

**John (Joe)
Perryman
International
President
Nominee**



Personal:

Married to Sandy for 51 Years, 3 Children, 9 Grandchildren and 7 Great Grandchildren.

WBCCI Experience:

WBCCI Life Member, Joined WA Unit June, 2001
International 1st Vice President, July 2013 - present
International 2nd Vice President, July 2012- July 2013
Interim International 3rd VP, April 2012- July, 2012
Region 10 1st Vice President, Feb. 2010-April, 2012
Region 10 2nd Vice President, July 2009-Feb. 2010
Washington Unit President, September 2006-2007
Washington Unit VP, September 2003-2006
Chaired Committee to reorganize Washington Land Yacht Harbor, 2007-2008
Chaired the Intl. Rally Cashier Committee, 2005-2009
Region 10 Treasurer, July 2007 to July 2009
Member of Constitution Revision Committee, International, July 2010 to July 2011
Member 2020 Planning Committee, International, January 2008 to July 2010
Hosted several Washington Unit rallies, including National Potlatch & Salmon Rally, Autumn Leaf Rally and Crab Feed Rally

Education:

Wilder High School, Wilder, ID
Green River Community College, Highline Community College, Boise State University, and management training courses through HP

Profession:

Boeing Aircraft, Seattle, WA, 1966 - 1975
Tool & Die Maker-6 years, Instructor-3 years
Hewlett Packard, Boise, ID, 1977 - 1994
Engineering Services Manager
Special Assignments:
Instructor - Engineering Training Courses including new hires and Technical Courses
Project Manager for Several Projects including Engineering
Prototype Scheduling System used company wide

Other:

Toastmasters 1985-1994
Past Member of American Society of Mechanical Engineers
Escapes, North Ranch Board, January 2003-2006, Chairman 2005-2006
Escapes Club Rally Representative 2002-2009
Member of Elks Lodge 2160, Wickenburg, AZ
Hosted Boise Division of HP Annual Picnic, July, 1988, 2000 plus attendees
Hosted numerous Escapee rallies including 2005 LaFiesta Rally, 450 plus attendees
Hobbies - Fishing, Drawing, Watercolor Painting

**James (Jim)
Schwerdfeger
International
1st Vice President
Nominee**



Personal:

Born November 20, 1934, in Waldo, Kansas
Married to Joyce (Raisin) for 58 years
Two children - Kathy (deceased-2003) and Rick
4 grandchildren

WBCCI Experience:

International 2nd & 3rd Vice President
President Elect, First Vice President, Second Vice President of Region 9
Raisin and I have been co-chairpersons of the Intl. Welcome Committee for several years
Over the years, Raisin and I have been active members in WBCCI. We have participated in many International, IBT, Region, Unit, Special Event and National Rallies. We were part of the Special Event Rally, Fiesta San Antonio, for ten years and are now a part of the reborn Fiesta San Antonio Rally.

Education:

Western and Wayne State, USAFI, C.O.M.

Profession:

Raisin's Ranch (cow/calf operation) Caldwell, Texas
Owned and operated the following businesses in Texas City, TX:
Raisin's Club, Raisin's Restaurant, Ma's Café, Raisin's Sandwich Shoppe, Raisin's Gift Shoppe
Relief Night Plant Superintendent, AMOCO Chemical AMOCO Chemical Company - retired 1989
Thumb Broadcasting Co., Bad Axe, Michigan
Chief Radio Engineer and on air news with DJ duties
United States Coast Guard - 8 years
Aviation Electronics Technician, Air Search and Rescue
Budd Wheel and Fisher Body, Detroit, Michigan
Apprentice tool and die maker

Community Service:

Member of Elizabeth Lutheran Church ELCA, Caldwell
Past President and many years on the Church Council
Past President Burleson County, Texas Historical Soc.
Past President Beaver Creek Land Owners Assoc.
Past VP of Beaver Creek Volunteer Fire Dept.
Past participating member of K & F Club, Texas A & M Univ.
Burleson County Fair Board Scholarship Fund Raiser
We are enjoying our family, church, home, toys, friends, volunteer work, WBCCI, traveling, camping, pets and our "good life." I believe strongly in team effort and, if elected, will work together with you to uphold the principles that make WBCCI great.

**Richard
Girard**
**International
2nd Vice President
Nominee**



Personal:

Age 64, married 30 years to my best friend Jan.
Currently reside in Phoenix, AZ with our two dogs,
Gracie and Smokie

WBCCI Experience:

International 3rd Vice President, July 2013-Present
Lifetime Membership Chairman, July 2013-Present
Region 11 President, July 2012-July 2013
Region 11 1st Vice President, July 2010-July 2012
Four Corners Unit President, 2009 & 2010
Member 2020 Planning Committee, International, July
2010-July 2013
Member of the Vintage Airstream Club since 2007

Education:

Calhoun High School, Merrick, NY
Attended SUNY at Oswego & Nassau Community
College
Professional Technical Certifications from IBM, Micro-
soft and Symantec Corp.

Profession:

1968-1972 United States Air Force (Honorable
Discharge)
1973-1997 – IBM Corp. – Various hardware and soft-
ware development and support positions
1998-2011 - Central Arizona Project – Information
Technologies Specialist
2011 Retired

Interests:

Traveling, camping, fly fishing and spending time ex-
ploring this great country
Member of the Arizona Flycasters Club since 1985 and
former Board Member

I am proud to be a member of the WBCCI. If I am
elected to this position, I will continue to work for the
members to move the club forward with new ideas, but
never forgetting the history of this great organization.

**Jim
Cocke**
**International
3rd Vice President
Nominee**



Personal:

Married to Debbie. Joined WBCCI in 2004, Life mem-
bers since 2005. Fulltiming six years in our Airstream.

WBCCI Experience:

Region 3, 2008-2013, Seminar Presenter. Debbie and
I developed and presented seventeen seminars for
WBCCI membership at three Region rallies and five
International rallies. Topics included Full-Timing, Or-
ganizing Your RV, and Introduction to Amateur Radio.
Webmaster. Implemented the Region3.wbcci.net web-
site. Support Unit web masters throughout the Region.
Carolinas Unit NC, 2009-2013, Webmaster. Imple-
mented the CarolinasNC.wbcci.net website. Manage
Unit email distributions to members. - 2008-Unit
President. Implemented electronic distribution of Unit
newsletter and messages. Led Carolinas Unit of NC
to approval of its Unit flag and its first Superior Merit
Award.

WBCCI Amateur Radio Club 2011-2013, Treasurer and
Corresponding Secretary. Improved electronic com-
munication and documentation for intraclub with 300
members. Strengthened financial condition through
sound fiscal controls. Implemented online registration
and payment of dues on Intra-Club website page.
2010-2013, Newsletter Editor and Webmaster. In-
creased number of contributing writers. Added on-
line electronic format for the 20-page newsletter with
member-only access. Maintain WBCCI ARC website.
Implemented online membership application and dues
payment. - 2011-2012, President

Other Attended all International Rallies 2007-2013
except Sedalia (AK Caravan). Debbie served as Inter-
national Rally Awards Chair (2008-2011), Unit Sec-
retary-Treasurer, and Intra-Club Recording Secretary.
Enjoyed four national caravans so far, and planning to
participate in the 2015 Viking Trail.

Education:

Pfeiffer University, Charlotte, NC, MBA
University of NC, Chapel Hill, NC, BA

Professional:

4 Hospital Systems in NC, 2001-2007, Safety Di-
rector for Carolinas Medical Center. Complex issues
resolution, frequent public speaking experience, and
presenting of seminars provided excellent experience.
1982-2001, Facilities Management at three hospitals.
Learned importance of delegating and working through
others, plus negotiation and detailed attention to con-
tracts.

**Vickie
Courtney
International
Rec. Secretary
Nominee**



**Adolf
Knopp
International
Treasurer
Nominee**



Personal:

Hometown Butler, KY
Married to Jim, 13 years
Reside in North Texas Airstream Community, Hillsboro, TX

WBCCI Experience:

Member 2006
Baja California Adventure Caravan 2007
Viking Trail Caravan 2007
Alyeska, The Great Land Caravan 2008
Springtime in KY Caravan 2008
Gone to Texas Caravan 2008
The Northern Experience Caravan 2009
Louisiana Cajun Heritage Caravan 2011
Northern Experience 2011
Led caravan to IBT/Blythe 2013
International Rallies:
2007 Perry, worked registration
2008 Bozeman, worked registration
2009 Madison, worked registration – Team Captain
2011 DuQuoin, worked registration - Team Captain
2012 Sedalia, worked Rally Rec. Receptionist
2013 Huron, worked Rally Recording Secretary Receptionist

National Rallies: Spirit of Cleveland
Swiss Festival
Hobo Rally (two)
Region 9 Rallies (four)
IBT meetings (four)

Special Events Rallies: Rose Parade (two)
Mardi Gras

Profession:

Administrative Manager
Human Resources Manager
Small Business Owner

Community Service:

Extensive volunteer involvement at North Texas Airstream Community (NTAC)
WBCCI International Caravan Leader
Early worker during every WBCCI International Rally attended
Member of the Board of Directors for the Children's Home of Northern Kentucky for 10 years
President of the Board of Directors for the Children's Home of Northern Kentucky for 2 years
Recording Secretary to the Board of Directors for North Texas Airstream Community 2013

Personal:

Born January 27, 1937 in Poland
Emigrated to Leduc, Alberta, Canada with my mother, March 1948
Married, my wife Hazel and I have five children, eleven grandchildren and two great granddaughters between us

WBCCI Experience:

Purchased the first Airstream product in 1978, an Argosy that we owned for 22 years
Purchased an Airstream trailer in 1999
Joined WBCCI Alberta Saskatchewan Unit 10-120, September, 2000
Unit 1st Vice President 2001-2003
Unit President 2003-2005
2nd Vice President, Region 10 - 2007-2009
1st Vice President Region 10 - 2009 - February 2010
President Region 10 - February 2010 to July 2013
Missed only one WBCCI International Rally since joining the club in 2000
Attended all Region 10 Rallies since joining along with numerous Unit rallies, Special Events Rallies, and IBT Meetings over the last four years

Education:

Certified Management Accountant, CMA
Certificate in Management Development - University of Alberta
Additional Managerial Courses - University of Western Ontario
Certificate in Corporate managerial Courses - Hudson's Bay Company

Profession:

Hudson's Bay Company, 25 years in Accounting department, Management and Controller of the Alberta Region
Developmental Disability Resource Centre, Director of Finance and Administration
Sport Check Calgary Limited and Focus Building Services, Controller

Professional Affiliations:

Society of Management Accountants of Alberta

**Karin
Kurkowski
International
Nominating
Committee**



Personal:

Married to Larry for 43 years
6 children, 10 grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren

WBCCI Experience:

President Region 4 – 2011-13
President Michigan Unit 2004
President Metro-Detroit Unit 1991
Member of WBCCI since 1979

International:

Current Chairman of Ethics & Grievance Committee 2013
Hosted Michigan National Tulip Rally for 3 years
Worked on Swiss Festival National Rally for 8 years
Worked on Statute of Liberty Rally for 6 years
Attended Rose Parade, Mardi Gras National Event Rally
Attended IBT for a number of years

Profession:

Letter Carrier
Postal Clerk
Supervisor for Post Office
Bank Clerk

**Tom
Smithson
International
Nominating
Committee**



Personal:

Age 73; Wife, Hedda; Daughter, Rebecca

WBCCI Experience:

Member of WBCCI since 2003
Trustee Northern California Unit (NorCal) of WBCCI as well as 1st VP, President, and Membership Chair
Member of International Committee to revise Constitution and Bylaws of WBCCI
Region 12 1st VP and CBL Chair
Co-Moderator of Region Officers Forum
International Rallies: Participant in International Rally
Host to Host, presenter of computer seminars, and member of Transportation committee

Education:

BA Sacramento State University, Sacramento CA
Major: Biology & Chemistry
Ph C & Ph D University of California, Davis
Major: Medical Entomology & Cytogenetics

Professional:

USAF: Electronics tech & NCO of censorship unit
University of Maryland Medical School: Tropical medicine research in Salvador, Brazil
California State University, Sacramento: Lecturer in Biology and Environmental Science
San Juan Unified School District: Teacher of Chemistry, Biology, & Physics
Mentor Teacher: San Juan Unified School District
California State University: Director of University professional development programs in math and science for K-18 educators and Director for University faculty professional development program in Science
University of California, Davis and California State University, Sacramento: Director of the Northern California Science Project

Community Service:

Board Member: Sacramento County Science and Historical Commission and Sacramento Science Museum
Director: California State Science Teachers Association
Director: Northern California Natl. Science Olympiad
Technical Support Consultant: Computer Users Group
Having been actively involved in many aspects of the club as a leader at the Unit and Region level, serving on the WBCCI constitution and bylaws revision committee and acting as a consultant to the Electronics Communication Committee I believe I have some understanding of the clubs needs in leadership. It would be my goal as a member of the Nominating Committee to seek individuals who have a vision to accomplish these needs.

Jay Thompson International Nominating Committee



Personal:

Married to Elna for 55 years. We have three children and eight grandchildren.

Member of Big Bend Florida Unit 153

WBCCI Experience:

My wife and I bought our first Airstream in 2001. Immediately joined WBCCI and began working actively with the Big Bend Unit. We have attended eight International Rallies and participated in fourteen national caravans. We were Co-Leaders of the SW Adventure Caravan 2010 through 2013

2004: Big Bend Florida Vice President

2005: Big Bend Florida Unit President

2011-12 Region 3 1st Vice-President

2012: First Mate of Unit President (Elna)

2012-14 Region 3 President

Education:

BBC, Cum Laude, University of Florida 1958

MSCE, University of Florida 1961

Profession: Engineer

1999-Present: Retired - occasionally work for my son in his company

1987-1999: Watkins Engineers and Constructors, Vice President Alliance Division, President of Inland Industrial Construction (subsidiary of Watkins) and Manager of Manila Office, Asian Projects

1985-1987: GPA Technical Consultants, Vice President of Engineering

1961-1985: Procter and Gamble, Plant Engineer and various positions, primarily project management and international construction in Germany, Saudi Arabia and Asia.

Other:

While living in Pennsylvania, I was a member and President of a local volunteer ambulance association and a certified Emergency Medical Technician for 13 years. I served twice as a Borough Councilman, was an Eagle Scout then Scout Master and Explorer Scout Leader. I coached Little League Baseball for my children's teams. I am an Elder in the Presbyterian Church and work actively. I design and help construct access ramps for Ability 1st in seven county area.

I will encourage and support change that will lead to growth in membership and to fiscal responsibility.