



## Message from the President

~ Kathy Fuller

Someone once said that we stand on the shoulders of those who came before us. The Charter Oak unit has stood tall for years as people challenged themselves and stepped forward to lead. Although I can't name everyone who stepped forward to be President, I would like to acknowledge a few. My husband, Bard, who mentored Evelyn Watts. Evie then encouraged Joyce Rousseau, who was dealing with a mountain of administrative projects. Gail Downing stepped up and made the job look easy with her grace under fire. These people, and many that came before them, are appreciated beyond words.

Now it is my turn. Fortunately, Bard is at my side as chief counsel.

I hope you'll enjoy the rally schedule for 2020 and participate whenever possible. This is considered a "teaser" schedule since it will continue to evolve. If you see a gap in the schedule that you'd like to fill, such as with a luncheon or rally or rendezvous, let me know! Where is it written we can only do one gathering a month?! The schedule reflects the efforts of some new hosts and new locations. Get out your 2020 calendars and start reserving dates, especially for the Region 1 Rally in May!

If you haven't gone south for the winter, please join us on December 8<sup>th</sup> at Dakota Steakhouse in Rocky Hill. They have a fabulous buffet brunch with many gluten free and vegetarian options. ~

See you down the road ! ~ Kathy



*Now we're talking...!*



*New board members Glen Lessig, Kathy Fuller, Carol & Chris Dubrowski.*

### Question

A man and a dog were going down the street. The man rode, And walked. What was the dog's name?

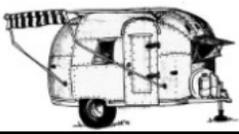
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### Next

**Holiday Brunch**  
**12/08**

### LINK OF THE MONTH

[Tiny Shiny Home](#)



*President Kathy gives the Membership Report*



*This is what you get when you don't like pink flamingos.*



*Wiley gets the credit he's due - really COOL!*



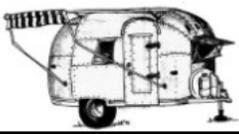
*Bard Fuller, Region One 2nd VP, installing new officers*



*Gail now has the two vases she wanted to buy at International.*



*Poor Glen! He only got a little piece of paper not a new badge.*



### Charter Oak Connecticut Airstream Club Board of Directors

President <b>Kathy Fuller</b>		Treasurer <b>Sandy Sasuta</b>	
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First Year Director <b>Mike Sasuta</b>		Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless. - Sherry Anderson	



~ Sandy Sasuta

Welcome to new members **THOMAS & MAUREEN MOORE #4971** from Hebron, CT. How convenient to reside in Hebron, CT, the location of our upcoming 2020 Region One Rally location at the Hebron Lions Fairgrounds. Hope to meet you soon.

Michael & I, along with **MARK & MARIE LUPIEN** and **DICK & KIT WHEATLEY**, had a great time at the annual Storytelling Rally in TN, October 4-6, 2019. Definitely a rally that everyone should experience, at least once.

Great job by **MARIE LUPIEN** on finishing a project with 20,000 beads. She placed each bead one at a time using tweezers, patience, perseverance, and moxie. (see photo)

**BARD & KATHY FULLER** had a wonderful time at the wedding of their son **BRIAN & YASI** in Kentucky, along with their family. Congratulations to the happy couple.

Thank you to **GAIL DOWNING** for her year as President; she did a great job, along with **WILEY**, of course. Now congratulations to the new president **KATHY FULLER**, and the new slate of officers. Looking forward to the 2020 activities.

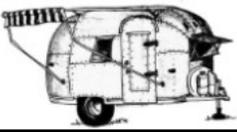
Many of us have returned to Travelers Rest in Dade City for the winter...stop by and visit if you are traveling in this area. We even have yellow Cardinal birds in Florida.

Don't forget to pay your 2020 dues on line: [airstreamclub.org](http://airstreamclub.org) or send me a check. Thank you to those that have renewed already.

Next gathering Dec. 8, 2019 Holiday Luncheon in Rocky Hill, CT (see flyer) ~



Marie Lupien - still sane after all those beads!



## 2019 **DECEMBER** 2019

December 8 **Holiday Luncheon - Dakota Steakhouse, Rocky Hill, CT**  
Hosted by: Wiley & Gail Downing, 203-790-8592 [ctnanabug@comcast.net](mailto:ctnanabug@comcast.net)

**2020 EVENTS**  
Watch for Updates

## JANUARY



January 15 **West Coast Region One Luncheon**  
Asian Buffet, Wesley Chapel, FL at 12:30 PM.  
Sandy Sasuta [sandysas1001@gmail.com](mailto:sandysas1001@gmail.com)

## MARCH

St Patrick's Day Gathering - **Up for Grabs - Host Needed!**

## MAY

May 15-17 **"Who Gives a Hoot Rally" at Water's Edge Campground**  
Lebanon, CT - Hosted by: Sandy and Michael Sasuta & Carol and Chris Dubrowski - Spring Business Meeting  
[sandysas1001@gmail.com](mailto:sandysas1001@gmail.com)

May 28-31 **"Oh! The Places You'll Go" Region 1 Rally**  
Hebron Lions Fairground in Hebron, CT  
Hosted by: Charter Oak Connecticut Airstream Club  
Chairman: Bard Fuller [bardfuller@hotmail.com](mailto:bardfuller@hotmail.com)



## JUNE

June 20-27 **"Follow Your Wanderlust!" International Rally in Loveland, CO**

June 26-28 **"The Lake, the Grape and the Crepe Rally"**  
Lake Waramaug State Park in Warren, CT  
Hosted by: Joyce and Gilles Rousseau (on site 35) & Serafina and John Bachar  
[joycezr68@gmail.com](mailto:joycezr68@gmail.com)  
Reserve site through Reserve America.

## JULY

July 10-12 **The Pastures Rally at Pastures Campground in Orford, NH**  
Hosted by: Nanci and Eddie Carl, Sandy and Roland St. Laurent & Toni Nolder  
[ecarl62@gmail.com](mailto:ecarl62@gmail.com) Joint rally with Cape Cod Mass Airstream Club

## AUGUST

August 14-16 **"Wine Tasting Rally" at Travelers Woods of New England**  
Bernardston, MA  
Hosted by: Gail and Wiley Downing [ctnanabug@comcast.net](mailto:ctnanabug@comcast.net)

## SEPTEMBER

September 10-13 **"Autumn Magic - Buddy Rally" at the fairgrounds in New Paltz, New York**  
Hosted by: Kathy and Rich Kushman & Beth and Rick Petrie  
[rich\\_kath@icloud.com](mailto:rich_kath@icloud.com) or [tprobe47@att.net](mailto:tprobe47@att.net)

## OCTOBER

October 2-4 **"Fuller Foliage Folly" at Ross Hill Family Campground in Jewett City, CT**  
Hosted by: Russ and Rhona Fuller & Bard and Kathy Fuller  
Installation and Fall Business Meeting  
[fuller1745@att.net](mailto:fuller1745@att.net) or [bardfuller@hotmail.com](mailto:bardfuller@hotmail.com)

## REMINDER

### Oh, the Places You'll Go!

### Airstream Picture Board

We hope to have a picture board at the 2020 Region Rally of all of our members' trailers/motor homes in front of some recognizable landmark anywhere in America.

It could be next to a sign, a vista, or the landmark itself. It could be in Connecticut or Utah or Florida or wherever. Let us show off to our fellow Airstreamers the many locations we have taken our beloved Airstreams!! The photo should be a 4x6 snapshot print that will be displayed in Hebron next May.

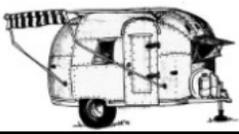


*Rich & Kathy Kushman #1442 at the Longaberger Basket Factory.*

So search your digital photos for that iconic snapshot and have it printed. If you don't have a photo of your Airstream in front of a landmark then this is your assignment over the next several months. ~

**"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart."**

*~Elizabeth Andrew*



## COCAC at the Columbus Day/Canadian Thanksgiving Day Rally

~ Joyce Rousseau

Four members of our Charter Oak Club attended the weekend event in Leicester, Vt. From Oct. 11-14- John and Fina Bachar, Bill and Evie Watts, Howie and Mari-Jo Jones, and Gilles and I. It was our first time and we were impressed with the friendliness and efficiency of the people from Cape Cod hosting the event and the variety of places to visit in the area. (We experienced the Shelburne Museum with its incredible art collection and variety of early century crafts and the Lake Champlain Maritime Museum. We highly recommend both, but especially the former.) The weather was wonderfully cooperative with pleasant temperatures, clear skies and abundant sunshine. The surrounding trees were in peak color and one view was beat out by the one around the next curve. The guest of honor, by far, was the International Airstream Club President, Mona Heath. She was warm and friendly with a great personality and a cute traveling companion, her dog, Izzie. I was pleased to invite her to attend our Region 1 Rally in May. She promises to try to attend given her other commitments.

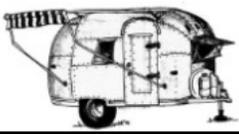
I can't forget to mention one of the highlights of the event- the turkey dinner, of course. Larry LaMontagne smoked 4 turkeys on site- the best we've ever tasted. It was served with all the fixings carefully peeled and cut up by volunteer hands earlier in the day. There was always an overabundance of food at any meal or Happy Hour, with participation by all. A great big THANK YOU!!! goes to RJ Dominic and Tye Mott, our International 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, for all their efforts in planning and completion along with their well-trained helpers. This is definitely a rally you should put on your "to do" list. ~



Gilles "Snuggle" Rousseau with International President Mona Heath.



Puppy question for Joyce - "Is he Izzie?"



# Connecticut

Charter Oak Connecticut Airstream Club

## Chatter

November 2019

### November

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 11/01 Sandy Sasuta
- 11/02 Gilles & Joyce Rousseau
- 11/09 Clarence (Bud) Gould
- 11/10 Beth Petrie
- 11/27 Ken Hankinson & Pam Forsyth
- 11/28 Cynthia Melocik

### December

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 12/05 Cynthia Brodeur
- 12/12 Charlotte LaRocca
- 12/13 Sandra Flood
- 12/15 Gale Lake
- 12/20 Christine Lessig
- 12/21 Kris Fletcher
- 12/23 Ray & Barbara Landman
- 12/28 Fred & Susan Newman
- 12/29 Chris Dubrowski



**Visit Us On**  
**Facebook**  
Thanks to Glen Lessig!

## FOR SALE

**NEW**, in box, Dometic Penguin air conditioner shroud - grey. Item #3308046.022. Cost from Dometic \$118.79. Asking \$60.00. Fred McGoldrick [freddalem@aol.com](mailto:freddalem@aol.com)

### 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](mailto:Ss_harbourgirl@yahoo.com) or Susan - 310-339-6113 or E-mail: [kcsuki@yahoo.com](mailto:kcsuki@yahoo.com). Sharon and Susan are Rose Tavares's daughters.

## RAFFLE REMINDER



Help Joyce Rousseau and the Raffle team. Collect your raffle gifts and have them ready for the Region One Rally.

## RAFFLE REMINDER

**"You make a living by what you get. You make a life by what you give."** ~Winston Churchill



2007 25 ft Classic



## LINKS

- Connecticut Unit Website <https://charteroakconnecticut.airstreamclub.net>
- Cape Cod Unit: ..... <https://capecodmassachusetts.airstreamclub.net>
- Nice assortment of links: ... [www.airstreamtrailers.com](http://www.airstreamtrailers.com)
- Region One Website:..... <http://region1.wbcci.net>
- Airstream Life: ..... <http://airstreamlife.com>
- WBCCI:..... <http://www.wbcci.org>

**Answer  
And**

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SEE MORE - DO MORE - LIVE MORE

CHARTER OAK AIRSTREAM CONNECTICUT  
HOLIDAY BRUNCH 2019

December 8, 2019

12:30pm - 3:30 pm

Dakota Steakhouse

1489 Silas Dean Hwy, Rocky Hill, Ct

Holiday Brunch Menu

Scrambled Eggs  
Fresh Seasonal Fruit

Omelets Made-to-Order  
Bagels and Cream Cheese  
Homemade Belgian Waffles  
Bacon, Sausage, Homefries

Assorted Pastries and Muffins

Smoked Seafood, Carving Stations  
Assorted Hot Entrees (seasonal)

Our Farm-Fresh Salad Bar  
Assorted Cheeses and Cold Cuts  
Assorted Cakes, Pies, and Candies  
Juice, Soda, Milk, Coffee, and Tea

Please join us for our annual Holiday get together.  
This year we will enjoy the renowned Brunch at the Dakota  
Steakhouse in Rocky Hill, CT Cost per person will be \$35

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending \_\_\_\_\_ x \$35 = \_\_\_\_\_

Please make check payable to: Gail Downing

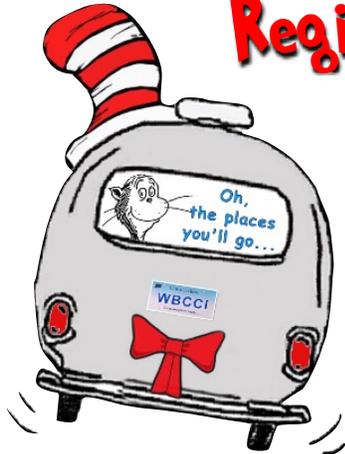
Mail to: 8 Old Shelter Rock Rd., Danbury, CT 06810

No later than November 20, 2019



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Region One Rally Welcome to Wally's Whoooville!!



May 28-31, 2020

Oh, the Places You'll Go Rally!

Seussically Hosted by

Charter Oak Connecticut Airstream Club

Hebron Lions Fairgrounds

347 Gilead Street, Hebron, CT
Water, electric (20 amp), dump station



Attractions:

Hartford:

- Mark Twain House
Coltville National Park
Conn. Science Museum
Breweries

CT River Valley:

- Gillette Castle
Dinosaur Museum

Thames River Valley:

- Mohegan Sun Casino
Wineries

Local:

- Nathan Hale Homestead
University of Connecticut
Biking & Hiking
More Wineries

Evening Entertainment
Dr. Seuss Costume Parade

Region One Business Meeting & Seminar

Whoofeasts:

- 2 Catered Dinners
1 Heavy Happy Hour
2 Hot Breakfasts
1 Continental Breakfast

Rally Hosts: Bard & Kathy Fuller

bardfuller@hotmail.com

call 860-302-1365

Discounted Fee \$299 (couple)

After 4/1/2020 Full Fee \$319.00

Pet friendly (on leash)

Arrive after 11am May 28

Depart by 12noon May 31

Fairground parking:

Come with min. 50ft of hose & 2 Y's

additional 25ft of electrical cord

20 amp adapter

Planned Area Tours
Bike Rides - Flea Market

Discussion Sessions:

- Technical - Hobbies
Crafts - VAC Historical

2020 Cancellation Policy:

- Before 4/1 Full Refund
4/1- 5/20 - \$150 Refund
After 5/20 - \$75 Refund



Green Eggs & Ham

I will attend the Airstream Region One Rally May 28-31,2020 WBCCI # \_\_\_\_\_

Names \_\_\_\_\_ Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Airstream Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Length \_\_\_\_\_ State/License \_\_\_\_\_

Tow Vehicle Make: \_\_\_\_\_ State/License \_\_\_\_\_

#Children 0-12{FREE} \_\_\_\_\_ #Children 13-17{\$50} \_\_\_\_\_ #Guests {\$50} \_\_\_\_\_

Any Significant Dietary Concerns? \_\_\_\_\_

Will you require Handicap Parking? \_\_\_\_\_ Will you have a pet? \_\_\_\_\_

Is Airstream Vintage(25 years or older)? \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Discounted Base Fee US \$299.00

(3 nights camping / 2 Adults)

After 4/1/2020 Add \$20.00 + \_\_\_\_\_

Guest and Children over 12

Add \$50.00 ea. + \_\_\_\_\_

Single in RV Deduct \$50.00 - \_\_\_\_\_

2 night stay Deduct \$50.00 - \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount \_\_\_\_\_

Checks Payable to: COCAC

Mail to: Sandy Sasuta
476 Milford Point Road
Milford, CT 06460