

# STREAM'N & DRFAM'N

The newsletter for the Greater St. Louis Airstream Club

#### **May Rally**

Hickory Holler Campground in West York, IL hosted by John & Debbie Lang. May 19-21.

## Rock Springs International Rally

June 24-30.

#### **August Rally**

Big Creek RV Park in Annapolis, MO hosted by Kevin & Kathy Welsh. August 10-13.

#### **September Rally**

Ramsey Lake State Park in Ramsey, IL. September 14-17.

#### A Word from our President

A lot has been happening since my last newsletter with the Greater St. Louis Airstream Club! There are so many people that have pitched in to help make the Rally in Carthage, MO and the Region 8 Rally in Sabetha, KS huge successes.

First of all, I want to thank Rose and Drew Garland for hosting the Carthage, Missouri Rally at The Big Red Barn RV Park. Boy what a fun rally! The itinerary was wonderful, there was plenty of time built in that allowed exploration of



Carthage and Joplin areas. Kevin and I truly enjoyed the George Washington Carver Museum in Joplin. Carthage is a darling town with so much to offer. I think everyone agreed it was a great rally venue! The campground and owner, Theresa could not have been nicer or more accommodating. I know everyone enjoyed the warm cinnamon rolls provided to us by the campground. Kevin and I had a special surprise during this rally, our third grandchild was born! Molly Rose Welsh arrived on April 19, 2023 and we were over the moon!



Special thanks to Greg Vadner and Francis Vadner, Rick and Berta Everson and John and Debbie Lange for planning and helping to host the Region 8 Rally in Sycamore Springs at the Whitetail

Ranch. This was by far my favorite Region Rally! The venue was terrific - there were tons of fun things to do in this little "Mecca" in the cornfields of Kansas. The hosts worked hard to provide a wonderful event for us all!





A special thank you to Bill Thomas and his wife Nancy, Bradley and Billy Joe Eubank and many of the crew from The Bill Thomas Camper Sales Dealership for joining the rally. They provided parts and service for our campers (with no charge for service), they taught a much appreciated trailer back-up seminar to many of us ladies (and a few men). We enjoyed having the opportunity to enjoy meals and campfire time with them all! We are so fortunate to have this wonderful dealership part of the Greater St. Louis Airstream Club.

Thank you to Steve Mentz for doing a great job on the newsletters!

Each time we attend an event with the GSLAC, we make more friends and deepen our friendships with each other. This truly is a great club!

Kathy

## May Rally Information from John & Debbie Lange

Hi Everyone! We are excited you have signed up for therally at Hickory Holler Campground May 18-21, 2023.

The following are a few items you need to be aware of ahead of time:

1. Check in is 2:00 pm and your site is assigned. We'll have a copy of the campground map with your site highlighted and a member of the staff will take you to your site.

2. HAPPY HOUR on THURSDAY will be at 5:00 pm. Please bring your favorite beer, wine or other beverage for tasting. HAPPY HOUR will be at LANGE'S site #49. ALCOHOL IS NOT PERMITTED IN COMMON AREAS.

- 3. The SALAD POT LUCK DINNER will be at 6:00 following the Happy Hour at the Pavillion. Last names A-K bring your favorite salad and L-Z bring your favorite bread or dessert. You will need your own place settings/utensils.
- 4. Please have your completed Emergency Medical Form(s) in a sealed envelope and give to us upon arrival. The form is attached.
- 5. Please bring your check book to pay your \$11.00/pp rally fee with checks made payable to GSLAC. Checks will be collected at the potluck.

We look forward to seeing each of you at Hickory Holler!

John and Debbie Lange (J) 573-228-0349, (D) 573-881-3844

## **May Rally Itinerary**

THURSDAY, May 18

Arrival Day! Check in time 2:00 pm 5:00-6:00 Happy Hour at Lange's site 49 - Beer and Wine Tasting.

REMEMBER - NO ALCOHOL WILL BE PERMITTED IN PUBLIC AREAS OF CAMPGROUND.

6:00 Salad Potluck - A-K bring salad, L-Z bring favorite bread or dessert - Bring your own place settings and beverages (non-alcoholic).

Dusk - campfire (location to be announced).

FRIDAY, MAY 19

8:00 Coffee/Pastries @ Lange's Campsite #49 (Leave campground by 10:30)

11:30-12:45 Lunch @ Grand Travers Pie Company, Terre Haute, IN

1:00 - 3:00 Tour at Candles Holocaust Museum, Terre Haute, IN (\$5.00/pp admission)

Dinner on your own Dusk - Campfire

SATURDAY, MAY 20

8:00 Coffee/pastries at Lange's Campsite Free Day (Area activities will be available) 10:00 -1:00 Optional Hike by

Rose and Drew Garland @ Lincoln Trail State Park with optional Tour/Lunch in Marshall, IL (Rose tells us this town is worth seeing!)

5:00-6:00 Tire Seminar @ Pavilion by Rick Everson

6:00 Dinner catered by Back Porch BBQ, Robinson, IL - Bring your place settings and beverage

7:00 Bingo/Games/Cards in Pavillion

(Please bring a wrapped "prize" to donate to Bingo)

**Dusk Campfire** 

SUNDAY, MAY 21

8:00 Coffee/Pastries at Lange's Campsite Departure by 1:00 pm.

#### Information on the Hike on Saturday From Rose:

We will hike the Airstrip Trail at Lincoln State Park on Saturday. The Airstrip trail is 3-miles long and it is level! The trail used to be an airplane landing strip in 1975. We will need to carpool because there are not many parking spots, maybe 6. We are NOT ALLOWED to park on the road leading to the trailhead. After we hike, we can visit Marshall, Illinois. It is a nice town with a vibrant downtown area. There are decorated lion statues throughout the area in honor of their school mascot.

## Welcome to GSLAC!

The following are new members of the club since the beginning of 2023. We are glad to have you join the club!

Leslie Edge and Llana Winchester, BRN 09281

Bradley and Billy Jo Eubank, BRN 02141

Patrick and Carol McManus, BRN 07596

Jill Young, BRN 03127 (Affiliate from Tidewater, VA)

Charles (Chris) Shotton and Ilona Baumhofer, BRN 03338



## **Looking Ahead...**

- The new gathering site for the International Rally in Rock Springs, WY is: White Mountain Mall, 2440 Foothill Blvd., Rock Springs, WY 82901 Any questions? Contact Joe Hauser at 636-278-0535
- August Rally, YOU NEED TO CONTACT BIG CREEK RV PARK at 573-598-1064 by JUNE 15, 2023 to make your
  reservations if you are interested in attending the rally.
  - The August Rally is shaping up to be a lot of fun. I have scheduled a four-course meal with entertainment at Thee Abbey on Saturday Night, August 12. The tickets will be \$45.00 + tax. Thee Abbey is under new management and is working on getting a liquor license if they do not have it, beverages of your choice can be brought into the dinner.
  - There will be a docent-led tour by the man who made a documentary for PBS of the St. Joseph Mine Museum on Friday afternoon. Cost will be \$4.00/pp
  - I'm working on getting a food truck in for Friday evening more information to come.
  - My friend Sonya who is a certified yoga instructor will be available to teach a gentle stretch class on Friday and Saturday.
- September Rally Ramsey Lake State Park, Ramsey Lake Road, Ramsey, IL. We have a group camping site with a pavillion. The group campgrounds has 29 sites, 3 with 50 amp service and the rest 30 amp service. Sites are \$20/night. All sites will be paid for by Jane Bartlett, our treasurer, we will all reimburse her when we arrive and choose our site.
  - Contact Jane (573-578-0435) to reserve your site DO NOT contact Ramsey Lake State Park for reservations.
  - Hosts: Hugh and Jane Bartlett

### **Odds and Ends:**

- Don't forget to bring those Emergency Forms (attached) for each person when attending a rally. Place the forms in a sealed envelope with your name and BRN (Big Red Number) on the outside of the envelopes. The envelopes will be given to your hosts and returned to you at the end of the Rally.
- Please consider putting your Big Red Numbers (BRN) on your rig or on a piece of plexiglass that can be
  placed in the front window. The numbers are important if there should be an emergency the numbers
  help first responders find your trailer.
- Please take the time to RSVP to the rally hosts after you make your reservations. It is important so they know who will be there and to plan accordingly.

• Please watch the videos on the ACI.org website on the Candidates for Executive Council. One of our wonderful affiliate members is one of the candidates! Voting begins June 1-15. THIS IS SO IMPORTANT!

• If you are interested in owning a GSLAC flag, contact Jane Bartlett at elginmj@gmail.com or text or call 573-578-0435. Cost is \$140.00/each.









#### Club Officers:

- Kathy Welsh, President
- Berta Everson, 1st, VP
- John Lange, 2nd VP
- Hugh Schuetz, 3rd VP

- Lyn Heald, Recording Secretary
- Jane Elgin Bartlett, Treasurer
- Steve Mentz, Newsletter