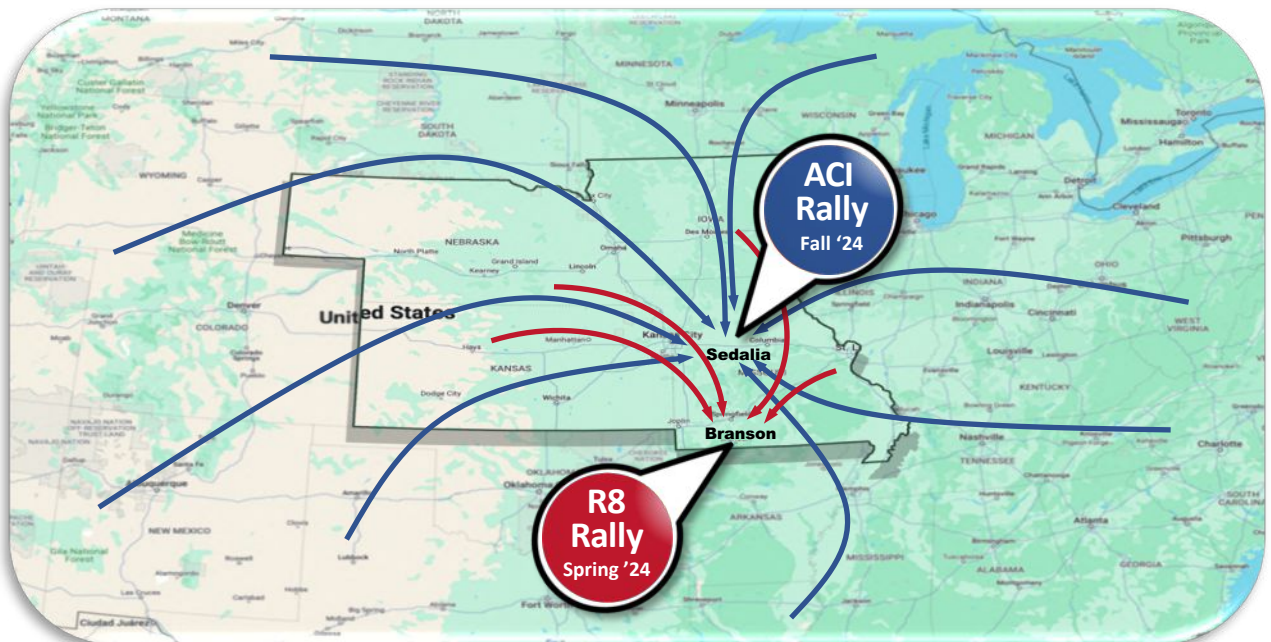


**I hope you had a nice holiday season,
and that your New Year is off to a good start!**

All six clubs in our region have begun the year with exciting schedules of events. Please plan to support your club and attend as many events as you can. Remember, you are more than welcome to attend events at *any* club.

Based on the unit newsletters that I have seen, many of you are also planning to camp your way to and/or from Branson and Sedalia. **Great!**

Airstreaming is always more fun with friends!



Our fun and full agenda for the **Region 8 Spring Rally** is on pages 3 & 4 of this newsletter. **We have also attached the registration form to the email.** We have 70 sites confirmed at ABC Campground in Branson, and they will be filled on a first come, first serve basis. We have planned a fun and exciting rally with the great entertainment that only Branson has to offer. **The time to register is now.** Please complete the registration form, and mail it with your check to secure your spot.

Also, I hope to see many of you in Sedalia at the International Rally! (See page 5)

**- Rick Everson #4896
Region 8 President**

WBCCI - Region 8 - 2024 Slate of Officers

Many thanks to our fellow club members – past and present – who have volunteered their time and energy to keep the club running smoothly and efficiently.

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Region 8 Community Service

Once again, we will have our Community Service Donation Drive with collections at our Region rally in Branson, MO. The recipients this year will be **The Christian Action and Women's Crisis Center**. I am asking you to start collecting hats, blankets, stuffed animals, women's shelter items, food bank items, and of course, aluminum tabs. Remember, as is our club's long tradition, all items donated stay in the host town.

Glenn Waters, #214 Region 8 Community Service



TENTATIVE...

Region 8 Rally Spring Rally

ABC Campground - Branson, MO

April 24th - 28th, 2024

- Meals provided at ABC Campground will be at enclosed Pavilion.
- Breakfast tickets for Region 8's breakfast at the International Rally in Sedalia, will be available for purchase, at registration, and before and after Friday and Saturday breakfasts.
- Gateway Airstream (Bill Thomas Camper Sales) personnel will be on site throughout the rally to answer questions and assist in any way. They will have new trailers on display.
- Do you want to attend more shows during your free time? Visit campground office for discount prices.



Wednesday 4/24

12:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Arrival: Check in at Office

Registration in Pavilion

Drop off Community Service Donations-Glen Waters

6:00 p.m.

Dinner - Great American Cookout

(slow cooked sirloin roast, sides, rolls, drinks and dessert - price included in fee)

Campfire, weather permitting



Thursday 4/25

Breakfast on your own

9:30 a.m.

Board buses. (Buses will take us to all Thursday destinations.)

10:00 a.m.

College of the Ozark Tour (price included in fee)

12:00 p.m.

Lunch at **McFarlain's** (price included in fee)

2:00 p.m.

Tour **Table Rock Dam** at **Dewey Short Visitors Center**

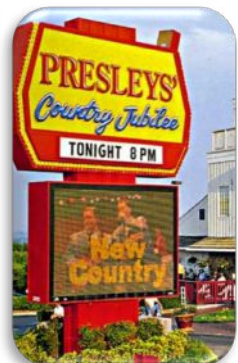
Return to ABC Campground

Gateway Airstream-New Trailers on Display and Tech support throughout the day.

Dinner on your own

6:45 p.m.

Board buses for **Presleys' Country Jubilee**



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Region 8 Rally Spring Rally

ABC Campground - Branson, MO

April 24th - 28th, 2024

TENTATIVE...

Friday 4/26

8:00 a.m.

Continental Breakfast (compliments of SkyMed)

9:00 - 10:30 a.m.

SkyMed presentation - new benefits
Gateway Airstream- New Trailers on Display.
Tech support and Seminars throughout the day

Lunch on your own

1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Pavilion available for use and/or seminars.

Dinner on your own

7:30 p.m.

Clay Cooper's Country Express –

Clay Cooper Theater, 3216 W. 76th Country Blvd.

(Carpool - you need to arrive at the theater by 6:45)



Saturday 4/27

8:00 a.m.

Continental Breakfast (price included in fee)

9:00 a.m.

Region 8 Business Meeting in Pavilion

Auction for Common Cents for Kids

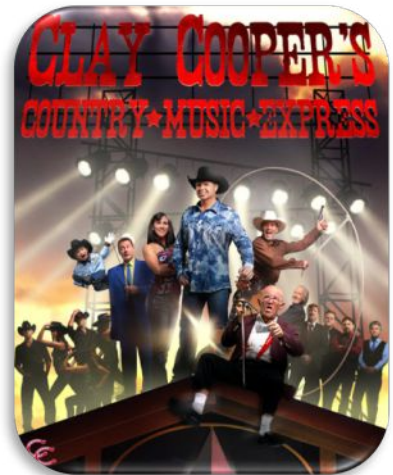
Lunch on your own

Dinner on your own

7:30 p.m.

The Haygoods at Clay Cooper Theater

(Carpool - you need to arrive at the theater by 6:45)



Sunday 4/28

8:00 a.m.

Coffee (Decaf and regular)

9:00 a.m.

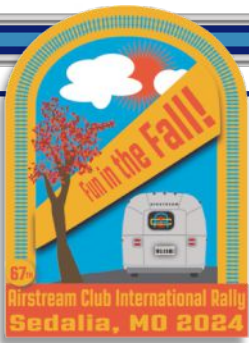
Church Service - visit local church of your choice

11:00 a.m. Farewells & Departure



See ABC Campground Website (americasbestcampground.com) for information on additional activities. Activities such as pickleball, gaga ball, putt-putt golf, and more, are located nearby.





International Rally in Sedalia - How can our Region 8 Members help?

As many of you know, the **AIC International Rally 2024 will be in Sedalia, Missouri**. It is very exciting to be hosting it in Region 8. My wife, Berta and I, were able to meet with the Advance Team in Sedalia in October.

As the Host region, we are encouraging everyone not only to attend, but also to volunteer.

There are opportunities to help now, just prior to the Rally, and during the Rally. Organizers have suggested several things:

- **Write an article about where you live.** People will be traveling through your area on the way to the rally. Is there something interesting to visit? Is there a special campground that you would like to recommend?
- **Think about a Bus Tour.** Is there an interesting or important place within a couple hours of Sedalia that would make a good bus tour?
- Biking on the KATY Trail. Is there someone who would plan and **lead a bike ride**?
- There are two important volunteer positions that still need to be filled:
 1. **Table and Chair Coordinator** - set up and take down
 2. **Coordinator of Presentation Facilitators** – technical setup as needed(To learn more about these two roles, go to AirstreamClub.org, click on "Rallies", find "Sedalia", then click to "visit rally website", click "committees/volunteers." This will give you a good idea of the duties of these positions.)
 - Further, both of the above **Coordinators will need a Team of Volunteers** to help get their responsibilities completed.
- **Parking volunteers** are needed
- **Shuttle drivers** are needed
- **Ambassadors** are needed. This is a new idea - to help people find their way around the large area of Missouri's fabulous State Fair Grounds.

If you are able to write an article, suggest a bus tour, or are interested in either of the Coordinator Jobs, please contact one of us directly. We will then pass the information on.

If you are interested in volunteering when you arrive in Sedalia, there will be requests for volunteers as the Rally dates get closer.

Thank you in advance,

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Region 8 Breakfast at the International Rally

A tradition of Region 8 is to have a breakfast gathering at the International Rally. This year Region 8 will be having their breakfast on **Monday, October 7th, at 8:00am**. It will be held in the MEC1 room. The breakfast will be catered by **Chris Cakes** and will include pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, plus biscuits and gravy. The cost is \$17.00 per person.

Tickets will be available to purchase at our Spring Rally in Branson.

We look forward to seeing everyone there.

- Ed O'Connor - Region 8 1st V.P.



A Note of Interest...



The **Kansas City RV Show** will be held January 25th - 28th, 2024, at Bartle Hall Convention Center in Kansas City.

A good friend, and supporter of the Region 8 Club, **Gateway Airstream**, will be displaying numerous Airstreams at the show.

If you're in the area, and your schedule allows, please plan to attend and stop by Gateway Airstream's booth and say "Hello".

