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Chatter

Charter Oak Connecticut Airstream Club

May 2020

President's Message

by Kathy Fuller



When life gives you lemons, make lemonade! COVID-19 is a definite lemon.

Last month I asked that we submit to the Chatter what we each were doing during our quarantine. For me and Bard, we are going through his dad's house to prepare it for eventual sale. Dad lived a long full life and has the treasures in his house to prove it. Lots and lots of treasures. The extensive genealogy has been fascinating. The stamp and coin collections have been challenging. The amount of paper (taxes, receipts, reports, letters, etc.) seems to be endless. Because so many

treasures have come back to our house for further review, I've not focused on house cleaning. (I think there's a cure for something growing on my kitchen floor.)

Amongst the treasures we found a piece of THE Charter Oak. How cool is that?

Personally, I have tried to focus on connecting with people...family, current members, past members, friends. I highly recommend it.

Club business continues. The new region one officers are president: Doug Hart, First VP: Bard Fuller, Second VP: RJ Dominic wich means Region One will remain well-guided.

Glenn Lessig, 1st VP, is trying to get a handle on the club's equipment. See his article in this issue. Summer rallies continue to be our elusive pot of gold. Wouldn't it be a great coincidence if Rousseau's hosted the last gathering before the quarantine and the first event after the quarantine is lifted? The Rousseaus and the Bachars are hosting The Lake, the Grape and the Crepe Rally at Lake Waramaug the last weekend in June. Lake Waramaug is a

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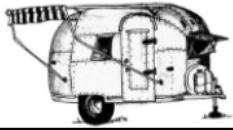
Anyone else's car
getting 3 weeks to the
gallon at the moment ?

Link....

*Billy Steers
Let's Just Go*

Two coins add up to 30 cents. One of them is not a nickel. What are the coins?

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by Sandy Sasuta

Many of us are still in Florida at Travelers Rest, following CDC guidelines, as we all should be doing. Someone said the pandemic made her realize she does not know her husband at all. Seems like everyone is adjusting and finding out how little we really need, and are thankful for what we do have. It is all the little things in life that count, and holds us together like the stitches in a garment.

Thank **Russ Fuller** for hosting the weekly 30-45 minute virtual happy hours. Note, they are every Thursday at 5pm using the link he provides in emails he sends out weekly. It has been a great way to interact whether you are in Florida, New York, Connecticut or Arizona. To be included email Russ.

Thank **Billy and Julie Steers** for their recent Facebook Live presentation on their Airstream storybook illustrations and story development.

SEE IT NOW - Link of the month.

Thank you to all who have made masks, the brave medical personnel, firemen, policemen, and other volunteers. Never did I imagine I'd go up to a bank teller with a mask on, asking for money.

I just asked a six year old if he understands why there is no school. He said yes, because they are out of toilet paper. I returned from the grocery store with the hubby...took off the masks. It turned out it was the wrong hubby. Be attentive! What did the old prune say to the other? I plum forgot.

Everyone be well and stay safe! Enjoy the beauty of the May spring flowers.

Side Note: Beer sales are soaring. ~

WHO WAS THAT MASKED PERSON?

"Don't you know? That's the Lone Airstreamer!"

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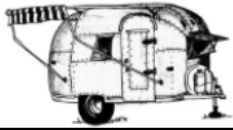


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HEY KEMO SABE, CAN YOU MATCH THE NAMES TO THE PICTURES?

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My Self Isolation Quarantine Diary

this and assorted cartoons submitted by
Kathy Fuller

Day 1 – I Can Do This!! Got enough food and wine to last a month!

Day 2 – Opening my 8th bottle of Wine. I fear wine supplies might not last!

Day 3 – Strawberries: Some have 210 seeds, some have 235 seeds. Who Knew??

Day 4 – 8:00pm. Removed my Day Pajamas and put on my Night Pajamas.

Day 5 – Today, I tried to make Hand Sanitizer. It came out as Jello Shots!!

Day 6 – I get to take the Garbage out. I'm So excited, I can't decide what to wear.

Day 7 – Laughing way too much at my own jokes!!

Day 8 – Went to a new restaurant called "The Kitchen". You have to gather all the ingredients and make your own meal. I have No clue how this place is still in business.

Day 9 – I put liquor bottles in every room. Tonight, I'm getting all dressed up and going Bar hopping.

Day 10 – Struck up a conversation with a Spider today. Seems nice. He's a Web Designer.

Day 11 – Isolation is hard. I swear my fridge just said, "What the hell do you want now?"

Day 12 – I realized why dogs get so excited about something moving outside, going for walks or car rides. I think I just barked at a squirrel.

Day 13 – If you keep a glass of wine in each hand, you can't accidentally touch your face.

Day 14 – Watched the birds fight over a worm. The Cardinals lead the Blue Jays 3-1.

Day 15 – Anybody else feel like they've cooked dinner about 395 times this month?

Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit.
Wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad.

President's Message Continued

peaceful state park that enables one to enjoy use of the lake, the nearby winery and the opportunity to catch up with our members. Two weeks after that is The Pastures Rally at Pastures Campground in Orford, NH that is co-hosted with the Cape Cod Mass Unit. Have those flyers ready to sign up once the state opens up. There is so much to look forward to in the coming months. Check our website or our directory for other upcoming events and prepare to attend!

See you around the campfire. ~ Kathy

Let Yourself Rest

Submitted by Beth Petrie

If you're exhausted, rest.

If you don't feel like starting a new project, don't.

If you don't feel the urge to make something new, just rest in the beauty of the old, the familiar, the known.

If you don't feel like talking, stay silent.

If you're fed up with the news, turn it off.

If you want to postpone something until tomorrow, do it.

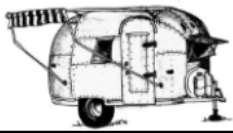
If you want to do nothing, let yourself do nothing today.

Feel the fullness of the emptiness, the vastness of the silence, the sheer life in your unproductive moments.

Time does not always need to be filled.

You are enough, simply in your being.

~ Jeff Foster



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Region Rally Time

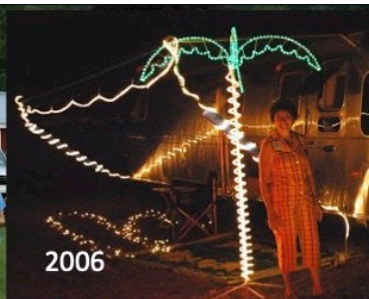
Thanks for all the work everyone has put into preparation for the Hebron rally! Unfortunately, we are left without a region rally this month. But we do have many wonderful memories of previous region rallies. Looking forward to next year. ~ Bard



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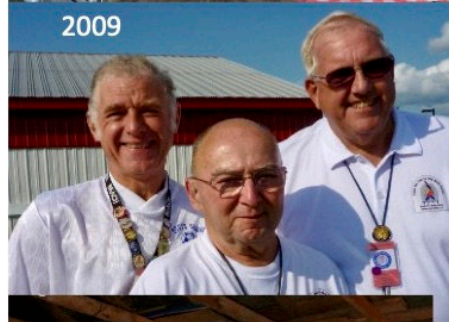
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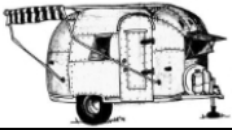
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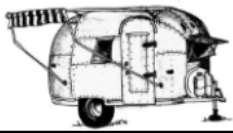
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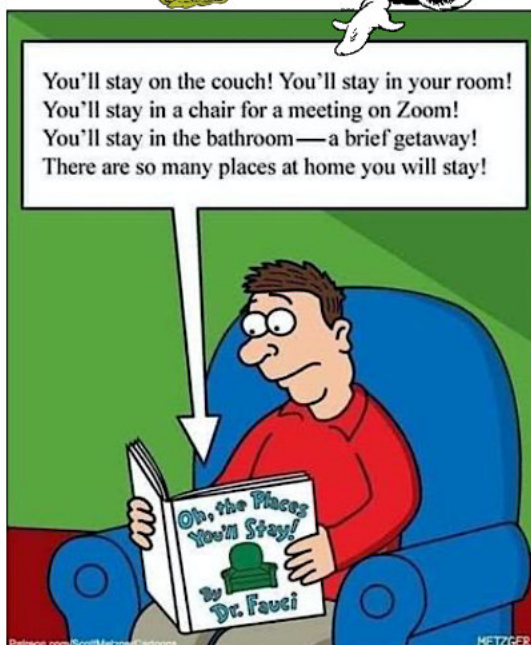
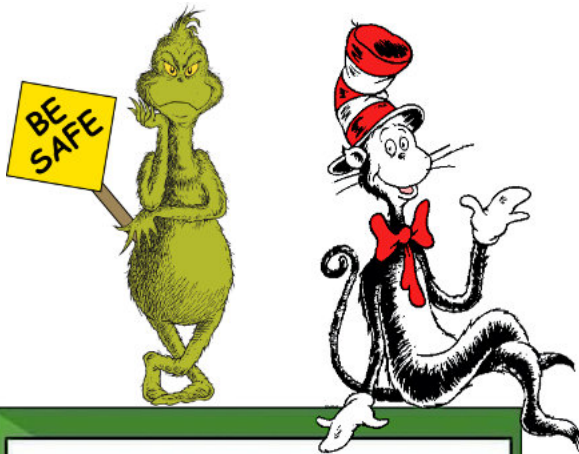




COCAC Tent - Needs a new home

by Glen Lessig BRN 2609

The photo was taken at the Marina Rally on the Connecticut River, our very first campout with our new Airstream. Christine and I have fond memories of being welcomed with COCAC name tags by Sandy Sasuta and meeting our new best traveling friends under the Blue and White COCAC tent! The club's tent has been in the club for about fifteen years and is an important club asset. Many club meetings, enjoyable happy hours, and delicious meals have been hosted under this inviting canopy. The club's tent is moderately easy for members to set up/take down and transport, with side curtains if needed for those cool New England evenings.



For the first many years, the tent was generously stored by several different club members. First, with the Soucys and the Burnhams for approximately ten years, then the Fullers hosted it for a couple of years, and most recently the tent has made its home in Evie and Bill Watts's barn. Thank you so much to these members who stored and maintained our tent. The club is now looking for a new storage home for our tent.

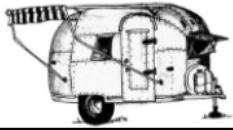
Tent specifications

- Main tent 2 ½' x 2 ½' folded, ~50#
- Side panels 2' x 2' folded, ~40#
- Poles, 26, 4' lengths
- Stakes, canvas bag

If you are planning to attend our upcoming rallies, and have room to store our most valuable tent, please let me glessig@gmail.com or President Kathy Fuller cmers3@hotmail.com know of your interest.

Be well as we navigate these unprecedented times. See you down the road, SOON! ~

Evening news is where they begin with 'Good Evening,' and then proceed to tell you why it isn't.



Homographs

by Russ Melocik

Revisited

First appeared in October 2013 Chatter

Homographs are words of like spelling but with more than one meaning. A homograph that is also pronounced differently is a heteronym.

- 1) The bandage was wound around the wound.
- 2) The farm was used to produce produce.
- 3) The dump was so full that it had to refuse more refuse.
- 4) We must polish the Polish furniture..
- 5) He could lead if he would get the lead out.
- 6) The soldier decided to desert his dessert in the desert..
- 7) Since there is no time like the present, he thought it was time to present the present.
- 8) A bass was painted on the head of the bass drum.
- 9) When shot at, the dove dove into the bushes.
- 10) I did not object to the object.
- 11) The insurance was invalid for the invalid.
- 12) There was a row among the oarsmen about how to row.
- 13) They were too close to the door to close it.
- 14) The buck does funny things when the does are present.
- 15) A seamstress and a sewer fell down into a sewer line.
- 16) To help with planting, the farmer taught his sow to sow.
- 17) The wind was too strong to wind the sail.
- 18) Upon seeing the tear in the painting I shed a tear..
- 19) I had to subject the subject to a series of tests.
- 20) How can I intimate this to my most intimate friend?

Let's face it - English is a crazy language. There is no egg in eggplant, nor ham in hamburger; neither apple nor pine in pineapple. English muffins weren't invented in England or French fries in France. Sweetmeats are candies while sweetbreads, which aren't sweet, are meat. We take English for granted. But if we explore its paradoxes, we find that quicksand can work slowly, boxing rings are square and a guinea pig is neither from Guinea nor is it a pig.

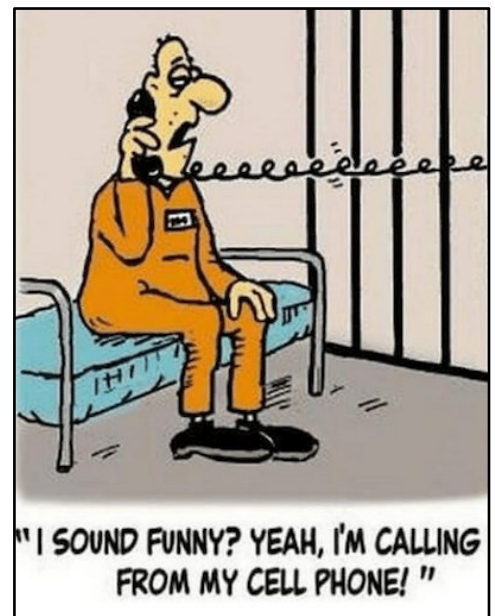
If the plural of tooth is teeth, why isn't the plural of booth, beeth? One goose, 2 geese. So one moose, 2 meese? One index, 2 indices? Doesn't it seem crazy that you can make amends but not one amend?

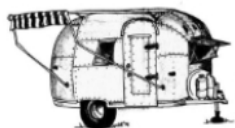
If teachers taught, why didn't preachers praught? If a vegetarian eats vegetables, what does a humanitarian eat?

Sometimes I think all the English speakers should be committed to an asylum for the verbally insane. In what language do people recite at a play and play at a recital? Ship by truck and send cargo by ship? Have noses that run and feet that smell? How can a slim chance and a fat chance be the same, while a wise man and a wise guy are opposites? You have to marvel at the unique lunacy of a language in which your house can burn up as it burns down, in which you fill in a form by filling it out and in which, an alarm goes off by going on.

English was invented by people, not computers, and it reflects the creativity of the human race, which, of course, is not a race at all. That is why, when the stars are out, they are visible, but when the lights are out, they are invisible.

PS. - Why doesn't 'Buick' rhyme with 'quick'? ~





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Upcoming

Birthdays - Anniversaries



Airstream For Sale

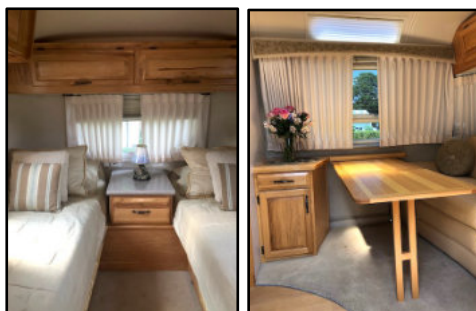
2007 Classic 25 ft. Airstream 75th Anniversary Edition. One owner, excellent condition, Hensley Arrow hitch, awnings all around, twin beds. \$45,000 or best offer. Contact info: Sharon - 508-789-4066 or E-mail:

Ss_harbourgirl@yahoo.com

or Susan - 310-339-6113

E-mail: kcsuki@yahoo.com

Sharon and Susan are Rose Tavares's daughters.



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NOTE

The Autumn
Magic Buddy
Rally

September 10-13, 2020

Will now be hosted by
Bill & Evie Watts

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 Visit us on Facebook

Answer:

A quarter and a nickel. One of the coins is not a nickel. The other one is.

May

- 05/01 Bard Fuller
- 05/03 Joyce Rousseau
- 05/05 John J. & Serafina M. Bachar
- 05/05 Elizabeth Turner
- 05/06 Gilles Rousseau
- 05/11 Jean Landry
- 05/14 David & Paulette Jensen
- 05/15 Jerry Jackson
- 05/15 Michael Brodeur
- 05/16 Grace Fuller
- 05/16 David Jensen
- 05/17 Raymond Richard
- 05/20 Donald & Eileen Allers
- 05/21 William Watts
- 05/26 Richard & Kathleen Kushman
- 05/26 Ted & Lois Price
- 05/28 Wiley & Gail Downing
- 05/31 Michael & Sandy Sasuta

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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A Rally to look forward to! June 26–28, 2020 Lake Waramaug State Park

The Lake,



The Grape,



**and
The Crepe!**



Join us in this beautiful setting to share in our love of camping—dry in this case, but alcohol is permitted. Reserve your site with ReserveAmerica. Your hosts are on site 35.

Friday—Arrive: after 1 pm

Hearty Happy Hour at 5 pm

Saturday—8:30 am Breakfast provided—Scrambled eggs, sausage, Rolls/English muffins, fruit. BYO beverage

Day to wander and view the sights in Litchfield County.

5 pm—Light Happy Hour—bring a bottle of red to sample

6 pm—Dinner provided – Boeuf bourguignon, baguettes, and crepes for dessert, made by Gilles, with assorted toppings

Sunday—Pot luck breakfast 8:30 am Depart by 11 am

Hosted by: Joyce and Gilles Rousseau and Serafina and John Bachar

Kitty fee—\$15 per person payable at the site. Call or email Joyce by June 20 to let me know how many are coming.

joyce68@gmail.com or 203–264–5372)

We'll keep our eye out for any changes caused by Covid-19. Looking forward to seeing you there!!!!

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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

The Pastures Campground Rally Friday July 10-12, 2020

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

Join us Charter Oak Connecticut Airstream Club We Rally Together

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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.