

The Hillbilly



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President's Message

Hello everyone.

We are in the camping midseason. The International Rally was a great success, there was a great turnout, and everyone enjoyed the rally. We have upcoming rallies; in August in Pa and September in Maryland.

The October rally will be at Camp Carr, hosted and co-hosted by the Elacqua and DeHerde families. The dates for the rally are October 7 – 10. As of this message, there are only 3 sites available. The hostess went from a no-frills to getting a private ghost tour of Flemington and a simple Dinner of Hamburgers and Hot Dogs. Each camper brings a side or dessert to share. Wear your Best Halloween Costume and join us for a fun. Campfire, weather permitting. You will need to reserve a site on "Camp Carr's" [website](#). After booking the camping site, complete the coupon in this newsletter. Please make sure to mention your site to JoAnne Elacqua!

Everyone attending the October Rally will have an opportunity to attend a Ghost Walk on Sat 10/8 at 7 pm it is \$18 a person, and children \$12. It will be a private tour so we need a minimum of 15 people confirmed. If you will attend, please let Joanne jetelacqua@aol.com and Leslie lesdeherde@gamil.com know asap so we can lock in the date. Below is the link to the description of the event.

[Flemington NJ ghost walk haunted spots include courthouse, hotel \(mycentraljersey.com\)](#)

[HOME | OFFICIAL FLEMINGTON GHOST WALK](#)

The club needs members to host or co-host a rally or luncheon for 2023. Lea is in the process of finding a host and co-host for our 2023 luncheon and rally schedule so she can get the schedule finalized. Don't hesitate to contact her if you would like to host or co-host one. Lea's email is tenlea@aol.com

Safe traveling to happy memorable times.

Frank DeHerde – President

Photos from International in Fryeburg, ME



Tips from the Turnpike

If you are like Mark and me, we have taken out “big” summer trip and now use August for weekend rallies and relaxing down at Jersey Shore Haven Airstream Park. I also start thinking about Fall camping. Fall, by far, is my favorite time to camp. I love the cooler temperatures, roaring campfires and spending time with other Watchungers. In October we are returning to Camp Carr for the final rally of the season. A club favorite, Camp Carr has everything that makes Fall camping perfect. This led me to wonder if there are other New Jersey camp grounds with the same magic as Camp Carr. I’ve made a list and would love to hear what you think and if you have additions!

1. Camp Taylor Campground www.camptaylor.com. This private campground offers water and electric sites nestled in the mountains near the Delaware Water Gap. Its family owned and operated! No big corporations leaving you with nasty bathrooms and flaky electric.
2. The Great Divide Campground www.campthegreatdivide.com. It’s been a while since Watchung camped at Great Divide but it is a beautiful campground in Newton, NJ. I think many of us remember the Cinco De Mayo rally a few years ago. Or maybe we don’t...it was a good rally and a great party.
3. Panther Lake Campground in Andover, NJ Panther Lake Camping Resort - New Jersey Camping, Cabins & Cottages HUGE campground with HUGE lake in North Jersey. It’s just beautiful.

Honorable Mention

Liberty Harbor RV Park As campgrounds go, this is not the best. No trees, no sewer, your parked on top of one another and when it is hot it is HOT! So why am I adding it to the list besides the fact that you get water and 50 amp electric? Because of New York City BABY!! I’ve never been to this RV park and have always wanted to go. You get amazing views of Jersey City, Manhattan and the Liberty Docks. Not for everyone but it is cool.



SUNSHINE

A Get Well card was sent to David Cahall due to a knee injury.

Send the Sunshine Committee all joys and concerns you would like to share with our club!
Please notify Linda Kiesel!
Thank you.

Bits and Pieces

Check out the new Region 2 website at <https://airstreamclub.org/region2>

Items for the newsletter? Send them to Angela Ratliff by the 20th of each month!



2022 WATCHUNG CLUB OFFICERS

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July Anniversaries

Frank & Leslie DeHerde
 Roger & Martine Carroll
 Fred & Jeanne Brugmans
 Bill & Betty Lou Walker
 Calvin & Barbara Bacon
 Mark & Angie Ratliff



July Birthdays

Marian Wooding
 Bill Walker
 Martine Carroll
 John Ratliff

2022 Watchung Airstream Club Luncheon & Rally Schedule

If you are interested in hosting or cohosting a rally or luncheon, please see the list below and let George Kiesel know.

2022 August Rally & Business Meeting: August 25-28, 2022, Gifford Pinchot State Park, Lewisberry, Pa Hosts George & Linda Kiesel, Cohosts Frank & Leslie DeHerde. See Coupon in Newsletter.

2022 September Rally: Sept. 23-25, 2022, Bayshore Campgrounds, Rock Hall, MD. Mark & Angie Ratliff and Cohosts Meg & Laura Riley Contact BayshoreCamping.com directly for sites and mention you are a member of Watchung Airstream.

2022 October Rally & Business Meeting: October 7-10, 2022 at Camp Carr Please see [Camp Carr reservations](#) to sign up for a site as space is limited. Hosts Joann and Stayla Elacqua and CoHosts J Frank & Leslie DeHerde. Business Meeting and election of officers will be held. See Coupon in Newsletter

2022 November Luncheon Hosted by Barbara Taylor and Michael Koczwara
CoHosts Needed.

2022 December Instillation & Holiday Luncheon Hosted by George & Linda Kiesel and Frank & Leslie DeHerde.



Welcome our Newest Watchung members!

Thomas and Ohilda Breen #21919
of Secaucus, NJ and their
2020 23' Globetrotter



August Rally at Gifford Pinchot State Park

August 25th thru August 28th.

- Thursday** Early check in. Dinner on your own.
- Friday** On your for the day. Happy Hour 4pm. Dinner of Baked chicken and Lasagna and salad at 6pm. Bring plates and utensils. Charity collection for BraveHearts Trails To Zero. Campfire, weather permitting.
- Saturday** Breakfast 8:30 to 9:30. Pancakes and sausage, coffee etc. Bring plates and Utensils
Happy hour 4pm. Dinner on your own. Campfire, weather permitting.
- Sunday** Continental breakfast 8:00 to 9:00. Bring plates and utensils. Executive Board meeting 9:00.
General meeting at 9:30am. Break down, clean up.

Just a reminder; Pennsylvania State Parks **“Officially”** prohibit Alcohol. So....

Things to do in the area; Saturday night Chris Stapleton will be playing in Hershey PA. some tickets still available. Check online. <http://www.hersheyticketoffice.org/tickets/5043304/chris-stapleton-elle-king-morgan-wade>

Name _____ Cell _____

Site Number _____ # of People x \$12.00 per person = _____

Contact; George and Linda Kiesel 908-930-0550 or Frank and Leslie DeHerde 908-419-4978

We are focusing on the "B" Loop, (sites 149 thru 340) and not all remaining sites are full hook-up, however additional full hook-up sites are available a short walk away.

Hope to see you there! Link to reservation-- [Reservations](#)



2022 September Rally Come Stay at the Bay! Sept. 23-25, 2022



Location: Bayshore Campgrounds, Rock Hall, MD, 410-639-7485 <https://bayshorecamping.com>

Hosts: Mark & Angie Ratliff Co-hosts: Meg & Laura Riley

If you have not already reserved your site, there are still some interior sites available. Contact Bayshore Campground and mention you are a member of the Watchung Airstream Club!

Friday evening, we will have Game Night & Burgers! Bring a side to share and we will supply the burgers. We will be grilling, beef, turkey and Portabella mushroom burgers with all the fixings. Enjoy the sunset and stay for game night to mix and mingle with your fellow Airstreamers! Friday night we will also get your orders for Saturday dinner The Waterman's. Check out their menu at Waterman's Crab House <https://watermanscrabhouse.com> Those who signed up for the chartered sail will have dinner on the boat and the rest of us will enjoy dinner and sunset together at the campsite.

Saturday morning we will have oatmeal breakfast bar with coffee. Join us to start the day off with a hearty breakfast. We may even serve Fred Brugman's famous "Canadian" oatmeal. After breakfast you are on your own, but be back in time for dinner or the chartered sail with Blue Crab Chesapeake Sailing Charters <https://bluecrabcharters.com>

Sunday morning we will have fresh fruit, granola, yogurt and coffee for breakfast along with great conversations! Afterward take a bike ride or go to the beach until it's time to head home.



Rally Fee \$30 per person.

Sunset Sail \$60 per person for those who already pre-registered

Number of attendees: _____

Total Rally Fees: \$ _____

Names of those attending: _____

Emails: _____

Phones: _____

Big Red Number: _____

DEADLINE: September, 12, 2022

Make checks payable to: Watchung NJ Airstream Club
Mail to: Mark Ratliff, 117 Buckingham Avenue, Trenton, NJ 08618

No Frills October Rally at Camp Carr

- When** October 7- October 10, 2022
- Thursday** Early check in. Dinner on your own.
- Friday** Dinner on your own for the day. Happy Hour 4pm.
Charity collection for BraveHearts Trails To Zero.
Campfire, weather permitting.
- Saturday** Continental Breakfast 8:30 to 9:30: Muffins, Bagels & Fixings, coffee, etc. Bring plates & Utensils
Happy hour 4pm.
Dinner Hamburgers and Hot Dogs. Each camper bring a side or dessert to share.
Wear your Best Halloween Costume and join us for a fun.
Campfire, weather permitting.
- Sunday** Continental breakfast 8:00 to 9:00. Bring plates and utensils.
Executive board meeting 9:00. General meeting 9:30am.
- Monday** Break down, clean up.

Name _____ Cell _____

Camp Carr Site Number _____

Saturday Dinner will you bring dessert _____ or Side _____

of People x \$12.00 per person = _____

Please make check payable to: Watchung NJ Club, WBCCI and send to, Lois Wagner. Lois' direct address is:

Lois Wagner
29 Colony Court
New Providence, NJ 07974

Please see [Camp Carr reservations](#) to sign up for a site as space is limited

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