



Missouri-Kansas Airstream Club Gopher News

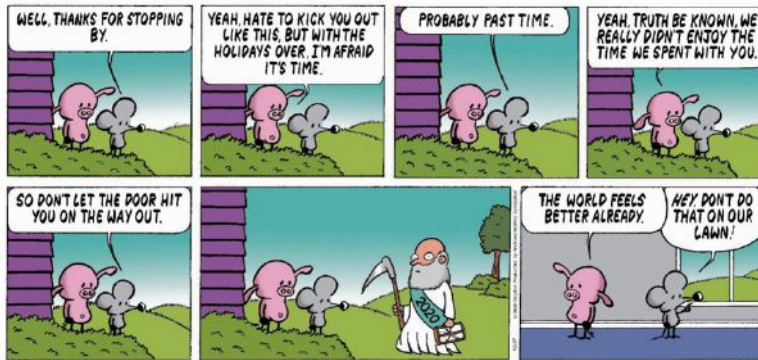


WBCCI - Unit 059

January 2021

President's Message

PEARLS BEFORE SWINE BY STEPHAN PASTIS



Greetings Campers! My hope is that everyone has had a wonderful Christmas and beginning a safe New Year -- and will soon begin preparations for some club camping experiences. Unfortunately, this past year has been so challenging for all, especially from a social perspective. And our club's purpose is very much a social one. There are many reasons however for all to be optimistic of the future, therefore I plan to be. Next month, the Executive Board will put out information and an application for the *Spring Rally* which will be held from April 22 – 25, 2021 in Platte City, MO (**Save the date!**) That's almost four months away so I'm optimistic that everyone will have a vaccination by that time—or hopefully two. In addition, you will be receiving information on signing up for the Region 8 Rally, due to be held in Amana, IA. The *Region 8 Rally* will immediately follow our Unit's Spring Rally and is scheduled for April 28 – May 2, 2021.

I now want to begin 2021 by honoring and remembering three members of our Club who passed away in 2020. Longtime member **Carol Pember** passed away on July 3rd at the age of 83. She and her husband Marion lived in Shawnee, KS. She attended numerous rallies and caravans with Marion—from Newfoundland to Alaska. **Neil Crain** passed away on August 19th at the age of 99. Neil had been a member of the Club since 1985. **Anna Janesko** passed away on October 10th. She was 82. Anna joined the Airstream Club in 1980 and was our President in 2008. *They all will be missed.*

Since our organization is all-volunteer, I would also like to put out a request for a Club member to step up and accept the position as our Community Service Chairperson. This position was previously held by **Cheryl Ball**, but unfortunately, the Balls sold their Airstream and are no longer members of our Club. Please see the functions of this important position on page 2 of the Newsletter.

**Now, where is that line for my Covid-19 vaccination?
I don't want to miss that. - John Eckardt**



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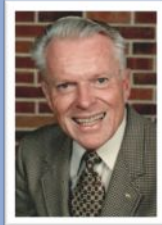
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**In Remembrance of
Richard Burk Hitt**

Richard (Dick) Burk Hitt passed away on December 6th. He was 94. Dick and his wife Marion were Club Members in the '80s and Dick was Club President in 1986. Marion passed away in 2011.



Dick's obituary mentioned that they were proud to have "travelled to all 50 states in their Airstream trailer."

Community Service Chairperson Needed!

Can you spare a few minutes of your time to fill this position? Duties include:

- Coordinate with a charitable organization for donations at Christmas and at each club rally
- Informing club members where and what we are donating, and a deadline
- Collect the donated items and deliver to the organization

Linda Poage will continue to collect the Common Cents funds.

More than one person can help with this!

Will you help?

Upcoming Mo-Kan Club Activities

LUNCHEONS



Due to the COVID 19 Pandemic, no luncheons have yet to be planned for 2021. We hope to be together again soon.

RALLIES



April 22 - 25, 2021

Mo-Kan Club Spring Rally

Platte City, MO

Save the dates! More info later.

April 28 – May 2, 2021

Region 8 Rally

Amana, IA

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June 11 - 13, 2021

Just-Have-Fun Rally

Clinton Lake, KS

Bloomington East, Walnut Loop

Reserve your own site now at:

<https://www.recreation.gov/camping/campgrounds/233700>

July 17 - 24, 2021

Airstream Club Intl Rally

Lebanon, TN

Register now at - <https://airstreamclub.org/lebanon>



"We wanted to let you know that John and I have given up our Airstreams. Our daughter and her husband are now using the 34 ft., and our grandson and his wife are having a great time with our little 17 ft. vintage Caravel. We have many happy memories of the good times we have had with our Airstream friends and will miss all of you. Have a safe and fun year!"

- John & Mary Dill

Birthdays

Tracy Ridgeway - 1/17

Linda Spangler - 1/17

Henry Roberts - 1/27

Lisa Walters - 1/17

Pat Harris - 1/26

January Celebrations!

Anniversaries

Tim & Paula Timmons - 1/27





The Christmas Star

Chaz Colbert drove out to the Powell Observatory on Dec. 21st to see the “great conjunction” of Jupiter and Saturn. He said there were about 150 cars out there, plus many amateur astronomers and their telescopes.



...Speaking of Stars...



Denise Chevalier and Kirk Moore are now the proud displayers of their first WBCCI 5-Year Star!
...and many more to go!

Door Hangers are Ready for Production!

During 2020, our immediate past President, **Tim Timmons** floated the idea of our Club creating door hangers to advertise the Club. The hangers were to identify the purpose and various activities of the Club and provide contact information. Following completion, each Club member would be offered some of these hangers. They then could simply hang one on the door of an Airstream -- perhaps in their neighborhood or vicinity in hopes of increasing the Club's membership. In addition, the hangers could be given to the Airstream dealerships serving our area. Some work was done last year on the hangers but they were not quite completed. They have been completed, ordered and will be delivered within the next few weeks. I will try to get these distributed to all interested members at our earliest convenient time. Who knows when that will be? The hangers measure 3 ½ in x 8 ½ in, *have a cutout for hanging on a door handle* and have a front and back design. Thanks to **Paula Timmons** for her prior work on the hangers.



Wally Byam Caravan Club International

Missouri-Kansas Airstream Club

- Join Us!**
- Become Part of the Local Airstream Community
 - Camping
 - Monthly Luncheons
 - Local, Regional and National Rallies
 - Vintage and Classic Intra Clubs
 - Caravans and Rolling Rallies
 - Expert Advice on Repair and Restoration

Contact:
airstreamclub.org/missouri-kansas



MIDWEST VINTAGE AIRSTREAM CLUB ROLLING RALLY

August 20, 2021 thru
September 7, 2021

Hosted by Joyce and Lee Cantrell



Participants must be current members of the Vintage Airstream Club.

We're planning a rolling rally beginning August 20, 2021 to escape the summer heat in Region 8. We'll begin the rally at the Pammel State Campground near Winterset, Iowa, and end at Fall Lake Campground located in the Lake Superior National Forest near Ely, Minnesota. You can join us anywhere along the rally stopping points and leave the rally as your schedule dictates. Participants will make their own reservations and should do so as soon as the reservation window opens for the campgrounds we'll be using. Please let us know no later than January 31, 2021, of your interest in participating in the rolling rally. Contact Lee and Joyce Cantrell at ljcan@twinvalley.net. You will then be provided with the campground information and itinerary so you can make your reservations once the reservation windows open. It is important to make reservations sooner rather than later since 2021 is predicted to be a busy camping season and camping sites go quickly in Minnesota and Iowa. We are limiting the number of units attending to fifteen.

