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President's Corner

From all of the units and officers of Region 4, we would like to thank Karin and Larry Kurkowski, again for their time and leadership over the past six years. It will be hard to follow in their footsteps; therefore, I can only say that I am going to try my very best. Thank both of you for all you have done for our Region.

Summer is over and school is back already. Fall installations are at hand. Be sure to support your unit by attending the installations, dinners and rallies. Take this time, as members, to join in with your help, ideas, and suggestions to the new officers. WBCCI is a volunteer organization and <u>you</u> make up the unit.

The Huron, South Dakota rally went very well. I'm sorry to say that there were quite a few that missed it. <u>Your friends missed you</u>. International is where you go to meet friends and spend time with people you know and don't know. The trailers are what you April 2013

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purchased to travel to seek adventure, to do something new and exciting. We are waiting for you to join us.

WBCCI has a new unit. We send our congratulations to "Down Under of Australia". There are a lot of members that would love to come visit you at your next meeting and we would love to have you visit us.

I would like to introduce Region 4 members to your new officers. Please feel free to call us with any ideas or plans you may like to share. We are open to any and all feedback as long as it is presented in a kind way. Remember, we are working for you.

<u>Marjorie & Guy Lotz</u>: We have been married for 55 years, have 3 sons, 7 grandchildren, and are starting on the Lotz's 4th generation. We live in Jackson Center, OH and are members of the Miami Valley Unit of Ohio. Before retirement, Guy was Vice President of Prodeva, Inc. We also own and operate our 235 acre farm. Many years ago, I worked for several years at Airstream but retired from the Ohio Department of Transportation. We purchased an Airstream trailer and van and joined WBCCI in 1996. Both of us have supported and worked at the International Rallies, Guy as Silver City Movers, and I the Flea Market. We enjoy traveling but especially we enjoy the people we meet and the friends we make.

<u>Gary & Cheryl Olinger</u>: Married in 1965, we have one daughter, Laura. We were instrumental in forming the First Family Consortium in Ohio which provided assistance for staffing to help handicapped individuals live independently. Today, 26 years later, our daughter has her own home, is employed and enjoys the support she needs to assure her quality of independent living. We bought our first Airstream in 2000 and joined the WBCCI Land-O-Lakes of Ohio Unit in 2001. Since 2001, we have attended 10 International, several State and National rallies in seven different regions, and two short caravans.

<u>Don & Marian Hetzler</u>: We have been married 46 years; we have three kids and six grandchildren. We have been members of WBCCI for 5 years. Don retired from the U.S. Air Force in 1984, and now calls Troy, OH home. Don's technology career included Computer Sciences Corporation Program Management. Marian worked for Chemsys Inc. supporting the Air Force Research Labs. We have traveled extensively in Italy, Japan, Korea, and Paris with short visits to Austria, Germany, Mexico, and Canada. Since retirement we have begun our quest to see our great country. We support the International Rally by working Registration, WBCCI Choir, and the Sign Committee.

In the next two years, your Region officers are looking forward to meeting all of the members of Region 4. To do that, you must attend your unit meetings and unit rallies ESPECIALLY THE REGION 4 RALLY IN LIMA, OHIO, next May.

"ALL ABOARD FOR REGION 4" Marjorie

It's a bird, it's a plane, no it's a flying Airstream!

The Military Loves Them

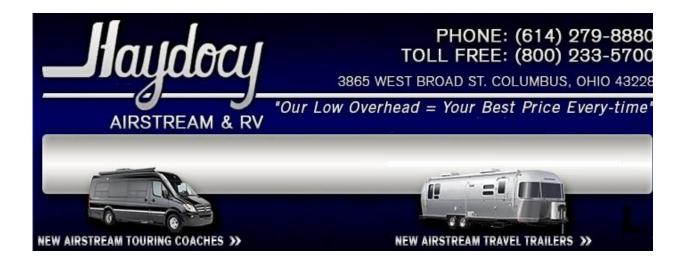
What's the best way for the Air Force to transport VIPs to farflung locations? Via Airstream, of course. As part of its "Silver Bullet" program, the Air Force Research Laboratories transformed a series of Airstream trailers into mobile communications modules. The trailers,



which are outfitted with at-home luxuries such as comfy couches and TVs, as well as a load of communications gear, are designed to fit inside Air Force cargo planes such as the C-17. Past and current Defense Secretaries Leon Panetta and Chuck Hagel have both served as passengers in these flying trailers.

From Forbes: http://www.forbes.com/sites/sethporges/2013/05/29/6-things-you-didnt-know-about-airstream-trailers/

New Airstream Dealer in Columbus



Gillette Wyoming 2014 International Rally

The International Rally for 2014 will be held June 28 – July 4, 2014 in Gillette, Wyoming. International President John Stumpf announced this will be a special rally for members that are Veterans:

"I hope that many of you will attend our 57th International

Rally next year in Gillette, Wyoming. We will honor all veterans, American and Canadian, who attend this rally. Every attending veteran will receive a special ribbon to attach to his or her badge with 'Veteran' on it. This is our way of thanking each veteran for their service to these great countries —America and Canada. Norm Beu will present a special program on MIAs at Gillette. June 27th will be Wounded Warrior night with Janie Haddaway as Chairman."

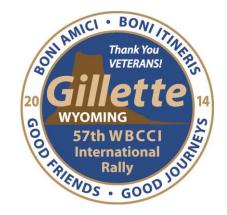
There's Airstreams in that there shale

As the quest for gas and oil in the shale plays of the Region 4 area proceeds, will we be seeing ads like this one looking for shale workers in a Texas play? For sale, \$7,200, San Antonio TX

Attention Eagle Ford Shale workers!

I have a 1977 Airstream for sale in Fowlerton. It has a kitchen bathroom with shower. The sofa turns into a queen-size bed and the dining room table is removable to convert the bench on each side into a queen-size bed. The trailor is 24 ft. long (not including the hitch area).I am ...





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2014 Region 4 Events

Date	Event	Location/Contact
May 19 – 25, 2014	Region 4 Rally	Lima, OH mlotz@ymail.com
June 28-July 4, 2014	WBCCI International Rally	Gillette, WY http://www.wbcci.org/home/rallies- caravans/international-rally
August 20-24, 2014	Michigan State Rally	St. Louis, MI dvbrnd1@aol.com
September 19 – 28, 2014	Swiss Festival National Rally	Sugarcreek, OH gbcribbs@yahoo.com

Photo Winners

At the Region Rally this year, Shryl Olinger again held a Photo Contest. The winners in the five categories are:

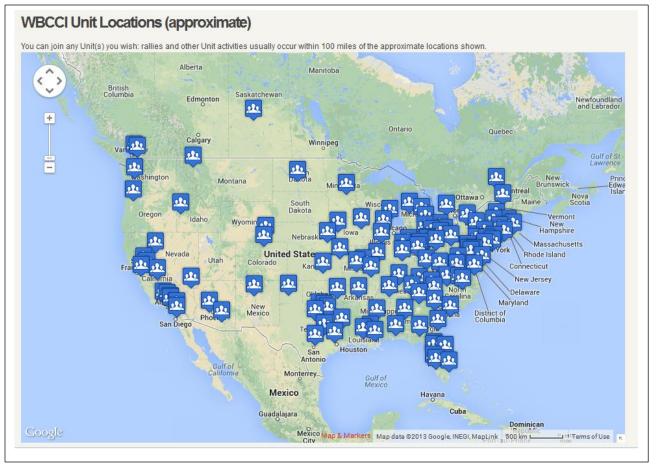
Enjoy the Great Outdoors 1 Gary Olinger Land-O-Lakes 2 Elaine Richardson Mahoning Valley 3 Don Hetzler Miami Valley

Region Rally Roaming 1 Jack Ketterer Akron 2 Elaine Ketterer Akron 3 Don Hetzler Miami Valley

It's a New Approach 1 Elaine Ketterer Akron 2 Laura Olinger Land-O-Lakes 3 Don Hetzler Miami Valley Green, Green1. Don Hetzler Miami Valley2 Jack Ketterer Akron3 Gary Olinger and Marian Hetzler (tie) LOL/Miami

Fun With Friends1 Jack Ketterer Akron2 Marian Hetzler Miami Valley3 Don Hetzler Miami Valley

ECC



The Electronic Communication Committee of WBCCI has been hard at work bringing us new ways to get our message out and keep our members up to date. Did you know they maintain a map of the US showing the location for WBCCI units? Clicking on the icons brings up information about the unit such as size and contact information. You can check it out here: <u>http://www.wbcci.org/club-information/unit-location-map</u>

The ECC will also assist with setting up Unit Webpages. Currently only six of the fifteen units in Region 4 have Unit Websites. ECC member Dwight Dixon recently mentioned that the "ECC is committed to helping units that do not have a .wbcci.net website to get theirs going." and that it usually only takes a short phone call to walk through the steps in starting a WBCCI web page for your unit. The Region 4 website is maintained by Dave Brett, member of the Mahoning Valley Ohio Unit. Dave will also be glad to help units get set up. He can be reached at region4@wbcci.net.

Recently the ECC leaked that they are about to announce a new addition – Integrated Google Calendars that will allow members to see Unit events throughout the country. For more information check the ECC webpage: <u>http://ecc.wbcci.net/</u>

Celebrity Airstreams

April 2013



Airstream trailers have been a staple in Hollywood, used by many studios and artists. Most of us know Matthew McConaughey has been an Airstreamer for years.

Recently Country Music star Miranda Lambert also had an Airstream rebuilt to her specifications by a pair of sisters that

do business as the Junk Gypsy Company. They took a 1953 Airstream Flying Cloud,

gutted it, and turned it into a "rockin', road worthy saloon on wheels." See what you think:











WALLY BYAM CARAVAN CLUB INTERNATIONAL, INC. 57TH INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION/RALLY JUNE 28 - JULY 4, 2014 • GILLETTE, WYOMING

REGISTRATION

Convention/Rally Fees for registrations received prior to January 1, 2014, will be \$495 for couples, \$395 for singles, and \$125 for each additional adult. Convention/Rally fees for the first 1000 to register include 30 amp electricity, water, and sewer (*No 3 amp electricity or generator section available*).

Rally Fees received after January 1, 2014, will be \$520.00 for couples, \$420 for singles, and \$135 for additional adults.

Through the courtesy of Airstream, Inc., all members pre-registering on or before January 1, 2014, will be eligible to participate in a drawing for **up to** a total of **\$2,000.00** in awards. The award may be redeemed at *any Airstream Dealership* or at the *Jackson Center Service Facility* for parts and service.

Free parking in the Bull Pen, <u>with no services</u>, is permitted only for the one night before your parking date. Additional nights in Bull Pen parking prior to your parking date will be at the rate of \$26.00/night, <u>with no hook-ups</u>.

FEE REFUND POLICY All convention/rally fee refund requests must be postmarked by <u>May 15, 2014</u>, and <u>must</u> include the complete pass receipt. All cancellations will be assessed a \$50.00 administrative fee. There will be no refunds if postmarked after May 15 except as approved by the International Rally Committee.

Convention/Rally Parking Pass Receipts will be mailed beginning <u>January 15, 2014.</u> Make checks payable to: WBCCI Mail to: WBCCI, P.O. Box 612, Jackson Center, OH 45334 Canadian Checks must be stamped "US Funds"

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□Airstream w/2 adults □Airstream w/1 adult	@ \$495.00 @ \$395.00	@ \$520.00			First International Staying Off Site		
Additional adult in Airstream		@ \$135.00			Bringing a Dog Vintage Parking		
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