
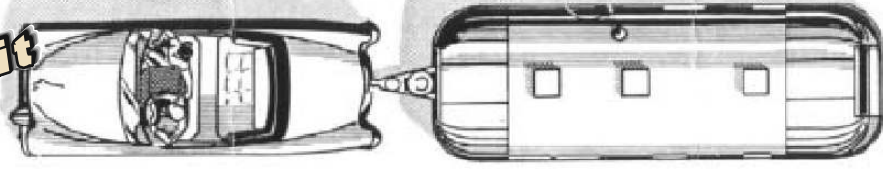


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The Wisconsin Unit Newsletter



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Riveting Reflections



It sure is great watching the "Winter" Olympics. High in the Russian mountains with snow all around and what! Temperatures that are 50 degrees warmer than we are experiencing!

Go USA!

But enough complaining about winter. The spring camping season is just around the corner. Our first campout is the Easter Campout at Peninsula State Park. The groundhog *did* predict that winter would be over by then, so the snow should be gone this year. The April Campout at the Wisconsin Dells is the following weekend. Kay, we should schedule some go cart training for me.

I understand that the campground for the Capital Campout in May is filling up quickly, so get your reservations now. One campsite loop is already full.

The Valentine Luncheon was great. It gave us an opportunity to welcome our new members, Bill Scheuerell and Ginny Janssen to the club. Thanks to Lilly and Neil King for hosting our luncheon.

Teri and I are busy preparing for a trip out West to meet our new grandson. I am quite sure that he can't wait to go 'streaming with Nana and Grandpa.

Looking forward to seeing you at our Saint Patrick's Day Luncheon on March 15. I am sure that the Leprechauns will share their pots of gold with us.

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Member News

May Capital Campout Rally Reminder

Your hosts Steve and Lynn Piotrowski want to remind you that campground space is limited for the Capital Campout rally May 16 – 18, 2014 at Dane County's Lake Farm Park. Please make reservations with the campground ASAP. For full information on this rally see page 5.

WBCCI Constitutional Amendments

The Midwinter IBT meeting was quite busy. A number of far-reaching changes were adopted, and constitutional amendments will be sent to the 2014 Delegates Meeting.

Motions passed at the Winter IBT were summarized in last month's *Badger Bulletin*. The complete minutes are now available on the WBCCI web site at

<http://wbcci.org/general-information-and-forms/finish/76/493>

Three of the motions that were passed by the IBT propose amendments to the WBCCI constitution. These amendments will be taken up by the Delegates Meeting at the 2014 International Rally. Wisconsin Unit will vote on them at the April business meeting.

Briefly, the three proposed amendments would:

1. Establish that International units [Australia] will be part of an existing Region.
2. Expand the possible dates of the International Rally from June 20 to July 30.
3. Allow electronic renewal of Unit and International dues.

The full text of the proposed amendments will be published in the *Badger Bulletin*, along with a mail ballot.

Caravan to International?

Steve & Lynne Piotrowski are planning to attend the 2014 International Rally in Gillette, WY. Any other members of the unit are invited to contact them if you would be interested in caravanning to the rally. Steve & Lynne Piotrowski, 608-255-3953 slpiotro@tds.net

One Liners

Ice Fishing on Green Bay



Now that he's a Door County resident, Ed Emerick enjoys(?) ice fishing on Green Bay.

Sometimes he even catches fish, as evidenced by the photo below.



(Photos: Ed Emerick, via Facebook)

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Valentine Luncheon February 8, 2014 Spring Garden Restaurant Waunakee, Wisconsin

Photos by Bob Manak

Once again Lilly and Neil King hosted the Valentine's Day luncheon. Despite "iffy" weather (the only kind Wisconsin has had this winter!), intrepid Wisconsin Unit residents showed up in good numbers.



A good turnout for a cold, snowy day!



Your hosts, Lilly & Neil King.



Executive row!



Long-time members Vern & Leola Schultz.
(Vern was unit president clear back in 2000.)



More long-time members Gene & Audrey Sinner.



And **new** members Bill Scheuerell & Ginny Janssen, with Steve Piotrowski. Welcome aboard, Bill & Ginny!

Lilly & Neil, thanks for putting on the Valentine's Day luncheon for another year. It's not an easy one to plan with the vagaries of Wisconsin winter weather. We really appreciate your efforts.

Reflections in Aluminum

By Steve Piotrowski

The weather report is for way below zero wind chills, and snow any day it isn't windy and cold. What do you do with your Airstream under those circumstances? I know what I am going to do. Monday morning, I am going to turn in a southerly direction. We will spend one night in a motel on the way down, and then for the next three months we will live in our little slice of life's-good-things pie, our Airstream.

What if you are still working and or for other reasons you can't take off on a winter adventure? I know that the Airstream is built to withstand winter use, but it always seemed like way too much work to re-winterize for a weekend's use. I have a suggestion about what to do. Join your fellow Wisconsin Unit members at one of our monthly luncheons.

Why would you want to do that? First, lots of friendly faces and fellow Airstreamers. Second, a time to pick up information and ideas from folks, who like you, have spent their winters wondering where they could go, or what they might do in their Airstream once the weather breaks. You might find out about a place that you have never seen right in your own backyard, or you might find out about someone who is going to a place you always wanted to see, but haven't gotten to yet. You might hear someone tell about a trip they took that would fit well with your plans for this summer.

On the other hand, you might just find a friendly group of people to talk with, who share your love of aluminum! In that case, you are almost certain to hear a hint about a better way to keep up your trailer. You might find a warning about something you never checked that saves you an expensive repair bill down the line. In any case, you will get out of the house and spend time with folks who are warm and friendly, and most importantly, are Airstreamers. Why don't you join us for a winter lunch?



(Photo: Ed Emerick via Facebook)

Easter Campout April 18-20, 2014 Peninsula State Park

(Photos by Sandy Emerick and Kay Stenz)

Ed & Sandy Emerick invite you to join them for their annual traditional Easter campout at Peninsula State Park, Door County. This is one of the chanciest rallies of the year in terms of *weather* (right up there with the Birthday Bash campout in November).

But the Wisconsin Unit is no bunch of wimps. Go for it! No reservations required—campgrounds are *not* crowded this time of year! For further information, contact Ed & Sandy Emerick, 920-475-7893, SandyEmerick@yahoo.com



Road to Peninsula State Park last year (2013).



So they had the rally at Potawatomi State Park, snow and all.



But here's what it looked like in 2012.
Good luck with the weather this year!

Capital Campout Lake Farm Campground Madison, Wisconsin May 16 – 18, 2014

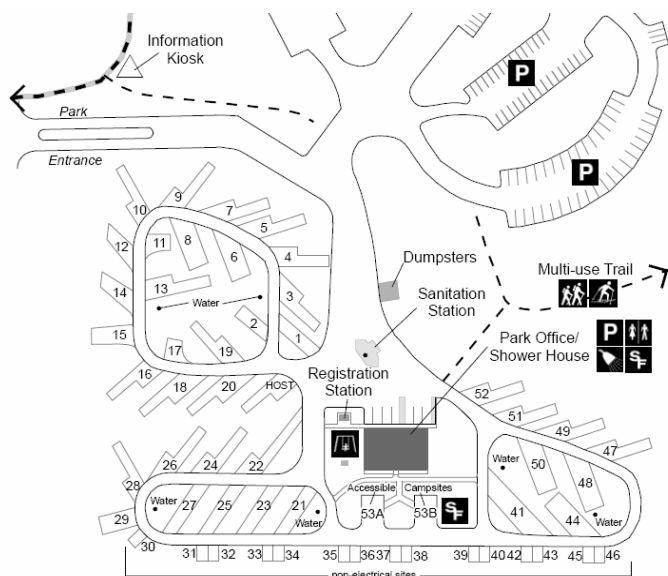
By Steve Piotrowski



The *Capital Campout* rally in Madison will be at the Lake Farm County Park, 3113 Lake Farm Road, Madison, WI 53711, (608) 242-4576. This Dane County park has approximately forty sites available for campers. Further information at the park web site,
http://www.countyofdane.com/lwrp/parks/lake_farm.aspx

Make Reservations ASAP!

We were not able to arrange for sites to be held for us, so please make your reservations as soon as possible for a fun weekend. The park has only 38 campsites with electricity, and the rally will be the same weekend as the nearby Stoughton, Wisconsin *Syttende Mai* (Norwegian Independence Day) festival, which may increase the demand for campsites.



Steve & Lynne Piotrowski have reserved Site #50 and Dave Sherman & Vicki Engelstad have reserved Site #48. **As of February 22, the loop containing sites 41, 44, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52 is booked up for the weekend of the rally.** However, other sites are available, and you can reserve any site in the park and not be far from the action. The campground is not very big.

There is a non-refundable \$10 reservation fee. Electric sites are \$26 a night. Reservations are not refundable; in the event of a cancellation, you get credit for a future stay.

Depending on what you want to do, some additional permits may be required. See the park web site link for details. The complete fee schedule can be downloaded at

<http://danedocs.countyofdane.com/webdocs/pdf/lwrp/parks/Parks%20Fee%20Schedule.pdf>

Dane County parks require a dog permit for dogs in the campground. One-day permits are available for \$5 per dog per day or you can buy an annual permit for \$30 for the first dog plus \$14 for each additional dog. Senior and handicapped discounts available—see fee schedule.

The park is on the state bike trail and a State Trail Pass is needed to ride on the trail. (Annual \$20, daily \$4.)

The park is located on the Madison Area bike trail, and we hope to have the Capitol Pedaler available to help us tour the city and its sights.



(Editorial note: The Capitol Pedaler, a.k.a. “The Big Red Bike” is essentially a tram powered by all the passengers pedaling. (Who steers?!) Think of it as a “Bicycle Built for Fourteen”.)

Details on the entire weekend will be posted as we get closer, but expect a great time in our capital city. If you can get away, plan on arriving Thursday and staying through Sunday.

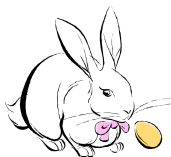
WBCCI Wisconsin Unit 2014 Activities Calendar



February 8, 2014: Valentine Luncheon, at 11:30 AM.
Spring Garden Restaurant, 225 South Century Avenue,
Waukegan, WI 53597 608-850-3732. Hosted by Lilly & Neil
King, 608-849-8093, king8801@gmail.com



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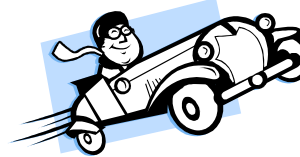
**June 25—28, 2014: Caravan from Wisconsin to
International Rally**, Gillette, WY Contact Teri & George
Boehmer, 262-646-8697, tboehmer2001@yahoo.com



**June 28—July 4, 2014: WBCCI 57th Annual International
Convention Rally**, Gillette, WY Contact – *Blue Beret*,
www.WBCCI.org



August 6—12, 2014: Around the World with Folklorama
Region 7 Rally, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada,
Contact Gail Harrower US Cell: 956-246-7698,
email: airstream4478@gmail.com



September 5—7, 2014: Road America Campout,
Road America Race Course, Elkhart Lake, WI.
Contact Don & Kay Stenz, 920-693-2146 slem@tds.net

**September 19—21, 2014: Apostle Island Adventure
Rally & Business Meeting** with Installation of Officers at
Thompson's West End Park Campground, 119 Washington
Ave, Washburn, WI 54891, (715) 373-6160.
Hosted by Teri & George Boehmer, 262-646-8697,
tboehmer2001@yahoo.com



November 7—9, 2014: Birthday Bash Campout,
Kohler-Andrae State Park, Sheboygan, Wisconsin.
Hosted by Don & Kay Stenz, 920-693-2146, slem@tds.net

November 8, 2014: November Luncheon, 11:30 AM
Water Street Brewery, 2615 Washington Street, Grafton,
WI 53024 Hosted by Don & Kay Stenz, 920-693-2146,
slem@tds.net

December 13, 2014: December Holiday Luncheon,
11:30AM Buck & Honey's Restaurant, 804 Liberty Blvd Ste
105, Sun Prairie (608) 837-3131. Hosted by Dave Sherman
& Vicki Engelstad, 608-423-4561, dwsheherman@wisc.edu

WBCCI Wisconsin Unit

St. Patrick's Day Luncheon

Saturday, March 15, 2014 11:30 AM

Hosted by George & Teri Boehmer



Revere's Wells Street Tavern
505 Wells Street
Delafield, WI 53018
(262) 646-4070



RSVP to George & Teri Boehmer, (262) 646-8697 or tboehmer2001@yahoo.com

Directions

From Interstate 94

Interstate 94 exit Hwy C Delafield

Take Hwy C north to Wells Street

Turn left onto Wells Street
(approximately 1 block on the
north side of the street)

505 Wells Street

From Hwy 16

Hwy 16 to Hwy C

Head south on Hwy C

Take Hwy C to Wells Street

Turn right on to Wells Street

505 Wells Street



WBCCI Wisconsin Unit

April Campout and Luncheon

Wisconsin Dells, Wisconsin, April 25 – 27, 2014

Hosted by Bob & Heidi Manak, 262-524-8711 or bob.manak@wbcci.net

Campout



KOA-Wisconsin Dells
S235A Stand Rock Rd
Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965
Information: (608) 254-4177
Reservations: (800) 562-4178
Email: wd.koa@frontier.com

Please make camping reservation directly with the KOA between March 15 and April 1st. Tell them you are with the Airstream/ WBCCI group to get the \$25 a night group rate.



Directions

2 mi off I-90/94

From east take Exit 87 Hwy 13 N, left at 3rd stoplight on Stand Rock Rd.

From west take Exit 85, left on Hwy 12, left on City A, right on Stand Rock Rd (before bridge).

Luncheon

April 26, 2013, 11:30 AM

Location:

Moosejaw Pizza & Dells Brewing Co.
110 Wisconsin Dells Parkway South,
Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965

RSVP by April 18th to Heidi or Bob Manak
at 262 544-6151 or bob.manak@wbcci.net

The spring business meeting will take place immediately following lunch.

