

The Delmarva Beacon

January 2019

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Region 2
Unit #026

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President William Turner

Photo by Dan McDougall



President's Message



President William 'Bill' Turner

Hello DELMARVA Unit
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Our Christmas Luncheon on Dec.1 was well attended. We had 34 members and guests who attended the luncheon at the Brickworks in Smyrna. I would like to thank our hosts Donna and Mike. The food was good and the fellowship with our members was the best. It was good seeing Associate members and talking to them! It was a wonderful time. The only complaint I had was I ordered cheesecake for dessert and the last piece the restaurant had my sister got and she didn't share!

Let's not forget our Snowball Luncheon at the Comstock home. Make sure you call Malcolm and let him know you're coming so he knows how much soup to make! I was wondering if we are going to have snow this year?

I would like to thank Bobby Smith for the Airstream model and book *Wanderlust Airstream at 75*. And, thanks to Phil Cruchley for the flag. I will fly it proudly. Thank you both.

As the new year gets closer I was wondering how everybody spends New Years eve? A couple of years ago I went to Lewis, DE and watched the dropping of the anchor at the Overalls Lightship. It was a different way to spend New Years with friends. The weather was cold, especially with the wind blowing off of the Channel, but it was fun. I am hoping to do it again this year!

In closing, I would like to wish all DELMARVA Members, Associate Members and Friends a Happy New Year! If you're traveling in the new year be safe and careful in your travels.

See you down the road!

Editor's Notes -

Glenn Michael, Editor, Comments/Questions - 410-778-0062, fastperture@gmail.com

January and a new year is upon us. The Unit #026 has lots happening, not just for the month, but the whole year. Just peruse this newsletter and see what we have been up to and hopefully you didn't miss any of it. In this newsletter you will find notices of upcoming activities at Unit level, Region level, and International level. Check out the full Unit activity schedule on page 9.

Thank you to all that sent emails, cards and general vibes regarding my surgery. I don't mind admitting that given my family history, and my specific history, I was concerned. I am happy to report that my fears were wasted energy. Everything went really well. Though nothing is for sure all the time, I should be able to put some of the concerns regarding stroke behind me and concentrate on other things.

The cover photo was submitted by Dan McDougall from one of his many trips. The lighting just worked for this month. Thank you Dan. The photo of the Airstream in the snow, #3716, is yours truly's. Thank goodness the silver trailer hasn't been snow covered yet this season, but from a previous year it works for the January issue.

Thank you to Malcolm and Donna for photos of the Christmas Luncheon. Obviously I missed a big event and a great event. We have more members staying locally I believe.

Don't forget to contact Malcolm regarding your attending the Snowball Luncheon. And, there is an ad for the March event, St. Patrick's Day Luncheon. You could probably go ahead and contact Chuck anytime. He needs a number to give a head count to the restaurant. There will be more details in the February newsletter. There is an ad for the Valentine Luncheon held in FL by the Parks. The number is in the ad.

Don't forget the Red - White - Blue Region 2 Rally June 6-9, 2019, at South Mtn Fairgrounds, Biglerville, PA. It promises to be a great time. The coupon is in this issue on page 10.

Finally, I put a note on page 11 as a way of explaining what that page is about. Frank DiBona showed up on a Facebook with some of the neatest uses of photo merging combining Airstreams into fine art, mostly paintings. He has taken his efforts a step further and started a website where you can purchase items with his art. He has a variety of items such as phone cases, T-shirts, hats, pillows and mugs. Some neat things there. His site is not connected with Airstream, but he sure shows the brand well.

And while I'm sharing commercial items, just this morning I saw a blurb for Harvest Hosts. I haven't seen it before. It is a camping group with a membership fee, \$49, after Jan. 1 it goes to \$79. That fee allows you to stay 'free' at various wineries, farms, breweries, museums, and now 300 golf courses, for one night each. It looks interesting. Check it out for details and the rules.

<https://harvesthosts.com/>

The Facebook blurb showed a photo of an Airstream. Appropriate as they say "must be self-contained as there are no hookups at these sites, just parking."





SUNSHINE NEWS.

January 2019

Mary Ann Parks, Chair 302.584.3215 marybelle42@gmail.com

I am really shocked to realize you will be reading this Newsletter dated "January, 2019", in just a few days! As Les & I are staying "up north" until mid January, my Christmas Swedish Tea Wreathes are baking in the oven, and the tree lights are glowing brightly! Where did this year go, and how did it fly by so fast? And of course, another Birthday is celebrated, making us each a year older! Oh dear!

We are getting packed up to head to Florida as soon as Les gets the "okay" from the Dr. He still experiences back discomfort, but there doesn't seem to be much to help him. We are taking our new, safer car, which means we have to really cut back on what we take with us. We do look forward to being in the warmer temps, although the weather in Florida hasn't been much better!

But, the GREAT news is our "esteemed NEWSLETTER editor, Glenn Michael, is feeling so much better since surgery to clear his Carotid Artery a month ago! Glenn has been "cleared" by his Dr., so he can return to his activities. Keep up the good work, Glenn!

As they say, "no news is good news", so I pray that our Delmarva members and friends are doing well. I hope that everyone enjoyed a special Holiday season with family and friends, and will experience a Happy, Healthy 2019!

See ya "down the road"!

Mary Ann Parks. (marybelle42@gmail.com) or 302 584 3215



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WBCCI INTERNATIONAL RALLY - -IT'S CLOSE TO HOME

The Meadow Event Park in Caroline County, Virginia, is rich in history and an adaptable event space. Located just minutes from Richmond and Fredericksburg, an easy drive from Hampton Roads/Virginia Beach and a straight shot from the D.C. area,

Thoroughbred racing legend Secretariat was born here in 1970. Three years later he blazed his way into Triple Crown history. Today his birthplace is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and the Virginia Landmarks Register.

Since then, The Meadow has transformed from a family farm to a multi-purpose venue that is home to the State Fair of Virginia and other notable events. The 331-acre property features a mixture of original structures and newly constructed facilities.

TO REGISTER, GO TO THE WBCCI WEBSITE

<https://wbcci.org/2019-doswell-va/caravans/rallies/international-rally/2019-doswell-va>

Delmarva Unit Officers 2018 - 2019

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December 1, 2018
Hosted by - Mike & Donna Field



Photos by Malcolm Comstock and Donna Field

**The WBCCI
Delmarva Unit #026 met
at the Brick Works in Smyrna,
DE for their Annual Christmas
Luncheon hosted by
Mike & Donna Field.
There were 34 Members, Associates
and Friends able to make the
festive gathering.**





*Carl Morris,
William Turner,
John Chromy, & Millie Brown,
Fay & Phil Cruchley,
Margaret Morris.*

*Mike & Marcia Kelly,
Laurie & Bob Pullman, Jr.*



*Art Potter, Jeff & Cathy Pasco,
Mike & Donna Field, Liz Potter*



Iva Lee & Charlie Carter



Attending were:
Mike & Donna Field,
Clyde & Claire Warden,
Karen & Will Kushto, Bobbie Smith,
Carl Andersen & Jim Aikens,
President William Turner,
Charlie Michels & Nancy Elred,
John Chromy & Millie Brown,
Phil & Faye Cruchley, Carl & Margaret Morris,
Malcolm & Sue Comstock, Mike & Marcia Kelly,
Laurie & Bob Pullman, Jr.,
Art & Liz Potter,
Kathy & Andy Dowell, Cathy & Jeff Pasco
Chuck & Maggie Helwig,
Charlie & Iva Lee Carter.

SNOWBALL LUNCHEON

January 19, 2019

570 Banning Road, Camden-Wyoming, DE

Come between 12:30 and 1:00

No Fees

**Bring an appetizer to go with soup, or a dessert.
Hot and cold drinks and two kinds of soup will be provided.**

Malcolm & Sue Comstock

302-724-0654

**Please call, so we know
how much soup to make!**

FOR OUR 'FLORIDA UNIT' -

VALENTINE'S LUNCHEON

February 16, 12:30 PM

**Valentines Luncheon South,
Buffet City, Brooksville, FL**

Hosts - Mary Ann & Les Parks

302-743-0467



2018-2019 Calendar of Activities for Delmarva Unit #026

Jan. 19 Snowball Luncheon **529 Banning Rd, Camden, DE**
Hosts Malcolm & Sue Comstock 302-724-0654

February 16 Valentines Lunch, South, Buffet City, Brooksville, FL
Hosts - Mary Ann & Les Parks 302-743-0467

March 9 - St. Pat's Luncheon, Sheridan's Irish Pub, Smyrna, DE
Hosts - Chuck & Maggie Helwig 302-270-7618

April 26-27-28 Annual Delmarva Maintenance Rally 4-H Park Centreville, MD
Hosts - Helwigs and Comstocks, 302-724-0654 302-270-7618

June 6-9 Annual Region 2 Rally, Biglerville, PA See Coupon on Page 10

June 22, 1 PM Annual Unit Picnic, 128 Rocky Meadow Lane, Dover, DE
Hosts- Kim & Raul Reyna-Galinda 302-678-2941

July 20 -27 Sixty-Second International Rally, Doswell, VA, Meadow View Park,
Register at wbcci.org

August (Date to be determined), Salisbury
Hosts - Sansom Family, Roger, Celeste, Nate, and Livi 410-251-8574

October 4-5-6 - Delmarva Installation Rally, 4-H Park Centreville, MD
Host - Outgoing President Bill Turner, 302-743-0467

Don't Forget -

St Patrick's Day Luncheon

March 9, 2019

Sheridan's Irish Pub

Smyrna, DE

Hosts - Chuck & Maggie Helwig

More Details Next Month

Note - I have heard from Donna that the form as it was in this newsletter was hard to use a pen on (due to the color). I have re-worked the form to take out the blue background.

Donna suggests that you could also go to the Region 2 website, Region2.wbcc.net, and click on "Region Rally 2019" and use the form that lets you either pay by PayPal or by going to the next paragraph and clicking where it says "click here" to print the form and mail the check.



RED...White and...BLUE

WBCCI REGION 2 RALLY

June 6th- 9th, 2019

South Mountain Fairgrounds

615 Narrows Rd., Biglerville, PA 17307

South Mt. Fairgrounds is in Adams County, PA., home of the historic Civil War Battlefield of Gettysburg, the South Mountain Fruit Belt, covered bridges and portions of the Appalachian Trail and the Underground Railroad. The Rally promises you two breakfasts, a catered dinner, two nights of entertainment and nightly ice cream socials. Morning activities will include a golf outing, seminars, and the Region 2 Business Meeting. Afternoons are free to explore the area...bicycling, hiking, kayaking and fishing are as close as the nearby Caledonia State Park. Take a tour of Gettysburg or one of several local wineries! Mark your calendars now!

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

WBCCI# _____ Unit# _____

Handicap Parking? _____ (yes) Golf? _____ (yes) Volunteer? _____ (yes!)

Rally Fee includes two breakfasts, catered dinner, 2 nights entertainment, ice cream socials. Sites include W/E (guaranteed 110V) with dump station available

Rally Fee (Ages 13 and up) -----\$65 x ____ = \$ _____ Rally
Fee (Children 3-12) -----\$30 x ____ = \$ _____

Camping per night (W/E and dump) -----\$20 x ____ = \$ _____
(May arrive on Wed. June 5th and must depart Mon. June 10th. Max 5 nights)

Total Enclosed ----- \$ _____

RSVP by May 01, 2019. Make check (USD) payable to: Region 2 WBCCI
Mail to: Will Kushto, Tres. 114 Flagstaff Rd., Phila., PA 19115-3410
Children and pets welcome!
Contact: Rune Moeller (443)286-3114 gpickr@icloud.com CMU #166/WBCCI

FOR INTEREST

Ed. Note - I have introduced you to the genius combined photos of famous paintings blended beautifully and seamlessly by the clever hand of Frank DiBona. I have used his paintings a number of times in the newsletter with his permission. Many of you have noted the T-shirt I wear designed by Frank DiBona with the take off of the Sistine Chapel painting. His work has been featured in *Airstream Life*. Frank has now made his work available for purchase on a number of items such as T-shirts, mugs, phone cases, etc.

I think his work is fantastic and now available to all who wish to order. I have looked at the website and there are some neat items, and reasonably priced. I do note that it is stated clearly that - PLEASE NOTE: AIRSTREAMS EVERYWHERE IS NOT AFFILIATED WITH AIRSTREAMS, INC. PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT AIRSTREAMS, INC. OR THE AIRSTREAM STORE ABOUT ANY OF OUR PRODUCTS.



The graphic has a light green background. At the top, the text 'Tote Bags' is in a black script font, and 'Smart Phone Cases' is in a bold black sans-serif font. Below these, 'Coffee Mugs' is in a bold black sans-serif font, and 'T-shirts!' is in a large, black script font. A blue Airstream icon is positioned to the left of 'Coffee Mugs'. The word 'Airstreams' is written in a large, bubbly, teal font with a black outline, and 'Everywhere' is in a similar style but in blue with a black outline. To the left of the main text is a small rectangular image of a painting mashup showing figures from the Sistine Chapel standing next to an Airstream. Below the main text, it says '....and more, all based on the Airstream Mashups of Frank DiBona'. To the right of this text is a white mug with a pink Airstream design. At the bottom, it says 'Used Code: **INTRO20** for a 20% Discount' and 'airstreamseverywhere.com'.

Most of you probably already know me so I'll make this introduction brief. For almost five years I have been posting creations involving famous art, photographs, and cultural icons, to which I have deviously added an Airstream or two. Four years ago, I was one of the dozen or so founders of the Facebook Group, Airstream Addicts. One of my "Mashups" was the first picture posted to this group. Since then I have been thrilling, or annoying, the nearly 40,000 members of that group with almost daily images.

Now I am offering some of the best of these works on merchandise which I hope you will love. Every single item in this store has been personally crafted by me. Some of the designs are totally new, created just for the products in the store. I hope to see you wearing some of my shirts, or sipping coffee from one of my coffee mugs, at a campground soon.

Thanks for visiting Airstreams Everywhere.

Frank DiBona

<https://www.airstreamseverywhere.com/>

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