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FROM YOUR PRESIDENT:

Greetings everyone,

Some of you may already know that the Region 2 rally has been canceled again for this year. I think that all of us were hoping that the roll out for the vaccine would have been sooner and quicker. I feel bad for Rich Short, he was so looking forward to this happening. But wearing a mask and distancing kind of defeats the purpose of socializing at a regional rally. Region 2 is however planning a socially distanced luncheon to happen during the International Rally in July. More information will be coming.

Camping remains to be very popular this year again, I have talked to people who tried to get an RV last year and nothing was available. I feel lucky to have our airstream. Don't forget to check out the Airstream Club Members Only benefits: Michelin Advantage Program, Passport America and Griot's Garage.

I am really looking forward to the Cinco De Mayo rally at Sharp's Campground in Shelocta the 3rd weekend in May hosted by Maria Tobin. It will be our first outing of the season. Our club will be getting together in June for a rally and in July for a picnic, thanks to Cody and Matt for planning these events. Craig and I are making our traveling plans for the summer. We liked the Pennsylvania grand canyon area so much we want to go back and explore it some more. We manage to get into Leonard Harrison State Park, it seems to be a very popular place. From there we are headed to Maine staying at Pemaquid Point Campground. We are planning to take a day trip to Monaghan Island and do a puffin cruise. Then we will go on to Naples ME to do some kayaking.

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GONE TO TEXAS...THE ADVENTURE CONTINUES

By Denny & Gayle Gibson

Here we are at the end of month three of our journey into southern winter living at Pleasant Valley RV Resort in Mission, Texas. (Part of the Rio Grande Valley.) Normally, in PA, time seems to stand still and the winter months drag on forever. However, our time here has just flown by. It's hard to believe at the end of March we head back home. But believe me, we have been having a splendid time. During the last week of January, we decided to spend four days at the KOA campground on South Padre Island. With our reservation secured we headed off to the island a short 80 miles away. South Padre is nestled along the eastern Texas coast with the Gulf of Mexico on its eastern side and the Laguna Madre bay on the west. Our first day was quite windy and overcast. It was a good day to rent a three-wheel Polaris Slingshot. The car was a very low-rider so we covered

our faces and pulled our hats down low.

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Show off your Al-Mon-O Pride! Order your club apparel today!

Order all club apparel from Mike's Embroidery, owned by Cody Klingler. Please visit the store at:

https://stores.inksoft.com/almono

You can also find WBAC goods at http://store.wbcci.org



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I for one am ready for spring; I have had enough of this very cold, dreary weather. I hope our Al-mon-o snowbirds are doing ok; the cold has even pushed way down there. Enjoy this month's newsletter it has lots of information in it and events you need to respond to. Take care,

Julie

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NEWSLETTER IDEAS!

Hello WBAC members of the Al-Mon-O Airstream Club. Without news, there is no newsletter. Without rallies and luncheons, there is nothing to write about. Or is there? Some believe this is a time where we need one another even more. Please share articles, anecdotes, photos, recipes, jokes, member interviews, anything Airstream related that will let us feel connected. Throw out a prompt like "What is your new favorite small appliance?" or "Adventures with our first camper."

Please send your offerings to Cody Klingler (cwk5292@gmail.com) no later than the 25th of each month. Thanks!!!

Meanwhile, be well and stay well.

Thank you!!

BIRTHDAYS

ANNIVERSARIES





MARCH

- 4 Albert Gough
- 19 Cheyenne Leskanic
- 21 Do Solomon
- 21 Kevin Uram
- 23 Dick Kline

25 Gene & Ingrid Nelson

Directory Updates

The following additions need to be made to the 2021 Directory:

Beth Ann & Michael Mohr—BRN 20195—109 Barley Rd., Sewickley, PA 15143—2019 19' Flying Cloud Beth Ann—homebam@comcast.net—412-897-6773

Michael—mohrmh@comcast.net—412-298-7032

CLUB LEADERSHIP

Calling all members! The club is looking for someone to fill the 3rd Vice President role. This is a wonderful opportunity to contribute to our AL-MON-O family and ultimately guide the future direction of our Club. If you are interested in serving in this position, please reach out to Julie Jansen.

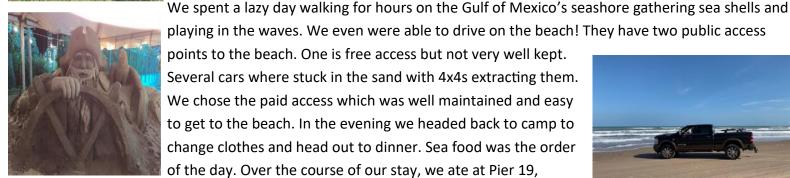
For more photos, visit our Photo Gallery at https://photos.app.goo.gl/bAm5LnFjxbptCX63A

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Off we went to explore South Padre and city of Port Isabel. It was awesome! As we cruised down the road, we compiled a mental list of places where we would like to eat and activities for the upcoming days. Gayle, of course, checked out many of the unique shops and souvenir stores. During the following days of our stay, we visited many of the places on



our list. First stop was the South Padre Island Sea Turtle, Inc. Their mission is to educate the public, rehabilitate injured turtles, and lead with conservation efforts. We spent a few hours walking around the large tanks that houses the injured turtles. Recently flown in via private plane were 20 Cape Cod Kemp sea turtles, injured due to the extremely cold water. Many were found beached with pneumonia and will take months rehabilitate. Next stop was the Birding and Nature Center. There we hiked a 1 ½ mile raised boardwalk out to the bay for some bird watching. Truly an amazing place to observe wild life. Then off to the Convention Center where they also have a raised board walk out to the bay, although not as long as the Birding Center's.



playing in the waves. We even were able to drive on the beach! They have two public access points to the beach. One is free access but not very well kept. Several cars where stuck in the sand with 4x4s extracting them. We chose the paid access which was well maintained and easy

to get to the beach. In the evening we headed back to camp to change clothes and head out to dinner. Sea food was the order of the day. Over the course of our stay, we ate at Pier 19,

Blackbeard's, and twice at our favorite - Daddy's. After dinner we walked around the sand sculptures tent. The theme this year was Christmas scenes. So many talented

people creating wonderful pieces of sand art. Our favorite was the pirate Santa. We also hit a few of the night spots where we enjoyed a few cocktails and live music performed with a back drop of the orange setting sun.

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Now, just so you don't think it was all sunshine and rainbows now here, I'm sure you have heard



about the unusually cold weather Texas is experiencing. Sometime during the night of Sunday, February 14, we lost all power in Mission. Temperatures dropped to the low 20's. We ran our furnace on battery power and recharged them with our truck during the first day. Lucky for us (and Bob, fellow AL-Mon-O'er) a French-Canadian couple in a 380 HP diesel pusher mobile home behind us offered to let us connect to his on -board Onan generator. With his kind gesture we were able to keep our





furnace running, or at least until the propane lasted. Yes, due to the high demand and abnormal weather propane soon became hard to acquire. Normally, Pony Express delivers Monday, Wednesday, and Friday and fills our tanks in the resort curbside. Just set your empty tanks out and they drive by and fill them. However, on Wednesday the demand was so high they ran out before reaching the resort. Most propane dealers did not have electric to operate their pumps. Gas stations either ran out of fuel or could not operate their pumps. If

they were able to operate, gas lines were reminiscent of the mid-70s. As our propane supply dwindled down to fumes, we started to prepare to winterize the trailer and dig out our down jackets, wool blankets and sleeping bag. Then as miracles happen, Pony Express showed up unscheduled on Thursday to make emergency deliveries of propane to the area. We now have two full 30 lb tanks of propane and the power did come back on. Things are slowly returning to normal, at least in our little part of Texas. I must add I'm proud to be part of the RV community here. Everyone pulled together to help their neighbors out. Whether it was sharing their generator power, supplying water to those in need, giving away extra food, or making soup to warm the soul, us winter Texans will survive.

Take care, stay warm and live the dream



REGION 2 NEWS

Hello! My name is RJ Marquette (#13270), and I'm the incoming region 2 president.

I joined WBCCI in 2005 as a member of the Washington, DC Unit, after buying an Airstream B190, a small Class B motorhome made by Airstream between 1989 and 2000. However, this wasn't my first experience with Airstreams or WBCCI, as my parents are also Airstream owners and members of the club (#3270). As a teenager, I attended several Central Pennsylvania Unit rallies in the early 90s with my parents.

I admit I had some hesitation about joining the club after buying my B190, because my impression was that it was entirely old people (hey, I was 30 at the time). But I was convinced to give it a try. It's cliche, but we've gained great friends and have countless great memories with the club. Getting together at a rally is like seeing our second family.

My wife, Erica, and I are both past presidents of the WDCU. To date, we've attended two International rallies, Lewisburg and Doswell, and we're planning to go to Lebanon, Tennessee this summer. We also worked on the survey that was done on the membership in 2017. We have three cats and a dog that travel with us in our 1995 Classic 30' trailer, and I'm working on getting the B190 back into operational condition in my spare time. I'm hoping it'll make an appearance at some club events this year! (I've been saying that for a few years, though.)

I volunteered for the region president office because I wanted to give back to a club that has given me so much. Also, I want to help bring the younger perspective to the larger club. There are many members of WBCCI who are still in the workforce like Erica and I, and I wanted to help make sure we had a voice at the international level.

Speaking of region officers, we're going to need a new region 2 Second Vice President. This is your chance to help shape the club. While it looks like a 6 year commitment, the work doesn't really get going until just before you actually become the region president - until then it's mostly learning what happens and being available for some discussions with the other officers. Our new 2nd VP would serve as region 2 president from 2025 to 2027.

The region has several officers that help keep things running smoothly. I want to thank all of the outgoing officers for their service, and thanks to the people who have agreed to serve another term or who have already volunteered to fill open positions. The list of officers is at the end of this message. As you can see I still need a volunteer to write the region 2 newsletters. Please contact me at rjm1@yahoo.com if you are interested!

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I also want to thank Richard Short for his help and support in getting me up to speed so quickly, and for his hard work as the region president. In addition to the work he did for our region, Richard was also in charge of implementing the new discounts available for WBCCI members (such as for Goodyear tires), so his contributions will improve the quality of the club for years to come. Thank you from all of us!

Over the next two years we intend to join a rally or other event for every unit in the region, and we're looking forward to meeting you!

Region 2 Officers after installation:

R2 President - RJ Marquette

R2 1st VP - Gary Russo

R2 2nd VP - <open>

R2 Membership - Cody Klingler

R2 Newsletter - < open>

R2 Webmaster - Lawrence Northway

R2 Caravan Coordinator - Kerry Mattila

R2 Treasurer - Will Kushto

RJ Marquette

#13270





I WANTED TO GO

Yes, we know...but the 2021 R 2 Rally scheduled for June 10–13 at the York Expo Center has been canceled. Disappointing, but it's just not time yet. Still too much concern about you-know-what. Stay safe and be patient. Better days are coming!

NOTICE: REGION 2 LUNCHEON

Will be held at the 64th WBCCI INT'L RALLY in Lebanon, TN 12 NOON on Wednesday, July 21st 2021 Rally attendees: Mark your calendars now. Registration and menu options will follow soon.







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May 14, 15, 16 2021

Sharp's Campground

North Ridge Road (off Route 422)

Check-in 1:00 p·m·

Host: Maria Tobin 757-636-1539

\$30/night full hookup

Sites reserved are #6-15

Prepare for Mexican flare, to include a Saturday Fiesta, a movie night, and evening bonfires. All meals and gatherings will be at the pavilion which will provide a refrigerator, stove and plenty of seating for our convenience.

FRIDAY: We will enjoy a long-awaited 2021 AL-MON-O kick off to the camping season. Please bring an appetizer/heavy hors d'oeuvres to share and your choice of beverage. Happy hour around the community fire pit to follow.

SATURDAY: Enjoy a Mexican breakfast at the pavilion before heading out on your individual adventures for the afternoon (See attached website links for suggestions·)· When you return from your adventures, we will enjoy our Saturday Fiesta·of fajitas, sides and Mexican dessert·

SUNDAY: A 9:00 continental breakfast will be served to exchange our farewells till next time. Checkout is 12:00.

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Sharp's Campground Fiesta Fun Coupon

Rally fee will be \$15/person - this will include breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, and Mexican Fiesta dinner on Saturday. Please bring drinks and table service to each meal.

Sharp's is a privately-owned campground. Your site payment will be payable to Maria Tobin, who will make the reservations for the group. Feel free to pay cash in person also.

Name: _____ x \$15 = ____

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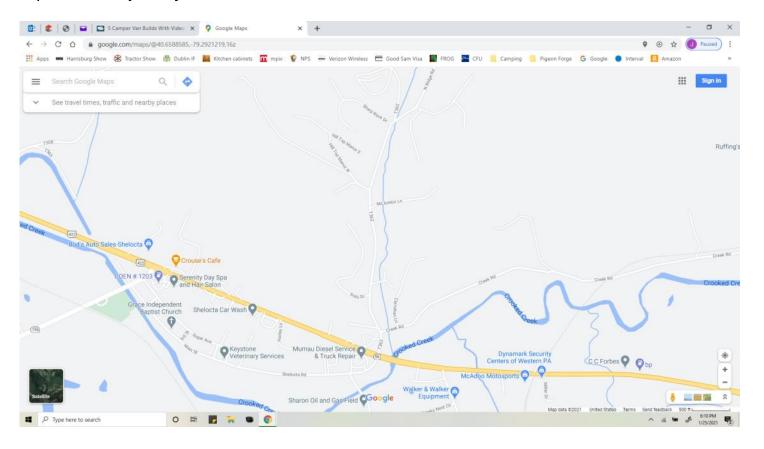
Jimmy Stewart Museum: https://jimmy.org/

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There is no address to put in a GPS other than the North Ridge Road.

Once you turn on North Ridge Rd, watch for a tan garage on Sharp Rock Road. You will turn left there and the campground is at the top of the hill.



JUNE RALLY June 11-13, 2021

Wolf's Camping Resort 308 Timberwolf Run, Knox, PA 16232 814-797-1103

Hosts: Cody Klingler & Matt Moore 724-504-6884 or cwk5292@gmail.com

Does the Region 2 Rally cancellation have you down? Come join us for the June Rally. This year's June Rally will be a buddy rally. This means that you can invite a non-Airstream travel trailer to join us for the weekend.

Please make your reservation with Wolf's Camping Resort as they require a down payment of \$25 to hold your spot. Our reservation is listed under "Cody Klingler". Please use this when you call to make your reservation. The campground fee will be \$55 per night. We have reserved 10 sites close together until May 31. After this date, we can't guarantee you'll be parked near us. You are welcome to come early and stay late. Please let the Campground know if you are going to arrive early and/or stay longer.

**IF YOU PLAN ON BRINGING PETS, THE CAMPGROUND REQUIRES TO SEE UP-TO-DATE VACCINATION PAPERS

Once your reservation is made, please reach out to Cody or Matt to let them know which site you have. The rally fee will be \$10 per person. This fee includes: breakfast Saturday morning, dinner Saturday evening and a continental breakfast Sunday morning. Please bring all drinks and table service to each meal. Saturday night's dinner will be a potluck dinner. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share!

Friday, June 11:

Check in starts at 4 PM.

Dinner (to be determined) at 6 PM at Matt and Cody's Airstream

Saturday, June 12:

Breakfast starts at 8:30 AM at Matt and Cody's Airstream

Lunch on your own

Wine excursion to Deer Creek Winery at 1 PM (3333 Soap Fat Rd., Shippenville, PA 16254). We can carpool if needed. (PENDING)

Happy hour at 4 PM

Potluck Dinner at 6 PM with campfire or movie to follow (weather permitting)

Sunday, June 13:

Continental breakfast begins at 8:30 AM

Check out by 3 PM



JULY PICNIC
July 31, 2021

Boltz Shelter 1617 PA-268

East Brady, PA 16028

Hosts: Cody Klingler & Matt Moore 724-504-6884 or cwk5292@gmail.com

Please join us for a picnic luncheon on July 31 at Noon to be held at the Boltz Shelter. This will be a potluck, so bring your favorite side dish or dessert to share. Cody and Matt will provide the hamburgers and hot dogs (buns and condiments included). Also, please bring your own table service and drinks. While there is no rally fee for this event, we will ask for a donation to help support the use of the shelter. Please RSVP to Cody at either cwk5292@gmail.com or 724-504-6884 by July 24. Look forward to seeing you there!



Pennsylvania State Rally 2021

Hosted by:







September 10-12 2021

Centre County Grange Fairgrounds-169 Homan Lane, Centre Hall, PA 'Exploring State Parks at the PA Rally'

The Centre County Grange Fairgrounds offers a great location with many options for visitors. The camping area is large, open and grassy as well as flat. The campsites will have 30amp electrical service with water hookups and are pet friendly. There is a dump station at the entrance of the grounds and a large hall will be available for our use for meals, activities and demonstrations.

The Centre County area offers a great variety of activities for everyone, such as exploring one of the nearby State Park's to go kayaking (rentals available at Bald Eagle State Park), hiking, biking or wildlife watching. You may also enjoy local wine tasting, relaxing while learning at the H.O. Smith Botanic Gardens in the Arboretum at Penn State, or a visit to a local brewery. The Nittany Antique Machinery Assn. fall show (which includes a large flea market, daily tractor parades, antique car & truck displays, antique small engines & garden tractors, tractor pulls, steam tractors, cider press & apple butter) as well as the Outdoors Sportsman's Club gun show will also be held during these dates. America's oldest antique automobile museum, the Swigart Museum may also be of interest or a visit to the largest cavern in PA or America's only all-water cavern. We hope you take advantage of this great opportunity to explore Centre County where great opportunities and fun adventures await!

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	(Ages 13 & up, under 13 free) \$50 x		

RSVP by: August 3, 2021

Make checks payable to: WBCCI Central PA Airstream Club

Send Payments To: WBCCI Central PA Airstream Club, C/O Roxann Bare, 3551 Holly Road, Dover, PA

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Contact: centralpenn164@gmail.com with any questions



64th WALLY BYAM AIRSTREAM CLUB ★ INTERNATIONAL RALLY ★ ★ July 17-24, 2021 ★ LEBANON, TN ★

REGISTRATION

RALLY FEES – \$265 for an RV On-Site with 30 amp electric, water, and pump-outs; \$125 for each Adult (18+); \$40 for each Youth 13-17; Free for Children (12 & Under).

ADA ACCESSIBLE PARKING – Special parking, if requested, is near the central rally area for members. We ask that you provide your government/state-issued placard or supporting documentation during registration.

REGISTRATIONS – Through the courtesy of Airstream, Inc., members registered before the start of the Rally are entered into a prize drawing. Gift certificates for parts and service will be drawn with a total of \$2,000 in prizes to be given away. Registrants must be present at the Airstream presentation to win.

STAGING AREA – In an attempt to keep the rigs moving, you will receive a rally arrival date in the Spring of 2021. If you can't make it on that date, the Rally Arrival Team will be ready to park you when you arrive from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm. Arrivals after dusk may stay overnight in the Staging Area, with no hookups, until parking begins the next morning.

CANCELLATION POLICY – Refund requests received by May 22, 2021, will be assessed a \$50.00 fee. Refund requests after May 23, 2021, will be assessed a 50% fee. NO refunds after July 3, 2021. If you might have to cancel after that day, please consider obtaining travel insurance.

RALLY PARKING DATES – General parking is tentatively scheduled to begin around July 14th. Parking dates will be sent via email in Spring 2021. Caravans of 5 or more need to contact HQ at rally@airstreamclub.org for available arrival dates.

HOW TO REGISTER – Go to <u>airstreamclub.org/Lebanon</u>, call HQ at 937-596-5211 or fill out this form, make a check payable to WBCCI, in **US Funds Only** and mail to: WBCCI, P.O. Box 612, Jackson Center, OH 45334. Email questions to rally@airstreamclub.org.

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WBCCI Al-Mon-O Pennsylvania Airstream Club (131) 2021 Tentative Schedule

Date/Time	Event	Location	Host(s)	Contact Info
May 14-16	Fiesta Fun Rally	Sharp's Campground North Ridge Rd. (Off Rt. 422)	Maria Tobin	757-636-1539
June 10-13	Region 2 Rally	York Expo Center 334 Carlisle Ave. York, PA 17404	CANCELLED 2/12/21	
June 11-13	June Rally	Wolf's Camping Resort 308 Timberwolf Run Knox, PA 16232 814-797-1103	Cody Klingler & Matt Moore	Contact Campground to reserve site. Email cwk5292@gmail.com or call 724-504-6884 with site number
July 17-24	International Rally	Wilson County Fairgrounds 945 East Baddour Parkway Lebanon, TN 37087 Register online at <u>airstreamclub.org/lebanon</u>	See rally coupon in newsletter	
July 31 12:00 PM	July Picnic	Boltz Shelter 1617 PA-268 East Brady, PA 16028	Cody Klingler & Matt Moore	RSVP by July 24 to cwk5292@gmail.com or 724-504-6884
August 20- 22	Al-Mon-O Blugrass Rally	Laurel Hill State Park 1454 Laurel Hill Park Road Somerset, PA 15501 (Make reservations online at www.reserveamerica.com. Then contact the Jansen's with site number	Craig and Julie Jansen	jucrjansen@comcast.net
September 9-12	PA State Rally	Centre County Grange Fairgrounds 169 Homan Lane Centre Hall, PA	Central Penn Airstream Club Hosting. See attached coupon.	
December 4 11:30 AM	Luncheon	Rachel's Roadhouse 100 Fairfield Ln. Butler, PA 16001 https://www.springfields.com/rachels- roadhouse-butler-pa/	Vinny & Dale Rossitto	rossitto@comcast.net 724-568-4801 Please send completed coupon & payment to Vinny/Dale by November 17th

This schedule is tentative and could be subject to change. If anyone is interested in hosting a luncheon, picnic or rally, please reach out to Julie Jansen.