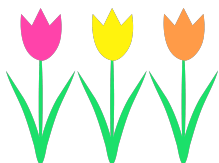


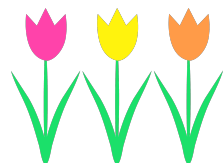


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President’s Message: by Eric Pollard (BRN 7218)

Hello Airstreamers!

Donna and I hope everyone is doing well, ready for warmer weather and most of all, ready to get out and enjoy some rallies. We hope you make your reservations soon if you haven’t, and please let us know if you are coming so the hosts know how many to plan for. Check out the schedule in this month’s Newsletter.

Our Valentine luncheon was really nice at the Tega Cay Shore Club. It was enjoyed by all 23 members who attended. We had some great decorations and photo props, which made for some great photos as you will see in this month’s Newsletter. The food was great as was the company, so I think we may want to revisit the Shore Club again in the future. Valentine trivia was fun and everyone left with a bag of goodies and Valentines.

Our Ocean Lakes rally is coming up on March 10th and has always been well attended. This year is no exception with 23 trailers reserved at Ocean Lakes so far. We initially reserved 20 spots which filled up completely. We had to reserve 5 more spots in the K section. I think everyone is ready to go to the beach and enjoy the warmer weather and our Airstream friends. With the Leakes and Montgomerys hosting, it should be a great time!

Also, next month is the Region 3 rally in Hiawasee and Silver in the City in York, SC. Donna and I have attended both of these rallies in the past and we really enjoyed them. Silver in the City is a boondocking rally and is hosted by us, the PSAC, so please come. Email Terry Montgomery and let him know if you can be there. York really rolls out the red carpet and this year, they are closing down Main Street for us. It will be nice to be able to open our awnings. You don’t want to miss out on all the fun.

As always, stay well and hope to see you at Ocean Lakes!



March Birthdays:

Mark Weaver – 9
 James Schaal – 13
 Jan Wilson – 14
 Lisa Holden – 20
 Julie Gray – 21
 Rob Eggebrecht – 27

April Birthdays:

Bill Butucel – 6
 Joyce Butucel – 7
 John Leake – 11
 Lucy DeVecchio – 12
 Marvin Snead – 25
 Donnie Lee – 27

Happy Anniversary!

March Anniversaries:

Don & Vickie Lee – 25

April Anniversaries:

Terry & Annie Montgomery – 6
 Donn & Julie Gray – 22

Reach out to Vickie Lee for Donations

by Vickie Lee (BRN 11798)

With Paul Welch's help, Vickie has been sending out letters to businesses that we Airstreamers have utilized in the past or could utilize in the future. She has been asking them to partner with our Palmetto Unit by providing donations that we could use at our rallies. So far she has had 4 businesses to respond and she has received 26 items to use as door prizes. In partnering with us, we have agreed to mention them in our Bell Ringer and of course, utilize their services as needed.

But help is needed by our members to get more businesses involved. If you know of any businesses just email Vickie Lee the name and address and she would be glad to send them a letter explaining how we use their donations and how they get the recognition.

She has been keeping a record of who she sends these letters to so she won't send any duplications.

Any questions?? Just ask.

Vickie_lee@yahoo.com

Businesses that have donated so far are:

- RV1, Colfax, NC
- Tireminder, Stuart, FL
- Camping World, Spartanburg, SC
- AB Lifestyles, Iva, SC

Cares and Prayers:

- Prayers for Ann Miller who has cancer. Having surgery, Tuesday, March 1.
- Continued prayers for Jake & Diane Butts.
- Jeff Morehead with health issues from 2 car accidents.
- Sonny & Linda Meadors for their son, Jeff who has a brain tumor. **PRAISE: Tumor has not grown.** But he has slow speech, is swollen and getting around slowly.
- Martha Harris and her daughter Nancy.
- Blood Clot in Bill Butucel's leg, needs surgery.



NOTE from your Editor.

If you want a **GREAT** newsletter it takes **all** our members to contribute! I need stories, pictures, Birthdays, Anniversaries, Cares & Prayers with updates, Nuts & Bolts, Recipes. Please send any newsletter information at any time to Joyce Butucel at a7roses4757@gmail.com.

2022 Airstream Rally Schedule



March 11-13, 2022 Silver in the Sand

(Or, the got the winter blues, gotta get to the coast rally!)

Ocean Lakes Family Campground, 6001 S. Kings Hwy., Myrtle Beach, SC 29575

Call to reserve your own site. Rates are \$51.52 (tax included) for each site per day.

Deposit of 50% due at time of making your reservation. Sites HH are full but there may be other sites still available. All come with concrete pads that are close to the ocean. Be sure and tell them you are with the Palmetto State Airstream Club. **Call 800-722-1451.**

Time to get your Airstream out of hibernation and come join us for the first camping rally of the season with the Palmetto State Airstream Club. No better place to kick off the season than Myrtle Beach, SC, home of the "Grand Strand." Fifty miles of some of the finest beaches to be found anywhere! **Rally Fee \$15/person.**



Plus...as an added bonus, we will have access to nearly a mile of these fabulous beaches, right at our doorstep, at Ocean Lakes Family Campground. That's right, ocean front camping with all the amenities just steps away from the surf.

A quick look at the fun we have planned.....

THURSDAY.... 4pm... For those arriving early, a meet and greet. Bring a beverage and a snack, join us up top on the Observation Deck.

FRIDAY....4pm.... The "official kick off." Come join us on the top deck for a feast of chicken wings, cheeses, veggies, and anything else we can scare up.

SATURDAY 9am Breakfast: The best breakfast burrito you've never had. Made fresh, on the spot, with fruit, juice, and coffee on the side.

SATURDAY10am.... "Nuts and Bolts." Still up for discussion, but likely either Taking Care of Your Tanks, or Getting Your Rig Ready for the Season. Or, both!

Since we are at the beach, and fabulous restaurants abound, Lunch and Dinner on Saturday will BOTH be on your own. But..... not to worry.....

At 7pm, please come join us for DESSERT.

SUNDAY.... 8am Coffee and a donut, with a prayer for the road.

Weather permitting, we hope to use the Observation Deck as much as possible for the social gatherings. We also have use of the Rally Building. And, of course, trailer side is always fun. If in doubt, look for a sign posted at your host's site.

Questions, comments, suggestions.... Let us know. We will find someone that can help!!!

Hope to see you there!!!

Hosts: John & Susan Leake BRN 268, Site #HH32

Terry & Annie Montgomery BRN 3156, Site #HH35

April 6-10, 2022 Region 3 Rally



N. GA Fairgrounds, Hiawasee, GA

Each person is responsible for obtaining a campsite for their rig. Contact the fairgrounds at **706-896-4191**, as soon as possible, to make your reservation. Make sure that you mention that you are with the Region 3 Airstream Group, and ask for Area 2.

2022 Airstream Rally Schedule

April 21-24, 2022 Silver in the City, York, SC

An urban rally hosted by Palmetto State Airstream Club #22

Hosts: John & Susan Leake and Terry & Annie Montgomery and PSAC

May 13-15, 2022 Camping in Mayberry Mayberry Campground, Mt. Airy, NC

Mayberry Campground is built on land that was once part of a 2,000 acre farm owned by the original Siamese twins, Eng and Chang Bunker. Their ancestors run this privately owned campground. Mt. Airy is where Andy Griffith grew up. If you've never been to Mt. Airy, you are in for a treat. The campground is holding 20 sites for the Palmetto State Airstream Club.

Call 336-789-6199 and make your reservations for a fantastic rally.

www.mayberrycampground.com

Hosts: Burt & Gail Broadway, Donnie & Vickie Lee and Bill & Joyce Butucel

June 10-12, 2022 Kids' Rally! - Palmetto Cove RV Park, Cleveland, SC

This is not only a kids' rally (for kids and grandkids too) but a rally for everyone. Special attention is given to the children including great activities and crafts, but you will find it is a fun rally for everyone. It's always a fun time at the Cove, the home base for our club.

Hosts: Paul & Kathy Welch, Jeff & Madalyn Morehead and Callie Rae Scurry

July 23-29, 2022 65th International Airstream Rally, Fryeburg, ME

See page 6 for Caravan information.

You can now sign up for the International Rally being held at the Fryeburg Fairgrounds, Fryeburg, ME. Register thru www.AirstreamClub.org/Fryeburg. Go online or see your Blue Beret for more details.



August 19-21, 2022 Palmetto State Airstream Mountain Rally

Asheville's Bear Creek RV Park & Campground, 81 South Bear Creek Rd., Asheville, NC 28806.

Come to the NC mountains! This campground has it all, a pool, a clubhouse, discounted tickets to the Biltmore and beautiful views of the mountains and hopefully some cooler temps at a higher altitude. 20 sites have been reserved, rate \$54 night.

Call 828-253-0798 and ask for Missy or Tracy. <https://ashevillebearcreek.com/>

Host: Pam Devine

September 9-11, 2022 Joint Rally w/the Coastal Unit Palmetto Cove RV Park, Cleveland, SC

Hosts: Melia Jacobs, Joe & Dene Huff and Henry & Fran Herlong

October 27-30, 2022 ALUMALINA

NOTE this date has been changed from previous scheduled date

Tom Johnson Rally Park, 1885 Hwy 70 West, Marion, NC

A Carolina Airstream gathering. 4 days of food, fun, fellowship, seminars, craft fair/flea market, beer swaps, Bourbon Trails, walking, talking, biking, hiking, paddling, picking, grinning, campfires, miles of Aluminum, and lots of paroozing.

Details to come on airforums.com.

November 4-6, 2022 Installation Rally Palmetto Cove RV Park, Cleveland, SC

Hosts: Bill & Sandee Welch

Sign up!
Register!
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65th WALLY BYAM AIRSTREAM CLUB

★ INTERNATIONAL RALLY ★

★ July 23-29, 2022 ★ Fryeburg, ME ★

Register thru [AirstreamClub.org/Fryeburg](https://www.airstreamclub.org/Fryeburg) #ACIRALLY2022

Sign up now for the FRYEBURG, MAINE event! Six days of fun, friendship, and all things Airstream at the 65th Airstream Club International Rally.

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.

Conway, New Hampshire is a short drive with outlet stores, many restaurants, museums and golf courses, all with the friendliness of a small town. Fryeburg also offers restaurants and shopping opportunities that include farm stands with local produce and products, craft beers, wines, and locally made crafts.

Caravan News!

Eric Pollard, with the help of Bob Wilson of our Caravan Committee, has put together a caravan to Fryeburg, ME for the International Rally. As of January 21st, 829 sites out of 1000 have been reserved, so there are still spots remaining. We have secured reservations at campgrounds on the way to and from ME beginning on July 19th, arriving in Fryeburg on July 22nd for parking, arriving back in Fort Mill, SC on August 6th.

We are so excited that 22 of our members are attending the International Rally in Fryeburg on July 23-29, 2022. It's not too late to register and let us know your interest in joining the caravan to the International. Some members are joining the caravan which starts in Fort Mill, SC, some are meeting up along the way, and some are meeting us there on Friday, July 22nd for parking. Arriving at the fairgrounds on the same day will allow us to all park together. We will be traveling by 2's but all arriving on the same day.

We have planned on two side trips, Boston, MA (3 nights) and Frank Lloyd Wright's Falling Water in PA (2 nights) on the return home, with some traveling directly back to South Carolina. Let Eric know if you are interested in the caravan and we will get you all the information you need.

Welcome New Members/Affiliate Members

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Kathleen Tyminski streamer@hargray.com

New Members:

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Michael Malloy mpmalloyjr@gmail.com



Our New Director: James Schaal
1960 17' Caravel - BRN 8483



Nuts & Bolts

by Terry & Annie Montgomery (BRN 3156)

FLICKERING LIGHTS

Any time a power converter is plugged in and working you should always see more than 13 volts of output.

The power converter is one thing that can make your 12 volt lights flicker. This is provided that your AC power is good.

To check for good AC power do it at one of your receptacles with a volt meter. You should have 120 volts plus or minus 2 to 3 volts. It is possible that the erratic operation of the converter is an indication of impending failure.

Another possibility for the culprit to the flickering lights condition can be caused by a loose neutral.

Turn off all the power and open the 12 volt fuse box and make sure all of the connections are tight.

Last but not least you can remove your batteries and have them tested to make sure they are not the problem. A battery with a dead cell can cause a multi-stage charger to change to another charging stage and this could cause your lights to get brighter.

Although this is not flickering it still merits checking into.

I hope this helps more than it confuses.

Safe travels and see ya at the next rally soon!



A New Member

by Pam Devine (BRN 2610)

This past weekend I signed up a new club member. Please join me in welcoming him aboard. He is not the typical kind but just as important as any.

He lived in Georgia but is now living in NC with me and Dixie.

His name is Dudley, weighs 25 lbs. and is a very handsome wirehaired dachshund who is not totally new to R'ving as he traveled to dog shows in his former family's very nice class A motor home.

He was and still is much loved by them but is starting a new phase of life with us at the age of 5.

It is only fitting that they brought him to me at a campground to meet his new family.

Now that he has spent his first night in the Bambi, he asked me not to tell his first parents but he finally had a dream come true. He ALWAYS wanted an Airstream!!

He sure looks forward to meeting all his new camping friends in the near future.

Till then - - Doll



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Story by Jimmy Cornelison
Photos by Fred Rolison

Traveling — not in the mainstream

Ernest Stiles of Warner Robins, Ga., naps in the shade next to his trailer



Row after row of Airstreams fill Palmetto Cove Trailer Park from early spring to late fall; the owners are like one big, happy family



Roger and Martha Gill add personal touch

... but in the 'Airstream'

It starts with the greening of the trees in early spring and ends when the last oak leaf falls as autumn fades into winter.

It is the movement, the nomadic migration of the Airstreams and their free-spirited owners who believe an Airstream founder, Wally Byam, once said, "Don't stop, keep right on going. Hitch up your trailer and go to Canada, or down to Old Mexico. Head for Europe, if you can afford it, or go to the Mardi Gras. Go someplace you've heard about, where you can fish or hunt or collect rocks or just look up at the sky. Find out what's at the end of some country road. Go see what's over the hill, and the one after that, and the one after that."

Just off South Carolina Highway 8 going toward Caesar's Head, two miles down the road paralleling the Saluda River, which serves as the border of Greenville and Pickens Counties, you round a bend in the road. What you see as the sun beats down on the open field to your left is almost blinding, a field of silver-colored Airstream trailers, grouped together as a giant reflector. You have arrived at Palmetto Cove Airstream Trailer Park, one of many such facilities around the nation owned by its members and a part of Wally Byam Car-



A quiet Saturday afternoon at Palmetto Cove

van Club International (WBCCI), a somewhat elitist group where ownership of an Airstream is a must and the desire for freedom and travel a necessity.

To understand Airstream owners, to understand their organization, you must first understand Byam, the grand patriarch of trailering.

Byam was born just before the turn of the century near Baker, Ore., and grew up to become something of a hybrid cross between a jack-of-all-trades and adventurer—a shepherd, member of the Merchant Marine, advertising executive, publisher and, eventually, trailer tycoon. He began toying with the innovative home on wheels (something of a descendant of the covered wagon) in the early 1930s and came up with the name that was to stick, Airstream, in 1934. Each trailer made was a custom model, and because of Byam's penchant for trying the new, an experimental model.

As 1936 came and went, Byam had developed the "Monocoque" construction principles in his trailers, developing the riveted aluminum shell models which are still in existence today. The Airstream company lay dormant during World War II, but was revived and trailers came of age following the war. The company prospered, and Byam was satisfied to leave its management with men who had been with him from the company's rebirth, while he organized caravans throughout the world.

From these caravans came the WBCCI, which was formally organized in 1955, and has grown from 100 original members to 60,000 individuals in 25,000 families. The club is divided into regions encompassing the entire country. Each region is divided into units and each unit into chapters.

Palmetto Cove is an active part of this pecking order.

"This is another way of life," says C.A. Corbett, lounging in total serenity under the open shed at the Cove. "You see friends once or twice a year. You can go to strange places and, if an Airstream is around, the people will come over and get acquainted immediately. I bought a condo in Florida and it took my wife and I three years to

make friends we would like to have. Trailer people, on the whole, are the friendliest people in the world."

Corbett, from Columbia, was at the Cove for the June rally, like almost a hundred other Airstream owners. And like them, Corbett considers Airstreams the Cadillacs of travel trailers.

"The Airstream costs a little more, but they are worth it. (laughs) Some might say we're a little bit elitist, we might be, but not in a hit-hat way," says Corbett. "We have people with all sorts of backgrounds, but they are good people, no jealousies. Everyone chips in, helps out. If you have a problem, a half dozen people will be around who can help."

Most Airstream owners (which is common among those into trailering) are older, retirees. The aura over Palmetto Cove reflects the mellowing that comes with age. The smiles and friendly natures reflect the lack of stress and pressures of a working man's life.

All at the Cove, however, are not old. Children play down by the Saluda, ride bikes in the park, play in a pickup softball game. They are

neat kids, clean and well-dressed, the way grandparents insist they be.

As children play, grandparents and friends pass the afternoon sitting alone or in small groups under shading canopies. A brisk summer breeze barely manages to cool the air as it whips through the park, fondling the American and South Carolina flags flying above most of the Airstreams.

"It's the best life you ever lived," beams Dorothy Heine of Kings Mountain, N.C. "The most carefree life you can possibly have."

It's innate to dream of a carefree life. What's not innate is finding it in trailering, or more specifically as an Airstream owner. Most will tell you when younger they had never heard of Airstreams, let alone the organization. But as the freedom of retirement approached they began to learn.

"When my husband and I were younger we kept seeing these silver things coming down the road, but we just thought they were any other trailer," says Eva Mills of Clinton. "At some point we had an opportunity to go in one and right

then we decided that one day when the kids were grown we'd have ourselves one. The first one we got was smaller because we weren't really sure we'd like it, but we soon traded it for a larger model because we knew the way of life was for us."

Corbett confesses he too knew little about Airstreams until introduced to them by his in-laws. Now he's on his third one, each time moving up in size.

"It used to be that trailer parks were considered slums, but that's not true today. There is no open drinking in Airstream parks, a separate area if you have pets, another area if you have children," says Corbett. "At Airstream parks there is a great deal of pride. Everyone works, and it's all volunteer. Some cut the grass, others serve as hostesses in the office. Half the fun is being with the others. It's no fun having a trailer and being alone, no one to share it with. You can be riding down the road and pass an Airstream and see the numbers on the front and back and check your book (A book listing all Airstream owners by the numbers on their trail-

ers) and find out who it is, where they are from. Who knows, it could be a good friend you had made in the past."

But should you desire to spend some time alone or visit wilderness with no parks in sight, that's OK, too, because Airstreams are designed to be self-sustaining for up to a week. And, as Mrs. Mills points out, in the park "people are very respectful of your privacy."

There are those so in love with this way of life that it is their way

life year round, wintering in Florida, summering in the cooler states such as the mountains of Upstate, and on a whim taking across the country to see what's at the next hill, and the one after that, and the one after that.

Their reasoning is much like that the bear in song who went over mountain "to see what he could see." The only thing is, the bear isn't have the comfort and camaraderie of being an Airstreamer.

Outdoors

Airstream owners have their own campground

By Carole B. Davis
If you've got a little gypsy in your blood and an Airstream trailer in your back yard, the mountains near Caesar's

Head. That is, if you can qualify for membership in the Club!
"The Club" is the Palmetto State S.C. Unit, Wally Byam

Caravan Club, Inc., International, a pretty high-sounding name when you say it out loud. But its members are some of the friendliest and happiest people you will find anywhere.

They come from all over South Carolina. They're doctors, lawyers, fishermen, engineers, teachers, preachers, postmen. Almost every occupation you can think of is represented. But they get along beautifully in their little cove off Caesar's Head Highway because they all have something special in common, a love for the great outdoors.

New members are welcomed. To qualify for membership you must: (1) own an Airstream motor home, (2) have a good reputation, (3) be approved by the membership committee. Membership is by husband/wife couples. There is no age limit. The South Carolina Unit has members of all ages, young and old. One rule is strictly enforced: no drinking is allowed on the campground except in the privacy of the owner's own motor home.

Some of the members pull up to the campground any day all summer. Others come for a night or two, or a week end, whenever they can get away from home. Once a month they have a three-day rally, on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, and everybody comes! The June rally was held last week end. At least a hundred big silver Airstreams were lined up on the level green meadow where friends greeted old friends, and camaraderie prevailed.

Gary Knox, a retired postal service clerk from Columbia, took us on a tour of the campground.

The area covers 25 acres, mostly in woodland, along the South Saluda River. The Club leased the property in 1971, but a few years later when they were given an opportunity to buy the land some of the members formed a non-profit organization, Palmetto Cove, Inc., to fund the purchase. Knox is the current president of Palmetto Cove, Inc.

On a little rise at one end of the camp the members have built a large 40' x 100' shelter for picnics and other open-air activities. One end was enclosed for a lounge, a fully equipped kitchen, and bathrooms. There is a large stone fireplace in the lounge and another in the shelter. The lounge is equipped with big comfortable chairs, and shelves along one wall are filled with books and magazines.

A wide pathway, bordered by luxuriant fern and other

wild plants, leads away from the Shelter down to the river. When you get there you're awed by the incredible beauty of the place. The river is clear and quiet, forming a natural pool at the base of a big rock. Club members go swimming in the pool, or ride their inner-tube rafts. Sometimes they lie on the big rock and sun themselves. Or bring a picnic basket and sit and watch the sun go down behind the mountains in the distance.

A red steel footbridge, its intricate grill work crafted by one of the members, leads across the water to the big rock.

Reluctantly you turn and go back up the hill to see the service building. About two years ago the members built this big steel structure with concrete floor. About 30' x 100', the building houses an office, a conference room, a laundry with washers and dryers, two bath rooms, a recreation room. The building is heated for use during the winter. Outside the service building are two telephone booths where members can make both local and long distance calls.

Knox pointed with particular pride to the campground's double shuffleboard court. Designed by a Wally Byam Caravan Club member from Florida (the Club has members all over the world), the court is regulation size and built to professional specifications, complete with lights for night games, and landscaped with pretty flower boxes around the outer perimeter.

There is also a softball diamond at the campground, and horse shoes, and a long paved driveway around the parking area that can be used as a track for bicycle enthusiasts. There are nature trails through the woods, and the members even have a garden up on the hillside which is worked, and shared, on a cooperative basis.

On Sunday mornings church services are held at the Shelter, with a minister member, or sometimes guest minister, bringing the message. In the evenings the share pot-luck dinners, holweiner roasts, have square dances, and in general have "grand old time", according to Knox.

A number of local Airstream owners are members of the Wally Byam

Caravan Club and use the facilities at Palmetto Cove regularly. They are: Leah and Thomas Rankin, Margie and Coke Pettit, Ellis and Robert Wilson, Polly and George Haynie, Norma and James Reeves, Margaret and Norman Welborn, Janette and Ray Bracken, Nina and Jim McCollum, Kathryn and William Robinson, and Almada Ballard. Leah Rankin is a member of the Board of Directors of the club.

Late last Sunday afternoon a dozen or so members were sitting under the Shelter. One was reading the newspaper. Some were idly chatting. Some of the ladies were knitting. A couple were getting up a game of shuffleboard. They all looked happy and at peace with the world.

It made you wish you didn't have to go home and think about going to work Monday morning. It made you wish you could go out and buy an Airstream so you could join this blissful band. For you know they've found something priceless. They've found Happiness. Pure and simple.



The big parking area was filled with Airstream campers last week end.



Ellis and Robert Wilson of Easley relax in the cool mountain breeze at Palmetto Cove.



A large shelter accommodates various activities and features a lounge area.



Club members enjoy the comfortable and tastefully decorated lounge.



The children have their own shuffleboard court under the shelter.



Pam Bracken of Easley (center) watches her friend LeAnn.

Electrical and sewer hookups are available at each parking space.



Lean Rankin of Easley pinpoints campground's location on the map as Gary Knox of Columbia looks on. Knox is president of Palmetto Cove, Inc. and Mrs. Rankin is a director of the





The Gangstas



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Valentine's
Luncheon





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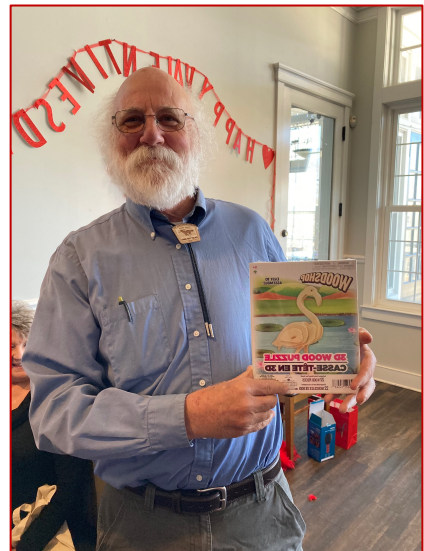
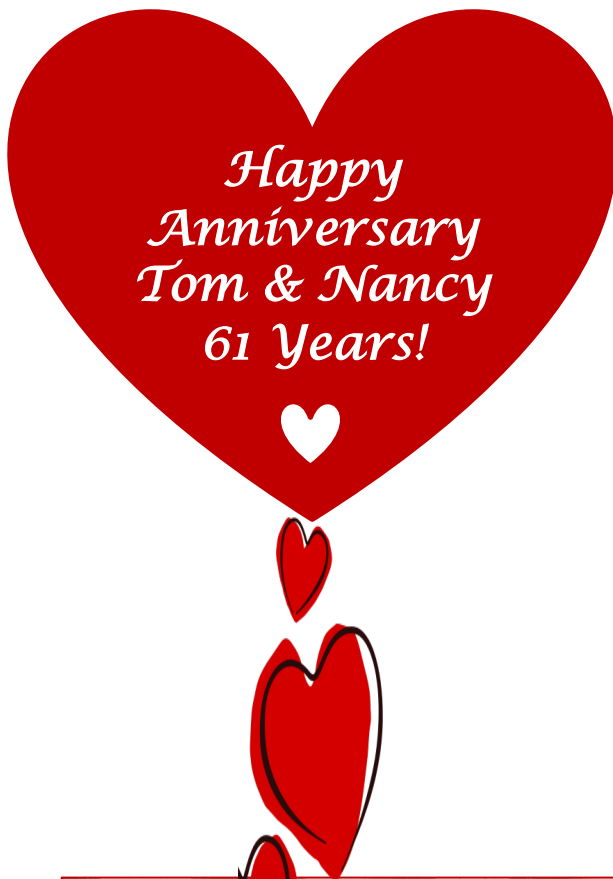


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**Valentine's
Luncheon**









Chicken Zucchini Casserole

Prep Time: 10 mins

Cook Time: 45 mins

Total Time: 55 mins

Servings: 8

Calories: 268kcal

Ingredients:

- 6 ounces boxed stuffing mix (such as Stove Top)
- ½ cup butter, melted
- 4 diced zucchini (about 4-5 cups)
- 3 boneless, skinless chicken breasts, cooked and diced
- 10 ½ ounces canned cream of chicken soup
- ½ onion, diced
- ½ cup sour cream

Instructions:

- Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.
- In a large bowl, combine the stuffing mix and melted butter. Set aside 1/2 cup of the mixture for topping.
- Add zucchini, cooked chicken, cream of chicken soup, onion and sour cream to the stuffing in the large bowl.
- Spread zucchini mixture in an even layer in a 9 x 13 inch glass pan sprayed with nonstick cooking spray.
- Sprinkle reserved stuffing mix on top and bake, uncovered, for 40-50 minutes or until cooked through and the top is golden brown.

Notes:

Try using a rotisserie chicken from the deli for this recipe to save time and add a savory flavor.

Camping Brownies

Ingredients:

1 box of Betty Crocker™
brownie mix (15.25 oz)

¼ cup water

¼ cup vegetable oil

1 egg

Instructions:

Step 1

Spray your cast iron skillet with cooking spray and set your grill to 325°F to 350°F.



Step 2

While the grill is heating up, mix your brownie ingredients directly in the pan with a whisk, using a spatula to scrape the sides if necessary.

Step 3

Place pan on grill grates and close grill top. Let cook for 25-30 minutes, checking every 5-10 minutes. When the edges get hard and the middle isn't liquid, the pan is ready. Cool brownies and cut into sizes of your preference. Use oven mitts when picking up the pan ... it's very, very hot!