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President's Corner



Hello, Region 4 Members!
 Merry Christmas! Happy Holidays! Feliz Navidad!

As you can see from the above photo, Jane and I are in Tucson, Arizona, attending Tohonol Chul's Holiday Nights 2021 event. As we traveled the country from Ohio to Arizona this month, it occurred to me that *The only thing constant is change*. Everyday, we were changing something. We changed our clocks every few days as we move through the various time zones, we changed our routine as we camped in different sites in different campgrounds, and even our holiday language has changed as we wish others from various backgrounds, "Merry Christmas," "Happy Holidays," or "Feliz Navidad," during this season.

Change is often looked upon as a bad thing; but, in reality, change can be a way of staying young as we keep our minds open to other ways of doing things, especially when traveling in our Airstream. As Roy T. Bennett shares, "You never change your life until you step out of your comfort zone; change begins at the end of your comfort zone."

Another change Jane and I are experiencing this year is Christmas away from family for the first time. With the passing of Jane's mother last February, we have now had all of our parents pass away. We were scheduled to go to the WBCCI Rose Parade National Rally in 2020, but it was canceled because of COVID. Luckily, all 2020 registrants were given a chance to attend in 2021, so we decided to go. We are facing change head-on as we spend about three weeks in Tucson before moving to Pasadena for the rally, deciding to spend Christmas in the warm weather of Tucson with friends. As most of you have experienced, pivoting travel plans has become a way of life for all of us.

Changes to WBAC are also in the works. Do not forget that when it is time to change our calendars, it is time to renew our membership for most of us. See details in the Region 4 Membership section of this newsletter if you have not already renewed. Each person is eligible to put in their own personal information including your picture into the ACI directory. See Tips and Tricks for a step-by-step guide to add your picture. While there, you can also check your personal information and add/edit any information so that your profile online up-to-date.

In his article, 1st President Fred Kiehl has some changes and updates about the Swiss Festival National Rally. In his piece, 2nd Vice President Mike Pastva has an invitation to everyone going to Wooster. The International Board of Trustees (IBT) is considering a proposal to change the structure of the International Executive Committee. See more details in the International Section.

And most importantly, the 2022 Region 4 Rally will be a significant change of venue this year as we "Cultivate on the Mooove: Fun, Friendships, and Adventures!" You will notice the acronym ACI in the name of the rally. You either know or can guess that ACI stands for Airstream Club International, one of the approved "aka's" for our club! Check out the registration information in this newsletter and make sure you are registered for this "first-ever" event in Region 4!

Safe travels and I look forward to seeing you down the road,

Brad

Brad Briggs
President, Region 4
BRN 215



From the First Vice President

What is Happening?

Hello Everyone,

Well, the holiday season is upon us. I hope everyone is doing well and ready to enjoy the season. Kathy and I returned from a short trip a little while ago where we were having low temperatures of 29 in Georgia, and we thought that was cold, but now we're ready to go back.



Swiss Festival National Rally 2021



Left to right: Brad Briggs, Gene Cribbs, Larry Kurkowski, Fred Kiehl, Karin Kurkowski & Kathy Kiehl

As you can see by the photo, we had a celebration this year at the Swiss Festival National Rally (SFNR). We were celebrating and thanking Larry and Karin Kurkowski for their decade of hosting this rally. And as Larry and Karin would be the first to tell you, there are a lot of volunteers that make this rally, so we honored many long-term

volunteers as well. Gene Cribbs, a long-time friend of Larry and Karin and supporter of this rally, helped with the presentation.

The Land-O-Lakes of Ohio Unit started this rally in 1962 and sponsored it until 2015, when the West Virginia Airstream Club picked up the sponsorship. Starting in 2022 the rally will be sponsored by Region 4. The decision to support and when needed sponsor the rally was made by the Region 4 Leadership in 2019 (Don Hetzler, President; Karen Fisher, 1st VP; and Brad Briggs, 2nd VP) and has my full support since Brad Briggs and myself volunteered to host the rally when Larry and Karin step down.

This year's rally was a lot of fun and even with the supply-chain shortages, Larry's order for cool, sunny & dry weather came through. We have been working on plans for next year, and hope we can meet the expectations set by Larry and Karin.

Kathy and I realize that volunteerism is one of the things that this club offers that leads to more fun and friendships, so if you're looking for something to be a part of in September, let us know. We are always looking for volunteers.

Once again, I would like to thank Larry & Karin for their leadership as hosts of this rally and their willingness to share their knowledge and wisdom so the rally will continue, and the West Virginia Airstream Club for sponsoring and supporting the transition. Also, a shout out to Jack Ketterer who has encouraged me for the last several years to take on this project.

Larry and Karin, I am hoping you will attend the rally in the future and get the opportunity to just enjoy it and maybe go on some of the tours.

The website is up and running with basic information. Please check it often to get the latest information at: <https://airstreamclub.org/swiss-festival-national-rally>

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From the Second Vice President

We had an Enjoyable but Busy Summer

We just stored our Airstream for the winter, bringing our camping adventures for 2021 to a close. After losing most of the 2020 camping season, it was wonderful to get out with the Airstream in 2021.

Jill and I went to the Region 4 Rally at the Buchtel Reserve in West Virginia, we attended rallies with our home club of Akron, Ohio, and joined a couple of other clubs for their rallies. We sure enjoyed getting to know other Airstreamers and join in their rallies.

Next, we went with the Mohican Valley Club to go to Dayton, where we got to see the Dayton Air Show plus visit the Dayton Wright-Patterson Air Force Museum. If you have never been to that museum, be sure to check it out.

Later in the summer, we joined the Ohio Lake to River club at a fantastic state park, Bark Camp State Park. We had never been there before and wow, what a great park. We took my puggles camping and they loved exploring a new outdoor area. We were able to go on a run in the park but wished we had brought our kayaks. The park had a fantastic lake.

The Akron Club had a busy summer as well. In June, we went to Tiffin, Ohio. What a busy weekend. We learned about glass production, went to a speak-easy, saw cannons used in movies, and made welcome mats. Jill and I also found a couple of local breweries that we enjoyed checking out.

In August we went to the Chautauqua area with the Akron club. Besides participating in the club events, we found a nearby state park where we went running. We also found a great area for kayaking and found a couple of local breweries, which we managed to check out.



You may have noticed that Jill and I like to include outdoor activities like biking, running, and kayaking while at these different rallies. Jill likes to sample local beers, so we usually look for local breweries in the area.

We'd also like to participate in local races such as 5Ks, 10Ks, and any triathlons. We usually look for races and hopefully, we'll be able to find one that's at the same time as a rally.

Now that we're in our winter season, our thoughts have turned to next year. We have already registered for the Region 4 Rally in Wooster and hope to meet many of you there. Jill has already identified a local brewery we are looking forward to going to. Let me know if you'd like to join us.

We have also signed up for the International Rally in Fryberg, Maine. I've already planned on taking a lot of vacation so we can enjoy the rally and have a good time getting there and back. We hope to meet even more of you there.

I hope that we will be able to participate in some of the rallies for other clubs in Region 4. We seem to all have a lot in common, even if we haven't met before.

Have a good winter, and we'll see you in the spring.

Mike Pastva
2nd VP, Region 4
BRN 6931



WBAC Region 4 Needs **You**

It is time to activate the Region 4 Nominations committee. If you would like to have your name considered or would like to pass on a name to this committee for our next Region Officer, please contact either Fred Kiehl or Mike Pastva.

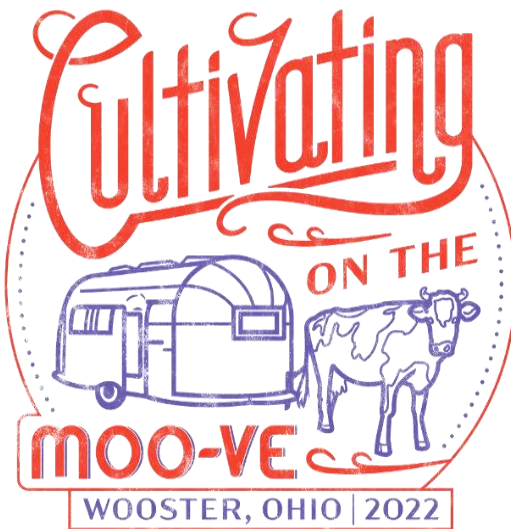
Have you checked out the Region 4 Website
recently?

<https://airstreamclub.org/region4>

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Region 4 2022 Rally Registration

By: Brad Briggs, 2022 Region 4 Rally Director



The 46th Annual ACI Region 4 Rally
—Main Street Style—
May 18-22, 2022
Downtown Wooster, Ohio

Join us for the **46th ANNUAL ACI REGION 4 RALLY--MAIN STREET STYLE!** The friendly people of Wooster, Ohio are closing their downtown streets and opening up their town to Airstreamers! Be a part of the first-ever Region 4 Main Street Rally, which provides attendees an opportunity to "cultivate" fun, friendships, and adventures! Included are professional entertainment, great food, interesting tours, and time to explore what interests you in this beautiful part of Ohio!

For more detailed information and to sign up, visit <https://airstreamclub.org/46th-annual-aci-region-4-rally-main-street-style>

Interested in learning more about Wooster? Visit <https://www.mainstreetwooster.org/>

Just a reminder.....Region 4 and other WBCCI members, sign up NOW!! Registration will open on January 15, 2022, to all Airstreamers to join the fun. Space on the streets is limited, so don't hesitate! If you have any questions, reach out to Brad Briggs at bfbriggs57@yahoo.com. We look forward to seeing you there!

Are you excited about going to the 2022 R4 Main Street Rally?



By: Dan & Sharon Zile, Dade City, FL #9068

Our Airstream, BRN 9068, is regularly on the "moo-ve" to interesting places, and we are excited to be taking it to the streets of Wooster, Ohio! What a great opportunity to see our Region 4 friends, attend our very first downtown rally, participate in a little community service with other like-minded Airstreamers and relax a bit before our summer journeys begin! Are we concerned about the limited electricity? Not a bit! The rally-provided amperage will keep our batteries charged! The rest is all part of the adventure!

a Luncheon in the Sun

WBCCI Region 4 Florida Luncheon

Hosted by: Barb Derian & Ralph Volk
Jim & Cindy Conant



When: Saturday, January 29, 2022
Noon - 4 p.m.

Where: Travelers Rest RV Resort
*Busch Hall
29129 Johnston Rd
Dade City, Florida 33523

Cost: \$15 each
Meal is Provided with water and soda

* (From entrance to TR, follow main road up the hill to the building with flags in front, which is Busch Hall. Enter on either side of the hall.)

RSVP

by Jan. 24, 2022

To Register online to Barb Derian:

<https://form.jotform.com/213374535079056>

To Register by mail, send registration form and check to Jim Conant at
Traveler's Rest, 29129 Johnston Rd, Lot 05-14, Dade City, FL 33523



WBCCI Region 4 Florida Luncheon - January 29, 2022

First and Last Names: _____

Email: _____ Big Red # _____

Phone (where you can be reached most of the time): _____

Home Club Name: _____

Number of Attendees: _____ X \$15 \$ _____

Total Amount Due (Venmo or Check) \$ _____

Series on Wooster and the Surrounding Area

Part II: Wayne County

Jane Briggs, Editor

As the second article in our series on Wooster and its surrounding area, the focus for this article will be on Wayne County, of which Wooster serves as county seat. Wayne County was organized in 1812 under an Act of the Legislature of the State of Ohio. Up until 1810, Wayne County was one entire township named Killbuck, named after the old Indian chief of that same name. (*History of Wayne County, Ohio*). Today, Wayne County has 16 townships and as of the 2020 Census, a population of 116,894. The county itself was named for “General Mad Anthony Wayne.”



The Wayne County Courthouse sits on Wooster’s square and was designed by Thomas Boyd in the classic Second Empire style from 1877 to 1879 and is composed of sandstone.

There is much to see and do around Wayne County, including county and state parks and recreational areas as well as wineries and specialized retail establishments. We begin with parks.

Wayne County Parks (<https://www.waynecountyparkdistrict.org/about>)

Barnes Preserve, 3396 Sylvan Rd., Wooster, Ohio 44691

Of the many city parks and county parks around Wayne County, a special gem is the 76-acre Barnes Preserve, which is a specially-designed nature park for kids and adults with physical limitations. The park includes a mile of non-challenging ADA paved trails through woods and meadows and is totally barrier-free and fully accessible. Native habitat for birds, milkweed for monarchs, and a pond with viewing area make this a wonderful experience for all visitors. This park is dog-friendly.

Secrest Arboretum, 2122 Williams Rd, Wooster, OH 44691

(<https://secrest.osu.edu/>)

The Ohio State University’s College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences is the site for the Secrest Arboretum, which offers theme gardens and amenities with paved walkways, seating areas, and a diverse collection of woody and herbaceous plantings. Well-behaved photographers and pets on leashes are welcome at Secrest Arboretum. The Arboretum is open dawn-dusk, 365 days per year. Currently an Echinacea Research Trial is occurring through 2022. A map of the Arboretum can be located here:



<https://secrest.osu.edu/sites/secrest/files/imce/Photos/2013%20Map.pdf>

Brown’s Lake Bog Preserve (Nature Conservancy), Brown Rd., Shreve, Ohio 44676

(<https://www.nature.org/en-us/get-involved/how-to-help/places-we-protect/browns-lake-bog-preserve/>)

Although under the direction of the Nature Conservancy, the 80-acre Brown's Lake Bog Preserve is located in Wayne County near Shreve, Ohio. There is a boardwalk at the site, and it advertises that this spot is great for birders. The Preserve includes a glacially-shaped terrain, including a kettle-hole lake and kames (glacially-formed hills). This park is not dog-friendly.



Killbuck Marsh Wildlife Area, 1691 Centerville Road, Shreve, OH 44676

(<https://ohiodnr.gov/wps/portal/gov/odnr/go-and-do/plan-a-visit/find-a-property/killbuck-marsh-wildlife-area>)

Owned by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and straddling both Holmes and Wayne counties, the Killbuck Marsh Wildlife Area encompasses 5,703 acres of state wildlife and is located just 2 miles east of Shreve. Hiking, birding, and hunting are listed as activities. As described on the website above, acquisition of the Killbuck Marsh Wildlife Area began in 1970 and continued through 2010. The property was acquired using multiple state funds and donations. Wildlife Restoration federal funding was used to acquire the property.

A map of Killbuck Marsh Wildlife Area can be found here: <https://ohiodnr.gov/static/documents/wildlife/wildlife-area-maps/killbuckmarsh.pdf>

Wayne County Rails-to-Trails (<https://www.waynecountytrails.org/>)

Wayne County has many beautiful areas to see and experience, and one way to see the backroads is to pick one of their four Rails-to-Trails and walk or bike the trail. In total, there are over 21 miles of trails for recreational use. All of the maps and locations of the trailheads are shown and described at the website above.

Wayne County Wineries

As with all wineries, calling ahead first to make sure they are open, serving and following Covid protocols is very important. Wineries often have outdoor areas, but those are used weather-permitting. Wayne County has several wineries and here are a few of them:

- Troutman Vineyards and Winery, 4243 Columbus Road, Wooster, OH 44691; Phone: (330) 263-4345; Website: <https://www.troutmanvineyards.com/>
- Lincoln Way Vineyards, 9050 W Old Lincoln Way Wooster, OH 44691; Phone: (330) 804-9463; Website: <https://lincolnwayvineyards.com/>
- Blue Barn Winery & Vineyard, 4407 Columbus Road, Wooster, OH 44691; Phone: (330) 575-1028; Website: <https://www.bluebarnwinery.com>

Wayne County Retail

Pine Tree Barn, 4374 Shreve Road, Wooster, OH 44691 Phone: (330) 264-1014 (www.pinetreebarn.com). At over 25,000 square feet of beautiful gifts and home furnishings as well as a gourmet lunch restaurant, Pine Tree Barn is a destination itself as evidenced by its TripAdvisor #1 rating.

The J. M. Smucker Company Store and Cafe, 333 Wadsworth Road, Orrville, OH 44667 Phone: (330) 684-1500 (www.jmsmucker.com). Jams, jellies, and lots of additional kitchen items are for sale in this well-known brand's store along with a café that shares recipes using their products.



Lehman's, 4779 Kidron Road, Dalton, OH 44618 Phone: (330) 857-5757 (https://www.lehmans.com/kidron_store). With over 45,000 square feet of merchandise, displays of all types of non-electric, practical and nostalgic products are shown. Think cooking, gardening, lighting, toys and thousands of products designed to make your life simpler. It is a "must see" in this Amish area.

Schlabach Furniture, 11463 Harrison Road, Apple Creek, OH 44606 Phone: (330) 695-2063 (<https://www.schlabachfurniture.com/home/>). If you are in the market for beautifully-made Amish furniture, this is your place. Their 16,000 square foot showroom displays solid wood furnishings for every room in your home.

Wooster Clock Company, 6400 Honeytown Road, Smithville, OH 44677 Phone: (330) 669-2114 (<https://www.woosterclock.com/>). Wooster Clock Company was founded in 2004 in Wooster, Ohio. They make wall clocks that are of distinctive quality and design and offer their own series of wall clocks. Customers also have the choice to design and personalize their own clocks.

Region 4 Community Service Update

By Jamie Kingseed, Community Service Chair, BRN 3824

I have started to work on a few ideas for a Region 4 Community Service project, but am not far enough to share any details at this point. Over the next few months, I intend to do more research, reach out, and get an event or two scheduled for next year.

Santa's Hide-A-Way Hollow update: Next event is scheduled for June 9-12, 2022. This date has changed from the reported May 5-8, 2022 in the Quarter 3 Newsletter. As in the past, please visit the Facebook group "Airstream Elves" or contact Dan and Dawn Bihary at dan@bihary.com or (440) 453-9782 for full details and updates.

NOVA collected candles, socks and boots at their Holiday Party for the Open Shelter of Central Ohio. If you would like further information on any of these items, feel free to contact me.

If anyone has an idea for an event or needs assistance with an event that they are currently working on, as always, I would be more than happy to help out in any way that I can.

Save Your Pull Tabs!



Next time you see Jamie Kingseed, give him your aluminum pop can pull-tabs. If you miss him, give them to someone in your local club that is going to the International Rally in Maine.

The pull tabs will be used to raise money for the International Rally Charity. Thank you for your willingness to help out this cause!

Region 4 Membership Update

By Linda Smith, Membership Chair, BRN 4552



Have you ever wondered about those Red Stars that some people display on their Airstreams next to their WBCCI, WBAC, or ACI emblems? Well, wonder no more!! Each star represents five years of club membership.



The Red Stars come in sets of two. One for the front and one for the back of your Airstream. When you apply your star, you place the first 5-year star to the left of the emblem. When you earn your second 5-year star, which commemorates ten years of membership, it will go to the right of the emblem. For instruction about placing stars, go to <https://airstreamclub.org/rules-road/assorted-airstream-club-international-guides-and-manuals> and scroll down the page until you find the article titled Star Placement 07_01_2019_0.pdf.

So, if someone has three stars, they have been in the club for at least 15 years. Can you imagine the stories from those with 4, 5, 6, or 7 stars?!? Oh, how I want to hear them all!

Some folks prefer NOT to put their Big Red Numbers (BRN) on their Airstream, so they use a piece of Plexiglas or something easy to display their BRN. If you go to <https://airstreamclub.org/> and scroll down almost to the bottom of the page, to the resources section of the home page. There you will find the form Installing Big Red Numbers. This article will show you how to install the numbers on your trailer and give you ideas for other display options. The stars are actually easier to install than the BRN.

If you have been in the Club for five years or more and require red stars, please get in touch with your Local Club Leadership—they will bring you up to date. If you have any questions or problems, please email me at R04membership@wbcci.net. Let's get our stars caught up so we can proudly show our Airstream Journey in the Stars!

Membership Renewal

Most members have received a reminder from WBCCI Headquarters to renew memberships by December 30, 2021. Members who joined after June 30, 2021, will receive a reminder email about 60 days before their anniversary date. Go to <https://airstreamclub.org/how-renew-your-membership> for instructions to renew online.



INTERNATIONAL

2022 International Rally in Fryeburg, Maine

We all are looking forward to the [65th International Rally](#) at the Fryeburg Fair Association, 1154 Main Street, Fryeburg, ME 04037.

Mark your calendars for July 23-29, 2022. [Registration](#) is now open.

There will be six days of fun-filled events--seminars, social gatherings, tours, food, and entertainment. Fryeburg is located between North Conway, New Hampshire, and Bridgton, Maine, on the west side of the state. Fryeburg also offers a variety of recreational opportunities including the White Mountains National Forest, the Saco River, and numerous ponds and lakes nearby. Other sites of interest include Jockey Cap Rock, Fryeburg Farm Museum, and the Fryeburg Historical Society and Museum.



Updates from the 2021 International Board of Trustees (IBT)

At the July 24, 2021 IBT meeting, the IBT (Board) approved that a special committee look at and make a proposal to restructure the International Executive Committee to reduce the overall time commitment to serve at that level (with the hope that more members would be willing to serve) and to make the time on the Board more productive.

The special committee has made a proposal that will be considered at the Mid-winter IBT. In a nut shell, the proposal recommends that the International Executive Committee be restructure to resemble a corporate board with two-year terms. The membership will vote who is placed on the International Executive Council and the IBT will vote who will be President, Vice President, Financial Officer, and Communications Officer.



Calling All Region 4 Members for Tips & Tricks



As a Region 4 member, no doubt you have worked your way around many issues, challenges, and storage problems while traveling in your Airstream. This section of the Newsletter is dedicated to sharing tips and tricks for making our Airstreams work better for us! Please send any tips and tricks (no matter how trivial you think they are) to Jane Briggs (jebriggs80@yahoo.com) for use in future newsletter editions.

Region 4 Member Tips & Tricks

How To Add or Change a Photo to Your Directory Profile

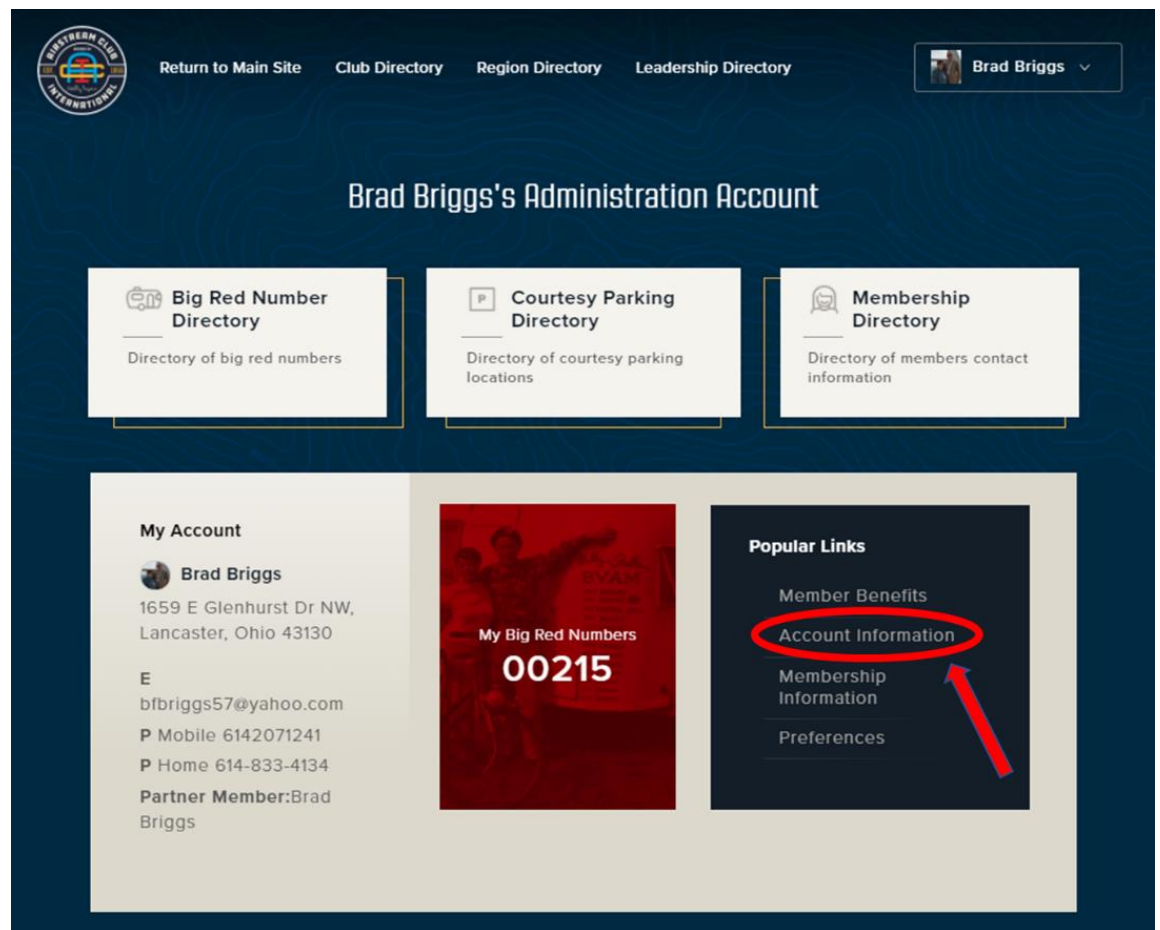
Inspired by: Diane Barbara Tripels #06162, Pender Island, British Columbia, Region 1

Before you start:

1. Select a photo from your computer that you want to post in your profile.
2. The system requires a square picture. Otherwise, the image will be distorted when it is displayed. Use photo editing software to crop the picture, so it is square. Make sure you can find the cropped picture in your computer files later and maybe label it: ACI photo.

To add or change your photo.

1. Go to Airstream Club.org: <https://airstreamclub.org/>
2. Log in to your account by clicking on the **Login** button in the upper right corner of the page.
3. Fill in your email and password and click on the **Log in** button.
4. Now you will be at your member dashboard. See an example in the photo below.
Under **Popular Links**, find Account Information. Click on **Account Information**.
5. Click on the **Remove** link below the blank photo image or the current photo on your account.
6. Click on the **Choose File** button to open up to your computer files.
7. Find your picture.
8. Click on the **Open** button at the bottom right. Your picture will be added to your profile, and you will automatically return to see your Account Information.
9. Enter your password in the **Confirm Password** box and click the **Save Profile** button.



Member Dashboard

SPOTLIGHT: WHERE WE ARE GOING

Southeastern Michigan Airstream Club

By: Linda Smith, President #4552

January 22, 2022, SEMAC Winter Luncheon

201 S. Leroy Street, Fenton, MI 48430

Join your fellow club members for a luncheon at 11:30 in the warmth of the Fenton Fire Hall.

RSVP to Dawn Farmer drfarmer69@gmail.com or 248-770-3094

February 19, 2022, SEMAC Caio Bella Luncheon

340 Town Center Boulevard, White Lake, MI 48386

They say Italy is for lovers so why not celebrate Valentine's week with lunch at Stella's Table--a contemporary Italian restaurant. Join your friends at noon to create new memories and to share old ones. Caio!

March 19, 2022, SEMAC Spring Has Sprung Luncheon

32747 Mound Road, Warren, MI 48092

Spring will officially begin on March 20 and we are excited ! Come join us at 11:30 at Bronx Burgers in Warren to celebrate the end of winter and share upcoming spring and summer plans!

Northern Ohio Virtual Airstream (NOVA)

By: Randy Shiplett, President # 3516

NOVA has several rally plans in the works for next year including another Santa Work rally, a Lucky in Kentucky Rally, and Silver is in Bloom at Mark Wahlberg. Details will be posted when things are finalized.

I would like to wish everyone a Happy Holiday Season with hopes of a Bright Silver 2022!

Check out NOVA's website for additional information. CampNOVA.club

City, Township, County, or Regional Parks for the Airstream

By: Jane Briggs #215

Many of us who camp often forget about the variety of options available for parking the Airstream. Some of these are actually city, township, or county park campgrounds and may be in your backyard or near a major city or town where you want to visit. Highlighted below are five of these types of campgrounds that Brad and I have enjoyed during our travels with the Airstream, and if there are other campgrounds in city parks, township parks, county parks or regional parks that you would like to share in future newsletter articles, please email them to me at jebriggs80@yahoo.com.

Pastime Park/Campground
370 N. Chillicothe Street
Plain City, OH 43064
Phone: 614-873-3527



Website: <https://www.plain-city.com/campground>

After deciding to see the Dublin Irish Festival in early August (and yes, it was hot!), we were glad to retire to our RV site in Pastime Park and Campground. This park and campground is a beautiful, 44-acre municipal public park located in quaint Plain City, Ohio, which is about a 10-minute drive to Dublin, Ohio. The park is filled with mature oak trees providing both beauty and shade throughout the park. Pastime Park and Campground is close to Columbus, Ohio, as well as many other historical locations, including covered bridges and the Der Dutchman restaurant, a popular tourist destination.

In terms of camping, there are 38 grass campsites with water & electric, plus 16 large graveled pad campsites (15'x70') with water and electric, as well as two graveled sites with full hookup. Directly located in the campground area is a recently renovated bath house with shower facilities, (ADA compliant), a half-mile walking trail, a playground for the kids and two shelters with a grill. There is a dump station on site, free for registered campers.

Travel Tidbit: Check out the Bridge Street District in Old Dublin

Winton Woods Campground
651 Lakeview Drive
Cincinnati, OH 45231
Phone: 513-851-2267



Website: <https://www.greatparks.org/parks/winton-woods>

After driving through a housing development (always fun with an RV), we rounded a street corner and there to our surprise was a wonderful urban oasis—The Great Hamilton County Parks and Winton Woods—the RV

campground part of their park system. Winton Woods Campground is set in a pine grove alongside Winton Woods Lake and is within easy walking distance of Winton Woods Harbor as well as the boathouse, snack bar and splash pad playground. The campground is located approximately 20 minutes north of downtown Cincinnati and 30 minutes south of Kings Island Amusement Park.

Winton Woods Campground includes 113 campsites in total with 25 RV back-in sites with full hookup (water, 30-amp and 50-amp electric, sewer), gravel pad and patio, picnic table and fire ring; 12 RV pull-through sites with full hookup (water, 30-amp and 50-amp electric, sewer), concrete pad, picnic table and fire ring. Also on site are a campground office, camp store with café (limited hours), washer and dryer, group activity shelter, playground, two dump stations (free to registered campers), WiFi access, and walking distance to Winton Woods Harbor on the small lake. A security gate makes sense for this urban oasis.

Travel Tidbit: Explore Jungle Jim's International Market

Bull Run Regional Park
7700 Bull Run Drive
Centreville, VA 20121
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On a recent trip through Virginia to Washington, D. C., we decided to stop and visit Civil War history near Manassas, VA. In thinking about a base for the Airstream, we found the Bull Run Regional Campground, which is part of Northern Virginia's regional park system. This system was developed to partially protect the area's significant historical buildings and monuments and to protect the area's rich heritage of woods, meadows, lakes and streams from the threat of suburban sprawl. Today, this regional park system has preserved over 12,000 acres. Local concerned citizens, working with their local governments--Fairfax County, Arlington County and the City of Falls Church--organized under the Virginia Park Authorities Act in 1959 as the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority (NVRPA). Today, NOVA Parks (as the organization came to be known in 2014) represents three counties and three cities--Arlington County, Fairfax County, Loudoun County, the City of Alexandria, the City of Falls Church and the City of Fairfax.

Actually located in Centreville, Virginia, Bull Run Regional Park offers 1,500 acres of natural space and facilities for hundreds of possible activities and outdoor adventures for everyone. From waterslides at Atlantis Waterpark, to large picnic areas, to enjoying a relaxing weekend in the campground—all can be found at Bull Run and within a few minutes of not only the Manassas Battlefield History, but also close to many city amenities on the outskirts of Washington, D. C. Bull Run Regional Park contains miles of scenic and historic hiking trails, including the trailhead for the 19.7 mile Bull Run Occoquan Trail.

Travel Tidbit: Travel into Washington, D. C. on the Metro at the Vienna Metro Center Station

Markin Glen RV Park
5300 North Westnedge Avenue
Kalamazoo, MI 49004
Phone: 269-381-7570



Website: <https://www.kalcounty.com/parks/markinglen/>

A gem of a park located in Kalamazoo County, Michigan, Markin Glen County Park was originally the estate of Morris Markin, the founder of Checker Motors corporation of Kalamazoo. The Parks Foundation of Kalamazoo County was responsible for leading the fund raising drive that allowed the west side of Markin Glen to open as a County Park in 1994 after the County acquired the property from the City of Kalamazoo.

Markin Glen features unique and beautiful natural features. From the top of one of the highest points in Kalamazoo, hikers can experience a scenic view of downtown. The park is also home to a wide variety of spring flowers and has a mature beech maple forest. The state-of-the-art campground was opened in 2004 and offers 38 full hook-up, 50 amp sites conveniently located just north of downtown Kalamazoo. The campground offers security as well as restrooms and showers, dump station, and firewood sales. Each campsite includes a fire ring & picnic table for guest use. In terms of reservations, advanced reservations are suggested for this popular park. Also, accessible campsites (#32 & #22) and facilities are able to be reserved.

Travel Tidbit: Kalamazoo is a college town; visit the downtown for unique shops and eateries.

White River Campground
11299 E 234th Street
Cicero, IN 46034
Phone: 317-770-4430



Website: <https://www.hamiltoncounty.in.gov/Facilities/Facility/Details/White-River-Campground-1>

As I write this article, we are sitting in the Airstream at the White River Campground officially located at Cicero, Indiana, north of Noblesville, a suburb of Indianapolis. Located on the west bank of a picturesque stretch of the White River, the White River Campground offers the perfect spot to spend a getaway weekend in Hamilton County. There are 26 acres of beautiful terrain by foot or by river to explore. This campground has 106 modern and primitive campsites with quiet spots for fishing, boating and relaxation. We have full hookups, a large concrete pad and nice metal picnic table. Green space of about 10 yards with our fire pit are behind the Airstream, along with the White River behind us flowing gently along.

Unusual features can be found in this area of Indiana. First are the majestic blue bridges that connect Strawtown's Koteewi Park and White River Campground. These are the result of a fifteen-year restoration project undertaken by Hamilton County Parks and Recreation and completed in 2016. The bridges provide enhanced accessibility and safety for the public by connecting the park and the campground, while preserving key pieces of Indiana's transportation history. The span is comprised of three historic steel truss bridges. Two of the bridges were dismantled and moved and rebuilt at this location. The smallest, center span was built based on its original 1890 plans, with direct ties to Hamilton County. More history about the campground and surrounding park can be found at <https://www.hamiltoncounty.in.gov/412/White-River-Campground-History>

Travel Tidbit: Check out Connor Prairie, a Living History Museum with tethered balloon ride

SPOTLIGHT: WHERE WE HAVE BEEN

Southeastern Michigan Airstream Club

By: Linda Smith, President #4552

December 4, SEMAC Christmas Luncheon

730 S Main St, Frankenmuth MI 48734

We had a noon holiday luncheon at Zehnders of Frankenmuth followed by an afternoon in beautiful historic Frankenmuth Michigan.

Northern Ohio Virtual Airstream (NOVA)

By: Randy Shiplett, President # 3516

It is always a sad time of year when many of us have to winterize our Airstreams and put them away for the winter. Several NOVA members will be heading for warmer states and are able to continue their Airstream Adventures. I would like to point out all the work that was accomplished during the two Santa Hide Away Hollow work rallies. I am happy to report that last year many were able to fully use the Santa Airstream to cool down and enjoy some "down time". Your hard work made hundreds of kids and families happy! Thanks to all who participated and to Dan and Dawn Bihary for their efforts in organizing these events.

NOVA held its annual meeting via Zoom on November 7. Club Officers were approved for the upcoming year, the updated Club Constitution and Bylaws were accepted and Rally ideas for next year were discussed.

We were glad to have had a Holiday Party at Mark Wahlburg Airstream on December 4. The dealership graciously offered NOVA the use of their showroom for the gathering. It was a good turnout and of course a good time!

RECIPES FOR THE ROAD

Healthy Recipes

Collected by: Jane Briggs #215

Green Beans with Orange and Almond Gremolata

By WOMAN'S DAY KITCHEN, October 2018

<https://www.womansday.com/food-recipes/food-drinks/a24115941/green-beans-with-orange-and-almond-gremolata-recipe/>

Flavor plain greens with rosemary, garlic, and orange zest.

CAL/SERV: 125

YIELDS: 8 servings

Ingredients

- 2 lb. green beans
- 2 tbsp. olive oil
- 1 clove garlic, finely chopped
- 1 tsp. chopped fresh rosemary
- 1/2 c. roasted almonds, roughly chopped
- 1 tsp. orange zest
- 1/2 c. flat leaf parsley, chopped

Directions

1. Bring a large pot of water to a boil. Fill a large bowl with ice water. Add 1 tablespoon salt to boiling water, then in batches, cook green beans until just tender, 3 to 4 minutes. Transfer green beans to the ice water to cool; drain and set aside.
2. In a small skillet, heat oil, garlic, and rosemary on medium heat until garlic sizzles around the edges and begins to turn golden, about 2 minutes. Remove from heat and toss with almonds and orange zest, then parsley.
3. Serve over warm or room temperature green beans.

PER SERVING 125 CALORIES, 8.5 G FAT (1 G SATURATED), 4 G PROTEIN, 270 MG SODIUM, 11 G CARB, 5 G COST PER SERVING 26¢



Lemony Brussels Sprout Slaw

Virginia Willis

EatingWell Magazine, November 2021

<https://www.eatingwell.com/recipe/7921012/lemony-brussels-sprout-slaw/>

Active: 15 mins

Total: 15 mins

Servings: 8

This dressing gets big, bold flavor from pureed lemon—peel, flesh and all. It's a delicious foil when served alongside rich dishes. The recipe doubles easily but shred the sprouts in batches so the food processor bowl doesn't get overpacked. Or use a shredding attachment for your stand mixer.



Ingredients

- 1 pound Brussels sprouts, trimmed
- ¼ cup chopped nuts, such as pecans or almonds, toasted
- ¼ cup raisins or dried cranberries
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh herbs, such as parsley and/or mint
- ½ lemon, seeded and thinly sliced
- 1 clove garlic, crushed and peeled
- ½ teaspoon honey
- ½ teaspoon whole-grain mustard
- ¾ teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon ground pepper
- ⅓ cup canola oil

Directions

1. Shred Brussels sprouts in a food processor with the slicing disk. Transfer to a large bowl. Add nuts, raisins (or dried cranberries) and herbs. Stir to combine.
2. Change to the chopping blade and add lemon, garlic, honey, mustard, salt and pepper to the food processor. Puree until smooth. With the motor running, drizzle in oil through the feed tube. Process until well combined. Pour the dressing over the slaw and toss to coat.

Nutrition Facts

Serving Size: 1/2 cup

Per Serving: 142 calories; fat 12g; sodium 236mg; carbohydrates 9g; dietary fiber 2g; protein 2g; sugars 4g; saturated fat 1g; vitamin a iu 394IU; potassium 223mg.

Roasted Salmon with Crispy Potatoes and Broccoli

BY WOMAN'S DAY KITCHEN, December 2014

<https://www.womansday.com/food-recipes/food-drinks/recipes/a12427/roasted-salmon-crispy-potatoes-broccoli-recipe-wdy0115/>

This tender, juicy salmon with the crispy potatoes and broccoli are sure to please.

CAL/SERV: 506 YIELDS: 4 PREP TIME: 0 hours 20 mins

TOTAL TIME: 0 hours 30 mins

Ingredients

- 1 head broccoli
- 1 lb. Yukon gold potatoes
- 1 large Red Onion
- 3 tbsp. olive oil
- kosher salt
- Pepper
- 1 1/2 lb. skinless salmon fillet
- 1/4 c. mayonnaise
- 1 tbsp. fresh lemon juice
- 1/2 clove garlic



Directions

1. Heat oven to 450 degrees F. On a rimmed baking sheet, toss together the broccoli, potatoes, and onion with the oil, 1/2 teaspoon salt, and 1/4 teaspoon pepper. Spread in an even layer and roast for 15 minutes.
2. Season the salmon with 1/4 teaspoons each salt and pepper, nestle it among the vegetables and continue roasting until the vegetables are golden brown and tender and the salmon is opaque throughout, 8 to 10 minutes more.
3. Meanwhile, in a small bowl, combine the mayonnaise, lemon juice, and garlic. Serve with the fish and the vegetables.



Chocolate-Peppermint Mini Pies

Lauren Grant, Source: *Diabetic Living Magazine*, Winter 2020
<https://www.eatingwell.com/recipe/276924/chocolate-peppermint-mini-pies/>

Active: 25 mins **Total:** 1 hr 25 mins **Servings:** 15

Ingredients

- 12 whole chocolate graham crackers (2 1/2 x 5 inches)
- 1/4 teaspoon lightly packed brown sugar
- 1 large egg
- 2 tablespoons unsalted butter, melted
- 2 ounces semisweet chocolate, melted
- 4 cups fat-free whipped topping, such as Reddi-wip (6.5 oz.), divided
- 2 tablespoons confectioners' sugar
- 1/8 teaspoon peppermint extract
- 1/8 teaspoon red food coloring (Optional)
- 2 peppermint candies, crushed



Directions

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Line 15 standard muffin cups with paper liners.
2. Process graham crackers in a food processor into fine crumbs. Add brown sugar and pulse to combine. Whisk egg and butter in a small bowl. With the motor running, add the butter mixture through the feed tube and process until a dough comes together.
3. With damp fingers, lightly press about 2 Tbsp. of the dough into the bottom and up the sides of each muffin cup.
4. Bake the crusts until the edges start to crisp, 10 to 12 minutes.
5. Spread 1/2 tsp. chocolate into the bottom of each crust with an offset spatula. Freeze until set, about 15 minutes.
6. Gently fold 1 cup whipped topping, confectioners' sugar, peppermint extract, and food coloring (if using) in a medium bowl with a flexible spatula until combined. Fold in 2 more cups whipped topping. Divide the mixture among the chilled crusts, using about 2 Tbsp. for each; freeze until set, at least 30 minutes and up to 1 day.
7. Just before serving, remove the mini pies from the freezer. (Remove the paper liners, if desired.) Top each with a dollop of the remaining 1 cup whipped topping and sprinkle with crushed peppermint candy. Serve immediately.

Nutrition Profile: Heart Healthy, Low-Calorie, Low Carbohydrate, Low Fat, Diabetes Appropriate, Vegetarian Low Sodium, Nut-Free, Soy-Free

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