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08 Fleetwood Providence 40X  
FL-XC  
US Gear Braking system  
Blue OX towing system  
06 Saturn Vue AWD toad  
Wife and best friend Martha Baby  
SweetPea - 16 year old "Maine coon cat" still mean as ever

Beware of those who point their finger the LOUDEST !

[BarbaraOK](#)

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Barb

**Barb & Dave - full-timing**  
**Traveling catpanion Shadow (age 12)**  
**Figment II (2002 Alpine 36 MDDS) 😊**  
**Mischief (2004 Subaru Forester Toad) 😊**  
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Question??

When reading the paper or listining to the news; how many accidents are caused by maacanical problems? Answer: very very few; most are driver related.  
driving drunk; driving to fast; running red lights; driveing to close; the list goes on and on.  
vehicle inspection is a money maker for the states and the garages. I would much rather the states take the drivers licence away from drunks the very first time they drive drunk. If they then drive without a licence, 6 months in jail would help to get the drunks off the road.  
Point system would also work:12 points; lose your licence, 6 months behind bars.

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Barb

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Tom, Carole & Duke  
Potter County PA (God's Country)  
09' Phaeton 42'QRH, Suzuki SX4 Toad



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Funny how you stumbled across my exact point ! 1 RV accident, everyone comments, 50k car/light truck accidents, well I guess it's all in a day in the life of.....

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For all of us who do NOT want to bother with additional testing (and additional fees),.....you have NOTHING to worry about. First of all, there is NO money. That's right, the states are BROKE,....zero dollars. Can you imagine someone asking for more state funds for additional testing,....for driving your RV? They'll get laughed off the floor. Of course, the first thing the purser will ask is, "SHOW ME THE STATISTICS?". End of story.

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If you want something done, start crashing, and kill a lot of innocent people in the process. You are in competition with young drivers and low-time/marginal drivers, and drunks. And, THEY win by a GIANT margin.

Willie & Betty Sue  
Miko & Sparky  
2003 41 ft Dutch Star Diesel Pusher/Spartan  
Floorplan 4010  
Blazer toad & Ranger bassboat

**BarbaraOK**

Livingston, Texas, USA

Senior Member

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Do you have your Class B for your rig (as required by the state of Texas) or are you driving it 'under the radar'? I'm pretty sure your rig has a GVWR > 26,000#.

Barb

**whitebb**

Houston Texas

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If you can't afford the safety inspection to make sure that your brakes work, how are you going to afford to fix those brakes. I'm sorry, but I really think all states need to have an inspection to make sure lights, brakes, horns, etc. work, and for areas that need emission control, then those old smokers need to be inspected and taken off of the road if they can't pass. Not everyone is as conscientious and safety minded as you are.

Barb

I agree with you as to many times I have heard the pro and cons on inspections,,no mater how little or not the inspector sees its a different pair of eyes looking at the MOH, My prayers go out to all

**wny\_pat**

Western NYS

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No, most do not require anything but a regular drivers license. No test, no nothing, just hop in and go.

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