

# THE POINT



## AL-MON-O PA AIRSTREAM CLUB

### FROM YOUR PRESIDENT:

Brrr!!! What a cold and snowy January we had. For those of you in the warmer climates, I am jealous! We had about a foot of snow in mid-January and then a few other days with between 2-4 inches of snow before the end of the month. Just remember that warm days are on their way and we will all be spending time in our Airstreams this summer! In fact, as of today, we have 141 days until the official first day of Summer (June 21).

This edition of The Point is packed with lots of goodies. We have not one, not two, but three articles of various trips from the Jansen's, the Field's and the Gibson's. What great adventures!

Also, please make sure to check out the updated rally schedule. We have added the Fiesta Fun Rally to be held at Wolf's Camping Resort with the PA Airstream Club and the annual Buddy Rally to be held at Wolf's Camping Resort in June. Make your reservations now to ensure a spot. We are still looking for people to host an April and October luncheon or rally. If you are interested, please let me know.

The January luncheon, hosted by Paul and Sandi Labuda was a lot of fun. See Sandi's write-up and the photos later on in this newsletter.

Finally, make sure to check out RJ's Region 2 update including information on changes happening at the International level. Also, RJ is looking for a new Webmaster for Region 2. If you are interested, let me know.

I hope that February starts to warm up some and there is less snow, but if not, I hope everyone continues to be healthy and warm!

**Cody**



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## January Luncheon

By Sandi Labuda

The first event of the 2022 year was hosted by Paul and Sandi Labuda. The luncheon was held at Carol and Dave's Roadhouse in Ligonier January 22, 2022 at 1130. There were 10 members in attendance. It was a cold day, but beautiful sunshine and perfect temperatures for the viewing of the Ice Festival sculptures being held in Ligonier. In attendance were Cody and Matt, Maria, Paul and Sandi, Julie and Craig, Vinny, Dale and Bryon. Thank you to all who were able to attend.



## Show off your Al-Mon-O Pride!

### Order your club apparel today!

Order all club apparel from Mike's Embroidery, owned by Cody Klingler. Please visit the store at:  
<https://stores.inksoft.com/almono>

You can also find WBAC goods at <http://store.wbcc.org>



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## NEWSLETTER IDEAS!

Hello WBAC members of the Al-Mon-O Airstream Club. Without news, there is no newsletter. Without rallies and luncheons, there is nothing to write about. Or is there? Some believe this is a time where we need one another even more. Please share articles, anecdotes, photos, recipes, jokes, member interviews, anything Airstream related that will let us feel connected. Throw out a prompt like "What is your new favorite small appliance?" or "Adventures with our first camper."

Please send your offerings to Cody Klingler (cwk5292@gmail.com) no later than the 25th of each month. Thanks!!!

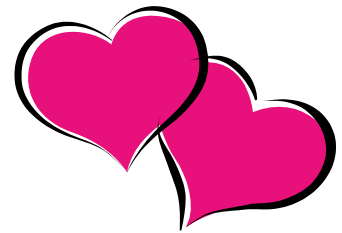
Meanwhile, be well and stay well.

Thank you!!

## BIRTHDAYS



## ANNIVERSARIES



## FEBRUARY

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20 Don Clayton

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12 Robert & Pamela Arnhold

## 2022 South Western Trip

By Doug Field

Hello all, it's been a little more than two weeks since we left our home in Elderton for our trip. We've seen a lot of neat things that we didn't see back in 2019, and repeated a few that we wanted to see again. We got to see this time Fort Bowie that we weren't able to visit before but we had to hike a mile and a half to get there and then another mile and a half back. Wish I was young again. But we are able to check off another national historic site that we hadn't seen yet. Weather has been relatively good for us, we've had some rain but no snow. Which I guess you guys are getting later on today and tomorrow. Right now we are in Casa Grande Arizona and we are at one of the best campgrounds so far. How to be a member of the Escapee organization in order to park here. We found it on our 2019 trip and we just knew that we had to try it again. Leaving tomorrow morning for Phoenix Arizona to visit our uncle who lives there and our two cousins from Los Angeles. Have fun everyone in the ice and snow, we will be thinking about you. That's it for now will send another email later on down the road.





# Our Maine Trip in 2021

By Craig & Julie Jansen

Our Maine trip started with us leaving Leonard Harrison State Park on July 20th. We had been camping at the State Park for about a week. Leonard Harrison SP is right next to the Pennsylvania Grand Canyon. It's a small park with only electrical sites; it is within walking distance to view the PA Grand Canyon. It has a spectacular view of the canyon with hiking, biking and kayaking in the area. Wellsboro is the closest town at about 6 miles away. Leaving the State Park we

headed east to Sunsetview Farm Campground in Monson, MA. We stayed just for the night to get to our destination at Pemaquid Point Campground near Bristol, ME. Once there our plan was to go on a Puffin Cruise on one day and then take a ferry to Monhegan Island and spend a day there. As it sometimes goes, we had a fair amount of rainy days mixed in with nice ones. One of the rainy days we visited the **Coastal Maine Botanical Gardens**. It wasn't too far away, the next town over in Boothbay Harbor. Even though it was quite rainy we took our umbrellas and rain coats and walked around, everything in this garden is outside. The lilies were in bloom and they were stunning. The

next day we drove just up the street to New Harbor where our cruise for the puffins left. It was pleasant when we left, but rain soon followed us. We did see puffins and numerous other sea birds which made it worthwhile for me. We were planning on going to Monhegan the next day but rain was predicted with high winds, so we cancelled our trip to the island. One of the great places we found staying in Pemaquid Point was a local seafood restaurant. It was very popular, so we would get there before the crowd and order our fresh lobster, scallops and steamers. **Our campground was a real gem.**



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President: Cody Klingler



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It was very quaint and rustic, but with electric sites and modern facilities. We met another airstream family and shared our traveling stories. Really close to our campground is the **Pemaquid Point Lighthouse**. The layered rock formations



next to the lighthouse are really impressive. They reach out to the sea and you can walk on them right out to the ocean's edge. It's so scenic here and I really enjoyed our stay. There are plenty of ice cream shops, galleries, cafes, and specialty and souvenir shops in the local towns if you are into that.

From Pemaquid Point we headed to Naples, ME and stayed at the Naples KOA. The KOA was very pleasant, quiet and had a nice swimming pool. Somehow going inland to Naples, you kind of lose the quaint Maine charm. I found the area to be very much commercialized. Our intention was to go kayaking on some of the lakes. However, the lakes in the area are very large and people come here to ride their speed and pontoon boats. We did find some quiet rivers so we got a chance to use our kayaks. One of the rivers had a levee system that was manually operated, so that was fun to watch. The levee would fill up with 4 or 5 speed boats and the operator would push on a long beam and open up a gate. This either release water out or filled the levee up. The boats would then go on their way into a lake or up the river. The town of Naples has a lot of water activities, you can get a seaplane ride, rent a jet ski, take a boat cruise, go windsurfing and do just about any boat related thing you can think of. We spent 4 nights at the KOA before heading home.

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One of our delicious lobster dinners.

## Quartzsite Arizona

**By Denny & Gayle Gibson**

We left our cozy little one bedroom park model winter home in Mission Texas and decided to embark on an Adventure in Boondocking. Our chosen destination was the vast Bureau of Land Management Area in the Arizona desert of Quartzsite. There are several BLM areas where you can camp up to two weeks for free and then you must move. We opted for the the permit required Long Term Visitors Area (LTVA). For \$180 the long term permit allows you to camp from September to April at any of the LTVA areas. Our choice was theThe South LaPosa LTVA as it has on site dump stations and fresh water as well as dumpsters for trash. We stopped by the host office at the entrance to the South LaPosa LTVA and secured our permit.

Doc M. issued our permit and we spent a good 45 minutes engaging in conversation with this 7 year Quartzite host veteran. Doc provided us with information about the area as Gayle took notes. With our permit in hand we drove 2 1/2 miles down a dusty dirt road until we found the perfect spot to spend our time in the Desert. There are no set camping spots, you pick your spot in the desert based on first come and stay a least 100 yards away from your neighbors. Of course you can group camp if that's your thing. What an experience! Instead of being shoulder to shoulder, as in most commercial campgrounds, our closest neighbor is 300 yards away in all directions. Peace and quiet at last! Temperature during our visit was in the high 60's to low 70's during the day. When the sun starts to set and the temperature cools the desert night, our campfire keeps us warm and toasty.

Boondocking is all about the conservation of resources. We have been able to go 7 days on our fresh water tank. Our gray and black tanks seem to last about the same before we need to dump. Our furnace is the largest consumer of both battery and propane with the refrigerator a close second. Friend and fellow Al-Mon-O member, Vinny Rossitto, compiled a very comprehensive spreadsheet on Battery Power Capacity versus Consumption model. Armed with this information I was able to calculate our amp/hour usage and keep the batteries from dropping below 50%. Thanks again Vinny - it was a tremendous help! I won't go into details about Vinny's spreadsheet. I'll let Vinny. I'm sure he'll be more than happy to discuss his hard work at one of the luncheons or rally. We do have a small inverter generator that we run for a few hours in the morning and evening to bring the batteries back up to 100%; and we recently added a 180 watt Zamp portable suit case style solar panel to supplement our energy needs.

Ok, so what have we been doing in the Quartzite desert? Well first off, there was a huge gem stone show going on during the week and also the Tyson Wells Sellarama. The Sellarama spans the entire city of Quartzite with 100s of vendors. The RV and outdoor show started on January 22 and lasted all week.

We visited the Hi Jolly memorial. During the 1800s the U.S. Army ran an experiment to see if using camels as pack animals in the southwest desert was feasible. Unfortunately, during the start of the Civil War the Army abandoned the experiment and set the camels free to fend for themselves. The Hi Jolly monument is the final resting place of the camel jockey, who was brought over to tend to the camels. His name was Haiji Ali, whose Arabic name was changed to Hi Jolly by the soldiers.

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Lake Havasu (just a short drive north) has something going on every weekend. During the weekend of Jan 15 the city hosted the Busses on the Bridge Fest. 100's of VW vans were parked on the London Bridge (Yes - the original London Bridge!) with the owners dressed in 60s attire. Jan 22 was the Lake Havasu Balloon Fest. We drove up and met friends, Edie and Joe Rodgers ( Al-Mon-O members) and they acted as our tour guides for this event. We walked along the shore line and viewed the London Bridge. The bridge was brought over from England for a total cost of 7 million dollars by the owner of the McCullough chainsaw company to promote the city of Lake Havasu. We had a spectacular time with Edie and Joe touring the city and the festival.

The Desert Bar/Nellie E. Saloon near Parker, AZ was next on our bucket list. This bar is only open on the weekends from noon to 5PM and is located down a 5 mile dusty rough rocky dirt road in the middle of nowhere. We arrived around 12:20 and was surprised the place was all ready packed. We ordered chili burgers and a few libations as we sat back and enjoyed the band "Mud Fish" and the rustic atmosphere of this oasis in the middle of nowhere.

Back in the BLM, we walked around and looked at all the various ways people escape to enjoy the great outdoors. From tents, vans, converted busses, home made campers to class A's, trailers, 5th wheels and yes, Airstreams. You name it you will see it here.

So there you have it - just a short piece of what we've been up to. Don't be afraid to boondock, as our friends Cindy and Doug Field (fellow Al-Mon-O members) say "Don't let your trailer have square wheels". Get out here and enjoy!

See you down the road.





## REGION 2 NEWS

First, an update on the Region 2 rally: The contract has been signed, and we're getting the pieces in place. We're reaching out to various clubs and members who have offered assistance to help with the planning. I still hope to have registration open by late January or early February, and I'll notify the club presidents and newsletter editors when it is ready.

Unfortunately, a snow storm canceled my trip to the mid-winter IBT meeting in Savannah, but I was able to participate virtually. The risks of traveling in winter!

There were three motions that required debate. The first was about restructuring the Executive Committee (EC), the second was simplifying the process for constitutional changes and disconnecting the delegate voting from the International Rally (thus allowing it to be held when it's needed), and the third was about allowing local clubs, rally hosts, etc. to set guidelines for COVID-19 vaccination status.

The restructuring proposal would change our EC to work like many other organizations, both nonprofit and corporate. WBCCI members would vote for 7 director positions, then the IBT would vote for a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer from the directors. The directors would have two year terms, staggered so that we would elect 3 one year and 4 the next. There would be no change to the Regional Officer roles; they would still be elected and serve as we do now.

All of the comments I've heard on this have been positive; in fact, the only concern I've heard is that we are moving quickly on it, which I also expressed when I first heard the proposal in December. However, I'm now convinced the proposal has been fleshed out sufficiently, and there is no benefit in holding off until next year, and that this is a good change for the club. More information will be forthcoming in the Blue Beret and the club website, then it will be voted upon at the delegates meeting in Maine.

The second motion simplifies the process for submitting and ratifying an amendment to the club's constitution, and decouples the delegates meeting from the International Rally. These are good changes that will reduce the number of meetings held at International, while making the club more flexible. If approved by the delegates in Maine, changes to the club constitution will require at least 2/3rds of the members to approve it, as long as at least 20% of the members have voted.

The final motion, by far the most controversial, would have allowed clubs, caravan hosts, rally hosts, and people in similar positions to set a COVID-19 policy for events beyond what the local, state, provincial, and federal governments require. This motion was narrowly defeated - the vote was 9 to 8. So, the current policy remains in effect - WBCCI events must follow local guidelines and cannot impose additional guidelines beyond those. I'm hoping that we're nearing the end of having to worry about COVID-19 at all.

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## 2022 RALLY SCHEDULE

We are still looking for hosts for the below months. If you would be interested in hosting a luncheon or rally, please see the list below and reach out to Cody Klingler.

**April Luncheon or Rally**

**October Rally or Luncheon**



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The new Grapes and Grains Intra-club and the Future Streamers Intra-Club both received permanent charters. The Grapes and Grains Intra-club is intended for people to share their interest in wine, brandy, spirits, and beers. The Future Streamers Intra-Club is a club designed to keep our youth involved in Airstream activities.

In other news, as of right now, there are 829 campers registered for International in Maine. Also, the club has 7,339 active memberships as of January 20; we haven't seen numbers this high since about 2001. Welcome to everyone who has joined us recently!

Karen Fisher is looking for members for the Lifetime Membership Fund Standing Committee, as well as the WBCCI Foundation. Please contact me or Karen if you are interested in either one. Also, Region 2 webmaster Lawrence Northway has stepped down after years of service (Thank you, Lawrence!), so I am looking for a new volunteer to take on that role.

Thanks!

--RJ Marquette (#13270)

# FIESTA FUN RALLY

May 13, 14, 15, 2022

308 Timberwolf Run  
Knox, PA 16232  
(814)797-1103

Hosts:

Cindy Field (717)363-1199

Maria Tobin (757)-636-1539

Rally fee: \$10 per person (collect at Rally)



Prepare for a combination Penn Wood and Al-Mon-O Rally to kick off the 2022 Rally season! We will enjoy Mexican cuisine and flare to include an evening movie, games, bonfires and happy hours.

**Friday May 13:** 4 pm Happy Hour followed by Tacos and a bonfire.

**Saturday May 14:** Breakfast Buritos will be provided. Early afternoon gathering at Foxburg Winery. 5pm Happy Hour and Pot luck dinner once back to the campground. Weather permitting, we will enjoy an evening outdoor movie.

**Sunday May 15:** Continental breakfast at 9am under the big blue tent.

Please don't forget your Mexican attire!!





## **JUNE BUDDY RALLY**

**June 10-12, 2022**

**Wolf's Camping Resort**

**308 Timberwolf Run, Knox, PA 16232**

**814-797-1103**

**Hosts: Cody Klingler & Matt Moore**

**724-504-6884 or cwk5292@gmail.com**

Come join us for the June Rally. This year's June Rally will be a buddy rally. This means that you can invite a non-Airstream travel trailer to join us for the weekend.

Please make your reservation with Wolf's Camping Resort as they require a down payment of \$25 to hold your spot. Our reservation is listed under **"Cody Klingler"**. Please use this when you call to make your reservation. The campground fee will be \$55 per night. We have reserved 10 sites close together until May 31. After this date, we can't guarantee you'll be parked near us. You are welcome to come early and stay late. Please let the Campground know if you are going to arrive early and/or stay longer.

**\*\*IF YOU PLAN ON BRINGING PETS, THE CAMPGROUND REQUIRES TO SEE UP-TO-DATE VACCINATION PAPERS**

Once your reservation is made, please reach out to Cody or Matt to let them know which site you have. The rally fee will be \$10 per person. This fee includes: breakfast Saturday morning, dinner Saturday evening and a continental breakfast Sunday morning. Please bring all drinks and table service to each meal. Saturday night's dinner will be a potluck dinner. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share!

Friday, June 10:

Check in starts at 4 PM.

Dinner at 6 PM at Matt and Cody's Airstream

Saturday, June 11:

Breakfast starts at 8:30 AM at Matt and Cody's Airstream

Potential Golf Outing at the campground course – Please let Cody know if you are interested.

Lunch on your own

Wine excursion to Deer Creek Winery at 1 PM (3333 Soap Fat Rd., Shippensburg, PA 16254). We can carpool if needed.

Happy hour at 4 PM

Potluck Dinner at 6 PM with campfire or movie to follow (weather permitting)

Sunday, June 12:

Continental breakfast begins at 8:30 AM

Check out by 3 PM



**65<sup>th</sup> WALLY BYAM AIRSTREAM CLUB**  
**★ INTERNATIONAL RALLY ★**  
**★ July 23-29, 2022 ★ Fryeburg, ME ★**  
**REGISTRATION**

[AirstreamClub.org/Fryeburg](http://AirstreamClub.org/Fryeburg)

**#ACIRALLY2022**

**RALLY FEES** – \$435 for an RV On-Site with 30 amp electric, water, and pump-outs; \$130 for each Adult (18+); \$40 for each Youth 13-17; Free for Children (12 & Under).

**ADA ACCESSIBLE PARKING** – Special parking, if requested, is near the central rally area for members. We ask that you bring your government/state-issued placard or supporting documentation with you to the rally.

**REGISTRATIONS** – Through the courtesy of Airstream, Inc., members registered before the start of the rally are entered into a prize drawing. Over \$2,000 in gift certificates for parts and service will be given away. Registrants must be present at the Airstream presentation to win.

**STAGING AREA** – In an attempt to keep the rigs moving, you will receive a rally arrival date in the Spring of 2022. If you can't make it on that date, the Rally Arrival Team will be ready to park you when you arrive from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm. Arrivals after 8:00 pm may stay overnight in the Staging Area, with no hookups, until parking begins the next morning.

**CANCELLATION POLICY** – Refund requests received by May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022, will be assessed a \$50.00 fee. Refund requests after May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022, will be assessed a 50% fee. NO refunds after July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022. ***If you might have to cancel after that day, please consider obtaining travel insurance.***

**RALLY PARKING DATES** – General parking is tentatively scheduled to begin around July 20<sup>th</sup>. Parking dates will be sent via email in Spring 2022. Caravans of 5 or more need to contact HQ at [rally@airstreamclub.org](mailto:rally@airstreamclub.org) for arrival date.

**HOW TO REGISTER** – Go to [airstreamclub.org/Fryeburg](http://airstreamclub.org/Fryeburg), call HQ at 937-596-5211 or fill out this form and make a check payable to WBCCI, in **US Funds Only** and mail to: WBCCI, P.O. Box 612, Jackson Center, OH 45334. Email questions to [rally@airstreamclub.org](mailto:rally@airstreamclub.org).

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**65<sup>th</sup> WALLY BYAM AIRSTREAM CLUB ★ INTERNATIONAL RALLY**

**July 23-29, 2022 ★ Fryeburg, ME**

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**BIG RED NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Last Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **First Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Last Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **First Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State/Province:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Zip/Postal Code:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone (C):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone (H):** \_\_\_\_\_

Rally Attendee(s)	Quantity Info	Quantity	Rate	Amount	Parking Options	Yes
RV On Site	Yes = 1 No = 0		\$435.00	\$	Vintage	
Adult (18 & Over) (Each)	Enter number		\$130.00	\$	First Time Attendee	
Youth (13 - 17) (Each)	Enter number		\$ 40.00	\$	ADA Accessible	
Child (12 & Under)	Enter number		\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	Band Member	
Lifetime Member Discount	Limit 1		\$-20.00		Intra-Club:	
			<b>GRAND TOTAL:</b>	\$		

**Registration Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Rec'd By:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Registration Source:** ☐ Mail ☐ Online ☐ Rally

**Payment Type:** ☐ Cash ☐ Check ☐ Credit Card **Amt Paid:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Check #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**WBCCI AI-Mon-O Pennsylvania Airstream Club (131)  
2022 Tentative Schedule**

Date/Time	Event	Location	Host(s)	Contact Info
January 22 11:30 AM	Luncheon	Carol & Dave's Roadhouse 122 N. Market St., 2nd Floor Ligonier, PA 15658	Paul & Sandi Labuda	Call or email sjlabuda@gmail.com or 724-516-8487 RSVP by January 14 Limit of 17 people
February 12 1 PM	Axe Throwing/ Escape Room with Lunch Afterward	Mystery Mayhem Escapes 623 Centreville Pike Slippery Rock, PA 10657  Eat n' Park—Grove City Outlets 1911 Leesburg Grove City Rd. Grove City, PA 16127	Cody Klingler & Matt Moore	cwk5292@gmail.com 724-504-6884  RSVP by January 23
March 19 11:30 AM	Luncheon	Primanti Brothers 200 Executive Dr. Cranberry Twp., PA 16066	Julie & Craig Jansen	jucrjansen@comcast.net  RSVP by March 12
May 13-15	Fiesta Fun Rally	Wolf's Camping Resort 308 Timberwolf Run Knox, PA 16232 814-797-1103	Maria Tobin	757-636-1539  Make campground reservations at 814-797-1103
May 19-22	Region 2 Rally	Delaware State Fairgrounds Harrington, Delaware	Region 2	More details to come
June 10-12	Buddy Rally	Wolf's Camping Resort 308 Timberwolf Run Knox, PA 16232 814-797-1103	Cody Klingler & Matt Moore	724-504-6884 cwk5292@gmail.com  RSVP to Campground and Cody by May 31
July 23-29	International Rally	Fryeburg Fairgrounds Fryeburg, Maine	International	Register online at <a href="https://www.wbcci.org/2022-IR-Registration">2022 IR Registration   ACI (airstreamclub.org)</a> or fill out the form in the newsletter and mail in
August 19-21	Blugrass Rally	Laurel Hill State Park 1454 Laurel Hill Park Road Somerset, PA 15501 (Make reservations online at <a href="https://www.reserveamerica.com">www.reserveamerica.com</a> . Then contact the Gibson's with site number	Denny & Gayle Gibson	Denny—412-849-3812 or dennisgib1@hotmail.com  Gayle—412-389-2191 or gaylegib1@comcast.net

This schedule is tentative and could be subject to change. If anyone is interested in hosting a luncheon, picnic or rally, please reach out to Cody Klingler.