

THE TICKER

Newsletter of the Central Indiana Unit WBCCI

From the Heart of Indiana

Erin Beals #4827, Editor



Message from Mike

It was great to see all who made it to the Spring luncheon. For those who didn't make it, you missed meeting a very special surprise guest, our newest, youngest and cutest CIU member, McKenna Sherley. She is a real sweetheart, so I will forgive her for snoozing during most of my exciting presentation. We had a wide range of ages at our luncheon with McKenna, born March 4, 2012, obviously our youngest member, and Perry Lewellen, the most mature member present.

We reviewed the events scheduled for this year and encouraged everyone to sign up soon to help with the planning process. The Youth/ Buddy/Joint Rally with Miami Valley of Ohio Unit is fast approaching on June 7-10, so please make your reservations soon by calling the Natural Springs Resort in New Paris, OH at phone #888-330-5771. Sites 197-211 have been reserved for our group. More information about this rally is available on the CIU website. Don and Martha Botkins have planned many fun activities for us, so don't miss out and plan to join us.

We also want to encourage you to make your reservations now for the "Banks of the Wabash, Come and Go" caravan scheduled in October. You need to make your reservations on line at <http://indianastateparks.reserveamerica.com> for Ouabache State Park for October 5-7 (sites 26 through 40) and Prophetstown State Park for October 11-13 (sites 114 to 127 for full hook-up, or sites 200-209 for electric only). **It's extremely important that you make your reservation for Prophetstown now**, because that weekend will be Purdue's homecoming and the campground will be filled very soon! Once you make your reservations, be sure to let Ann Newman at <mailto:anewman2@indy.rr.com> know your site numbers. Check the CIU website for more information, or contact Ann if you have any questions. This will be a really fun and interesting caravan, so hope you can join us.

As you know, International will be held in Sedalia, Missouri this year, which isn't too far from home. We hope that will encourage many of you to attend and that CIU will be well represented. Also, John Greene is responsible for the Club Store at International this year and is looking for volunteers to help. Susan Swearingen is also looking for volunteers to work security for evening programs and other scheduled events. If you are planning to attend, you might want to consider volunteering. It's fun and you'll meet lots of people. Additional information for these volunteer opportunities is included in the TICKER.

Congratulations to Erin and Damon Beals for winning the "Most Original" trophy at the S&H Campground Vintage Rally. Their "new" trailer is a real jewel and a must see!

One last reminder, please complete your WBCCI Ballot and return it to me at your earliest convenience. As your delegate at International, I need to know your voting preferences. Thanks.

Mike

Keep up to date on club events at <http://centralind.wbcci.net>

Post your photos and your camping adventures on our facebook group. Search for "WBCCI Central Indiana Unit" on Facebook.

Banks of the Wabash Caravan Oct 5-13, 2012



We've had a great response to the Banks of the Wabash Caravan with 11 units signed up so far! The three stops are Ouabache State Park near Bluffton, Miami County 4-H Fairgrounds near Peru, and Prophetstown State Park near Lafayette/Delphi.

Please join us for the 2012 CIU "come and go" caravan where we will be visiting towns along the banks of the Wabash River from Geneva to Delphi. You can join and leave the caravan as your schedule permits. There will be a separate "rally fee" for each three day stop, which will be collected on the last day when all costs are known.

There will be lots of activities planned for the group and many more alternative things to see and enjoy on your own. Some of the places along the way are the Gene Stratton Porter home, Loblolly Marsh Wetlands Preserve, Swiss Heritage Village, Grissom Air Museum, several bike/walking trails along the river, and the Wabash and Erie Canal Park. Check on the CIU website now for links to some of the attractions.

There are also some books about the areas we will be going through that people may want to read (if they're getting really bored).

"Freckles" or "Girl of the Limberlost" by Gene Stratton Porter

Books about the removal of the Potawatomi from Indiana:

Keith Drury "Walking the Trail of Death"

John McMullen "The Last Blackrobe in Indiana"

James Thom "The Red Heart" (Frances Slocum story)

You need to make your own campground reservations at Ouabache and Prophetstown. More information and campground maps are available on the CIU website: <http://centralind.wbcci.net/>

Registration is now open - contact Ann by email at anewman2@indy.rr.com or 317-769-0099

Youth-Buddy Joint Rally with Miami Valley Unit

June 7-10 2012 Youth-Buddy Joint Rally with Miami Valley of Ohio Unit at Natural Springs Resort, New Paris, Ohio

Contact Mike or Mary Jo Brown at 317-877-1745 or Don Botkins via email botkinco@frontier.com

Make your own reservations at Natural Springs Resort 1-888-330-5771. This is important so that we can get a head count.

2012 CIU Rallies and Events

June 7-10, 2012 Youth-Buddy Joint Rally with Miami Valley of Ohio Unit

June 27- July 4 2012 International Rally – Sedalia, MO

August 9 – 12 2012 White River Wonders Rally White River Campground Cicero, IN

September 9-11 2012 Region 5 Computer Rally

**September 12 – 16 2012 Region 5 “Harvest Time” Rally
Tipton County Fairgrounds, Tipton, IN**

October 5 – 14 2012

**On the Banks of the Wabash Caravan: Berne to Peru to Delphi, IN / Installation Rally
Ann Newman 317-769 -0099**

**December 1 2012 Christmas Luncheon MCL Cafeteria 5520 Castleton Corner Lane,
Indpls**

Contact Darlene or Ron Gordy 765-474-5618

Volunteers for International Rally Needed

From Susan Swearingen:

Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity at the International Rally in Sedalia? I am the Building Security Chairman for this year's rally and I need your help. This committee provides security for evening programs, Delegates Seminar/Meeting, judging of Art Show, Hobby Show & Bulletin Boards, as well as, for the flea market. It is our responsibility to check for badges/rally ribbons of registered members for these activities. If you have an hour or two or more to volunteer, I would very much appreciate your help. And remember, your participation in committee activities counts towards your unit's merit award points.

If you have any questions or wish to volunteer for this committee, please contact me. I look forward to hearing from you.

Susan M. Swearingen, #4482 Illinois Lincolnland Unit
cell phone [\(309\) 824-5085](tel:3098245085) or email: smsflyfisher@hotmail.com

From John Greene:

Region 5 is again responsible for operation of the WBCCI Club store at the International rally. As this year's store manager, I am requesting volunteers from Region 5 units (others regions as well) to help out in the store. Duties include selling WBCCI items such as name badges, flags, pins, decals etc. The store accepts cash and personal checks and workers will be responsible for accepting payments and making change. A shift is 4 hours. If your members are willing to spend a little time helping the club, it will be greatly appreciated. I am collecting names now so please let your members know. I can be reached via email at <mailto:jwgreen@mtco.com> or by cell phone at 309-657-3102.

I'm looking forward to hearing from you soon.

John Green, WBCCI #4432

Illinois Lincolnland Unit WBCCI





Our newest member enjoying the Spring luncheon



Damon and Erin Beals
"Most Original" Trophy

Geocaching in Jackson Center

If you are a Geocache fan, the next time you are in Jackson Center to visit Airstream, you might want to locate the two caches that Carol Beardshear and Mike Zimmerman have placed.

One is located on the grounds of the Airstream factory titled 'The Mothership' cache number GC3JHZ7

The other is located at WBCCI Headquarters titled 'Wally's Underworld' cache number GC3JHMK

What to know more about geocaching? Check out their website at <http://www.geocaching.com/>

