

Mississippi Airstream Club (MAC) Unit 056

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Greetings Fellow Streamers,

Oh my, I will be your President for the next two years. During this time, I will try to fill the shoes of those who came before me. I would like to thank Terry, Anna and Trouble for their rallies and leadership for the past two years. During my term, the only thing that I will advocate is to bring rallies and trips that will appeal to each Streamer, during time frames that you can attend. After all, we bought these rigs to enjoy life! To quote an original Streamer, "You only die once, and I'm not going to wait on it".

Carol and I have been traveling since July 7th, of this year and have managed to pass through 28 states and two Canadian Provinces. This is what Airstreaming is about to most of us.

We started the journey by heading north to Maine for the International Rally. From there, we visited Acadia National Park and then traveled into Canada. The Border crossing was easy, contrary to what we had been told. We followed all the advice given on the Canadian crossing site, and answered with yes and no, without elaborating. We visited Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick. In PEI we ate our way around the island, and visited Charlottetown, where we discovered that several of the displaced families from the English takeover were in Carol's family tree (Plaquemines Parish, LA). The farming and seafood culture is truly amazing. In NB we visited the famous Hopewell Rocks (be prepared for large crowds). It has up to 50' tide changes (39' while we were there). We also visited the Reversing Falls at St. John. The tide causes the river to reverse its course, and there is only a 15-minute window for boats to safely pass through the falls area. The weather was just what a good southerner needed, cool days and cold nights. Returning from Canada was less enjoyable as the US border patrol needed to search the rig.

During our journey westward to visit our daughter in Salt Lake City, we stayed in the Black Hills of South Dakota for 10 days, visiting Rushmore for the Evening ceremony, and during the day. We hiked to the top of Black Elk Peak, enjoying the 360 degree view. We hiked Sylvan Lake which is a must stop location for any visit to this area. Jewel Cave NM and Wind Cave NM

provided some relief from high temperatures. From here we moved to the Cody, WY area via Devils Tower. If you come here, do not miss the Museum of the West (and, yes, it will take two days). We did day trips to the East side of Yellowstone, Chief Joseph and Beartooth Highways. Down days consisted of Carol sewing and me enjoying swimming in the rivers and lakes.

During the last three weeks, Carol and I traveled with the Arkansas Club. We would like to try using some of their ideas for our rallies. They had already camped together at Airstreams on the Square and Crater of Diamonds when we met them at Petit Jean to boondock in a field. There was lots of food, campfires and fellowship. Some of the group did hikes (of different levels), visited the car museum, or went into town. From there, we traveled to Buffalo Point for much of the same in a different area, although a few canoed on the Buffalo River.

Rather than repeat what follows in the newsletter, I will just ask that each of you reach out to me at (601) 410-5217 (text or voice) or to one of the other board members to make suggestions on locations, rallies and things to do. We have a diverse group of folks in our club, and each of us has things they would like to do. Some ideas were doing bike rides on Rails to Trails paths, canoeing, and hiking in addition to visiting museums and sightseeing.

In the words of Mr. JC, "Keep the shiny side up"

Safe travels,

Don Williams

UPCOMING EVENTS

MAC Christmas Rally, early parking Dec. 6 - Dec 12, 2022. Central Hills Baptist Retreat near Kosciusko. Christmas Dinner, Friday, Dec. 9. See info below.

2023 International Rally, June 24-30, 2023, Rock Springs, Wyoming. Register https://airstreamclub.org/Rally2023

CLUB BUSINESS

At the Election Rally in September, the following officers were installed.

President – Don Williams Treasurer – Don Hummel

1st Vice President – Randall Colston Directors – Selma Evans, Anna Reynolds,

2nd Vice President – Tim Vaughan Bruce Twigg

Secretary – Blake Donald Newsletter Editor – Elizabeth Hawkins

CLUB NOTES

Please welcome new members:

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Cecil Grisham is in swing bed therapy in Ripley, recuperating from a stroke. According to J.C. Prather, Cecil and Ethel are looking forward to his being able to get home soon.

Notice: the club has a policy of awarding \$50 to members attending their first full rally.

Contact: Elizabeth Hawkins 662-312-4882 ejhawkins@bellsouth.net with news

CHRISTMAS RALLY

December 6-12, 2022 CENTRAL HILLS BAPTIST RETREAT 6377 Attala Road 4227 West, MS 3919

To avoid gravel, use highway 19 from Kosciusko or from West. From Kozy, travel about 7 miles. Follow the signs. LAT-LON per Apple Maps 33.1187/ -89.6909.

Rally fee TBD/person + \$15.00/person Christmas Lunch; camping fee \$20/night (no credit cards at the Retreat Center; pay club with cash or check). Rooms available@ \$26/night; make room reservation with Cindy at 662-289-9730.

We need a count for the <u>catered Christmas meal</u> and other planning. Please contact J.C. Prather 662-210-0458; <u>mspa3@netscape.net</u> OR Don Williams at 601-410-5217; ccclimb@yahoo.com.

If you are not attending the rally but want to join us for the meal on December 9, please make your reservation with J.C. in advance so the kitchen can order properly.

Below is an abbreviated schedule.

Tues., Dec. 6 Early Parking

Wed., Dec. 7 Kickoff Meal ? 5:00 or 6:00

Thurs., Dec. 8 TBD

Fri., Dec. 9 Christmas Meal Noon \$15.00 ea;

Cents for Youth Auction at 2:00 p.m.; bring crafts, goodies, trash-to-

treasure items, etc.

Sat., Dec.10 Christmas Singalong led by Bob Hawkins

Sun., Dec.11 TBD

Mon., Dec.12 Depart -- Happy Trails

You'll get a more complete schedule before the rally.