NEWSLETTER

Greetings everyone! I'm ready for this coronavirus thing to go away and I'm sure you are too. Everything that our club had planned through June has been cancelled, and we're on a waitand-see status for later events. It's been suggested that we schedule a luncheon in June as a good excuse to get everyone together. I'm in favor of that and will consider it as we get a little closer.

One important deadline is approaching. Our October rally is at Pere Marquette State Park. You can't reserve a spot there until less than 6 months in advance and then the sites are expected to go fast. So reserve your site ASAP after April 15. Check details to the right.

Meanwhile, stay safe and stay positive.

Barry Johnson (ctajohnson@aol.com; (314) 605-4214)

Help Wanted PLEASE:

Consider being a Host or Co-Host for the July and August rallies. There are lots of fun things to do around Springfield, IL and around Johnson Shut-ins.

Great news since our last plea for help:

Kathy Welsh has graciously accepted the nomination for 3rd Vice President and was voted in by the membership. She will be installed into this position at an upcoming club meeting. Thank you, Kathy!!!



GSLAC Events Schedule for 2020

(It's time to plan and book reservations, especially for the October rally)

April 17-20 Mark Twain Rally in Hannibal, MO. Cancelled due to pandemic.

April 22-26 Region 8 Rally in Fremont, NE. Cancelled due to pandemic.

May 14-17 Casino Queen Camping Rally near St. Louis. Cancelled due to pandemic.

June 20-27 WBCCI International Rally in Loveland, CO. Cancelled due to pandemic.

July 16-19 Land of Lincoln Rally @ Double J Campground near Springfield, IL. Call Liz or Larry Fons @ (217) 483-9998 to reserve a site. Deadline to reserve is June 15. We still need a host or co-hosts for this rally. Contact Judy or Barry Johnson if you can help us.

August 20-23 Johnson Shut-ins Rally @ Big Creek RV Park in Annapolis, MOCall Patty @ (573) 598-1064 to reserve site. Deadline to reserve is June 1. We need a host or co-hosts for this rally, also. Contact Judy or Barry to volunteer.

September 17-20 Wilson's Creek Battlefield Rally (Annual Business mtg) @ the Springfield/ Route 66 KOA. Call Cameron before September 1 @ (417) 831-3645 to reserve. Hosts: Larry & Jackie Weidle @ grandpa1shot@hotmail.com or (573) 694-7642.

October 15-18 GSLAC Installation Rally at Pere Marquette Illinois State Park in Grafton, IL. Hosts: Lyn & John Heald, (314) 803-3699 or john.lyn33@yahoo.com. Reserve site through "reserveamerica.com <u>ASAP after April 15th</u>.

December 5 GSLAC Holiday Luncheon @ Russel House Restaurant in Hillsboro, MO. Hosts: Greg and Frances Vadner.

Important Note:

Some changes have occurred since our original schedule was published. Always use the most recent information in the newsletters and let me know if you find errors.

A Message from our Community Service Chair

With the rally cancellations as they are, Glenn Waters would like us to continue collecting items for donation; hats, stuffed animals, lap blankets and/or throws, items for women's shelters, food items for the food bank, and the tabs. These will be carried over to be added to our 2021 donation.

Face Masks for Healthcare Workers

Sarah Hauser has been sewing face masks. Her niece, a doctor, needed them so Sarah put her great skills to work. She got a pattern from the Missouri Star Quilt Company website. It takes her about 20 minutes per mask. She doesn't charge money for them and is "sold out" (go figure).

Kathy Welsh informs us that the St Luke's Hospital website also has instructions for making face masks.



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Congratulations to Frances and Greg Vadner on their brand new granddaughter Arya.

Pictured at right is their daughter Ariel.

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Pictures of our St Patrick's Day Luncheon at McGurk's Many thanks to LYN & JOHN HEALD for hosting; 19 members attended



Trailers in Isolation



At the Welsh's house



Lunch at the Johnsons

Special message from Bill Thomas Camper Sales

(A long-time supporter, 5 Rivet dealer 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.