

THE BADGER BULLETIN

50 YEARS OF FUN, FELLOWSHIP AND ADVENTURE

DOWN THE ROAD WITH DON

November

November already.....boy it seems like we were just itching to get out for our first camping event of the year. I must say that this year has been a great year for camping though. The weather provided numerous weekends of sunshine. Ellen and Mark provided an excellent array of events to attend for the club plus International out in Bozeman, and caravans exploring first time seen nooks and crannies for many people. But now with November starting, it's time to either put our trailer away for the winter months, or find someplace else to weather it out. Or is it? For you camp-aholics, there are 5 weekends in November this year, no snow, and a beautiful state with uncrowded campgrounds. A perfect combination for the true camping outdoorsman.

Kay and I have at least 2 of the weekends booked so far and weather permitting maybe more. Check the Wisconsin unit website under "Member Exchange" for more information about these informal get-togethers. We look forward to seeing you.

On another note I would like to take this time to thank all those who have stepped forward to offer their help in Chairing the various committees that help to keep this club running, as well as all the volunteers that came forth to handle various luncheons or rallies. With International in our back yard as well as our own 50th anniversary, looks like we're in for a wonderful and busy event filled year. Be sure to keep checking our website for the most current information as things continue to change and grow.

Just a reminder for everyone.....our second luncheon will be coming up Dec.13, 08 hosted by the Emericks at Jonathan's Italian Bistro in Appleton. Get your reservations in by Dec.6 to join in the fun. Remember KEEP SMILING.....it's contagious =>

Don Stenz, President



THE WISCONSIN UNIT

WHAT'S NEW

*This is an exciting year to be a Wisconsin Unit member! Not only are we celebrating our 50th Anniversary, but Madison is the host city for the International Rally. If you haven't sent in your membership dues yet- now is the time!! You'll find the application on our website:

<http://wisc.wbcci.net>

* Luncheon season is in full swing- first up is the November 8th luncheon in Delavan with hosts, the Redells. The December luncheon is in Appleton with hosts Ed and Sandy Emerick. See page 6 for details. Ho-ho-ho!

* Reminder: the Badger Bulletin does not publish in December. So this is your Editor's chance to wish you all a happy holiday season!



**Wally Byam
CARAVAN CLUB INTERNATIONAL**

2009 Rally Plans ANNOUNCED

Don and Kay Stenz are happy to announce your 2009 rally schedule! Details about each event will be announced next year.

Date: May 15-17, 2009
Place: Marshfield, WI "The City In The Center"
Host: Peter Breu

Date: August 14-16, 2009
Place: Pipe, WI "Just Camping" Buddy, Family, & Kids Rally
Host: Don & Kay Stenz

Date: September 17-20, 2009
Place: Bailey's Harbor / Door County, WI "Doing the Door"
Host: Ed & Sandy Emerick

Date: October 2-4, 2009
Place: Chippewa Falls, WI "The Chippewa In Color"
Host: Fred & Syn Schmidt

Date: November 6-8, 2009
Place: TBA "Birthday Bash"
Host: Don & Kay Stenz



Advertising for the 1959 Airstream

AIRSTREAMERS LUNCH ON!

Wisconsin Airstreamers are always willing to share some fellowship and good food over our "off" season. Here is the upcoming luncheon schedule:

Date: November 8, 2008
Place: Millies Restaurant & Shopping Village, Delevan
Host: Richard & Arlene Redell

Date: December 13, 2008
Place: Johnathan's Italian Bistro, Appleton
Host: Ed & Sandy Emerick

Date: February 14, 2009
Place: Hi-Way Harrys, Hwy 26 & I 94, Johnson Creek
Host: Robert & Heidi Manak

Date: March 14, 2009
Place: Highland House, Sheboygan
Host: Don & Kay Stenz

Date: April 25, 2009
Place: Chula Vista Resort, Wisconsin Dells
Host: Mark & Ellen McGaughey

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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

It's always great fun to meet a new lover of Airstreams and welcome them to the Wisconsin Unit. This month we are doubly lucky!! Edward and Abbe Krissman (shown below) are not new to the WBCCI; they recently transferred from being Members-At-Large. The Krissmans have roots in the Milwaukee area and are



friends of our Steve and Marla Frydman. The Krissmans are also our only International Unit members- they spend part of their year in their Airstream in the States and call Jerusalem their home.

Edward & Abbe Krissman
Tiveria 6
Jerusalem, Israel
(414) 429-5453

Lynn and Susan Rothberger met us at their first rally in Ladysmith this October. They join a growing contingency of members from the western half of our state, and, like many of us, are still in the work world. Sue is a teacher and Lynn works in the medical testing equipment field. Sue and Lynn got to know us around a



roaring campfire....and they still joined our unit!! Please add them to your Directory:

Sue and Lynn Rothberger
W2587 890th Ave.
Spring Valley, WI 54767

Birthdays

"Birthdays are good for you. Statistics show that the people who have the most live the longest."

Larry Lorenzoni.

Celebrating birthdays in November are: 11/1- Lee Brisk, 11/2- Gene Sinner, 11/3- Kevin Allen, and Pat Hart, 11/5 Don Stenz, 11/7- John Sellers, 11/17- Ed Emerick, 11/20- Chuck Butler, 11/25- Clara Lammers and Sharon Colbert. Celebrating December birthdays are: 12/1- Dave Stowell, 12/3- Edward Krissman, 12/4- Annette Hooker, 12/6- Dale Fuchs, 12/17- Cyn Schmidt, 12/18- Julie Butler, Liz Stoen and Mary Jorgenson, 12/19- Nick Mazos, 12/21- Dick Hart, 12/23- Ed Witzke, 12/25- Kris Parins, 12/30- Kurt Jorgenson and Sandra Mueller and 12/31- Richard Range.

Anniversaries

"By all means marry; if you get a good wife, you'll be happy. If you get a bad one, you'll become a philosopher."

Socrates

While none of our members were married in December, these folks tied the knot in the month of November:

11/2- Neil & Lily King, 11/8- Dick & Arlene Redell, 11/11- Norm and Clara Lammers, 11/17- Stan & Mary Schwenke, 11/18- Danny & Janice Schroeder, 11/20- Vern & Leola Schultz, 11/22- Michael & Mary Ellen Alsvig, 11/24- Dean Kyle & Pearl Adams-Kyle, 11/25- Chris & Cheryl Fahler and 11/26- Mike & Joan Lahr.

Good Wishes

Taking time off from work (and Airstream restoration!) is Dave Stowell who is recovering from shoulder surgery this fall. Luckily Dave has a family of Stowells- Dori, Abigail, Ben, Levi and Lydia- to nurse him back to health!

In Touch

John and Barb Bubolz report an exceptionally busy year that has curtailed their Airstreaming. They recently acquired a second home in Missouri, near Cape Girardeau, for a winter escape from our Wisconsin snows! We hope to see them in between their travels this coming year!!



CAMPING TALES

The fire is the main comfort of the camp, whether in summer or winter, and is about as ample at one season as at another. It is as well for cheerfulness as for warmth and dryness.
-Henry David Thoreau

The Wisconsin Unit has not ventured to the northwest corner of our state in awhile and the 20 Airstreamers who journeyed to Ladysmith for the Fall Color Camp-Out report that there was lots of life happening up there!! Campers included the Manaks, Redells, Chaz Plummer and Karla Mattson, the Schmidts, the Witzkes, the McGaugheys, the Rothbergers, the Alsvigs and the Jorgensons. Hosts Bob and Karen Wilttrout opened their beautiful lake home to us on Sunday afternoon



and this writer can confirm that they are good cooks! Much time was spent talking Airstream and, of course, sharing secrets around the campfire!! (Don't worry, we won't tell!) Chaz and Karla did their best dutch oven cooking demonstration and we all ate the results.

Bob Wilttrout showed us the stars and the sun..... With his telescope!



RESERVE THIS DATE: 50th ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON

Mark and Ellen McGaughey are happy to announce that the 2009 Wisconsin Unit 50th Anniversary Luncheon will be held at Chula Vista Resort in Wisconsin Dells- the site where our unit was chartered at the 2nd International Rally. Mark your 2009 calendars now and spread the word to all Wisconsin Airstreamers- current and past who've lived the motto: "Fun Fellowship and Adventure" in the Badger state!

**Saturday, April 25, 2009
At 1:00 pm**

There will also be a Camp-Out that weekend at near-by Mirror Lake State Park- what better way to celebrate our Airstream past!? Or bring the kids and stay overnight at this popular waterpark resort.

Many long time Unit members have stayed in touch with folks who have had to stop Airstreaming (but are still Airstreamers at heart!). Please extend an invitation to them to join us- and send their names and addresses to Mark and Ellen so a formal invitation can be issued.

More details will follow next year. If you have any questions now, give Mark and Ellen a call at (608) 254-7146.



Many Wisconsin Airstreamers either dream of a trip to Alaska or have great memories of that trip to our 49th state. This month Annette Hooker shares her recent adventure! Do you have a tale to tell of Alaska and your Airstream? Send your words (and a picture if you like) to the Editor and share the adventure!!

"My oldest daughter Jannette and I flew to Anchorage, Alaska on the 18th of August 2008. She always wanted to see her birthplace so the next day we flew to Kodiak Island, rented a car, and then I showed her places she had lived in.

She was born in the Territory of Alaska just before it became a state.

Then on the 20th, with son Keith and daughter Nannette, the four of us were shuttled to Whittier to board the cruise ship Carnival Spirit for a seven day cruise. We visited College Fjord glaciers, Sitka, Skagway, British Colombia. We thoroughly enjoyed this trip!"

Annette Hooker



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Airstream ad from 1959 "Trailer Travel" magazine

This Editor continues to need your dining recommendations for anywhere in Wisconsin!! Consider this your personal invitation to taste the best of Wisconsin to both Unit members and folks visiting our state for the 2009 International in Madison!

Webmaster Bob Manak is featuring your recommendations in the "Madison and Beyond" link on the Unit website and that link will be featured in the Blue Beret articles spotlighting Wisconsin and Madison.

Don't be shy- we know you eat out!! Email your info to mcgaugheys@verizon.net or you can call at (608) 2545-7146.

WISCONSIN UNIT HOLIDAY LUNCHEON DECEMBER 17, 2008



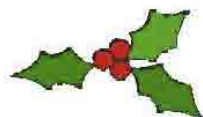
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*to: redwagon@new.rr.com
or call (920) 954-1585*



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AIRSTREAM

| Length | Body Length | Sleeps | Hitch Wt. | Gross Wt. | Axles |
|--------|-------------|--------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| 18' | 15'4" | 3 | 300 | 2180 | 1 |
| 22' | 19 | 2-4 | 265 | 2730 | 1 |
| 24' | 21 | 4-6 | 290 | 3170 | 1 |
| 26' | 23 | 4-6 | 290 | 3170 | 2 |
| 28' | 25 | 4-6 | 310 | 3500 | 2 |

Since the fabulous Wally Byam founded Airstream way back in '31, the fame of these travel trailers has grown to the point where the superbly-engineered products now are known and respected throughout the world—including some of its remotest reaches.

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