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FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Hello fellow "streamers"! I hope all are well. Thanks again to Chris and Stefanie Dillow and Don Russel for their service to our club and to Mary Ellen and John Deegan for their willingness to take on the duties of treasurer and 2nd vice president.

Our October weekender was rainy, sunny, steamy and lots of fun! We were able to have campfires on

Friday night, Saturday night and Sunday morning. (Have I mentioned that I like campfires?) Friday night you could've found us at Brunos for some great pizza. Saturday afternoon, between rain showers, several members explored the "Farm" that is in Prophetstown State Park. We were allowed to play the "player piano" in the 1920's farmhouse that had many period correct furnishings in each room. We could also buy farm grown meats and fresh farm eggs. A "HUGE" thank you to the Baldwins for hosting Saturday nights' chili cook-off/pitch-in/business meetings in their warm, dry garage. Congrats to Rachelle Swan for being voted "Best" chili (my sinuses are still clear!).

Elsewhere in the Ticker you'll find the schedule for 2019. I hope you will camp and have fun with the good folks in the CIAC.

Happy Trails - Charlie Mason, President, CIAC

CIAC Calendar

Winter Luncheons, MCL Cafeteria and Bakery, 2370 W 86th Street, 11 a.m. November 3, 2018 December 1, 2018 January 5, 2019 February 2, 2019 March 2, 2019 April 6, 2019 Our winter luncheons are an opportunity to stay in touch with friends

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 Electric Sites 32 thru 52. RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE IN EARLY NOVEMBER FOR THIS RALLY.

June 5-9, 2019, Meet Me in Montague Rally, Montague, MI. This rally is nearly full, but depending on the size of your rig, we may still be able to get you in. Contact Ken and Sandy Langell, <u>kslangell@me.com</u>.

July 20-27, 2019, International Rally in Doswell, Virginia See wbcci.org for information and registration. If you have never been to an International before and have questions about how it works, please contact Charlie and Donna Mason, or any of our other members, for "the scoop". Remember - **REGISTER NOW** - it fills up.

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.

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September, 2019, Region 5 Rally Time/place to be announced later by Region 5 President Chris Seplak.

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.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

This is a new feature of our newsletter, to help us all get better acquainted. In this edition, we visit our new Treasurer, Mary Ellen Deegan, and our 2nd Vice President, John Deegan.

John and Mary Ellen Deegan are from Fillmore, Indiana, a lake community in Putnam County about 50 miles west of Indianapolis. Married 48 years, they have two daughters, four grandchildren and a cat that doesn't like to travel. They both retired from careers in Information Technology - John managed Networks; Mary Ellen worked as a Project Manager.

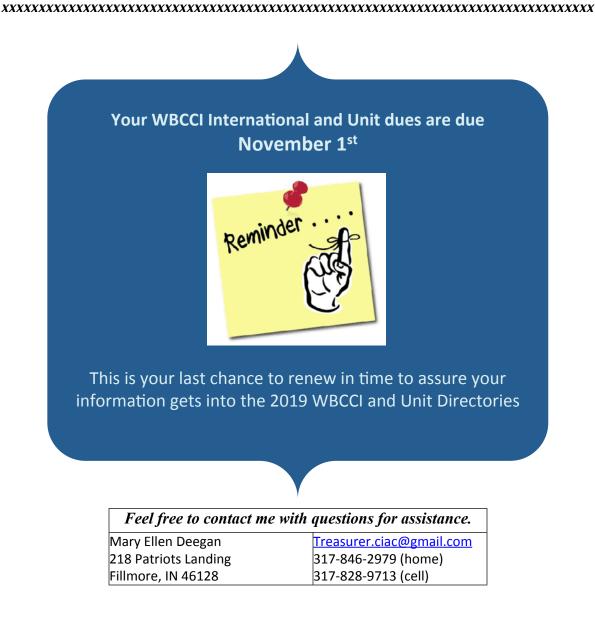
They love to travel, and just returned from their first WBCCI Caravan (Highway 61 Revisited). They also like to cruise and love Disney, having first visited Disney World in 1971. They plan to be at Fort Wilderness for



the Park's fiftieth anniversary in 2021. In addition to spending time with grandchildren and travel, John enjoys Ham Radio and volunteering with

several Boy Scout programs. Mary Ellen enjoys reading, sewing, quilting, and other craft hobbies.

They've owned their current Airstream, a 2017 26 foot Flying Cloud, for about a year and a half. This is actually their second Airstream, having refurbished a 26 foot 1960 in the 1970s and enjoying it for 10 years before selling it. John was very pleased with the recent WBCCI by-laws change allowing him to claim and display his parent's original Membership number 538 because of their status of having participated in one of the first WBCCI caravans.



Reflections

Last month I asked anyone that had an idea for an article in the Ticker to let me know. Patsy Marston has volunteered to share some of her experiences over the last 40 years in CIU. Those early members had a lot of good ideas about rallies and caravans - maybe we can pick up some new/old ideas!

This is the time of year when members that have graciously volunteered to host a rally, start making plans for next season. I can remember lots of great themes that we had for rallies in the past. It's always good to have a theme. I've found that even us old geezers have lots of fun wearing costumes. One great unit rally was our Mardi Gras Rally, which was held at the Fairgrounds at Noblesville, IN.

We wore costumes and even had a parade around the rally grounds, and threw beads and candy, mostly to each other. I had gotten the recipe for King Cake and given a copy to 3 or 4 women in the unit who had agreed to make a king cake. These are very special cakes made in New Orleans during Mardi Gras. There is always a small plastic baby, representing the Baby Jesus, baked in every cake. When the cake is served, if you get the piece with the baby, you have to throw the next party. The cakes are more like a coffee cake than a regular cake, and always have green, purple, and gold frosting. Airstreamers love to have fun, and eat, too, so the cake was a big hit.

When you are planning a rally, remember that the food is important, but more important are activities that everyone can enjoy. We have had bike tournaments, a game played by tossing washers at a target (before corn hole!), backing up contests with the wife giving directions to a blindfolded husband, even liar contests, and the just telling your favorite Airstream story time. Lots of good times at lots of good rallies. We had rain, mud, hail, no electricity, and we still had fun.

An old-timer friend of mine once told me that he had never attended a bad rally. That was Perry Lewellen, some of you might be old enough to remember him. He was a former Region 5 President, and International Treasurer, WW2 pilot, and a great guy. I've made lots of friends in 40 years in WBCCI and Perry and Anita Lewellen are on that long list of unforgettables. That's the wonderful part of owning an Airstream, belonging to Wally Byam Airstream Club and meeting new friends.

Patsy Marston 27333 Past President CIU Past Region 5 Secretary

Prophetstown Rally Recap



Don and Lana Russel were kind enough to send a report on the Prophetstown Rally! Although the weather was not cooperative, it was a great weekend, with lots of food and campfire time. Campfire breakfasts included bacon provided by Dillows and muffins and apple butter from Lana and Denise makes my mouth water!

Nancy's Cole Slaw

Nancy Ellis made this for the chili cook off at our Prophetstown Rally. It got a lot of compliments - here is her recipe!

1 pkg slaw 1 pkg ramen noodles, cooked ramen noodles seasoning packet 2 cans mandarin oranges, drained diced green pepper, as desired slivered almonds cole slaw dressing

Yum, yum!!

Fall 2018 Business Meeting

Sooner or later, every club worth it's salt has to hold a business meeting. At the Prophetstown Rally, we elected and installed new officers, and held a board meeting. Here are the minutes from the meeting, and our most recent treasurers report.

Bank Accounts			21-Oct-18	
	Checking Acct		\$2,984.47	
	Savings Acct		\$1,011.25	
		Total Bank Accts		\$3,995.72
	Pending Expenses:			
		The Caring Place (donation)	\$60.00	
		WBCCI Name Tags	\$49.34	
		Total pending expenses		\$109.34
Petty Cash				\$184.00
Total available cash:				\$4,070.38

Treasurer's Report, as of October 21, 2018

Fall Business Meeting of Central Indiana Airstream Club

Location: Prophetstown State Park (relocated to garage of Darryl/Denise Baldwin due to rain) Time: meeting called to order at 7:26 P.M., Saturday, October 06,2018

Meeting called to order by Pres. Chris Dillow. Members present: Rager, Swan, Baldwin, Cody, Ashland,

Beck/Ellis, Dillow, Hodapp, Mason and by phone: Langell.

Minutes of spring business meeting at Brown County State Park were read and accepted as read. No Treasurer report given (still in the black).

The new slate of officers for 2019 was presented and each elected unanimously by members vote.

Charles Mason-President Dan Beck-1st Vice President John Deegan-2nd Vice President Donna Mason-Recording Secretary Mary Ellen Deegan-Treasurer Darryl Baldwin-Trustee Denise Baldwin-Trustee

Oath was administered to all newly elected officers.

A thank you gift was presented to the Dillows.

Meeting adjourned at 7:46 P.M.

President Charles Mason called the meeting to order at 7:49 P.M.

New business:

The Michigan rally (June 5-9, 2019) only has 1 site available with the possibility of 2 additional sites. A waiting list will be started if needed. The sites are water and electric only.

Lana Russel asked about changing the Constitution so that "club" funds may be used for bereavement. The current process of "pass the hat" is unwieldy. Lana moved that \$60 per death be allotted for current members (those deceased in 2018). Monetary amounts for subsequent deaths of members to be decided by the club President. Motion was seconded and carried. Charles Mason moved that a (newly designed) CIAC flag be donated to Barry Bell (current International President and member of CIAC) for displaying on his motor home. Lana Russel seconded. Motion carried.

Sandy Langell reminded us that our Constitution changes must be submitted to WBCCI. Pres. Mason read a proposed schedule for 2019.

Donna Mason moved that Sandy Langell be appointed as editor of the "Ticker". Motion was seconded and carried.

Lana Russel moved that Chris Dillow be appointed to edit/maintain the club directory. Motion was seconded and carried.

Dan Beck stated that the club flag pole is missing the finial and asked if a new one can be bought. Chris Dillow volunteered to check with the flag store. Lana Russel will make a new carrying bag.

Sandy Langell suggested we provide new members present with info about what occurs at the International rallies.

Denise Baldwin moved to adjourn the meeting. Lana Russel seconded. Meeting adjourned circa 9:20 P.M.

Until next month - Keep the Shiny Side Up!