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Introducing your Selected Inaugural newsletter banner !

Thank you to all who submitted their choice of banner...our webmaster Bob Manak (BRN 6151) took the selected result and tweaked it to be functional in both color and black/white formats. It is indeed fitting that the introduction of our banner happens as a New Year begins...here's to looking forward to adventures and gatherings that we're all missing. Cheers!



Welcome New Members

Pattie Cook has sent these names:

Peter and Moira Leask (BRN 24066), Aughton, Lancashire, UK

Jack and Babara Schuck (BRN 01272) Alhambra, CA

Welcome to our group and we hope to see you at one of our events scheduled in 2021.

To our **seasoned members**, be sure to introduce yourself to these folks if they should join in our adventures...notice we have increased our international reach to across the big pond. Way to go group!!!

So what to do while we wait for the "all clear" or vaccine to gather...

I have been collecting ideas that might be interesting to members at this moment in time. These can be investigated even if you are not in a climate that allows for travel in your Airstream. Many of these ideas can be done even if your Airstream has been winterized; now you may have to warm it up a bit...if you have access to power and heat; turn on the furnace...consider these listed by Rich Luhr author/editor of American Life.

1. Celebrate the New Year in the Airstream...bring the champagne and noisemakers into the rig.
2. Bring a video and watch a movie in the Airstream...buy or make munchies; any movie will do, even if you haven't seen the Christmas movie DieHard recently.
3. Spread some maps and brainstorm ideas in planning an adventure that you might be interested in taking.
4. Make picnic breakfast and eat it in the Airstream.
5. Attend a Zoom cocktail hour meeting inside the Airstream.
6. If your rig is stored outside...decorate it; add a wreath, add lights, use your creative spirit to capture your mood.
7. (this is one I do every year) Buy your rig a present... sometimes its a piece of equipment that needs repairing, may be a rug, pillow or whatever you think appropriate.



Wisc-UP Rally Calendar 2021

Month	Date	Event	Location	Contact Information
January	No Scheduled Club Events			
February	2/13/2021	Zoom Happy Hour 7PM cst	On-line gathering	Email link
March	3/13/2021	Zoom Happy Hour 7PM cst	On-line gathering	Email link
April	4/1/ to 4/4/2021	Easter Campout	Peninsula State Park	Individual members
May	4/29/2021 to 5/2/2021	Rally and Business Meeting	Dells KOA 110 Wisc. Dells Parkway So. Wisconsin Dells/ Lake Delton	RSVP to email: bill.scheuerell@sbcglobal.net Reservations to KOA submit by: April 1, 2021 608-254-4177
June	6/24/ to 6/27/2021	Chippewa Falls Rally	TBA	Beth and Rod Fierek
July	7/17 to 7/24/2021	64th International Rally	Lebanon, TN	airstreamclub.org/Lebanon or call HQ 937-596-5211
August	8/5/ to 8/8/2021	Kid's Rally	Wilton, WI	Bree & R. Charles Lawrence
	8/19 to 8/24/2021	Region 7 Rally	Rippling River Resort Campground, Marquette, MI	https:// region7.airstreamclub.net for details
September	9/7 to 9/12/2021	Alumapalooza 11	Jackson Center, OH	info@randbevents.com or 813-200-8877
	9/21 to 9/24/2021	Rally on the River: Stillwater, MN	TBA	Beth and Rod Fierek
	9/24 to 9/29/2021	Brewery Trek toward Decora, Iowa	TBA	Mary and Kurt Jorgensen
October	No Scheduled Club Event, if interested in planning one contact: rodfierek@gmail.com			
November	11/4 to 11/7/2021	Birth Bash Campout	Potawatomi State Park	TBA
December	12/4/2021	Luncheon: Wausau area	TBA	Gina Eggers & Mark Kasten

All things considered...

Question...Do you carry a first-aid kit/materials in your tow vehicle or Airstream? If you don't travel with a kit...consider collecting these items and/or formulate your own kit.

1. variety of sizes and shapes of bandages (finger, butterfly,)
2. gauze pads at least a couple sizes
3. tape
4. alcohol wipes
5. sting relief: topical or spray
6. triple antibiotic ointment
7. antiseptic wipes
8. acetaminophen/ aspirin
9. latex gloves
10. scissors
11. hot and cold pac



A Message from the President...



Happy New Year, Wisc-Yoopers! It sure is good to have 2020 behind us, isn't it? New Year's celebrations were more muted than usual,

and we're looking forward to Spring and the promise of getting together again. Some of us have headed south to escape Winter, most of us are still close to home. As we enter this new year I want to thank all of you for your continued support of Airstream Club International and especially our Wisconsin-UP Club. Without you we would not exist.

These have been hard times, yet we adapt and thrive through the pleasures we find in friendship and family, in the books we read, in trying new recipes, and sometimes even in shoveling the driveway. As members of this club, we have the added pleasure of owning an Airstream, and what a joy that can be! Beth and I made breakfast in ours recently, parked right here at home, which turned out to be great fun. Just sitting there, drinking a cup of coffee, was a real treat. Still, it is going to take more than a cup of coffee or breakfast in the Airstream to return us to something approaching normalcy. Vaccination progress is good, yet it is unlikely that we'll be crowding into a supper club for dinner and an Olde Fashioned any time soon.

One immediate consequence is that the February luncheon is cancelled. You can enjoy that Olde Fashioned at our virtual Happy Hour instead on February 13th, at 7:00pm. I will email the Zoom link in early February. We will do the same thing in place of the March luncheon, much as I'd like to do otherwise. I'd like to say thanks to Jim Guthrie and Bree Moore-Lawrence for the work they did to put together these now cancelled luncheons. So save that March 13th date too; we'll do a Zoom call and more Olde Fashioned's that way.

Take a look at our annual calendar (see page 3). Outdoor events offer the option to get together, yet camp apart, at the actual rallies beginning in April. Keep your fingers-crossed that we'll be able to do this. Use the next few months to take care of some of that Airstream maintenance, assuming your rig isn't buried in snow or otherwise inaccessible. Do some interior upkeep, reorganize your storage compartments, or maybe just sit inside and dream a bit over a cup of coffee.

In closing, I'll share this so-called Worthy Thought from another newsletter I received: "The one thing that unites all human beings, regardless of age, gender, religion, economic status or ethnic

background, is that, deep down inside, we **ALL** believe that we are above-average drivers.”

Go ahead: deny it. 😊

I wish you a safe and healthy 2021 and look forward to gathering at the February Zoom Happy Hour. Thank you for your membership. Stay well.

Beth and Rod Fierek (BRN 1924)

Passing the Baton ...



THANK YOU Bill and Ginny (BRN 3649) for your tremendous effort in developing what turned out to be a mostly cancelled 2020 club calendar. **The Year That Wasn't** is perhaps a fitting title for the luncheons, rallies and caravan they planned but could not be executed. COVID-19 certainly put a wrinkle into their and our plans. On top of all that work, operating almost entirely in the background and unseen by most of us, Bill liaised regularly with our national organization to shepherd through to completion an extensive streamlining of our Constitution and Bylaws. It was a tedious but necessary project, and he did it splendidly.

From all of us: Thank You, Bill and Ginny, for your great work.

Up Date on Member Recognition...

At the Fall 2020 (Zoom) Business Meeting, President Bill Scheuerell recognized the long-standing support provided by two couples, without whose years of service this Club would be a woefully different unit. The two couples are:



Heidi and Bob Manak (BRN 6151):

together they've served as President & First Lady, Membership Chair, Webmaster, Quartermaster, Name Tag makers, and the glue that holds this group together.

Sandy and Ed Emerick (BRN:

4425) served as Unit President – TWICE and Sandy was the

club's Treasurer ... "Almost for Life." And let's not forget the Badger stories, or Batman antics that pop up on FaceBook and around the campfires from time to time.



Jason Staffin (BRN 1721) shown below with his wife Kelly, have produced a **Recognition**

Medallion for both couples, which will be presented to them at the Spring Business meeting (or the next time we gather).



We collectively owe the **Emerick's** and the **Manak's** our deep gratitude for their service to the club.

Be sure to say **thanks** next time you talk with them.

Rally Information Correction...

Jane Carmichael (BRN 3230)
Region 7 President wanted to alert
those interested in attending the
Marquette Rally in August to reserve
your site at the Rippling River Resort
using this number...

906-273-2259.

The number listed on previous
announcements was incorrect.

