They have been found to be knowledgeable and helpful about Country Coaches. Most of these companies offer services locally (unless noted otherwise) but in many cases have provided technical assistance over the phone. If you need service or technical assistance call one of these companies to get started. **** Offers NWCC Discount**

Company	Contact	Service
Amazing Creations	Scott Adams 93150 B Prairie Rd Junction City, OR 541-556-0501	Custom cabinets, flooring and general remodeling/upgrades Amazingcreations1@yahoo.com
Bend RV Repair	Jeff Spear 62980 Boyd Acres Rd. Unit A-2 Bend, Oregon 97701, 541-388-5448	Complete RV Repair www.bendrvrepair.com Referred: Lee Casebeer & Tom Lowery
Brazel's Performance	Alan Sanders 3912 Harrison Avenue, Centralia, WA 98531 877-786-1576 Referred by Russell Warren	Alignment, suspension, maintenance, dynamometer, electrical & mechanical repairs shop—50-amp sites and dump www.brazelsrv.com
Coach Masters of Bend	Blake 29525 Brandis Ct., Bend, OR 97701 541-330-6863	Parts, Service, Repair Coachmasters@bendcable.com
Coach Solutions	3451 Kendra St, Eugene, OR 97404 541-514-9000 Brian Van de Walker	House and Chassis Electrical; Audio/Video, including RTI Remotes. Local service & Fly-in Anywhere USA
Country Coach Corporation (2011)**	135 East First Street Junction City, Oregon 97448 541-234-2167 Doug Beaudry, Service Manager Ask about service discounts for NWCC	Service Center www.countrycoach.com/coach-service-center/ CC Apparel: http://countrycoachwearables.promoshop.com
Dave Root RV Glass Repair	Dave Root, Bend, OR 541-280-3612	Reseals, Thermo-Pane windows, all RV side windows www.daverootrvglassrepair.com/
Davis Cabinets	150 E 10 th Ave., Junction City, OR 97448 541-998-8778, Shaun Davis	Interior upgrades, cabinetry, window shades www.daviscabinets.com
Guaranty RV Center **	So Hwy 99, Junction City, OR 877-463-0067 NWCC exclusive sales dealer NWCC \$25 discount on retail service	Service, Parts, Body Shop and RV Sales www.guarantyrv.com
Kaiser Brake and Alignment	265 Taylor St., Eugene, OR 97402 541-344-5887	Alignment, brakes, tires
K&M Mobile R.V. Repair LLC	Kevin Waite (Former Country Coach Service Tech. & Owner) 95430 Noraton Rd., Junction City, OR 97448 541-953-6162 (Cell)	Mobile Repairs, Technical Support Country Coach Parts kvn.wt.7629@gmail.com
Kustom Coach Works	Bobby Vodden PO Box 395, Halsey, OR 97348 541-501-3371	Custom audio/video installations KustomCoachWorks@yahoo.com

Company	Contact	Service
Mike's Mobile, RV Service RVIA certified	Mike Woodard, Owner/Operator Gig Harbor and Kitsap County, WA, area Cell: 360-621-8496	mikesmobilervservice@yahoo.com Referred by: Russ Warren
Oregon Motorcoach Center **	29417 Airport Rd, Eugene, OR 97402 541-762-1505 Effective 01/03/2012: Current NWCC Badge gets 10% discount on Parts.* Bob Lee, Founder of OMC and NWCC Honorary Lifetime Member	*Present your NWCC badge for discount. You will need verification that your club dues are current. Interior restoration, modifications, remodel, service and parts Fax: 541-762-1509 www.oregonmotorcoachcenter.com
Premier RV Services	Gary - 541-554-3997 Office: 541-998-2640 325 E First Ave, Junction City, OR 97448	Sales - Service - Storage premierrvstorage@gmail.com Referred by: Brian & Kay Case, Bend
RCV Custom Coach Service	Mobile RV Service and Upgrades 93076 Unit E, Hwy 99 So., Junction City, OR Or POB 41779, Eugene, OR 97404 Bob Vinson, Owner, Phone 541-870-6233 Text: 541-543-5625	Quality Solutions Brought to You Fax 541-359-1962 www.rcvcustomcoach.com bob@rcvcustomcoach.com Referred By Herb Harris and Cathy Lamb
RV Glass Solutions	Eugene, OR 888-777-6778 Doug Rutherford – former CC Service Manager www.RVGlassExperts.com	Windshield replacement, glass and windows. Many CC windshields in stock. Call for a referral in your area.
RV Service Pro In the Puget Sound area	Mobile RV Service from Seattle to Olympia. Certified RV service and repair professionals for all your RV service and repairs 253-229-6209 www.rvservicepro.com	They do good work at fair prices. They overhauled my Aquahot for me. Recommended by Fred Dent
Salem Brake and Wheel Inc.	1235 12th Street SE, Salem, OR 97302 Kevin Smith, 503-581-3214	Alignment, Wheel Balance, Chassis Repair, Complete Brake Svc, Complete Service, Gas/ Diesel Repair and More
Silverleaf Electronics	2472 SW Ferry St., Albany, OR 97322. 888-741-0259, 541-220-5494	Total Coach Monitoring System, Vehicle Monitoring System www.silverleafelectronics.com
Specialty Crate, Inc Logistics Division	41 North Danebo Ave. Eugene, OR 97402 Randy Stout 541-689-8840	Country Coach parts – chassis, body and house.
Splendide (Westland Sales)	15650 SE 102 nd Ave., Clackamas, OR 97015	Washing machine repairs
Specialty Marine and RV	20781 Olmstead Road NE Aurora, OR 97002 503-678-6595 503-678-6501	Diesel-powered coaches only Custom Accessories, Installations, Repairs and Services
Washington Auto Carriage	Terry Fout, General Manager 5301 E. Broadway, Spokane Valley, WA 99211 (509) 535-0363; (800) 456-0363	24 Hour Emergency Mobile Service: (509) 534-9358 wac@waautocarriage.com Recommended by Fred Dent
Watson Diesel Repair LLC	PO Box 2478 Shelton, WA 98584 360-426-5255 watsondieselrepair.com	Services and repairs all diesel engines - primarily big rig trucks but also works on coaches.

Do you have experience with anyone else who offers CC expertise and assistance that has helped you in a pinch?
Send us their information and we'll add them to our list. newsletter@nwccers.org

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