

Region 5 Report

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Region 5's Fall Harvest Festival, Sept. 12-15

Fall Harvest Days will be the theme for the Region 5 Rally Sept. 12 to 15 at the Tipton County Fairgrounds in Tipton, Indiana

It will be the fourth time for this central Indiana community of 4,000 residents to host a Region 5 Rally, the last one in 2004. The Tipton County Fairgrounds, located on the north edge of

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the community along Ind. 19, has excellent facilities with a large, level area for parking with 30 amp electric-

ity and water

available for everyone and a dump station on site.

The 4-H Building, where most of the activities will take place, is air conditioned and has a stage for performances.

Region 5 President Barry Bell and First Lady Karen have planned an excellent rally with a special emphasis in entertainment and guided tours of the special attractions in the area.

Back by popular demand for the Thursday evening entertainment is vocalist Levi Riggs who was such a hit at the 2011 Region 5 Rally in Danville, Indiana.

The other entertainers performing will be Bob Sander on Tuesday evening following the early workers dinner. He's a Hoosier story teller and musician. The Friday headliner is Jeremy Morris and his band. Morris is a multi-talented musician who has just completed the eighth grade. Performing at the Saturday night (Continued on page 3)

Tipton Landmark

Tipton, the north central Indiana community that will host Region 5's Rally and Computerfest in September has one distinguishing landmark. It's the courthouse, which was designed by Adolph Sherrer (he also designed the Indiana Statehouse in Indianapolis) and was built in 1893-94. The Romanesque sandstone building's distinguishing characteristic is a clock tower that rises 206 feet above the ground.

Barry Bell is new Region 5 president

Barry Bell was formally installed as the president of Region 5 for 2012-2014 in ceremonies at the International Rally in Sedalia, Missouri.

Bell, and First Lady Karen, have been Airstream owners since 1977 and members of WBCCI since 1979.

They joined the Central Indiana Unit in 2003. Barry served as president of the Unit in 2008 and Karen served the past year as Unit president.

Barry was selected as Region 5 second vice president in 2009.

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Message from President Barry Bell

This will be my first column as your Region 5 President. Karen and I will do our best to carry on the traditions of our region. To be successful, we will need your help and support.

My first order of business is to thank Louise and Jerry Humble for their service to Region 5. At the Region 5 luncheon at Sedalia they were given a well-deserved standing ovation for their hard work.

The Sedalia International Rally is now a part of WBCCI history. There were 459 rigs in attendance. I believe Region 5 was well represented in that count. It was less than one day's drive for most of us.

The camp sites were fairly large. Some were even shaded. The days were very hot, but the coliseum was air conditioned and always very cool. Overall, the facilities were very nice.

Six of Region 5s seven Unit presidents were in attendance.

We were very proud of Region 5 for volunteering to work on so many events and

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Region 5 has several award winners

Message from President Bell

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participating in so many activities. Illinois Lincolnland won first place in the bulletin board contest for theme. Central Indiana won second place for their loose leaf directory. Several members of our region received special recognition for their activities. Congratulations to all the winners of the contests. In the delegates meeting, the new constitution was not approved and the motor home issue was sent

back to committee. It is now time to complete preparations for the Region 5 Rally in Tipton. Indiana September 12-16 preceded by the Computer Rally September 9-11. Please plan to send in your registration soon.

We have a great facility for our rally and we are really ramping up the entertainment this year. We have added an additional catered dinner in addition to the banquet (by reducing the number of breakfasts). Please remember to bring items for the door prizes. Hoping to see you soon.

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at Sedalia International Rally

(Continued from page 1) Bell retired from pharmaceutical company Eli Lilly where he spent 33 years providing leadership for packaging projects around the world. He advanced to the position of Engineering Consultant. Bell has bachelor and masters degrees from Purdue University.

John Boutwell, from Calimesa, CA, was installed as International president at Sedalia. Boutwell is a past president of the San Fernando Valley Unit and Region 12. Boutwell is a native of Illinois and grew up in Grayville in the southeast part of the state.

Boutwell announced at Sedalia that the 2013 International Rally will be in Huron, SD. Huron is located 100 miles northwest of Sioux Falls, SD, location of the 2001 International Rally.

Region 5 had several award winners in contests at the International Rally.

The Illinois Lincolnland Unit won a first in the Bulletin Board contest in the Theme category. Other award winners were:

Anita Koch, Northern Illinois, 2nd, Crochet Small and 3rd, pinochle.

Brian McFarland, Northern Illinois, special recognition, Pet Show.



Illinois Lincolnland's winning entry

Bob Morrison, Northern Illinois, HM, Pet Show Obedience.

Carol White, Southern Illinois, 3rd,

Hobby Show handwork.

Doris Meier, Southern Illinois, 3rd, Hobby Show jewelry.

Central Indiana Uuit, 2nd, Unit Directory Loose Leaf.

George Phillips, Central Indiana, 3rd, Photography Scenic.

Mel and Glenda Wood, Illinois Lincolnland, 1st and 2nd, Duplicate Bridge 1 and 2 and 2nd overall.

Mel Wood, Illinois Lincolnland, 1st, Photography Airstream.

> 2nd Vice President To be named

1st Vice President To be named

Entertainment, tours Region 5 Rally highlights

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will be "Hog-Eye Navvy", a group that performs Celtic and folk music.

Tours scheduled for Thursday morning include The Kelley Agricultural and Historical Farm; Summer Place, the "Back to the 50s" complex that has been built behind a rural home north of Tipton that will include lunch; and the Kokomo Opalescent Glass factory.

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Scheduled in the afternoon are visits to a cannery, the House of Glass in Elwood and a movie in the theater that is part of the Summer Place complex.

A catered dinner will be served one evening that will be in addition to the Saturday evening banquet. Everyone is encouraged to dress appropriately for the Fall Festival theme of the rally at the Saturday banquet.

Also scheduled will be seminars on Friday and the popular flea market on Saturday. The Hospitality Center will be open Friday and Saturday in the 4-H Building for socializing, popcorn and cookies and playing games.

74 attend Region 5 lunch at Sedalia International

The Region 5 luncheon at the Best Western State Fair Inn at the Sedalia International Rally was attended by 74 members and guests.

Jim Haddaway, past Region 5 and International president, presided at the dinner.

Haddaway presented merit awards to the Region 5 Units., Superior awards went to the Central Indiana, Illinois Lincolnland, Kentucky, Southern Illinois and Southern Indiana Units. The Indiana and Northern Indiana Units received Merit awards.

President Louise Humble spoke and received a standing ovation for her leadership over the last two years.

The Northern Illinois and Southern Illinois Units were recognized for renewing all members who joined in 2011.

Region 5 had no vice presidents to install, still looking for members to fill the First Vice President and Second Vice President slots. Haddaway introduced incoming President Barry Bell's staff and spoke about the need for leadership to step forward in the Region.



Region 5 is introduced at the opening ceremony at the International Rally in Sedalia. President Louise Humble and husband Jerry are on the stage with First Vice President Barry Bell carrying the flag. Region 5 Unit presidents stand in front of the stage.

Computerfest at Tipton Fairgrounds Sept. 9-11

The Region 5 Computerfest, one of the longest running and best computer rallies in the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, will be returning to the Tipton County Fairgrounds for the 2012 event, scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 9 through Tuesday, Sept., 11.

The rally will once again be staged in conjunction with the Region 5 Rally, which will be at the Tipton County Fairgrounds Wednesday, Sept, 12 through Sunday, Sept, 16.

This will be the 29th Computerfest and a return to the Tipton County Fairgrounds where it was held annually when sponsored by the Indiana Unit. Region 5 took over the Rally in 2007 and merged it with the Region 5 Rally, that year held in Rantoul, Ill.

Another great Computerfest Rally is being planned by the sponsoring committee with two days of seminars and plenty of time for one-on-one sessions.

The Tipton Fairgrounds is a perfect location for the Rally with outstanding facilities. The 4-H Building, where the Rally will be conducted, has electrical outlets around the entire interior walls, minimizing the need for extension cords. Each participant will have half of an eight-foot table to set up computer, printer, etc. The building will be locked at night so equipment can be left overnight.

Some of the other highlights of this Computerfest will be:

-Wi-Fi service will be available in the 4-H Building at all times.

- The facilities for parking at the Tipton Fairgrounds are excellent, The parking spots are within easy walking distance to the 4-H Building.

-The event will kick off with the annual Pizza Party in the 4-H

29th Computerfest Rally, Region 5 Tipton County Fairgrounds, Tipton, Indiana Sun. Sept. 9-Tuesday, Sept. 11 Last_____ First _____ Spouse_____Guest(s) _____ Street City_____State Zip Phone Handicap Parking Yes No WBCCI No. Unit Region **RALLY REGISTRATION FEE** Trailer/Motorhome – 2 persons \$ 60 \$ 55_____ Trailer/Motorhome-1 person Additional persons each \$10 Pizza party (optional) ____ persons at \$7.50 \$ TOTAL Mail registration (including SASE for receipt), with check payable to "Region 5, WBCCI" to Ron Gordy, Region 5 Treasurer, 202 McCutcheon Dr., Lafayette, IN 47909. Full refund cancellation accepted until Sept. 1.

Building at 5:30 p.m. Again the pizza will be brought to the Fairgrounds. Soft drinks will also be provided. Bring your table service.

-We will again have the scrumptious breakfasts Monday and Tuesday at 8 a.m. in the 4-H Building, provided by Bob Green and his crew.

-The two full days of seminars arranged by Gordon White are listed in the schedule of events below. An additional starter will be a Computer Technology handout and a follow-up question and discussion session.

-The Comminity Center will be open in the evenings for one-on-one sessions and computer use.

2012 Computerfest Rally **Tipton County Fairgrounds** Sun., Sept. 9 - Tuesday, Sept. 11

Sunday, Sept. 9

5:30 p.m. - Pizza Party. Ticket required.

7:00 p.m. – One-on-one sessions

Monday, Sept. 10

8:00 a.m. - Breakfast (pancakes and sausage). Ticket Required. Bob Green and Crew. Bring your own table service. Coffee, orange juice and milk provided.

9:00 a.m. - Welcome, Introductions and Overview -Bill Schrader and Gordon White

9:15 a.m. - Seminar I - Your Questions & 'Hopefully', Our Answers – Gordon White

10:00 a.m. - Break

10:30 a.m. - Seminar II - Pictures - Don Grayson, Central Indiana Unit

12:00 noon – Lunch on your own

1:00 p.m. - Seminar III - Genealogy 101 and the World Wide Web – Gordon White

2:15 p.m. - Break

2:30 a.m. - Seminar IV - Dealing with e-mail attachments: sending and/or receiving - Gordon White, Southern Illinois Unit

5:00 p.m. -- Dinner on your own

7:30 p.m. – Building open for one-on-one sessions

Tuesday, Sept. 11

8:00 a.m. - Breakfast (biscuits and gravy with fried potatoes). Ticket Required. Bob Green and Crew. Bring your own table service. Coffee, orange juice and milk provided.

9:00 a.m. - Seminar VI - New wbcci.net website -Carolyn Beardshear, Central Indiana Unit

10:15 a.m. - Break

10:30 a.m. - Seminar VII - The WBCCI Website Tips and uses - Carolyn Beardshear, Central Indiana Unit

12 noon – Lunch on your own

1:00 p.m. Seminar VII Questions Not Answered and/ or Questions from Previous Sessions

2:00 p.m. - Seminar VIII -- Wrap-Up Session. Time to address issues that have come up during the Computerfest and/or Suggestions for next year's Computerfest

5:30 p.m. - Region 5 Rally early arrival dinner. All Computerfest attendees are invited. Bring table service and a dish to share.