# WISC-UP



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#### **Upcoming Events**

2023 WISC-UP Luncheons,
Zoom Meetings and Rallies
(Click above to go to website
for more information about our
events. Or click the individual
links below!)

June 24-30 International Rally in Rock Springs, WY Rally Info & Registration

July 20-23 <u>Cherry Picking Rally in Southern Door County</u>
(<u>Kriss and Kathy Williquette</u>; <u>Ed and Sandy Emerick</u>)

# A Message From President

Bree

(BRN 2878)



When we were new owners

of our 1984 Sovereign, we would load up the camper and take off. We did a few mechanical checks and definitely did not hook up the water to test for leaks. As you can imagine this led to some very interesting trips. We visited hardware stores all over the country to make parking lot repairs. Now we always take a shakedown trip to make sure our Airstream is stocked and everything is in proper working order. We had our scheduled first trip of the season at a favorite campground less than 2 hours away. Even though we have fine tuned our packing, meal, and maintenance lists, I still find it so helpful to have a shakedown trip booked. This summer threw us a curveball though. We bought a new house and had to sell our house in a week. So our first trip of the season was moved up and now it was a necessity to get out of the house so our house would stay perfect for showings. We were not prepared to camp at all! I didn't check anything off of a list and hoped the kids knew what to pack when they were sent to their rooms to get ready. We threw this trip together and lucked into a cancellation at a campground just 10 minutes away from our house. Yes, we

## **Upcoming Events (Cont.)**

August 3-6 <u>Kids, Kids, Kids</u>
<u>Rally</u> Indian Trails
Campground (<u>Meghan Lee</u>
and <u>Zach Lee</u>)

August 17-20 Monroe County Cheese Rally, Green County Fairgrounds (Linda and Charlie Meinholz)

Sept 15-21 <u>Region 7 Rally</u> Wisconsin Riverside Resort (<u>Ginger Slattery</u>)

October 5-8 <u>Fall Business</u> <u>Meeting and Rally, Skillet</u> Creek Campground. Baraboo WI (<u>Tim and Patti Valenza</u>)

# A Message From **President Bree**

(BRN 2878) (Cont.)

did end up coming home at night to grab blankets, towels, and even shoes. Somehow we managed to survive without so many things we usually need. We had fun and relaxed time after a stressful week of prepping a house to sell. Even though I prefer my shakedown trips and lists, it was kind of fun to just pick up and go. As we pack for our trip to Rock Springs, Wyoming for the 66th International Rally, I am thinking about our last trip and I know we will have blankets, towels, and hopefully shoes, however I guarantee we will forget something. It happens and I know we will have fun along the way no matter what goes wrong and how many things have been forgotten.

Hope to connect with many of you this summer.

Bree and Charlie Lawrence (BRN 2878)







#### Membership News

Pattie Cook (BRN 22562)



Welcome to our newest member of the Wisc-UP Airstream Club:

Andy and Susan Schmidt BRN 3193 Menomonee Falls, WI

If you have any membership questions, Pattie is our Membership Chair.
Her email is: pattiecook@new.rr.com



# **Message From the Editor**

Ed Emerick (BRN 4425)



Your efforts are being recognized! Our members are becoming famous throughout the ACI! Your articles and photos are being talked about all over the country and we can't thank you enough! In a Facebook post, President Bree provided the following from the International Rally in Rock Springs:

"I wanted to give a huge THANK YOU to Ed Emerick & Sandy Emerick! Thank you as well to everyone that submits pictures, stories, and your valuable knowledge. Our newsletters are a true passion project and you see the love of all things Airstream when you read them. We have received kudos from Hedda Smithson who is WBAC Publications Chair and Club President, Eric McHenry. They love our enthusiasm and all of the information in the newsletters!"

What Sandy and I want you to know is that you, the membership, are the content providers. Without your contributions, this newsletter would not exist. All of your efforts are what makes this a newsletter. We are just happy to be able to have something to put together and share.

Now with all of that said, put your fingers to the keys and the camera to your eyes and share your Airstreaming life.

**OUR MEMBERS NEED TO KNOW!** 



#### Region 7 Vintage Airstream Club Representative Needed

Region 7 is in need of a new VAC representative. I have been the rep for the past couple of years but need to move on.

The duties of the Region Rep include representing the Region at VAC events, coordinating vintage rallies in the Region and help communicate with other vintage enthusiasts.

If you are interested please contact me at: edward.emerick@gmail.com

# Our Members' Adventures and Activities

Happy 80th Birthday to Stan Schwenke!

(BRN 9112)

Join me in wishing long time member and ACI Life Member Stan Schwenke a happy 80th birthday!

Some of you may not know it, but Stan (better known as "Bumpy", his Show Biz

name) was part of an acrobatic act with his family members. They would travel the country in their Airstream performing on various stages including the Ed Sullivan Show! Here is a photo of Stan Schwenke holding up the pyramid. His sister Sandy Houge (BRN 6188) is on the side and Jon Schwenke is standing on Stan's shoulders. The Bumpy Family!





#### **Wisc-Up Events**

We Rally Together

Southern Door County Cherry Picking Rally

Countryside Motel and RV Sites, Sturgeon Bay WI July 20-23

#### UPDATE!!

Our rally is currently at capacity, with a waiting list. If you are interested in attending, call the campground and have your name added to the list. If you are already registered and cannot attend, please call the campground to cancel your reservation and we can notify the next person waiting! Your rally fees will be refunded.

#### Rally Information Here

If you have any questions, please contact Sandy.

Countryside Motel and RV Sites 920-824-5309

Sandy Emerick
920-475-7893
semerick4425@gmail.com

### Wisc-Up Events

We Rally Together

Kids, Kids, Kids Rally

Indian Trails Campground, Pardeeville, WI. August 3-6

Continue enjoying some summer fun with us at Indian Trails Campground in Pardeeville, WI at Indian Trails Campground for the Kids Rally. This weekend will be Pirate themed and include a cardboard boat race, parade, and treasure hunt. There's sure to be something for everyone whether you are a fisher, golfer, BMX rider, mountain biker, swimmer or adventurer. The campground has many amenities including four playgrounds, mini golf, hiking trails, a two-beach lake with many jumping pillows and other inflatables, two pools, game room, and snack bar.

In addition to all of the activities provided by the campground, join us for campfires, movie night, and lots of swimming. We will gather in the mornings for coffee, a breakfast, a potluck meal, and a town outing for BBQ and Ice Cream at Johnny B's Rolling Smoke and Carol's Cones.

We have 2 remaining sites reserved for our group under the name, Zachary Lee.

You get the 4th night free. They are holding sites till July 1st. Don't wait long. Simply contact Indian Trails Campground to reserve your site: (608) 429-3244.

Register and pay the rally fee using the link here: <u>Kids Kids</u>
<u>Kids Rally Registration</u>. The rally fee will be \$15 a person with kids under 13 free.

Your Hosts:

Zachary Lee | <u>zacharyalee@gmail.com</u> Meghan Lee | <u>memjlee@gmail.com</u>

#### **Item For Sale!**

#### 1965 Lone Star Boat!

They say the happiest day of your life is when you buy a boat and when you sell a boat. Make both of us happy!

This is a 1965 Lone Star Salem 14' boat with a 1985 Mercury 35 horse engine. Fresh tune up.

**RUNS GREAT!** 



Contact Ed Emerick (BRN 4425) edward.emerick@gmail.com or 920-475-7891

Asking \$3,850 OBO

#### Our Members' Travel Adventures



Jane Carmichael and Ed Klein (BRN 219) are at the Cool Breeze Campground in Galax, Virginia on the Taste of the Blue Ridge Caravan.

## Our Members Provide A Little of This... and A Little of That!

If you got to go, you might as well go out in style!

Photo provided by Jane Carmichael (BRN219)



#### **Our Members' Travel Adventures**

Frida Waara & Ron Thorley (BRN 6925)

#### Circle Lake Superior

#### Five GREAT Lakes, but only ONE named Superior

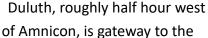
For years, Ron and I have talked about touring the Big Blue. We live on her south shore in Marquette, Michigan, and regularly play—kayaking, paddle boarding, and camping—her clear cold waters and majestic shorelines from Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore in Munising west to the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore in Bayfield, Wisconsin. But last September we decided thinking wasn't doing, we couldn't resist the lure to see what was on the "other side" and packed up our rig (27' Globetrotter) and set off for the 1300 circle.

We traveled clockwise leaving September 19, from the central Upper Peninsula.



Our first overnight was at a rustic campground west of Bayfield, Wisconsin. Amnicon Falls State Park is delightful with hiking/ biking paths, including a stroll along the river to

view the historic Horton covered bridge.

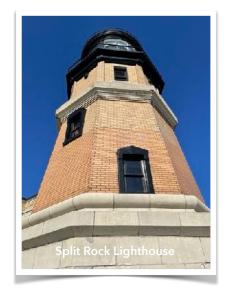


north shore waterfalls along Highway 61. Most parking lots are rig friendly and that time of year loads of folks are still touring the falls which often offer paved paths and stairs with handrails to water's edge. Don't miss a stop at the Split Rock Lighthouse near Two Harbors.

We camped at Grand Marais's municipal park for two nights.

They pack you in like cordwood, but the goal was easy access to explore the Boundary Waters Canoe Area with a drive up the Gun Flint.





#### **Our Members' Travel Adventures**

Frida Waara & Ron Thorley (BRN 6925) Circle Lake Superior (Cont.)

Leaving Grand Marais on 61 and less than an hour north, another "must visit" is the Grand Portage National Monument, one of the 5 National Park units on Lake Superior. Dedicated to the history of Great Lakes Fur Trade, the park is entirely on reservation land and hosts a Rendezvous, (this year August 11-12) loaded with activities for all ages.

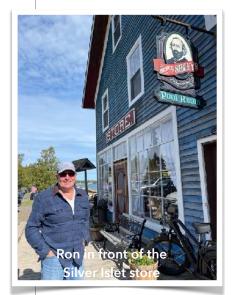


Heading into Canada we got instructions from the campground folks in Grand Marais and had our vaccination cards ready. We breezed through and were on our way to Thunder Bay.

We had never visited Thunder Bay—a town rich in Finnish heritage—and thought we might like to tour the city but pizza and beer at a downtown hangout was enough. We found a KOA spot for the night and even though the city is on the water front, we left early the next morning more in a hurry to

get to Sleeping Giant Provincial Park, about 1 1/2 hours heading east and then south on the Trans Canada highway.





Regretfully, we missed Kakabecka
Falls before we got to Thunder Bay,
but the Sleeping Giant trails,
particularly "Sea Lion," and the
historic tour of the Silver Islet Mine
(stop for lunch at the general store
for more great stories) made for the
highlights.



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#### **Our Members' Travel Adventures**

Frida Waara & Ron Thorley (BRN 6925) Circle Lake Superior (Cont.)

Rounding the top of the lake and heading back south we ran out of places to camp. We were too late in the season for Ouimet Canyon, Ruby Lake, Rainbow Falls, and Neys Provincial Parks, but the municipal park in Marathon is very nice and provides some inland lakeside sites. You'll also find a grocery store and laundromat in Marathon. Services along this area of Canada in the late fall are often closed.



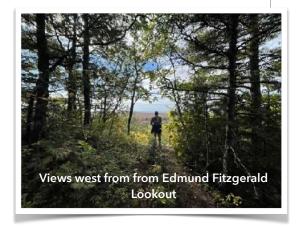
Traveling south and inland, the scenery changed from regular peeks at the shoreline to rolling hills and thick forests of the Pukaskwa, Canada's only National Park on Lake Superior. Years back Ron and I kayaked the 100 miles from Hattie Cove to the Michicopoten River, so we truly enjoyed driving the "land version" of that voyage.



Our next stop was stunning Lake Superior Provincial Park near Wawa. We weren't able to visit the famous pictograph of Mishipeshu, the Great Lynx, because it was September 30, National Truth and Reconciliation Day in Canada and the site was closed to the public to allow native Ojibwa to hold a private ceremony. We will be sure to return to view this ancient history.

Our last campsite

was at Pancake Bay Provincial Park on Batchwana Bay. The sandy beach and stunning sunsets at this park make it a tough spot to leave. Across the highway you access the trail to the Edmund Fitzgerald Lookout, another "must do." From that perch we felt like we could see home in Marquette, and



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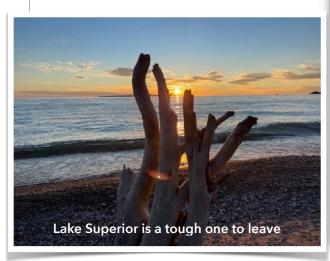
the next day that's where we headed, nonstop without pulling off at the Soo, or camping in Pictured Rocks, both great destinations, but we were already at the end of our two weeks, not nearly long enough to truly explore the region.

Traveling at the end of September we ran into some rain, and were ahead of the peak colors, but we also missed the crowds. Unfortunately many of the parks were closed for the season so we have many reasons to return. Trust us, Lake Superior is one of the world's best classrooms so there's plenty more to investigate and discover.

If you are a podcast listener, I produce Lake Superior Podcast for the National Parks of Lake Superior Foundation with over 36 episodes on a variety of subjects about the area. You can find it at <a href="https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/lake-superior-podcast/id1566430102">https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/lake-superior-podcast/id1566430102</a>

Interested in a Circle Tour? Have questions? Reach Ron Thorley at <a href="mailto:rthorley@chartermi.net">rthorley@chartermi.net</a> or <a href="mailto:906-360-5262">906-360-5262</a>, or Frida Waara at <a href="mailto:frida@fridawaara.com">frida@fridawaara.com</a> or <a href="mailto:906-360-9765">906-360-9765</a>.

Also order your Lake Superior Circle Tour guide from Lake Superior Magazine for \$6.00. https://lakesuperiorcircletour.info/travel-guide/





Ron Thorley and Frida Waara

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### Repairs, Restorations & Cool Airstream Things

Shock, Springs and Stainless Propane Lines

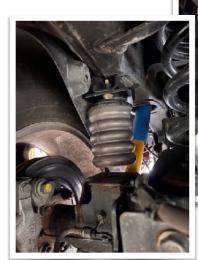
#### By Jeff McCaffrey (BRN 10258)

I blame it on cabin fever! Blew right through the 2023 Airstream upgrade budget according to the CFO (Caryle)!

I replaced the shocks on my RAM with Bilsteins and installed a set

of SumoSprings on the rear. I can tell the difference in the ride with the new shocks. The SumoSpings will help limit bouncing with the trailer attached. Owners report the rig feels more "planted" when going down the road!







If you decide to replace the lines from the propane tanks reach out to Mike Ray @ Diversified Power. He's the distributor for GasStop (they're based in Europe). Tell him you're a friend of Jeff McCaffrey. Mike.Ray@DiversifiedPower.Com He's a great guy,

very helpful and offered a discount over list price. I met him through another forum member from Florida.

Tip: The "Secret Sauce" is to add a Street Elbow on the propane regulator to point the lines down so everything fits nicely under the cover. You'll also need an adapter to change to the connection type of the new hoses (available in rubber or braided stainless).



#### 1969 Airstream Globetrotter for Sale!

By Connie Sheasby (BRN 7868)

FOR SALE! 1969 21ft. Airstream Globetrotter with an air conditioner and 2 Fantastic Fans. Recent improvements include:

2014 New upholstery, 2016 New Bulldog Jack, 2019 Axle replaced, new black water tank, kitchen faucet, rear subfloor, window seals and other fixes for road wear. In 2021, all the water lines were replaced with pex lines and installed shut off valves to water heater. I have receipts for improvements for the last 20 years.

\$22,500.00. Connie Sheasby BRN 7868. <a href="mailto:clsheasby@gmail.com">clsheasby@gmail.com</a>

I will miss all my Airstream friends, all the great times and memories with you. It was a very hard decision but I had to make it. Think of me once in a while as I will think of you. Have fun down the road.

Love to you all, Connie









### 1969 Airstream Globetrotter for Sale!

By Connie Sheasby (BRN 7868) (Cont.)









#### **Items for Sale!**

#### Our Members Want to Know... What Do you Have For Sale?



Chuck Zellermayer (BRN 10230) has a weBoost Destination RV cell phone booster for stationary use. This item will boost 5G and 4G LTE signals for all US and Canadian Carriers. Includes 20' antenna pole. This was purchased in 2021 for \$650 and is now for sale at the low low cost of \$400.

czellermayer@me.com 262-370-7821



Greg Hyer (BRN 4297) has two Ameresco Solar Panels (50J) — 50W each — factory originals with brackets from 2016 Airstream. Added more panels in late 2021 and had to replace these for compatibility. Sold together for \$200.

He also is selling a Custom Cherry & Wormy Maple Dining Table (41"x35") fits 2016 Flying Cloud 27'. Table was damaged in delivery and is in two pieces. Clean crack can be glued together (with narrow 2" filler) or wood salvaged for another project. Hole for flush power/usb plug extension cord. I received a new complete table (see installed photo). \$100.

Lastly, he has 11 leveling blocks for \$10.

grhyer@wisc.edu

608-320-3243



### This and That (Region News)

Ginger Slattery Region 7 President (BRN 2041)

Hello, Region 7 happy campers! Hope to see you at Rock Springs! It is here!

Wisc-UP is having a Happy Hour on Sunday, June 25, 4-6pm hosted by Bree and Charlie Lawrence. They are parking with the Future Streamers in the White Mountain Section near the playground.

If you are still thinking about joining us at the Santa Fe Southwest Grill for the Mexican Buffet on June 26 at 11:30, please call or text me at 906-250-6931. The restaurant is



letting us add on until June 24 when I have to give them the final count. Cost is \$26/person. This price includes tax and tip but not beverages. You may pay on that day. I just need to know how many are coming.

Tuesday, June 27, 4-6 pm is the Region Meet and Greet at the Wataha Park Pavilion, hosted by Lizann Skelton and Anita Olson. I'm looking forward to seeing you all there!

There are so many fun rallies coming up in the next 3 months! Check the schedule and join in all the fun!

September 15-21 is our Region 7 "Spring into Fall" Rally in Spring Green, WI at the Wisconsin Riverside Resort. If you haven't made a reservation at the resort yet, please call and get signed up! Their number is 608-588-2826. We're planning a Harvest Decorating Contest, Taco Bar, Italian night, Wisconsin foods cook off, a golf outing, tours, seminars and much more! We will have a great time! Rally fee is \$60/person. Information has been sent to each club newsletter editor and is on the region website at <a href="https://airstreamclub.org/region7">https://airstreamclub.org/region7</a>.

Let's make this summer/fall the best ever meeting up with our Airstreams and making great memories! See you down the road!