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# GOOD LIFE NEWS

Florida Airstream Club, Region 3, Unit 27 July 2022

## President's Points





It's time for summer camping and caravans. There is so much to see and do in Florida and this amazing scenic country. You may be asking yourself if it makes sense with fuel prices at an all-time historic high in America. We all must step back a bit and consider the fixed cost, both financial and that of missed opportunity of not taking those trips and enjoying your beautiful Airstream. It's a good time to review the overall cost of travel and possible opportunities to offset the higher fuel prices.

Perhaps this is the year to finally investigate some of those Florida sites you have been meaning to see closer to home. You can also consider the use of more county and state parks, fairgrounds, Airstream courtesy parking or more occasional dry camping options at Harvest Host, Cabela's, Cracker Barrel or even Walmart. Afterall, your Airstream is designed for dry camping. This time of year, you might want to carry a small portable or wall mount 12V fan to make those warm summer evenings more comfortable.

It's a good time to check those batteries and make sure they are up to the task of summer travel. Guys, if you have been considering lithium batteries this is your excuse to finally do it. Either way, it's a great time to travel and visit friends and family or just kick back and enjoy some solitude in new surroundings.

The Florida Airstream Club is taking two months off from holding rallies this July and August to give everyone the opportunity to go to the International rally in Maine or caravan. If you missed the recent rallies at Salt Springs, Otter Springs, and Canopy Oaks you definitely missed good times and welcoming new friends. But don't fear, we have a full rally agenda for the rest of the year starting this coming September at Jekyll Island and followed in October in Sarasota. We will be looking for you there.

Remember to keep those Airstream wheels turning even when the weather is warm and sometimes wet. New memories are waiting, and some might be just around the corner.

Bob Masters President FAC

## Cheers to Our Volunteers

Call for Volunteers: Nominations for the 2023 Florida Airstream Club Board of Directors

It is now time to ask members who would like to serve on the Club's 2023 Board of Directors to submit to the Nominating Committee their request to serve. The committee will review each submission and present the slate of nominees to the membership for a vote by electronic ballot in early October 2022, with the vote being finalized during the Annual Meeting at the Sarasota Silver Rally.

The positions that will be elected by the membership for the 2023 Executive Board are President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Trustee (two-year term). Position descriptions can be found at <u>AirstreamClub.org/Florida > FAC Position Descriptions</u>.

When volunteers work together, it's not work!

Historically, the First Vice President and Second Vice President ascend to the positions of President and First Vice President. Larry Scovotto, who is currently serving as First Vice President, and Steve Kane, who is currently serving as Second Vice President, have confirmed their commitment to serve as President and First Vice President respectively in 2023. Brenna Loretta serving as Treasurer has agreed to continue serving as Treasurer in 2023.

The Nominating Committee is currently seeking candidates for the following positions:

- Second Vice President
- Secretary
- Trustee (two-year term)

If you are interested in volunteering to serve in one of these positions, please email no later than September 1, 2022 the board position you would like to be considered for and your résumé to Past President Mike Swegles at <a href="mailto:plumercrest@gmail.com">plumercrest@gmail.com</a> with a copy to Charlie Prisco at <a href="mailto:qcprisco@yahoo.com">qcprisco@yahoo.com</a>

## Membership Committee Chairs

Frank Carson resigned as Florida Airstream Club Membership Chairman due to health reasons. He has enjoyed talking to new members and sending them information about the Florida Airstream Club. Frank has been Membership Chairman for many years and a Member of WBCCI for 52 years.

Our club's new Membership Committee Chair is Nelson Arias. He has been reaching out to new members for the past couple of months, so some of you may have already heard from him. Give them both a "thank you" when you see them next time.

## New Region 3 Contributing Editor



Please join me in congratulating and supporting our newsletter editor, Susan Poole, when she takes on an additional role as a contributing editor to the Region 3 report in the WBCCI publication *Blue Beret*. She will provide data and information about events held by Region 3 and the 16 clubs in the southeastern region (VA, NC, SC, GA, and part of FL).

Bob Masters

Other events going on in our region can be quickly located at <a href="https://airstreamclub.org/region3">https://airstreamclub.org/region3</a> If you like large rallies, be sure to look up Region 3's "Annual Old Time Fiddlers Rally" in Galax, VA during August, "Alumapalooza" in Jackson Center, OH during September and "Alumalina" in Marion, NC during October. If you have suggestions, you can contact her at <a href="mailto:susyqmeetup14@gmail.com">susyqmeetup14@gmail.com</a>

## Recipe for Egg Roll in a Bowl

Maryanne Swegles talked about the Eggroll in a Bowl recipe when she did the Instant Pot session at the May rally. I tried it a few nights ago and it was excellent and simple to make in about 20 minutes. It's a good camping recipe. Found on Pinterest. <a href="https://pin.it/wDV6hz0">https://pin.it/wDV6hz0</a> Lyn Masters

This Egg Roll in a Bowl recipe uses ground pork & coleslaw mixed with a savory Asian sauce & cooked until tender, then topped with green onion! You can prepare this recipe in an Instant Pot or sauce pan and substitute other meat for the pork, like chicken or ground beef. The recipe below is for the sauce pan version.

- 1. Brown ground pork and drain the fat.
- 2. Add onions whites, ginger, garlic and coleslaw mix.
- 3. Saute until the slaw is tender and add soy sauce and sesame oil.

To serve, garnish with cilantro, the green portions of the onions, and extra sesame seeds.



## Formula for "Secret" Bug Spray

At the Highlands Hammock rally in 2021, the deer flies prompted us to look for something we could use to repel them without harsh chemicals. We found the formula below on the internet and found that it seemed to do a decent job keeping the little critters at bay, although it needed to be reapplied often. It smells good too! We mixed it up and kept it in small spray bottles which we used to apply on exposed skin.

Here is our "secret" formula, please feel free to share it with others. We've found it to be moderately effective against gnats, mosquitoes & no-see-ums too.

In a small jar or measuring cup place:

- 2 Oz vodka
- 30 drops eucalyptus essential oil
- 30 drops lemongrass essential oil Fill to 8 Oz with water. Shake well & place in spray bottle.

Lyn Masters



# Heart of the Springs Rally May 12-16, 2022

There were 20 plus Airstreams rallied at Otter Springs Campground, Trenton, FL where we enjoyed the weather, and a variety of activities. We ate well, did plenty of exercise, and had lots of fun catching up with old friends, and making new ones. Our first night began with a Southwest Chile Verde dinner, followed the next morning with an Oatmeal Bar and Judy's Creperie Cafe. Superbly delish, I loved the bananas foster filling.

Many joined in on the first of what evolved into, a daily yoga class. A Fisher House tour in Gainesville was a highlight, where a check was presented from the fundraising efforts of our club over this past year. Groups splintered off to swim, bike, hike, paddle, shop and sightsee. We shared our days activities at happy hours. The Instantpot Workshop was well-attended and I would describe it as controlled chaos, as the breakers blew and the pressure was on to cook dinner for our 45 or so attendees. But the Salsa Chicken was pretty yummy; I heard no complaints.

On Sunday morning we had an Art Class, a collaborative effort between myself and Joe Loretta who introduced a method of using our own photographs and transfer paper to sketch onto watercolor paper. There was a wonderful and diverse array of paintings produced and hopefully, a creative spark ignited!

Maryanne Swegles



Swimming at Hart Springs, which along with Otter Springs, drain into the Suwannee River



Yoga class led by Maryanne and Mike Swegles



Paddlers at the mouth of Otter Springs run on the Suwannee River

# Heart of the Springs Rally





Steve and Laura Kane painting with Maryanne Swegles' guidance and some of the finished watercolor paintings of Airstreams



Bike riders David Poole, Lyn & Bob Masters, Susan Poole, Brenna & Joe Loretta



Book exchange participants



Piano Duet by Steve Kane and Brenda Marr



Chris Allen receiving a crepe made by Judy Barrett

# Silver Summer Kick-Off Rally June 2-6, 2022

Well summer is here and the Silver Summer Kick off is in the books! Even with the threat of a tropical storm we had 18 trailers. There were some new members and even members from other Airstream clubs attending.

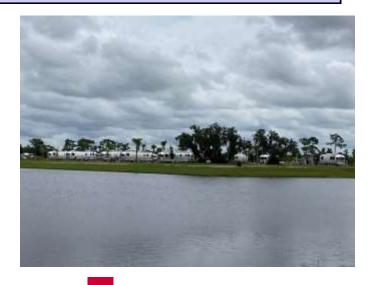
The Resort at Canopy Oaks near Lake Wales, FL, was a great location with its spacious sites and ample amenities. We enjoyed 2+ mile walks, with our dogs, around the grounds where we got to see goats and a baby goat! There was even a donkey. Our walks were followed by fabulous Yoga by the Swegles in a nice "rally room" with air conditioning. Some enjoyed the beautiful pool and hot tub; others played pickle ball or ping pong.

The clubhouse was a perfect place to enjoy our delicious food for dinners and our happy hour/beer tastings. We indulged in pulled pork sandwiches with all the sides and a street taco night! The Ice Cream Social didn't disappoint. We even had a pizza night. The beer tastings/happy hour were a huge turn out as people had the time to meet some new people as well as get to know others better.

As the storm cleared a large group was able to tour Bok Tower in Lake Wales. Such a beautiful botanical garden. After a couple hours of touring the grounds, most enjoyed a nice lunch at the cafe on site.

The evenings were filled with Joker games, a concert by a local band at the Tiki Bar, and a campfire. As we said our goodbyes, some started their summer adventures, some returned to work, and others returned home, sending happy and safe travels to all. Our goal for this rally was to have everyone relax, socialize and enjoy being together. We hope we met our goal!

Hosts: Geri and Charlie Prisco Co-Hosts: Jean and Jake Piper



A good time was had by all in spite of a little threatening weather.



Jeff and Mary surprised us with homemade buttermilk biscuits made in a Dutch oven and bacon!!
Instant breakfast party!! (by Steve Kane)







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# Silver Summer Kick-Off Rally

















# Florida Airstream Club Rally Schedule 2022

Date	Rally Location and Campground	Hosts and Rally Registration
Jul. 23-29, 2022	ACI International Rally Fryeburg, ME Make reservations at <a href="https://airstreamclub.org/fryeburg-2022-international-rally">https://airstreamclub.org/fryeburg-2022-international-rally</a>	Airstream Club International <a href="https://airstreamclub.org/fryeburg-2022-international-rally">https://airstreamclub.org/fryeburg-2022-international-rally</a>
Sep. 22- 26, 2022	Jekyll Island Rally Jekyll Island Campground, GA Reservations: Do NOT contact campground. Initial reservations are made thru the rally hostess when you register online. 30 rally sites are set aside for us. Rally fee \$30 per adult.	Selena Smith smithselenaj@gmail.com 904.206.2688 Register at https://airstreamclub.org/florida
Oct. 13- 17, 2022	Sarasota Silver Rally / Annual Meeting Sarasota Fairgrounds Sarasota, FL Reservations: Do not call the fairgrounds. Register online and contact host if changes. Rally fee \$20/adult plus camp site \$25/night"	Lyn & Bob Masters blmasters@icloud.com Register at https://airstreamclub.org/florida
Nov. 3-7, 2022	Mary's Fish Camp Rally Bayport, FL Reservations: call (352) 597-3474 Rally fee \$20 SOLD OUT! Call and ask to be put on the waiting list.	Jeff Krabel jk62gt@gmail.com Register at https://airstreamclub.org/florida
Nov. 29- Dec. 5, 2022	Cracker Christmas Festival Fort Christmas, Christmas FL Installation of 2023 Officers Reservations: Do not call the park. Register online and contact host if changes. Rally fee \$20	Steve & Laura Kane SteveKaneProductions@gmail.com  Register at <a href="https://airstreamclub.org/florida">https://airstreamclub.org/florida</a>



Important: Remember to RESERVE and REGISTER. Make your own <u>RV reservations</u> with the campground (unless otherwise instructed above) AND register for the rally at <a href="https://airstreamclub.org/florida">https://airstreamclub.org/florida</a>). It really helps the Hosts to know who is coming so they can plan and send updates. If you need to cancel or make changes, then email the Hosts. ACI members from any club are welcome to attend. Club rally fees are typically \$20 per adult unless otherwise stated. (children under 18 free). More details are available in this newsletter or from Rally Hosts.

# Rendezvous Before and/or After the International Rally

The 65th Annual Airstream Club International Rally will be Jul. 23-29, 2022 in Fryeburg, Maine







Did you know we've never had an Airstream Club International Rally this far East in the states before? Registration is currently at 1100 sites reserved! Be sure to tell everyone you may know who owns an Airstream that they are welcome to our rally in Fryeburg, Maine, July 23-29! Stay tuned to the 2022 International Rally website for more exciting updates to come and if you are on Facebook, set <a href="https://www.facebook.com/acirally">www.facebook.com/acirally</a> as one of your favorite pages to follow!

#### Before the International

Anyone interested in rendezvousing before the International or meeting other Florida Airstream club members at a staging area in Fryeburg on July 20th, please email Larry Scovotto at <a href="mailto:larry.floridaairstreamclub@gmail.com">larry.floridaairstreamclub@gmail.com</a> as soon as possible with your name and Big Red Number. The plan is to arrive in Fryeburg on Wednesday, July 20th and be parked in the Fairgrounds as a group on Thursday, July 21st.

#### During the International

On Wednesday, July 27 at 4:30 pm, we will have a Happy Hour gathering for all FAC full and affiliate members at the Water-wheel Park Pavilion. Please bring chairs, beverage of your choice and an appetizer to share. Hosted by our President & First Lady

#### After the International

We are also planning a rendezvous after the International at Megunticook by the Sea Campground in beautiful coastal Rockport/Camden Friday July 29- Tuesday Aug. 2. There is much to do and see in this beautiful area of Mid-Coast Maine, such as kayaking and touring lighthouses.

This is a busy time as their season is short, so book soon. You must call 207-594-2428 to reserve as we have blocked 25 sites for FAC. Calling hours are 9-6. Prices for 30 AMP FHU @ \$59 per night and a 50 % dep is required at booking, 14 day cancellation. The Swegles are in site 58.

Please note that this is just a causal get together on your own and is not a sanctioned club or WBCCI rally. Let me know if you're "In"!

Maryanne and Mike Swegles maryanneswegles7@gmail.com

# Jekyll Island Rally Sep. 22-26, 2022

## Let's Shake, Rattle & Roll on over to Jekyll Island and Turn Back the Time Clock to the 1950s!!

Hostess: Selena Smith ... smithselenaj@gmail.com ... 904.206.2688

Rally Fee: \$30.00

Jekyll Island Campground

1197 Riverview Drive, Jekyll Island, Georgia 912.635.3021 or toll free 866.658.3021 campground@iekyllisland.com

Rally Sites - 30 Sites in Sections C, B & F

Reservation Process: Do not make an online reservation thru the campground website as the discount rally rate will not be honored nor will you be placed with other rally members. Official registration is required on the Club's website ... <a href="https://airstreamclub.org/florida">https://airstreamclub.org/florida</a>. An email will be sent from the rally hostess requesting specific information needed by the campground such as your contact information, camper type & length, # of slide-outs, and # of pets. This information is needed by campground in order to 'hand-pick' the site best suited for your camper.

#### Rate & Cost Information:

\$48/Night less 10% ... Includes Full Hook-ups; Wi-Fi & Cable Inclusive Pets Allowed: A pet fee of \$4.00 will be charged per reservation Jekyll Island is a 'State Park'; Oversized Vehicle Park Fee of \$12.00

Reservation Deadline: August 1, 2022, to receive a 10% discount on Rally dates only – any additional nights require a separate reservation at regular rate. Your rally reservation will be turned over to the campground on August 1 and you will be contacted via email to call to pay a two-night reservation deposit along with any pet fees.





#### Preliminary Weekend Activities

Thursday
Meet & Greet @ Hostess Site
Happy Hour & Campground Manager Talk
Dinner on Own

Friday

Sunrise Bicycle Ride to Driftwood Beach Breakfast @ Tortuga Jacks or other location Bicycle Guided Tour of Jekyll Island – Leader Randy Godfrey

Craft Beer Exchange / Pot Luck Dinner '50s trivia – songs, movies & TV shows



#### Saturday

Sunrise Bicycle Ride to Driftwood Beach Dinner & Sock Hop @ The Silver Bullet Diner Souvenir Photo w/'50s Car

Sunday

Sunrise Bicycle Ride to the Pier
Pot Luck Brunch / Mimosa Bar OR
Picnic @ Beach w/Volleyball & Other Games
Dinner on Own

Campfire Sing-Along – 'special appearance' of band members of the soon-to-be famous Shredder Pigs! Bring an instrument & join in with the band ... Assured of a good time around the fire!!

#### Monday

Safe Travels to All – see ya down the road at the next rally!

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# Sarasota Silver Rally/Annual Meeting October 13-17, 2022

It is less than three months until our Sarasota Silver Rally at Sarasota Florida Fairgrounds.

The rally is packed with activities, many listed here:

- An outing to the Myakka River State Park with a choice of a boat tour (alligators!), Wildlife Tram tour (history, wildlife and alligators!). Did I mention alligators? We will be polling registrants for their preference in these tours.
- An art experience guided by Maryanne Swegles.
- A roundtable Airstream maintenance discussion led by Will (Curtis) Hargett.
- The Annual Meeting, scheduled for Saturday morning, October 15 where the 2022 FAC executive board will concisely report on club activities for this year and future plans.
- A Hungarian Festival on the fairgrounds for those who love exotic foods and cultures, music and dancing, sure to be a fun time.
- An excursion to a honey farm owned by Judy Harrison and Elwyn Exum, enthusiastic beekeepers and fellow Airstreamers who will provide a tour of the steps of honey production and will have local honey for sale as well.
- Happy hours and nightly games to mix and mingle and perhaps music by some talented club musicians.

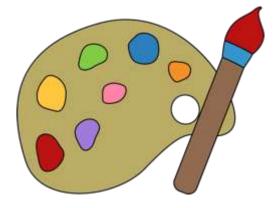
The Sarasota area has so much to see and do: beautiful beaches and gardens, excellent museums, great restaurants, shopping and an Amish settlement nearby — we could spend weeks there! There will be opportunities for hiking, bicycling or just relaxing with FAC friends over Joker or card games.

Please do not contact the fairgrounds to reserve a site. Let us know you are attending by registering for this rally at the FAC website <a href="https://airstreamclub.org/florida">https://airstreamclub.org/florida</a> Your hosts, Bob & Lyn Masters have arranged for sites at the fairground, 30 amps, water and most with sewer for \$25 per night. If you would like to arrive one day early and/or stay one day after the rally, (at the same \$25 rate per night), please let us know so we can communicate to the fairgrounds. The rally fee is expected to be \$20 per person.

To date we have 25 units registered. Our club warmly welcomes new members and those attending their first rally. Come join us at the October Sarasota Silver Rally!

Bob and Lyn Masters blmasters@icloud.com







# Florida Airstream Club Rally Schedule 2023

MONTH	START	END	RALLY NAME	LOCATION	HOST
January	12/29/202 2	1/2/2023	Ring It In Silver 2023	Anastasia S.P. St. Augustine, FL	Joe & Brenna Loretta
February	2/8/2023	2/12/2023	Florida Flamingo Airstream Rally	Sarasota Fairgrounds Sarasota, FL	Larry & Linda Scovotto
March	3/3/2023	3/6/2023	Spirit of Stink Weed, a Rolling Rally	Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park, Live Oak, FL	Gina & Mike McGinn / Gerald & Miriam Reed
March	3/6/2023	3/9/2023	Spirit of Stink Weed, a Rolling Rally	Stink Weed Farm Havana, FL	Steve & Laura Kane
March /April	3/29/2023	4/2/2023	ACI Region 3 Rally	Myrtle Beach, SC	Airstream Club Region 3
April	4/13/2023	4/17/2023	Silver Between the Lakes	Lake Kissimmee S.P. Lake Wales, FL Register ASAP as State Parks fill up quickly	Bob & Lyn Masters / Mike & Maryanne Swegles
May-Dec Pending approval					

## Ring It In Silver In 2023 - New Year's Rally

Dec. 29, 2022 - Jan. 3, 2023

Anastasia State Park, St. Augustine, FL

Reservations: reserve.floridastateparks.org Hosts are staying in the Coquina Loop. If the park does not currently have an available site, consider using Wanderinglabs.com or staying at another park nearby, i.e. St Augustine Beach KOA only 1.3 miles away from Anastasia SP. We plan to try to do a Lighthouse tour and a group lunch afterwards along with a couple of other ideas. More details to come but reserve your spot now.

Host/Email: Brenna & Joe Loretta, silverrallies@gmail.com



St. Augustine's famous Nights of Lights



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## Florida Flamingo Airstream Rally Feb. 8 -12, 2023 (Wed. -Sun.) Sarasota County Fairgrounds,

The rally is limited to 70 rigs due to the availability of meeting space. The rally is 4 nights with full hookups for the first 60 rigs registered and then water and electric. Dump station onsite.

Early arrival and late departure are available, but limited to one day at the beginning and one day at the end of the rally for an additional cost of \$35 per night. This fee will be collected onsite.

Campsite Reservations: Sites already reserved, do not call the Fairgrounds.

Rally Registration: To register click [HERE] or go to FAC website <a href="https://airstreamclub.org/">https://airstreamclub.org/</a> florida

Rally Fee: The rally fee is \$275 per rig (2 attendees), \$230 (1 attendee), \$45 for each additional guest. Fee includes 4 nights, two continental breakfasts, one full breakfast, one dinner, seminars, and craft/flea market. Please note that cancellation after January 31, 2023 may result in a \$45 per person cancellation fee. This is to cover the cost of meals that were ordered and the amount the Club would have to pay for no-shows.

Make check payable to *Florida Airstream Club* and mail it to:
Brenna Loretta
1887 Green Heron Rd
Jax Beach, FL 32250

For more information, contact Larry Scovotto at <u>larry.floridaairstreamclub@gmail.com</u>
Preliminary Program



Wednesday 2/8/2023 Arrival 4:00 pm — Registration & Happy Hour

Thursday 2/9/2023 8:00 am – Continental Breakfast 10:00 am – Seminar 11:00 am – Seminar Open Afternoon 4:00 pm – Happy Hour Open Evening

Friday 2/10/2023 8:00 – Breakfast 10:00 – Seminar 11:00 – Seminar Open Afternoon 4:00 pm – Happy Hour Open Evening

Saturday 2/11/2023 8:00 am — Continental Breakfast 10:00 am — Craft/Flea Market Open Afternoon 4:00 pm — Happy Hour 6:00 pm — Closing Banquet

Sunday 2/12/2023 Departure

## More on 2023 Rallies....

# Spirit of the Stink Weed, a Rolling Rally March 2023

The Stink Weed Rally near Havana, FL, has been rescheduled from December 5-8, 2022 to March 6-9, 2023. This change was made due to the number of rallies in the month of December (Cracker Christmas and Anastasia State Park) and the weather should be more favorable for dry camping and outdoor activities in North Florida.

The rescheduled rally will be a two park rolling rally, starting with 3 nights at the Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park near Live Oak, FL, March 3-5, then moving to Stink Weed on Monday morning, March 6, departing Thursday, March 9. You may choose to attend either or both rally sites. Currently thirty sites have been set aside for us at Spirit of the Suwannee Music Park, you can call the park to register at (386) 364-1683. Make sure you mention you are part of the Airstream rally so you will be parked with the group. There is no need to contact Stink Weed for a site since they are pre-reserved by Steve and Laura Kane the rally host. Don't forget to register for the rallies on the Florida Airstream Club website (each requires a separate registration) so we know you are coming and can plan accordingly. More details to follow on the website, FaceBook and in the newsletter.

Steve Kane SteveKaneProductions@gmail.com







## Sneak Peek at the Silver Between the Lakes Apr. 13-17, 2023, Lake Kissimmee State Park, FL

In May we sent out an email blast to all FAC members to announce the Silver Between the Lakes Rally at Lake Kissimmee State Park to be held April 13-17, 2023. As of this writing there are still 8 sites left in Loop 1 (LK1). The host site for the rally will be in Loop 2 (LK2) but the loops are close together and easily traveled by bicycle, walking or of course by car or truck.

Lake Kissimmee State Park has a lot of recreational opportunities: endless bicycle and hiking trails, three lakes to fish or paddle, Segway tours and an 1870s Cow Camp with volunteers to describe the life of cow catchers in early Florida cattle history. Bok Tower is about a half hour away from the camp so an outing to the gardens is in the works, should be spectacular in the spring.

Come join us as we explore this beautiful historic park. Secure your campsite (https://reserve.floridastateparks.org) and then register online at the FAC website (airstreamclub.org/Florida). Wanderinglabs.com is a great resource to snag a website if all the sites are full; it has worked for us several times!

More details to follow.

Hosts: Bob & Lyn Masters, <a href="mailto:blmasters@icloud.com">blmasters@icloud.com</a> Mike & Maryanne Swegles <a href="maryanneswegles7@gmail.com">maryanneswegles7@gmail.com</a>

## Welcome New Members and Affiliates!



To join or renew, go

airstreamclub.org/ and click on Menu &

To become an affiliate

of Florida Airstream

Club, see instructions

Please send your picture

to be included in the

next newsletter.

online to <a href="https://">https://</a>

Future or Current

Members

on last page.

NEW MEMBERS

Robert and Dawn Aylesworth #12952 St. Petersburg FL

Georgia and Stephen Barron, #05338 Daytona Beach, FL

Osvaldo and Diora Cabrera, #09103 The Villages, FL

Francisco and Frances Diaz #05458 Miami FL

Brenda & Andy Emanuele #10508 Baddeck Nova Scotia B0E1B0 Canada

Michelle and Jeffrey Hartog, #04662 Ponce Inlet, FL

Robert and Joan Hicks, #04234 Port Orange, FL (transferred from North Texas)

Jeff Lee and Laurie Golden #06755 Rockledge FL

James and Tracey Mimbs, #04573 St. Augustine, FL

Pushpak Narayana #21610 Lady Lake FL Nancy Strehlow, #05329 Englewood, FL

Steven Thompson and Reva Harris #05642 New Smyrna Beach FL

Taryn Wheeler and Julian Restrepo, #30907 Oviedo, FL

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## Welcome New Members and Affiliates!



**AFFILIATES** 

Bill and Darla Furst #31850 Sarasota, FL Deb Sullivan #02286 Sarasota, FL

Tonya and James Green #15696 Miramar, FL John and Charlotte Taylor #05447 Des Allemands, LA

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

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David Linne, #05475 Charlevoix, MI

James and Anna-Marie Matalone, #05191 Longboat Key, FL

Tay Meister and Barbara Drake, #07284 Hilton Head, SC

#### **FACEBOOK**

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



#### INSTAGRAM PAGE New!

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



## FAC Merchandise Web Site!

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

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

Chris Allen, (904) 534-9896

# Community Project: Fisher House Foundation



So far for 2022, we have raised \$2,396.31. Thanks for your generosity. We continue to increase the funds on deposit for the Fisher House for 2022. At the Otter Springs Rally in May Hosted by Mike & Maryanne Swegles we raised \$143.90. Money was made selling club stickers, magnets, etc. along with funds collected by Brenda Marr to fill the Poole's Airstream bank. Lisa Pannell entered her guess on the amount in the bank and was the closest to the actual amount. She won the option of keeping the money, sharing the money with the Fisher House (half to the winner and half to the Fisher House) or making a donation of any amount. Thank you, Lisa for your generous donation. Lisa will now take the empty bank home and begin collecting donations from fellow Airstream club members, friends, neighbors, family, etc. and bringing it back to a future Rally she attends where our members will again try to figure out how much is in the

At the Canopy Oaks Rally in June hosted by Charlie & Jeri Prisco, \$72.37 was raised from the Airstream bank by Lisa Pannell. The club member that guessed the closest amount to the actual money collected was Brenda Marr. A thank you goes out to Brenda for her thoughtful donation to the Fisher House.

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

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

Chris Allen, Charitable Project Chair



Presentation made during the Otter Springs Rally with a check of \$6,150 (collected in 2021) given to the Fisher House in Gainesville accepted by Cemo Ortiz. Club members from left to right are John and Belinda Freer, Ron & Chris Allen, Bob & Lyn Masters and Pat Howe & Bob Metzger.

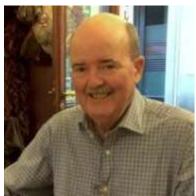
# Sunshine Committee Report

One of our Florida Airstream Club members, Gary Lee Mahan, from Jackson-ville FL, passed away in May at the age of 82. He is survived by his wife Dianne, 5 children, and 11 grandchildren. Gary was a lovely and talented man. Some of you may remember his art work at the Fisher House auctions. He will be greatly missed. His obituary is available at <a href="https://www.adignifiedalternative.net/obituary/gary-mahan">https://www.adignifiedalternative.net/obituary/gary-mahan</a> Condolences can be sent to Dianne Mahan at 11933 Gran Crique Ct. S., Jacksonville, FL 32223 or <a href="mailto:dgmahan@bellsouth.net">dgmahan@bellsouth.net</a>

This past summer Frank Carson had open heart surgery and then had a pacemaker inserted. This winter he was hospitalized with congestive heart failure and COPD. Frank uses a walker due to the fact his hip replacement did not turn out well. Frank's summer address is: PO Box 135, Crosswicks, NJ 08515, (321) 704-2568

This column is the place where we express praise for members' major life accomplishments or concern for those experiencing difficult times. Please send notifications for Sunshine Committee to: Deb Oppel <a href="https://www.DeclutteredbyDeb.com">www.DeclutteredbyDeb.com</a> 763-670-8772





Gary Lee Mahan (1940-2022)

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

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

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

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

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