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Cincinnati Ohio Unit - WBCCI

#### 2015 Officers

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Mary Lou Thompson Bob Drake Jenn Reinshagen Bev Drake



# FROM YOUR PRESIDENT.....

### **Bill Grawe**

Dear Members;

We're back from the successful Swiss Festival in Sugarcreek, and made it to the Turkey Rally, and now looking forward to our Harvest Bruch. More on that later.

The Thompsons, Starrs, Muellers, and both Grawe familys met up and caravaned in to the Swiss Festival a day early. Mark and Daren made it in on the following day, sans cats. We ate a lot, toured a lot, had great entertainment, excellent bean soup, and watched a great parade.

THEN, we returned home, rested for 3 days and went to the Cincinnati Unit Turkey rally. Started out Thursday with a good round of golf, Friday saw hard nosed competition for prizes, Saturday was the business meeting and election of 2016 officers and their installation by Region 4 Secretary Janet Kendig, and then...spit roasted turkey with all the trimings.

That evening we played a card game for more prizes, and the best part...we got to steal the prize some one else had picked.

Sunday we had an ecumenical service and finished off the turkey mmmmm In attendance were: Region 4 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Don Hetzler and Marion,

Region 4 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Karen Fisher and Wally Kimmel, Region 4 Secretary Janet Kendig and Don, Bev and Bob Drake, Mary Lou and Sonny Thompson, Linda Muller, Dave, and Hanna, Mark Kennedy, Daren Baker, Sandy and Steve Grawe, and Joyce and Bill Grawe

Of course the dirt draggers were in attendance Saturday late. Some really big machines ran with the usual roar.

Finally, we were treated to about two hours of fireworks. Not your usual home versions, but full commercial types, complete with the tremendous big bang endings. No one seemed to know what was going on. We assumed someone was disposing of left over inventory.

The Hetzlers drove over to the Wolf Rescue site Saturday but could not get into the parking lot. There was a small pow wow going on and the place was jammed. They went back Sunday and were able to see the wolves up close and personal.

In the business meeting there was a discussion about a rumor that Tall Stacks was being scheduled for 2016. A motion was made and passed that we would hold a Tall Stack/Turkey National Rally. We may have to have this as a joint rally if we cannot get enough volunteers from our Unit. Bill Grawe volunteered to be the chairman.

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by Bev Drake



2015 Turkey Rally

#### Your 2016 Officers

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Sandy Grawe
Joyce Grawe
Jenn Reinshagen
Bev Drake

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#### HARVEST BRUNCH-Hosts: Bill & Joyce Grawe

Mark your calender. We meet at the Golden Correl in Fairfield at 9:00 AM, November 14. New Members, this is an excellent opportunity to meet your fellow Airstreamers and talk about what we do, why we do it, and any problems with your Airstream. We are a store house of years of experience. Also, we will have your club badges available. CONTACT Bill Grawe @ 513 825 3057 or wgrawesr@hotmail.com If you plan to attend.

#### Looking forward to meeting you.

The Golden Corral is on Kolb Drive. off Winton Rd. (Gilmore Rd.) just North of I 275. Winton is exit no. 39 off I 275.

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Recognize these? Yes, they are the tabs off your drink cans. Airstreamers collect these and annually turn them in at the International Rally. They are sold and the funds are given to the Ronald McDonald House benefitting local children. Save yours and give them to the president prior to the International Rally in 2016. The 2016 theme is "Because We Can".

Thanks.

#### Sugarcreek Rally report

The Cincinnati Club had a unit dinner and the Starr's graciously offered to host this get together. It was a fun time with homemade bean soup (200 lbs of navy beans and 160 lbs of ham....YUM, YUM.. (Of course that was for the whole rally.) Those attending were Oneida & Dave Starr, Sandy & Steve Grawe, Mary *Woo* & Sonny Thompson, Linda & Dave Mueller, Mark Kennedy, Darren Baker, Marian & Don Hetzler, Joyce & Bill Grawe. Darren Baker won 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the trailer decorating contest, Bill won 1<sup>st</sup> place in golf, Joyce took a 2<sup>nd</sup> in the hobby show. Fun, Fun

We were happy to celebrate Mary Lou & Sonny's 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The band played a song, especially for them, and had them stand up front. Everyone applauded when he gave her a big SMOOCH!

Mark, Mary Lou, Darren and Joyce helped with refreshments one evening.

One morning we were lined up for a tour and there was a streak of white running across the campground. Someone (Darren) had forgotten their badge. Ten minutes later there was another streak of green this time, Steve had forgotten his badge. Now you would think we had all learned from this but the next day, lo and behold, another streak of red flying across the grounds to get their badge....hey Mark!!! We had good tours and learned a lot about the Amish life style.

One of the more interesting tours was at the Pearl Valley Cheese company. They process milk brought in by tankers (some from as far away as Michigan) into mostly Swiss cheese. The waste is process in another plant into methane gas which is used to power their cheese facility. The Sugarcreek area is the nations largest producer of Swiss cheese.

There was a rumor that Heine's Cheese factory had closed but this is was not true. We stopped by for a visit and to sample the 100 of so cheeses they sell, but it was so crowded we could not get in. Maybe next year.

How fun it was to see so many Airstream friends that we have traveled with through the years. They are like "extended family". There is such warmth in their greeting, may times with a hug. ©

Joyce met a man called Maytag, she asked why the name and someone yelled, "because he is an AGITATOR!" Beware that name.

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#### **Unit Directory**

This is the last Newsletter for 2015. The next job is to publish the Unit Directory. If you have changed your phone number, address, e-mail address, or anyting else please let me know by e-mail to wgrawesr@hotmail.com.

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C H R I S T M A S DINNER/PARTY-Hosts Jenn & Robb Reinshagen - 513-919-0229 (wbcci4447@gmail.com)

Our final get together is our annual Christmas Dinner/Party scheduled for December 6 at 12:30 PM at the

Manor House, off Rt. 4 in Cincinnati. Turn East at the only traffic light between Sharon Rd. and Northland Blvd. **RSVP with Jenn or Robb by December 2.** This is a lovely buffet with good food.

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I wish to thank the many people who have helped during this past year – your club officers, Darren Baker, Don & Janet Kendig, Joyce Grawe, Sonny and Mary Lou Thompson, Bob and Bev Drake, and Rob and Jenn Reinshagen.

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