

The Road Awaits

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Camp Hatteras - Great Fun Again

Our Seventh Year at Hatteras proved the value of this annual end-of-season gathering. 15 Rigs from three of the four Commonwealth Clubs came together for fellowship, food, and adventure. As you can see, we were treated to one beautiful sunset on the Sound, just beyond our trailers.

The Second Annual Meatloaf Mania cook-off was won by Rob Richardson. In truth we were ALL winners because we had multiple delicious dishes to sample at the buffet in the Conference Center.

Kirk made Cowboy Coffee for all of us. What a treat!

Phil Miller entertained the whole group with a selection of his fabulous photographs from the 2018 North to Alaska Caravan. He and Connie got up close and personal with some might big bears. The 'scope' of Alaska is impossible to capture in words or pictures. GO when you can.



Some of us have "winterized" and others are headed for the Southland for more Airstream Adventures. Whether it's a good book or Kindle by a small campfire, or a chance to travel, and possibly see family in the safety of your Airstream, our way of life is some of the best on Earth.

PresidentsCorner



Home for the Holidays

Linda and I have put The Silver Otter away for this winter. It's the first time in a long time we've NOT made some warmer winter travel plans.

Our family is joining many others in making the decision to avoid our traditional large gatherings.

Sure, we'll read Holiday stories to our grandson, but we'll do it over FaceTime this year. Yes, we'll share presents with our family, and we'll do it using UPS this year.

If you or your partner would like a nice shirt, vest, or sweater from Lands End this holiday visit our own

Spirit of Virginia Airstream Club store for logo merchandise. We don't get any kickback from Lands End, but we DO get to fly the flag for our club. Click below to place your order.

[Spirit of Virginia Airstream Club Store](#)



The Member Manager

Picking up the baton from Kirk, Nancy Lawn volunteered to be the "keeper of the spreadsheet" for the Spirit of Virginia Airstream Club. Jack D'Arte is doing a great job of updating the Member Directory for you to download. We're up to Version 3 now, so get your new copy at the link below.

Download?, You say! Yes, we are not going to make hard copies of this directory. It's a PDF, and you can print and bind it if you wish to carry a copy on the Rig or have one beside your desk.

Are YOU missing from the pages. Fill out the last page as send it to me. Jack and I will get you in the next issue.

Because this is complete and personal data, we will NOT publish the directory on social media. It will be made available to members in good standing of the Spirit of Virginia Airstream Club only. **You will need a password to open and save it to your computer.** The Password will be emailed to you. Please contact the President if you don't get it or have it.

[Click Here to Download Your Copy](#)

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/0z1b52gxn69uh4x/sov%20Member%20information%20pages%202020-10%20R3.pdf?dl=0>

Future Planning

An Overview of a Year of Fun, Fellowship, and Learning

As of Saturday; November 21, 2020

December 12

Holiday Lunch. Staunton, VA. Mrs. Rowes Family Restaurant **SEE PAGE 5 to reserve.**

February 13

Valentine's Day, County Seat Restaurant, Powhatan, VA **SEE PAGE 5 to reserve.**

March TBA

NORVA Maintenance Rally

April 9-11

Virginia Blue Bell Rally - **4 Spaces Left**
Shenandoah River State Park,

April 21-25

Region 3
North Fairgrounds, Tallahassee, FL

May 18-23

Fallingwater Short Caravan - **5 Spaces Left**

June 11-13

Breaks Interstate Park

July 18-24

International Rally, Lebanon, TN

August 9-14

Galax Old Fiddlers Festival

September TBD

Commonwealth Rally
Tidewater Club

October 14-17

Brew Ridge Joint Club Rally
Devils Backbone, Nellysford

VARIOUS

Pop-Up Rallies and the Boondocking Experience by Rob and Catherine

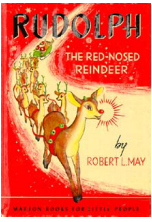
All above activities are tentative, due to COVID and Real Life.

Times and places may change.



TechTalk and Tips

Rudolph and Rooftops



'Tis the season for "up on the rooftop" for some of us. While it *might* be the patter of little reindeer feet, it's more likely someone in your family clearing the gutters or polishing the solar panels to get better charging.

Whether it's your sticks-and-bricks roof or you Airstream roof you'll probably be using a ladder. I'd like to recommend the **Xtend & Climb 760P Telescoping Ladder**.

As I get older, the effort of moving and opening my 24-foot traditional extension ladder (shown at right) gets tougher and tougher. Linda helps me, of course, but it's still real exercise for both of us.

As you can see from the pictures. The 760P is compact, relatively light weight, and useful to getting to the gutters or up to your Airstream roof. The "compact" part means I can carry in the back of the truck while we are Airstreaming. It weighs only 20 lbs., and measures 4 X 19 X 126 inches closed. It reaches 10+ feet easily.



I bought ours a soon as we returned from the 2018 North To Alaska Caravan. While on that 63-day adventure I had to borrow Pat's 760P to clean our solar panels and free up our television antenna.



There would have been no way to get up on the roof to make those adjustments without his ladder.

The pictures above and to the right were taken today. The trees have given up their leaves for the season. We used our 760P for most of the access to the roof as Linda and I cleared the gutters.

I got out the traditional extension ladder because I've installed adjustable feet to the bottom rails. That permits me to work on uneven surfaces such as we have in the front of the cabin.

As always, I get no kickback from the ladder company. This is just one opinion.



December 12

HOLIDAY LUNCHEON PARTY - SAT. DEC. 12, 2020 - **Only 15 Places Left**

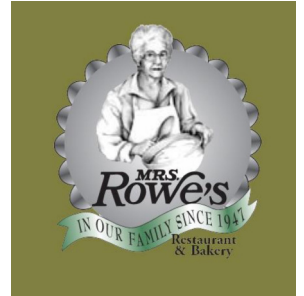
The restaurant is limiting our party to 25 people this year. We had a great time the last time we were at Mrs. Rowe's, so we're going back. 1st VP Christine Baum is taking reservations, so tell her YOU'RE COMING. We'll start about Noon and get done about 2 PM or so.

RSVP by Sunday, December 1st to:

Christine Baum - baumjc@gmail.com; or Call (609) 202-5015

Mrs. Rowe's Restaurant and Bakery
74 Rowe Rd, Exit 222 off I-81
Staunton, VA 24401-6701

Mrs. Rowe's Phone - 540-886-1833



February 13

VALENTINE LUNCHEON PARTY - SAT. FEB. 13, 2020

Lisa has invited us all back to the County Seat for fun and food and fellowship. She is taking reservations, so tell her YOU'RE COMING. We'll start about Noon and get done about 2 PM or so.



RSVP by Monday, February 1st to:

Lisa Hill Sachs - lisalburg@hotmail.com; or Call (434) 414-0599

County Seat
883 Old Buckingham Road - Powhatan VA 23139

Phone 804-598-5000



APRIL BLUEBELLS

Shenandoah River April Bluebell Camp - April 9-11

There are three (3) places available for this Weekend Rally. First Paid = First Placement.

Start: Fri., April 9 - Shenandoah River State Park — End: Sunday, April 11, 2021

On the Shenandoah River - <https://www.dcr.virginia.gov/state-parks/shenandoah-river>
350 Daughter of Stars Dr., Bentonville, VA 22610 - Phone: 540-622-6840

DETAIL DIGEST:

•• FRI., April 9 - Camper Arrival Day

5-6:30 PM - Heavy Finger Food to Share, Campfire Setting, BYOB and Chair

•• SAT., April 10 - Breakfast on your own or join some of us at the Apple Haus circa 8:30 AM

Morning - Explore the Shenandoah River State Park - Bluebell Walk with Linda

Afternoon - Take in Local Attractions in the New Market to Luray Corridor. Details on Page 2

6 PM - Gala Optional Banquet at The Mimslyn Inn, 401 W. Main Street, Luray, VA 22835

** SUN., April 11 - Breakfast on your own and depart for home.

KITTY FEE =

\$95 PER RIG

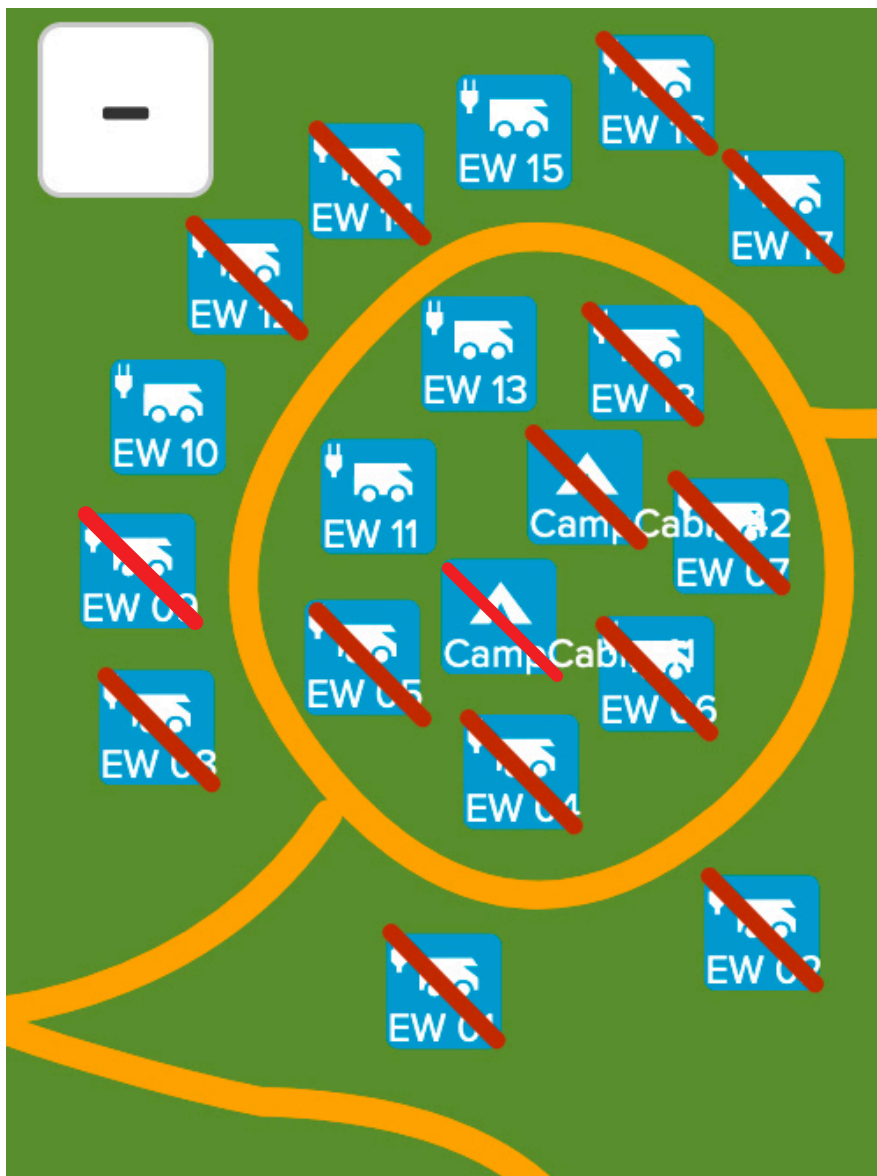
INCLUDES: ALL CAMPING FEES [Elect and Water], SNACKS.

Cost of Optional SATURDAY BANQUET AT THE MIMSLYN INN is on your own.

REGISTER ONLINE BY CLICKING IN THE JOTFORM AT THE LINK BELOW:

<https://form.jotform.com/202814732253147>

Campsites will be assigned and guaranteed on first come basis from those shown below. Indicate your first and second preference on the Registration. We will do what we can to honor it. (EW10 is now taken.)



Saturday Afternoon for your pleasure, choose among:

Local Attractions in the Luray Area:

Luray Caverns - <https://luraycaverns.com/>
Luray Rescue Zoo - <https://www.lurayzoo.com/>

Shenandoah River Outfitters - <https://www.shenandoah-river.com/>

Bear Mountain ZipLines and Climbing - <https://bearmountainadventure.com/>

Local Attractions in the New Market Area:

Virginia Museum of the Civil War - <https://vmi.edu/museums-and-archives/virginia-museum-of-the-civil-war/>

New Market Battlefield and State Historical Park - <https://www.battlefields.org/visit/heritage-sites/new-market-battlefield-state-historical-park-and-hall-valor-museum>

Shenandoah Caverns - <https://shenandoahcaverns.com/>

Endless Caverns - <http://endlesscaverns.com/>

**Saturday Evening 6 PM Gala Banquet at the historic
Mimslyn Inn - 401 Main Street, Luray - 540.743.5105**





Two House Tours Included in Kitty Fee — Fallingwater and Kentuck Knob — FLW homes

AIRSTREAM CARAVAN

Flight 93 Memorial / Fallingwater / Kentuck Knob / ++

There are only four (4) places still available for this Caravan. First Deposit=First Placement.

Start: Tues. May 18 - Waynesboro 340 North — End: Sunday, May 23 - Ohiopyle St. Park.

DETAIL DIGEST: Local Club Caravan Number LC-439

- Tues., May 18 - 8:30 PM - Driver/Navigator Meeting
CAMP - Waynesboro 340 North, Waynesboro, VA
- Wed., May 19 - Drive Day - Evening Potluck and Media Show
CAMP - Shenandoah River State Park - Bentonville, VA
- Thur., May 20 - Drive Day - Evening on your own
CAMP - Ohiopyle State Park in Pennsylvania
- Fri., May 21 - Car Pool to Flight 93 Memorial, followed by Lunch
Afternoon Free - Pot Luck Covered Dish Dinner in Camp
- Sat., May 22 - Car Pool to Fallingwater, followed by Kentuck Knob
Tours of famous Frank Lloyd Wright homes - Dinner Banquet
- Sun., May 23 - Depart for home **OR elect *Optional Nemaquin Resort Day.***

**Spirit of Virginia
Short Caravan,
May 18-23,**

**including
Optional Resort
Day on your
own.**

Kitty Fee =

\$1,050 for Rig with 2; \$920 for Rig with 1;
\$150 each for guests 3, 4, 5, etc. in Rig.

Includes: All Camping Fees, Printed Driver's Guide, GPS coordinates for events, Pins/Patches/Gifts, Friday Lunch, BOTH House Tour Admissions, Saturday Banquet.

This is a Zero-based budget. Excess funds (if any) will be returned to Caravaners at the conclusion of trip audit within 30 days.

DEPOSIT/Reservations =

[Sign Up and Pay here: JotForm Link](#)

There is no provision for Snail Mail or Telephone Registration. We must use the hot link above.

Registration data is kept on the "Registration Spreadsheet" link shown below.

Follow us on FaceBook at our private page:
[2021 Fallingwater Caravan](#)



**Flight 93
Tower of Voices**

“Optional Resort Sunday is coordinated, but on your own dime.

- YOUR CARAVAN LEADERS

OPTIONAL Sunday Resort Day:

10:30 AM Brunch @ Nemaquin Lodge
Approx. 65 per person

After Brunch Options

- The Field Club - \$125-175/per for Sporting Clays or Fly Fishing
- The Spa - \$125-175/per for treatments
- Other Resort Activities TBA

Return to Ohiopyle Camp for Sunday evening, depart Monday for home.