

BLUE GRASS BERET

APRIL 2011

Kentucky.wbcci.net

What A Great Adventure!

Growing up at home I was very fortunate to have parents who had a great sense of adventure. Both my Mom and Dad had a great appreciation for the outdoors. We used to hike in the woods together and carve our names into large sycamore trees. We would go rabbit hunting in the coldest of weather and go fishing whenever we could.

My father owned a small business which kept him very busy but every weekend we went camping in an old Shasta camping trailer that we had rebuilt after finding it half burned out in a local salvage yard. My brother and I would work all week to clean and stock up the trailer so that on Friday evening when my Dad got home from work we were able to hitch up the Shasta to the Ford Fairlane and head to the lake. The campground had no full hook up sites like we have today even though there was a nice bath house. We would fish and swim all weekend. I could hardly believe there were children that only went swimming in a pool and were afraid to swing from a rope into a lake.

As a child these trips were great adventures filled with delight and wonder. My parents helped me see

that even in these simple times together adventure was there for the taking. They opened my eyes to the opportunity of viewing everything I did as a great adventure.

As an adult I was fortunate to have a job that allowed me to travel around the world. It just so happened that the Soviet Union and Communist China were opening up to trade with the rest of the world while I was working for a large global company. I had the opportunity to visit these countries just as they were opening their doors to travel by Westerners. What a great adventure!

I was also fortunate to be involved with a mission group that worked on projects in Mexico and Central America for 19 years. The opportunity to meet people of a different culture and who spoke a different language motivated me to learn to speak Spanish. One year a friend and I even drove an old C-Class motor home from Cincinnati to Belize. What a great adventure!

And now, in retirement, Kathy and I are traveling in our Airstream about seven months of the year meeting new people and seeing things we had only once seen in books. What a great adventure!

The whole concept of adventure may feel foreign, scary or outright dangerous to some. It may seem beyond their reach financially, emotionally or physically. Some people even give up on the quest for adventure. What a loss.

Some people think adventure has to be something exotic like bungee jumping off a high bridge or white water rafting class V water. But in its simplest form adventure is daring to be curious about the unknown, to live outside the normal boxes, to take a few extra risks, and above all meeting new people and sharing time with old friends.

I hope each one of you will join Kathy and I at one of our 2011 Kentucky Unit Rallies. Share some time with old friends, meet new people, share a meal, enjoy the natural beauty of our great State. What a great adventure!

Larry & Kathy Spaulding

2011 OFFICERS

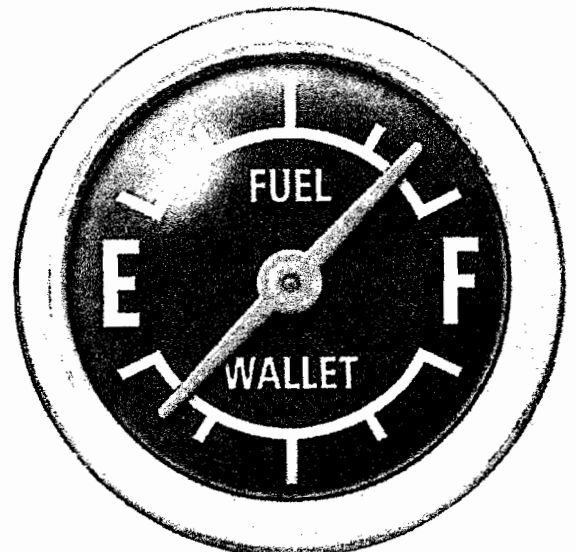
President	Larry Spaulding
Vice President	Clarence Jones
2 nd Vice President	
Recording Secretary	Nelda Miller
Treasurer	David Leeper
Immediate Past President	Tommy Phipps
Trustee 2010/11	Herb Goodman
	Charles Atchison
	David Bishop
	Lee Miller
Trustee 2011/12	

2011 COMMITTEES

Bluegrass Beret, Editor	Richard Lewis
Caravan	Clarence Jones
Chaplin	David Leeper
Corresponding Secretary	Rachel Lewis
Ethics & Grievances	Peggy Bishop
Historian	Martha Atchison
Legislative	Clarence Jones
Membership	Tommy Phipps
Parliamentarian	Frank Miller

As you can see on the above list we are still missing our 2nd VP. We are looking for Volunteers for this job.

Trailer for sale
 2002 Airstream 30-foot Classic.
 Queen bed. Non-smoking. Extra large
 kitchen booth/table.
 Mint condition. Located in Churu-
 busco, Indiana. Price \$35,995.
 Contact Darlene Welsh #6672.
 Email: Darw922@aol.com



BIRTHDAYS

APRIL

4 Audrey Schaefer
9 Clarence Jones
13 Pam Martin
18 William Ralston
26 Betty Leeper
28 Janice Jones
30 David Leeper

MAY

2 Jane May
10 Jane Miller (Ga. Jane)
13 Bob Moyers
27 Ruth Flener

ANNIVERSARIES

APRIL

19 Hobart & Mary Lou Flener

WELCOME NEW MEMBER

Sonny & Pat Bates,
704 Chinkapin Dr,
Nicholasville, KY 40359
Phone # 859-608-2525.

LOUISVILLE DINERS

Our Tuesday dinner was held at Logan's Roadhouse the first Tuesday evening of April with a small attendance. Those attending were Frank Millers, Atchisons,, Lewis' and Ruth Flener. We know a lot of our club were not back yet from their winter trips, but let's all get together in May, place to be announced.

CIRCLE OF CONCERN

Frank Miller is still receiving treatments, but is home and feeling better.

Ruth Flener is also feeling better but still receiving some treatment for her throat.

Judy Penner had knee surgery and is also improving.

David Leeper is waiting to have back surgery, if he hasn't had it yet.

Charlie May is still recovering from knee Surgery but is doing well.

BEAN CASSEROLE

8 slices fried bacon
(save bacon drippings)
3 small onions, chopped
1 cup brown sugar
1 tsp. dry mustard
½ tsp. garlic powder
1 tsp. salt
1/2 cup cider vinegar
Two (15 oz.) cans butter beans
One (1 lb.) can kidney beans
One (1 lb.) can Bushs original baked beans) (undrained)

Saute onions in bacon drippings. Add other ingredients, except beans and bacon.

Cover and cook 20 minutes. Pour into 9 x 13 casserole with beans and bacon (on top). Cook one hour at 350 degrees.

Janice Jones

Kentucky Derby Rally 2011

WHEN: Thursday May 05 thru Sunday May 08 2011

Where: Good Ol' Days RV Park
544 Old Frankfort Pike, Versailles, Ky 40383
Phone 859 312-0394

Rate: Tell them you are with the Airstream Group to receive the \$25/night rate.

This year the Kentucky Derby Rally will be held at Good Ol' Days RV park. While the address is Versailles, Ky the campground is actually closer to Midway, Kentucky. The owner, Mr. John Dance, has agreed to provide us with full hook up sites for only \$25/night. This is a beautiful setting located on one of the most famous and scenic roads in the State of Kentucky. We are only minutes to many of the big name horse farms and only 10 - 15 minutes to Keeneland Racecourse. The RV park is nicely landscaped and includes a small fishing lake with a gazebo and a small vineyard. We will have access to an enclosed meeting area and there is even an old tobacco barn which has been converted to a restaurant, which may be open in May. If you would like more information about the campground please take a look at their web site www.kyrvpark.com

Tentative Schedule

Thursday 05 May:	noon	Arrive and set up.
	5pm	Kentucky Burgoo dinner and ice cream social at the campground.
	7pm	Time around the campfire.
Friday 06 May:	8-9am	Continental breakfast (meat, cheese, bread, oatmeal, yogurt, fruit, coffee)
	10-2pm	Visit one of the local horse farms. Brown bag lunch.
	3-7pm	Go to Keeneland Racecourse for a walking tour of the racecourse grounds followed by a picnic in the paddock and viewing of the Kentucky Oaks race on one of the many monitors at the Grandstand. All of these events are Free!! with the exception of any bets you may wish to place at the track.

Saturday 07 May:	8-9am	Continental breakfast (meat cheese, bread, oatmeal, yogurt, fruit, coffee) On your own to explore the local area. Visit the shops in Midway, eat at one of the quaint restaurants. Maybe go to Frankfort for the governor's breakfast and activities on the Capital lawn.
	5pm	Potluck Dinner and the "Run For The Roses" at the campground.
	7pm	Time around the campfire.
Sunday 08 May:		HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY
	8-9am	Coffee and donuts
	9:15am	Devotional Service See You Down The Road!!

We are hoping the weather will be nice and we will have a big turn out. If you have not attended a Rally lately you sure do not want to miss this one. If you have questions or comments about any of our upcoming rallies please give us a call. This is your club and we want to provide you with activities you enjoy.

Get Rich Quick Attending Kentucky Airstream Rallies!!

Now that I have your attention I just wanted to remind everyone to sign up early for our first two rallies. The Kentucky Derby Rally begins Thursday May 05 and continues through Sunday May 08 at Good Ol Days Campground located between Midway and Versailles, Kentucky. Make your reservations by calling the campground at 859-312-0394. The campground has agreed to a \$25/night rate for our Airstream group.

Our Buddy rally will be at Blue Licks Campground beginning Thursday June 02 through Sunday June 05. Please make your reservations soon by calling Blue Licks State Park or online through Reserve America. Sites 27 - 42 along the outer perimeter are very nice sites. Some have full hookups. Kathy and I will be arriving Wednesday and staying on site #40. Remember this is a buddy rally so please ask a friend to attend.

As many of us are constantly reminded of the downturn in our economy we find what is really important in our lives are families, friends, communities and spending time together. Camping, especially with the comforts of an Airstream, is incredibly rich in emotional and physical benefits. We are so fortunate to have some of the most beautiful countryside in the world here in Kentucky. Let's get together soon to celebrate the richness of our Kentucky Airstream Unit.

Larry & Kathy Spaulding
859-653-1936