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Have you wondered why you do not receive a December Blue Beret magazine? Let me assure you it is not because WBCCI Headquarters is enjoying too much holiday cheer. Actually, December is one of their busiest months of the year. First of all, our membership dues are paid near the end of the year. Headquarters must then enter the membership data into what becomes your January edition of the Blue Beret called the "Membership Edition". Then there are all those year-end reports that must be generated. Plus they must prepare for the Club's business meeting (called the International Board of Trustees or IBT) that occurs in January. This is our Club's midwinter meeting. I would like to express my appreciation to Lori Plummer, Deb Sailor, Barb Langston and Julie Rethman for all their work and devotion to the Wally Byam Airstream Club.

I also wish to congratulate all of our new Unit/Club Presidents taking office across the 12 Regions of our Club. You have taken on the most important office in our organization. You have the opportunity to make things happen in your part of the world. Be innovative and creative. Examine your Unit's/Club's activities and seek new ways to make your rallies more interesting and attractive to young families as well as long-standing members. Take a look back at the events you participated in last year. Each event requires people to contribute their time to plan, arrange facilities and transport equipment, etc. to make for a successful event. We are a not for profit corporation operated by volunteers for the benefit of all those that participate. I encourage you to express gratitude to those who are working at the events you attend. As we look forward to a new Unit/Club calendar of events, volunteer to help ease the workload. Ask your new Unit/Club President if you can help with upcoming activities being planned for 2019. The President would be thrilled to have someone offer to manage a meal, plan some entertainment or even help with parking. Many of the activities provided for our members have been staffed by the same people year after year. While they may really enjoy what they are doing, they will be unable to continue forever. Someone once told me that the future of WBCCI lies within the individual members and the Units to which they belong. Please take advantage of all that our club has to offer. In addition, please take some responsibility by assisting in some way.

Your WBAC President

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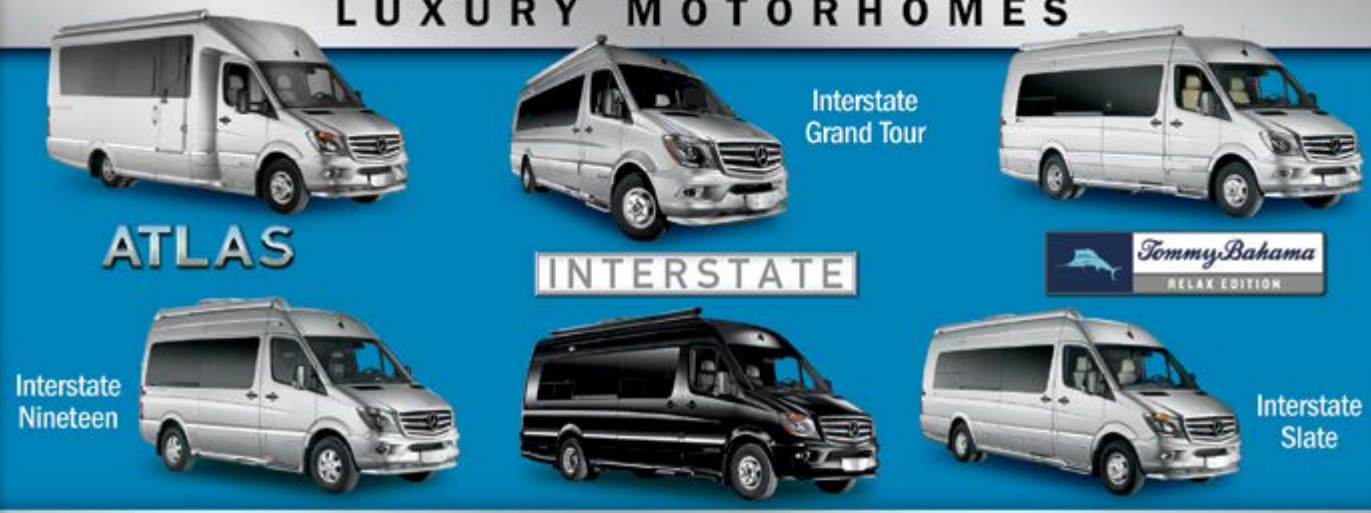

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The Art of Airstream Cooking

Gina Eggers, #3732

I am writing this the week before Christmas, on a beautiful sunny day in the upper peninsula of Michigan. Baking cookies and listening to Christmas music, but already planning getting out in Something Shiny as soon as the winter weather wanes. To all of you out there who are traveling, camping in your Airstream in warmer climates, I envy you. I follow some of you on Instagram and love your photos. When this Blue Beret issue comes out, it will be late winter, time to start thinking of planning, sharing, meeting new friends, and attending the International Rally. Yea! I've been asked to present at that rally in Virginia and I'm so excited! Hope to see many of you there that I know, and make many new friends.

Today's recipe is sticking to the tradition of a fairly easy one dish meal that is satisfying, delicious, and gets your vegetables in it's creamy gooiness. You'll need one saucepan, one casserole dish and a few utensils. It's perfect for cooler weather, but is lovely at any time of year.

Tri-Color Cauliflower Cheese Pasta with Hazelnuts

Preheat oven to 350 degrees

Half bag/9 oz. Tri-color pasta (penne, cavatappi or fusilli work well)
1 small cauliflower cut into small florets
2 oz. (4 T) butter
1/3 cup all-purpose flour
2 1/4 cups milk
1 tsp. mustard
pinch of red pepper flakes
1 cup grated sharp cheddar cheese
salt and pepper to taste
1/2 cup chopped hazelnuts
A couple of springs of parsley, chopped

Boil pasta in salted water for 5 minutes, then add cauliflower and boil for an additional 5 minutes. Drain and put into a casserole dish.

Melt butter in the same saucepan, whisk in flour, then milk. Whisk over medium heat for a few minutes until sauce starts to thicken. Add cheese until mostly melted. Add a squirt of mustard and a pinch of red pepper flakes. Add salt and pepper to taste.

Pour the cheese sauce over the pasta and cauliflower. Place the casserole on a heavy baking sheet or pizza stone and place in center to top third of Airstream oven. Bake at 350 for about 10 minutes. Check and turn frequently. Total time will be about 20 - 30 minutes, but every AS oven has its own particular characteristics so it may take less or more time.

Sprinkle top with chopped hazelnuts and parsley after it comes out of the oven.

Gina Eggers and boyfriend Mark Kasten are owners of a 27' FB International Serenity, "Something Shiny." Gina has been a lifelong camper and foodie, attending classes and seminars around the United States on breads, grains and vegetarian/vegan and raw foods. She has been teaching classes at a kitchen store in Wisconsin and in hers and others homes, and will be teaching pasta-making at the Marquette Farmer's Market in Michigan this summer. She is a member of the Bread Baker's Guild of America. You can find her on Instagram at @upnorthbread.

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Report on current progress at the WBCCI Foundation.

> "The WBCCI Foundation invests in the charitable and educational needs of the communities, states and nations of WBCCI members."

The September, 2018, Blue Beret introduced the WBCCI Foundation in an article entitled: "WBCCI Foundation - What is it?" (page 23). Beginning this month, the Foundation will report to the membership as progress is made on operations and procedures.

Organization. To briefly recap, the Foundation was incorporated in Ohio and has received a determination letter from the IRS of its 501(C)(3) tax-exempt status. A Board of Trustees has been chosen of six members (each representing two WBCCI Regions) with staggered terms and two ex-officio members (current International President and Corporate Manager of WBCCI). The Board meets monthly by telephone conference call.

Operations. The Foundation email address is info@wbccifoundation.org and a website is under development. Banking accounts have been established at U.S. Bank and PayPal. An application to a brokerage institution is in process.

Contributions to the Foundation. Donations to the Foundation are deposited in the Foundation banking account and are acknowledged to the donor as tax-deductible. Any securities received will be liquidated upon receipt. Levels of giving will be acknowledged as appropriate in accordance with the following schedule:

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Charitable RMD beneficiary. The Foundation is a permissible recipient for charitable Required Minimum Distributions ("RMDs") from IRAs. A distribution directed to the Foundation a) satisfies the RMD requirement (avoiding a 50% penalty) and b) is not included in donor taxable income.

Grants by the Foundation. The Board is developing policies and procedures for soliciting and processing applications from members, Regions or Units for granting funds to meet the needs of members or projects of Regions or Units as the Foundation vision and mission statement indicates. Foundation beneficiaries must be tax-exempt. Five general purposes have been identified for development: Disaster Relief, Child Welfare, Education, Veterans and Environmental. The application process and determination of match amount, if any, are being developed and will be reported in future articles.

Reports to the membership. The Foundation plans to report in future articles on the progress made, including 1) application process, 2) grants given, 3) approved purposes, and 4) website development. A representative of the Foundation Board plans to present at the International Rally.

LOGO NEEDED

The WBCCI Foundation is looking for a logo from the talent within WBCCI. The WBCCI members have a longstanding history of being generous to those in need around us. And, we want a logo to reflect that.

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WHERE: China Sea Buffet, 4901 W. Expressway 83, McAllen, TX, Ph. 956-992-8888

WHEN: Gather in the large room to the left at 11:30 am for lunch at 12:00, Tuesday, February 12, 2019. Lots of parking available.

WHAT: Lunch/fellowship and gabfest – Chinese Buffet/Mongolian Grill/etc. for $12.64, tax & drinks included

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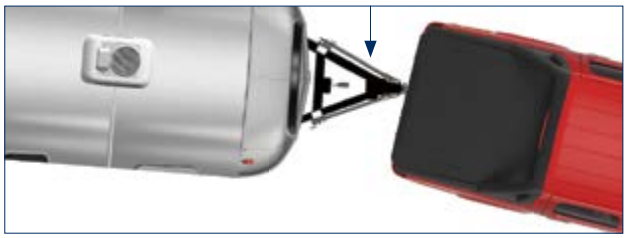

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Cold Weather Camping

Jihong Larson, #13888

When the first sign of cold shows up, what do most of the Airstream owners do:

Go south, to some place warmer; or winterize and leave the trailer in storage until next spring.

Many people believe Airstream travel trailers are not designed for four season camping. They may be right about it. Yet with some planning and preparation, we can enjoy winter camping just as much as the other three seasons.

Right now, I am writing this in my cozy and warm Airstream Flying Cloud 25' trailer with snowflakes dancing in the wind in Breckenridge, CO in December. The outside temperature is in the teens but inside temperature is at 65F with humidity at 35%.

Why winter camping at all, you may ask.

The beauty, the tranquility, the solitude and the contrast...

Standing at a bus stop in Chamonix, France four years ago, snow started to fall. I looked around the world that was blanketed in silently falling snow, I asked myself: "How could mono color be so beautiful?"

I have been searching for the answer for four years now.

- It is the white color brush removing all the other details and making the leafless trees or any objects showing off their statuesque body

- It is the contrast of white and anything else, blue sky or evergreen trees or whatever color would stand out against the white background

- It is the silence, muted by snow

- It is the fire, the warmth, the hearty food, the hot chocolate, the deep conversation, the profound reflections taking stock of the past and anticipating the future - the only season that spans two calendar years...

In its heaviness, stand out its substance and strength, understated yet cannot miss.

If you are like me, a winter sports enthusiast, winter provides a big playground. In chasing the snow and mountains, I have done winter stationary camping in Whistler, BC Canada for two seasons. And this season, I am on my skiing-camping tour aiming to visit 15 ski resorts in US and Canada with my Airstream travel trailer.

"To appreciate the beauty of a snowflake it is necessary to stand out in the cold."

--Aristotle

So, what are the essential things for cold weather camping? Of course, the easiest way to use our Airstream trailer in the cold weather is to winterize it and use it without the plumbing features. It could be useful when we move around and make short stops without worrying about freezing pipes or tanks. But when we stay longer and want the comfort of a fully functional home, we need to consider the following components of cold weather camping:

- How to protect all plumbing parts in freezing temperature?

- How to heat the Airstream trailer and keep it warm?

- How to travel with the trailer in the cold?

Part 1: How to protect all plumbing parts?

The most challenging part of cold weather camping and also the No.1 concern of most of the Airstream owners is the potential risk of bursting pipes, valves or tanks that freezing temperature could cause. The later year models of Airstream travel trailers have built-in protections. Each model has a slightly different set up. It is recommended to read the owner's manual to understand how it is set up. For my model year (2013 Flying Cloud rear twin 25'), the furnace provides heat to the tanks and plumbing to prevent freezing. So it is essential to make sure the furnace is operational not only to provide the heat for the comfort of living, but also it provides the protection of all plumbing components. This can be achieved relatively easily if there is shore power and plenty of propane. In a situation that we have to use battery power, it is essential to monitor and conserve battery power unless other ways of recharging the batteries are present such as solar panels, generators or alternative product such as CarGenerator that uses the car engine to provide battery charging. To conserve battery power, RV antifreeze may be used to protect the gray and black tank.

In my personal experience of long term stationary cold weather camping, I have found skirting has been the key. Skirting allows keeping the heat in to prevent plumbing and entire underbelly from freezing up; it keeps the propane consumption down; and also it provides great comfort for not having cold feet on the floor.

Since I was staying at a ski resort for the whole season (4-5 months), I did the "Home Depot skirting": using foam boards to build the skirt structure and Reflectix material to seal off the entire underbelly. With a small space heater under the belly and a wireless thermal sensor, I could monitor the temperature under the trailer. In the whole winter, I made adjustment of space heater setting based on the outside temperature to keep the underbelly above freezing temperature. In this case, I didn't need to keep the furnace on all the time or set at a much higher temperature to keep the trailer safe from freezing.

For fresh water supply, some people fill their fresh water tank and refill as needed. For people like me who wanted constant fresh water supply, a heated water hose was essential. In our trials and errors, we did need to insulate the city water inlet as well because a small ice formed there blocked the fresh water from coming in. Inserting fiberglass insulation material and secured by tape did the trick for us.

For sewerage, we used Styrofoam tubes and tapes to insulate the sewer hose. It is optional. As long as the black and grey tanks are closed and dumped as needed, it hasn't been an issue for us.

Having said that, the valves on the two tanks need protection as well. We made sure they were inside the protection of the skirt. We did have incidents that the valves were frozen and couldn't be pulled out to dump. In the situations like this, a hair dryer blowing hot air or pouring hot water over the valves got them thawed.

This current winter, my goal is to visit as many ski resorts as time allows. The "Home Depot skirt" is not a good option for moving around due to the bulkiness and taking time to set up. Therefore I have invested in a portable customized skirt that is made of heavy duty vinyl material. It takes me 15 minutes to put the skirt on and 10 minutes to take it down. It weighs about 30-40 lbs. and it is easy to put in a bag for storage. This has been a necessary investment for camping in multiple locations.

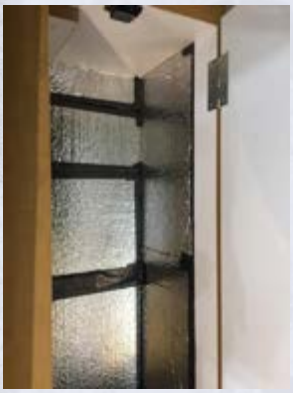
Part 2: How to heat the Airstream trailer and keep it warm?

The heating sources for the Airstream travel trailers come in two ways: furnace runs on propane and heating devices run on electricity.

The furnace is still the main heating source for distributing heat evenly through its ducts while providing heat

to the plumbing. But space heaters can provide more concentrated heating to where it is needed. In combining two, one can manage heating cost more efficiently and save trips to fill propane tanks.

For sleeping comfort, we have found heated mattress pads or heated blankets are very useful and energy efficient. Most of the nights, we turn off all heating sources for quietness and conserving energy. With a heated warm bed, we sleep in warmth and comfort. In the early morning, I turn on the furnace and space heater(s), the trailer is quickly heated up to 68-75F due to the trailer's small space. Of course, it is personal preference on what temperature is to their comfort. The options are there.



We also insulated all the windows except the front windows and all the compartments to avoid draft. Not critical, just to add more comfort.

Another useful product is Mr. Heater Buddy, with safety features built in. The fuel propane cylinders are widely available in Walmart, Home Depot and Lowe's.

While we are at the heating part, we need to discuss the importance of humidity control in cold weather camping. The humidity comes from outside environment, our breathing and cooking. We have been very strict about cooking under the vent. Any boiling water or steam from cooking will add a great deal of humidity into the air. The EcoSeb DD122EA-SIMPLE Desiccant dehumidifier, 15 pint ($179) we bought is all we need. Every 20-28 hours, it extracted a full tank (4.2 pints/2 litres) of water. Our humidity is around 30-50%. Also it has a laundry drying feature that comes in handy. It is on 24 hours the whole winter. Wiping down the condensation in the morning helps to lessen the work of the dehumidifier and prevent molds from growing.

As much as we enjoy winter camping, there are some challenges that need to be addressed.

1. Wet towels - No way can we dry the normal wet towels inside the trailer. Quick dry towels or frequent laundry at the RV park could be options.

2. Keeping entrance dry and clean - Tough in the winter with snow and rain.

3. Trailer fever - Small space, winter, lack of outdoor hang-out space got us a little edgy at times

Part 3: How to travel with the trailer in the cold?

There are many resources on driving and towing in the cold climate. So far what has worked for us is to try to time our travels for optimal weather. On a good condition day, it is almost no difference between traveling in the winter or summer. But with inclement weather, it could be quite challenging. Winter tires and chains are required under certain conditions by states. For sure, monitor the weather and plan accordingly.

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A Great Guide for Unit Presidents Hidden in the WBCCI Website

Alan Amundsen #2034 & Carey Boland #1079

One day while snooping around the WBCCI web site, we came across a title in the menu that caught our eye: WBCCI Unit Planning Guide. Although we were just exploring the website with no particular objective in mind, this Unit Planning Guide was something we were lucky to stumble across. Further exploration revealed a bountiful source of information that either an incoming President or existing President could use to help plan their upcoming tenure.

A well-organized format outlined multiple areas club Presidents need to address as well as important deadlines listed regarding communication with the Central Office. Although it would be very hard for a new President to do everything in this guide, it will allow them to prioritize their focus to fit the immediate needs of their club.

The Unit Planning Guide includes organization suggestions of Goals, Leadership, Communications with the Central Offices, Leader Involvement, Communications, Promotion, Membership, Financial Management, Public Relations, Dealer Relations, Web Page, Social Media, Newsletter, Directory, Training, Constitution and Bylaws, Blue Book Use, and Unit Promotional Items. It goes on further to inform of Activities such as Rallies, Meetings, Sponsor/Host Events, Volunteer/Assist at Events and Caravans and even Community Service. Wow! We would encourage any incoming Presidents or currents Presidents to read this Unit Planning Guide as it clearly outlines the important things for a President to consider and try to carry out. It will also help them to identifying and prioritize what needs to be addressed in their Unit.

It can be a bit overwhelming when taking the office of President for your Unit, but with this hidden little Guide on the website, you will a have great place to start. There is a ton of information and ideas if you take some time to explore the WBBCI website. It is there to help members and officers alike.

PS: Another great find online is the WBCCI Unit Idea Book! It goes into detail regarding budget planning, rally planning/themes/ideas, Unit Management, recipes, games and more!

In Memoriam

The officers and members of Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc. express their sympathy to the families and friends of these departed members.

It is with much sorrow we inform you of the passing of Beatrice Kaiser on December 1, 2018. Bea was International First Lady of WBCCI in 1980-1981. Our condolences to her family and friends.

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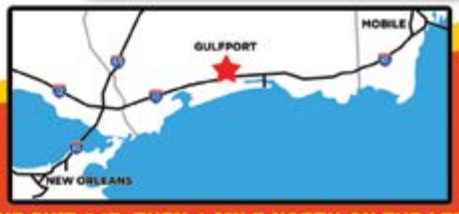

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Aluminum adventures in the Airstream club so often focus on the brand and members. However, there is a secondary gain. The alum in aluminum can sequel into the alum in alumni – forming new compassionate nonmember relationships that only enhance the Airstream experience. Here is a story to explain.

During the Escanaba, Michigan Rally night festivities, two young women rode up on their bicycles, introduced themselves and asked if they might spend the night at the fairgrounds. Some members explained they could not as there was an Airstream event reserving the entire fairgrounds. Overhearing the conversation, I wondered, "How could we turn them away? What was the role of the club but to express compassion to all?" I questioned them and the answers came.

The girls and their first lobsta' dinner

The tired girls had ridden all day and needed to stop before nightfall. During the conversation, they told me they were on their way to Bar Harbor, Maine. Their ultimate goal was to bike from the Pacific Ocean, Oregon, to the Atlantic Ocean in Bar Harbor. Bar Harbor was exactly where I was going after Escanaba. We devised a plan to stay in touch. After the rally, I would go to Maine and they would follow me to my sister's house in Ellsworth - just a few miles from their final destination. They could rest up there for a few days and then bike into Bar Harbor.

They spent the night in a nearby campground. We both left Escanaba. I arrived in Maine first. Several weeks later they arrived and I surprised them with food and lodging at my sister's house in Ellsworth, Maine just a few miles from their final destination. Their stories of courage and adventure were compelling and to this day I'm gob-struck by their auspicious, road travel on bikes and camping under the stars across the entire United States. I thought they deserved to be treated royally, so after a night with my sister and me, I surprised them with a luxury hotel room on the Atlantic Ocean in Bar Harbor. We have kept in touch and they have continued new adventures in Europe and Canada.

Aluminum is what we all have in common in the club. But there is something else. We bring grace, compassion and love. Who would have predicted that standing outside the International Rally fairground meeting venue, I would meet two awesome women who would become lifelong friends? Keep this story in your memory bank and next time you go to an Airstream Rally, find the primary gain of being in the group and the secondary gain of opening up to adventures that you might never had imagined - a nonmember alumni group of compassionate friendships that will last a lifetime.

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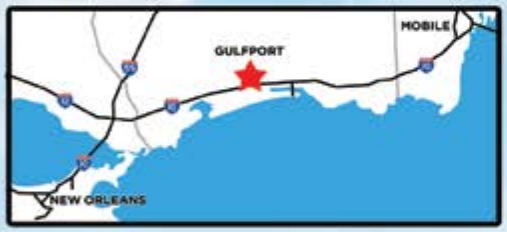

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National and Special Event Rallies

WBCCI offers two special types of Rallies that may often be overlooked by newer members, but that are interesting and enjoyable: National Rallies and Special Event Rallies. The two rally types are so closely related, that I will discuss them together in this article.

Balloon Fiesta National Rally

By the current definitions, these two types of rallies are hosted by WBCCI Units or Regions but are open to all club members. They most commonly center around some sort of event or celebration that is of national, regional, or local interest. They may vary from a few dozen to a couple hundred participating Airstreams.

These rallies may have been offered to unit members for a year or two or more before being "opened" to all WBCCI members, so knowing exactly when they became "national" can sometimes be hard to define. Many are or were offered annually for years or even decades, though some have been one-time events. In some cases, the rally name, hosting unit, or camping location may have changed over the years, but the FUN has remained constant!

Unit Rallies focusing on "special events" began as soon as the club was formed, and some were quickly opened to club members outside the hosting Unit. In 1963 the need was identified to better advertise these rallies to "all WBCCI members" and by 1965 several existing "special event" rallies were being formally identified as National Rallies. To further support the development of these rallies, a Special Events Standing Committee was created in 1972 and it was renamed the National & Special Events Standing Committee in 1993.

National Rallies were first listed in the 1965 Membership Directory. The annual Membership Directory listings are sometimes not 100% complete due to the early submission deadline, but a review of them indicates a diverse range of National Rallies (and later Special Event Rallies) that the club has offered over the years. From the four official National Rallies listed in 1965, the offerings soon grew to almost a dozen National Rallies before Special Event Rallies were added in the 1982 Directory. Combined, between 20 and 30 National/Special Event Rallies were listed each year from 1982 into the early 2000s before the number began declining somewhat.

Now let's move on to some specifics. The first "national" mention of special event rallies occurred in the November 1958 edition of the Caravanner newspaper when upcoming Northwestern Unit Rallies centered around an Apple Blossom Festival, a Rose Festival, and the Seattle Sea Fair were listed for May, June, and August of 1959, though it appears that these rallies were mainly intended for unit members.

WBCCI Headquarters organized a Mardi Gras Rally in February 1961. This was the first official WBCCI National Rally. The Gulf States Unit took over responsibility for this rally in 1962 and it ran annually until hurricane Katrina hit New Orleans in August 2005. This rally returned in 2009 and ran thru 2015.

The Mid-Atlantic Unit offered a Unit Rally centered on the Shenandoah Apple Blossom Festival in Front Royal, Virginia in April 1960. They repeated the rally in April 1961, but invited all WBCCI members to attend, making it WBCCI's second National Rally. The 1961 rally was the first unit sponsored rally to have lead-up stories and a reservation form in the Caravanner newspaper. This rally skipped 1962 but was repeated annually from 1963 thru 1997.

Airstreamers enter the Round-Up

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The Oregon Unit offered a rally centered on the Pendleton Round-Up Rodeo in September 1961. In a short story in the August 1961 edition of the Caravanner, they invited all WBCCI members to attend, making this the third National Rally. This rally was repeated in 1962, but not in 1963. It returned in 1964 as an annual event and is still running today, making it the longest running WBCCI National Rally overall. This rally is centered around one of the 10 best rodeos in the USA, but there's much more to see and do, including visiting the Pendleton Woolen Mills.

The California Unit began offering the Hobo Rally at Lost Lake near Blythe, California in February 1963. Though attended by members from outside the California Unit from the start, it did not formally attain National Rally status until many years later. This Rally ran annually thru 2014.

The Land-O-Lakes Chapter of the Ohio Unit (later the Land-O-Lakes Unit) offered a rally centered around the Swiss Festival in Sugarcreek, Ohio in September 1963 and it has been held annually ever since making it WBCCI's longest continuously running National Rally, although it has been hosted by the Appalachian Unit of West Virginia in recent years. This rally is held in the heart of Amish country in eastern Ohio and a fun aspect of this rally is the chance to meet the Amish, visit their homes and businesses, and maybe even get a chance to ride in one of their buggies. You'll even get bean soup made in camp in large cast iron pots over an open fire.

I could go on, but space and research time prevents complete coverage of every National and Special Event Rally that WBCCI has ever offered, and there have been many dozens of different National and Special Event Rallies over the years. Here is a partial list, in the order of introduction, of some of the more popular National and Special Event Rallies that ran for at least a decade (although some of the rallies may have skipped a year or two here and there):

- Mardi Gras: 1961-2015 — New Orleans, LA
- Apple Blossom Festival: 1960/61-1997 — Front Royal, VA (later other cities in VA)
- Pendleton Round-Up: 1961-Current — Pendleton, OR
- Hobo Rally: 1963/82-2014 — Blythe, CA
- Swiss Festival: 1963-Current — Sugarcreek, OH
- Orange Show: 1964/69-1981 — San Bernardino, CA
- Antelope: 1965-2017 — Medicine Bow, WY
- Kentucky Derby: 1968/69-2002 — Shelbyville, KY
- Indianapolis 500: 1969/70-2005 — Indianapolis, IN
- Natchez Pilgrimage: 1971/75-2012 — Natchez, MS (later Vidalia, LA)
- Grand Ole Opry: 1978-1992 — Nashville, TN
- Potlatch & Salmon: 1980-2015 — Lacey, WA
- Pageant of Lights: 1982-1993 — North Ft. Myers, FL
- Manitoba Stampede: 1982-1995 — Morris, MB, Canada
- Ukrainian Festival: 1982-2001 — Dauphin, MB, Canada
- Lamb Festival: 1982-2002 — Turner, OR (later Silverton, OR)
- Balloon Fiesta: 1982-Current — Albuquerque, NM
- Experimental Aircraft: 1983-1997 — Oshkosh, WI
- Mining & Manufacturing: 1983-96 — Cadiz, OH
- Autumn Leaf (WA): 1983-2010 — Leavenworth, WA
- Athens Old Time Fiddlers: 1984-Current — Athens, AL
- Easter Festival: 1984-2011 — St. Augustine, FL
- Rod & Reel (Fishing): 1985-2000 — Various Cities, MI
- Autumn Leaf (PA): 1987-2008 — Limestone, PA
- Statue of Liberty: 1987-2003 — Jersey City, NJ
- Fiesta De Santa Fe: 1988-2013 — Santa Fe, NM
- Rose Parade: 1989-Current — Pasadena, CA
- Victorian Days: 1991-2014 — Cape May, NJ
- Holland Tulip Time: 1993-2004 — Hudsonville, MI
- San Antonio Fiesta: 1995-2014 — Various cities near San Antonio, TX
- Branson Musicland: 1997-2009 — Branson, MO
- Galax Old Fiddlers' Convention: 2002-Current — Galax, VA
- Sun Valley Jazz Festival: 2004-Current — Ketchum, ID
- Storytelling Festival: 2007-Current — Gray, TN later Jonesborough, TN)

Note that if two starting years are listed, the first is when the Rally began as a Unit Rally and the second is when it began as a National Rally, as best I can tell.

At the time of this writing, here are the National and Special Event Rallies planned for 2019:

- Canopener – Jan 3-6 — Santa Rosa Beach, FL
- Streamin' on the Harbor – Feb 28-Mar 3 — Georgetown, SC
- Airstreams on Mainstreet – Apr 4-7 — Havana, FL
- Pets and Paws – Apr 12-14 — Provincetown, MA
- Texas Vintage Airstream Round-Up – May 2-5 — Mineola, TX
- NY City Base Camp – Jun 6-9 — Jersey City, NJ
- Galax Old Fiddlers' Convention – Aug 4-10 — Galax, VA

Fiddling in Camp at Galax

- Around the World Folklorama – Aug 7-14 — Winnipeg, MB, Canada
- Pendleton Round-Up – Sep 9-15 — Pendleton, OR
- Swiss Festival – Sep 21-29 — Sugarcreek, OH
- Athens Old Time Fiddlers – Oct 1-6 — Athens, AL
- Storytelling Festival – Oct 2-6 — Jonesborough, TN
- Balloon Fiesta – Oct 4-8 — Albuquerque, NM

- Columbus Day/Canadian Thanksgiving – Oct 11-14 — Bristol, VT
- Sun Valley Jazz & Music Festival – Oct 15-20 — Ketchum, ID
- Texas Country Air – Oct 24-27 — Brownwood, TX
- Rose Parade – Dec 28-Jan 1 — Pasadena, CA

For more information on these rallies and to look for late additions, check out the National and Special Event Rally listings in the Blue Beret and on the WBCCI website.

WBCCI now advertises National and Special Event Rallies as "Bucket List" events, which is fitting as they may take you to events that you always wanted to attend but never did for some reason. Many members attend these rallies over and over again as they are "great fun" and often evolve over the years to offer different tours and activities making each instance a unique one. All the important arrangements are made FOR YOU! If you have not already done so, sign up and attend a National or Special Event Rally, or two, or three. You'll have fun and make some new friends in the process.

How Can You Help?

Researching this article showed me how underemphasized and underappreciated National and Special Event Rallies are within WBCCI. While they can be some of the club's most enjoyable activities, they are rarely covered in Blue Beret articles and photos and are sometimes missing in the event listings in the annual Membership Directory (a shame, given the amount of work that goes in to planning and hosting these events!). In reviewing 30+ years of Blue Beret magazines for this article, very few of the 20+ National and Special Event Rallies offered most years ever got a follow-up story talking about rally highlights or showing off rally activities in photos.

If you are involved with putting on a National or Special Event Rally, or even if you were an attendee that had a good time, submit an article about it (or even just a photo or two) to the Blue Beret editor.

More importantly, if you have never attended a National or Special Event Rally, do so. Maybe even offer to help. Some of these rallies are going away because of a lack of workers. Or if you are slightly more ambitious, contact the current National and Special Event Standing Committee Chairman, Kathi Mitchell, WBCCI #1100, and talk about restarting one of the past National or Special Event Rallies or even creating a new one.

AIRSTREAM TECH HELP GROUP

techhelp@wbcci.org

The Airstream Tech Help Group has been established to provide assistance to the membership experiencing technical problems. We will respond directly to you in response to your email describing a problem. Examples of questions, modifications or upgrades that might be of interest to members will be published in the Blue Beret. We hope you will find this service of value in the care and feeding of your Airstream.

Alert - Anderson WD Hitch Issues

If you use or want to use an Andersen Weight Distribution Hitch on an Airstream trailer, Andersen, has announced the following: "**Are Atwood Couplers compatible with the Andersen Weight Distribution Hitch?** Only the Atwood 88xxx series couplers are incompatible with our Weight Distribution Hitch. ALL OTHER Atwood couplers are fine (80xxx, 81xxx, 82xxx, etc.). Although we have some customers who are using the 88xxx series without problem, for the best solution our official stand is this – if you have one, change out your coupler. Luckily it is not a common coupler, but it is popular on Airstream trailers. NOTE: The Atwood 88000 series (stamped on the coupler as "Atwood model 88xxx" - xxx being any digits) is the ONLY coupler design in the RV market we have found that has this potential issue. All other Atwood couplers work fine. The similarly designed Marvel coupler also works just fine with the Andersen WD Hitch.

What we have found so far:
We have been performing in-house testing of the Atwood 88000 series coupler, as well as consulting with engineers and RV Technicians. At this point we have not experienced the unit unlatching, but we can see there is the potential for the possibility of this happening over time with the Atwood 88000 series, so we are taking the issue very seriously. From the reports given we were told that it is something that happens over time, not immediately.

What can happen:
Because of the design of the Atwood 88000 series coupler, there is a lot of extra movement inside the coupler as compared to other couplers on the market. When combined with the reverse pressure that our Weight Distribution system places on it, over time, the slack in the internal mechanism of the some of these couplers slowly works its way backwards trying to unlatch from the top 'fin' - and eventually it can wear the fin down enough that it does not fully latch any more.

The solution:
At this point our official position is that the Atwood 88000 series coupler is incompatible with our Weight Distribution Hitch, so the ONLY current solution we endorse is to replace the coupler. A good quality and sturdy replacement is the Atwood MPD 81911 coupler. Any coupler other than the Atwood 88000 series will work just fine. We have checked with several welding shops who told us that it would take about 1 hour of shop time to change out the coupler, averaging about $60–$100 in shop fees."
Airstream owner comment: Virtually all Airstream trailers (and Argosy's) made since about 1970 use the 88007 coupler. I use a snug fit 3/8 pin or bolt in mine to eliminate any slop and fin damage. That did require a slight drilling out of the original hole to 3/8". I have had no issues with any wear or damage, and like the hitch very much.

Airstream owner comment: Because the Andersen puts a lot of force on the back of the ball and that there is a lot of forward thrust the fins that seat into place on top of the coupler in the closed position can get rounded. There are two basic fixes:

1. Drill out the pin hole on the coupler to exactly 3/8" and use a bolt through it which effectively eliminates the coupler movement and there is absolutely no wear showing anywhere on the coupler or fin. You drill the hole through the coupler holes while in the closed position, so that they are the same size as the middle ring hole that is fixed on the top of the coupler. They are currently slightly different sizes which results in some slop.

2. Buy a Latch Repair Kit: Replacement Latch Repair Kit for Atwood Yoke Style A-Frame Couplers, part AT15775 for $19.95 from etrailer.com. Installing the repair kit requires removing the original parts, which means grinding off the staked end of the original pin. The replacement is a shear bolt with a self-locking nut, to avoid any need to replicate the staking operation. Details direct from Atwood (maybe now Drew Industries, see below.).

News flash: Atwood has been sold to Drew Industries. Drew Industries has agreed to acquire the seating and chassis component business of Atwood Mobile Products. When we checked with etrailer.com we found out that repair parts for the Atwood 81911 series are not available to them. They are recommending the Bulldog 028499 coupler as a replacement for the Atwood coupler.

You have options: (1) Airstream owner 1. above; (2) Airstream owner 2. above; (3) Find an Atwood MPD 81911 or the applicable repair parts, which "may" be available from Drew Industries or others; (4) Or, replace the Atwood 88xxx with 80xxx, 81xxx, 82xxx, etc., Atwood couplers; (5) Or replace the Atwood 88xxx (rated at 10,000#) with the Bulldog 028499 (rated at 12,500#) coupler (my choice); (6) Or, replace the Atwood coupler you have with the Marvel coupler; (6) Or, replace the WD (weight distribution) hitch. Please keep in mind that Andersen's recommendation is to replace the coupler. We are not aware of any warranty issues related to coupler replacement. I'm told the original warranty was only good for two years. I have found that the shop time and charges, quoted above by Andersen, is not accurate. (See more below on cost to replace the Atwood coupler.)

Actual experience by this writer: I replaced the Atwood coupler with a Bulldog coupler. The actual time to do the work and finish the job was twice the estimate above in cost – actual cost was $200.00 for the fabrication shop work. Included was the cost to close up the open A-frame tubes under the hitch, and, realign the bottom jack mount with the new top mount in the coupler, and, weld two 3/8" mechanical chain connector links on the sides below the new coupler (see photo) for the safety chains. And, I found that the Andersen chains had to be lengthened four links each to allow proper hook-up. Andersen provides P/N 3366 which is a mechanical connector link and six additional links to extend the standard fourteen link chains originally provided. The cost for this (set) of extensions is $45.99. I was told that I could let the chain excess hang down at the triangle plate or I could cut them off for a neater assembly. I had to cut off the excess chain as the clevis connector to the A-plate wouldn't fit otherwise. I had to raise the ball 1" to complete the mechanics of the hook-up. I have included a picture of the completed Bulldog assembly below. To remount the jack, I used three 3/8" x 1-1/2 stainless steel (ss) hex bolts, 6 ss flat washers, 3 ss lock washers, and 3 ss 3/8"-18 washer nuts (which had to be tack welded to the bottom of the jack coupler as the Bulldog jack coupler does not have threaded mounting holes for the jack, but, is slotted. Total out-of-pocket expense was less than for any WD hitch available. Personal note: I have the same Bulldog coupler on my farm trailers. I really like the simplicity of the coupler and the sure-and-simple coupling.

PS: I have an Andersen WD Hitch hook-up/unhook instruction sheet. I have added additional comments based upon personal experience that you might find helpful. If you would like a copy, email techhelp@WBCCI.org and request it. I will forward it back to you by return email.

Happy trails everyone. See you, **safely**, down the road.

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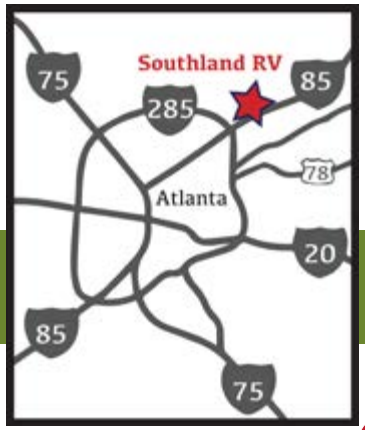

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Mitchell Map of 1755

Of course, modern day Virginia is somewhat smaller, but its attractions are hugely popular with visitors. You will soon enjoy its colonial past, Civil War sites, and scenic beauty. In this, the second of six Blue Beret articles, we provide a list of significant Virginia places lying west of Doswell. While some can be seen during long "day-trips," most require a lengthier drive and more on-site time. You may wish to add them (and a few extra days) to your itinerary and your route of travel, especially if you are driving to Doswell from the west. Here are our picks:

- Jefferson's **Monticello**. Take a nickel out of your pocket or purse and look at its reverse side. What you see is the image of a spectacular home, built in the Palladian style, by the great man who served as our third U.S. president. Thomas Jefferson lived, worked, and is buried at his beloved Monticello. He built his plantation atop a small mountain overlooking Charlottesville, VA. Tour his wonderful house, walk his spacious grounds, and spend some time in the adjacent museum to learn about the man who wrote the Declaration of Independence and whose name is synonymous with American democracy.

Monticello

- While in **Charlottesville**, visit any of the three dozen wineries in the area, see the University of Virginia (original rotunda building designed by Jefferson), and shop/dine on Market Street, a downtown pedestrian mall. Nearby campground, "Misty Mountain," located just off Exit 107 of I-64, on U.S. 250 South, about 14 miles west of downtown.
- Madison's **Montpelier**. From Monticello, it's about a 30-minute drive through horse farm country to James Madison's home, "Montpelier," near Orange, VA. Here, the "Father of the Constitution" and fourth president lived on a 3,000 acre sprawling plantation with wife, Dolly. The estate, purchased in 1901 and modernized by the William duPont family to serve as a horse farm, became a National Trust property in 1966. All of the duPont modifications were removed over a period of several years. Now the home is back to the way it looked when the Madisons lived there. On the grounds are a museum, a multi-media exhibit about slavery, a gift shop, and cafeteria. Nearby campground: Shenandoah Hills, on U.S. 29 in Madison, VA.

Montpelier

- Shenandoah National Park & Skyline Drive. The Blue Ridge Mountains rise to the west of Charlottesville and Orange. Situated along the crest of this mountain chain are Shenandoah National Park and the Skyline Drive. If it's not raining or hazy, the viewpoints along the Drive are breathtaking. There are lots of hiking trails. Driving west from Doswell, you can enter the Skyline Drive at

Blue Ridge Mountains

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62nd Wally Byam Airstream Club International Rally

July 20-27, 2019 Doswell, Virginia

WBCCI#: _____

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Email: _____ Cell: _____

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Address: _____ City: _____ State/Prov: _____ Zip/Postal Code: _____

Rally Attendee(s)	Quantity Info	Quantity	Rate	Amount
RV On Site	Yes = 1 No = 0		$265.00	$
Adult (18 & Over) (Each)	Enter number		$110.00	$
Youth (13 - 17) (Each)	Enter number		$ 40.00	$
Child (12 & Under)	Enter number		$ 0.00	$ 0.00
Solar Camping Discount	Yes = 1 No = 0		$ -50.00	$
Generator Camping Discount	Yes = 1 No = 0		$ -50.00	$
Lifetime Member Discount	Limit 1		$- 20.00	$
		GRAND TOTAL:		$

Parking Options	Yes
Handicap	
Vintage	
Interests	✓
First Timer	
Band Member	
Amateur Radio Club	
Free Wheelers	
Full Timers	

Registration Date: _____ **Rec'd By:** _____

Registration Source: ☐Mail ☐Online ☐Officer ☐Rally **Handicap Permit:** ☐On File ☐Update Requested ☐Updated

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its southern end (Milepost 105) and drive northward. To do this takes several hours (best done slowly and WITHOUT a trailer in tow), but the brief stops you can make at 70 overlooks are worth it.

- **Luray Caverns**. If you like caverns, arguably the largest and most famous underground wonder in Virginia is Luray Caverns. You can exit the Skyline Drive at Thornton Gap (U.S. 211, between mileposts 32 and 31). The caverns are 11 miles west of the Skyline Drive on Route 211. The town of Luray has two campgrounds, KOA and Yogi Bear.

Stalagtite Organ Luray

- **Shenandoah Valley, Staunton & Lexington**. Luray is in the northern half of the famous Valley. By continuing west on U.S. 211 to Harrisonburg (home of James Madison University), you can turn southward down the Valley on I-81, or better yet, take U.S. 11 (less traffic, slower, and nice towns along the way). You may want to stop in Staunton (pronounced STAN-ton) to see Woodrow Wilson's birthplace, museum, and presidential library; and nearby is the Museum of Frontier Culture, showing how the Shenandoah Valley was settled and who settled it. Further south is the lovely town of Lexington, home to the Virginia Military Institute (VMI) with its excellent George C. Marshall Museum; and Washington & Lee University, where Robert E. Lee is entombed in Lee Chapel. Also in Lexington are Stonewall Jackson's home and grave. Nearby campground: Glen Maury Park in Buena Vista.

Lee Chapel - R.E. Lee tomb location

- **Appomattox**. A bit further southward, if you are traversing Virginia east/west, you may be driving on U.S. 460. Along that route are several places of interest, including: Appomattox Courthouse National Historic Park–the site of Lee's surrender to Grant in 1865–hastening the end of the Civil War.
- **National D-Day Memorial**. Situated further west along U.S. 460 in Bedford, this large outdoor park tells the story of the June 1944 WWII Normandy landings. You will walk with a docent through picturesque monuments, fountains, and displays.
- **City of Roanoke**. Keep driving west on U.S. 460, to reach the City of Roanoke. Set along Blue Ridge and the Appalachian Trail, Roanoke is southwest Virginia's largest city with a long history involving railroads and coal. You can visit the Virginia Transportation Museum, walk the historic City Market where there are dozens of shops and good restaurants, and explore a new downtown art museum.

Roanoke

- **Highland Haven Airstream Park**. Located off the Blue Ridge Parkway and U.S. 221 in Copper Hill, this campground is about a 25-minute drive from downtown Roanoke. This is a very special Airstream-only campground, perched atop a mountain. From its campsites you will see unsurpassed panoramas and sunsets. Highland Haven offers Airstreamers a peaceful resting place after a long day of touring. Visit their website for reservations.

Highland Haven Sunset

If you still don't see anything on this list that interests you, in the next issue of Blue Beret we will describe Virginia attractions you will encounter traveling southeastward from the Doswell rally site. Stay tuned!

For the preliminary schedule, tours, vendors and the most up-to-date information, go to https://doswell.wbcci.net/

Virginia Points of Interest West of The Meadow Event Park	# miles from Doswell (Driving time)	Website	GPS Coordinates
Monticello, Home of Thomas Jefferson 931 Thomas Jefferson Pkwy Charlottesville, VA 22902 434-984-9800	83.0 west (75 min.)	home. monticello.org	38.00566N -78.45297W
Montpelier, Home of James Madison 11350 Constitution Hwy Montpelier Station, VA 22957 540-672-2728, ext. 450	73.5 west (75 min.), or from Monticello: 29.5 northeast (35 min.)	www.montpelier.org	38.21766N -78.17074W Visitor Center
Charlottesville & Area Wineries More than 30 vineyards/wineries within a 20-mile radius of Charlottesville.	81.5 west to downtown (75 min.)	https://monticellowinetrail.com	38.03035N -78.48000W Town center
Luray Caverns 101 Cave Hill Rd, Luray, VA 22835 540-743-6551	104.1 northwest (120 min.)	https://luraycaverns.com	38.66374N -78.48371W
Skyline Drive and Shenandoah National Park (On the Blue Ridge Mountains) 800.847.4878	103.5 west southern end of Skyline Drive (90 min.)	https://visitskylinedrive.org/	38.03758N -78.85623W Rockfish Gap Ent. Skyline Drive
The Shenandoah Valley (Visit Staunton - Woodrow Wilson home; Lexington - VMI, George Marshall Museum, Stonewall Jackson house) 800-847-4878	120.3 west taking I-64 to Staunton, VA (110 min.), then to Lexington 38.0 southeast on I-81 (40 min.)	www.visitshenandoah.org	38.14989N -79.06857W Downtown Staunton, Woodrow Wilson Library
Appomattox Courthouse National Historic Park Lee's surrender to Grant, April 9,1865 434-352-8987 x226	115.4 west (125 min.) .	www.nps.gov/apco/index.htm	37.37486N -78.79833W
National D-Day Memorial 3 Overlord Circle Bedford, VA 24523 540-587-3619	157.5 west (160 min).	www.dday.org	37.32968N -79.53608W
City of Roanoke Visitor Center 101 Shenandoah Avenue, NE Roanoke, VA 24016 540-342-6025	184.6 west (190 min.)	www.visitroanokeva.com	37.27373N -79.93833W Downtown Visitor Center
Highland Haven Airstream Park 6517 Higland Haven Road, NE Copper Hill, VA 24079 540-200-9567	213.5 west (220 min.)	vahighlandhaven.com/	38.05084N -80.19183W

Pop Up Vendors

John Green #4432

Do you have a small business enterprise that you would like to showcase at the 2019 International Rally in Doswell, Virginia? If so, we have an opportunity for you.

For the first time at the 2018 International Rally in Salem, Oregon, we offered a new type of vendor opportunity called "Pop Up Vendor." This new concept was developed by then International Second Vice-President Mona Heath and Region 10 President Terri Warren. Pop Up vendors were offered a choice to display 1, 2, 3 or 4 days with a minimum daily display requirement of 3 hours (11:00 AM to 2:00 PM). Many of the Pop Up vendors at Salem were WBAC members who did not want to spend the entire rally in a vendor booth and miss out on seminars, meetings, trips, etc. From the member feedback received at Salem, the Pop Up vendor program was very successful for both members as well as the individuals who were the Pop Up vendors.

To be a Pop Up vendor at the 2019 International Rally, you will need to complete a Pop Up vendor agreement. You can obtain the vendor agreement by downloading the document from the WBCCI.org website or by calling WBCCI/WBAC headquarters and requesting one be sent to you. Julie Rethman is the headquarters staff person who handles all vendor programs. Complete the agreement and return it to headquarters with a deposit payment of $50.00. All vendor applications are reviewed by the International Rally Committee for appropriateness. If your application is approved by the Rally Committee and you have complied with the minimum display hours in your contract, the deposit will be refunded to you within 30 days of the end of the rally. Important: Pop Up vendors will be required to collect and remit Virginia sales tax on their sales. Reporting forms will be supplied by the club to all vendors, both regular and Pop Up. This was not required in Salem as Oregon does not have sales tax.

Due to space limitations, there will be a limited number of Pop Up vendor booths. Vendor agreements will be accepted after rally committee approval on a first come, first served basis. When all the available booths are assigned, no additional applications will be accepted. Questions about this program as well as the regular, full-time vendor program may be directed to John Green at jwgreen@mtco.com or by phone at 309-657-3102. John and his spouse Rita are former members of the Illinois Lincolnland unit in Region 5 and current members of the North Texas unit in Region 9. They were owners of Premier Aqua Solutions LLC from 2006-10 and were vendors at several International rallies. They now live in Hillsboro, TX.

Speakers Wanted

Do you have an interest or specialty in a particular area you would like to share with other Airstreamers?

We are looking for persons who would like to share their day to day Airstream Life, in a presentation or round table discussion at the 2019 International at Doswell, VA. (expertise in electronics, hobbies, mechanics, food prep, etc.)

Interested persons can email me at:
Doswellpresentations@wbcci.net
Victoria Magnacca

Let's Get Crafty!

Debbie Hammer #2437

Do you have a craft that you would like to share? Crafters are needed to volunteer at the 62nd International Rally in Doswell, VA.

Interested crafters contact me at:

debbie@halimer.com

"Wanna Lead a Caravan?

Elna Thompson #805

You may have heard about the new training course created for those interested in the WBCCI caravans. We all enjoy going on these caravans - if we could only get on one! "WE NEED YOU!" (I stole that from Uncle Sam!) Take about 3 hours of your valuable time to take the improved, shorter, digitized training at Region Rallies, Mid-Winter IBT, International, or any place a group expresses interest! Caravan Leaders will be there to guide you, answer your questions and discuss openly your possibilities or ideas!

Do we need more caravans? Of course we do! But in order to fill that need, YOU may want to get some training to learn how to lead one! Choose or create a caravan you will be content to lead 2 to 3 times. Maybe you will like it so well, you'll want to make adjustments for the next year! Change keeps it fresh and holds your interest as well. Some leaders take ownership and find different stops (locations) or activities to enhance their adventure. There are many great caravans that have already been planned and run - waiting for someone to pick them up and give new life to them! Some of these are: Landmarks West, Florida Fantasy, The Wilder West, Polar Bear and Lewis and Clark.

The training program is video - based including 8 lessons totaling 66 minutes plus time between for questions and answers from any of the leaders present. (Having several leaders there allows you to hear different methods used by leaders!) The video subjects are: Introduction, Planning, Scouting, Finances-Budget, Finances-Kitty Fee, Finances-on the Caravan, Communication, Promotion, Operation and Completion. Each person (Unit) is given a packet that contains the script for the videos so participants don't have to miss anything while taking notes. Included in the training packet is a "Start-up Kit" providing examples (currently 24 items) of financial and reporting forms as well as other important information needed by leaders. Some of the items included are: Kitty Fee Budget Template, Authorization Letter for opening a bank account, where to purchase decals and plaques, financial reporting, liability insurance and final reports. A critique sheet is also included to give the trainers feedback from each participant to help them improve future training sessions.

The Caravan Handbook is in each packet. The handbook can also be found online at the caravan website "wbccicaravan.wbcci.net" and the "Introduction to the Caravan Leader Training" may be found at this link: https://wbccicaravan.wbcci.net/caravan-leading/" The "Start-up kit" is also on the caravan website.

In addition to the training and startup kit items, current and past caravan leaders will provide mentoring to new leaders to help them get their caravans developed and operational. Having an experienced resource to help you with your caravan is very valuable.

Leaders who have led at least 5 caravans are eligible for an 800 series number on their rig. We are proud of those who take the time and energy to lead. It is very rewarding!

INTRA CLUBS

Classic Airstream Club

Pat Shaw, President

Welcome to 2019. It is now February and the winter holidays are behind us. A new year has begun and it is time to start looking ahead and making plans for our Airstream journeys for 2019. CAC has offered several short exciting and informative caravans since 2003. To name a few, we have traveled LA-Texas Express, Four Corners, Montana Caravan, Big Ben Texas, Natchez Trace, Lighthouse Caravan, Let the Good Times Roll and Meandering Minnesota. We look forward to more short caravans. These caravans are all worth repeating and new additions are welcomed.

If you are interested in joining, please see our website at: https://classic-airstream.wbcci.net Have an idea or interest in pursuing a short caravan? We are interested in hearing from you. Go to our website and share your ideas with us. Caravan season will be here soon!

NSE RALLIES

Streamin on the Harbor Rally

Georgetown, South Carolina
February 28- March 3, 2019

Henry Knight

Recently a new type of adventure was developed called "Urban Rally". A progressive town is chosen; the Airstreamers come into town, park on the city streets for a weekend and patronize local businesses. The event is also advertised to encourage other people to also visit the town. We also support a local charity with a voluntary donation. "Miss Ruby's Kids" is the charity we have chosen to support in Georgetown. The event requires no services from the city, but brings in revenue. It is a win-win for everyone.

We want to give Georgetown international recognition as a great place to visit, which will have impact during the event and in the future, when the results of the rally are published.

Contact Henry Knight at 843-697-5350 or carolinasc100@homesc.com for more information.

NSE RALLIES

Texas Vintage Airstream Round-up Rally

Mineola, Texas
May 2 - 5, 2019

Grady Ferry

Texas Highland Lakes Unit is sponsoring its 11th Texas Vintage Airstream Round-Up Rally at Mineola Civic Center & RV Park in Mineola, TX, 80 miles east of Dallas, north of I-20. Full hook-ups are available.

Membership in WBCCI or VAC is not required - the only requirement is that attendees have some type of an Airstream product - any year of manufacture. The Rally includes seminars, camp fires, door prizes, entertainment and an Airstream open house.

The rally fee is $100 ($80 for 4 catered meals + $20 for rally activities) per person with children under age 15 free. Parking is $27 per night. Pre-shrunk, adult sized rally logo shirts may be ordered in advance at an additional cost.

Let's head down to Texas for good food, good times, and good Texas hospitality for the 11th Texas Vintage Airstream Round-Up Rally.

Rally registration form and information may be found at the THLU website: thlu.org or contact Jean Beebe at: tj-beebe@hotmail.com or 512-745-4201. Registration form & fees due prior to April 18, 2019.

with Folklorama

Region 7 National Event Rally 50th Anniversary of Folkorama August 7-14, 2019

Town & Country Campground Winnepeg, MB.

Region 7 WBCCI

Come on up to Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada and experience "Around the World with Folklorama" the only WBCCI National Event Rally being held in Canada in 2019. Folklorama is the world's largest and longest-running multicultural festival of its kind and in 2019 is celebrating its 50th Anniversary. What an exciting event that runs for two full weeks with 20-plus pavilions open the 1st week and a second set of pavilions in week 2. The rally will span the last half of the 1st week and the first half of the 2nd week, enabling you to visit any of the pavilions. Included in your rally fee is two nights of VIP Premium Group Tour experience with luxury motor coach transportation to three pavilions each night. You will have VIP entry to bypass the line-ups at the door and reserved seating. A progressive, three pavilion, cultural meal with an appetizer; dinner; and dessert with lively, world class cultural entertainment at each pavilion.

Celebrations Dinner Theatre has been a staple of the Winnipeg theatre scene for over 25 years. Their talented cast takes on the best in pop culture, crafting hilarious parodies of the biggest names in movies, music, and TV for an altogether unforgettable show. Be prepared to immerse yourself in a totally unique, truly Winnipeg experience – we guarantee a good time (and we know all your favourite songs). You will enjoy Buddy Holly's Happy Days - Ritchie, Fonzie and the gang have another wacky night when they mistake the "new friend" Big Al brings in as the musical act, to be the notorious "singing bandit" they have all heard about in the news. They hatch a plan to catch him red-handed and save the diner… only to discover it is Mr. Buddy Holly himself! You need to expect the unexpected as each show features three acts, with a four-course meal served in between by the actors themselves! You'll start with soup and salad, move on to one of four amazing entrees, and end with your choice of two desserts. It's a live show, so anything could happen. Play along, and the actors might just include you in the act! Their cast never breaks character and audiences always have a good time. Each show features classic hit songs – we dare you not to sing along.

Your rally fee includes: seven (7) nights of full hookup parking at Town & Country Campground with 30 or 50 amp electric, a welcome dinner, two (2) nights of Folklorama VIP Tour, amazing experience at Celebrations Dinner Theatre, guided tour of the Canadian Museum of Human Rights (CMHR), guided tour of the Manitoba Museum, tour of the Royal Canadian Mint, three breakfasts, one lunch, five dinners and technical seminars. In the March issue of the Blue Beret will be more details on the rally events. See coupon in the back of the Blue Beret. Registration and rally information is available on the Region 7 website at http://region7.wbcci.net. For information, contact Don Thomson at 1-701-265-8662 or email at dont4304@wbcci.net.

Athens Old Time Fiddlers Rally

Athens, Alabama
October 1 - 6, 2019

Russ Pry

Rally in Athens, AL for the 53rd Tennessee Valley Old Time Fiddlers Convention. Early parking for the volunteers is available on September 30. The Airstream rally starts on October 1 with welcome dinner. Free tours available to area tourist destinations October 2–3, and additional paid tours are available. A free concert opens the convention on October 3. The $55/person rally fee includes two-day convention entrance fee, and two evenings of featured performances by headliner entertainers. Competitions include playing instruments, singing and dancing. Craft and food concessions found throughout campus. Exclusive WBAC parking includes 20 AMP power, water and one (1) pump out for $25/night located within 3/10th mile of the main venue. Parking reservations requires four (4) night minimum. Rally attendees are also welcome to stay at nearby RV Parks with full hook ups. Rally reservations and deposits are required by August 15. Visit Region6.airstreamclub.net for Airstream Rally updates. Visit www.tvotfc.org for convention information and schedule updates. All rally attendees are encouraged to bring their musical instruments. Jam sessions planned at the WBAC campsite and/or the Domino room at Athens - Limestone County Visitors Center.

Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta Rally

Albuquerque, New Mexico
October 4 - 8, 2019

Ken Johansen

Join us for our 13th annual Balloon Fiesta National Rally! Ask those who have been with us in previous years and they will tell you what a great event this is.

The Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta got its start in 1972 when 13 balloons launched from a local shopping center. It has grown into the world's premier ballooning event.

In 2018, over 900,000 spectators attended Balloon Fiesta, the most photographed event in the world. Over 700 balloon pilots representing 19 countries came to experience the famous Albuquerque Box, cool morning temperatures and the geography of the Rio Grande Valley cause lower winds to blow south and higher winds to blow north. By adjusting altitude, skillful pilots can make several passes and return to the launch field to land. During the Mass Ascension, hundreds of balloons, including 108 special shapes, filled the clear, early morning skies.

The best way to experience Balloon Fiesta is, without a doubt, by attending the Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta National Rally. For 2019, we have again secured 150 premium dry camping sites. Attendees can be on the launch field in minutes after getting out of bed and can walk up right next to the balloons as they launch. Alternatively, you can sit in lawn chairs by their trailers and wait for the balloons to drift by overhead. Watch for registration information on our website balloonfiestarally.wbcci.net sometime in mid to late January. Do not hesitate to sign up as this rally fills quickly. The 2019 rally runs from Friday, October 4 to Tuesday, October 8. Check us out on Facebook/balloonfiestarally for more information. We hope to see you there!

REGION 1

J. Rick Cipot, Contributing Editor
http://region1.wbcci.net

Back in 1955 when the WBCCI became a reality, a dozen roses would set you back $1.95. More than a filet mignon. But then again, the average three bedroom ranch on a lot with city services would set you back $12,200. Today if you wish to present a dozen roses to your favorite mate for Valentine's Day hang onto your debit card, $95.00. Of course that is if you purchase them from the local florist and have them personally delivered which was exactly how it was done in 1955. No 1800FLOWERS back then!

Welcome back to another wonderful year for WBCCI Airstream Club. More importantly, a wonderful year for Region One. All of the clubs in our region have submitted their rally schedules and plenty for all to choose from this year. Of course there is always time to join the fun and ask a rally host if you can assist. A great way to get involved and learn a few things in order to host your own rally next year. One of the many wonderful aspects of an Airstream Club member is that they love to share. Jump on in and have some fun!

Who's going to Doswell this July? Very exciting having the 62nd International Rally this side of the Mississippi River once again. The New England Airstream Club, along with the Charter Oak Connecticut Airstream Club, are planning a Caravan heading South. If you would like to meet up with them along the way I know they would love to have you. An important reminder; you will be parked as you arrive so if you wish to be with a group of folks whose company you enjoy, be sure they are right behind you as you pass the gate.

Congratulations to the Cape Cod Massachusetts Airstream Club and New England Airstream Club, Pets & Paws is officially a National Event. The first rally of the 2019 camping season is scheduled in April. Watch for the rally sheet and calendar for dates and information. Provincetown, MA is pretty special before the "tourists" show up.

Well let's get ready for another memorable year and if you ever have anything you would like to share with the members of Region One, please do drop me a line. As always have fun and be safe and keep the shiny side up.

REGION 2

Kathy Blake, Contributing Editor
Region2.Airstreamclub.net

"Let's Renew Region 2!" was the shout-out from VP Rich Short this past fall. Included was a request for Region 2 members to step up and take over some functions that had been carried for a long time by a few committed, but tired people. Within short order, he'd recruited a new Contributing Editor for the Blue Beret, a regional Caravan "Guru" and a Webmaster! Pretty impressive, I'd say.

So what difference is it making? You can see for yourself - check out the new Region 2 website https://Region2.Airstreamclub.net/ . With a lot of energetic back-and-forth between Rich and new Webmaster Lawrence Northway, the website is now totally fresh, easy to navigate and completely up-to-date! Efforts are underway to incorporate electronic registration capabilities, including rally payments through the PayPal system. Caravan "Guru" Kerry Mattila is working through some exciting ideas for Region-sponsored caravans such as to the 2020 International in Colorado. Kerry is also planning to roll out the International Caravan Training session to Region 2. And, this is my first submission as Contributing Editor.

2019 is shaping up to be a fun-filled year in Region 2 with all 16 units actively engaged in Club events. The Region 2 rally is scheduled for June 5-10 in Biglerville, PA. It's a great destination with all kinds of things in the area to do and see. The last time the Region 2 rally was held there, a tornado warning forced us all, including a parrot and many dogs, into the cramped lower level of the hall to wait out the threat. Here's hoping that won't happen this year!

For now, our Region 2 camping season is in hibernation and for the next few months, our Club events will largely be luncheons and suppers as our rigs "sleep" under a blanket of snow.

REGION 3

Joan Anderson, Contributing Editor
http://region3.wbcci.net

Winter is the time we dream, enjoy cooler if not cold weather, and plan our camping trips. Be sure to include Airstream Rallies on your 2019 calendar especially these: the Region 3 Rally April 24-29 will be in beautiful Marion, NC at Tom Johnson Rally Park. The rally will include: seminars, crafts, flea market, tours, hiking, biking, breweries, entertainment, wineries, food, distilleries and lots of room for parking with full hook-ups!

The 62nd International Airstream Rally will be in Doswell, VA at the Meadow Event Park from July 20-27. Because it is to be held in Region 3, we will be considered the Host Region. Please consider attending and volunteering at the Rally and then spending time visiting this very historic area.

If you haven't settled on a New Year's resolution yet, you might want to choose:
Make new friends – based on the old saying,
"Make new friends, keep the old, one is silver and the other is gold."

Unit, region and international rallies are a few events that keep Airstreamers busy. Unit, region and national caravans keep Airstreamers on the road. Both rallies and caravans are excellent ways to meet and make new Airstream friends. But how can we make new friends for us and the Wally Byam Airstream Club?

Several Airstreamers have offered ideas on how to convince non-WBAC Airstream campers to join WBAC:

Mike Steele (Georgia): Tell about fun and fellowship in WBCCI (WBAC).

Jack White (Big Bend): We carry WBCCI membership packets and give them to Airstream owners we see in campgrounds without the Big Red Numbers.

Elna Thompson (Big Bend): Our sons in-law had listened to us talk about our Airstream travels for years. After some travel to Nova Scotia and that area with 2 dogs and having a horrible time, they called us to get info about Airstreams. Within 2 weeks they had called us, became a bit informed, then within the next 2 weeks they purchased a 30' Classic and joined a S.C. unit and are enjoying traveling in their unit.

Shelia Skipper (Big Bend): Sharing our experiences of caravanning and the chance to meet and make new friends.

Susan Quintana (South Florida): I have talked about the club to quite a few people.

REGION 4

Susan Stigleman, Contributing Editor
http://region4.wbcci.net

In Region 4's neck of the woods, the New Year brings thoughts of the upcoming rally/camping season. This is the perfect opportunity to begin tackling that "to do" list you made last fall. Whether you schedule a service appointment with the Airstream factory or dealer or perform your own maintenance, you will want to be ready to hit the road in tip top condition. You may want to attend one of the offered Maintenance Rallies that are planned throughout the region.

Our Region officers and volunteers are busy with preparations for the 2019 Region 4 Rally. This year's rally is certain to be filled with activities for everyone in the beautiful setting of Oak Harbor, OH and the coast of Lake Erie. We will gather at the Ottawa County Fairgrounds, May 15-19, 2019. Our location this year is more rural with plenty to see and do. The camping area is open and wooded, 30/50 amp power, water and a new dump station. The building is modern with showers and restrooms. Check out shoresandislands.com to see what the area has to offer. Contact Don Hetzler, pophetzler@hotmail.com or Steve Rhodes, onerhodes15@gmail.com for questions and to register. This is a great opportunity to renew friendships. We hope to see you there!

Are you following Region 4 on Facebook? Take a few minutes to "like" and follow our page, @Region4WBAC. You will find the latest news there. Another great resource to stay informed is the WBAC website, wbcci.org. You will find the calendar of activities, caravans, and so much more. The Region 4 Newsletter has been distributed via email for some years now. If you are not receiving it, please contact us at region4.wbcci.net to have your email address added to the distribution list. These are just a few of the resources available to you as part of your membership.

Until next time, safe travels!

REGION 5

Bob Whitesell, Contributing Editor
http://region5.wbcci.net

Hello to all members of Region 5 and hope you folks all had a wonderful Christmas. We had a great time with friends and family and are looking forward to the New Year.

The Northern Illinois unit had a Christmas party at Jimmy's Charhouse on December 1 and we had a great turnout. About 45 folks attended and it was a delight to welcome a number of new couples to our group. The food and the company were most enjoyable and it was a nice way to enter into the holiday spirit.

Sandy and are looking forward to many of the Region events planned for 2019 and anxiously waiting for spring to arrive. We are planning to attend the International Rally in Doswell, VA and hope to see most of you there. I am still working on a location for the 2019 Region 5 Rally. The dates are set for September 18-22. I promise I will get this location finalized soon.

Well, keep warm and enjoy the winter months wherever you are, and have a safe and prosperous New Year. I am looking forward to seeing you all soon.

REGION 6

Mark Magie, Contributing Editor
Region6.Airstreamclub.net

There has been a change in Region 6: the Tennessee Unit has merged with the East Tennessee Airstream Club.

The Alabama Airstream Club is holding a joint rally with the Pensacola Florida Unit at Mystic Springs Airstream Park in McDavid, FL, February 14-16. The Alabama State Rally is April 25-28 at Anchors Aweigh RV Resort in Foley, AL.

Arkansas Razorback Airstream Club will hold its third annual Hog Wild Baseball Rally, March 28-31 at Roadhog Park in Fayetteville, AR where they will watch the University of Arkansas baseball team play the Ole Miss Rebels. On April 25-28, the club will have a Warm Up in Hot Springs Rally at J&J RV Park in Hot Springs, AR and enjoy a day of thoroughbred horse racing at Oaklawn Park and other local attractions.

East Tennessee Airstream Club will host the Tennessee State Rally, April 25-28 at the TCPC Airstream Park in Crossville, TN for the West Tennessee Airstream Club and the Music City Airstream Club. Jim Johnson, a member of the Music City Airstream Club and Cumberland Trail Association, will talk about the history of the Cumberland Trail, and lead the group on a private hike at Head of Sequatchie.

If you ever wanted to experience Mardi Gras … the Louisiana Airstream Club will hold its Azaleas and Beads Rally, February 28-March 3 in Mobile, AL. They will celebrate Mardi Gras and tour Bellingrath Gardens and Home. Their next rally is Lincoln Park Days, April 4-7 in Ruston, LA, followed by Spring Fling, May 2-5 at La Pay E Bas Campground in Eunice, LA.

The Mississippi Airstream Club will hold its Early Spring Rally, March 14-17 at Mystic Springs Airstream Park in McDavid, FL.

The Music City Airstream Club will hold a Maintenance Rally, March 21-24, at Piney Grove COE Park in New Site, MS, followed by the Tennessee State Rally April 25-28 at TCPC Airstream Park in Crossville, TN.

Pensacola Florida Unit's rallies at Mystic Springs Cove near McDavid, FL always have a fun theme. On February 14-17, the Pensacola Unit will hold a joint "Hearts for Airstreams" rally with the Alabama Airstream Club. Their "Homecoming / Past Presidents" rally is March 14-17, followed by "April Showers Bring May Flowers" buddy rally on April 11-14. Attendees are asked to bring a plant to perk up the camp.

The West Tennessee Airstream Club will hold its Spring Has Sprung Rally, March 8-10, at North Abutment COE Campground in Grenada, MS, followed by the Tennessee State Rally April 25-28 at TCPC Airstream Park in Crossville, TN.

REGION 7

Don Thomson, Contributing Editor
http://region7.wbcci.net

Good morning Region 7 folks and all Airstreamers. Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and Happy Easter. We are really looking for Easter so that we can get rid of this string of below 0 temps and wind chills that are X!!! We are looking forward to the International in Virginia this summer. We are most excited about the special event rally for Folkorama at Winnipeg, Manitoba just a little over a week after the International is over next summer. It appears that this is going to be a big deal, as it is the 50th year of the largest folk festival in Canada. It's still over 6 months away and we already have reservations in. Check out our website for the details. We are told that there will again be well over 40 productions for us to select from. This would be a fine trip for anyone to see the great lakes, the northern bread basket of the US and Canada. When at Folkorama you are just a short drive from the International Peace Garden where you can view YOUR monument. So dust off or renew your passport and be ready for an exciting experience. We are positive that you will be happy that you joined us for this rally. Also just to assure you that the road really does go all the way from the east coast to Winnipeg, I have been over it 9 times in the last 2 months. As always - Be safe.

REGION 8

Beth McCall, Contributing Editor
http://region8.wbcci.net

About this time of the year, most of us who stayed home for the winter are asking ourselves - "Will this never end?" However, it is a great time to plan trips and also make improvements to your rigs (or at least price the parts you'll need) and check the year's schedule of your unit to see what's coming up this year.

It still amazes me how many different places our units find to explore. Our two smallest units consistently use city parks and really dig deep into the history and experiences of the area that they are visiting. A couple years ago, we joined one of the units in a little town and found out that they had a windmill museum. A windmill museum! Who would have thunk?? One of the most interesting places last year was the National Homestead Monument outside of Beatrice, NE. Since hubby's family were homesteaders, this was really insightful for us. The rangers on site can even help you find your ancestors on a special computer system. But while you're in the Beatrice area, you can go to the east side of town and go to a pottery shop that has been set up in an old church. Amazing products!

My point is that during these slow and cold days of winter, you can plan your routes to a rally and include some of these little towns along the way. The majority of them have a website that lists everything from historical sites to grocery stores. The residents love to have you stop by and contribute to the local economy. If they have a Facebook page, be sure to leave a comment. And if they have a city park that allows overnight camping, you will not be lacking someone to visit with during your stay. After you see that same car drive through the campground and slow down at your rig, you finally just step out and ask if they want to come in for a tour and visit!

It's also a good time to clean out those drawers and cabinets in your rig and pull out the stuff you haven't used in two years. It always blows my mind when I do this and ask myself things like - When did I buy this? Why did I buy this? And What the H--- was I thinking?? Does anyone else have too many extra blankets stored in their rig? We don't even have a place for another couple to sleep, so why do I have three extra blankets? Someone once told me that they always carried a white full size sheet, just in case someone wanted to show a movie. Huh?

Those of us in the plains states wish those of you in the southern states a warm and cozy winter. I'll just go throw another log in the wood stove!

REGION 9

Joanne Miller, Contributing Editor
http://region9.wbcci.net

Howdy! Did you make some New Year's resolutions again this year? Are you sticking with them this time or have you already given up on them? I hope your resolutions included plans to do more traveling and to attend more rallies. You might find these resolutions easier for you to accomplish. Your resolutions might include plans to revisit favorite places or visit new places you haven't seen yet, travel solo or travel with good friends, experience new adventures, go on a caravan or plan and lead a caravan. Someone once said, "The only true limits are the ones we impose on ourselves." Our thoughts and dreams should be limitless. What better way to have fun, seek adventure and make new friends than to participate in your units' and regions' rallies and caravans. You can't stop time and you can't get it back, so plan now to spend it wisely. Remember, fun, fellowship and adventure are what make this club so great!

Most of Region 9 is able to enjoy RV travel and adventures all year. Some parts of the Region, and most of the country, aren't so fortunate. In addition to its permanent residents, Texas is also home to many "Winter Texans". They come to Texas year after year to enjoy the weather, have fun, experience adventures, and share travels with friends. How about you? Winter may be winding down, but there can still be some unexpected winter weather before spring officially arrives, but don't let that stop you. There are still places to go, things to do and adventures to have during these months. Get off the couch, pack the Airstream, and get on the road! Let's keep moving and enjoying life.

To honor the Heritage of Region 9 and to celebrate its 50+ years of history, each month one of the units within the Region will be highlighted in this column. The spotlight shines on the East Texas Lakes Unit this month. Thank you to Unit Treasurer Wanda Sumner for providing information about the Unit.

The East Texas Lakes Unit #98 was organized on February 21, 1970, at the Tyler State Park. After much discussion the name of the Unit was adopted. The first rally was held at Dangerfield State Park, April 3-5, 1970, with 29 trailers attending. Two of the original members from 1970 are still active in the Unit to this day. One of these members is the Unit Newsletter Editor. How about that? Will you still be actively participating in your unit 49 years from now? Compared to other units, this Unit is small, but the members focus on friendliness and strive to be inclusive of all.

As you plan your travels this year, plan to attend the 50th Region 9 Rally in Bandera, TX, the Cowboy Capital of the World. Come help us celebrate! The Rally will be held May 6-11 at the Skyline RV Park in Bandera. Make your reservations now and plan to help us celebrate. President Bill Kindle and First Lady Dorma have planned several special and fun activities. You won't want to miss this exciting rally.

Region 9 Trivia: Where and when was the first Region 9 Rally held? Answer will be revealed next month. Until next month, continue to travel safely!

REGION 10

Carol Ortiz, Contributing Editor
http://region10.wbcci.net

The wind is howling and the rain is coming down in sheets! Yep! It's winter in Western Washington. Lest people complain too much, I remind them that we don't have to shovel the rain. Some of our Region 10 members, undoubtedly, have snow shovels or snow blowers, unless they have taken their rigs and escaped to the south. Indeed, we have many snowbirds in our region.

The Alberta/Saskatchewan Airstream Club is trying to have winter luncheons in three locations: Edmonton, AB, Calgary, AB and Saskatoon, SK. So, far, they've had a pretty mild winter, so we'll see if their February luncheons happen.

As you are reading this Region 10 contribution, some of the British Columbia Airstream Club members are in the middle of a Mexico Caravan led by the Bourassa's. It is a two month caravan, January 18 - March 20, so I am sure there will be lots of adventures to share, as well as a few words of Spanish when they return. In the meantime, Tuesday morning at 9 am, breakfast at Ricky's is still on the calendar. Check with Tom Akam if you plan to attend, so he can make sure there is a place at the table for you. February 14, is the Valentine's Dinner hosted by the Jeffrey's and the Millard's. This will also be at Ricky's.

The Idaho Airstream Club continues their breakfasts on the second Saturday of each month at 8:30 am. This is no-host at the Golden Corral in Boise, so plan to attend.

As long as it's not snowin' and blowin', the Montana Airstream Club is trying to have monthly winter luncheons. Stay tuned to their website for the place and time.

Gathering for Breakfast on the first Saturday of each month at 9 am, the Oregon Airstream Club meets at the Old Market Pub & Brewery in SW Portland.

The Washington Unit is planning a Valentine event on Saturday, February 16. As I mentioned before, we have many snowbirds. In fact I just heard from one couple who are cruising through the Panama Canal. Yes, it would be nice to head for the warm south, but someone has to keep the home fires burning, because when all is said and travels are done, "there is no place like home."

REGION 11

Robert Doster, Contributing Editor
http://region11.wbcci.net

The Colorado Unit is meeting in the Kachina Southwest Grill, Westin Hotel, Westminster, CO on February 9. Sign in begins at 11:30 AM. The program starting at 1:00 PM will be concerned with winterizing and de-winterizing their Airstreams. Travel routes to Gold Canyon, AZ in March for the Colorado Unit's spring trip will also be discussed informally.

The New Mexico Unit will be meeting for a business luncheon at 1:00 PM on February 16. The meeting is being held in Los Lunas, NM at Teo Filo's Restaurant. Los Lunas is a few miles south of Albuquerque on I-25.

The Four Corners Unit will be having a Valentine Day Rally on February 14-17. The Rally will be at the Lo Lo Mai RV Resort in Cornville, AZ. Lo Lo Mai is on the eastern rim of the Verde Valley and just west of Sedona. It is accessed by US 89A.

The Arizona Unit will be meeting in Wickenburg at the Wickenburg Community Center on February 21-24. Pete and Judy Vergalla will be hosting. This site is in a strategic location in downtown Wickenburg near museums, galleries and restaurants. A hike through the Hassayampa Preserve is also planned.

REGION 12

Robert Stansbury, Contributing Editor
http://region12.wbcci.net

Happy New Year to all you Nevada and California Airstreamers. I want to start off raving about the great Region 12 rally we had in Las Vegas back in October. President Jim and Lynda Polk, with the help of the Greater Los Angeles Airstream Club, put on a great event. Eighty spots were reserved at the Oasis RV Resort and all of them were full (160+ attendees).

The activities were really fun and well attended. Since the resort had an 18 hole mini golf course that ran around the parking area, we had a tournament. The catered food was great. Several workshops were presented. We had music and a funny comedian as well.

Jim also ran the first Region 12 business meeting that lasted less than an hour. Through the use of gift baskets and auctions, $3300 was raised for our designated charity, which is an animal shelter near Bakersfield. That shelter will also be the charity that we will use for the 2019 Region 12 rally in October in Bakersfield. Great job Polks and GLAAC!

I recently received newsletters from the Greater Bay Area and Central Coast clubs. It is great to see such good reports and information coming from those groups. Please have your club newsletter editor send me (Bob Stansbury - burytone@yahoo.com) an electronic version of your newsletter. I can improve our R12 Blue Beret article with pertinent information about the eleven clubs in our region.

Kudos go to the Northern California Airstream Club. At their annual, December/business meeting/holiday rally, they were aware of the devastating fires that had occurred in the Paradise, Chico and Oroville area. They raised and donated $4000 during their event for the relief efforts in Northern California. Well done fellow Airstreamers.

EUROPE

Ian Jamieson, Contributing Editor
http://europe.wbcci.net

Winter is here and we are now in 2019. The dates are set for the rallies this year and many thanks go to the members who have checked out campsites and offered their own land for the places we have on the list. There are seven rallies - more than ever! The big summer rally is in a central European position and accessible for more Airstreamers from all directions. The others are spread across Europe in France, Norway, Germany, England and Switzerland on dates throughout spring, summer and autumn.

Most members have renewed for 2019 as we become the club for Airstream rallies. The 2018 rallies were successful and well attended, but having more locations will make it easier for more members to meet up somewhere, whether they are full-timing, touring from country to country or only have the time for short trips.

Even in the winter months we have seen new members joining us and, as we move towards spring, we expect more as hibernating Airstreams emerge onto the roads and the new 2019 European models take their maiden voyages. We already have over 100 members and Affiliate Membership has climbed to over 30 US and Canadian members. There is increasing interest from members in North American regions coming to Europe and we are becoming a go-to centre for information on how that can be made possible. We have our regulars (#6000 from Florida) and we also have some members moving to Europe from the US, bringing their trailers and transferring to one of the fastest growing units, WBCCI Europe.

The first five-year star on a European trailer! Linds & Dom Such, #6699. They started the boho glamping campground, Ettie's Field, in England - submitted by Ian Jamieson, #24514

From the Vice President of Sales

Lenny Razo

Greetings from your extended family here in Jackson Center, OH. It is hard to believe we are a month into 2019!

As I write this letter we are preparing for the Tampa Supershow where we will have over 20 new units on display. The Tampa RV Supershow really sets the tone for the year. The industry looks at this event as a bellwether for the rest of the season. Show attendance smashed an all-time record last year with over 70,000 people attending the five day event! Airstream is extremely excited to be displaying some of the new products and floorplans we have launched since the show last year.

Airstream is also very excited that Airstream of Tampa will be doing a grand opening celebration all week in conjunction with the show. This is a brand new facility built from the ground up and offers the world's first 360 degree Airstream virtual reality factory tour experience. The dealership also displays an Airstream travel trailer hoisted in the air to show how we manufacture the shell to the chassis. If you have the opportunity to visit the dealership, make sure to bring your camera so you can get a picture with the life size bronze statue of our founder, Wally Byam.

In addition to Tampa, we have reps that will be attending over 40 shows across the US and Canada in January and February. With the exception of a few weather issues that negatively affected some of the first shows of the year, by in large, we are very similar in attendance and sales as last year. The dealer attitudes are good and they seem very optimistic as well.

In my last letter, I discussed the continuous progress of the new plant and some of the weather issues that we experienced. Well…here in Ohio the rain continued most of December and even into January. I was really hoping to provide some pictures this month, but Mother Nature seemed to have other plans. So as we progress, I hope I can provide the first sneak peek photos of the new facility in the March issue.

On behalf of over 1,000 hard working families in Jackson Center, Ohio, I would like to thank you for your business and passion for our products. It means the world to us all!

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International Rally

Jul 20-27	2019 International Rally, Doswell, Virginia

National / Special Event Rallies

Feb 28-Mar 3	Streamin on the Harbor, Georgetown, SC
Apr 4-7	Airstreams on Mainstreet in Havana, FL
Apr 12-14	Pets & Paws Rally, Provincetown, MA
May 2-5	Texas Vintage Airstream Round-Up Rally, Mineola, TX
Jun 6-9	NYC Base Camp Rally, Jersey City, NJ
Aug 4-10	Galax Old Fiddlers Convention, Galax, VA
Aug 7-14	Around the World with Folklorama, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada
Sep 9-15	Pendleton Round-Up Rally, Pendleton, OR
Sep 21-29	Swiss Festival Rally, Sugarcreek, OH
Oct 1-6	Athens Old Time Fiddlers Rally, Athens, AL
Oct 2-6	Storytelling Festival Rally, Jonesborough, TN
Oct 4-8	Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta Rally, Albuquerque, NM
Oct 11-14	Columbus Day/Canadian Thaksgiving Day Rally, Bristol, VT\
Oct 15-20	Sun Valley Jazz & Music Festival Rally, Ketchum, ID
Oct 24-27	Texas Country Air Rally, Brownwood, TX
Dec 28-Jan 1, 2020	Rose Parade Rally, Pasadena, CA

National Caravans

Mar 5-20	N-48-D	STANDBY ONLY Cajun Country - Leaders: Schwarz/Gardner Ph. 630-561-1703
Mar 26-Apr 11	N-48-E	STANDBY ONLY Cajun Country - Leaders: Schwarz/Gardner Ph. 630-561-1703
Apr 2-May 9	N-48-C	American Civil War - Part III, War in Virginia - Leaders: Spillman/Racavich Ph. 225-405-4057
Apr 10-May 20	N-48-A	American Revolution - Southern Campaign - Leaders: Jones Ph. 703-780-6597
Apr 25-May 15	N-48-G	Springtime in Kentucky - Leaders: Weisenberger Ph. 859-653-5519
May 21-Jun 14	N-48-K	STANDBY ONLY Taste of the Blue Ridge - Leaders: Combs Ph. 336-558-5532
May 22-Jun 15	N-48-J	Springtime in the Rockies - Leaders: Heist/Hewins Ph. 402-304-1843
Jun 21-Jul 10	N-48-M	STANDBY ONLY Canadian Rocky Mountain - Leaders: Collinson Ph. 416-232-2882
Jul 10-Aug 19	N-48-L	Nor' by Nor'East - Leaders: Lake Ph. 781-837-2539
Jul 10 - Aug 31	N-48-N	STANDBY ONLY Viking Trail - Leaders: Leggatt email: ps67.fcas@gmail.com
Aug 18-Oct 8	N-48-F	STANDBY ONLY Southwest Adventure - Leaders: Anderson/ Montague Ph. 850-896-0567
Sep 7-21	N-48-P	STANDBY ONLY Ores, Shores, Waters, and Lights - East - Leaders: DeLeeuw Ph. 517-250-5060
Sep 15-Oct 12	N-48-R	Kentucky Bourbon & Beyond - Leaders: Van de Ree, Ph. 704-728-6040
Sep 26-est Oct 27	N-48-S	Sho-Me the Ozarks - Leaders: Garrett Ph. 417-293-2487
Oct 8-Nov 9	N-48-O	Southeast Coast - Leaders: Bacon Ph. 423-775-4237

EVENT SCHEDULE

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REGION 1 Activities

Region 1 Website: http://region1.wbcci.net

Apr 12-14	Pets & Paws Rally, Provincetown, MA
Jun 6-9	NYC Base Camp Rally, Jersey City, NJ
Oct 11-14	Columbus Day/Canadian Thanksgiving Day Rally, Bristol, VT

Cape Cod Massachusetts Airstream Club - www.capecod.wbcci.net

Charter Oak Connecticut Airstream Club - CharterOakConnecticut.Airstreamclub.net

Mar 17	St. Patrick's Day Luncheon Noon, Russ & Rhona Fuller home, Southington, CT, Russ or Rhona 860-747-1193, email: rfuller@att.com

New England Airstream Club - http://newengland.wbcci.net

Feb 9	Winter Gathering 1 PM, Backyard Brewery, 1211 S Mammoth Rd, Manchester, NH, Christine Remington 603-244-6262

Northeast Mountaineers Airstream Club - http://nemountaineers.wbcci.net

Quebec Canada Unit - http://unitquebec.wbcci.net

REGION 2 Activities

Region 2 Website: Region2.Airstreamclub.net

Jun 6-9	Region 2 Rally, Biglerville, PA

Al-Mon-O Pennsylvania Unit - http://al-mon-o.wbcci.net

Feb 9	Luncheon 1 PM, Paci's, 384 Old National Pike, Brownsville, PA, Dick Kline 724-632-3290, email: stevie.kline@gmail.com
Mar 9	Luncheon 11:30 AM, Bella Frutteto's, 2602 Brandt School Rd, Wexford, PA, Julie Jansen 216-973-3257, email: jucrjansen@comcast.net

Central Maryland Unit - CentralMaryland.Airstreamclub.net

Central Pennsylvania Airstream Club – CentralPA.Airstreamclub.net

Delaware Valley New Jersey Unit – http://dvnju.wbcci.net

Delmarva Unit - http://rehobothboardwalk.com/wbdelmarva

Hudson-Mohawk New York Unit - http://hudmo.wbcci.net

Feb 9	Cabin Fever Luncheon 11:30 AM, Olive Garden, 178 Wolf Rd, Colonie, NY, Geoff/Sue Whittle 518-783-1606, email: whittleg06@gmail.com
Mar 3	Snow Bird Luncheon 1 PM, Olive Garden, 7300 W Colonial Dr (Rte 50), Orlando, FL, Gerry/Leslie Schulitz 518-224-8577, email: gschulitz@roadrunner.com

Keystone Pennsylvania Unit - KeystonePA.Airstreamclub.net

Feb 2	Valentine's Luncheon Noon, Kushto Residence, 114 Flagstaff Rd, Philadelphia, PA, Karen Kushto 215-677-5079, email: kkushto@comcast.net
Mar 9	Spring Luncheon Noon, Pitts' Residence, 930 Stoney Run Dr, West Chester, PA, Andy Pitts 610-793-9262, email: r_pitts@verizon.net

Metropolitan New York Airstream Club - http://metrony.covvo.com

Mid-Atlantic Unit - http://midatlantic.wbcci.net

New Jersey Unit - https://sites.google.com/site/njunitoriginal

Mar 23	Spring Social 1:30 PM, McFadden Residence, 282 Llewellyn Rd, Chester Heights, PA, Patrick McFadden, 610-529-6560, email: mcfaia@gmail.com

New York Finger Lakes Unit - http://nyfingerlakes.wbcci.net

Ontario Canada Unit - http://ontarioairstream.wbcci.net

Penn-Lehigh Unit – Penn-Lehigh.Airstreamclub.net

Feb 9	Soupathon Noon, Lippincott Home, Sciota, PA, Glenn & Donna Lippincott 570-992-6038, email: lippincottg@gmail.com
Mar 24	Spring Luncheon 1 PM, Sally Pursell's Country Inn, Sugarloaf, PA, Jim Ridolfi 570-280-6673, email: aston10@verizon.net

Pennsylvania Unit - pennsylvaniaunit.wbcci.net

Washington DC Unit - http://wdcu.wbcci.net

Watchung New Jersey Airstream Club - watchungairstream.wbcci.net

Feb 16	Luncheon Noon, National Hotel Rathskeller, 31 Race St, Frenchtown, NJ, Mark & Angela Ratliff 609-730-8580, email: mratliff70@gmail.com
Mar 24	Luncheon Noon, Colts Neck Inn, 191 Rt 537, corner of Rt 34 & Rt 537, Colts Neck, NJ, Chris & Joanne Forster 908-707-1759, email: forsters@optonline.net

REGION 3 Activities

Region 3 Website: http://region3.wbcci.net

Feb 28-Mar 3	Streamin on the Harbor, Georgetown, SC
Apr 4-7	Airstreams on Mainstreet, Havanna, FL
Apr 24-28	Region 3 Rally, Marion, NC
Aug 4-10	Galax Old Fiddlers Convention, Galax, VA

Big Bend Florida Airstream Club - http://bigbendflorida.wbcci.net

Feb 15-17	Valentine's Rally, Yellow Jacket RV Resort, 55 SE 503 Ave, Old Town, FL, Craig Brinkley 850-447-1457, email: cbrink@fairpoint.net
Mar 22-24	Boondocking Rally, Lamar & Amy Waymire's, Chipley, FL, Craig Brinkley 850-447-1457, email: cbrink@fairpoint.net

Carolinas Airstream Club - http://carolinasnc.wbcci.net

Feb 9	Winter Luncheon Noon, Village Tavern, 2000 Griffith Rd, Winston-Salem, NC, RSVP on Club website, 336-760-2000, email: 0021@wbcci.net
Mar 7-10	Winter Rally, James Island Cty. Park, Charleston, SC, campground reservations 843-795-4386, email: 0021@wbcci.net

Coastal Georgia Airstream Club - http://coastalgeorgia.wbcci.net

Feb 14-17	Valentine Rally, General Coffee SP, Douglas, GA, Barry Fuller 229-269-7770, email: barfull7@aol.com

Florida Airstream Club - http://floridaunit027.wbcci.net

Feb 12-18	Sweetheart Rally, Suwannee River Rendevous, 828 NE Primrose Rd, Mayo, FL, Susan Poole 904-608-8563, email: susyqmeetup14@gmail.com
Mar 14-17	Hillsborough Rally, Hillsborough SP, 15402 US 301, Thonotosassa, FL, Lyn & Bob Masters 813-495-8525, email: blmasters@icloud.com

Florida Springs Airstream Club - http://floridasprings.wbcci.net

Florida Suncoast Airstream Club - http://suncoast.wbcci.net

Florida Treasure Coast Airstream Club - http://ftcu.wbcci.net

Mar 7-10	Hobo Rally, Smedley Farm, 1766 SE Hargrave St, Arcadia, FL, Joe Smedley 863-444-1234, email: fjsjsmedley@embarqmail.com

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Georgia Unit - http://topofgeorgia.wbcci.net

Northern Virginia Airstream Club - http://northva.wbcci.net

Feb 3 Super Bowl Rally 4 PM, McBroom household, Williamsburg, VA, Jackson McBroom 757-345-0060, email: jtmcbrm@aol.com

Palmetto State Airstream Club - http://palmettostate.wbcci.net

Feb 1-3 Joint Rally w/South Carolina Coastal Airstream Club, New Green Acres RV Park, 396 Campground Rd, Walterboro, SC, Rich Sabo 864-399-9221, email: richnkay3@yahoo.com

Mar 8-10 Silver in the City, York, SC, Downtown York, rigs will caravan into business district and park on street, Rich Sabo 864-399-9221, email: richnkay3@yahoo.com

Piedmont North Carolina Unit - http://piedmontunit.wbcci.net

Feb 9

Mar 14-17 Maintenance Rally, KOA Lumberton, 465 Kenric Dr, Lumberton, NC, Bill & Shelly Townsend

Shenandoah Valley of Virginia Unit - http://shenandoahvalleyofva.wbcci.net

Feb 16 Winter Luncheon Noon, Italian Delight, 1795 Southcreek One, Powhatan, VA, Tom McKinley 804-598-9664

South Carolina Coastal Airstream Club - http://sccu.wbcci.net

Feb 1-3 Joint Valentine's Rally w/Palmetto State Airstream Club, New Green Acres, 396 Campground Rd, Walterboro, SC, Perry Wallace 843-421-4838, email: purry65@gmail.com

South Florida Airstream Club - http://southflorida.wbcci.net

Feb 24-26 Three State Parks Caravan, Highlands Hammock SP, 5931 Hammock Rd, Sebring, FL, Nai Carlson 305-877-3185, email: ubonwan@bellsouth.net

Feb 27-Mar 1 Three State Parks Caravan, Blue Springs SP, 2100 W French Ave, Orange City, FL, Susan Quintana 305-281-3920, email: quin1427@aol.com

Mar 2-4 Three State Parks Caravan, Hillsborough River SP, 15402 US 301, Thonotosassa, FL, Judy Harrison 813-928-1536, email: jih6905@hotmail.com

Southeastern Camping Unit - http://secamping.wbcci.net

Mar 15-17 St. Patrick's Rally, Edisto Beach SP CG, 8377 State Cabin Rd, Edisto Island, SC, Mary Dunbar 803-341-1265, email: medjrd3318@outloook.com

Mar 22-24 GA Mountain Air Rally - Spring Edition, GA Mountain FG CG, 1311 Music Hall Rd, Hiawassee, GA, Matt Hackney, 706-830-8039, email: mhackney7@comcast.net

Tidewater Virginia Airstream Club - www.tidewater.wbcci.net

Virginia Unit - http://virginia.wbcci.net

Western North Carolina Unit - http://wnc.wbcci.net

REGION 4 Activities

Region 4 Website: http://region4.wbcci.net

May 15-19 Region 4 Rally, Oak Harbor, OH
Aug 21-25 Michigan State Rally, Charlotte, MI
Sep 21-29 Swiss Festival Rally, Sugarcreek, OH

Akron Ohio Unit - https://akronohio.wbcci.net

Feb 9 Luncheon 11:30 AM, Ketterer Residence, 1321 Buena Vista St NE, Canton, OH, Jack Ketterer 330-806-4127, email: jketterer@neo.rr.com

Appalachian Unit of West Virginia - http://wv.wbcci.net/

Cincinnati Ohio Airstream Club - http://cincinnati.wbcci.net

Mar 16 St. Patrick's Day Brunch 10 AM, Golden Corral Rest., 3350 Village Dr, Middletown, OH, Darren Baker 937-339-9451, email: darren.baker65@frontier.com

Columbus Ohio Unit - email: christopher.b.lang@gmail.com

Mahoning Valley Ohio Unit - www.mvou.wbcci.net

Feb 9 Luncheon 2 PM, Paul's Italian Grille, 36 S Main St, Columbiana, OH, Gary & Edna Todd 330-853-0729, email: gwnetodd@att.net

Mar 9 Luncheon 1 PM, The Crows Nest, 1257 Harmon Rd, Ashtabula, OH (N end of Rt. 11), Rick & Elaine Richardson 440-812-6490, email: rickelainehq@gmail.com

Miami Valley Unit of Ohio - http://miamivalleyohio.wbcci.net

Feb 6 Breakfast 9 AM, Fairborn Family Diner & Rest., 419 N Broad St, Fairborn, OH, Lucille Haas 937-638-6666, email: lucyhaas1937@yahoo.com

Mar 6 Breakfast 9 AM, Fairborn Family Diner & Rest., 419 N Broad St, Fairborn, OH, Lucille Haas 937-638-6666, email: lucyhaas1937@yahoo.com

Mohican Valley Ohio Airstream Club - http://mohicanvalleyohio.wbcci.net/

Mar 22 Dinner 5:30, St. Joseph Activity Center, Liberty St, Galion, OH, Nancy Findling 419-688-0001

Northern Ohio Virtual Airstream Unit - https://sites.google.com/view/campnova

Southeastern Michigan Airstream Club - http://metrodetroitunit137.wbcci.net

Feb 9 Luncheon 1 PM, Rainforest Cafe, 4310 Baldwin Rd (inside Great Lakes Crossing Mall), Auburn Hills, MI, Robert & Linda Smith 248-284-3627, email: semacmembership@gmail.com

The Western Reserve Camping Unit - www.westernreserve.wbcci.net

REGION 5 Activities

Region 5 Website: http://region5.wbcci.net

Central Indiana Airstream Club - www.centralind.wbcci.net

Feb 2 Luncheon 11 AM, MCL Cafeteria & Bakery, 2370 W 86th St, Indianapolis, IN, Charles Mason 317-525-7897, email: mason.charles@comcast.net

Mar 2 Luncheon 11 AM, MCL Cafeteria & Bakery, 2370 W 86th St, Indianapolis, IN, Charles Mason 317-525-7897, email: mason.charles@comcast.net

Indiana Airstream Club - http://indiana.wbcci.net

Kentucky Airstream Club - http://kentucky.wbcci.net

Northern Illinois Airstream Club - http://northernillinois.wbcci.net

Feb 9 RV Show 2:30 PM, Donald E. Stephens Conv. Center, 5555 N River Rd, Rosemont, IL, Dolores Mayo 630-587-2690, email: mayo.internet@gmail.com

Feb 9 RV Dinner 4 PM, Coopers' Hawk, 798 W Algonquin Rd, Arlington Heights, IL, Dolores Mayo 630-587-2690, email: mayo.internet@gmail.com

Mar 16 Pizza Party Noon, Lou Malnati's Pizzeria, 1050 E Higgins Rd, Elk Grove Village, IL, Dolores Mayo 630-587-2690, email: mayo.internet@gmail.com

Southern Indiana Unit - http://southind.wbcci.net

WBCCI Illinois Lincolnland Airstream Club - http://lincolnland.wbcci.net

Feb 17 Mid-Winter Luncheon 1 PM, Busy Corner Rest., 302 S Eureka St, Goodfield, IL, Susan Swearingen 309-824-5085, email: smsflyfisher@hotmail.com

Mar 17 Thinking Spring-Soup/Potluck Luncheon 1 PM, Colaw Rooming House, 204 NW Vine St, Atlanta, IL, Susan Swearingen 309-824-5085, email: smsflyfisher@hotmail.com

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REGION 6 Activities

Region 6 Website: Region6.Airstreamclub.net

Oct 1-6	Athens Old Time Fiddlers Rally, Athens, AL
Oct 2-6	Storytelling Festival Rally, Jonesborough, TN
Oct 10-14	Region 6 Rally, Muscle Shoals, AL

Alabama Unit - Alabama.Airstreamclub.net

2nd Mon each month: Dinner 6 PM, Montgomery, AL area, call for directions, Paul Aehnlich 334-277-9647, email: pca2@charter.net

Feb 11	North Alabama Munchin' Bunch Dinner 6 PM, City Cafe, 2003 Drake Ave SW, Huntsville, AL, Andrea Patterson 256-679-7039, email: anote@knology.net
Feb 14-17	Joint Rally w/Pensacola Florida Unit, Mystic Springs Cove Airstream Park, 591 Mystic Springs Rd, McDavid, FL, Bill Lancaster 256-502-9203, email: wdlancaster@aol.com

Arkansas Razorback Airstream Club - ArkansasRazorback.Airstreamclub.net

East Tennessee Airstream Club - EastTennessee.Airstreamclub.net

Greater New Orleans Airstream Club - http://gnola.wbcci.net/

Louisiana Airstream Club - Louisiana.Airstreamclub.net

Feb 28-Mar 3	Azalias & Beads Rally, Bellingrathgardens, Mobile, Dianne Morrill 225-328-4721, email: dndmorrill@yahoo.com

Mississippi Airstream Club - Mississippi.Airstreamclub.net

Music City Airstream Club - MusicCity.Airstreamclub.net

Feb 16	Luncheon 11 AM, Papa Joe's, Sunshine Meeting-TR, Linda Gough 615-400-3332, email: eegough@bellsouth.net
Mar 21-24	Maintenance Rally, Piney Grove-COE, MS, Charlie & Bobbi McGee 931-839-8289, email: cfmcgee3@hotmail.com

Pensacola Florida Unit - PensacolaFlorida.Airstreamclub.net

Feb 14-17	Hearts for Airstream Rally, Mystic Springs Cove Airstream Park, 591 Mystic Springs Rd, McDavid, FL, Camp Host 850-256-3280, email: mystic.springs@yahoo.com
Mar 14-17	Hearts for Airstream Rally, Mystic Springs Cove Airstream Park, 591 Mystic Springs Rd, McDavid, FL, Camp Host 850-256-3280, email: mystic.springs@yahoo.com

West Tennessee Airstream Club - WestTennessee.Airstreamclub.net

REGION 7 Activities

Region 7 Website: http://region7.wbcci.net

Aug 7-14	Around the World with Folklorama, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

Minnesota Airstream Club - http://minnesota.wbcci.net

Feb 2	Valentine's Day Luncheon 1 PM, Green Mill Rest., 4355 Pheasant Ridge Dr., Blaine, MN, Chris & Kay Olsson 763-786-4217, email: cwolsson@comcast.net

North Dakota Peace Garden Unit - www.nodak.wbcci.net

Wisconsin Unit - http://wisc.wbcci.net

REGION 8 Activities

Region 8 Website: http://region8.wbcci.net

Apr 30-May 4	Region 8 Rally, Topeka, KS

Greater St. Louis Airstream Club - http://gslunit.wbcci.net

Feb 9	Valentine Luncheon Noon, Tony's Rest., Alton, IL, Gregory Vadner 573-690-3122, email: gvadner@riversongspa.com
Mar 9	St. Patrick's Luncheon 11-11:30 AM, Mike Duffy's Pub & Grill, 124 Jefferson Ave, Kirkwood, MO, Lyn & John Heald 636-343-3733, email: john.lyn33@yahoo.com

Iowa Unit - http://iowaunit.wbcci.net

Nov-Apr 1st Thurs each month: Brunch 10:30 AM, Golden Corral Rest., 1868 N. Power Rd., Mesa, AZ, Doris Jean Cabalka 480-216-8096, email: cdjcabalka@juno.com

Feb 9	Valentine's Luncheon 11:30 AM, Sunshine Cafe, 980 W Main, LeGrand, IA, Kathy Allen 515-473-0256, email: kathyallen3534@gmail.com

Kansas City Missouri Unit - http://kansascityunit.wbcci.net

Feb 2	Luncheon 11:30 AM, Smoke House BBQ, 8451 NW Prarie View Rd, Zona Rosa, Kansas City, MO, Mike Bedinger / Linda Bryant 816-729-5422, email: bedinger@gmail.com
Mar 2	Luncheon 11:30 AM, Olive Garden, 13910 E 40 Hwy., Independance, MO, John Eckardt / Maria Stimach 816-729-0660, email: jeckar52@gmail.com

Missouri Greater Ozark Unit - http://mogreaterozarkunit.wbcci.net

Feb 9	Valentine Luncheon, Pitch Pizza & Pub, 2924 E Sunshine, Springfield, MO (Southern Hills Shopping Center), Margo & Lavern Kohl 417-849-1448, email: mjkohl66@sbcglobal.net

Nebraska Airstream Club - http://nebraskaunit.wbcci.net

2nd Mon each month except 2nd Saturday in Jan, Apr, Jul & Oct: Luncheon 11:30 AM, Parker's Smokehouse, 16880 Hwy. 6, Ashland, NE, corner of Hwy 6 & 63, James Wright 402-419-1112, email: james@justwrightsharpening.com

North Iowa Airstream Club - http://northiowaunit.wbcci.net

Feb 2	Luncheon 11:30 AM, Saints Ave Cafe, 1312 S Story St, Boone, IA, Scott & Jodi Jensen 515-979-0694, email: scottjensen45@aol.com

REGION 9 Activities

Region 9 Website: http://www.region9.wbcci.net

May 2-5	Texas Vintage Airstream Round-Up Rally, Mineola, TX
May 6-11	Region 9 Rally, Bandera, TX
Oct 24-27	Texas Country Air Rally, Brownwood, TX

East Texas Lakes Unit

Feb 8-10	Rally, Daingerfield SP 903-645-2921, 455 Park Rd 17, Daingerfield, TX, Isaac Holmes 214-592-3109
Mar 15-17	Rally, Martin Creek Lake SP 903-836-4336, 9515 County Rd 2181D, Tatum, TX, Isaac Holmes 214-592-3109

Greater Houston Airstream Club - http://GHAC155.wbcci.net

Feb 14-17	Valentine's Rally, Summer Breeze USA - Conroe, 3043 Waukegan Rd, Conroe, TX, Hub & Sherry Miller 214-770-3270, email: sherry61247@gmail.com
Mar 14-17	St. Patrick's Day Rally, Brazos Bend SP, 21901 FM 762 Rd, Needville, TX, Tom Bundy, email: tom-caren@sbcglobal.net

Heart of Texas Camping Unit - http://hotc.wbcci.net

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North Texas Unit - http://ntxu.wbcci.net

Feb 9 Luncheon 11:30 AM, Spring Creek BBQ, Burleson, TX, Mike Mack 817-371-3507, email: mls2t@aol.com
Mar 9 Luncheon 11:30 AM, Spring Creek BBQ, Burleson, TX, Mike Mack 817-371-3507, email: mls2t@aol.com
Mar 27-31 Joint Rally w/Texas Plains Airstream Club, Oakdale RV Park, Glen Rose, TX, Mike Mack 817-371-3507, email: mls2t@aol.com

Oklahoma Airstream Club - http://oklahoma.wbcci.net

Mar 23 Planning Luncheon Noon, Bedlam BBQ, 610 NE 50th, Oklahoma City, OK, Larry Walters 405-974-0202, email: walcous@gmail.com

Texas Alamo Unit - http://texasalamo.wbcci.net

Feb 14-17 Valentine Day/Buddy Rally, Oakwood RV Resort, Fredericksburg, TX, Cathy Willis 210-744-4555, email: capwillis@yahoo.com
Mar 21-24 Ides of March Rally, River Shade RV Park, Sequin, TX, Cathy Willis 210-744-4555, email: capwillis@yahoo.com

Texas Gulf Coast Unit - www.texasairstreamharbor.com

Feb 7-10 Airstreams & Exotic Places Rally, TAHI, 714 Angelina, Zavalla, TX, Nancy Fitzgerald 281-739-5701, email: nefitzge6@gmail.com
Mar 7-10 We Survived...Travelogue Adventure in Alaska Rally (Keith & Grady Ferry), TAHI, 714 Angelina, Zavalla, TX, Nancy Fitzgerald 281-739-5701, email: nefitzge6@gmail.com

Texas Highland Lakes Unit - http://thlu.org

Feb 7-10 Explore Bastrop Rally, Lake Bastrop South Shore, 375 S Shore Rd, Bastrop, TX, Peter Sajovich 512-293-1871, email: peter@homesofaustin.com
Mar 21-Apr 1 Rollin' to the Big Easy Caravan, Lake Livingston SP, Livingston, TX to Poche's Fish-N-Camp, Breaux Bridge, LA, Peter Sajovich 512-293-1871, email: peter@homesofaustin.com

Texas Hill Country Unit - http://thcu.wbcci.net

Feb 14-17 Rally, Big Chief RV Resort, 1420 FM 690, Burnet, TX, Zephyr Marek 512-446-3866, email: faye_marek@yahoo.com
Mar 14-17 Rally, Leisure Resort, 1 River Lane, Fentress, TX, Joan Ermis 830-263-0278, email: joanermis@hotmail.com

Texas Plains Airstream Club - http://www.texasplains.wbcci.net

Mar 27-31 Joint Rally w/ North Texas Unit, Oakdale RV Park, 1019 NE Barnard St, Glen Rose, TX 254-897-2321, Larry & Joan Luman 806-786-3477, email: lluman@sptc.net

REGION 10 Activities

Region 10 Website: www.region10.wbcci.net

Sep 9-15 Pendleton Round-Up Rally, Pendleton, OR
Oct 15-20 Sun Valley Jazz & Music Festival Rally, Ketchum, ID

Alberta-Saskatchewan Unit - http://albertasaskatchewan.wbcci.net

British Columbia Airstream Club - www.airstreambc.com

Feb 14 Valentine's Dinner 5 PM, Ricky's Rest., 2160 King George Blvd, Surrey, BC, J. Millard 604-536-6372 / W. Jeffrey 604-531-0092
Mar 16 New Members Rally & St. Patrick's Luncheon 11:30 AM, Cranley Hall, 2141 Cranley Dr, Durham Rd White Rock, A&A Matches 604-535-4237

Idaho Airstream Club - http://idahounit.wbcci.net

Montana Airstream Club - http://www.montanaairstreamclub.com

Oregon Airstream Club - www.oregonunit.wbcci.net

Mar 29-31 April Fool's Rally, Casey's RV Park, 46443 Westfir, Westfir, OR, Susan Taylor 603-871-7860, email: staylor792@comcast.net

Washington Unit - http://washingtonunit.wbcci.net

Feb 16 Valentine Dinner 8 PM, WLYH, 9101 Steilacoom Rd S.E., Olympia, WA, Darlene Leslie 360-459-8749, email: gar-dar@hotmail.com
Mar 1-3 Crab Feed Mardi Gras Rally, 9101 Steilacoom Rd S.E., Olympia, WA, Corey Lyghts 509-933-2724, email: cmlyghts@gmail.com

REGION 11 Activities

Region 11 Website: http://region11.wbcci.net

Oct 4-8 Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta Rally, Albuquerque, NM

Arizona Airstream Club - http://azairstream.com

Denver Colorado Unit - www.denco.wbcci.net

Four Corners Unit - http://fourcornersunit.com/

Feb 14-17 Love is in the Air Valentine's Rally, Lo Lo Mai Springs Resort, Cornville, AZ, E off Rt 89A on N Page Springs Rd (between Sedona & Cottonwood, AZ), Debbie Vesco & Joni Lindsey, email: dkvesco@cox.net
Mar 6-9 Binational Pancho Villa Cavalcade of Horses Rally, Pancho Villa SP, Columbus, NM, approx. 35 mi. S of I-10 at Deming, NM, on Rt 11, then W 1 block on Rt 9, Ed & Christa Whitney, email: ewhitney45@centurylink.net

New Mexico Unit - http://newmexico.wbcci.net

Mar 27-31 Pancho Villa Rally, Pancho Villa CG/SP, Columbus NM, Anne & Bob Werth 505-331-7226, email: werthanne@gmail.com

Utah's Wasatch Airstream Club - http://utahswasatchairstreamclub.wbcci.net

Wyoming Unit - http://wyoming.wbcci.net

REGION 12 Activities

Region 12 Website: http://region12.wbcci.net

Oct 9-13 Region 12 Rally, Bakersfield, CA
Dec 28-Jan 1, 2020 Rose Parade Rally, Pasadena, CA

Central Coast California Unit - www.centralcoastairstream.wbcci.net

Feb 22-24 Rally, Carmel by the River RV Park, 27680 Schulte Rd, Carmel, CA, Tom & Teresa Tighe 714-913-8510, email: ttinfv@gmail.com
Mar 22-24 Rally, Wine Country RV Resort, 2500 Airport Rd, Paso Robles, CA, Jason & Andrea Grendahl 330-317-8026, email: jasongrendahl@gmail.com

El Camino Real Airstream Club - http://elcaminoreal.wbcci.net

Feb 7-10 Trailers & Airplanes Rally, Canyon RV Park, 24001 E Santa Ana Canyon Rd, Anaheim, CA, Betty Nordgren 714-719-4901, email: gnordgren@msn.com
Mar 13-17 Rally, Golden Lakeside RV Park & Casino, 5870 S Homestead Rd, Pahrump, NV, Karen Pickett 714-310-7856, email: karenpick61@gmail.com

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Greater Bay Area Airstream Club - http://greaterbayarea.wbcci.net

Greater Los Angeles Airstream Club - www.greaterlosangelesairstreamclub.wbcci.net

Feb 21-25 Puddingstone Lake Rally, East Shore RV Park, 1440 Camper View Rd, San Dimas, CA, Pamela Pall 805-235-2809, email: events.glaac@gmail.com

Mar 13-18 Rally, Refugio State Beach, 35 Refugio Beach Rd, Goleta, CA, Pamela Pall 805-235-2809, email: events.glaac@gmail.com

Lake Tahoe Airstream Club - http://laketahoe.wbcci.net/

Feb 3 2019 Super Bowl Party 2 PM, Stansbury Home, 2615 Oak Ridge Dr, Carson City, NV, Bob Stansbury 775-297-3866, email: burytone@yahoo.com

Las Vegas Airstream Club - http://nevada.wbcci.net

Northern California Airstream Club - http://norcal.wbcci.net

Feb 26-Mar 3 Rally, Yanks RV Resort, Greenfield, CA, Pat Lazzereschi 209-712-5884, email: plazzereschi@gmail.com

Mar 26-31 Rally, Pismo Coast Village RV Resort, Pismo Beach, CA, Pat Lazzereschi 209-712-5884, email: plazzereschi@gmail.com

Sacramento Valley Airstream Club - http://goldenwest.wbcci.net

San Diego California Unit - www.airstreamsandiego.com

Sierra Nevada Unit - http://sierranevadaairstreams.org/snu

South Coast California Unit - http://southcoastcal.wbcci.net

Mar 1-3 Rally, Pechanga Resort & Casino RV Resort, 45000 Pechanga Pkwy, Temecula, CA, Mark Miller 714-222-9037, email: markmlr880@gmail.com

EUROPE *Activities*

WBCCI Europe Website: - http://europe.wbcci.net

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N-48-A AMERICAN REVOLUTION – SOUTHERN CAMPAIGN 4/10-5/20/2019
START: NEW BERN, NC STOP: WILLIAMSBURG, VA
From our school days, we all learned about the American Revolution – the Boston Massacre, the Boston Tea Party, Patrick Henry's "Give me liberty or give me death" speech, and the harsh winter at Valley Forge. We may have even memorized Longfellow's poem about Paul Revere's midnight ride. But what about Alamance, Waxhaws, Kettle Creek, and Kings Mountain? These were significant battles fought in the south, but do you remember hearing about them? Join us as we delve into the lesser known Southern Campaign of the American Revolution – where American independence was actually won. We'll begin in New Bern, NC where we'll visit Tryon Palace, the lavish home of the Royal Governor of North Carolina (the term "palace" was bestowed by the tax-paying townspeople, not the Governor); then we'll travel down the eastern seaboard stopping in Wilmington, visiting nearby Brunswick Town and Moores Creek; Charleston is next where we explore Fort Moultrie, Charles Pinckney's home and historic venues downtown; the History Museum and the Springhill Redoubt will be our primary focus in historic Savannah; then we turn inland and form a long oval going north through GA, SC, NC and VA. Besides those battlefields listed above, we will tour Site Ninety Six; Musgrove Mill State Historic Site; historic Camden; Kings Mountain; Cowpens; Guilford Courthouse; Old Salem, the charming Moravian community in Winston-Salem; Red Hill, home of Patrick Henry; and Monticello, Thomas Jefferson's home. On the home stretch we will tour the new American Revolution Museum at Yorktown and the Yorktown National Battlefield, site of Cornwallis' surrender. The caravan will end in historic Williamsburg. In addition to savory caravan cookouts, our dining experiences will run the gamut from a rustic, backwoods gem on a creek, to historic taverns, a seaport village dive, the oldest continually operating dinner theater in America and everything in between. Leaders: Ed & Beth Jones, WBCCI #1515, Ph. Home 703-780-6597, Cell: Ed 703-475-0573, Beth 703-244-6384, Email: thunderhorse16@yahoo.com Mailing Address: 3704 Washington Woods Dr., Alexandria, VA 22309. Total Number of Nights: 40, Number of Stops: 11, Maximum RV Units/With Leader: 26, Kitty Fee w/2: TBD, Kitty Fee w/1: TBD, Guest: TBD, Deposit Amount: $350, Payment Dates : TBD, Date Balance Due: TBD, Cancellation Fee: TBD

N-48-C "AMERICAN CIVIL WAR – PART III"; WAR IN VIRGINIA 4/2-5/9/2019
START: CHESTERFIELD, VA STOP: NEWPORT NEWS, VA
The third and last part of our American Civil War Caravan series focuses primarily on, and thus assumes the title of, the "War in Virginia", as nearly 50% of the war's battles were fought and often refought in Virginia. We'll tour the battlefields and/or National Military Parks at Petersburg, Fredricksburg, Spotsylvania, Chancellorsville, Bull Run/Manassas, Gettysburg, Antietam and New Market. Among other things, we'll enjoy a horse-drawn carriage ride around Lexington, and visit VMI. We will also visit Appomattox where Lee surrendered and Fort Monroe where Jefferson Davis was imprisoned. Tour beautiful plantations and historic homes, visit fascinating museums, and lovely cemeteries and churches including Old Blandford Church in Petersburg that houses 15 priceless Tiffany windows. Our caravan will also savor delectable cookouts, lunches and dinners; some in historic sites. Join us as we visit the places memorialized during the perpetually intriguing chapter of our history known as the Civil War. Leaders: Dale & Kathy Spillman, WBCCI #15880, Ph. Dale 225-405-4057, Kathy 225-933-6289, Email: Lau15880@yahoo.com Address: 16573 Tiger Bend Rd., Baton Rouge, LA 70817. Co-Leaders: Bill & Beth Racavich, WBCCI #7777. Maximum RV Units W/Leaders: 26, Total Number of Nights: 37, Number of Stops: 9. Kitty Fee w/2: TBD, Kitty Fee w/1: TBD, Guest: TBD, Deposit: $350, Balance Due: TBD, Cancellation: Full refund before 10/1/2018; Until 1/1/2019 Leader's discretion after.

STANDBY ONLY
N-48-D CAJUN COUNTRY 3/5-20/2019
START: BREAUX BRIDGE, LA STOP: LAFAYETTE, LA
On the Cajun Caravan you will experience Cajun culture and hospitality at its roots. Enjoy dining on jambalaya, crawfish pie, gumbo, and all the other dishes that make Cajun cuisine popular. Travel through the Cypress swamps, rice fields and crawfish farms of south Louisiana. Dance the "Cajun Two Step" at world famous "Fred's Lounge" in Mamou. Tap your feet while swaying to the music at Savoie's Music Store's Saturday morning jam session. Enjoy "Rendezvous des Cajuns" performance at the historic Liberty Theatre in the heart of Cajun Country. These plus many other adventures will help you understand the meaning of the Cajun phrase, "lasez le bon temps roulet", let the good times roll. Take a boat ride through a cypress swamp to watch alligators and bald eagles in their natural habitat. Tour the oldest operating rice mill in the United States. Visit Avery Island, home of Tabasco Sauce, and a beautiful Jungle Gardens Park. Ride with a Crawfish farmer on his unique harvesting boat while he brings in his daily catch. Ride a bus to Baton Rouge for a tour of the Governors Mansion and the tallest state capital building in the United States. Visit Evangeline Oak on the Bayou Teche, where in Longfellow's poem, Evangeline waited for her Gabriel. Beaucoup fun, food and adventure, packed into 16 days of excitement awaits you on the Cajun Country Caravan. Leaders: Peter & Judy Schwarz, WBCCI #2009, Cell Ph: Peter 630-561-1703; Judy 630-699-9676, Email: Peter as.skydeck@gmail.com; Judy jascombe@gmail.com Mailing Address: 151 Rainbow Drive, #151, Livingston TX 77399; Co-Leaders: Gene & Charlene Gardner, WBCCI #2393. Maximum RV/Units with Leader & Co-leader: 27, Total Number of Nights: 16, Number of Stops: 5, Kitty Fee w/2: $1,500, Kitty Fee w/1: $1,158, Guest: $500. Deposit Amount: $200, Dates of Payments: 1) Deposit by May 1, 2) Final by December 1. Cancellation Fee: $50 before 12/1/18; Leaders Discretion after 12/1/18.

STANDBY ONLY
N-48-E CAJUN COUNTRY 3/26-4/11/2019
START: BREAUX BRIDGE, LA STOP: LAFAYETTE, LA
On the Cajun Caravan you will experience Cajun culture and hospitality at its roots. Enjoy dining on jambalaya, crawfish pie, gumbo, and all the other dishes that make Cajun cuisine popular. Travel through the Cypress swamps, rice fields and crawfish farms of south Louisiana. Dance the "Cajun Two Step" at world famous "Fred's Lounge" in Mamou. Tap your feet while swaying to the music at Savoie's Music Store's Saturday morning jam session. Enjoy "Rendezvous des Cajuns" performance at the historic Liberty Theatre in the heart of Cajun Country. These plus many other adventures will help you understand the meaning of the Cajun phrase, "lasez le bon temps roulet", let the good times roll. Take a boat ride through a cypress swamp to watch alligators and bald eagles in their natural habitat. Tour the oldest operating rice mill in the United States. Visit Avery Island, home of Tabasco Sauce, and a beautiful Jungle Gardens Park. Ride with a Crawfish farmer on his unique harvesting boat while he brings in his daily catch. Ride a bus to Baton Rouge for a tour of the Governors Mansion and the tallest state capital building in the United States. Visit Evangeline Oak on the Bayou Teche, where in Longfellow's poem, Evangeline waited for her Gabriel. Beaucoup fun, food and adventure, packed into 16 days of excitement awaits you on the Cajun Country Caravan. Leaders: Peter & Judy Schwarz, WBCCI #2009, Cell Ph: Peter 630-561-1703; Judy 630-699-9676, Email: Peter as.skydeck@gmail.com; Judy jascombe@gmail.com Mailing Address: 151 Rainbow Drive, #151, Livingston TX 77399; Co-Leaders: Gene & Charlene Gardner, WBCCI #2393. Maximum RV/Units with Leader & Co-leader: 27, Total Number of Nights: 16, Number of Stops: 5, Kitty Fee w/2: $1,500, Kitty Fee w/1: $1,158, Guest: $500. Deposit Amount: $200, Dates of Payments: 1) Deposit by 6/1/18, 2) Final by 1/1/19. Cancellation Fee: $50 before 1/1/19; Leaders Discretion after 1/1/19.

STANDBY ONLY
N-48-F SOUTHWEST ADVENTURE 8/18–10/8/2019
START: ALBUQUERQUE, NM STOP: ALBUQUERQUE, NM
The 2019 Southwest Adventure Caravan will be in August, September, and October capturing the awesome beauty of the fall landscapes. Beginning in Albuquerque, NM, we will visit the Turquoise Museum, the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center and savor local cuisine. What is around the bend in the Four-Corners region of Colorado, Utah, Arizona, and New Mexico, other tourists may not see. We visit Indian pueblos and reservations to learn about their cultures from native guides. The grandeur of the scenery will amaze you as we ride a narrow gauge train up to Silverton, CO; hike to the "Palace" in Mesa Verde, or truck into Monument Valley. Moab, UT, provides gorgeous views in the surrounding National Parks and excitement with "slick-rock jeep riding." Whether using a camera at Capitol Reef National Park or riding a mule into Bryce Canyon, seeing the "Narrows" at Zion, the parks will captivate you. After seeing Zion National Park and the North Rim of the Grand Canyon, we'll spend four days beside Lake Powell enjoying a boat trip on the lake, a Colorado River raft float trip and a walk through a slot canyon. Our final stops will take us back into New Mexico to explore Gallup and then the finale at the Balloon Fiesta in Albuquerque. We will have a chance to ride in a hot air balloon. America the Beautiful

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Senior passes (formerly the Golden Age Pass) will save you money in the National Parks we visit at Mesa Verde, Arches, Canyonlands, Capitol Reef, Bryce Canyon, Zion and the Grand Canyon North Rim. Come prepared to have fun with your fellow caravanners! Co-Leaders: Gary & RoseMarie Anderson, WBCCI #9181, Ph. 850-896-0567 & 850-866-7658 (cells), email: gary.rosemarie@gmail.com, Address: 2800 W. 30th Court, Panama City, FL 32405 and Winston & Carol Montague, WBCCI #807, Ph. 850-878-1281 (H), 850-491-7444 & 850-212-3726 (cells), email: wmontague@embarqmail.com Address: 3958 Meandering Lane, Tallahassee, FL 32308, Maximum RV units w/leaders: 30 rigs. Total Number of Nights: 51, Number of Stops: 15. Estimated Kitty Fee w/2: $4,700; w/1: $3,700, Guest $1,400. Deposit: $300. Payment Dates: 2/1/19 $2,200, 4/1/19 $2,200. Cancellation Fee: $50 before 2/1/19 plus non-refundable deposits. Leaders' discretion after 2/1/19.

N-48-G SPRINGTIME IN KENTUCKY 4/25-5/15/2019
START: BOWLING GREEN, KY STOP: RENFRO VALLEY, KY

Come join us as you show you our beautiful state of Kentucky and its diversity.
-From the Corvette factory to the beautiful handmade crafts of Berea.
-From backroads to rowing hills and small towns.
-From legendary horse tracks to a retirement farm for thoroughbred horses.
-From distilleries to a family flour mill.
-From historic old homes to the simplicity of Loretta Lynn's Butcher Hollow.
-From a train ride in coal country to a paddle boat luncheon cruise up the river.
Come join us during Kentucky Derby week and feel the excitement of the 145th 2019 race. "The Greatest Two Minutes in Sports". Ladies bring your derby hat (the bigger the better). Hear the music, taste the food, meet the people and enjoy the 15th State of the Union. Leaders: Karl & Cindy Weisenberger, WBCCI #1885, Cell Ph. 859-653-5519, Email: springtimeinky@yahoo.com Mailing address: 999 Riverwatch Dr., Villa Hills KY 41017, Maximum RV Units/With Leader: 25, Total Number of Nights: 21, Number of Stops: 6. Total Cost $2,750, Kitty Fee w/2: $2,750, Kitty Fee w/1: TBD, Guest: TBD, Deposit Amount: $250. Date first Payment: 5/20/18 of $1,250, Date Balance Due: 11/30/18 $1,250. Cancellation Fee: $50, Leaders discretion TBD.

N-48-J SPRINGTIME IN THE ROCKIES 5/22-6/15/2019
START: ESTES PARK, CO STOP: GARDINER, MT

Come share in the adventure of traveling through some of the most spectacular scenery in the world, from the beauty of the Rocky Mountain National Park, to the colors of the Garden of the Gods, to the Black Canyon of the Gunnison, to the Colorado Monument/Grand Mesa, to a Dinosaur bone dig, to Flaming Gorge vistas, to the majestic Grand Teton Mountains and finally the incredible wild life/geysers of Yellowstone. Be prepared for vistas that will take your breath away, literally. We'll travel at some of the highest elevations possible in North America. Stops in order are Estes Park, Manitou Springs, Gunnison, Grand Junction, Dinosaur NM, Flaming Gorge, Colter Bay Grand Tetons and Yellowstone NP. Because of the time of year, we could possibly run into snow at any location throughout the caravan with evening temperatures possibly in the lower 30's. The snow usually doesn't stick around long since daytime temperatures typically range in the 60's to 70's. We will attempt to find campgrounds with full service hookups or at minimum 30 Amp electrical services due to the cold evenings. However, we are planning two (2) days of dry camping close to the Dinosaur National Monument, one of the warmer locations. Good vehicle/trailer maintenance and appropriate accessories will be important due to our planned mountain traversing routes and high elevation camp sites. The route will require driving long distances with steep mountainous grades, many switchbacks and high altitudes. Some roads have no guardrails. Your familiarity with your rig and your ability to control it under these driving conditions is critical. This caravan should not be the place to learn. Campgrounds will range in altitudes from 5,000 ft. to close to 8,000 ft. in elevation and with mountain passes and self-guided auto tours as high as 12,000 ft. ANYONE with health issues affected by high altitude should think twice and check with their health care provider before joining this caravan. In order to gain the most from this caravan, hiking some distances (one to three miles round trip) may be required. If we haven't scared you off, come join us for a beautiful Springtime in Rocky Mountains adventure in 2019. This caravan will end at Gardiner MT, North entrance of Yellowstone NP on Saturday June 15, 2019. Leaders: Bob & Sue Heist, WBCCI #16401, Home Ph. 402-304-1843, Cell Ph. 402-968-0823, Email: bobsueheist@gmail.com Mailing address: 6401 Rainier Dr, Lincoln, NE 68510; Co-Leaders: Doug & Amanda Hewins, WBCCI #2184, Cell Ph. 941-229-30702, Email: doughewins@gmail.com Mailing Address: 6652 Primrose Dr. Unit E, USAF Academy, CO 80840. Maximum RV Units/With Leaders: 25 Total With Leaders, Total Number of Nights: 25, Number of Stops: 8. Total Cost: $3,000, Kitty Fee w/2: $3,000, Kitty Fee w/1: $2,500, Guest: TBD, Deposit Amount: $400 Due with Application, Dates of Payments (if applicable): ½ of remainder by 5/1/18, Date Balance Due: 12/1/18. Cancellation Fee: $50 plus any non-refundable deposit prior to 1/1/19. Leaders discretion after (date) 3/1/19.

STANDBY ONLY
N-48-K TASTE OF THE BLUE RIDGE 5/21-6/14/2019
START: BRYSON CITY, NC STOP: GREENWOOD, VA

Have you ever wanted to hike on the Appalachian Trail, fly through treetops on a zip line, tour gardens on a Segway, fly fish in rushing streams, go horseback riding on mountain trails, explore caves, bicycle (downhill) along an old railroad bed past waterfalls and scenic vistas, see Monticello and one of the oldest public universities in the US, whitewater raft the Nantahala Gorge, enjoy a world class spa, tour America's greatest "castle", and listen to true, old-time bluegrass music? Then bring your camera, binoculars, fishing gear, hiking poles, and - most importantly - sense of adventure and come vacation with us in the Blue Ridge Mountains! We will begin in Cherokee, NC, home of the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Nation, then make our way to beautiful Asheville. From there we will boondock three nights at Linville Falls before coming back to civilization in funky Boone, NC. Next is Galax, VA for a bluegrass festival, and two more boondocking nights at Peaks of Otter. We will end our journey just outside the historic towns of Charlottesville and Staunton, Virginia for a total of 500 caravan miles. Leaders: Ray & Carol Combs, WBCCI #2994, Ph. 336-558-5532, Email: raycombs100@gmail.com Mailing Address: PO Box 753, Oak Ridge, NC 27310. Maximum RV Units/With Leader: 20, Total Number of Nights: 25, Number of Stops: 7. Kitty Fee w/2: $3300, Kitty Fee w/1: $2200, Guest: TBD. Deposit Amount: $500 due 1/31/18, Dates of Payments: 7/31/18 $1400, Date Balance Due: 12/ 31/18 $1400. Cancellation Fee: $50. Leaders discretion after 1/31/19.

N-48-L NOR' BY NOR'EAST 7/10–8/19/2019
START: ASHAWAY, RI, USA STOP: CORNWALL, PEI, CANADA

The Nor' By Nor'east National Caravan will begin in southern New England and end in Prince Edward Island, Canada. We begin the caravan in RI and visit nearby Mystic Seaport, CT and Newport, RI. Plymouth, of course is steeped in history; the "Plimoth Plantation", Plymouth Rock, Mayflower II, Jenny Museum are among the places we'll visit. Boston's stop is a busy one with 2 days of bus rides from Topsfield into the Capitol. All those sites you've read about in history books will be part of our journey. JFK Library, Bunker Hill, Freedom Trail, Faneuil Hall, etc. are just part of what we'll see. Continuing up the coastline to an ocean-side campsite in Searsport, ME and then nearby Bar Harbor in Trenton will make you a firm believer that Maine is indeed, beautiful. We'll enjoy the Penobscot Marine Museum, Fort Knox and the Penobscot Narrows Observatory and a Food Channel approved "Down East Style Lobster Bake". We'll camp nearby FDR's retreat at Campobello Island in NB, Canada, enjoy "Tea With Eleanor" and then another campsite up the road in Moncton where we will visit Hopewell Cape and see the exaggerated tides of the Bay of Fundy. Nova Scotia's 3 stops include campsites that will be home bases so we can travel to Peggy's Cove, Halifax, Louisbourg, Baddeck and of course the Cabot Trail. We intend on being in NS for 11 days and we will see everything and continue to eat too! A short trip across to Prince Edward Island on a ferry and you will think you're in Heaven. We have plenty of time here for exploring and enjoying some entertainment in Charlottetown, the warm waters along some of the most beautiful beaches as well as seafood-PEI style. We will have our Farewell Banquet in Charlottetown. Leaders: Trevor & Gale Lake, WBCCI #4688, Ph. 781-837-2539 (H), Ph. 781-264-4550 (C), email: trevorlake@verizon.net Address: 315 Oak St. Marshfield, MA 02050. Maximum RV Units/With Leaders: 23, Total Number of Nights: 41, Number of Stops: 11. Kitty Fee w/2: $3,900, Kitty Fee w/1: $2,900, Guest: $1,000. Deposit: $200 with Application, Date Due: 2/1/19: $800, Date Final Balance Due: 5/1/19. Cancellation Fee: $100 after 2/1/19. Leaders' Discretion after 2/1/19.

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STANDBY ONLY
N-48-M CANADIAN ROCKY MOUNTAIN 6/21-7/10/2019
START: DRUMHELLER, AB, CANADA
STOP: COCHRANE, AB, CANADA

Judy and Deane would love to vacation with you in some of our favorite places in the Canadian Rockies and Alberta prairies. Traveling through the backcountry, we will have some secluded dry camping, cookouts, and hiking. We will travel through the four contiguous National Rocky Mountain parks of Jasper, Banff, Yoho and Kootenay. We'll swim in the beautiful Fairmont Hot Springs. Over 100 glaciers line the spectacular Icefields Parkway where you will ride a snow coach on the Athabasca Glacier and experience the newly constructed glass-floored Skywalk. We'll cruise Malign Lake to Spirit Island in Jasper, ride the famous gondola on Sulphur Mountain, and dine at the historic Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel. We'll hike to the Tea House above Lake Louise, and photograph Takakkaw Falls. We'll ride a gondola to hike the upper meadows to see wildflowers at the Banff Sunshine ski resort. We'll stay at the historic Bar U Ranch in Alberta and attend the world renowned Calgary Stampede where we will see the rodeo, chuck wagon racing and the "greatest outdoor show on earth". Your camera, your adventurous spirit and your love of laughter are a must for this vacation! Leaders: Judy & Deane Collinson, WBCCI #1077, Deane Ph. 416-232-2882, Judy Ph. 416-559-5354, Email: deane.collinson@rogers.com , Judy.collinson@rogers.com Mailing address: 10 Strath Ave, Toronto, ON, Canada M8X 1P9. Maximum RV Units/With Leader: 20, Total Number of Nights: 19, Number of Stops: 8, Caravan distance: 900 miles/1450 km. Total Cost: $3,200, Kitty Fee w/2: $3,200, Kitty Fee w/1: TBD, Guest: TBD. Deposit Amount: $1,000 11/10/18 ($0 for standby), Dates of Payments $1,000 1/5/19, Date Balance Due: $1,200 3/1/19. Cancellation Fee: $100 until 1/5/19. Leaders discretion after 1/5/19.

STANDBY ONLY
N-48-N VIKING TRAIL 7/10-8/31/2019
START: NORTH SYDNEY, NS, CANADA
STOP: NORTH SYDNEY NS, CANADA

The Newfoundland caravan is back! Starting near the Cape Breton ferry the caravan will spend over 50 days in Newfoundland. Visit the first settlements inhabited by Europeans in North America. Immerse yourself in a culture which developed isolated by its rugged terrain. Unique geologic features abound. See puffins, moose, and salmon jumping in unspoiled nature. Kiss a cod! Plan on lots of good food and music from the communities we visit. Trips including whale, iceberg and fjord boat tours, visit a Viking village, zip line over falls, and see historic sites that capture this island's stories. Our focus will be enjoying the wonderful people who live on the island and all they have to offer. You will feel you've gone back to a better time. Make the trip yours with opportunities for breathtaking hikes and beach combing, cod and salmon fishing opportunities, day trips to Labrador and Fogo Island. So much to see and we will do our best to make it amazing! Your rig should be in good working order and equipped to handle Airstreaming travel maintenance in more remote areas. Although we will plan most stops for hookups, be prepared to manage without for a few days. 50 amp not always available. You may appreciate having a CB. Be prepared to learn a new dialect "Where ya 'longs to?" Be prepared to get wet, walk and drive in rugged terrain, find out why there is a place call 'Blow Me Down'. Weather can get cool. Check websites for typical weather so you can plan accordingly. Bring your binoculars so you can be the first one to see the whales and icebergs. If you enjoy fishing, think about bringing your equipment. Learn to love seafood. Leaders: Murray & Pat Leggatt, WBCCI #11489, Cell Ph. Canada 519-282-8257, USA 302-270-7618, Email: ps67.fcas@gmail.com, Address: 1489 Glenora Drive, London, Ontario, Canada N5X 1V4 and Chuck & Maggie Helwig, WBCCI #2868, Email: helwigcw@icloud.com. Maximum RV Units/With Leader: 30, Total Number of Nights: 53, Number of Stops: 17. Kitty Fee w/2: $7,000 CAD, Kitty Fee w/1: $6,300 CAD, Guest: additional $1,000 CAD. Deposit Amount: $700 CAD - payments to be made in Canadian dollars. Dates of Payments: 1st deposit once caravan position offered, 2nd payment 11/1/18, Date Balance Due: 2/1/19. Cancellation Fee: $50 CAD plus any non-recoverable costs. Leaders discretion after: 1/1/19.

N-48-O SOUTHEAST COAST 10/8-11/9/2019
START LOCATION: BETHANY BEACH, DE
STOP LOCATION: JEKYLL ISLAND, GA

If you love seafood and want to explore the historic southeast coast of the United States, come along with us. We'll visit a historic US Lifesaving Station (predecessor of the US Coast Guard) in Delaware, attend the Chincoteague Oyster Festival and see the ponies. We'll visit many museums, lighthouses and beaches. We will see many attractions that are missed by most travelers, including Morning Colors and graduation ceremonies at the US Marine Corps Recruit Depot at Paris Island, SC. The caravan will start at the Delaware Seashore State Park and proceeds through coastal Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina until its conclusion in the Georgia Sea Islands. So come immerse yourself in some of the culture and traditions of the Old South. The kitty fee includes campgrounds (most with full hookups), boat, carriage and bus tours, museum admission and many meals. Come join us on this adventure. Leaders: Stuart & Kathy Bacon, WBCCI #2059, Home Ph. 423-775-4237, Cell Ph. 423-618-1002, Email: sec.caravan@gmail.com Mailing address: 356 Horseshoe Circle, Dayton, TN 37321. Maximum RV Units/With Leader: 22, Total Number of Nights: 32, Number of Stops: 10. Total Cost $3,850, Kitty Fee w/2: $3,850, Kitty Fee w/1: $3,000, Guest: $850, Deposit Amount: $300. Dates of Payments (if applicable), Date Balance Due: 2 installments, #1 Due: 9/1/18 $1,750, #2 Due: 6/1/19 $1,750. Cancellation Fee: $50 before 4/1/19, Leaders discretion after 4/1/19.

STANDBY ONLY
N-48-P ORES, SHORES, WATERS, AND LIGHTS - EAST 9/7-21/2019
START: MANISTIQUE, MI STOP: ST. IGNACE, MI

Short caravan; perfect for your summer vacation! Rendezvous for this caravan is on Saturday, September 7, 2019 at Manistique, MI. See the absolute best of the eastern end of Michigan's Upper Peninsula in just 15 days and 5 stops. Last night of the caravan and the closing banquet will be on Saturday, September 21, 2019, at St. Ignace, MI. Key activities/outings include: Ferry ride under the Mackinaw Bridge in route to a day on Mackinac Island, horse carriage tour of the Island, lunch at Grand Hotel, tours of lighthouses, a visit to Kitch-iti-kipi, a guided tour of Fayette Historic State Park, visits to numerous waterfalls, a boat tour of the Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore, tour of the Great Lakes Shipwreck Museum at Whitefish Point, Tahquamenon Falls, Soo Locks boat tour, Oswald's Bear Ranch, and much more. Please send deposit, or questions, to Leaders: Chip & Lori DeLeeuw, WBCCI #2748, Ph. 517-250-5060, Email: cdeleeuw@comcast.net, Address: 906 Wright Lane, Milan, MI 48160. Maximum RV Units/With Leaders: 17. Total Number of Nights: 15. Number of Stops: 5, Kitty Fee w/2: $1,600, Kitty Fee w/1: $1,200, Guest: $500, Deposit $200, Date Balance Due: 5/1/19, Cancellation Fee: $50. Leaders discretion after 5/1/19.

N-48-R KENTUCKY BOURBON & BEYOND 9/15-10/12/2019
START: BOWLING GREEN, KY STOP: FRANKFORT, KY

On the Kentucky Bourbon and Beyond Caravan, you will experience the wonders of bourbon and beauty of central Kentucky. We begin our journey in Bowling Green touring the Corvette museum and reopened factory and a boat ride in the Lost River Cave. We'll stop at Lincoln's birthplace with optional stops at Lincoln's boyhood home and the Kentucky Railway Museum. STOP 2: In Bardstown, the Kentucky Bourbon Festival has a full range of events. We'll visit the Cooperage, Barton, Lux, Maker's Mark and Limestone Distilleries with options for you to visit several other area distilleries on your own. We have planned two special events: My Old Kentucky Dinner train and a special festival event at Wickland, Home of Three Governors. This is a private festival event featuring cozy bonfires, bonded bourbons, history, music and Kentucky cuisine. Bardstown has many fine shops, historical homes and museums for your enjoyment. You will leave with a more refined bourbon palate and ready for many more tasting opportunities. STOP 3: In the Louisville area, we'll tour Jim Beam & Four Roses, enjoy a dinner at Forest Edge Winery. A motor coach will take us to downtown Louisville where we'll tour the Frazier Museum and have plenty of free time to explore the Urban Bourbon Trail, shops & museums. We'll finish the day with a tour at Old Forester. On your free day, explore Louisville and the surrounding areas. We'll tour the Kentucky Derby Museum with a walking tour of Churchill Downs and enjoy a lunch and the races in Millionaire's Row. Our final two events will include a day at Vine Grove Bluegrass Festival and lunch aboard the Belle of Louisville. STOP 4: In Lexington, we'll attend Woodsong's "Old Time Radio Hour," visit the Kentucky Horse Park Museum, Mary Todd Lincoln's home, and the distillery district with a short tour of Barrel House Distillery. Other distillery tours are

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available. The following day includes a tour of the Toyota factory, Equus Run Vineyards and Old Friends, a retired thoroughbred farm. Experience a day of racing at Keeneland and a lunch buffet. STOP 5: In Berea, we'll attend a show at the Spotlight Theatre, tour and lunch at Shaker Village. You'll have a free day to explore the Berea Artisan Village. STOP 6: In Frankfort we'll tour Wild Turkey, Four Roses, Rebecca Ruth Candy, Buffalo Trace, Woodford Reserve and Three Boys Farm Distillery (not all on the same day). We'll have our final banquet in Versailles, KY. In addition, we'll have caravan gatherings at the campgrounds. We look forward to you joining us! Leader: Margaret Van De Ree, WBCCI #2685, Cell Ph. 704-728-6040, Email: mvanderee@gmail.com. Mailing address: 138 Greystone Road, Davidson, NC 28036. Co-Leaders: Nancy & John Becker, WBCCI # 2048, Cell Ph. 336-504-8769, Email: john_becker@mac.com. Mailing address: 343 Lakewood Pointe Dr., Roxboro, NC 27574. Maximum RV Units w/Leaders: 25. Total Number of Nights: 28, Number of Stops: 6. Kitty Fee w/2: $3,450, Kitty Fee w/1: $2,600, Guest: $1,400. Deposit Amount: $250, Dates of Payments (if applicable), (1) 1/15/19, (2) 4/15/19. Cancellation Fee: $100, Leaders discretion after 4/15/19. Please send deposit of $250 to John Becker, 343 Lakewood Pointe Dr., Roxboro, NC 27574.

N-48-S SHO-ME THE OZARKS 9/26- EST. 10/27/2019
START: MOUNTAIN VIEW, AR STOP: VAN BUREN, MO

The region of America known as "The Ozarks" is a cultural and geographically distinct area of mountains, valleys and fresh water springs, rivers and lakes which centers in northern Arkansas and south Missouri. Although educationally and economically progressive, the people value and retain the influences of a pioneer heritage. The caravan leaders' families were original pioneer settlers who have lived in the same place over 170 years, going to the same school for seven generations....livestock traders, sheriffs, bootleggers, teachers, lawyers, judges, blacksmiths, merchants, laborers and village characters. You will meet, spend time with, and share stories with local folks. Beginning in the Ozarks Folk Center, you will travel through time and place with sites, events and food not to be missed.... concluding with a traditional riverbank fish fry. Great group meals are a priority, but no food committee. Expect pig roasts, church dinners on the grounds, Dutch oven cobblers, Amish feasts, ham and beans with cornbread and much more. While some roads are narrow and twisty the daily trek distances will be short. Music will abound, from porch fiddles to an internationally famous vocal choir. Ranger Talk presenters are from a special roster of historians, locals, and conservationists. You will visit the number one new attraction in the US, Bass-Pro Shops and Aquarium, Laura Ingalls Wilder home and museum, the Daisy museum, Crystal Bridges Art Museum, Silver Dollar City international food, music and craft fair, and much more. See the magnificent fall scenery and nature's beauty. Leaders: Jack & Kay Garrett, WBCCI #4232, Cell Ph. Jack: 417-293-2487, Cell Ph. Kay: 417-293-7283, Email: rjackgar@hotmail.com, Mailing address:10302 County Road 9030, West Plains, MO 65775. Maximum RV Units/With Leader: 25, Total Number of Nights: est. 32, Number of Stops: 10. Level of Exertion: Moderate, but very light/disabled options at most sites/events. Kitty Fee w/2: est. $4000, Kitty Fee w/1: est. $3450, Guest: TBD, Deposit Amount: $400. Dates of Payments (if applicable): 1. TBD, 2. TBD. Cancellation Fee: TBD. Leaders discretion after (date)

WBCCI / The Airstream Club International
National Caravan Application
(Please print clearly)

Date of Application: _____ Caravan # _____ Caravan Name _____

WBCC# _____ # of Adults_____# of Children_____ # of Pets_____

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Spouse/Partner: _____

Summer Address: _____

Winter Address (if applicable): _____

Phone #1: _____ Phone #2:_____ Email _____

Type of Airstream: Trailer Motorhome Interstate/B-Van Length of Rig: _____

Ham # (if applicable): _____ Handicapped: Y / N

Amount Enclosed: (US$)_____Check #_____

Make checks payable to: (Caravan Leader's Name) WBCCI Caravan (Caravan Name)
Example: Roy Rogers WBCCI Caravan Travels with Trigger

Mail to the Caravan Leader

REGION 7 RALLY
Around the World with Folklorama
Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada
August 7 - 14, 2019

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ **State**_____ **Zip Code**_____

Phone _____ **Cell Phone** _____

E-Mail _____

WBCCI # _____ **Handicap Parking** _____

Arrive _____ **Leave** _____

Trailer _____ **MH** _____ **Length** _____ **Slide Out:** **Yes / No**

Rally Fee:

RV - 30 amp - 7 nights - full hookup	x	$220.00	$_____
RV - 50 amp - 7 nights - full hookup	x	$550.00	$_____
Each Adult & Child over 12 ____	x	$290.00	$_____
Each Child - under 12 ____	x	$240.00	$_____
Less Deposit Paid		$300.00	$_____
Total Fee - US Funds			$_____

Includes: 7 nights camping, 3 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 2 dinners at rally site, 2 nights at Folklorama, one night at Celebrations Dinner Theatre, tours of - Canadian Human Rights Museum, Manitoba Museum, Royal Canadian Mint, seminars and other tours and events. More information available at https://region7.wbcci.net. Online registration and payment available on the Region 7 website.

Send $300.00 US ASAP to reserve your site.
Balance due - June 1, 2019
Make checks payable to: WBCCI - Region 7

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Don Thomson
502 Main St. W.
Cavalier, ND 58220

Canadian Residents - Mail to:
Gail Harrower
23 Village Drive
Ste. Anne, MB, Canada
R5H 1H4

Refund requests emailed to treasurer.region7@gmail.com
by July 1, 2019 will receive a refund less a $25.00 administrative fee.

No refunds after July 1, 2019

43rd REGION 4 RALLY
Lake Erie Islands Shores and More
Ottawa County Fairgrounds
7870 OH-163, Oak Harbor, OH
May 15 - 19, 2019

Last Name _____

First Name(s) _____

WBCCI # _____ **Unit** _____

Type RV **TT** **MH** **Length** _____

Address _____

City _____ **State**_____ **Zip** _____

Phone _____ **Cell Phone** _____ **Text: Y N**

Email_____ **# in Party** ____

Handicapped Parking? Y N

Note: Registrations postmarked after Jan. 31, 2019 do not qualify for the discount. Incorrect payments received after this date will be returned to the member for correct payment. Refunds will be given only with Region 4 President approval. Refunds after March 1 will be limited to camping fees only at $30 per night.

Rally Fees:	**Before 2/1/19**	**After 1/31/19**		
2 Persons	$295	$345		$_____
1 Person	$225	$275		$_____
Each Extra Adult/Child	$ 70	$100	x ___ =	$_____
		TOTAL AMOUNT DUE:		$_____

4 nights of camping, water/electric, dump station

Activities: Campfire, entertainment, hobby show, karoake, flea market, fellowship

Attractions: Lake Erie, fishing, Put-in-Bay, Kelly's Island, Toledo, Port Clinton

For More Information contact: Don & Marian Hetzler
937-335-3301, email: pophetzler@hotmail.com

Checks payable to: WBCCI Region 4
Mail Registration & Check to:
Steve Rhodes
1121 Bogey Drive, Ontario, OH 44903

BALLOON FIESTA NATIONAL RALLY
Albuquerque, New Mexico
October 4 - 8 , 2019

Name(s) _____ **WBCCI #**_____

Email (only means of communication) _____

Address _____

City_____**State/Prov**_____**Code**_____

Airstream model & length _____

Rally Fee:

Cost per coach (includes 2 tickets to all the action)	$360.00
Rally Fee	$ 13.00
Total	$373.00

First half ($186.50) due 2/28/19
Second half ($186.50) due 7/31/19

TOTAL ENCLOSED $_____

Note: Balloon Fiesta refund policy NO EXCEPTIONS: $10 charge through July 15; $186.50 after July 16; no refund after September 1 for any reason.
Join Airstreamers from across the country at this colorful event as hundreds of balloons take to the sky! Water and honey trucks available. Bring your (quiet) generator. You are not sitting on the sidelines, but are part of the festivities beginning with the early morning Dawn Patrol through the evening Balloon Glow and fireworks. You will have in/out access in your car after arriving. Vendors are on the field serving tasty treats and coffee. Two tickets to the field provided per Airstream, additional tickets may be purchased at the event.
Questions? Please contact us through: http://balloonfiestarally.wbcci.net or Facebook/BalloonFiestaRally https://www.facebook.com/groups/1192442150821770/?hc_ref=SEARCH

Make check payable to: Region 11 - WBCCI
Mail coupon & check by February 28 to:
Ken Johansen, P.O. Box 424, Durango, CO 81302

ATHENS OLD TIME FIDDLERS RALLY
Athens, Alabama
October 1 - 6, 2019

Last Name _____

First Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____ **State**_____ **Zip** _____

Email_____

WBCCI # _____ **Unit** _____

Rally Fee:

Per adult	#_____	x $55	= $_____
Per child	#_____	x $30	= $_____

20 amp, water, dump and one (1) pump-out

Softball field

Camping per night	#_____	x $25	= $_____
		Total	**$**_____

Checks payable to: Alabama Airstream Fiddlers Rally
Send registration & check to:
Mike Hamilton, 3106 Quail Run, Opelika, AL 36801

Rally Chairman email: athensairstreamrally@gmail.com

If you have pictures depicting WBCCI caravans and rallies, please share them with us. These pictures may be used for promotional material, the Membership Directory, "Blue Beret" cover, or published in "Club Scenes". Pictures should be of rally/caravan activities. When choosing a photo, consider the potential member and what would entice him/her to join the club. Please include a description of the picture, member names, specific rally/caravan, dates, etc. and send to dsailor@wbcci.org or WBCCI, PO Box 612, Jackson Center, OH 45334. NOTE: Original photos or .jpg file formats are preferred.

Camping on the Long Beach Peninsula at the Washington Coast - submitted by Kirt Smith, #4631

Host a rally and earn an apron! - submitted by Pat Shaw, #6318

Sun reflection while boondocking in desert at Quartzsite, AZ - submitted by Phil Presnell, #17350

Penn-Lehigh / New Jersey Units Joint Rally, Trailer & Flags at Jersey Shore Haven - submitted by Pat McFadden, #202

1962 Overlander Around the World Caravan reflected in a 1963 Bambi towed by 1947 Woody. Beautiful! - submitted by Linda Maddox, #7831

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