



GOOD LIFE NEWS

Florida Airstream Club, Region 3, Unit 27

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President's Points

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It's that time of year that the club gets a new President and a refreshed Executive Board. Your new First Lady, Lyn and I are delighted to have your trust and the opportunity to serve in this new capacity. Mike and Maryanne Swegles did an exceptional job as the club's 65th President & First Lady in their unprecedented Covid extended 14-month term.

So, we're off on a journey through the new year. We have an amazingly talented, fun-loving Executive Board with four new members, and all are excited to lead our club into new adventures. We have a full agenda of 11 club rallies not to mention the Region 3 rally in Hiawassee, Georgia in April and the International rally in Fryeburg, Maine in July. If you haven't been to a rally lately it is time to dust off that tin can and discover what you have been missing. Our rally hosts have packed the adventure with family orientated activities, opportunities to make new friends, and the ability to just kick back and enjoy new surroundings. Make sure you bring your children or grandchildren and make great memories together.

We just returned from back-to-back club rallies, the Cracker Christmas rally near Titusville and Stink Weed rally near Tallahassee. The Cracker Christmas rally is one of two community service rallies we perform each year where we help a community conduct a local fair by helping prepare the park and by serving as docents to showcase early Florida cracker homes. I'm not sure who has more fun, the folks attending the fair or us. We often hear "Thank you" from attendees and the park staff. We hold our



annual newly elected Executive Board installation and dinner at the park. Randy Godfrey did a great job conducting the event with lots of laughter and smiles by all. Mike Swegles recognized the many contributors who make our club such a success by chairing committees or leading various activities.

The Stink Weed rally hosted for the second year by our extremely talented Steve and Laura Kane was held on an old 250-acre tobacco farm. The farm has been partially converted to host events and makes a perfect place to hold a rally nestled among the pecan trees near a blackberry patch and a pasture holding Scottish Highland cattle. This year's event included the making of a music video and a two-day murder mystery with club members acting as suspects and victims. The rally was an overwhelming success.

It's great to be part of a club that has such a rich history and tradition of camaraderie, community service and charitable fundraising all while enjoying our Airstreams in the great outdoors.

It is truly a pleasure to serve as your President. Bob Masters

2022 Executive Board and Positions

The new officers who were installed at the Cracker Christmas Rally on Thu. Dec. 2 are:

*Thank your new
Executive Board and
other members who
assumed or continued
responsibilities in January
2022*

2022 Executive Board

President - Bob Masters
1st Vice President - Larry Scovotto
2nd Vice President - Steve Kane
Secretary - Janet McGloin
Treasurer - Brenna Loretta
Trustee 1 - Steve Oppel
Trustee 2 - Susan Poole
Trustee 3 - Frank Carson
Past President - Mike Swegles

Just as an Airstream is more than the chassis and aluminum framework, a smooth running club needs more than it's Executive Board. Here are other members who actively support the Board and functions of the club.

Appointed Positions

Badge Committee Chairperson – Steve Kane
Charitable Project Chairperson - Chris Allen
Communications Editor - Randy Godfrey
Historian - Jeff Krabel
Legislative Representative - Frank Carson
Membership Committee Chairperson - Frank Carson
Newsletter Editor - Susan Poole
Rally/Caravan Committee Chairperson - Larry Scovotto
Social Media Editor - Judy Barrett
Sunshine Committee Chairperson - Deb Oppel
Parliamentarian - Larry Scovotto
Webmaster - Steve Oppel

Standing Committees

Badge Committee
Charitable Project Committee
Communications Committee
Membership Committee
Rally/Caravan Committee
Sunshine Committee

Select (Temporary) Committees

Audit Committee
Nomination Committee



Left: Installation dinner servers: Jeff Krabel, Lyn Masters, Bob Masters, Pam Millis, Jean Piper.

Above: MaryAnne Swegles crowns the new “First Lady” Lyn Masters.

Gleaming Rigs in Glorious Places



The Christmas season has been super special this year! We decorated our Airstream Bambi 20 for our local Children's Home. The community is invited to drive through the campus lit up with Christmas lights, featuring a live nativity, and tons of decorations. We were honored to host Santa and Mrs. Claus! In addition, several single Moms and their children celebrated the season with a party and family photos in front of the Airstream. What a blessing it has been to see so many smiling faces this Christmas season!

Karen and Jim Creighton



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, from Selena Smith



Steve and Laura Kane's rig at Stink Weed Farm, Havana, FL.



Stan and Helene White's rig at Stink Weed Farm, Havana, FL

Hargett Custom Upgrades



Hargett custom upgrades

Curtiss Hargett is a member of our FAC and is a talented and inventive craftsman. He has created a logo that you may have seen atop the Fantastic Fan vent covers on many of our Club members airstreams. He has put a lot of thought into this piece of aluminum artwork and envisions it to be a tribute to the builders and craftsman of the 15+ Airstream models that have been created over the years. Can you name them all?

The "A" then represents both Airstream and Art. The round discs are the wheels and the tires turning and burning up these American roads. The flames coming off the wheels represent #1. The Wally Byam Club. #2 The spirit of freedom and adventure we have owning an airstream. #3-5 are the things we do. #3. We kayak and canoe #4. We bicycle #5. We hike, sightsee and explore.

On each flame (5) are three little holes which represent every model of airstream (15).

You can find Curtiss at many of our rallies along with his other notable inventions. His contact info is: Hargettcustomupgrades@yahoo.com.

Maryanne Swegles

Social Media Photos

As of November, 2021, we have an Instagram page too so you can share your photos easily. Here is our link.

<https://www.instagram.com/thefloridaairstreamclub027/> You can also get there the usual way.. search for: "thefloridaairstreamclub027" on Instagram. Remember to "mention" [wbcci](https://www.instagram.com/wbcc) also when posting.

Another place to post photos is on the club members' only Facebook group "[THE Florida Airstream Club 027](https://www.facebook.com/thefloridaairstreamclub027)". Send a request to join if you haven't done so already. Then look under Events and view or post photos from rallies there for quick reference.

Judy Barrett, Social Media Chairperson



Requests from Webmaster Steve Oppel:

Photos wanted: Please send to me your best airstream photos so that I can post them on the web site. oppels@gmail.com.

Email updates: If your email address has changed, please update it at <https://airstreamclub.org/florida/update-membership-email>

Thanks!

Harvest Hosts, Delightful!

Last spring, we heard about Harvest Hosts, and decided to join because we were headed to the northeast for the summer. We had heard that things were going to be extra busy so we thought this would be a nice backup. Website: <https://harvesthosts.com/> The app (about \$100) offers thousands of farms, vineyards, museums, etc. who are willing to offer overnight parking for free. The hosts receive no compensation for their generosity other than what you might purchase or donate. If they can offer hook ups there is a charge which varies so you should ask. Amenities on the web site often lists what they have for a product, not about hook ups, again you should ask. More than one night, if available, would require a fee.

Over the summer we used six of them, and loved them. At a commercial Campground you are a customer; at a Harvest Host site you are a guest. The first was Whip-or-Will Farm, Ridgeland, SC, a working farm under development. It was busy but cordial and offered power and water. Next, was Lost Valley Ski Area, Auburn, ME. It

Harvest Hosts is a membership program that invites self-contained RVers to have unique overnight stays at wineries, breweries, farms, and more.



Norland's School built in 1853, Livermore, ME.

was a really fun stop, with a summer brew pub and pizza. There were lots of activities going on, so we parked in overflow parking.

Then we stayed at Norland's Living History Center, Livermore, ME. When I saw this 250-year-old community on the list, I made it a destination where we were able to tour the community and watch reenactors. We even went to a school, restored as it was in 1853. The school marm was authentic (pictured below). We were told to park most anywhere; it was truly a great experience.

Fourth was Sandy River Alpaca Farm, Starks, ME. They really saved us. We had reserved a campsite at the only campground in Farmington, Maine and it didn't work out. We had several days of reunions planned with college friend and family. We called them on no notice and they not only let us stay but said "Stay as long as you want."

The fifth stop was Serious Brewing Company, Howe Cave, NY. It was a great stop with a brew pub where they make their own, very nice beer. The last was Marceline Winery, Mt. Crawford, VA., lovely spot up on a hill overlooking Massanutten. We were there on a Sunday afternoon where they had live music (very good by the way) and a wine bar. The wine slushies were great on a warm afternoon, sitting outside in a panoramic setting.

There are thousands of these hosts all over the country. What a great idea and what fun.

Pam and George Millis



Norland's Church, Livermore, ME.

Florida Airstream Club Rally Schedule 2022

Date	Rally Location and Campground	Hosts and Rally Registration
Dec 29, 2021 to Jan 3, 2022	Ring It In Silver In 2022 New Year's Rally Anastasia State Park St. Augustine, FL Reservations (up to 11 months prior) https://floridastateparks.reserveamerica.com/	Brenna & Joe Loretta brennaandjoe@gmail.com Register at https://airstreamclub.org/ring-it-silver-2022-new-years-rally
Feb. 10-14, 2022	Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park Live Oak, FL Reservations: 800-224-5656 or https://www.musicliveshere.com/ (Make reservation near the Pickin' Shed, Ask for Airstream rally discount)	Mike & Gina McGinn jmmcginn@comcast.net Register at https://airstreamclub.org/florida
Mar. 24-28, 2022	Blue Grass and BBQ Festival Fort Christmas, Christmas, FL Do not call the park. Register online and contact host if changes.	Steve & Laura Kane SteveKaneProductions@gmail.com Register at https://airstreamclub.org/florida
Apr. 6-9, 2022	ACI Region 3 Rally Hiawassee, GA Reservations: https://airstreamclub.org/2022-region-3-rally	Airstream Club International https://airstreamclub.org/2022-region-3-rally
Apr. 21-25, 2022	Salt Springs Rally Salt Spring Recreation Area Fort McCoy, FL Reservations: 877-444-6777 or https://www.recreation.gov/ (reservations can be made up to 6 months prior so try in mid October)	John and Kathie Walker walker48@bellsouth.net Host site: near the Pavilion Register at https://airstreamclub.org/florida
May 12-16, 2022	Heart of the Springs Rally Otter Springs Campground Trenton, FL Reservations: 352-463-0800 or http://ottersprings.com/ Make reservation with the campground, ask for Airstream rally location	Mike & Maryanne Swegles maryanneswegles7@gmail.com Register at https://airstreamclub.org/florida
Jun. 2-6, 2022	Silver Summer Kick-Off Rally Canopy Oaks RV Resort Lake Wales, FL Reservations: 407-630-7000 or https://www.sunlight-resorts.com/resorts/resort-at-canopy-oaks/ Make reservation with the campground near site 211, Make sure the park knows you are with the Airstream rally to be eligible for a 10% or 15% discount (depending on the number of attendees.)	Charlie and Geri Prisco gcprisco@yahoo.com Register at https://airstreamclub.org/florida
Jul. 23-29, 2022	ACI International Rally Fryeburg, ME Make reservations starting on July 22, 2021 https://airstreamclub.org/fryeburg-2022-international-rally	Airstream Club International https://airstreamclub.org/fryeburg-2022-international-rally

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Sep. 22-26, 2022	Jewel of the South Jekyll Island Rally Jekyll Island Campground, GA Reservations: Do NOT contact campground. Initial reservations are made thru the rally hostess when you register online. 20 rally sites are set aside for us	Selena Smith smithselenaj@gmail.com 904.206.2688 Register at https://airstreamclub.org/florida
Oct. 13-17, 2022	Sarasota Silver Rally / Annual Meeting Sarasota Fairgrounds Sarasota, FL Reservations: Sites already reserved, do not call fair-ground, sign-up by registering online.	Lyn & Bob Masters blmasters@icloud.com Register at https://airstreamclub.org/florida
Nov. 3-7, 2022	Mary's Fish Camp Rally Spring Hill, FL Reservations: call (352) 597-3474 SOLD OUT! <i>But call and ask to be put on the waiting list.</i>	Jeff Krabel jk62gt@gmail.com Register at https://airstreamclub.org/florida
Dec. TBA	Cracker Christmas Festival Fort Christmas, Christmas FL Installation of 2023 Officers Reservations: Do not call the park. Register online and contact host if changes.	Steve & Laura Kane SteveKaneProductions@gmail.com Register at https://airstreamclub.org/florida
Dec. TBA	Stink Weed Farm Havana, FL Reservations: Do not call the park. Register online and contact host if changes.	Steve & Laura Kane SteveKaneProductions@gmail.com Register at https://airstreamclub.org/florida

SAVE THE DATE for possible new rally at end of the year: **Ring It in Silver 2023 12/29/2022 to 01/02/2023**

Due to the popularity of Anastasia State Park New Year's Rally in St. Augustine, FL, we are planning to hold it again on **Thurs. Dec. 29th 2022 – Mon. Jan. 2nd, 2023. PLEASE** mark **ALL** of your calendars to **remind** yourself to reserve your spot by January 29th, 2022. (FL state parks book out 11 months in advance.) You will want to start to see what becomes available starting on Jan. 19th, 2022 as this is when the 14 day reservation window opens up to be able to take your through the end of the rally date. If you can get into the Coquina Loop that's great but if you can't just book wherever you can get a spot, as any spot is better than no spot.

If you think you are going to want to go, **DON'T wait to book**. You can always do a catch and release to someone else in our group down the road if your plans change. I had numerous people reaching out to me throughout the year that wanted a spot. Next year we plan to try to do a Lighthouse tour and a group lunch afterwards along with a couple of other ideas. More details to come but reserve your spot now. Contact Brenna Loretta if questions brennaandjoe@gmail.com



Important: Remember to RESERVE and REGISTER. Make your own RV reservations with the campground AND register for the rally at airstreamclub.org (see links above). It really helps the Hosts to know who is coming so they can plan and send updates. If you need to cancel or make changes, then email the Hosts. ACI members from any club are welcome to attend. Rally fees are typically \$20 per person (children under 18 free). More details are available in this newsletter or from Rally Hosts.

Mary's Fish Camp

Nov. 4-7, 2021

The Mary's Fish Camp Rally was held November 4-7, 2021 near Bayport, FL. There were 27 Airstreams and 60 Attendees. The rally was hosted by the Krabels, Oppels and George's. Tim was our MC this year and did a terrific job!

We had campfires with Steve Kane playing his guitar, Happy Hour at Marker 48 Brewing in the Airstream Beer Garden, Shrimp and Grits breakfast, and Sam's famous smoked ribs and chicken dinner.

Fishing is always fun at Mary's fish camp whether you catch one or not. This year's winner of the coveted golden mullet award went to Jeff Krabel. Chris Allen won the Silver Mullet Award, and Larry Scovotto took home the "Rots-a-Ruck" Award for the second year!

Please stay safe, and healthy in 2022 .

Mary's Rally will be repeated again next year. Although all the spots are reserved already, call and place your name on the waiting list for Nov. 3-7, 2021. (352) 597-3474

Steve & Deb Oppel



"Golden Mullet" Award went to Jeff Krabel.



"Silver Mullet" Award went to Chris Allen.



Larry Scovotto took home the "Rots-a-Ruck" Award



Marker 48 Brewing in the Airstream Beer Garden

Cracker Christmas Rally

Dec. 2-6, 2021

Over twenty years ago, Frank and Joan Carson, long time Florida Airstream members noticed a need: the Fort Christmas Historical Park could use more folks to help in getting the park and it's Cracker homes ready for their Christmas festival. They volunteered the assistance of the Florida Airstream Club and our community service project was off and running.

Steve and Laura Kane organized the rally and the Installation Dinner for incoming club officers held there on Thursday night. Since Steve and Laura were also the rally leaders for the Stink Weed rally immediately after Cracker Christmas, they turned the rally weekend responsibilities over to Dick and Fran Marquette and Bob & Lyn Masters. Everyone pitched in to make the rally a renowned success.

This year 30 rigs were registered, although only 16 actually came to the rally perhaps due to the latest COVID variant. We had a lot of fun helping to decorate the park, spiffing up the houses for the weekend open house, directing vendor parking and taking shifts in the houses during the festival to interpret the history of each house and its artifacts for the over thirty thousand attendees. When we weren't busy helping, we still had lots of time to tour the vendor booths and take in the local sites or just relax in the park's pioneer surroundings. It was great fun and we all left with a feeling of accomplishment with the many thanks and appreciation of the park staff.

Bob & Lyn Masters



Winter Murder Mystery Rally at Stink Weed Farm

Dec. 6-10, 2021

As always, Stink Weed has proven to be quite magical. This year we hosted 26 units with 49 people on the 250-acre farm! The murder mystery and music festival were amazing. Despite the inclement weather, we proceeded to let everything happen and only missed a few songs being played live.

This year it was centered around a murder mystery during a music festival that was written by Edward Wendover specifically for the rally! Only one person (Bob Masters) guessed the murderers correctly and won the grand prize! The actors and actresses were amazing and did a wonderful job on their roles and not revealing the mystery.

An amazing chili dinner was made by David Poole and his team, as well as a filling breakfast by Mike Swegles and his team. We shot a music video and played games. We had time for crafting, baking, dancing, playing pool in their "speak easy" room, and chatting by the fire. There were 16 dogs who also ran, played, and had a good time! Many thanks to the others who helped make it happen.

We hope you join us next year, the first Monday through Friday in December, as we keep the story going, but the game different :-).

Steve and Laura Kane



John Walker, Edward Wendover, and Steve Kane next to Ed's blue bus camper



Ring It In Silver In 2022 New Year's Rally Dec. 29, 2021 to Jan. 3, 2022

Our New Year's Rally was an explosion of lights, fun, sightseeing, games, and more. The rally started a little bit early with three of us coming in a couple of days early by chance. We were able to visit the local farmer's market at the St. Augustine Beach Pier. Since St. Augustine is a city with many choices – we left the rally schedule light so people could choose to see all of the sights. There were about 12 rigs and a few other ones we invited to some of our meals. Thanks to John and Kathie Walker, along with their neighbor for hosting a few rigs.

We officially started the rally with a simple welcome meal off the grill on Wednesday night. After the dinner a group of 8 of us took the trolley Night of Lights of Tour where they gave us really cool glasses that turned all of the lights to snowflakes.

Some of the group the next morning took in the trolley history tour of the city and a meal downtown. Some others biked to view the lighthouse and took an unexpected bike ride to John and Kathie Walkers house. We had happy hour and then everyone dispersed to John and Kathie Walker's for a dinner and good times with friends.

New Year's Eve Day we had a rally breakfast where breakfast sandwiches and homemade waffles were a hit. People stayed longer to visit and play a game of "9 Square in the Air". Some then went on to site seeing while oth-



St. Augustine's famous Nights of Lights

ers went to catch a quick late lunch at the local Mojo Taco that Kathie recommended, and it was a hit. Eight of us then took in the last Sunset paddle of the year in Salt Run located within the park. The weather was perfect - not too warm not too cold and no breeze. It was just a lazy paddle with lots of visiting involved.

Then just before the fireworks people were invited to stop by our host site to indulge in some homemade adult hot chocolate, which was described as decadent and another person said it has spoiled them not to have just regular hot chocolate again...

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Front row: Brenna and Joe Loretta,
2nd row: Laura & Steve Kane, Mike & MaryAnne Swegles



St. Augustine lighthouse



"Nine Square in the Air" ball game

Ring It In Silver In 2022 New Year's Rally (Continued)

Everyone drove or biked to the beach within the park where we watched a 30 min. firework display before we all dispersed to our own trailers. Deb Oppel's homemade popcorn was a hit snack to eat while watching the show.

New Year's Day all of us went to the farmer's market where we found numerous goodies to eat there, fresh produce to take home, and birthday presents to purchase – good score Maryanne. J Some stayed longer to take in the music and Bloody Mary's while enjoying good company.

Maryanne & Mike Swegles made the New Year's Dinner that consisted of black eyed peas, ham and collard greens. It was a great community dinner that everyone enjoyed and we should all have a lot of good luck, health and wealth because of her cooking. Afterwards Joker ensued under the 9 square game frame of lights and there were lots of laughs coming from one of the table, and at my table I was being reminded to take a card. Oops.

We had our 2nd breakfast on Sunday, then played a really long game of 9 square. Deb & Steve took in a circus that was recommended to us by a fellow Airstreamer we had invited to our good luck dinner. She had three different couples stop at their campsite to invite them. No one can say our group isn't friendly. LOL. Others visited restaurants in town or took in Washington Oaks Park.

Sunday night ended with a potluck of leftovers etc. along with 3 of us finding a lost dog's owner who was forever grateful to Teresa, Laura and I. Before saying our good byes everyone voted that they wanted this rally again next year. See details in upcoming rallies section.

Hosts: Brenna & Joe Loretta



Hiking at Anastasia on the ancient dunes is serenely beautiful.



New Year Southern Good Luck meal: ham, black eyed peas, collard greens, and cornbread.



A final sunset in 2021... Cheers to 2022!!



New Year's Eve Fireworks at the beach.



Hiking at Washington Oaks State Park

Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park

Feb. 10-14, 2022



Come join the fun at the Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park near Live Oak, FL. Activities include kayaking, tree house tour, disc golf, golf cart adventures on their 880 acres of trails, dutch oven cooking class, and campfires. We are also doing a golf cart decorating contest Friday night after dinner.

Sites were being held until Dec. 1, but you may still be able to make a reservation. Be sure to mention you are with the Airstream club so you get your discount. The sites are full hookup.

Golf cart/camping package for 2 nights (Fri-Sun with camping is \$154.10). Add an extra \$80 if you are staying Thurs-Mon for the camping (\$234) and \$58 per day for each additional golf cart day. If you choose to bring your own golf cart, they charge \$30 one-time fee for the use of their trails.

If interested in doing the Tree house tour, it is \$8 cash at the tree house or you can pay by credit card at the office. Tours are Sat. and Sun. 10am and 2pm.

Please call 386-364-1683 to reserve your package and remember to tell them if you would like to stay the 4 nights and have the cart all 4 nights. Also register for the rally at <https://airstreamclub.org/florida> Rally fees will be approximately \$20 per adult.

PS. Bring your kayak, frisbee for disc golf, and a dutch oven if you have one. It is a good idea to bring an extension cord so you can plug the golf cart in when not in use. Also, remember items to decorate your golf cart for the contest!

Hosts Gina and Mike McGinn

This 800-acre campground is located on the historic banks of the Suwannee River. It includes a boat launch, miles of trails, music events, and many other activities for the entire family.

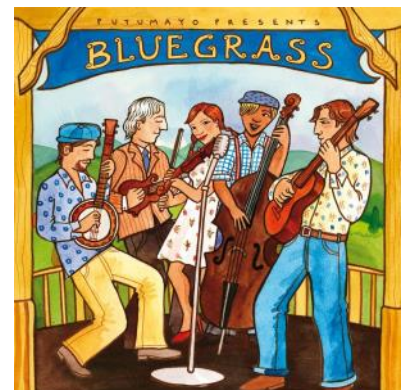
Blue Grass & BBQ Festival, Ft. Christmas

Mar. 24-28, 2022

Come join us for a long weekend of music and fun as we help out Ft. Christmas and the Bluegrass Barbeque Festival located at Christmas, Florida (near Titusville). Plan to arrive on Thursday with a Happy Hour at 4 PM (everyday). We will volunteer on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday with setting up, hosting in the Cracker Homes, parking, and cleaning up and other light duties. We will notify registered attendees of detailed agenda, planned meals, and other activities. Be sure to bring your Joker games, musical instruments, or other entertainment.

This is a low amperage, shared water rally. It's like, glamour boondocking!! Please plan on having less than 10 amps or use propane to power your rigs. A water line will be supplied, but you'll need to have a Y adapter with you to take a line to your rig and send an end for your neighbor's. There is no sewer hook-up or dump station on the festival grounds, but there is an RV park about 5 miles away that charges a small fee for dumping tanks.

Register online at <https://airstreamclub.org/florida> Rally fees will be around \$20 per adult. We look forward to seeing you as we take ad-



vantage of this biannual chance to camp at Ft. Christmas, help others, hear some fun music, eat great food, and see each other.

Hosts: Steve and Laura Kane SteveKaneProductions@gmail.com

Meet-up after the International! Megunticook by the Sea Campground Jul. 29 – Tue. Aug. 2, 2022



Attending the International Rally in Fryeburg, Maine? Would you like to extend the trip and spend some time on the coast?

We have registered for International and have planned an “after party” at Megunticook by the Sea Campground in beautiful coastal Rockport/Camden. There is much to do and see in this beautiful area of Mid-Coast Maine.

Here are the particulars: 25 sites have been blocked for this Airstream get together. This is a busy time as their season is short, so book soon. You must call 207-594-2428 to reserve, online booking won't work as we have blocked sites for FAC. Calling hours are 9-6.

Prices are online, but we are booking 30 AMP FHU @ \$59 per night, and we have reserved Friday July 29- Tuesday Aug. 2. A 50 % dep is required at booking, 14 day cancellation. It is advised that you look at campground map on website before booking. We are in site 58.

We are hoping for the conditions to be right so that we can do some kayaking in the harbor, Camden and Rockport both have lighthouses that can be seen up close and it is an outstanding experience.

Please note that this is just a causal get together on your own and is not a sanctioned club or WBCCI rally.

MaryAnne and Mike Swegles

Request for 2023 Rally Hosts...

We are beginning the process of determining rally sites for 2023. If you have a suggestion or are interested in hosting a rally please contact Larry Scovotto at (386) 405-0160 or larry.floridaairstreamclub@gmail.com

Airstreamers parked at Midway Campground
Big Cypress National Preserve, FL (on Tami-
ami Trail) April, 2021



Welcome New Members and Affiliates!

NEW MEMBERS



To join or renew, go online to <https://airstreamclub.org/> and click on Menu & Future or Current Members

To become an affiliate of Florida Airstream Club, see instructions on last page.

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Welcome New Members (cont.)

FACEBOOK

Connect with members on this club's Facebook page "[THE Florida Airstream Club 027](#)" (available to members only). Be aware there is another page with a similar name which is open to anyone. Look for the one with our logo.



INSTAGRAM PAGE *New!*

<https://www.instagram.com/thefloridaairstreamclub027/>

If you would like your picture (with or without your Airstream) included in the next newsletter, please send it to the newsletter editor (susyqmeetup14@gmail.com) along with a couple sentences about your Airstream and yourselves. We like to see pictures of our new members so we recognize you when we see you!



FAC Merchandise Web Site!



Check it out at <https://shop.spreadshirt.com/florida-airstream-club/>

T-shirts, hoodies, hats, bandanas, tote bags, etc. with the Florida Airstream logo (in a variety of materials, sizes and colors) are now available for ordering online. Now is the time to get ready for future rallies with your very own Florida Airstream Club logo apparel. I can't wait to see what new logo items show up when we get together again at club activities. Happy Shopping!
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Community Project: Fisher House Foundation



Total donations for 2021 were \$6,152.50, which was double what we donated last year!

The Stink Weed Farm Rally held in December in Havana, FL was a perfect Rally to wrap up our Fisher House donations for 2021. Our Rally Hosts Steve & Laura Kane kept us entertained all week with a fun filled agenda. We collected \$786.00 at this rally from our generous club members and guest. This deposit along with our previous balance brings our grand total for the year to \$6,152.50. A check for this amount will be given to the Fisher House during the first quarter of 2022.

The activities that generated donations for the Fisher House at the December Rally included A Murder Mystery where folks could pay an entry fee and sign up to be detectives during the 24 hour game. All funds collected above operating costs were donated to the Fisher House. We had our very own club members play actors and actresses to simulate what can happen when families fight over inheritance money. A lot of unexplained accidents happened during this activity. Food poisoning, drowning and a knife stabbing made everyone look suspicious. The winner of this game was Bob Masters who figured out that there was more than just one mur-

derer from the trail of clues left behind. Bob then donated his cash prize to the Fisher House. Thank you, Bob, for your generous donation. We also had the opportunity to try some home-made brew from the Masters and Mimosa cocktails served by the Kanes that were both well received by the group and generated donations via tips for the Fisher House.

Keep in mind, we are still currently selling club stickers, RV stickers in white & silver, name tag magnets and lanyards, wooden joker sets, hand-crafted by Jeff Krabel, window opening tools donated by Bob Masters and the "never lock yourself out of your trailer" tool designed and donated by Curtis (Will) Hargett. See Chris Allen for details and to purchase.

Do you have an idea for a future fundraiser? Have you come up with a must have tool that would benefit other campers? Please let me know. We would love to incorporate your ideas in future initiatives to increase our donations. I can be reached at email: ronchrisallen@bellsouth.net or by calling (904) 534-9896.

Chris Allen, Community Project Chairperson

Sunshine Committee Report

This column is the place where we express praise for members' major life accomplishments or concern for those experiencing difficult times.

From Linda Scovotto: As many of you know I had the right lower lobe of my lung removed in July for a non small cell carcinoma prevalent in non smokers. The tumor was small and totally self contained in the lobe. All surrounding nodes were negative. As the tumor was close to the lining of the lung there is a concern that cancer cells could have escaped into the lung. For that reason preventative chemo therapy has been recommended. I had the first chemo a week ago and scheduled for the next in 2 weeks. Aside from being tired I have done well. Treatment will be every 3 weeks for 2-3 months. We will miss a rally or two but once this is behind us we will be back in the groove. Thanks to



everyone for your well wishes. We hope you all have a joyous holiday season and a happy and healthy 2022

If you would like to share something in the next newsletter, please send it to **Debbie Oppel** at deb@declutteredbydeb.com or call (763) 670-8772

Florida Airstream Club, ACI Region 3, Unit 27



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Inspired by the international caravans of Wally Byam, creator and founder of Airstream, the Wally Byam Caravan Club (WBCC) was initially chartered in 1955. Since then the name has been amended to Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc. (WBCCI), and Wally Byam Airstream Club (WBAC), and recently **Airstream Club International (ACI)**

The Florida Airstream Club was originally chartered as The Southeastern Unit in 1956 making it one of the oldest units. We schedule rallies all over the state from September through June. Staying true to Airstream tradition we include lots of great food, activities, and opportunities to get to know one another in a relaxed atmosphere.

New applicants and renewing members apply online at <https://airstreamclub.org/> Contact Membership Chair below if questions.

Affiliates: If you are a member of another WBCCI/ACI club and want to become an affiliate of Florida Airstream Club, do it online when you renew or download registration form at <https://airstreamclub.org/florida> and mail it with \$10 to Treasurer below.

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