



# Connecticut



Charter Oak Chatter

May 2013



## Presidents Message

~ Fran Ingallinera

The first business meeting for 2013 was well attended. I was especially happy to see Region One President, Raymond Richard and First Lady, Cynthia at the meeting. We really need to appreciate the efforts of these two dedicated COCU members. They flew up from Florida where they now reside, especially to attend our business meeting. Raymond flew back the next day to get back to work. Cynthia is spending the week here checking out the Berlin Fairgrounds for the upcoming Region One Rally, "Putting on the Airs". These are two hard working club members. Raymond could use your help by registering now for the Region One Rally. From the things he told us at the business meeting it is going to be a terrific rally with something for everyone.

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## April Lunch

~ Kathy Fuller

The sun was shining. The birds were chirping and twelve Charter Oak members laughed and talked and ate.

The luncheon at Tower Ridge Country Club in Simsbury on Sunday April 7th was hosted by Juanita and Seb Pistretto. The food was even more enjoyable as we were able to enjoy the view over the fairways and up to Hublein Tower.

In addition to catching up with each other we welcomed new members Jack and Jeanne Blandford from Stamford, CT. They are looking forward to using their 2013 25' Flying Cloud.

Second VP Bard Fuller welcomed the group and elaborated on upcoming rallies in Regions One and Two. Our thanks to the Pestretto's for a wonderful afternoon! ~

### Upcoming Events

#### June 7 - 9

Rally Charlie Brown Campground  
Mike and Sandy Sasuta

#### July 12 - 14

Rally - Wolf's Den Campground  
Mark Lupien

#### August 8 - 11

Region One Rally - Berlin Fairgrounds -  
Raymond Richard

### Are You In The Know

**Men can read smaller print than women can; women can hear better.**

**Coca Cola was originally green.**

**It is impossible to lick your elbow.**

**The State with the highest percentage of people who walk to work: Alaska**

### Question

- A. What english word means burning wood when you take away the first letter of the word?
- B. What's the difference between broccoli and boogers?
- C. What's the difference between a guitar and a fish?
- D. Which moves faster: heat or cold?

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## Presidents Message from page 1

The votes submitted by the members via email were added to the votes at the meeting. We selected Raymond Richard to be our delegate at the International Rally and awarded Raymond and Cynthia \$200 to use to entertain Region One members attending the International. The motor home issue brought lots of discussion. The majority voted down the proposed amendment. Raymond will cast our vote at the International. Gilles Rousseau pointed out we no doubt will see a similar motor home amendment proposed next year.

The Spring business meeting will be held in June next year but since the month of the Spring meeting is not in the by-laws, future Presidents may chose to have the meeting any time. The November meeting, however, is in our Constitution as our Charter Member, Ruth Crockett pointed out. Therefore, the motion to change the November business meeting to October was tabled and will be voted on at the next business meeting which I will hold on Saturday morning at this year's June Rally hosted by Michael and Sandy Sasuta at Charlie Brown Campground. This is to comply with COCU's Constitution regarding amendments to it. I hope you'll make an effort to join us at that rally.

Charlie Wilson updated the group on the Hot Air Balloon Rally he is hosting in September. Bob Sandall pointed out, that when Charlie puts a rally together its first class. That's why I asked Charlie to take this on two years ago. You'll be seeing information in the Chatter as the event draws near.

That's all for now, folks. Be well, be safe, and be happy,

Fran Ingallinera, COCU President - 18081

## In The Know

**The percentage of Africa that is wilderness: 28% (now get this...)**

**The percentage of North America that is wilderness: 38%**

**The cost of raising a medium size dog to the age of eleven: \$ 16,400**

**The average number of people airborne over the U.S. in any given hour: 61,000**

**Intelligent people have more zinc and copper in their hair..**

**The first novel ever written on a typewriter, Tom Sawyer.**



It appears the Margaritas were flowing at the May rally...





# HAIR TODAY - GONE TOMORROW

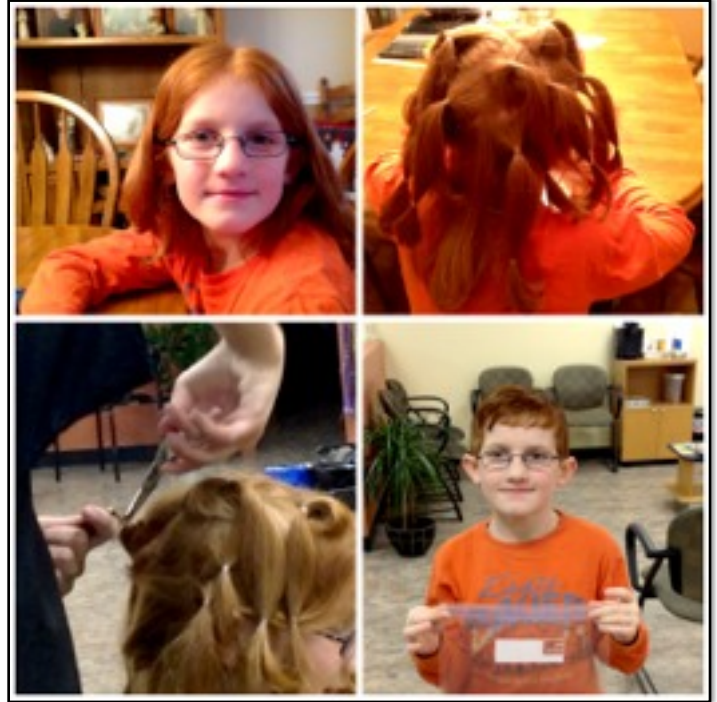
~ Lois Price

Sometimes I wonder what the younger generation will become when I see them with their iPhones, etc. - in their own world - one in which I do not understand. So when I learned about the story I am about to tell, I was deeply moved.

Kathy and Rich Kushman have 2 grandsons - Max, age 9, and Dane, age 7, sons of Daughter Marabeth and Son-in-Law Alan Stormann.

One day Max came home from school and announced that he wanted to grow his hair and give it to a program "Pantene Beautiful Lengths" through the American Cancer Society. This program donates wigs made from natural hair to Cancer patients. He wasn't specific about how he learned about the program, but he knew that his Mom and a few girls in school had donated hair. He also knew that his family supported several charities, and Max thought this was something he could give; he did not want to do it for the attention.

In April, 2012 Max began the growing process; he was quiet about why he went from short to long; interestingly, his classmates, adults and his teachers, were kind in their remarks: "That's cool"; "That's nice"; "How wonderful"; "Such a generous thing to do"; "Impressive"; "Impressive"; "Heartfelt wishes". Max said that having long hair kept his neck warm! Of course, there were further questions after max cut his hair!!



Pantene started the Beautiful Length program in July, 2006 and have donated over 24,000 free real-hair wigs to the American Cancer Society's Wig Bank.

There are various requirements in preparing hair for this program:

- Use a conditioner after every wash
- Use a brush on wet hair and after conditioner is applied
- Use a comb with wide set teeth
- Hair must be a minimum of 8 inches long before cutting
- No dye
- No more than 5% grey
- Cut hair special way and prep for sending to Pantene

For further information regarding this worthwhile charity contact:

Pantene Beautiful Lengths  
Attn: 192-123 20770  
Westwood Dr.  
Strongsville, OH 44149

To see if you are eligible to receive a free wig or if there are wigs available in your area, call ACS Wig Bank Line at 1-877-227-1596

Only time will tell if Max's Brother Dane will follow in his Brother's footsteps and be a donor sometime in the future - he has indicated to his parents that he would. Dane already donates his toys to Goodwill. He has just recently won "Student of the Month" for being caring to his peers.

Ted and I can attest to the fact that these two fine young boys do a mean car wash - which includes the driveway, side of the house, patio furniture, "Themselves", and everything else within 50 feet!

Perhaps the ACS will sometime have a need for facial hair and Grandpa Rich will be at the "ready"!

Keep up the good work Max and Dane; we are very proud of you both.

Thanks Kathy and Rich Kushman for their contributions to this story - some remarks are direct quotes. ~



## Too Brief but Beautiful - Newfoundland

~ Dick & Eileen Bartram

From late June, 2012 to late July, Eileen & I traveled to Newfoundland, Canada in a pickup/camper we purchased from Reggie & Jackie Brown. A



two day drive of 1,000 miles brought us to North Sydney, Nova Scotia-the departure point for the ferry ride to Port aux Basques, Nfld. Before departing, we stayed at The Golden Arm Campground in North Sydney.

Once in Newfoundland, we drove to a campground in Codroy, stayed a few days and took in lots of good scenery. The next day, we drove North to Rocky Harbor (Good Sam Park) and spent a few days seeing the area, and taking in a wonderful show, "Anchors Aweigh". This is a local group of musicians that can really entertain!



We then went to the far North to visit the site of the first European (Norwegian) settlement in North America (about 1,000 AD), Le Anse aux Meadows. You could see Labrador from there (another ferry). Time did not permit that adventure, leaving a good reason to go back!

Returning South, then East past Gander (where so many trans- Atlantic planes landed on 911) we continued toward St. John's. Our plans called for 3 days at Pipi park, but we extended the visit to 7 days. So much to see there!

The return trip to the same port went well, and we caught the midnight ferry back to North Sydney.

We have never met more friendly people than in Newfoundland. There is no doubt that we will return to see more, including Labrador. By the way, construction is underway on a paved road through Quebec into Labrador.

One final note: All drivers in the Eastern Provinces, especially Newfoundland, return to the right lane after passing. We never saw a vehicle staying in the left lane, blocking traffic. ~



The only sure bulwark of continuing liberty is a government strong enough to protect the interests of the people, and a people strong enough and well enough informed to maintain its sovereign control over the government.

~ Franklin D. Roosevelt



## You know you have Airstream fever if...

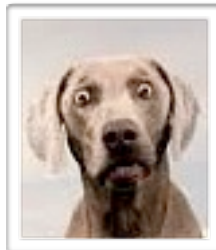
1. Your Airstream is parked inside a heated garage and your personal vehicle is outside.
2. You wear your Wally beret as a shower cap.
3. You can discuss the differences of a Hensley vs Propride hitch until the cows come home.
4. You introduce your Airstream to friends and relatives by her first name.
5. Your family album is predominantly Airstreams.
6. If you instinctively duck when approaching a doorway.
7. You can't remember the night you lost your virtue but you vividly remember your first night in an Airstream.
8. If you put your house street number over your home's front and back doors in big red numbers.
9. If you sit in your lawn chair facing the Airstream when you go camping.
10. If you attempt to flush your house toilet with your foot.

~ Submitted by Bard Fuller

### RAFFLES & DOOR PRIZES

The Region One Rally in East Berlin, CT August 8-11, 2013 may seem a long time away, but as you know, time flies. I will be handling raffles & door prizes, so please keep this in mind if you would like to donate something.

Thank you,  
Sandy Sasuta



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Interested in taking the one-day Radio Class on Saturday during the Region One 2013 Rally?

I recommend that you buy and read the book "The ARRL Ham Radio License Manual: All You Need to Become a Ham Radio Operator" before the class. This is the text book you need to study. Retail \$29.95 plus sales tax. Your cost just \$27.50

Contact Raymond Richard

## Welcome New Members

Bruce & Kris Fletcher #2093  
New Britain, CT

# For Sale

**1984 Airstream** - 31 foot Excella: Rear twin; center bath; awnings all sides; rock guards; catalytic heater; air conditioned; stabilizer jacks. No smoking or pets. Trailer was well maintained and is in excellent condition. Also for sale is low mileage 1999 Chevrolet Silverado with cap and new tires. Truck is also in excellent condition. Must sell because of poor health. Full towing package; ready to roll. Wish to sell as a package, but will consider selling separately; \$23,000.

Call William - (508) 829-5978

April 2013

### Travelers Rest Home- FL #2527 Maple Ave.

This Village house is on one of the nicest lots with orange grove out back where deer prance through. This house is unusual with its 26 foot width and spacious Florida room across the back. Beautifully landscaped. 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 3 season porch, and double depth shed. Carpeting throughout with tile kitchen. Partially furnished

Golf cart and share of stock available

Call Dorothy Freed at 863-940-3900 or John Freed at 651-464-5390 to view or download flyer at: <http://tinyurl.com/c3k4nsd>

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### Links

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 Cape Cod Unit  
<http://capecod.wbcci.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/>



## May 2013

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■ Birthday COCU  
■ Anniversary COCU

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29 Charles Peone	30	1 Bard Fuller	2	3 Joyce Rousseau	4
						Rally Business Meeting
5 John J. & Serafina M. Bachar	6 Gilles Rousseau Brenda Nicholas	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Lorraine Boylan	16 Grace Fuller	17 Raymond Richard	18
19	20 Frank & Dorina Gauthier	21 John & Grace Fuller William Watts	22	23	24	25
26 Richard & Kathleen Kushman Ted & Lois Price	27 Memorial Day	28	29	30	31 Michael & Sandy Sasuta	Fred & Dale McGoldrick
						NYC Rendezvous

Did you know: A group of Buzzards is a Wake - a group of Owls is a Parliament - a group of Finches is a Charm.

## June 2013

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2	3 Sebastian Pestretto	4 Richard Jackson	5	6	7	8 Russ & Rhona Fuller
						Rally
9	10	11	12	13	14 Bob Pease	15 Russ Melocik
16	17 Jim & Corinne Burnham Charles & Sharon Henschel	18 Franklin & Jane Sanders	19	20 Russ Fuller	21	22
23 Phillip Simmons	24	25 Trevor & Gale Lake	26	27 Evelyn Watts Toni Nolder	28 Raymond & Rosalie Jefferson	29
30 Sebastian & Juanita Pestretto Niels & Lydia Rosenbeck Robert & Barbara Moyer	1 Jim Burnham	2 Val & Aili Galasyn Candy Korb	3 Ted Price	4 Charlie & Jeanne Wilson	5 Kathleen Kushman	6 Brian & Pat Brosnahan Dale McGoldrick Cell Lamier

Answer from page one: A: Member B: Kids won't eat broccoli. C: You can't tuna fish. D: Heat, everybody can catch a cold.



# Charter Oak Connecticut “Lesagna Fest” Rally

June 7-9, 2013

Hosts: Sandy & Michael Sasuta  
Charlie Brown Campground  
98 Chaplin Road, Route 198  
Eastford, CT 06242  
860-974-0142

CHECK IN TIME: 3 PM.....CHECK OUT TIME: 1 PM

**Friday:** 5:00 Happy Hour  
6:30 Dinner – Hot Dogs & fixins, beans & coleslaw  
Dessert

**Saturday:** 8:00 to 9:00 AM – Pancakes, Sausage, Juice, Coffee & Tea  
4:00 Happy Hour  
6:00 Lasagna Pot Luck – Please bring a lasagna to share:  
Red, white, meat, vege, Mexican, any kind....be creative!  
Bread & salad will be provided.  
Dessert, Coffee & Tea

**Sunday:** 8:00 AM – Egg Sandwiches, Juice, Coffee & Tea

Directions: Junction I84 & Route 74, Exit 69, East 8 miles on Rte 74 to Rte 44,  
East 3 miles to Rte I98 in Phoenixville, South 1 mile (L).

Please send check by **May 30, 2013** to Sandy Sasuta, 476 Milford Point Road,  
Milford, CT 06460 as the campground needs a weeks notice or call me.

**203-494-7467**



Name\_\_\_\_\_WBCCI#\_\_\_\_\_

Camping fee \$45.00 x \_\_\_# of nights = \_\_\_\_\_ RV Length\_\_\_\_\_

Rally fee \$10.00 x \_\_\_# of persons:\_\_\_\_\_

Children 12 & under free. Total \$\_\_\_\_\_

(2 nights \$90.00 & 2 People \$20.00 = \$110.00



# 2013 REGION ONE RALLY

## AUGUST 8 THRU 11, 2013

### Berlin Lions Club Fairgrounds

430 Beckley Road

East Berlin, CT 06023

All Airstream Owners are Encouraged to Attend  
 Join us in an Irving Berlin Style Rally "Puttin' on the Airs"  
 Many on-site and off-site activities, demonstrations,  
 seminars, crafts, tag sale, and games for all ages.  
 Rally fee includes three nights camping with water &  
 electric, three breakfasts, two dinners, one happy hour  
 with heavy hors-d'oeuvres, nightly entertainment and all  
 seminars. Also an optional Golf Scramble, so bring your  
 golf clubs and register soon.



Airstream with Two Persons	\$249.00		\$ _____
Airstream with One Person	\$219.00		\$ _____
Each Additional Adult	\$ 30.00 each	X _____	\$ _____
Each Additional Child (17 and Under)	\$ 26.00 each	X _____	\$ _____
Friday Day Pass includes Breakfast & Dinner	\$ 20.00 each	X _____	\$ _____
Saturday Pass includes Breakfast & Dinner	\$ 20.00 each	X _____	\$ _____
Early Bird Parking Wednesday August 7th	\$ 35.00		\$ _____
<b>TOTAL PAID</b>			<b>\$ _____</b>

**Cancellation Policy: Before June 1st 100% - Before June 30th 50% - After July 1st No Refund**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse / Partner: \_\_\_\_\_

Children Names / Ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/ Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

WBCCI # \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Rig Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Handicap: **YES NO** Would you like to be parked in the Vintage Area: **YES NO**



Region One Rally 2013 - August 8 thru 11, 2013 - Berlin Lions Fairgrounds - East Berlin, CT

Please make check or money order payable in U.S. funds to: REGION ONE TREASURER

Mail To: Ray Richard - P. O. Box 252 - Minneola, FL 34755

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