Hello COU members,

As I'm putting finishing touches on our upcoming rally I see snow flying by my window, let's all hope that it will be warmed up by the start.

The theme for our first rally in 2016 will be "Under the Big Top". This is our SOUP RALLY and I would like everybody to try and bring a decoration to set on the tables. They should have a circus or carnival theme and we will have a judging by all that attend. We will have carnival games and a movie night.

There will be a tour on Friday to Halderman Museum Barn, Gale Halderman is the designer of the original Mustang. It should be an interesting tour. Be sure to bring your gently used items for our auction, as it will be held Saturday afternoon. If you wish, you could bring non perishable food items for donation to a local food pantry, and/or items for the International Rally Community Service project. (Toiletries, stuffed animals, children’s hats, etc.)

For those attending the catered dinner, the cost will be $13.50 per dinner. All I will need, at this time, is a RSVP; for your convenience you will be able to pay for it later at registration with the rally and camping fees. You can email me at darren.baker65@frontier.com or by phone (937) 339-9451, be sure to leave message if no answer. I will need to know by April 15, 2016.

I'm still in need of a host for the Turkey Rally, so if I have any volunteers out there, please let me know.

Following the Soup Rally will be the Summer Rally, June 2-5 at Poor Farmer's.

Hope to see all of you there!

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We were happy to see about twenty of our members at the St. Patrick’s Day Brunch. It is always good to get together in the winter months, with Airstream folks, to remind us that warm traveling days is not far away! It is also good to keep in touch with our Airstream friends who no longer are able to travel with us. It was great seeing all of you.

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CINCINNATI UNIT MEAL IN PUNTA GORDA, FL

We were delighted to get our members together this winter for a delicious meal at Fisherman’s Village in Punta Gorda. Dave and Oneida Starr were camping in Wauchula, Fl and drove down for the afternoon to join us. The others who were able to attend were Guy Lotz and friend Lucille, Sonny and Mary Lou Thompson, Bill and Joyce Grave and a special guest - Sonny and May Lou’s son Scott (who was able to get several golf games in during his visit to Paradise Park.) Those good ole’ sunny Florida days.

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Call Darren today at 1 937 609 9415 to make your reservation for this fun rally. Our President is hosting this first rally of the year and has planned some interesting activities. This is a joint rally with Miami Valley and Columbus and is also a Buddy Rally. You are encouraged to invite family or friends, who have a self contained unit, to join us. The rally fee is $20 plus the camping fee.

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IMPORTANT - CALL DARREN TODAY AT 937 609 9415 TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATION FOR THE CATERED DINNER ON FRIDAY EVENING AT THE SOUP RALLY. HE NEEDS THAT INFO TODAY!

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JUST A NOTE........Bill and Joyce are talking about attending the Region I “Snow Goose Rally - Migrating North” in Montmagny, Quebec, Canada this year. The dates are August 4 - 7. The fee is US $295, for two adults. For more information, the website is http://unitquebec.wbcci.net

We will plan a caravan if there is interest among our members. Bill will also bring a schedule of the activities taking place, to our Soup Rally.

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2016 ACTIVITIES & HOSTS

March 19
St. Patrick’s Day Brunch, 9:00 AM
Golden Corral
Fairfield, OH, Kolb Rd. off Winton Rd.
Darren Baker, 937-339-9415

April 21 - 24
Soup Rally, (Joint w/Columbus & Miami Valley)
Green County Fairgrounds (Buddy Rally)
Xenia, Ohio
Darren Baker, 937-339-9415

May 11 - 16
Region 4 Rally
Coldwater, Michigan
Gary & Shyrl Olinger, 740-603-3677

Cincinnati Unit Meal -TBA
Region 4 Rally
Darren Baker (at the rally)

June 5 - 8
Summer Rally, (Joint w/Miami Valley & Auglaize)
Poor Farmers RV Park, Fletcher, OH
Bill Grawe, 513-641-8930

June 27 - July 4
International Rally
Lewisburg, West Virginia
Cincinnati Unit Meal-TBA
International Rally
Darren Baker (at the Rally)

September 10 - 13
Fall Fling, or Caravan.
TBA
Darren Baker, 937-339-9415

October 13 - 16
Turkey Rally
Franklin Co. 4-H Fairgrounds
Brookville, Indiana
Darren Baker, 937-339-9415

November 12
Harvest Brunch, 9:00 AM
Golden Corral
Fairfield, OH off Winton Rd.
Steve Grawe 513-777-2652

December 11
Christmas Dinner/Party
Manor House, Rt. 4, South of Kemper Rd.
Springdale, Ohio
Rob & Jenn Reinshagen, 513--919-0229