

EVANSVILLE, 2009

Wednesday, August 5 - Tuesday, August 11

This has all the makings of a unique and exciting swim in. Amphicar owners may want to go ahead and set aside August 5th to August 11th on your calendars. There will be lots to do, even if you can only make it for a few days it will be worth the effort. Organizing this swim in is new member Kenny Adams and his wife Anna, along with IAOC member Robert Wright. Both are from the Evansville Indiana area. Kenny swam alongside the Amphicar's in their WW 11 DUKW at Celina last year.

Evansville, Indiana is the home port of the largest fully operational Amphibian in the world. This 328 foot, 2100 ton WW 11 Amphibian is preparing for a gathering of LST (Landing Ship Tank) sailors' and MVPA (Military Vehicle Preservation Association) convention members. Many will be bringing their Olive Drab Army trucks by the hundreds. This event will be a large gathering of Amphibians from across the United States, and hopefully abroad.

You will have the opportunity to ride on the LST. There are plans to make a beaching with the LST and load battle ready vehicles; just like during WW 11, Korea, and Vietnam. Plans will also include loading and offloading WW 11 Ducks in the open waters, just as they did while rescuing wounded soldiers from Normandy beach, and then returning to the beaches with much needed supplies.

Tentative plans include Amphicar parking on the main deck of the LST for the evening Tech session or social hour, visiting a nearby town, having lunch at Robert's house, swimming with other amphibious vehicles, etc. There is plenty of water for the Amphicar's to play in, along with a ramp down town and one at the ship. The Ohio River in August is normally at duck water stage (1 or 2 mile per hour) making for good Amphibian swimming. There are plans to have a small tow boat available for emergencies.

Casino Aztar Hotel Evansville Indiana 812 433-4392 will be the host hotel headquarters for the Amphicars and their owners. Currently set aside are 20 river view rooms with \$75 rates for Wednesday, Thursday, Sunday and \$89 for Friday and Saturday. Make your reservations now, do not hesitate! When making reservations mention "Amphicar block and confirm rate". Also Aztar has a paved lot for trailers and support vehicles. The hotel is a close drive to the fairgrounds where the Military Vehicle Convention will be in full swing.

See the [DETAILED ACTIVITY FLYER HERE](#). Your Amphicar contacts will be Kenny and Anna Adams – PO box 153, Covington Ohio, 45318, cell number 937-418-7000, email military@donet.com, or Robert Wright at 812-479-3131 (day), email rbwright@wrightmotors.com. Please call Kenny or Robert to register for this unique event.

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