



CIAC The Ticker



CENTRAL INDIANA CLUB OFFICERS:

President:

Tammy Price

First VP:

Jon Schwenke

Secretary:

Charlie Mason

Treasurer:

Margo Schwenke

Membership:

Damon Beals

Web Master:

Damon Beals

Directory:

Damon Beals

Newsletter:

Jenn Reinshagen

Trustees:

- ❖ Dave Ansel
- ❖ Dan Beck
- ❖ John Francis
- ❖ Donna Mason
- ❖ Tom Price
- ❖ Kim Shinn
- ❖ Rich Wittmer

Central Indiana Airstream Club – September, 2023

Summer is winding down but the Rallies are not!



Summer is flying by but there is still time to join in on some fun, particularly at this year's Region 5 Rally—'Autumn Leaves and Horses, Please'. There are currently 66 units registered for this rally at the Kentucky Horse Park Campground from Thursday, Sept 13th to Sunday, Sept 17th, 2023. The charitable recipient is Tunnels to Towers and we have superb silent auction items, resplendent raffle baskets, splendid split the pot and more opportunities to contribute. This truly extraordinary organization was created after 9/11 to provide housing and financial assistance to Gold Star and First Responders and their families. In our usual Airstream spirit, let's give them an outstanding show of support.

Another event on the horizon is the Region 5 Solar Eclipse Rally April 5th—9th, 2024 at the Bartholomew County Fairgrounds. The Monday, April 8, 2024, eclipse will cross North America and will be a total—when the moon passes between the sun and earth completely blocking the sun. The sky will be dark as if at dusk or dawn. The next eclipse in the US will not be until April, 2044!

(Special thanks to Deb Kyle for photo)

Event Calendar

Alumapalooza 2023

September 5th – 10th
Airstream Factory
Jackson Center, OH
(aka 'The Mothership')
[Registration info](#)

48th Annual Region 5 Rally

September 13th – 17th
Kentucky Horse Park
Campground
4089 Iron Works Pike
Lexington, KY, 40511

**60th Annual Swiss
Festival National Rally**
September 23rd – October 1st
Winklepleck Grove
Sugarcreek, Ohio 44681
[Online Registration](#)

CIAC Season Closer
October 13th – 15th
Turkey Run State Park
8121 E. Park Road
Marshall, IN 47859
[Online Reservations](#)

(Continued)



Central Indiana Airstream Club – September, 2023

Recipe Round Up ~ Pineapple Chicken Kabobs

Prep Time: 10 mins
Cook Time: 10 mins
Servings: 4 Kabobs

Marinating Time: 1 HOUR
Total Time: 1 Hour ,20 mins
Author: Fresh off the Grid

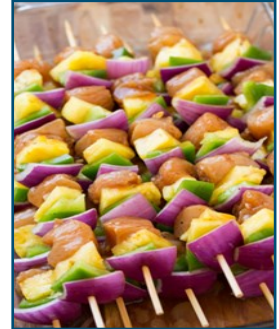
With bright, tropical flavors, these Pineapple Chicken Kabobs are an easy, fuss-free camping meal perfect for summertime grilling!

INGREDIENTS FOR THE MARINADE:

- ◆ 1/4 cup olive oil
- ◆ 1/2 cup chopped cilantro
- ◆ 1 TB honey
- ◆ 2 tsp minced ginger or ginger paste
- ◆ 1 lime juiced
- ◆ 1 teaspoon salt

TO BUILD SKEWERS:

- ◆ 1/2 lb chicken boneless, skinless thighs work best, cut into 1-inch pieces
- ◆ 1 medium red onion sliced into 1-inch pieces
- ◆ Pineapple wedges cut into 1 inch cubes—fresh or canned



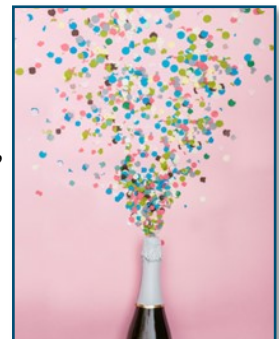
INSTRUCTIONS

1. Combine ingredients for marinade in a large bowl or Ziplock bag.
2. Add chicken to marinade and stir to coat. Cover or seal the container, and let marinate for at least an hour, or up to 24 hours.
3. In the meantime, fire up your grill or get your campfire going.
4. Build kabobs by threading chicken and vegetables onto your skewers. Brush with a bit of oil.
5. Grill kabobs over medium-high to high heat, turning occasionally so they cook evenly until the chicken is cooked through – about 10 mins total.
6. Remove from grill and enjoy!

Welcome New Members!

We are growing again! Please give a warm welcome to the newest members to our Airstream family. Also, sincerest apologies on omitting Joel from our announcement last month, the correction is below~

- * Andy and Steph Troxel—Plymouth, IN
2017 Flying Cloud, BRN 04592
- * Mark Wendt and Michele Williams—Ft. Wayne, IN
2023 Caravel, BRN 04654



We look forward to meeting you at future meetings, rallies or caravans!

Event Calendar

(Continued)

CIAC & Indiana Joint Christmas Party

Saturday, December 9th
1 pm–3 pm
Abe Martin Lodge, Brown
County State Park
Nashville, Indiana
Pearl Slocum Private Dining
Room
RSVP to JonSchwenke

Region 5

Solar Eclipse Rally

April 5th–9th, 2024
Bartholomew County
Fairgrounds
750 W 200 South
Columbus, IN 47201
Contact: Artie Martin
EM: aom1215@yahoo.com
Phone: 513-288-3419

49th Annual

Region 5 Rally

May 15th – 19th, 2024
Mark Twain Cave
Campground
300 Cave Hollow Road
Hannibal, Missouri 63401
More Info to Follow~



What is it??

Here is this month's photo question. Macro-photography is extreme close up photography in which everyday items can be unrecognizable. What is this a photo of? Hint: It's involved in the production of wine.



Photo Credit: Lenstore

We'll have the answer for you in the next issue of the Ticker!



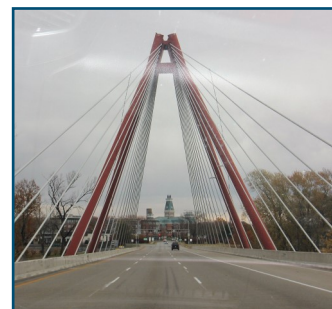
The answer to August's photo:

Seeds from a Bell Pepper!

Photo Credit: Lenstore

It's Beginning to Look Like Christmas!

Well, it may not be looking quite like Christmas yet, BUT it is the perfect time to plan on joining us for the Joint CIAC and Indiana Club Christmas Party.



This year's event is scheduled for Saturday, December 9th from 1–3 p.m. It will be held at the Abe Martin Lodge (Pearl Slocum Private dining room) at the Brown County State Park in Nashville, Indiana. Attendees will be able to order off of the menu for our meal. A gift exchange with \$10 limit for anyone interested will be part of the festivities. We would greatly appreciate donations of canned goods and non-perishable items to help those less fortunate have a blessed holiday.



The Lodge has extended a group rate if we have more than ten overnight rooms booked. Nashville is a fantastically decorated town, particularly at the holidays and offers a variety of interesting shops, wineries, covered bridges, distilleries and hiking in the tranquil park.

Please RSVP to Jon Schwenke at schwenkejon@gmail.com by Dec 1st.

Photos by Jenn Reinshagen

“We Gots Brats!” *A Travel Diary by Member Candice Kissinger*

Continued from the August Ticker ~

The Parrot Palace Visits Missouri:

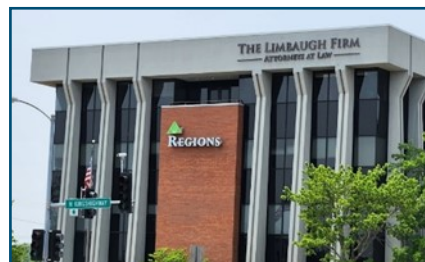
May 31-June 7, 2023 (871 miles)

A major draw was the Hermann Wurst House. We knew this was going to be special when we spotted the Emergency Wurst Dispenser located on the sidewalk outside the store/restaurant. This was a vending machine that offered bratwurst in some of the favorite flavors...sort of like a Coke machine



for sausage. No reason to suffer until the next day if you have a sudden urge for brats! We brought a cooler and ice packs and loaded up on Bratwurst, plus free bacon with a purchase of 10 packages. There were 64 different types of brats (and 12 varieties of bacon) on offer! We stuffed our Dometic freezer with brats and bacon and they remained frozen for the entire trip. Joy! The first package has already been cooked and devoured. The rest is unlikely to last through the summer.

We recommend a visit to the Hermann Museum, housed in the original German School. It faithfully tells the story of the town's beginnings and has an extensive collection of materials donated by residents as well as a floor devoted to Missouri River barge and shipping history. If you enjoy seeing craftsmanship, there are dollhouses, toys, furniture, needlework, and musical instruments there that are lovely to behold. They have an old-world clockwork that was custom manufactured and still functions beautifully on top of the building. We also visited 'Herman the German', a big bronze statue of Arminius, who led an alliance of Germanic tribes against 3 Roman legions in 9AD and defeated them soundly (no small feat!). Arminius...or Herman...has remained a national hero in Germany for two millennia (also, no small feat!). Hermann is a thriving community, with lots of attractions to entice visitors and big festivals in the spring and fall which draw crowds from across the Midwest. It has been visited twice by Lewis and Clark and has survived the anti-German backlash from two world wars thanks to the dedication and vision of the town's residents. We recommend a visit.



We always plan a loop on our trip, so we don't go back over the same roads and chose Cape Girardeau, MO as our next stop. This port along the Mississippi is the current home of Southeast

The Parrot Palace Visits Missouri:

May 31st—June 7th, 2023 (871 miles)

Candice and Pete Kissinger have been Airstreaming since the purchase of their 2019 International Serenity 23FB. They tow BRN 3227 (“The Parrot Palace”) with a 2019 GMC Sierra Denali and are supervised by their winged overlords: Winston and Clementine (a pair of Indian Ringneck parrots who rule the back seat and make witty comments about the traffic, weather and driving skills of their hapless minions).

Central Indiana Airstream Club – September, 2023

Missouri State University (SEMO) and the birthplace of the broadcaster Rush Limbaugh. Cape Girardeau is trying hard but has a way to go before achieving the charms of Hermann. Some parts were very nice and there is a lot of frontier and river history to be found there. However simple things, like a failure to update the town website, made it almost impossible to find the visitor's bureau. We persisted, asked questions, and finally located it and then took a driving tour to find Limbaugh's birthplace and family home.



Another local highlight was the Red House, a recreation of the cabin occupied by a French-Canadian trader Louis Lorimier, who became administrator of the territory by appointment of Spain, before the Louisiana purchase. Lewis and Clark also stopped here on their way west and later helped Lorimier's sons gain admission to West Point military academy. There was a magnificent, fragrant, and massive Magnolia tree in full bloom near the Red House during our visit. We stayed at Cape Camping & RV Park, which was very convenient but priced 57% higher (\$55/night) than Hermann in a far drabber setting.

On Tuesday morning, we crossed the bridge over the Mississippi to East Cape Girardeau, Illinois and then on to our last stop of the trip in Effingham, IL. We only spent a night in Effingham at Camp Lakewood Campground but this was a beautiful place, extremely well kept and located on the sizeable Lake Pauline, which looks like a reser-



voir created by the Army Corps of Engineers. We really didn't see the community but have bookmarked this as a place worth stopping in the future. Our main impression of Effingham is that they have a lot of fun with the name of their town. We saw multiple signs advertising the "Best Effing Sandwich Shop in Illinois" or the "Effing Greatest Place to Get New Tires", etc.

It seemed like a quick jaunt back home to West Lafayette the next day, with a picnic lunch along the way. The standard routine of unpacking the refrigerator, removing anything edible and stripping the bed and bathroom of washables was quickly accomplished upon our return. Parrots Winston and Clementine gave this trip a 4-feather rating (out of 5) and once again enjoyed the passing scenery as well as the quality of a juicy pomegranate purchased from Schnuck's market. We had brought along special tomato seedlings, from a Purdue Citizen Science program, that we didn't want to trust to the uncertainty of rainfall, and they thrived on the sunshine and heat throughout the trip. The Traveling Tomatoes sounds like a good name for a rock and roll band...or an Airstream.



Candice and Pete Kissinger

BRN 3227

Congratulations to Forrest & Jeri-Ann Bone

“The Airstream is definitely the icon (in the history of trailers), because they’re the ones who have stood the test of time.”
- *Forrest Bone*

Central Indiana
Club Contact
Information:

Region 5
Unit 41

Club Email:
ciu@wbcci.net

Club Website:
[airstreamclub.org/
central-indiana](http://airstreamclub.org/central-indiana)

Club Facebook
Page:
[Central Indiana
Airstream Club](https://www.facebook.com/CentralIndianaAirstreamClub)



On August 21, 2023, Forrest and wife Jeri Bone were inducted into the RV / Motorhome Hall of Fame in Elkhart, Indiana during the “Function at the Junction” weekend rally. The Bones are only the fourth couple to receive the honor in the 51 years since the Hall of Fame was created. (Wally Byam was inducted in 1972).



Their passion for vintage trailers began when they picked up a 1964 Safari from Jeri’s parents who had been very active with the WBCCI. This coincided with the formation of the Vintage Airstream Club. Highlights of their efforts include Forrest serving as President of the Vintage Airstream Club during 1998-1999 overseeing 1150 members (VAC currently has 589 members). He advanced the club with several of his goals which involved creating

standards for Concours d’ Elegance, establishing the Community Service project at International, and originating rallies and caravans by geographic regions. The Bones then revived and trademarked Tin Can Tourists (TCT) which celebrates vintage trailers and RVs of all makes and models. While active with TCT, the couple organized rallies and events for the club over the course of 22 years, eventually turning it over to their son.



Over 50 Tin Can Tourist and Vintage Airstream trailers were in attendance for the celebration included a fantastic reception dinner and plaque presentation to this amazing couple. Congratulations!



Special thanks to Deb Kyle, BRN 1419 for the notes and photos.



Dog Days of Summer Buddy Rally at Prophetstown State Park



Special thanks to Dave and Brenda (*photo left*) Ansel, BRN 25161, for hosting our 2023 Buddy Rally. This year's event was held at the Prophetstown State Park in West Lafayette from August 4th to August 6th.

The rally included CIAC members, families and friends who enjoyed a fantastic meal at the Lafayette Brewing Company.



The weather tried to put a damper on our weekend festivities, but the Airstream spirit prevailed. Attendees had heavy rain on Saturday afternoon accompanied by tornado warnings so everyone gathered in the shower and bathroom building.



Thankfully everyone is safe (if not a little wet) and trailers are sound!



Special thanks to the Ansel's for the photos.



Sheltering from the storm

L-R: Dave Ansel, Brenda & Dave Ansel, John & Valerie Francis



Photo by Jenn Reinshagen

