

UNIT EVENTS

ST Patrick's Day Luncheon (3/18/2017)

Revere's Wells Street Tavern
 Delafield, Wisconsin
 RSVP Hosts: David Sherman & Vickie Engelstadt

Easter Campout (4/14-16/2017)

Peninsula State Park
 Fish Creek, Wisconsin
 RSVP Hosts: Ed & Sandy Emerick

Spring Campout, Luncheon & Unit Business Meeting (4/28-30/2017)

KOA
 110 Wisconsin Dells Parkway South
 Wisconsin Dells, WI
 RSVP Hosts: Bob & Heidi Manak



Planning ideas

There are some interesting sites to explore on your computer that may stimulate your interest in planning a trip in your Airstream.

Try subscribing to the following:

Outside Interest: (outsideinterests.com) is a site that is sponsored by Airstream Life magazine and are the folks that put on Aluma-events. This newsletter passes on "Airstream tech tips, lifestyle hints, travel tales from the road," among other offers. It is free with your email





APPs (applications) for your electronic device

These are applications that are either free or for purchase through iTunes, Amazon or Google Play Store.

- Road Tripper: organizes your Maps; it is free (there is a Road Tripper Pro.)
- Ultimate Public Campground Project: shows publicly owned, noncommercial campgrounds across US. It shows available information about each location. It is priced at \$7.99
- Gas Buddy: helps find the cheapest gas prices in the area. it is free.
- TV Antenna Helper: find free over-the-air TV and HDTV signals..shows all the nearby TV towers (which helps you know the direction to point your antenna). it is Free
- Sanidumps RV Dump Station: has the largest listing of dump stations on the internet. Cost: \$2.52'
- Cookout Cookbook & Meal Planner: developed by Coleman is for "glamping" to find the perfect meal based on food type & ingredients you have; also can generate shopping list.
- iHandy Level

Share your favorites with the editor and we'll post them.

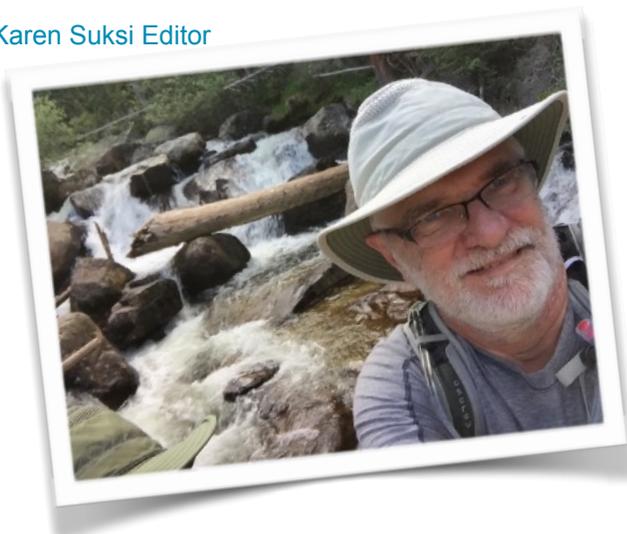
address.

Explore Your America: (recreation.gov) offers an opportunity on the site to "Build a Trip" tool that helps in planning a route & identifies some public land destination. This is a monthly newsletter that highlights specific areas of the country; not to mention tips for adventures. This is sponsored by the USDA Forest Service.

State Parks: Many of our state's DNR's offer an electronic newsletter that focuses on significant historical and cultural sites. Usually there is dialogue on the variety of interest points, sprinkled throughout the state. They offer an opportunity to book/reserve your campsite through links that are dispersed through-out the publications.

WBCCI monthly magazine publication offer a listing of the caravans scheduled for the year... suggestion—look at 2018/2019 for an opportunity to travel. These caravans offer planned excursions in particular areas of the country and provide a way to meet others who have purchased Airstream travel trailers.





Just Because...

by Kurt Jorgensen

As I write this, the future of our way of life ways in the balance. The Republicans and Democrats fight over immigration, Executive Orders, the Supreme Court, ISIS, and the makeup of the Security Council. But they all seem to miss the gravity of the situation, the all important significance of tomorrow, February 2, when we all learn our future.

Yes, February 2, Groundhog day, when we learn when Spring comes and when we can go camping!

As I get older, winter in Wisconsin seems to get longer, especially in February and March. But don't feel too sorry for me. I was hoping to "emigrate" in my Airstream to a warmer climate, like many of you do, but some issues at home have kept me from taking off for the 4-8 weeks in our Airstream, like we had planned. But I did manage a short two week escape to the Caribbean which comes to an end in a few days. Yes, travel is important, as we Airstreamer's know. But this time it is without the rig.

So Groundhog's day is a great time to plan the future. Where are we going? What rallies or trips do we want to take? What do we do to get our rigs ready? For me, my rig needs new batteries this Spring, and a new tail light cluster. And in April, the "un-winterizing" and finding the usual plumbing leak somewhere.

So, good luck in surviving winter, whether it is hunkering down or managing your warmer weather escape. And think campfires, fish fries, happy hours, and meeting up with good friends.

P.S. from the Editor

Thought I would try a different arrangement this month by including some events that are scheduled in the next couple of months. If your planning on attending the event, be sure to register using the form on the Unit's web page. Or you can respond to the event invitation sent through FaceBook and paying your fees through PayPal.

The delivery of the newsletters will be altered some for the next few months..to a bi-monthly publishing schedule. I am to have hip replacement surgery in late March and felt that the alteration was necessary to accommodate recovery and physical therapy programs. I will be in Rochester, MN for the month of April...if you are near by come camp near me at AutumnWoods (near the airport). Would love to see you! Due to my arrangement, I will not be attending any event held in April...so I am hoping the membership will be "Rally Reporters"...writing a short paragraph on the event; in addition to taking pictures of the group to include in a subsequent newsletter.

I listed some APPS that might be interesting to use. Let me know if you have a favorite that is reliable.

Finally, I hope you have taken advantage of the event 2017 schedule download...adding it to your electronic device calendar. It is a very convenient way to keep the scheduled meetings, rallies and luncheons at your fingertips.