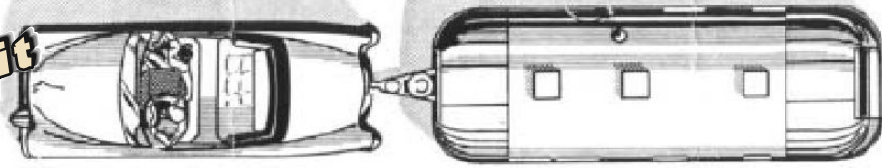


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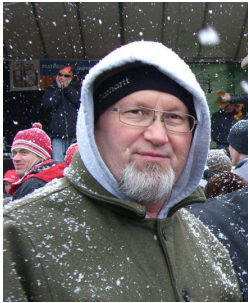


The Wisconsin Unit  
Newsletter



January 2012

## UNDER THE AWNING WITH ED



Happy New Year Airstream Owners!

I was sitting around this past week thinking of what 2012 will bring and where will I go in my Airstream? Then I began to think of all those cool places we have visited in the past. I came to the conclusion that I like Airstreaming in an urban setting. The more

mayhem around my Airstream the better I like it. I focused on the different urban settings where I have camped and after listing a number of them, including downtown Duluth at the marina, downtown Cleveland Ohio at the Sprit of Cleveland Rally, the number one place for mayhem, my very favorite, still remains Cedar Point. Cedar Point Amusement Park in Sandusky Ohio has a 5 star campground and is on the shores of Lake Erie in the middle of roller coaster paradise. This park has everything a guy or girl could want. Within walking distance, I have restaurants, bars, shopping, the beach, a heated pool, a huge hot tub, a water park and most of all, the largest collection of roller coasters in the USA! Go to [www.cedarpoint.com](http://www.cedarpoint.com) and check it out, you will want to go just by viewing the photos on the website. Do you have a favorite place to go? If so send me an email (or John Sellers) and we will share your favorite place to enjoy mayhem (or that secluded peaceful place) that we should all visit in our Airstreams.

Speaking of Airstreams.....

There is a motion facing the IBT and the membership, again..., to allow non-Airstream products into the WBCCI and WBCCI events. Later in this newsletter, John Sellers has provided an editorial about this issue but I feel I need to share with you my feelings as well.

I don't like the idea of destroying the oldest single brand RV club to meet the needs of a very small number of members. To destroy the oldest single brand RV club with non-Airstream products is not something we should allow to happen. As most of you know, this is all about Airstream's decision to stop building motor homes and some members feeling that their current Airstream motor home may need replacing but there are now none available. Because of the lack of Airstream product available (not so true) they would have to purchase a different type/make of RV and that would of course disqualify them as WBCCI members.

## The Wisconsin Unit What's New

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I'm a restorer of Airstreams, I feel if I can keep a 50 year old Airstream on the road, the motor home owner should be able to keep their 10 year old motor home on the road and stay in the club.

There is much more I can rant about regarding this issue but I will stop here to save boring you. Bottom line, as the current President of the Wisconsin Unit I speak for the unit this year. As the President I am instructing the Region Leadership to vote NO on any and all motions that would allow non-Airstream products into the WBCCI. With the largest Unit in the Region I feel that our collective voices need to be listened to and Region leadership must vote accordingly.

OK, enough WBCCI politics!

Happy 2012! . In a couple of months I'll be camping in an Airstream in MAYHEM again! The Wisconsin Unit wants to provide you with the opportunity to do what you want amongst other Airstreamers in Airstream products in an inviting place.

Until next time I see you, enjoy the ride.

Ed Emerick, Unit President

## News Bits

### Upcoming Events

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11:30 AM at Spring Garden Restaurant, 225 S Century Ave.,  
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### New Member Welcome

The Wisconsin Unit welcomes new members (and vintage Airstreamers),

**William & Charlene Benjamin** of Butler, WI. The Benjamins have a 1966 Globetrotter, 20 ft, and

**John Ripple & Ann Thome** of Watertown, WI. They have a 1975 Sovereign, 31 ft.

Welcome aboard, and hope to see you soon!

### Holiday Luncheon Cancelled

The December holiday luncheon was not held, owing to an unusually large number of cancellations due to illness. Hope everyone is feeling better by now!

### Mid-winter IBT Meeting Hattiesburg, Mississippi January 9 – 13, 2012

The Mid Winter International Board of Trustees Meeting will be held shortly at the James L Carlidge Forrest County Multi Purpose Center, 962 Sullivan Road, Hattiesburg, Mississippi. The complete agenda can be downloaded from the WBCCI web site at:  
<http://www.wbccci.org/documents/IBT%20Agenda%20Jan%2013%202012.pdf>

There are only four motions currently on the agenda, two of which are for approval of unit flags. The other two motions are of particular interest to Wisconsin Unit members.

Motion 4, reproduced on the next page, will be made by Region 7's Joan Lahr. To understand this motion requires a little history. The Canada-USA International Peace Garden, located on the border near Dunseith, North Dakota and Brandon, Manitoba was dedicated in 1932 to celebrate the undefended border between Canada and the US since the War of 1812. (See <http://www.peacegarden.com>) This year marks the beginning of a four year bicentennial celebration (2012-2016) of 200 years of peace between our nations.

The 1975 WBCCI International Rally was held in Brandon, Manitoba, and at that rally WBCCI placed a sculpture, "Hands of Peace" in the International Peace Garden. Over the years it deteriorated to the point that it was removed.

Last year the North Dakota Peace Garden Unit proposed to replace the sculpture with a new one, similar in appearance but made of more permanent material such as stainless steel. This proposal resulted in Motion 4 at this year's Mid Winter IBT, which will be introduced by our Region President.

Note that the cost will not come out of WBCCI's budget; rather, a fund will be established to solicit tax-deductible donations to the project.

### Here Come the Motor Homes Again

Motion 3 by June Ryan, International Treasurer and member of the Motor Home special committee, is controversial. The motion is reproduced in its entirety on page 4.

In 2007, in response to Airstream discontinuing the manufacture of class A motor homes, the IBT proposed a constitutional amendment to open up WBCCI membership to owners of certain motor home models manufactured by Thor Industries, Airstream's parent company. Members rejected this amendment by a large margin at the 2007 Delegates Meeting.

At the 2011 International Rally the Motor Home Special Committee again recommended opening up WBCCI membership to Thor motor home owners. The IBT modified the proposed amendment to limit this option to WBCCI Life Members, and as it stands this amendment will be voted upon at the 2012 Delegates Meeting.

Mid Winter IBT Motion 3 would, if adopted, eliminate the Life Member qualification and open up WBCCI membership to owners of Thor motor homes. In effect, this motion would reverse the decision of the IBT at its last meeting.

We will be hearing more about this issue since the proposed motor home amendment adopted by the IBT last July will have to be voted on by the membership whether or not Motion 3 is adopted by the Mid Winter IBT.

Members are invited to contact our IBT representative, Region 7 President Joan Lahr, with your opinion on these matters. She can be reached at (cell) 262-327-4336 or (email) [lahr@wbcci.net](mailto:lahr@wbcci.net) Joan advises that she does not have continuous email coverage on the road so you may have better luck calling or texting to her cell phone.

### Very Brief Editorial

I, for one, am getting tired of this issue. If the WBCCI ceases to be the *Airstream* owners club, count me out.

### The Badger Bulletin WBCCI Wisconsin Unit #116

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# IBT MOTION FORM

WALLY BYAM CARAVAN CLUB INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Motion/Item No. 4 Meeting Date: January, 2012 Location: Hattiesburg, MS

I move, through approval of this motion or by way of a new special appointed committee, that the WBCCI in preparation for the four-year celebration (2012-2016) commemorating 200 years of peace since the War of 1812 between the nations of United States of America and Canada, by way of new designated contributions, replace the original WBCCI/Brandon "Hands of Peace" Sculpture by Barry Burdeny of Canada that was placed in the International Peace Garden in 1975, with a like sculpture. It should be made with a more durable material such as stainless steel, be approximately 3-5 feet tall, and mounted on a base in a pool with fountains. There should be an accompanying plaque of similar material identifying the original date and sculpture with a WBCCI/ Airstream/ Thor replacement, which would also include appropriate words from Wally Byam's Creed regarding "good will among nations" through person to person contact.

A copy of the program from the June 27, 1975 "Hands of Peace" dedication is attached.

Rationale: The original sculpture was a joint effort by the city of Brandon, Manitoba and the WBCCI. It was dedicated on June 27, 1975 in the International Peace Garden during the International Rally in Brandon, Manitoba. The International Peace Garden is located on the Canadian and USA border between Dunseith, North Dakota and Brandon, Manitoba, Canada. During the early beginnings of the "Hands Across the Border" program between the USA and Canada, this sculpture was a symbol of the achievement by two nations working together for peace, which should be celebrated especially in our international situations today. As of this date, the International Peace Garden's staff has been unable to locate the original WBCCI "Hands of Peace" Sculpture, as it apparently was removed several years ago due to its poor state of disrepair. In support of Wally Byam's Creed to us all, the Airstream Company and Thor Industries should also be invited to participate in this national and world event of promoting peace among all its peoples. This is a noteworthy legacy to Wally Byam, his Airstream, and his club, the WBCCI.

This motion was passed unanimously by the North Dakota Peace Garden Unit of Region 7 at the Unit's meeting on July 16, 2011, held at the Unit rally in the International Peace Garden.

On July 27, 2011, at the Region 7 rally in De Pere, Wisconsin, the Region 7 board unanimously passed the motion for the Region 7 President to place this motion on the agenda for the Mid-Winter IBT meeting to be held in January 2012 in Hattiesburg, Mississippi.

Financial Impact Statement: There is no financial cost to WBCCI as this project is based on donations. The International Peace Garden has a process where tax deductible donations may be made to this specific project.

\_\_\_\_ Motion reviewed by Constitution and Bylaws Committee  
\_\_\_\_ Motion reviewed by International Parliamentarian

Adopted      Defeated      Amended      Referred      Postponed\*      Tabled\*\*      Withdrawn

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Joan Lahr      \_\_\_\_\_ Maker

\*Cannot be postponed beyond session.

\*\*Will lie on the table only until end of the present session.

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# IBT MOTION FORM

WALLY BYAM CARAVAN CLUB INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Motion/Item No. 3 Meeting Date: January 2012 Location: Hattiesburg, MS

I move to amend the motion that was approved at the June 27, 2011 IBT and send the following to the 2012 Delegates for their discussion and vote.

WBCCI Constitution, Article VI, be amended as follows:

Section 2 - Insert paragraph C as amended as follows:

"Any Regular members ~~who are Life Time Membership~~ may, upon request, retain their membership as Regular Members if they replace their Airstream manufactured recreational vehicle with a Class A motor home manufactured by a division of Thor Industries, Inc. the parent company of Airstream, Inc." **"Also any person who owns such a Class A motor home may apply for membership in WBCCI"**.

The existing paragraph C becomes paragraph D with the following changes:

Replace "manufactured by Airstream, Inc." with "as defined in paragraphs B and C above"

The existing paragraph D becomes paragraph E.

The existing paragraph E becomes paragraph F.

Sec 4 after *Airstream, Inc* and before *who*, insert "or a division of Thor Industries, Inc. the parent company of Airstream, Inc" and after *Airstream, Inc.* and before *owned vehicle*, insert "or a Class A motor home as defined in this article"

## Article VI would then read:

### Sec. 2

- C) Any regular members may, upon request, retain their membership as Regular Members if they replace their Airstream manufactured recreational vehicle with a Class A motor home manufactured by a division of Thor Industries, Inc. the parent company of Airstream, Inc. Also any person who owns such a Class A motor home may apply for membership in WBCCI.
- D)
- E) Regular Members, who were in good standing when they sold their recreational vehicle as defined in paragraphs B and C above may, upon request, retain their membership as Regular Members, provided such members do not own another brand of recreational vehicle, except such Regular Members may own another brand of recreational vehicle that is parked in a permanent or semi-permanent location to be used by the members as a vacation facility or as a home.
- F) Such Regular Members shall possess all the rights and privileges of the International Club, including the right to retain their membership number, except that those who have relinquished their membership number and are to be reinstated as regular Members in a Unit and the International Club shall be assigned a new membership number by International Headquarters.
- G) A Unit shall not establish other requirements for an applicant to be a member of a Unit.

**Sec. 4** Notwithstanding the requirement that ownership of a recreational vehicle, as defined in Section 1 of this Article, is a prerequisite for membership; not more than ten officers and employees of Airstream, Inc. or a division of Thor Industries, Inc. the parent company of Airstream, Inc, who do not own such a recreational vehicle, may be members at any one time, provided they have the use of such an Airstream, Inc. or a Class A motor home as defined in this article- owned vehicle in which to participate in International Club activities.

**Rationale:** We are losing members as their Airstream Motor homes age and become no longer road worthy. Not being able to purchase a qualified motor home they may choose to purchase another brand and drop their membership. Also we could get new members if they own a qualified Class A motor home.

**Financial Impact:** Unknown

\_\_\_\_\_ Motion reviewed by Constitution and Bylaws Committee

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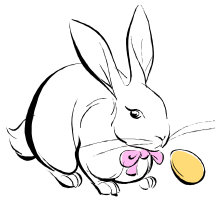
## 2012 Wisconsin Unit Activities (Revised January, 2012)

Here is the Wisconsin Unit schedule of activities for 2012 so you can mark your calendars now. Some of the events are shown as TBD (to be determined). Further information will be provided as it becomes available.

**Valentine Luncheon, February 11, 2012** at 11:30 AM.  
Spring Garden Restaurant, 225 South Century Avenue,  
Wauunakee, WI 53597 608-850-3732. Hosted by Lilly &  
Neil King, 608-849-8093, [lking8801@tds.net](mailto:lking8801@tds.net)



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Delafield, WI 53018 262-646-4070 Hosted by George &  
Teri Boehmer, 262-646-8697, [tboehmer2001@yahoo.com](mailto:tboehmer2001@yahoo.com)



**Easter Camp Out, April 6 – 8, 2012**, Peninsula State Park,  
Fish Creek, WI. Hosted by Ed & Sandy Emerick,  
920-475-7893 [SandyEmerick@yahoo.com](mailto:SandyEmerick@yahoo.com)

**April Camp Out, April 27 – 28, 2012**, Wisconsin Dells  
KOA, South 235A Stand Rock Road, Wisconsin Dells,  
WI 53965 608-254-4177. Hosted by Bob & Heidi Manak,  
262-524-8711 [bob.manak@wbcci.net](mailto:bob.manak@wbcci.net)

**April Luncheon & Business Meeting, April 28, 2012**  
11:30 AM, Moosejaw Pizza & Dells Brewing Co.  
110 Wisconsin Dells Pkwy S, Wisconsin Dells, WI  
608-254-1122 Hosted by Bob & Heidi Manak,  
262-524-8711 [bob.manak@wbcci.net](mailto:bob.manak@wbcci.net)

**May Rally, May 10 – 13, 2012** Walworth County  
Fairground, Elkhorn, WI Hosted by Arlene & Dick Redell,  
262-248-6108 [redella@yahoo.com](mailto:redella@yahoo.com)



**Caravan to Alumapalooza, May 26 – 29, 2011.**  
From Emerick's Aluminum Acres, Brussels, WI to the  
Alumapalooza rally, Jackson Center, OH. Led by Ed &  
Sandy Emerick, 920-475-7893 [SandyEmerick@yahoo.com](mailto:SandyEmerick@yahoo.com)



**WBCCI International Rally**  
**June 27 – July 4, 2012**  
Sedalia, MO



**Family Fun Camp Out, July 20 – 22, 2012, TBD,**  
Contact Ed & Sandy Emerick, 920-475-7893  
[SandyEmerick@yahoo.com](mailto:SandyEmerick@yahoo.com)

**Region 7 Rally, & Region 7 VAC Rally, August 8 – 13,**  
**2012**, Spicer, MN. Hosted by Linda Agre 320-295-1117  
[agre5628@me.com](mailto:agre5628@me.com)



**Road America Camp Out, September 7 – 9, 2012**  
Road America, Elkhart Lake, WI. Contact Don & Kay  
Stenz, 920-693-2146 [slem@tds.net](mailto:slem@tds.net)

**September Luncheon & Business Meeting, September 8,**  
**2012, TBD** Hosted by Ed & Sandy Emerick, 920-475-7893  
[SandyEmerick@yahoo.com](mailto:SandyEmerick@yahoo.com)



**October Door County Camp Out, date TBD,** Emericks'  
Aluminum Acres, Brussels, WI. Hosted by Ed & Sandy  
Emerick, 920-475-7893 [SandyEmerick@yahoo.com](mailto:SandyEmerick@yahoo.com)



**Birthday Bash Camp Out, November 9 – 11, 2012,**  
Kohler-Andrae State Park, Sheboygan, WI. Contact Ed &  
Sandy Emerick, 920-475-7893 [SandyEmerick@yahoo.com](mailto:SandyEmerick@yahoo.com)

November Luncheon, November 10, 2012, at 11:30.  
Location TBD, Contact Ed & Sandy Emerick, 920-475-7893  
[SandyEmerick@yahoo.com](mailto:SandyEmerick@yahoo.com)

WBCCI Wisconsin Unit

# *Valentine Luncheon*

Saturday, February 11, 2012, 11:30 AM

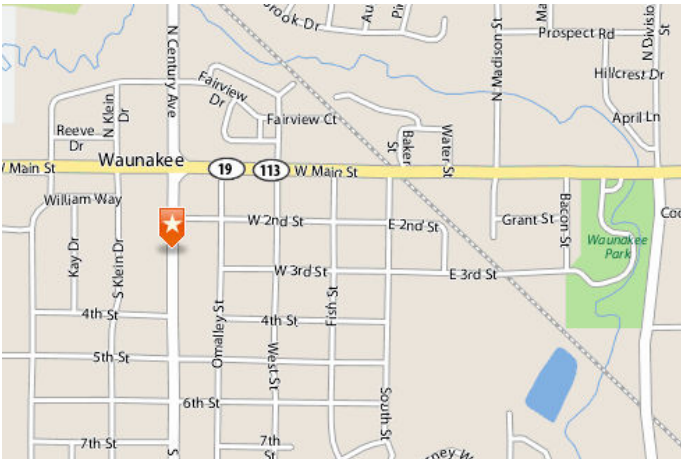


Hosted by Lilly & Neil King

Spring Garden Restaurant  
225 South Century Ave  
Waunakee, WI 53597

(608) 850-3732

RSVP to Lilly & Neil King, 608-849-8093 [lking8801@tds.net](mailto:lking8801@tds.net)



The Spring Garden Restaurant in Waunakee is located in a shopping center on South Century Avenue about two blocks south of West Main Street (State Route 19/113).

There is plenty of parking in the shopping center.

WBCCI Wisconsin Unit

# *St. Patrick's Day Luncheon*

Saturday, March 17, 2012, 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](mailto: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

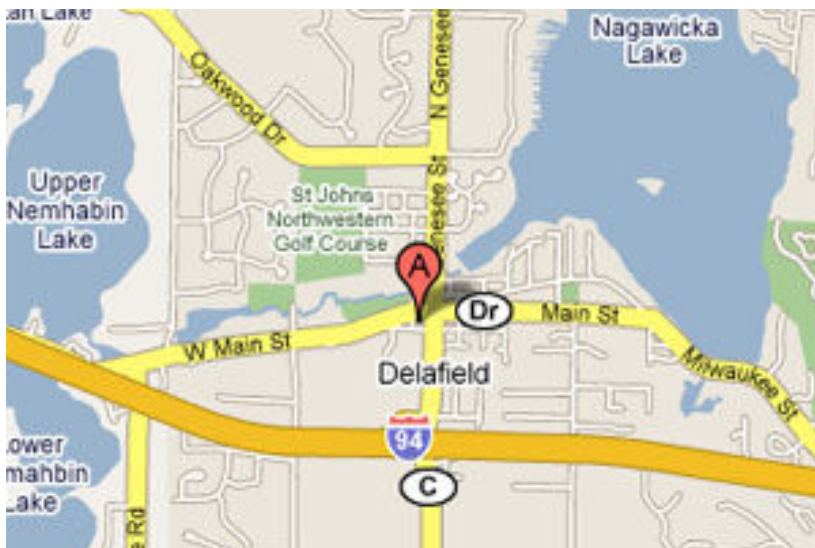
Hwy 16 to Hwy C

Head south on Hwy C

Take Hwy C to Wells Street

Turn right on to Wells Street

505 Wells Street



## WI Unit Membership Application

International dues \$65.00  
Wisconsin Unit dues (*email newsletter*) \$8.00  
**Total due to Treasurer: (*email newsletter only*) \$73.00**  
Add newsletter by US Mail \$10.00  
**Total due to Treasurer: (*Includes US Mail newsletter*) \$83.00**

Please make checks payable to: **W. B. C. C. I. – Wisconsin Unit**  
Mail to: Sandy Emerick, Treasurer  
838 E. Eldorado  
Appleton, WI 54911

*Please update your personal information for our records and send with your dues.  
Thank you for your continuing/new membership in the club!*

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## WBCCI Wisconsin Unit 2012 Membership Information

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ His first \_\_\_\_\_ Her first \_\_\_\_\_

Children: Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
(Badger Bulletin will be mailed to this address from April to November.)

Winter Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
(Badger Bulletin will be mailed to this address from January through March.)

Contact numbers: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

WBCCI Unit number \_\_\_\_\_ Type/length of unit \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Receive newsletter via: Unit website \_\_\_\_\_ USPS \_\_\_\_\_ Both \_\_\_\_\_  
(You will get an email notice when each new Bulletin is online)

Courtesy parking: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Type of membership: New \_\_\_\_\_ Life \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_ Transfer \_\_\_\_\_ From \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliate \_\_\_\_\_ Member-at-Large \_\_\_\_\_ Vintage \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday (month/day only): His \_\_\_\_\_ Hers \_\_\_\_\_ Anniversary \_\_\_\_\_

Trailer / MH Serial Number (new applications only) \_\_\_\_\_