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Chatter Charter Oak Connecticut Airstream Club

June 2020

President's Message

by Kathy Fuller



THE SILVER LINING

Happy Spring Everybody! This is typically the time I would be gaveling in our spring business meeting.

Because of COVID 19 and the fact that our constitution does not require a spring meeting, I am asking you to take it upon yourselves to review the slate of international officers and the three amendments that we need to vote on within the first week of June. An abridged presentation is in this issue of the Chatter. A longer presentation of the officers and the amendments can be found in the

April issue of the Blue Beret or on airstreamclub.org/elections.

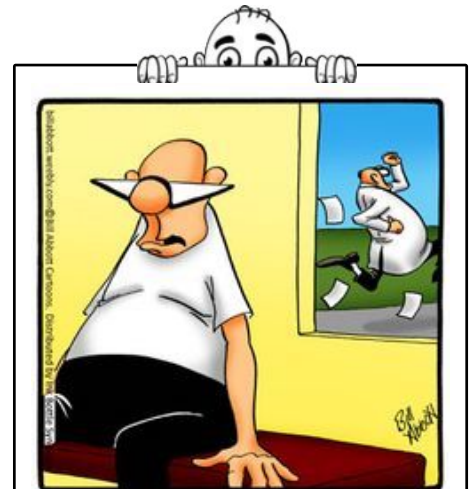
While keeping in touch with a variety of our members during this isolation period I've come to further respect our Charter Oakians. Several are making masks and donating them to hospitals, nursing homes and other organizations that benefit from them. Others are helping groups provide services during this time of increased need. Members are eating better, working on landscaping projects, gardening, home improvements, baking and addressing the seemingly endless need for trailer repairs and maintenance.

Getting together with family and friends digitally as been a wonderful way to relax and catch up with those important to us. My personal effort to perfect the art of sleeping-in is not going as planned. There seems to be a constant need for me to resurrect earlier than hoped. That "constant need" is my silver lining. We are healthy, safe and have the time to do more.

No one knows when we'll be able to see each other around a campfire again but I, for one, am looking forward to that time. Until then, I'll look forward to seeing you Thursdays on Zoom.

Stay well and make the most of your silver lining.

~ Kathy



"Sounds pretty serious. Is it contagious, Doc? Doc?"

Freedom is the most contagious virus known to man. - Hubert H. Humphrey

OH Nooo...

Bard & Kathy Had to leave their big trailer parked in Florida ...



But Wait!

Charter Oakians to the rescue. A special Airstream repurpose for these trying times? See page 3

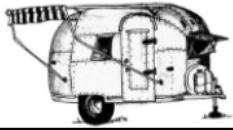
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a travel journal from our hearts

You enter a room. There are 34 people. A shooter enters and kills 30, how many people are left in the room?

Answer page 6



INTERNATIONAL CLUB VOTING

Our International club meetings continue albeit electronically. The results of these meetings include a slate of nominees for international officers and three amendments to the WBCCI constitution and bylaws. The following is an abridged presentation. I would suggest the April and May Blue Berets be read or go to airstreamclub.org/election if more details are desired.

Nominees for International Officers:

President- Andy Selking

1st Vice President- Tye Mott

2nd Vice President- Eric McHenry

3rd Vice President Per Hamnqvist

Recording Secretary- Judy Bechthold

Treasurer- Beth Hackney

Nominating Committee- Mark Hammer and Victoria Magnacca

Amendment 1 Article VI

This article clarifies WBCCI membership qualifications. This is a housekeeping procedure to avoid duplication between the constitution and bylaws without changing the policies in reference to membership.

Amendment 2 Article XII

Previously a Member-at-Large had no vote. This amendment allows Members-at-Large to utilize the Region President as their delegate.

Amendment 3

This is another housekeeping measure. All references to “Unit or Units” would be changed to “Local Club or Local Clubs” as appropriate. This is a change in terminology in our constitution for consistency.

After reading through the qualifications of the slate of officers and the rationales of the three amendments, my intention, as the Charter Oak CT Airstream Club’s delegate, is to vote in favor of the slate of officers as presented by the International Nominating Committee and the three amendments. If I hear no dissension by June 6th I will cast all our COCAC votes for the proposed slate and amendments. If I do have dissension I will conduct a membership vote shortly after June 6th. Only regular members of COCAC, not affiliates, may vote. Again, I would encourage reading the details presented in the April and May issues of the Blue Beret or online at airstreamclub.org/election. Please note that I am required to submit the local club’s vote no later than June 15th.

Kathy Fuller

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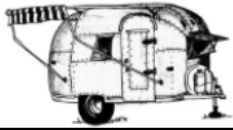
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President and Delegate

Charter Oak Connecticut Airstream Club



No Airstream rallies! Are you melancholy?



Bard's Suds, Brew and Beer Airstream



Never let a sitting Airstream go to waste. Instead of Bard's and Kathy's big Airstream sitting idle and empty Charter Oak club members Rich Kushman, Rick Petrie, Ken Hankinson and Ted Price can now quench their thirst and provide a much needed service to the entire community. Salute!



by Sandy Sasuta

This quarantine from the virus has turned us into dogs. We roam the house all day looking for food; We are told "NO" if we get too close to strangers, and we really get excited about car rides.

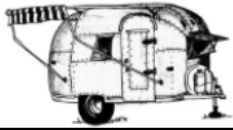
Had I known in March that it was the last time I would be in a restaurant, I would have ordered dessert. Please take your clothes out of the closet regularly, air them out and allow to stand in sunlight.

Recent studies show that if clothes are kept in closets over lockdown, they shrink.

Enough of that...Hope everyone is managing and adjusting to these critical times we live in. Some of us are still in Florida and the rest of us are home. Thanks again to **RUSS & RHONA FULLER** as they continue the Zoom get togethers at 5PM on Thursdays...please join us if you can.

Our sincere condolences to **BARBARA LANDMAN** on the passing of her husband **RAY** on Thursday, May 28, 2020. They were long time members of WBCCI and were very active in the Club, enjoying many caravans. Sending thoughts & prayers to the Landman Family.

Stay healthy, and we look forward to meeting soon. ~



Bard's Good, Bad and Bizarre Airstreams

In times of a pandemic the campgrounds are closed, we are quarantined, and the Airstream is sitting idle. This has led to desperate times with folks that just can't leave their trailer alone.



Robbie Barber of Texas made his own baby carriage.



How about donating your 28 foot trailer to the human society for a lawn ornament?



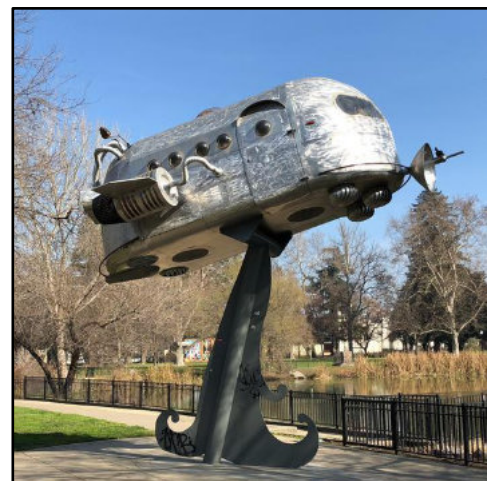
Your neighbors will love your putting a unique Elvis tribute on your front lawn using the end cap of your trailer.



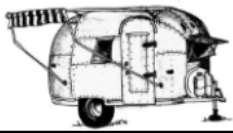
Connecticut's own Professor Edward Tufte from Woodbury was thinking out of this world for his pre-COVID creation.



When local ordinances only allow for outside dining this Arizona Airstreamer was only too willing to comply.



California's Joe Scarpa must have been very frustrated.



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Plenty of time to do all the chores ...Ken's favorite, washing and waxing the Airstream, hopefully for a trip soon!



Working in the community garden at Traveler's Rest digging up air-potato vine tubers. Fun Fun Fun! Also great exercise. Quick easy recipe for a great evening meal: Wine and Chips ☺



Mark Lupien busy with Ninja cooking.

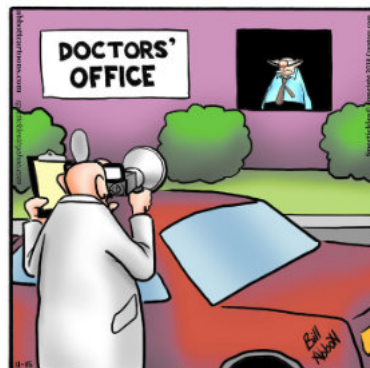


Marie Lupien keeping VERY busy with diamond art. Quite the gallery.

If it sounds crazy, is it crazy?

Prostitution is legal in Switzerland and can resume from June 6, along with cinemas, nightclubs and public pools, the government announced this week. Yet sports and activities that involve "close and constant" physical contact - such as judo, boxing and wrestling - will continue to be forbidden in an effort to stop the spread of the coronavirus...

~ Tampa Bay Times



"I said, it looks pretty contagious."

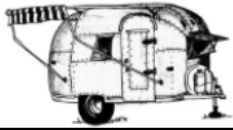
Now because of countless requests:

SWISS CHEESE CHICKEN

by Kathy Fuller:

- 8 boneless and skinless chicken breasts
- ¼ lb. Swiss cheese (can use no salt)
- 1 can cream of chicken soup
- ½ c white cooking wine
- ¼ c butter or margarine (melted)
- ¼ package Pepperidge Farm herb stuffing

Place chicken in a 9x13 baking dish. Lay slices of Swiss cheese over pieces of chicken. Mix chicken soup and wine together with whisk and pour over chicken and cheese. Sprinkle stuffing evenly over the top of all this. Pour melted butter or margarine over the stuffing and bake at 350 degrees for 1 hour.



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FOR SALE

Upcoming

Birthdays - Anniversaries

June

06/01	Fred & Dale McGoldrick
06/02	J. Rick Cipot & Sandi Gould
06/07	Per & Lilli Hamnqvist
06/08	Russ & Rhona Fuller
06/12	Jack & Jeanne Blandford
06/17	Jim & Corinne Burnham
06/18	Franklin & Jane Sanders
06/18	Chris & Carol Dubrowski
06/18	Howard & Mari-Jo Jones
06/19	William Turner
06/20	Russ Fuller
06/25	Guy & Laura Weik
06/25	Bob & Jean Landry
06/25	Trevor & Gale Lake
06/27	Toni Nolder
06/27	Evelyn Watts
06/28	Roland & Sandie St. Laurent
06/30	Niels & Lydia Rosenbeck

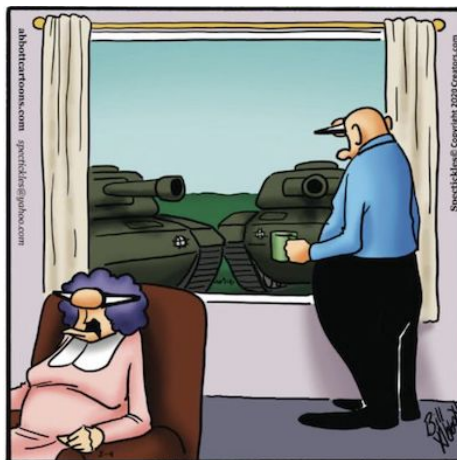
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07/01	Jim Burnham
07/02	Sally Kerr
07/02	Val & Aili Galasyn
07/03	Ted Price
07/03	Bruce Fletcher
07/05	Kathleen Kushman
07/05	Susan King
07/05	Robert & Estrella Krish
07/06	Dale McGoldrick
07/06	Cecile Lemaire
07/13	Stephen & Carol Kelly
07/20	Clarence (Bud) & Doris Gould
07/20	Robert Krish
07/21	Carol Kelly
07/26	Lois Price
07/29	Kathy Fuller



Airstream For Sale

2007 Classic 25 ft. Airstream 75th Anniversary Edition. One owner, excellent condition, Hensley Arrow hitch, awnings all around, twin beds. \$45,000 or best offer. Contact info: Sharon - 508-789-4066 or E-mail: Ss_harbourgirl@yahoo.com or Susan - 310-339-6113 E-mail: kcsuki@yahoo.com Sharon and Susan are Rose Tavares's daughters.



"Are they still encouraging us to stay indoors?"

1997 30' Airstream Limited - well maintained, tires two years old, all systems in working order, exterior has been re-polished and details replaced several years ago. Includes Hensley hitch. Asking \$36,000. Contact: Fred McGoldrick - freddalem@aol.com

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Answer:

People still in room - 30 dead people, 4 still alive people, the killer and you = 36.



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New Virtual Rally?



The Cask, The Flask and The Mask Stay at Home Rally

Join Us

Art work by Billy Steers



Joyce and Gilles Zooming...



Zoom virtual happy hours at 5 pm every Thursday.

Join us Charter Oak Connecticut Airstream Club We Rally Together

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No June Rally???????

By Joyce Rousseau #8988

Yes—it's true—The Lake, The Grape and the Crepe Rally at Lake Waramaug is cancelled. I didn't want to add anything to worry about to members who might attend, so thought it better to cancel.



BUT

there are still some reasons to smile!

Many of us are eager to gather and see friends, long time and new, in a more private place where rules aren't quite as strict and where we trust those around us more than the general public. Therefore, Gilles and I invite you to an event on Sunday, June 28 at 1:00 pm at our home in Southbury. We're planning on a **Hearty Happy Hour** luncheon and ask that everyone brings something to share (appetizer and/or finger food that can be served with a utensil) and drink, along with chairs and your favorite mask. We will provide dessert, maybe even crepes! We have plenty of room to spread out and will follow state rules that apply. It'll be a time for sharing and laughing with those we haven't seen in a while and those new to COCAC. Please try to join us!

When? Sunday, June 28, 1 pm

What? Hearty Happy Hour gathering

Where? 67 Horse Fence Hill Rd. Southbury—Gilles and Joyce Rousseau's

Bring? Appropriate food to share, drinks, chairs and masks. Dessert will be provided at no cost.

We enjoy being with our Charter Oak family, new and long time, and hope to see you then. Please email me at joycezr68@gmail.com or call 203-217-0503 by **June 20** to let me know if you will attend.

We Do More Together, even in these trying times!



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Summer Fun on the Connecticut River at The Pastures Campground Rally

Co-Hosted by Cape Cod Mass and Charter Oak CT Airstream Clubs

Friday July 10-12, 2020

The Pastures Campground, 499 NH Rte. 10, Orford, NH 03777

Rally Hosts: Eddie Carll, Roland & Sandie St. Laurent, and Toni Nolder

Come join us for a mid-summer weekend in the greater Orford area to kick back and enjoy friends, food and the local area..... This quintessential New England destination, nestled conveniently on the Connecticut River boarding Fairlee, VT and not far from the Dartmouth College area.

Enjoy.....

- ✕ Kayaking, Hiking or Biking
- ✕ Golf Country Club across the river at Lake Morrey in Fairlee VT
- ✕ Two first class fine dining places in Orford ; Ariana's and Peyton Place
- ✕ Flea market in Fairlee, VT
- ✕ Live music on The Common on Saturday evening in Orford.
- ✕ Kayak and Pontoon Boat rental are available for those who want to enjoy close to 40 miles of our beautiful section of the Connecticut River.

- ✕ 6 pm Friday evening Happy Hour - Heavy hors d' oeuvres. 8pm Campfire.
- ✕ 8 am Saturday Potluck Breakfast
- ✕ 5 pm Saturday Happy Hour followed by Summer Barbeque (Hamburgers, Hot Dogs and Corn) you might bring your favorite summer desert. 8 pm Campfire
- ✕ 8 am Sunday Continental Breakfast
- ✕ Coffee wil be provided each morning

Rally fee \$12.50 per person, which includes firewood and a kitty fee.

Camping rate is \$30 for RVs under 35 ft. and \$32 for larger units, for water/electric sites.

Please arrange your stay directly with Doug and Kim Robinson at 603-353-4579 or by email: camp@thepastures.com Stay longer if you like!

Names _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip Code _____

Phone _____ email _____

WBCCI # _____

Please fill out this form and mail your payment payable to:

Eddie Carll, 66 Perseverance Path, Plymouth, MA 02360

For additional information contact Eddie Carll at 508-454-6895 or ecarll62@gmail.com

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WINE TASTING RALLY

August 14-16, 2020

Traveler's Woods

152 River Street, Bernardston, MA. 01337

Water, 30/50 amp electric, two dump stations

Hosted by Wiley & Gail Downing

FRIDAY: Arrive after 11:00 AM

5:30 PM HEAVY HAPPY HOUR

SATURDAY: 8:30 AM Potluck Breakfast (bring your setups)

Hosts supplying coffee, tea, juice

Spend the day with lots of things to do in the area
(list of ideas at breakfast food table)

5:00 PM - Wine Tasting, please bring a small bottle of your favorite wine to share, your choice red or white. Host will supply cheese and crackers and small cups for sampling.

6:00 PM - Spaghetti and meatballs and hot/sweet Italian sausage. Green salad, Italian bread. Cookies for dessert. Bring your setups.

SUNDAY: 8:00 AM - Continental Breakfast including coffee, tea, juice

DEPARTURE: 2:00 PM

If you want to arrive a day early or stay a day later that is fine, the rate would be \$27

Reservations made with Gail and Wiley camping fee \$ 45.00 (payment prior to rally please)

Please mail checks made to Gail Downing. Mailing address: 8 Old Shelter Rock Road, Danbury, Ct. 06810 with the form below.

Kitty Fee \$10 per person payable at Rally

Name: _____ WBCCI # _____

Address: _____

Contact phone # _____

Camping Fee \$45.00

Number attending _____ X \$10.00 Per Person _____

Total: _____

Any questions please contact Gail at 203-241-2537. Or email: ctnanabug@comcast.
IF COVID-19 VIRUS EFFECTS THIS RALLY WE WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH YOU.