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The President's Corner

Last month was sure busy. It started when Dick Saxton and I took a road trip to Cabot, AK to pick up my replacement for MaryAnn I (our 2016 22FB Sport). Together we brought home MaryAnn II (a 2020 25RB Globetrotter).

Then we were off to the Lakeside Beach SP Rally where Tye Mott officiated the installation of new officers. We welcomed Dick Saxton as our incoming 1st VP and Chris Cappelletti as our incoming 2nd VP. Cathy Andersen was representing John Andersen as a new Director to the Board. (John was unavailable as he was sailboat racing on Lake Ontario.)

As the incoming President, I would like to thank Randy Hill for his leadership during the past two years. During the Covid-19 year many challenges were thrown at him. One was club continuity. His long-term vision for the club laid down the path for me and the new officers to follow. Again, I want to thank Randy for his leadership.

Photos from the 2022 installation.....



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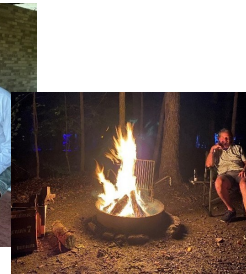
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The President's Corner continued.....

The Rally at Lakeside Beach SP was our last official camping event for the 2021 year. We had great weather and plenty of fun, food and friendship. A few of us checked out a local brewery where one crazy idea by two brothers in a local historic town produced lots of good beer!



Right now, we have three of the four 2022 Finger Lakes Rally spring/summer events covered. We are looking for people to volunteer for the 4th Rally event. Our club is only as strong as its volunteer base.

But that doesn't mean we're done having fun. As the days get shorter, we are working on a number of events, both indoors and outdoors, during the upcoming fall and winter months. Snow does not mean we need to hunker down during the cooler weather of New York State. We plan to embrace this time with get togethers for wine and cheese parties, outdoor activities or breakfast/lunch gatherings. So, make sure you have your skates sharpened, your snowshoes ready for that winter walk, your downhill ski equipment ready, or your cross country skis set to go this season.

Save Travels,
Gary

**MARK YOUR
CALENDAR!**

NY Finger Lakes Airstream Club 2022 Activities

All activities are subject to change.
Please refer to upcoming issues of The Grapevine Newsletter for
current activities. You can also find activities listed on our website.

May 19th-22nd	Region 2 2022 Rally Delaware State Fairground Harrington, Delaware
June 9th-12th	Watkins Glen State Park Watkins Glen, NY
June 23rd—26th	Sampson State Park Romulus, NY
July 1st—5th	Zoar Valley July 4th Bash Dawn and Boyd Wible
July 23-30, 2022	65th Annual WBCCI International Rally Fryeburg, Maine
September 8th-11th	Letchworth State Park Castile, NY

Suzanne's Sunshine Corner

Hello Everyone!

Autumn is in full glory in western and upper New York State.

As I write this, Gary is winterizing our trailer. Next stop: Palmyra Fairgrounds for winter storage. As some of you know, we sold MaryAnn I (our 2016 22FB Sport) and bought MaryAnn II (a 2020 25RB Globetrotter). It was a bittersweet day, but the Sport was sold to a lovely young couple from Syracuse. Hopefully we convinced them to join our club.

It was great to see such a turnout for our last outing for this year and officer installation at Lakeside Beach State Park. The weather cooperated and was perfect for our campfires. We are looking forward to many more fun times with the group and with those who find our events through the Airstream website and join us from other units.



Happy Birthday

John Andersen
Esther Dona
Diane Hill
Chris Cappelletti
Kenneth Zoanetti
Tom Underwood
Jessica Casey

October 6
October 8
October 15
October 19
October 21
October 22
October 25



Happy Anniversary

Raymond & Audrey Wagner
October 24

John & Nancy Hussar
October 26



Our sincere condolences to family and friends

Mary Oneida Grace (Sell) Kingdon, formerly of Canton, OH and Friendship, NY passed away August 1, 2021 in High Point, NC. Mary and her husband, Harold, traveled extensively throughout the US and Canada in their Airstream trailer.

Thank You

Our many thanks to Diane Hill for keeping the Sunshine column going for the last couple of years. We loved reading about the Hill's travels around the US with Monty and Zephyr. I will do my best to follow in her footsteps!

Gary and I hope to see you at upcoming get-togethers through the off-season. Until next time, best wishes for good health and safe travels!

Bits & Pieces



Apparently Chris and Gary had dueling grills set up at the Lakeside Beach SP Rally last month. These guys are looking pretty serious about their craft!!



DUES are Due

You may pay through your "members-only" self-service portal at ACI

<https://airstreamclub.org/renew>

Do we have any downhill skiers out there?



As Gary mentioned in his President's Corner, we'd like to plan activities year 'round for those of us who stay north in the winter. One of the activities I would volunteer to do is organize a group ski event. But first, I need to know if there's even any interest among our membership.

If you are at all interested drop me an email or IM through Facebook. Expressing interest is not a commitment....

- ♦ Would you be interested in a ski event?
- ♦ Do you have a ski area you prefer? (Bristol, Swain, Holiday Valley, Gore, Whiteface, Windham,, Greek Peak, Kissing Bridge, Hollimont, ??????)
- ♦ How far are you willing to drive?
- ♦ Do you have friends or family that you would like to invite? (I say...the more the merrier!! This would NOT be an AS ONLY event)
- ♦ Do you have a preferred month?
- ♦ Would you or your friends/family need to rent equipment?

If enough people are interested I will start to look into organizing an event. Email Liz Kirk at 002newslettereditor@wbcci.net



Region 2 News

RJ Marquette, Region 2 President

The big news this month is that I want to tentatively announce the Region 2 Rally for next year: May 19-22, at the Delaware State Fairgrounds in Harrington, Delaware.

As of this writing, we do not have a contract signed, so I'm mentioning it with some hesitation, but the other problem is that many clubs are trying to plan for their 2022 camping seasons, so I want to get word out and hope for the best. I'm confident we'll be able to get this contract in place soon, though.

We have a special treat for this one: The Vintage Airstream Club wants to hold a rally in our region and they've agreed to join forces with our Region 2 rally planning. This means we'll be able to offer more for everyone, and we may attract more WBCCI members from other regions as well. I'm excited for this rally - I think we're going to have a great time, and I hope you can join us. We'll have more details coming in the future.

I'm writing this on the last day of a Washington, DC Unit rally at the Outer Banks. I visited the Outer Banks with my parents several times in the 90s, and when I joined the WBCCI in 2005, the Outer Banks rally in 2006 was the first rally I attended, so this rally is always a must for me. We've had a great week of sunsets, sunrises, bicycling, exploring, beaches, food, and time with our Airstream family. Bill Graham (#3278) took the attached picture of Erica, Sulley, and I watching a sunrise. Thanks, Bill!

Coincidentally, Metropolitan New York Airstream Club President Colleen Ahlers and her family were camping here as well (not part of the rally). Erica and I met Colleen and her husband Jerry at International, so it was a fun surprise to run into them here.

Until next time....

RJ Marquette, Region 2 [President](#)



**Let's offer a warm welcome to our newest
Affiliate members**



**Jim & Catherine Hefferman
Carlisle, PA**

**Evan & Milo Haarklau
Minneapolis, MN**

