



# Region 4 WBCCI



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## President's Corner

Hello Region 4!

I hope everyone that went to DuQuoin had a great time and arrived home safely. I am recovering well from a recent knee replacement and looking forward to the upcoming rallies in region 4.

I would like to express the appreciation of Region 4 to John and Karen Turner for the outstanding job they did as President and First Lady of Region 4 the past two years. John and Karen gave us two great Region 4 Rallies at Wauseon and Van Wert and kept the region on an even keel financially. The Van Wert rally was particularly difficult due to the shortage of early reservations for the rally. John and Karen kept the faith and we had a terrific time in Van Wert.

Right around the corner is the All Units Michigan State Rally starting August 17<sup>th</sup> at the Kalamazoo County Fairgrounds. Planned for the rally are tours of the 110<sup>th</sup> Airlift Wing, the Fish Hatchery, and an Art

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**Museum. The Cotton Cloggers will be performing for your entertainment after a sell out appearance last year. We will have a picnic on Friday night and Larry has promised to cook. Don't forget to bring a stuffed animal for the donation that will be going to the Kalamazoo Police and Firemen.**

**Also coming up is the Swiss Festival National Rally starting September 24<sup>th</sup>. This rally always fills up, so if you haven't made reservations be sure to do so soon. The registration forms for The Swiss Festival and the Michigan All Units rally are both at the end of this newsletter along with contact information.**

**Unit Installations will be occurring soon and all the Region 4 officers are looking forward to conducting the installation ceremonies. Please be in touch with us to request an officer for your installation.**

**The 2012 Region 4 Rally will be in Coldwater Michigan, located near the southern border of Michigan, about midway across the state. We hope you will join us to "Spring into Summer in Coldwater." Please plan early and make your reservations as soon as you can. It is very important for us to know how many will be attending when we are setting up activities and facilities for the rally. We need your help by making your reservations early and you will save on the Rally fee if you make reservations by the end of February.**

**Safe Travels  
Karin**

## **Past President's Message**

**Hi everyone.**

**This is my first article as a Past-President of Region 4. It has been a great ride, and Karen and I have enjoyed it. We have met some great people at the rallies we have attended and we look forward to attending more as a past president.**

**There are so many of you that I need to thank for your contributions to the Region Rally. We could never have been able to do it without the help of the Region 4 Officers and the many chairmen that put so much of their time and energy into making the rally a success. I'm sure Karin Kurkowski would enjoy hearing from all of you about what you liked or disliked about the rally. It is really your rally we just pick the location, food, and entertainment.**





I would also like to thank all of the unit newsletter editors for keeping us informed on what is going on in your unit. I hope you will continue to send them to us, Karen and I enjoy reading them all.

Karen and I will be going back to the Cincinnati, Ohio Unit to host some rallies and help them get ready for the 2012 Tall Stacks Rally. Hope to see you there.

See you down the road. Drive safe! Hugs from Michigan 😊😊😊.

John and Karen



Photos from the 2011 Region 4 Rally at Van Wert courtesy of Bill Grawe

## 2011 Community Service at International

I would like to thank all of Region 4 for the wonderful help you gave Joyce Grawe at International on the Community Service project. I was unable to attend and all of you pitched in and "got er done" Thanks so much. Next year we will be collecting many of the same items, hats, stuffed animals, books, personal size soaps, powder etc., lap robes, food for the food pantry and animal shelter and cents for kids and knit hats. All your help will be appreciated. Janet Kendig



## Zip Dee

If you have a Zip Dee awning on your rig you will want to check out the instructions on the Zip Dee website. Zip Dee is very customer friendly and provides detailed instructions, diagrams, and parts lists. They have now added videos on operation, maintenance, and repair. If you have ever struggled putting up your awning you really need to check out the video on operation. After watching it you're going kick yourself for all the years of doing it the hard way! You can find the videos on YouTube – just search for Zip Dee on the YouTube website.

The screenshot shows a YouTube search for "zip dee". The search results display a list of videos from the channel "Awningsbyzipdee", which has 8 videos and is subscribed to. The videos listed are:

- Zip Dee Factory Window Awning Assembly (3:02, 58 views)
- Zip Dee Factory assembly of a Case/Fabric/Roller (4:27, 39 views)
- Zip Dee Awning Fabric Cleaning (1:52, 3,907 views)
- Zip Dee Awning Ratchet Stud Replacement (1:27, 2,202 views)
- Zip Dee Patio Awning Lubrication (2:43, 1,881 views)
- Straightening a Bent Zip Dee Awning Arm (1:47, 1,997 views)

Below the video list, there is a "Suggestions" section with three video thumbnails:

- "Are you lightning fast?" by mctorolav (1:03, 185,749 views, Promoted Video)
- "RV Secrets - What They Do Not Tell You" by ranger3354 (1:33, 60,112 views)
- "Brand NEW D9 Airstream" (partial view)

A large video thumbnail is also visible at the bottom left of the screenshot with the text "How to Operate Your Zip Dee Patio Awning".



## 2011 Region 4 Events

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Date	Event	Location
August 17 – 21, 2011	All Unit Michigan State Rally	Kalamazoo, MI
September 24 – October 1, 2011	Swiss Festival National Rally	Sugarcreek, OH

### 2012 Region 4 Events

May 22-27, 2012	Region 4 Rally	Coldwater, MI
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#### **Michigan All Units State Rally**

Included in this issue of the Region 4 Newsletter is the Registration form for the Michigan All Units State Rally. All Airstreamers are welcome to join the Michigan Units for a Good Ole Summer Time in Kalamazoo, August 17 – 21, 2011. Be sure to check the activities on the registration form.

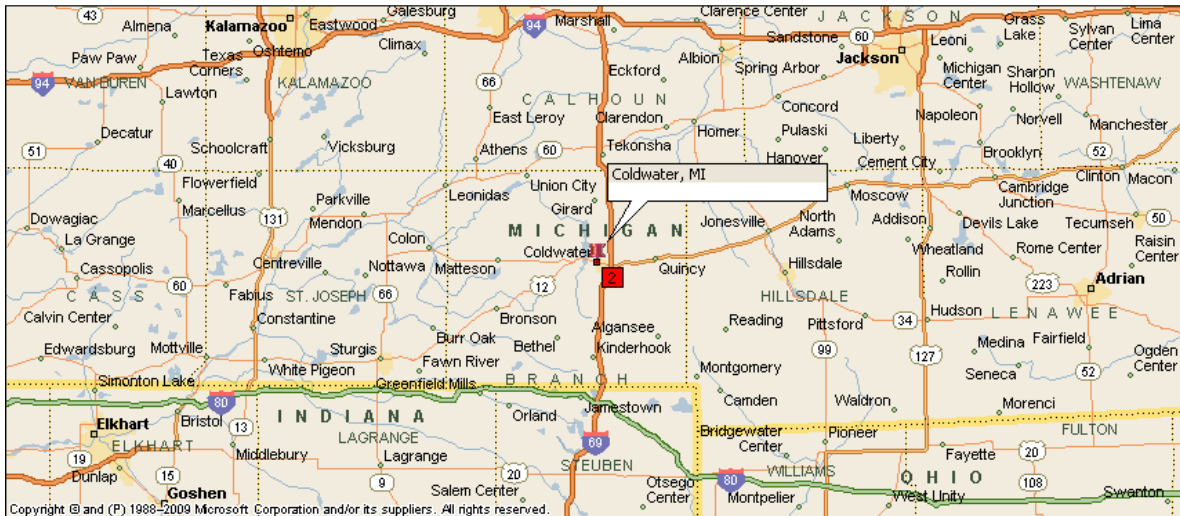
#### **Swiss Festival National Rally**

Also included in this issue of the Region 4 Newsletter is the Registration form for the Swiss Festival National Rally in Sugarcreek, Ohio. All Airstreamers are invited to join the Land-O-Lakes Unit at Winklepleck Grove, September 24 – October 1, 2011. Activities are highlighted on the form and more information is available at their website:

<http://www.swissnationalrally.com/index.html>

## 2012 Region Rally

In this issue of the Region 4 Newsletter you will find the registration coupon for the 2012 Region 4 Rally. The rally will be held in Coldwater, Michigan from May 22 – 27, 2012.



## Spirit of Cleveland Rally

The first annual Spirit of Cleveland National Rally was a major success prompting the Rally Chairmen to announce the 2012 rally will be held from June 6 – 10, 2012. The 2011 rally drew 84 Rigs with 180 plus attendees from over 25 WBCCI Units. The rally also attracted coverage by several Cleveland television stations with interviews of Tom Christopher and Bill (JJ) Johnjullo. Video of the interviews by WKYC channel 3 can be found at <http://www.wkyc.com/news/story.aspx?storyid=193326>



**All Unit Michigan State Rally  
 August 17 - 21  
 Kalamazoo County Fairgrounds  
 2900 Lake St, Kalamazoo Mi**

Join all the MI Units as we gather in Kalamazoo to celebrate the "Good Ole Summertime" in Michigan. Tours are planned to major attractions in the area and there are many to see in the unique area. A golf tournament, a picnic and youth activities (bring the grandchildren) are all part of the entertainment options. A swap meet and craft/hobby show are also planned.

We would like to collect small stuffed animals to donate to the Kalamazoo County Sheriff Dept and Fire Dept for their use when making calls of assisting at the scene of fires and accidents that involve young children.

The Rally officially opens at 4:00 pm on Wednesday, Aug 17, the rally fee includes 1 dinner and 1 full breakfast, hospitality each morning and evening. Early parking is available on Tuesday, Aug 16 for additional \$15.00 parking fee. A dinner is planned on Tuesday evening, early arrivals are welcome to join the dinner for \$3.00 per person.

Directions from east: Take I-94 west to Exit #81/downtown/Kalamazoo onto AmVet Memorial Pky (I94-BR W). Go 1.2 miles. Turn right on Olmstead Rd. Go 0.6 miles. Turn left on Lake St. Go 0.2 miles. Arrive at Fairgrounds on the left.

Directions from West, North and South: Take US 131 to I-94 east to Exit #80/Sprinkel Rd/Cork St. Go 0.3 miles. Turn left on S. Sprinkle Rd. Go 1.4 miles. Turn left on Market St. Go 0.5 miles. Turn right on Olmstead Rd. Go 0.6 miles. Turn left on Lake St. Go 0.2 miles. Arrive at Fairgrounds on the left.

GPS Location N42.27685 W085.54029

I want to join the fun - register me for the "In the Good Ole Summertime" All Unit Michigan State Rally.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Unit # \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Rally fee (Wed thru Sun)	
\$130.00 (2 adults)	\$ _____
\$100.00 (1 adult)	\$ _____
Child (6 -14) \$30.00	\$ _____
Optional Tues Night Parking \$15.00	\$ _____
Optional Tues dinner (5:30) \$3.00pp	\$ _____
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

Make checks payable to: WBCCI MI State Rally  
 Send registration form and check to: Ken Briggs, 2810 W Kinsel Hwy, Charlotte MI 48813



# Swiss Festival National Rally

"In the Heart of Amish Country"

SUGARCREEK, OHIO

SEPT. 24 - OCT. 1, 2011

Hosted by Land-O-Lakes of Ohio Unit for 49 years



**COME JOIN US FOR A FUN FILLED RALLY!** Park at Winklepleck Grove for 9 days of fun, excitement and new things to do. You will be provided with water, 3 amp. electric, nightly entertainment, and a wide choice of tours. Enjoy a game of golf at the 27 hole course adjacent to the park. Visit the many gift, antique and craft shops, and enjoy a delicious home cooked Amish dinner at a nearby restaurant.

**A DAY IN THE PARK** will feature a hobby show, golf tournaments, homemade ice cream, a ham and bean supper cooked over an open fire. Enjoy fresh popped popcorn daily. October 1<sup>st</sup> and October 2<sup>nd</sup> shuttle buses will take you to downtown Sugar-creek for the festival festivities.

### AREA INFORMATION

The area of Sugarcreek, Ohio is located in the rolling hills of Tuscarawas County, 8 miles west of Dover and 18 miles east of Millersburg on scenic Route 39 west of I-77. It is surrounded by a prosperous farming community, populated largely by the Amish people. With 17 Swiss cheese factories located in the area, Sugarcreek is recognized as the center of the Swiss Cheese Industry in the USA. The product of these factories is known far and wide as the finest Swiss Cheese made.

## Swiss Festival National Rally

SUGARCREEK, OHIO SEPTEMBER 24 - OCTOBER 1, 2011

Hosted by Land-O-Lakes of Ohio Unit

### Rally Activities included with fees

- Church Services
- Entertainment
- Tours
- Hobby Show
- Golf
- Flea Market
- Bean Dinner
- Putt Putt Ice Cream
- Amish Dinners
- Door Prizes
- Special Events

### Swiss Activities

- Parades
- Dancing
- Polka Bands
- Yodeling
- Wrestling
- Steintossen
- Alphorn Blowing
- Costumes
- Food
- Cheese

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/Other \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State/Province \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ WBCCI# \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Name \_\_\_\_\_

Motorhome \_\_\_\_\_ Trailer \_\_\_\_\_ 5th Wheel \_\_\_\_\_ Size \_\_\_\_\_

National Officer \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_ Region Officer \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

1<sup>st</sup> Timer \_\_\_\_\_ No. in Party \_\_\_\_\_ Adults \_\_\_\_\_ Children \_\_\_\_\_ Dog? \_\_\_\_\_

Handicapped? (Dr.'s slip, please) \_\_\_\_\_ Coming With Caravan \_\_\_\_\_

Hobby Show \_\_\_\_\_ Golf \_\_\_\_\_ Flea Market \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: WBCCI dues must be paid to attend the rally.**

**RALLY FEE: \$180.00 for 2 persons, \$140.00 for single, \$100.00 for extra adult. No charge for children under 18.**

**Register by April 1 and be eligible for a special drawing.**

**Cancellations: 10% Service Charge prior to August 31. After September 1 Refunds at Discretion of Chairman.**

**PARKING: Starts at 9:00 a.m. September 24, no early parking. Exception: caravans of 5 or more pre-registered may park 1 day early on Friday, September 23, 2011 until 3:00 p.m. Reservations guarantee parking.**

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: Swiss Festival National Rally**

**MAIL CHECK & COUPON TO:** Roland Jenkins  
366 Oakland Park Ave.  
Columbus, Ohio 43214  
Phone: 614-267-2658 - Cell: 614-327-0271 - Email: jenkinsre32@gmail.com

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE:**  
<http://www.swissnationalrally.com>

**ENCLOSE SASE FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**





**36th Annual  
Region 4 Rally  
May 22-27, 2012**



# Spring into Summer in Coldwater!

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Flea Market  
Sunday Worship*

Make your check payable to "REGION 4 WBCCI" and mail with bottom coupon to:

**Maury Runyan**

**1469 Trackwood Dr., Lapeer, MI 48446**



**RALLY PARKING ON MONDAY, MAY 21: 12:00-5:00PM**

LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ FIRST: \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE: \_\_\_\_\_

WBCCI # \_\_\_\_\_ UNIT: \_\_\_\_\_ UNIT # \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ # IN PARTY: \_\_\_\_\_ HANDICAPPED PARKING? \_\_\_\_\_

<b>RALLY FEES:</b>	<b>Pre Feb 29, 2012</b>	<b>After Mar 1, 2012</b>	<b>PAID</b>
<b>2 Persons:</b>	\$175.00	\$185.00	\$ _____
<b>1 Person:</b>	\$130.00	\$140.00	\$ _____
<b>Extra Adult/No RV:</b>	\$ 65.00	\$ 70.00	\$ _____
<b>Child (6-12 yrs):</b>	\$ 35.00	\$ 35.00 x _____	\$ _____





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