

Keystone Kourier

Keystone Unit #092
Region 2 - WBCCI



President's Message

What exhilaration we had as we were back on the road seeking adventure at the **2021 International Rally in Lebanon, TN**. Just two days out, we were on Interstate 40 and experiencing a deluge of traffic as we were traveling with our friends, **the Exters**. At one point my friends passed someone and we were trying to follow but there were too many cars in the left lane blocking my attempt to follow. Then out of nowhere I notice an **F-250** towing a **34' Airstream** pull out into the left lane and blink their lights at me. We continued to ride together until we exited to a Cracker Barrel Restaurant. When I got out of my truck, I see our old friend, **Alan Kenney**, get out of the driver's seat. That is what it is like when Airstreamers help each other on the road.

The International Rally was different because of COVID but still extremely enjoyable. **Karen Kushto** and I tried to keep our club up on the events by posting several items on our Facebook page. Several highlights of the Rally stick out: The Opening Ceremony, the trip to the Grand Ole Opry, the Delegates Meeting, Will's winning with his team the Golf Tournament, the Region Luncheon, the Band Concert, the vendors, and meals out in Lebanon. If you have never been to an International Rally, plan now to **visit Fryeburg, ME, July 23 to July 29, 2022**. The Kushto's and us are already registered and you can register also by visiting [Fryeburg 2022 \(Home\) | ACI \(airstreamclub.org\)](https://www.airstreamclub.org/). The most exciting aspect of an International is the fellowship with others from all over the USA and hopefully in the future again Canada. For instance, our neighbors on our right were from Atlanta, GA and on our left were from Lakeland, FL. Another intriguing part of an International is exploring the local area around the Rally site. Phyllis and I got out and around with a special visit to Andrew Jackson's home – The Hermitage.

We have some more fascinating events for this year. In **August, Jody Dietz** is leading a **Caravan to New England**, in September **the PA Rally** is at Centre Hall, PA, in October **the Installation Rally** will be at the **Chown's** home in Barto, PA. However, the November Rally location had to be changed. It was scheduled for Janes Island State Park in Maryland, but now it will be at **Point Lookout State Park Campground in Maryland (Tulip Loop)**. If you want to go contact me personally since by default, I will be the Rally host. You will need to make reservations ASAP. We still need a host for our **December Luncheon**. Please step forward.

While the **Kushtos** and the **Harringtons** were in TN, the rest of our club joined together for a picnic at **the Warwick County Park** in Pottstown. The **Quinns** and the **Dietzs** joined together to host a great event. They had a great time together.

Phyllis' shoulder replacement surgery is in the latter part of August and that will ground us until she finishes rehab. We should be able to get back for **the Installation Rally**.

Fresh Off the Road!

Don H.

Upcoming Events

August 14-28
Unit Caravan to New England

September 10-12
Pennsylvania State Rally
Centre Hall, PA



See Page 5 for an important note on a change in November rally venue!

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Sunshine Report

In our June Kourier we noted the peaceful passing of past president Dorothy Hautz. Several of you shared many good Airstream times with Dorothy before she retired her Airstream. A memorial service is scheduled for August 5, 2021 at 11 a.m. at Newtown Square Presbyterian Church, 3600 Goshen Rd in Newtown Square, PA 19073. Internment is private at Arlington National Cemetery in Arlington, Virginia. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Dorothy's name to Newtown Square Presbyterian Church.

Thoughts and prayers to First Lady Phyllis on her upcoming shoulder surgery.

Let us know of illnesses, surgeries, friends needing a kind word - and better yet, recoveries.

Karen (kkushto@comcast.net or cell 215-266-2410)

Happy Birthday to:

August

Jody Dietz (5th)

Wayne Fitzgerald (8th)

Jeff Michael (27th)

September

Dot Britt (5th)

Don Harrington (21st)

Barb Hillegass (23rd)

Peg Spahn (30th)

Happy Anniversary to:

August

Karen & Will Kushto

Caryle & Vaughn Brayton

September

Janice & Jim Hicks

Sharon & Wayne Fitzgerald

We have, and like to celebrate many birthdates and anniversary months but if we've missed you please email Rick/Andy (r_pitts@verizon.net).

Keystone Bits

. In January the IBT approved changing the membership period from calendar year to an anniversary year basis, based on 12 months from the original join date. This will be implemented beginning July 1, 2021. All current members will have an anniversary date of January 1st. New members on/after July 1 will be on a true anniversary schedule (i.e. if a member joins July 17, 2021, their membership is active from July 17, 2021 through July 16, 2022). HQ will send out renewal notifications about 120 days before the expiration date. The pro-rated dues system for new members will end June 30, 2021. Members will be able to renew their WBCCI and club membership at the same time. Lifetime members will be included in the notification process and will need to renew through HQ at which time they will select and pay unit/club dues.

. Registration has opened for the **Fryeburg 2022 International Rally**. To be held at the Fryeburg Fair Association in Fryeburg, Maine, July 23-29, 2022. Login to the Members Only portal on the WBCCI site to register now!

Keystone Welcome Picnic



On a pleasant Sunday afternoon, July 25th at Warwick County Park it was great to welcome new members **Ron Miller & Wendy Ashby** and **Myra Estela & Sue Crouser** to the unit. Joined by **Jody & Sue Dietz**, **Wayne & Sharon Fitzgerald**, **Barry & Lesley Heckenswiler**, **Jerry & Barb Hillegass**, **Howard & Arry Mergelkamp** and **Pat & Kathleen Quinn**, everyone enjoyed the barbecue, fixins and sides and had a good time sharing adventures with our new members. Thanks to Kathleen and Pat for hosting and Jody and Sue for coordinating the barbecue!

Down the Road



Jim & Janice Hicks repositioned their vintage rig to Bar Harbor for the summer. Jim is again driving the shuttle bus for the national park. Lobster, sunglasses and man's best friend – what's not to like about this adventure!

Ted & Mary Newnam spent a few relaxing days at French Creek State Park.



Pat & Kathleen Quinn traveled to western PA to take in Flight 93 Memorial, Ohioopyle State Park (Kentuck Campground), Fort Necessity and other nearby sites.

We Want YOU!

a note from incoming president Kathleen Quinn

Keystone Volunteers: we need you! As a unit, we survive solely on member involvement and volunteerism. We know this can be intimidating for new members. But jumping into the deep end of the pool can have its rewards. You get to know folks pretty quickly and gain so much from their friendships. As you can see from the newsletter, we have many opportunities available. Event coordinators and board positions will need to be filled. So, we are in need of folks to step forward and fill some positions.



Did you know that 2022 is the Keystone Unit's turn to host the Pennsylvania Rally? Yikes! As the incoming 2022 President, and a newbie I could use all the help I can get to pull this event together. Please consider stepping up to help with the planning. Let's make the Keystone Unit shine!

2021 International Rally – Lebanon, Tennessee

Don & Phyllis Harrington and **Will & Karen Kushto** joined over 750 Airstreamers at the International Rally. At the Region 2 luncheon **RJ & Erica Marquette** took over as region President and First Lady from **Rick & Kathi Short**. A big **THANKS** to Rich and Kathy for their stewardship during the past years. At the International Meeting the proposed 2022 Slate of Officers and all 3 of the proposed Constitutional Amendments, as were outlined in past Kouriers, were approved. Below we've captured a few of the pictures from the rally, but be sure to check-out more pictures on the [rally Facebook page](#).



Keystone Komedie Korner



RP: Know how to keep usually calm Airstreamers in suspense?
We'll tell you next month!

Terry Pratchett: The trouble with having an open mind, of course, is that people will insist on coming along and trying to put things in it.

PS: If the way to a man's heart is through his stomach, then the way to a woman's heart is through the door of a good restaurant!

Proofreader Please, actual signs or headlines seen out and about:

"New study for obesity is looking for larger test group"

"If you cannot read, this leaflet will tell you how to get lessons"

Please send **your** best quips to Rick & Andy for a future issue of the Kourier.

Upcoming Keystone Fun

Unit Caravan to New England – August 14-28 - Caravan Update

It's been nearly 2 years in the making but never fear, it's here, the Keystone caravan,
"Bouncing About New England"

The route has been set, campgrounds have been booked, and Tours have been scheduled.

All that's left is prepping the Airstream and countdown to liftoff.

Just where are we going? See Below:

We will be meeting in northern NJ at a Harvest Host location to begin the caravan. Leaving the next day to travel to Rhinebeck NY for a tour of the Old Aerodrome museum and to see the pre WW1 and WW1 airplanes fly in dogfights.

Heading up the Hudson to Burlington we detour to Hildene, Vermont to tour the home of President Lincoln's son, Todd. On the property is a fully restored Pullman RR car as Todd was the president of the company.

Finally in Burlington we camp on an Island in Lake Champlain to see the sights by foot, car, and bike. Tour of Rock of ages quarry. We get 10% off of our personal memorials if we buy them there.

Leaving Vermont we head West into New Hampshire to camp in the White Mountains where we will ride the inclined railroad to the peak of MT Washington. It's said on a clear day one can see 34 states plus Canada.

Next Stop Belfast Maine where we will have plenty of time to check out this gorgeous seaside town, neighboring seaside towns, and munch on some lobster.

From Belfast we turn our sights back to Pennsylvania. Another Harvest Host, another KOA another day and it's back to the land of the Ruffed Grouse.

The End, 14 days, 1500 miles.

If your plans have changed and you'd like to tag-along, contact Jody at: jdietz4361@gmail.com. Since we've passed the cut-off, you'll need to make your own camping reservations, but will still be able to join in the fun.

Pennsylvania State Rally – September 10-12 – Centre County Grange Fairgrounds, Centre Hall, PA.

Sponsored this year by the Central Penn Club, there is a wide variety of activities for everyone: kayaking, hiking, biking, wildlife watching, local wine tasting, a visit to the H.O. Smith Botanic Gardens, the Nittany Antique Machinery Assn. Show, the Swigart Museum, Penn's Cave and Wildlife Park and more! Register by August 3rd to secure your spot with water, electric (30-amp) and onsite dump station.

Important Schedule Change:

The site for the end of the year rally November 5-7 has been changed to **Point Lookout State Park**. Full hook-up sites are available in the Tulip Loop. Don Harrington is coordinating so make your reservations now and let Don know your site (pastordkh21@aol.com). If you would like to spend more time at the southernmost tip of the peninsula formed by the confluence of Chesapeake Bay and the Potomac River in St. Mary's County, MD, remember that if you are 62 or over you can purchase a Maryland Golden Age Pass online (before making your reservation) for \$10. The pass is valid for ½ camping, Sunday through Thursday, at any Md state park. ([State Park Passes \(maryland.gov\)](https://www.maryland.gov/state-park-passes))



2021 Activities Schedule

We are still looking for **coordinators** and more travel ideas, so please let us know your suggestions.

August 14-28 (Sat-Sat) – Unit Caravan to New England

Let's find out what makes them talk so funny – Dietz's coordinating

September 10-12 – Pennsylvania Rally, Centre Hall, PA – Central Penn Hosting – **Keystone Coordinator?**

Flyer available on [Keystone Website Rally Page](#)

September 7-12 – invitation to join Alumapalooza 11, Jackson Center, OH

September 26 - October 3 – invitation to join 59th Annual Swiss Festival National Rally, Sugarcreek OH

September 29 – October 4 – invitation to join Storytelling Festival Special Event Rally, Jonesborough, TN

October 22-24 – Installation Rally – Linda & Chuck Chowns' Farm, 255 Kulps Road, Barto, PA 19504 – **Coordinator?**

Change of venue:

November 5-7 – End of the Year Rally – **Point Lookout State Park**, 11175 Point Lookout Rd, Scotland, MD
Don Harrington Coordinating (pastordkh21@aol.com, 856-362-1908)

December TBD (Sat) – Holiday Luncheon, Plumsteadville Inn - **Coordinator?**



Crank Up Your Silver...



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INTERESTED IN JOINING THE KEYSTONE UNIT?

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