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"The trumpet of a prophesy! O Wind, If Winter comes, can Spring be far behind?" The poet Shelley's words of optimism come to my mind this time of the year. With the return of Daylight Savings Time and the first day of Spring just around the corner, I'm confident we'll be seeing the last days of Winter soon. As my home unit, the Watchung NJ Airstream Club says...it's time to "Unbutton your Rig". I know the Units of our Region 2 are busy filling their calendars with camping rallies and caravans. Kathi and I are looking forward to getting out and camping with as many of the Region 2 units as possible this year. I encourage all members of our Region to expand their horizons and look for opportunities to camp with other Units. How about planning more joint rallies. Share your camping schedule with other Units and extend an invitation. What a great way to meet more Airstream friends, perhaps discover a new camping spot and see a different part of the Region. All good stuff!

Speaking of good stuff, our Region 2 Rally to be held in Biglerville, PA from June 6th-9th is shaping up to be an outstanding event you won't want to miss. The Central Maryland Unit with help from surrounding units is planning a good time for all. I'm confident we will exceed last year's attendance numbers. Please talk it up within your membership and encourage participation. If each of our 16 units had at least 5 or 6 rigs there, we would be well on our way to 100 rigs or more. Registration is easy...just go to the Region 2 site and sign up with PayPal.

Next up is the International Rally July 20th-27th in Doswell, VA. As of February 1st approximately 750 Airstreams were registered! I'm excited to say that our Region 2 has **over 160** Airstreams registered! It is going to be a great rally and a wonderful time to meet and greet fellow Airstreamers. Stay tuned for more info on both the Region 2 Rally and the Doswell event.

Last but not least, 2019 seems to be a banner year for Units celebrating anniversary milestones:

WDCU	20 years
Delaware Valley	30 years
Pennsylvania Unit	50 years
DelMarVa Unit	55 years
Hudson Mohawk	55 years
Keystone	55 years
Ontario Canada	55 years

What accomplishment! Not just to be in existence for these extended years, but to be passing on the fun of friendship and Airstream adventures, of camaraderie and community and the love of all things Airstream. Congratulations to these units and their members! Keep on rolling!

Best regards to all

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