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CINCINNATI OHIO UNIT

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**MARYLAND CARAVAN  
OCTOBER 21st - 31st**

**HARVEST BRUNCH  
NOVEMBER 9TH 9:00 AM  
BOB EVANS RESTAURANT  
MASON, OHIO**

**CHRISTMAS DINNER/PARTY  
DECEMBER 15TH 2:00 PM  
PUSCH'S RESTAURANT  
FAIRFIELD, OHIO**

**VALENTINE'S BRUNCH  
FEBRUARY 15TH**

**SOUP RALLY  
APRIL 25TH - 27TH**

*MARK  
YOUR CALENDAR*

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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

### GETTING READY



We are in the process of getting truck and trailer ready for our Famous Turkey Rally and Sonny and Mary Lou's Unit Caravan to Maryland. After a trailer brake inspection, all brakes needed replaced. (Southwest RV in Ross Ohio has a wonderful service center, although we just learned that Jackson Center also does brake work ) We went to see the Ruth Brothers in Helena for some partial refinish work on the trailer. Someday we will have the job completed.

Took the diesel truck in for an oil & transmission change and also had all the filters replaced. I have been filling in as a barber in our local barber shop as our budget is in ruins from repairs and of course the massive hit from the stock market. We are thankful that the fuel milage keeps getting better with the Duromax Diesel.

I have informed Bob Evans that we should have between 35-40 people coming to our Harvest Brunch November 9th. Hope to see everyone there. We have been working with Charlie Knollman on a breakfast boat cruise during our Tall Stacks Rally in 2003. A group discussion during our Turkey Rally will bring everyone up to date on what we have learned and what advanced planning will need to be done for this BIG EVENT. Now that we are finally READY, we are looking forward to a wonderful fellowship with all our Airstream Friends.

I will close this corner with the Irish Blessing: May the road rise to meet you  
May the wind be always at your back  
May the sun shine warm upon your face  
the rains fall soft upon your fields and until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand.

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## THANKS

Thanks to the many folks who responded to our request in the last newsletter to receive their newsletter by electronic mail. This has made the production of this newsletter easier and less costly to the Cincinnati Ohio Unit.

If you are still considering switching to electronic mail and need help please contact David Lowrey 513-984-9217 or David Starr 513-683-8447 for help.

Getting your Newsletter is as easy as pulling up the COU Website on your computer and clicking on the newsletter issue you wish to see and copy. Give it a try "<http://www.cou-wbcci.org>".

If you can do this please contact me by e-mail "[dstarr@mindspring.com](mailto:dstarr@mindspring.com)" and I will notify you by e-mail when the latest newsletter issue has be added to the website and will curtail sending you a copy by US Mail.

## COU MEMBER RECIPES



Submitted by: Sandra J Leonard

### TOMATO DUMPLINGS

Contributor: **Janet M. Kendig**

Yield: 6 servings

1/2 cup onion, chopped fine

1/4 cup celery, chopped fine

1/4 cup butter

1 bay leaf

1 can (28 oz.) tomatoes with liquid, cut up

1 Tablespoon brown sugar

1/2 teaspoon dried basil

1/2 teaspoon salt

1/4 teaspoon pepper

DUMPLINGS: Mix up your own recipe or use Bisquick for the dumplings. Recipe is on the box.

Sauté onion and celery in butter until tender. Add bay leaf, tomatoes, brown sugar, basil, salt and pepper. Cover and simmer for 5 – 10 minutes. Mix up dumplings and drop by spoonful into bubbling tomato mixture. Cover tightly and simmer 12-15 minutes or until toothpick inserted into dumpling comes out clean. Discard bay leaf before serving.

### ZUCCHINI SOUP

Contributor: **Alice & Tom Steenbergen**

Yield: 6 – 8 servings

1 lb. sweet & hot sausage

2 cups celery, diced

2 lbs. zucchini, diced

1 cup onion, chopped

2 quarts tomato juice

1 green pepper, diced, may be added

1 teaspoon salt

1 teaspoon oregano

1 teaspoon sugar

1/2 teaspoon basil

1/2 teaspoon garlic powder

Brown the sausage in a skillet. Combine all ingredients in a large pot and simmer until veggies are done.

### CHERRY CRANBERRY SALAD

Submitted by: **Lloyd & Jo Ann Stober**

Yield: 8 servings

2 small boxes cherry Jello

2 cups boiling water or Coca Cola

1 can whole cranberries

1 can, medium size, crushed pineapple

1/2 cup chopped nuts

1/2 cup chopped celery

1 cup chopped apples

Mix cranberries into hot Jello mix and stir until smooth. Add other ingredients and put in refrigerator to chill and get firm before serving.

A really big *THANK YOU* to all who shared their recipes with me. Sharing has helped to make this a regular section in our COU Newsletter. I will continue to collect your recipes to use in future issues.

Please send your recipe/s to me:

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## November "Special Days"

### Birthdays:

Cecelia John	11-1
June Dinn	11-4
Melody Nunamaker	11-7
John Bauman	11-9
Janet Kendig	11-11
Edward Biehle III	11-12
John Knollman	11-14
Sandy Herider	11-16
Betty Smith	11-19
Irma Schmidt	11-22
Lenoir Bauman	11-26
Michael Gunn	11-27

### Anniversaries:

Ron & Marion Paugh	11-11	50 yrs
Jerry & Mary Hack	11-12	42 yrs
Charles & Marlynn Knollman	11-13	44 yrs
Charles & Carol Lane	11-18	
Larry & Rose Rayburn	11-21	43 yrs
Frank & Maxine Jennings	11-22	47yrs
William & Margie Rellar	11-24	42 yrs
Pete & Jean Carroll	11-27	41yrs

**PLAN  
NOW  
TO ATTEND  
THE HARVEST BRUNCH**

## THANKS

I just received the following note in the mail addressed to the Cincinnati Ohio Unit:

"Just a note to say thanks for a great rally. It was a great weekend. We appreciate your hard work. Thanks again for everything."

## SUNSHINE REPORT

**Please remember the following folks in you prayers as they face and recover from recent medical problems:**

**Peggy Bailey** - who is recovering from complications from recent surgery.

**Eleanor Walker** - is recovering from surgery to remove a cancer on her leg.

**Al Fluegeman** - who is recovering from knee surgery.

**Charles Lane** - who is recovering from a recent stroke.

**John Knollman** - who is recovering from surgery.

**Vern Bucheit** - who is recovering from hip surgery plus major colon surgery.

**Al Wilson** - who is recovering from recent knee surgery.

**Laura Starr** - Who is facing kidney transplant.

**Bob Eisenschmidt** - who has been diagnosed with prostate cancer.

**Rudy Baker** -who's throat problem has resurfaced.

**David Starr** - Who is recovering from prostate cancer and a recent heart attack.



Folks who attended the Turkey Rally



## MEMBER HINTS, TIPS & SHARING

(The new Member Sez...)

Submitted by: Sandra J Leonard

•Member **Sonny Thompson** was kind enough to share this information. After disconnecting from your tow vehicle, remove your hitch from the tow vehicle and place it in the receiver. The hitch, when still on the tow vehicle, creates a safety hazard. In addition, after placing into the trailer receiver, secure with some type of locking device.

•**Donald Kendig** offered these tips to share: Once a year check your brake shoes, inspect magnets (replace if necessary, re-pack wheel bearings. Always use new cotter keys, never used ones. Also you might keep a small fishing tackle box for small screws, latch pins, and any small items that are hard to keep up with and store in one of the outside storage areas.

•If you look in the September 2002 issue of "Highways" Magazine on page 18, there is a \$1.00 off coupon for a four pack of Scott Bathroom Tissue writes member **Donna Eidemiller**. It says in the advertisement that it's RV safe. It's printed on the back of the package in small letters that it's safe for septic systems & R.V. - Safe. "Highways" is the magazine that is included Good Sam Club membership. An additional Coupon for \$1.00 off of Scott Bathroom Tissue can also be found in the Sept. issue of The Trailer Life magazine, on page 77.

FYI: If you wish to see if the brand of bathroom tissue used in your RV dissolves quickly or not. Take a small jar with a lid, place a sheet or two of the brand of bathroom tissue you use, fill the jar with water, replace the lid and shake. Shake for 1 minute and see how it looks. Continue to shake if not dissolved and note time it takes to dissolve. Will you be changing bathroom tissue brands for your RV?

•This item came from Blue Beret, August Issue, Hints & Kinks by Bob Phillips, WBCCI #19964. I think it is worth the repeat. GOOD RIDDANCE is the title: Many of us have found that our RV has become the temporary roost for squirrels, chipmunks or other types of destructive rodents during extended parking or storage periods. Here is a method to keep those critters away with guaranteed results. A local garden store will have packages of Blood Meal, which is used as a Nitrogen source for some plantings. Make a cloth square large enough to hold a few scoops of the meal then tied with a twist tie and place the bags them in cupboards, closets, under sinks and behind couches. Small plastic food containers can also be used (margarine, cottage cheese etc. containers) Place a few scoops of the blood meal into the container, place lid on top and poke holes in the lid. Place the containers about as stated above. The odor of the Blood Meal is a smell these critters don't like. It is easy to remove these containers when de-winterizing. NOTE: A few small sacks of this compound at the base of your bird feeder or tied to your bird feeder will not bother the birds but will deter squirrel activity.

•This tip comes from member **Al Fluegeman** who wrote he hoped that this tip might help someone else in the future. Suggestion: When lighting your water heater for the first time for the season, have your mate use the controls inside the RV and you observe what is going on outside.

"When at the Installation rally I had a problem getting my water heater to light. I finally asked Jo Ann to stay inside and try to light the unit. After several tries I started to disassemble the piping that feeds the gas/air mixture to the fire tube of the heater. I found that there was a spider nest in the tube that feeds the heater fire tube. After cleaning out the spider nest, and putting everything back together everything was O K."

Another tip from **Al Fluegeman** sent as a reminder to do before starting up the RV furnace. Check to be sure that mud daubers have not gotten in and made a nest in the squirrel cage blower. They can also mess up the air inlet and exhaust that is located on the outside of the trailer.

A *really* big **THANK YOU** to all you members that have contributed your suggestions/tips/hints so that I can continue to put this section together for our Unit Newsletter. For those of you who have not made a contribution, please put on your thinking cap and consider sending me your tips. Ladies....how about a few tips for the inside of your RV?

Please send your RVing tips & hints to me:

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