REGION 8 AIRSTREAM CLUB NEWSLETTER



2020



What a challenging time we are witnessing not only with the Airstream organization but in our personal lives as well. I do hope you are all safe as this pandemic continues and are being vigilant. There are many local club rallies planned after May 31 so keep an eye on those activities to be sure they don't get cancelled. If you are like us, you are itching to get out in your rig and enjoy the rallies and caravans.



Here is the information you have been waiting for concerning the 2021 Region 8 Rally. The rally will be held in Amana, Iowa April 29 - May 2, 2021. We are staying at the Amana RV Park and

Convention Center, <u>3890 C Street</u>, <u>Amana</u>, <u>IA 52203</u>. Our theme is All Roads Lead to The Amana Colonies. The rally coincides with the Maifest which begins on May 1st. There will be a lot to do, so save the date April 29 - May 2, 2021.



ALL Club activities
have been
CANCELLED thru
May 31, 2020
due to COVID-19.
We will keep you
updated
when you can
resume again.

We are all in this TOGETHER.

Stay safe and see you soon!

Mike Sisk, Region 8 President



Special Message from Bill Thomas Camper Sales, a longtime supporter and Sovereign Partner of our Airstream Club International. Again, this year they were poised to donate to our Region 8 rally and like us are disappointed in the turn of events. In light of many cancellations they would like our members to know Bill Thomas is open for the time being as service operations have been deemed

"essential" by various authorities. If you need service to be ready to hit the road when travel resumes, they will offer immediate appointments to all club members.

Just call 636-327-5900 or 1-800-367-5767 and be sure to mention you are an Airstream Club member.

Here is a <u>NEW</u> Rally (if not cancelled due to coronavirus) hosted by the Iowa Airstream Club. It will be held in

conjunction with the lowa Irish Fest. This is one of the largest Irish Fests in the United States. Rally



dates are July 30 - Aug 2. Fest dates are July 31 - Aug 2. Cost will be very reasonable. We are able to buy Fest tickets at discount, and camping is \$18 per night. We already have a reservation from some Florida Airstreamers! Email your reservation or questions to Norm Beu beu146@gmail.com or John Heckman jeheck@mail.com.

Looking for an Airstream Rally after so many were cancelled this year? Here is one you can attend and enjoy the fun!

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See FORM Attached



Volunteering for our Future

Sometimes in the joy of traveling the country, camping and getting together with friends we forget that to make the club work there is the business side. That's where our volunteer leadership comes in. Volunteering is the lifeblood of our Airstream club; it's how our business gets done so we can enjoy camping and fellowship activities with other Airstream owners. It is the foundation to a better camping experience, without volunteers it's all gone.



As the 1st VP of Region 8, I can tell you we need help, we need volunteers for our 2021 leadership team, especially for 2nd VP. It is amazing to work with Mike Sisk learning the ropes of what the regional president does, before actually stepping into the role. I like to think I even help Mike get through the day now and then! The thought of no one behind me is frightening.

Did you know some studies show volunteering promotes longevity, leads to better health and reduces the risk of Alzheimer's by keeping the mind active? As I have volunteered for our club positions I have been personally rewarded with stronger bonds of friendship and better camping experiences.

My stomach twists in knots when I find myself talking to members about the need to fill volunteer positions. I know I'm making them uncomfortable as well. I think darn it, you'd be perfect, please rise to the call, it's not that hard. You think darn it, how many times do I have to say not now, before you leave me alone. Yikes.

Right now, as the country deals with the pandemic we see an unsettled future. What will that new normal be after this? I am certain it will include Airstreaming and I can hardly wait. For now, I'm stuck at home with time to think about the future, to dream of Airstream club travels and rallies. What are great destinations for our Region 8 rally in years to come? Activities, entertainment, costs, travel time, dates are all important to successful events. Location, location, location. The revelation is strong, it almost knocks me down, it's beautiful.... it's.... presidential!

Reflect on how important you are to our club. Give Mike or myself a call or drop us an email if you'd like to talk about what we do and how you can strengthen our club's future, a better future with your help. Don't be frustrated with "...it's the way we've always done it...", grab the reins.

And thanks to all our members for the critical role you play in volunteering for club duties and positions. Without volunteers our Airstream club would be broken down along the road. I prefer to see you on down the road!

BRANSON MUSICLAND REVISITED RALLY Branson, Missouri September 22 - 29, 2020

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Rally Fee:		
with 2	1.50	\$925.00
with 1		\$600.00

Rally fee includes 7 nights parking at ABC Campground. Enjoy 5 of Branson's best shows, a day at Silver Dollar City, a bus tour with lunch followed by a dinner show. A free day to explore the Ozarks on your own.

> Make checks payable to: Branson Musicland Rally Mail form to: Gary Rush Region 8 1490 Triple Cove Lane Climax Springs, MO 65324

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