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CINCINNATI OHIO UNIT

May/June 2004



UPCOMING EVENTS

REGION 4 RALLY
MAY 24-30
MINERAL WELLS, WV

YOUTH RALLY
JUNE 3-6
BROOKVILLE, IN

INTERNATIONAL RALLY
JUNE 27—JULY 4
LANSING, MI

COU DINNER AT INTERNATIONAL RALLY
JULY 1

*MARK
YOUR CALENDAR*

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From The Editor

This is your newsletter, so I would like to hear from you on your opinion about it. What do you like? What don't you like? What needs to be added?

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).

David Lowrey



Soup cookers busy at work...

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The Soup Rally was enjoyed by all that attended. I thank the Stars and their co-host the Turners for all of their efforts putting together a great rally. The Jennings traveled the greatest distance to attend, coming from Florida! The age of those that attended ranged from 2 to 96 years old. We had four families that brought extra guests. This enables the younger generation to see what we are about! I feel that one of the highlights of the rally was the tour of the goat farm. Being raised on the farm until I was ten and seeing how it is done now is like comparing the old Model T to the Town Car of today. To see how they control the amount of food that each goat gets per day was very interesting. The record keeping, of the milk production of each goat was interesting as well. All of us were surprised to learn how common the multiple births were and that immediately they were taken from the mothers, to bond with their humans.

Did any one know that our sheriff has a deputy? A suggestion to all is to follow the lead of one of the trailers that I was visiting. They hang their badges over the door jam of the trailer so that to get out you either have to brush it aside or put it on.

The auction brought in an all time record amount of approximately \$290. Much of this success goes to Donald Kendig, who after cooking a very tasty pot of soup all day becomes an accomplished auctioneer in the evening. His amusing remarks gets much out of the crowd and adds to the enjoyment of the fund raiser. Way to go Donald!!

Please remember to bring your arts and craft items along with any collections for the Hobby show to the Region 4 Rally. We want to show the rest of the region the number of talented people that we have in our unit. We want to get as many of the ribbons as we can. Your items have shown well in the past and I don't know why they wouldn't show well this year. This will also help us with our Merit Awards Program. Each winner gets us points. We don't want this part of the rally to disappear, and it will, if the participation of the attendees falls too low. For all of you that are planning on going to both the Region 4 Rally and the International Rally plan on showing your items at both rallies.

Sonny Thompson has agreed to lead a caravan to the Region 4 rally. Since we will not be there until sometime Wed. we will not be traveling with the group. Please contact Sonny if you are interested in going in with the caravan. He will have the route and a spot for all to meet. I believe that he will lead a group from the north and meet up with the group from the Cincinnati area so that you can all go in together. Please check with him if you are interested.

Mark your calendars for the Youth Rally June 3 through June 6. I have heard that there will be about 14 youths at the rally. It's an opportunity to give your children a weekend off from the grand children. If they don't trust Grandma to take good care of the kids bring them along. Let them see how much fun the COU is at a rally.

Al Fluegeman, President

COU Dinner at the International Rally

The Cincinnati Ohio Unit dinner at the International Rally will be held on July 1st in the Governor's Room of the Lansing Center. We have the room from 4:00 P.M. until 7:30 P.M. Dinner will be served at 5:00 P.M. The cost is \$13.00 per person .

The menu is:

- Chicken Cordon Bleu as the Dinner Entree
- Mixed Seasonal Green House Salad
- Chef's Choice of Starch
- Vegetable du Jour
- Assorted Rolls and Butter
- Chef's Choice of Desert
- Coffee or Tea
- Lemonade or Iced Tea

Reservations and payment must be in to Joyce Grawe by June 24h.

THE 2004 YOUTH RALLY

**June 3rd through 6th, 2004
Franklin County 4H Park
Brookville, Indiana**

Due to some of the children's schools still being in session, the activities will begin Friday evening, June 4th.
All are welcome to come on the 3rd if you care to.

There will be a Pot Luck dinner on Sat evening with the club providing the meat.
Sunday's Lunch will be Pot Luck as well.

Please give Doris Eisenschmidt a call at 859-485-4550 and let her know how many young people that you will be bringing to the rally. It will help her to know how many will be taking part in the activities and the number of people that will be there for the meals.

DIRECTIONS

"From Cincinnati"

Take I-75 North or South and/or I-275 West To I-74 West, Go to 1st Indiana exit , Route 52 , Turn North (Left) On Rt 52 and proceed toward Brookville. Just before entering Brookville, turn Left at sign to Franklin County Park. Go over bridge and follow WBCCI signs to the top of the hill

"From Dayton"

Take I-70 to Richmond In, Go South on US 27 to Liberty, In, Go South on RT 101 through Brookville. Turn Right at Franklin County Park sign (See Above).

Region 4 Rally Caravan

Sonny Thompson will be leading a Caravan to the Region 4 Rally on May 24th.

The Caravan will leaving from both Cincinnati and Fairborne, OH and will meet up at the Wal*Mart in Chillicothe. The combined groups will then leave the Chillicothe Wal*Mart for Mineral Wells, West Virginia, by 10:30AM.

The Wal*Mart in Chillicothe is at 85 River Trace Lane. From US-35, take the Bridge St. exit. Turn Right at exit. Turn Right at the next light. Then make an immediate Left into Wal*Mart (located behind the Bob Evans).

Folks coming out Route 50 or Route 32 from Cincinnati also have the option to meet up at the Rest Area located on the South side of the road between Albany and Athens.

If you would like to participate, it is important that you contact the appropriate group leader:

Leaving from Fairborn: Sonny Thompson—sonnymarylou@pocketmail.com 937-879-9743

Leaving from Cincinnati: Earl Johnson—earlandfran@pocketmail.com 513-896-9615

SPECIAL DATES

MAY-JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Earl Johnson - 5/9
Laura Starr - 5/10
Mary Wiechel - 5/15
Zedith Pottenger - 5/24
Rudy Baker - 5/26
Donna Eidemiller - 5/27
Ted Balanger - 5/29
Willma June Stine - 6/1
Alice Bucheit - 6/2
Carol Gamble - 6/3
Frank Jennings - 6/9
Nancy Rhoads - 6/10
Charles Wise - 6/10
JoAnn Stober - 6/12
Eleanor Walker - 6/22
Robert Eisenschmidt - 6/25
Gerald Fasse - 6/26
Charles Lane - 6/27

MAY-JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

Willard & Willma June Stine - 65 Years
William & Alice Bucheit - 60 Years
Bob & Mary Wiechel - 57 Years
Gordon & Maryann McOwen - 54 Years
Thomas & Alice Steenbergen - 51 Years
Wilbert & Bernice Feldman - 48 Years
Edward & Agnes Biehle - 47 Years
Jim & Barb Wilhite - 42 Years
Nelson & Lora Dohm - 42 Years
Karl & Gunilla Schramm - 35 Years
Ted & Judy Balanger - 13 Years

Is your Birthday or Anniversary missing from this list?

If so, let us know! Please contact David Lowrey so we can add you to the list . Contact info is on the front page of this newsletter.

COU Web Site

Did you know that our Unit has a Web Site? Schedules, contact lists, photos, newsletters and much much more are only a few clicks away!

www.cou-wbcci.org

OFFICERS

President: Al Fluegeman
1st Vice President: John Turner
2nd Vice President: Karen Turner
Secretary: Janet Kendig
Treasurer: Joyce Grawe
Past President: Bill Grawe
King & Queen: Jack & Donna Eidemiller

TRUSTEES

Edward Raymond: 2003 - 2004
David Lowrey: 2003 - 2004
Earl Johnson: 2004 - 2005
Sonny Thompson: 2004 - 2005

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Church Services: Marlynn Knollman
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Legislative: Tom Leonard
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Youth & Family: Mary Lou Thompson
Propane Safety: Lloyd Stober
Sheriff: Donald Kendig



New members Joe and Jeanette Mills