



CINCINNATI NEWS & VIEWS



CINCINNATI OHIO UNIT

March 2005



UPCOMING EVENTS

SOUP RALLY
APRIL 21-24
WAYNESVILLE, OH

REGION 4 RALLY CARAVAN
LEAVES MAY 13

REGION 4 COMPUTER RALLY
MAY 8-13
VAN WERT, OHIO

REGION 4 RALLY
MAY 23-29
FREMONT, OHIO

*MARK
YOUR CALENDAR!*

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From The Editor

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Please feel free to send me any news or information that you think would be of interest to our members. You can call me at 513-984-9217, E-Mail me at dave_lowrey@yahoo.com, or send me mail (my address is in the Directory).

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Al & JoAnn Fluegeman Host the 2005
St. Patrick's Day Brunch

President's Corner

I know that some of you are wondering why would anyone spend the winter in the winter wonderland known as Michigan.

Well it hasn't been as cold this year, but it seems to snow every time we turn around. Here it is March 18th and we got another two inches last night. But like I have always said in the past "I like snow and it is the only time my yard looks as good as my neighbors".

The soup rally will be here before we know it. Our hosts this year are Al and JoAnn Flugeman. I'm sure they have their plans made for another outstanding event. We will have plenty of great food and don't forget to bring your auction items so we can put Donald to work selling it all. This is really the only fund raiser we have each year.

Last but not least this will be our first business meeting. The club is changing and we need to discuss some of these changes if we want to be heard at International. In the March issue of the Blue Beret is an article by Jim Franklin 1st International VP. Please read it and let me know what you think.

Looking forward to seeing you all again.

Take care and drive safely.

John Turner

29th REGION 4 RALLY

MAY 23 - 29, 2005
SANDUSKY COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
FREMONT, OHIO

Arts & Crafts – Hobby Show – Trash and Treasures – 5 Nights Entertainment - 2 Catered Dinners - Catered Breakfast - Pop Corn - Ice Cream - Handicapped Facilities - Tours - Seminars - Church Service - Exercise - Hospitality - Door Prizes.- Water, Electric and Dump

This year your rally fee **includes** 2 catered dinners, catered breakfast, morning and evening hospitality, and more.

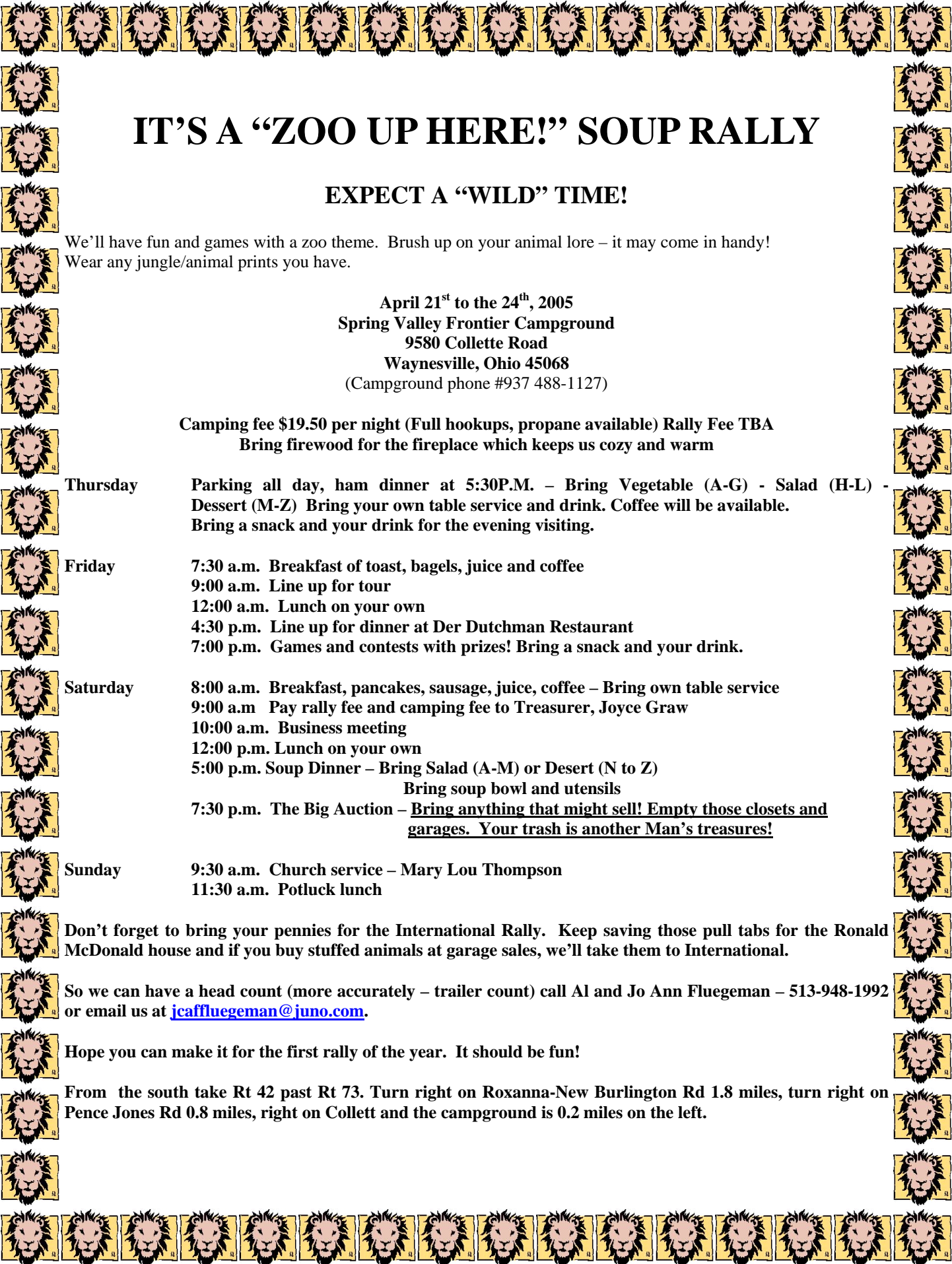
RALLY FEES:

	(Before May 1)	(May 1 & after)
Rally Fee	2 Persons \$150	\$160
	1 Person \$100	\$110
Extra Adults	\$20	\$22
Youth (Under age 14)	\$5	\$5
Youth under 5	Free	Free

For more information, contact Dona Garner, 419-752-0041, donagarner@aol.com

Note: If you cannot attend for the entire event, contact Dona for possible adjustment of fees.

REGISTRATION COUPON is available in the Blue Baret



IT'S A "ZOO UP HERE!" SOUP RALLY

EXPECT A "WILD" TIME!

We'll have fun and games with a zoo theme. Brush up on your animal lore – it may come in handy!
Wear any jungle/animal prints you have.

April 21st to the 24th, 2005
Spring Valley Frontier Campground
9580 Collette Road
Waynesville, Ohio 45068
(Campground phone #937 488-1127)

Camping fee \$19.50 per night (Full hookups, propane available) Rally Fee TBA
Bring firewood for the fireplace which keeps us cozy and warm

Thursday Parking all day, ham dinner at 5:30P.M. – Bring Vegetable (A-G) - Salad (H-L) - Dessert (M-Z) Bring your own table service and drink. Coffee will be available. Bring a snack and your drink for the evening visiting.

Friday 7:30 a.m. Breakfast of toast, bagels, juice and coffee
9:00 a.m. Line up for tour
12:00 a.m. Lunch on your own
4:30 p.m. Line up for dinner at Der Dutchman Restaurant
7:00 p.m. Games and contests with prizes! Bring a snack and your drink.

Saturday 8:00 a.m. Breakfast, pancakes, sausage, juice, coffee – Bring own table service
9:00 a.m. Pay rally fee and camping fee to Treasurer, Joyce Graw
10:00 a.m. Business meeting
12:00 p.m. Lunch on your own
5:00 p.m. Soup Dinner – Bring Salad (A-M) or Desert (N to Z)
Bring soup bowl and utensils
7:30 p.m. The Big Auction – Bring anything that might sell! Empty those closets and garages. Your trash is another Man's treasures!

Sunday 9:30 a.m. Church service – Mary Lou Thompson
11:30 a.m. Potluck lunch

Don't forget to bring your pennies for the International Rally. Keep saving those pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald house and if you buy stuffed animals at garage sales, we'll take them to International.

So we can have a head count (more accurately – trailer count) call Al and Jo Ann Fluegeman – 513-948-1992 or email us at jcafluegeman@juno.com.

Hope you can make it for the first rally of the year. It should be fun!

From the south take Rt 42 past Rt 73. Turn right on Roxanna-New Burlington Rd 1.8 miles, turn right on Pence Jones Rd 0.8 miles, right on Collett and the campground is 0.2 miles on the left.



This & That

By Jo Ann Fluegeman

This new column is being started with the purpose of getting to know each other a little better. The success of this endeavor will be up to you because you will be the ones feeding me info. It is not to take the place of the Sunshine report so please do not send medical news. We want to hear about anything in your life that would be of interest. Please send any contributions to: JoAnn Fluegeman - jcaffluegeman@juno.com or 513 948-1992

Sandy and Steve Grawe led new members, John and Judy Hice down to the Sarasota Rally. A wonderful time was had by all. John wants us to know that they have their chairs and shirts embroidered and new numbers on their trailer. Not only that but Judy drove the trailer for many miles. Sounds like they are firmly entrenched in our Unit. Way to go!

Bev and Bob Drake have been working hard on their log house located on 277 acres in Oxford. Bob is busy finishing up on woodwork and built a beautiful window seat this winter. They got interested in log houses when visiting Gatlinburg, TN. They will bring pictures to the Soup Rally so we can all see their home.

Speaking of the Soup Rally, Donald Kendig has been cooking that wonderful pot of soup, we all enjoy, since 1978! He and Janet have done turkeys since 1975, once cooking outdoors in 5 degree below weather. Incidentally the turkey job was happenchance, when the original cook fell over a fire ring in a darkened campground and was unable to cook the next day. Donald literally fell into the job. He and Janet will celebrate their 50th anniversary during the International Rally.

We were really impressed to see our King and Queen, Dave and Ann Lowrey wearing their crowns at the Brunch. If I recall correctly, it seems that many times our "royalty" conveniently forget them!

It was good seeing Marilyn Knollman at the Brunch. She told us that her daughter, Linda and granddaughter, Ally, have moved in with her. Marilyn said "It's a big house and it is a good thing to have the three generations in it". Mary Lou and Sonny Thompson had the nerve to call the afternoon of the Brunch, telling us about their 70 degree temperature in FL. They were parked 50 feet from the water, watching the boats going by. We are envious of all of our unit who enjoyed good weather since this winter has been cold, dark and LENGTHY. When I told our youngest grandchild, Cheyenne 5, that the picture from the Youth Rally featured in the Blue Beret, would go all over the U.S. she started shouting. "We're famous, we're famous! I feel just like a rock star!"

Remember all of you interesting Airstreamers, send me your news so that we can all get better acquainted with one another. Next deadline is May 1st.

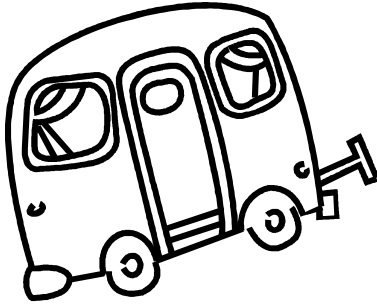
Hints n' Tips

I have been having intermittent problems with the "Door Ajar" indicator staying on, as well as dome lights staying on, with my '97 F250. After some research on the Internet, I discovered this is a common problem with Ford F Series and Expedition trucks.

The door ajar switch is part of the door latch mechanism in the door. It gets grease in the contacts and wont properly ground out when you close the door.

There is a simple and inexpensive solution to this problem. Just shoot some WD-40 into the door latch mechanism on each door, then open and close the door a few times. It may take 2 or 3 applications.

It worked for me the first time!



**2005
REGION 4
COMPUTER RALLY**

*Van Wert County Fairgrounds
1055 S. Washington St.
Van Wert, Ohio 45891
May 8 thru May 13, 2005*



Novice and Advanced Sessions

Clip and use the Registration below, or see the March issue (pg 78) of Blue Beret for original Registration Coupon.

If you have questions contact Dick Greenway, 419-358-8211 (georgeggre@wmconnect.com) or Chuck Wise, 937-335-5315 (cejfwis@earthlink.net)

2005 REGION 4 COMPUTER RALLY
Van Wert Fairgrounds
Van Wert, Ohio
May 8 - 13, 2005

Name _____ Spouse _____

Address _____

City _____ State/Prov _____ Code _____

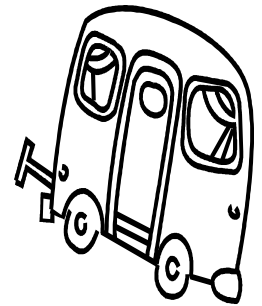
WBCCI # _____ Phone _____ Unit _____

Rally Fee:

Airstream w/2 adults	\$90.00	\$ _____
Airstream w/1 adult	\$80.00	\$ _____
TOTAL		\$ _____

For additional information contact: George Greenway at rockport@wcoll.com or Chuck Wise at cejfwis@earthlink.net.

Make checks payable to: Region 4 Treasurer
 Mail to: Bud Patenge, Region 4 Treasurer, Box 117,
 Boyne City, MI 49712



SOUP RALLY AUCTION

As usual, we will be holding our annual fund raising auction at the Soup Rally.

Be sure to clear out your garage and basement and bring all your old and unused items to be auctioned off.

Remember, your trash could be someone else's treasure!

Please remember to save all of your pop-top tabs and pennies for youth!

REGION IV INTERNATIONAL RALLY LUNCHEON

6/28/05, Immediately After WBCCI Opening Ceremonies
11:30 AM— 2:00 PM

HEMINGWAY'S BLUE WATER CAFÉ

Located in the
BASS PRO SHOPS
1935 S.CAMPBELL
(minutes from the Convention Center)

Cost: \$15.00 per person

Tickets will be sold at Region 4 Rally and International Rally

Tickets by mail, include: Stamped, self addressed envelope

Dona Garner
PMB 208852
3590 Round Bottom Rd
Cincinnati, Oh 45244
onagarner@aol.com

Richard Osborne
29129 Johnston Rd
#2648
Dade City, Florida 33523
reo1939@aolcom

Chuck Wise
2511 Saybrook Ct
Troy, Oh 45373
cejfwis@earthlink.net

Make checks payable to: Region 4 WBCCI

MENU

Salad

Sliced Roast Beef w/mushroom sauce

Mashed potatoes, steamed vegetable

Bimini rolls, dessert

Coffee, Decaf coffee, Tea & Iced Tea

Vegetarian meal available w/ 3 days notice

An Invitation from Donald & Janet Kendig

In celebration of our 50th wedding anniversary and our 33rd year in WBCCI, we invite you to be our guest for dinner:

1 July 2005
University Plaza Hotel
Springfield, MO
5PM.

"Your friendship is a treasured gift-we request no other"

2005 St. Patrick's Day Brunch Photos



SPECIAL DATES

Birthdays

Jim Willhite	March 01	Karen Turner	March 25
Steve Grawe	March 02	Judy Balanger	March 27
Jack Eidemiller	March 06	Ethel Green	March 28
William Rellar	March 09	John Turner	April 01
Robert Kaemmerer	March 10	Bernice Feldman	April 04
David Lowrey	March 11	Mary Hack	April 04
Susan Bailey	March 15	Bill Bailey	April 04
Ed Raymond	March 17	Gordon McOwen	April 22

Anniversaries

Bob & Vi Holman	March 11	55 Years
John & Mildred Keener	March 11	50 Years
Ed & Margaret Raymond	March 20	29 Years
Bill & Nancy Engeman	April 25	18 Years
John P. & Francie Williams Jr.	April 04	7 Years