

the *Ticker*

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FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Hello from Florida! I've been told that 19 folks attended the December luncheon. That's great! I'm sorry to have missed it, but Donna and I plan to be there for the January get together.

I want to thank those who donated food and/or money and thanks to Dan and Don for volunteering to collect and distribute. WBCCI and the Central Indiana unit have a long history of donating time and money for many worthwhile causes. I'm glad our current members see fit to carry on!



Please register to camp with us next summer. Since we'll be in state parks, reservations can be made up to six months in advance. I know some parks fill up quickly, so reserve early and if you should need to cancel, let me know asap, another member may be able to take that site. As always, shiny side stays up and

Best Wishes for a MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

CIAC Calendar

Winter Luncheons, MCL Cafeteria and Bakery, 2370 W 86th Street, 11 a.m.

January 5, 2019

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 mason.charles@comcast.net.

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. **Buffalo Ridge Loop is filling up! RESERVATIONS SHOULD BE MADE NOW FOR THIS RALLY, at reserveamerica.com.**

June 5-9, 2019, Meet Me in Montague Rally, Montague, MI. All full hookup sites are spoken for. There is still one site available - it has only water and electric. We will keep a wait list, and there is almost always a cancellation or two, so if you would like to come please let us know. Email Ken and Sandy Langell, kslangell@me.com.

July 20-27, 2019, International Rally in Doswell, Virginia See <https://doswell.wbcci.net> for information and registration. This will be a special International for CIA members, because the International President this year, Barry Bell, is from our unit. 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, for "the

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scoop". First Timers get a lot of special attention and the club does everything possible to make it enjoyable for you. **Remember - REGISTER NOW - it fills up.** As of 11/1/18 there were 660 trailers/rvs registered.

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. Reservations can be made beginning in February, at reserveamerica.com.

September 18-23, 2019, Region 5 Rally Save the Date! Location to be determined.

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.

From the Editor

Since there is not a lot of news for this month's Ticker, I'd like to use a little space to talk about service to the club. Our annual elections are in the fall, but it isn't too early to be letting the officers know if you are interested in serving on the board. If you aren't ready for a board position yet, there is always the opportunity to organize a rally or a caravan to one of your favorite spots. And every time we have a rally, the leader would be thrilled to have someone offer to manage a meal, plan some entertainment, or even help with parking.

Airstreamers are known nationwide for their volunteer attitude - let's keep it going at the local level, too!

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

WBCCI is home to extraordinary people, and we often don't have the opportunity to get to know them as well as we would like. Member Spotlight is designed to help us get acquainted. This month we are visiting with Joe and Julie Ashland.



Joe and Julie Ashland live in Plainfield. Married 30 years, they have two sons and a daughter, 4 grandchildren, and two dogs. Joe grew up in the Washington DC area and Julie is from Peru, Indiana. They met in 1987 when Julie was living and working in Baltimore, Maryland. A new job for Joe brought them to Indianapolis in 1995. Joe and Julie are both retirees of Eli Lilly and Company.

Joe camped as a kid in Boy Scouts. Julie's family camped when she was young, in a converted school bus. They took the plunge in June 2017 and purchased a 25 FB International Signature named "Archie" after Joe's maternal grandfather. They like the shorter length, look and layout of the 25-foot unit but do wish they had a bit more indoor seating and that the bed was not oriented with its head to

the side of the trailer! The dealer got them started and paid their first year of WBCCI dues. Their first trip with the club was the May 2018 Brown County weekender, and they attended the 2018 Wisconsin Dells rally.

2019 plans include the Brown County Weekender, Alumnapalooza, the Montague Michigan rally, and the International Rally in Virginia. Among Joe and Julie's favorite travel destinations are the Baltimore MD/Washington DC region and the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. When traveling we they enjoy visiting historic sites, old houses, museums, and antique stores. They always enjoy supporting local artists and artisans when on the road.

Joe and Julie's grandchildren all live close so they get lots of time with them. They have a shared interest in cooking. Julie's hobbies and interests include reading and doing many different craft projects. She loves Christmas and puts up over 10 trees every year. Joe is a bourbon enthusiast and is looking to develop some new interests in retirement.

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Reflections

Our "Reflections" columnist is on vacation this month, celebrating the holidays and preparing for her annual trek to sunny Florida. She wishes everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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Past Region 5 Secretary

Until next month - Keep the Shiny Side Up!