NEWSLETTER OF THE CENTRAL INDIANA AIRSTREAM CLUB "FROM THE HEART OF INDIANA"



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# FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Hey there 'streamers'n'dreamers. Donna and I enjoyed being home for the holidays and were glad to see 14 other happy members at the January luncheon.

Conversation ranged from where tractor shows will be in Florida to the fantastic "Caravan book" that was created by a caravan friend of the Deegans. (Mary Ellen and John went on a 29 day caravan with 20 units along the Mississippi river. They had a great time and highly recommend the caravan).

For the members attending the February luncheon, ask the cashier which room is reserved for the club. Please stay warm and safe.

Charlie

### CIAC Calendar

#### Winter Luncheons, MCL Cafeteria and Bakery, 2370 W 86th Street, 11 a.m. February 2, 2019, March 2, 2019, April 6, 2019

Our winter luncheons are an opportunity to stay in touch with friends through the off-season. They are very casual, no reservations required. We meet in the lobby. For more information contact Charlie Mason at <u>mason.charles@comcast.net</u>.

May 3-5, 2019, Season Opener Weekender, Brown County State Park, Buffalo Ridge Loop, Electric, Sites 32 thru 52. Brown County in May is beautiful, with blooming redbud and dogwood trees and all those lovely mushrooms! We have campfires each night, usually a pitch-in dinner, and lots of hiking, bicycling, shopping in Nashville - this rally is always wonderful after a long winter. There are still a few spots available! RESERVATIONS SHOULD BE MADE NOW FOR THIS RALLY, at reserveamerica.com. A reminder - if you have a reservation for this - or any - rally, and you have to cancel, please get in touch with the rally host first. There may be another club member that would like to have your spot. For more information contact Charlie Mason at mason.charles@comcast.net.

June 5-9, 2019, Meet Me in Montague Rally, Montague, MI. All full hookup sites are spoken for. There has already been one unit move from the wait list to a reserved spot, so if you would like to come please let us know. Also there is one site available that will accommodate a smaller trailer (28' or less), has only water/electric, and is slightly removed from the rest of the group. The fee is the same. If you would like that site let me know. Email Ken and Sandy Langell, kslangell@me.com. REMINDER: Kitty fee of \$260 (for two) must be paid by April 15. Please send your check to: Ken and Sandy Langell, 29129 Johnston Rd., Lot 11-28, Dade City, FL 33523.

## July 20-27, 2019, International Rally

Do you think you would like to .....

See where Stonewall Jackson fell and see where his arm was buried? (Chancellorsville battlefield)

Experience what it felt like to be a Marine fighting in Korea or Viet Nam – including the climate in each place (National Museum of the Marine Corp)

Listen to Patrick Henry's "Give Me Liberty or Give Me Death" (reenactment in St. John's church where it originally took place)

Visit William Henry Harrison's plantation (Berkeley Plantation)

Immerse yourself in both sides of Civil War history (Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Richmond, Petersburg, and probably 100 other battle sites)

Follow the route taken by John Wilkes Booth as he made his escape and traveled to his death in Caroline County)

See the Airstream trailer used as a Mobile Quarantine Facility after the 1969 moon landing (Udvar-Hazy National Air and Space Museum)

Visit slave quarters at Thomas Jefferson's Monticello

If these sound like things you would like to do, you MUST come to the 2019 International Rally in Doswell, WV! Planner extraordinaire Ann Newman, (former CIAC caravan chairman, now Virginia resident) tells me these sites will be offered on rally tours this year.

See <u>https://doswell.wbcci.net</u> for information and registration. Internationals are the highlight of the year, and if you have never been before and have questions about how it works, please contact Charlie and Donna Mason, or any of our other members, to get answers.

**August 16-18, 2019, Buddy Rally**, Mounds State Park, Anderson, In. Electric Sites 30 thru 35 or 40 thru 48 Our bylaws allow us to hold Buddy Rallies twice a year. This is your opportunity to invite a non-Airstream camping family to find out what all the fuss is about! Buddy Rallies are intended to introduce prospective members to the club and to Airstream, in the hope that they might purchase an Airstream and become members. Each member may invite one RV family to attend the rally. **IT'S ALMOST TIME TO MAKE RESERVATIONS FOR THIS RALLY. MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR FEB 16!** This is a very popular, and not very large park, so don't miss making your reservation as soon as possible. reserveamerica.com.

#### **REGION 5 RALLY**

#### September 4-8, 2019 THIS IS A DATE CHANGE FOR REGION 5 RALLY!!

Region 5 President Bob Whitesell tells me the Region 5 Rally will be held at the Lee County Fairgrounds, near Amboy, Illinois. He has changed the date from September 18-23 to September 4-8, 2019. Please change your calendar accordingly.

**October 18-20, 2019, Weekender and Annual Business Meeting,** Versailles State Park, Electric "C" campground, Versailles, In. Sites 209 thru 214 or 219 thru 224. Reservations may be made beginning in April 2019.

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### **NEW BADGES**

Is your WBCCI membership badge turning yellow? Does your membership badge have the old club logo on it? We can fix that!

Your unit has also changed it's official name to Central Indiana Airstream Club! Does your badge still say Central Indiana Unit? We can fix that!



If you would like a new badge, you can contact Damon Beals

(317-696-8215) or email <u>damon.beals@gmail.com</u>. The badges are \$2.50 each, plus postage, or I can bring them to a event or Rally and save the postage.

### **NEW WEBSITE ADDRESS**

In the next few weeks, all the units within Region 5 will be changing the URL of their websites. The club is moving to <u>airstreamclub.net</u>! So if you can't find our website, try the new URL!

CENTRAL INDIANA AIRSTREAM CLUB Old: <u>centralind.wbcci.net</u> New: <u>CentralIndiana.Airstreamclub.net</u>

Region 5 Old: <u>region5.wbcci.net</u> New: <u>region5.airstreamclub.net</u>

All of the units in the club are moving, but in phases, and now it is Region 5s turn. The club hopes to have all the Unit websites moved before the International Rally in Doswell.

### MEMBERSHIP STARS?

Some of the newer members to the club might wonder, what are those stars next to some people's big red numbers? The stars represent 5 years of membership in the WBCCI.

In the past the member had to ask for stars, but I'm hoping we can start a new tradition in our Unit, and reward our members who have reached 5 more years of membership. I will mail stars to those members.

In 2019, ten members are getting stars.

5 Years: 3631 Darryl & Denise Baldwin 25942 Sammie & Wendy Bracken 08441 Chris & Stefanie Dillow 03951 Randy & Patti Frey 01486 Vincent & Janet Rose 03543 Fred Shirley

10 Years: 05442 James & Sue Fuller 03281 Steven Mentz 01854 Theresa & Greg Sherley

25 Years: 02758 Don & J'nann Grayson

For those members who have never received stars, please contact me, and I will be happy to mail your stars. Or see me at a upcoming Rally or event I will try to keep a few on hand.

Damon Beals, Membership

# MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

This month we are visiting with Don and Lana Russel.



Don and Lana have enjoyed camping most of their married life. As with most, it all began with a tent, progressed to a pop up, and then a trailer. Their first Airstream came in 2009 with a 1978 20' Argosy Minuet. In 2011 they upgraded to a 2007 25FB. In 2018 for their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary, they ordered a 2018 28' and watched it go through the line at

the factory, and named it Ruby, the traditional 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary gift. They are sure this is the best fit for them and spend about 6 months out of the year traveling with it in tow.

They have a son who lives in Boulder, CO and a daughter and her family who live in Portland, OR, so many of their destinations include a visit westward. They have two grandsons, ages 17 and 2, with whom they also love to share their life.

Don is semi-retired from the IT company he formed in 1994. He kept about a dozen accounts who still keep him active in the field. Lana is a retired public school teacher who spent most of her 25 years teaching 6<sup>th</sup> grade. She is now able to indulge herself in her hobby of quilting full time. She has taken over Don's office with her sewing and quilting machines and left him with a very small corner! She recently became a national educator for Handi Quilter, a company who manufactures long arm quilting machines. She works quilt shows and quilt shops demonstrating quilting techniques.

They both enjoy meeting and making new friends so the door is always open!

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Until next month - Keep the Shiny Side Up!