

NEWSLETTER OF THE CENTRAL INDIANA UNIT -  
"FROM THE HEART OF INDIANA"



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*Take Flight*

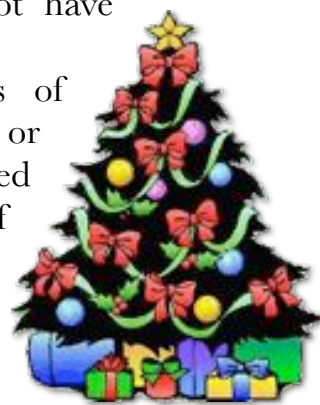
*One of the many adventures on our most recent caravan! Grissom Air Force Base made us think about Airstreams with wings....*

*Pilot: Damon Beals*

✘ Christmas Bells are  
Ringing ✘

Please join us for fun, fellowship and mountains of delicious food, at our 2012 Christmas Luncheon. This is a great opportunity to meet new members and reconnect with some that may not have been able to attend events this year.

We will be accepting donations of canned or non-perishable food, or monetary contributions, to be donated to the St. James Food Pantry of Lafayette, in the name of CIU.



Saturday, December 1, 2012  
11 a.m.

MCL Cafeteria, Castleton  
5520 Castleton Corner Lane, Indianapolis, IN

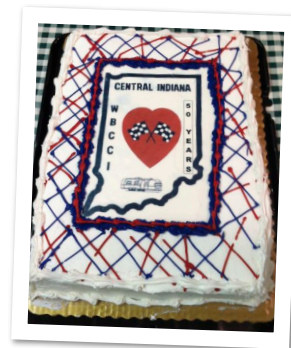
*From the Treasurer*

We are still accepting International and Unit dues payments - they may be made online at <http://centralind.wbcci.net/renew-your-membership-2/> . (Affiliate members and Subscribers to CIU publications may also pay their CIU dues on-line.) .Please note: on-line renewal is only an option. You can still renew via check or cash, as always.



*Dear CIU members and friends,*

I am so happy to have been installed as your President during CIU's 50th anniversary year. I am pleased to say we have a full slate of officers and committee chairmen, as listed in the meeting minutes. Without all your help and support this club would not be able to continue.



I personally want to thank Ann Newman for the great "Banks of the Wabash In and Out Caravan" We followed the Wabash River from near its beginning in Bluffton, Indiana, to Prophetstown State Park near Lafayette. We had such a great time. Ann will continue the journey down the Wabash next year with the "Banks of the Wabash In and Out Caravan Part 2". Indiana has a lot to offer in interesting things to see and do. I hope you will all join us for that exciting event.



Our next event is our early winter Christmas luncheon at the MCL Castleton Cafeteria in Indianapolis, Indiana on December 1, 2012. We'll begin arriving around 11:00 am, and eat shortly thereafter. It will be so nice to see all our CIU members and friends and have a great lunch together.

We are in the process of planning the events for next year. We desperately need your support and input. I am looking forward to seeing and hearing from all of you at the luncheons and upcoming rallies. Have a safe winter. Ron and I have big plans for a trip to California this winter, attending rallies, caravans and the winter IBT.

*Safe journeys and we'll see you down the road.*

*Darlene Gordy*

## Past Presidents Honored

At our Annual Meeting, the club recognized Past Presidents in attendance.

Mike Brown, 2012  
Karen Bell, 2011  
Barry Bell, 2009  
Sandy Langell, representing parents:  
Robert Marston, 1991  
Patsy Marston, 1996  
Dan Kachele, 2005  
Bud Hershberger, 2002 & 2008



## Trustees

Region 5 President Barry Bell (left), with 2013 Trustees that were present at Annual Meeting. Marsha Beals, Jim Fuller, Ann Newman, Bud Hershberger.

## NEW MEMBERS! WELCOME!

John & Jacqueline Wrin

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See what's happening with CIU at the Central Indiana Facebook Page. <http://www.facebook.com/groups/181854158507/?ref=ts&fref=ts>

# Wonders of the Wabash Caravan

It was wondrous - and a great time was had by all! Thank you, Ann, for putting it all together for us, and shepherding us along the way. I can't wait for the next installment!



One of the highlights of the Caravan was a tour of the Caterpillar plant in Lafayette, IN. We saw the entire process involved in building the enormous engines that power cruise ships, mining trucks, and even entire cities. The extensive use of robotics in the plant was fascinating. We appreciated the excellent tour - thank you, Ron, for making this possible.



The Apple Dumpling Gang at McClure's Tate Orchard near Peru.



At every stop, Jim and Sue Fuller put out their eye-catching fall decorations, and we all enjoyed them.



"The Cupcake Camper" - one of many marvels at Dan Pipers' Vintage Campers.

We may not have got to milk the cows, but Mary Jo Brown fed the horses at Prophetstown. And were those eggs good!



# CIU Rallies and Events

December 1, 2012 Christmas Luncheon 11 a.m.  
MCL 5520 Castleton Corner Lane, Indianapolis, IN [Map](#)  
Contact Ron or Darlene Gordy 765-474-5618

April 20 , 2013 Spring Luncheon 11 a.m.  
Lafayette, IN  
Host: Darlene Gordy 765-474-5618 [Lighthousegordy@hotmail.com](mailto:Lighthousegordy@hotmail.com)  
May 16-19, 2013 Spring Rally,  
[White River Campground](#) Cicero, IN  
Hosts: Mike and Mary Jo Brown  
317-877-1745 [mjkbrown@frontier.com](mailto:mjkbrown@frontier.com)

July 18 -21, 2013 Youth Circus Rally  
Peru, Indiana Miami County Fairgrounds [Map](#)  
Host – Dan Kachele 317-172-2907 [dachele@gmail.com](mailto:dachele@gmail.com)

October 4 – 13, 2013 Banks of the Wabash Caravan, Part 2  
Along the Wabash River from Lafayette, IN south  
Host – Ann Newman 317-850-6402 [jan20@cornell.edu](mailto:jan20@cornell.edu)

November 30, 2013 Christmas Luncheon – TBD  
Host – Dan Kachele 317-172-2907 [dachele@gmail.com](mailto:dachele@gmail.com)

## 2013 Region 5 Rally

Mark your calendars for the 2013 Region 5 Rally, to be held in beautiful General Butler State Park, September 11-15. General Butler is located 44 miles southeast of Louisville, Kentucky, on the outskirts of Carrollton, on the Ohio River. Rolling, wooded hills and southern hospitality make this a special spot.

# Member News:

CIU members **John and Darleen Himmelheber** are also members of the German American Klub in Indianapolis, and are avid participants in their Folk Dance Group. They were recently honored with the presentation of a plaque, in recognition of their contributions to The Federation of German Folk Dance Groups. Congratulations, John and Darleen! Could there be a little folk dancing in the future for CIU?

**Pat Shand** had a bicycling accident on the Wabash caravan and broke a bone. Pat and Ken missed a few days and then finished the caravan with us! She writes - "A Big Thank you for all your words of encouragement, assistance and kind words after my accident. We had a good trip home despite some stormy weather. X-rays done yesterday show that the fracture is starting to heal; so, will continue with the immobilizer and crutches till I see the orthopedic Dr on Nov 1st. Expect to be better in 6 – 8 weeks. We really enjoyed our time with you and hope to see you at other rallies or functions. Fondly, Pat Shand, 315 Martha Street, Goderich, Ontario, N7A 4M8

**Tom Anson** is recovering nicely from his recent accident. If you would like to send a card, his temporary address is: Tom Anson, c/o Greenwood Meadows, 1200 N. State Road 135, Greenwood, IN 46142

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## Celebrations

### Birthdays

Toby Todd 11/2  
Pat Anson 11/5  
Alex Szabo 11/13  
Anita Lewellen 11/18  
Howard Lance 11/19  
Thomas Anson 11/24  
Max Carmichael 11/25  
Barry Bell 11/26  
Bud Hershberger 11/26  
Mary Jo Brown 11/27  
Erin Beals 11/29  
Pamela Peak 12/22  
Ann Newman 12/27  
Marilyn Barnett 1/14  
Patsy Marston 1/17  
Lana Russel 1/23  
Barbara Phillips 1/30  
Barbara Bergen 1/31  
Russell Thackery 1/31

### Wedding Anniversaries

John & Darleen Himmelheber 11/3/51  
John & Barbara Bergen 11/9/52  
Ron & Darlene Gordy 11/16/63  
Jim & Sue Fuller 12/1/63  
Perry & Anita Lewellen 12/26/49  
Bud & Ida Mae Hershberger 12/29/51  
Ken & Sandy Langell 1/1/90

If your birthday or anniversary is November - January and was not mentioned here, we apologize, and it means we don't have it in our records. Please send your dates to Ron Gordy, [Lighthousegordy@hotmail.com](mailto:Lighthousegordy@hotmail.com), and we will add you to the list. Thanks!

**Minutes of General Business Meeting – Central Indiana Unit of WBCCI 041**  
**Miami 4-H Fairgrounds, Peru, Indiana**  
**October 8, 2012**

President Mike Brown opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Secretary Mary Jo Brown took roll call.

**Officers Present:**

President, Mike Brown  
Vice President, Darlene Gordy  
Secretary, Mary Jo Brown  
Treasurer, Ron Gordy  
Past President, Karen Bell

**Trustees Present:**

Damon Beals  
Bud Hershberger  
Ann Newman

**Trustee Absent:**

Carol Beardshear

There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order.

Mike Brown made a motion that, since each member of the Board had received a copy of the minutes of the April 28, 2012, meeting via e-mail and had the opportunity to review them, we waive the reading of the minutes. Mary Jo Brown seconded it and the motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report**

Ron Gordy distributed copies of the Treasurer's Report as of October 5, 2012, the date he closed the books. He stated that the checking account balance as of that date was \$1,663.22, and the savings account balance was \$3,007.21, for total assets of \$4,670.43. Dues in advance for 2013 were \$450.00, for total equity of \$4,220.43.

Income since the last report in April 2012 is \$1,430.00 from International dues, \$445.20 from Unit dues, \$1,283.00 from rally income, \$0.74 from interest and \$26.00 miscellaneous income, for total income of \$3,184.94. Expenses were \$1,300.00 for International dues, \$513.06 for building and grounds, \$531.89 for rally supplies and food, \$120.00 for door prizes, \$9.00 for Ticker postage, \$89.39 for administrative expense, \$4.09 for new member postage, and \$73.32 miscellaneous unit expense, for total expense of \$2,640.75, and net income of \$544.19.

Ron reminded everyone that our unit now has the capability of making payments by credit card or PayPal. He pointed out that there is a small fee incurred for using these options, and that is the reason for the uneven dollar amount in the unit dues of \$445.20

Memberships paid so far for 2013 are 29 regular members, 4 affiliates, and 1 subscriber.

A motion was made by Ken Langell to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted. Bud Hershberger seconded it and the motion carried. A copy of the Treasurer's Report will be filed with these minutes for audit.

**Correspondence: None**

**Standing Committee Reports: None**

**Unfinished Business: None**

**New Business: Election of Officers**

Mike Brown presented the slate of officers selected by the Nominating Committee to serve as officers for CIU for the remainder of 2012 and 2013. He also asked for nominations from the floor and none were received. The slate of officers presented for election is as follows:

President, Darlene Gordy  
Vice President, Dan Kachele  
Recording Secretary, Mary Jo Brown  
Corresponding Secretary, Karen Bell  
Treasurer, Ron Gordy  
Past President, Mike Brown  
Trustee, Marsha Beals (2 years)  
Trustee, Jim Fuller (2 years)  
Trustee, Bud Hershberger (1 year)  
Trustee, Ann Newman (1 year)

Ann Newman made the motion that we accept the slate of officers. Ken Langell seconded it and the motion passed unanimously.

**Installation of Officers**

Mike Brown then asked Barry Bell, Region 5 President, to come forward for the installation of the newly elected officers. Barry read to each officer their particular responsibilities and asked for their acceptance of those responsibilities. He then presented each new officer with the appropriate items relative to their position. Barry also presented out-going president Mike Brown a past-president's decal and past president's flag. Barry then asked all retiring officers to stand to be recognized and thanked them for their service to CIU and to WBCCI

Mike Brown then thanked his staff for all their help and support during the past year, noting that it was definitely a team effort. Ann Newman thanked Mike for his work as president.

There being no further business, Mike Brown made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Mary Jo Brown seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jo Brown  
Recording Secretary



**Minutes of General Business Meeting – Central Indiana Unit of WBCCI 041**  
**Miami 4-H Fairgrounds, Peru, Indiana**  
**October 8, 2012**

Newly installed President Darlene Gordy opened the meeting at 7:35 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was not said since it had been said at the meeting held just prior to this meeting. Secretary Mary Jo Brown took roll call.

**Officers Present:**

President, Darlene Gordy  
Vice President, Dan Kachele  
Recording Secretary, Mary Jo Brown  
Corresponding Secretary, Karen Bell

Treasurer, Ron Gordy  
Past President, Mike Brown

**Trustees Present:**

Marsha Beals  
Jim Fuller  
Bud Hershberger  
Ann Newman

There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order.

Darlene Gordy thanked everyone for their past support of CIU and encouraged everyone to continue their support by attending future rallies and caravans. She recognized the incoming officers and trustees and thanked them for their willingness to serve. Darlene also named the standing committee chairpersons for 2013. They are as follows:

Caravan, Ann Newman  
Constitution and Bylaws, John Bergen  
Ethics and Grievance, Ida Mae Hershberger  
Historical, Patsy Marston  
Legislative, Mike Zimmermann  
Membership, Damon and Erin Beals  
Ticker Editor, Sandy Langell  
Unit Directory Editor, Ann Newman  
Parliamentarian, Barbara Bergen  
Webmaster, Carol Beardshear

**Treasurer's Report – None**

## **Unfinished Business – None**

### **New Business**

Darlene said the Christmas luncheon will be held at the MCL Castleton Cafeteria in Indianapolis on Saturday, December 1, 2012, at 11:00 a.m. She also said that the first rally for next year is scheduled for May 16-19, 2013, at the White River Campground in Cicero, Indiana, weather permitting. She explained that spring rains sometimes flood the area, so the location is somewhat questionable at this time. Darlene said that Dan Kachele is planning the Youth/Buddy Rally for July 18-21, in Peru, Indiana, and asked that everyone planning to attend should let them know soon, because they need to purchase a block of Circus tickets in advance. She said that Ann Newman has agreed to plan another Wabash Caravan, Part 2, for October 4-13. Darlene also thanked Ann for the great job she did in planning this year's Wabash Caravan. Dan Kachele will plan the 2013 Christmas luncheon and will provide details at a later time. Darlene encouraged everyone to attend as many of these events as possible including the International Rally in Huron, South Dakota, in July and the Region 5 Rally in Carrollton, Kentucky, in September.

Darlene then asked Mike and Mary Jo Brown to come forward and presented them with two camping chairs in appreciation for Mike serving as president of CIU for 2012.

Darlene also asked Ann Newman to come forward to make a brief presentation relative to the 50th anniversary of CIU. Ann said the Club held its first official meeting on October 13, 1962, noting several interesting facts about the Club's history. She also said that a history of the Club could be found on the CIU website. Mike Brown then recognized all past presidents who were present at the meeting and asked them to come forward for a picture. Cake and ice cream was then enjoyed by all present in celebration of CIU's 50 years as an official unit of WBCCI.

There being no further business or announcements to be brought forth, Ken Langell made the motion to adjourn the meeting, and Marsha Beals seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jo Brown  
Recording Secretary