

Happy Hanukkah



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President's Message

Let's give thanks and blessings for the times together over this past year. Leslie and I enjoyed our time this year and the opportunity to be part of Watchung NJ Airstream Club. The Club had a year of successful rallies, luncheons, and membership. Most importantly, for events, we had a growing member turnout. It was very gratifying to see the many hosts and co-hosts plan our events!

Looking forward to seeing everyone at our Christmas Installation Luncheon, where the 2023 officers will take their positions. The luncheon is on December 10, 2022, at Chelsea's Pub 1051 US-22, Lebanon, NJ 08833 (908) 437-0311. There should be a link to make an online payment, or you can still mail in your coupon. During the luncheon, the Club will collect Toys for Tots. Please bring or send with someone who is going an unwrapped toy.

Nancy & Ken Egan are hosting our January Luncheon: on January 14, 2023, at noon at Cryanns Tavern, 2 Beaver Ave., Annandale, NJ.

The February luncheon will be at the Warrenside Tavern, 511 Rt 173, Stewartsville, NJ. Leslie & Frank DeHerde and Co-Host Gail Lloyd host it.

It hardly seems like it has been a year since Meg & Laura passed the helm on to Leslie & me, but it has come time to turn over the helm to the next President and First Lady. We want to thank George & Linda for taking on this role and wish them the best in 2023. Many exciting rallies and activities are planned for 2023, and we look forward to the new adventures with everyone.

Leslie and I wish you and your families a Merry Christmas, a Happy Hanukkah, and a Happy New Year!

Safe travels to everyone.
Frank DeHerde



NOVEMBER LUNCHEON 11/5/22

On an unseasonably warm Saturday on November 5, 2022, twenty-one Airstreamers gathered for a lunch at the Little York Tavern in Milford, NJ. Our unit has previously been to the Little York over the years, and the owners have changed, but everyone appeared pleased with the pizza appetizer for all, and then individual choices of crispy chicken sandwich, cheesesteak with onions and chicken Caesar salad. Barbara Taylor and Mike Koczwarra did a phenomenal job, (without co-hosts), of finding and coordinating a lunch site, collecting the fee, providing each attendee with a goody bag and sending everyone home either with a handmade gift knitted by Barbara or other items she had carefully sourced. The restaurant baked a beautiful cake celebrating both the fall season and Airstreams, which was enjoyed by all. We were so happy to have and



Fred and Jeanne Brugmans join us, along with their son Erik, and hope to see them again in December. We were also happy to see some of our newer members join us, and to have long-time member Valerie Nehlig with us. The unit also collected many food items, which were donated to the Flemington Area Food Pantry. There were 108 pounds of food collected, and a \$20 cash donation. This is an annual tradition for the Watchung unit to run a food collection in November, and toy collection in December. As prices of both campgrounds and restaurants continue to climb, we would like to acknowledge and thank hosts and co-hosts for stepping up, and negotiating reasonable prices, and taking on either a rally or lunch, making it possible for us to continue to gather. Thank you again to Barbara and Michael for a wonderful day! Happy Thanksgiving to everyone!

Submitted by Linda Kiesel



Region 2 notes from the President

Hello, everyone! I'm writing this in late November, so the camping season has ended and most of us have winterized our Airstreams by now.

First, the region rally update: We were hoping the campground would have their registration open by now, but unfortunately some issues with their software have delayed that. By the time you read this, it might be open; I'll let the club presidents and newsletter editors know when it has opened, along with contact information for the campground.

In the recent IBT meetings, we discussed the results of a review of the standing committees - making sure they were still meeting the needs of the club and update the club policy where needed. There was also a motion to update the process for getting candidates who are interested in becoming part of the new Executive Council next year. We also heard more detailed updates from the Vintage Airstream Intra-Club and the Historical Standing Committee.

Headquarters is working on a method for members to submit suggestions for rally sites - local, regional, and national. I'm glad to hear this because I was working on something similar for the region! The idea is to build a database that will then be available to members for a reference when setting up a rally. This information will be invaluable to future region and international rally planners.

I'm still looking for a Region 2 webmaster. Please let me know if you would be interested!

See you next month!

-RJ Marquette, Region 2 President, #13270



December Birthdays

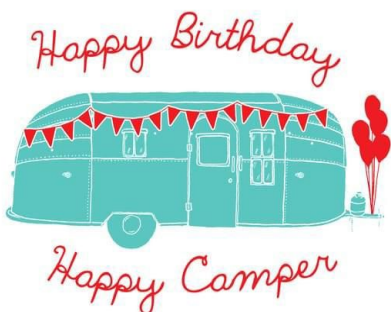
Fred Brugmans
Steven Tancer
Jason Pomerleau
Jamie Bull
Laura Riley
Chris Forster
Sean Boyle



December Anniversaries

Robert & Carolyn
Hagman

Harry & Lori Sacks



2022 WATCHUNG CLUB OFFICERS

President: Frank DeHerde
1st Vice Pres: George Kiesel
2nd Vice Pres: Lea Plant
Corr Sec: Leslie DeHerde
Rec Sec: Rich Short
Treasurer: Lois Wagner
Membership: Lea Plant
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1 YR.: Linda Kiesel
2 YR.: Ken Egan
2 YR.: Nancy Egan
Sunshine: Linda Kiesel
Newsletter: Angie Ratliff
Quartermaster: Jason Pomerleau

SUNSHINE

No cards were sent out November.
Please notify Linda Kiesel
with all your joys and concerns!!

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!



2022/23 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 December Installation & Holiday Luncheon: December 10, 2022, 12:00 noon to 3pm at Chelsea's Pub 1051 US-22, Lebanon, NJ 08833 Hosted by George & Linda Kiesel and Frank & Leslie DeHerde. See Coupon in Newsletter.

2023 January Luncheon: January 14, 2023, 12:00 noon at CRYANNS TAVERN, 2 BEAVER AVENUE, ANNANDALE, NJ. Hosted by Hosted by Nancy & Ken Egan. See Coupon in Newsletter.

2023 February Luncheon: February 12, 2023, 12:00 noon at Warrenside Tavern, 511 Rt. 173, Stewartsville, NJ. Hosted by Frank & Leslie DeHerde and Gail Lloyd. See Coupon in Newsletter.

2023 March Luncheon Hosted by Rich & Kathi Short and Lea Plant.

2023 April Rally Hosted by Lois Wagner & Derek Conley and Lynda Kresge. See update in Newsletter.

2023 June Region 2 Rally June 2-6, 2023 Niagara Falls, Ontario [Region 2 | ACI \(airstreamclub.org\)](#)

2023 66th International Rally Wyoming June 24 – 30, 2023 <https://airstreamclub.org/Rally2023>

2023 July Rally Host & CoHosts Needed.

2023 August Rally Hosted by George & Linda Kiesel and Laura Raymond. See update in Newsletter.

2023 September Rally: Hosted by Mark & Angie Ratliff and Cohost Rebecca Glick.

2023 October Rally & Business Meeting: Rich & Kathi Short and Lea Plant

2023 November Luncheon Hosted by Barbara Taylor and Michael Koczwar **CoHosts Needed.**

2023 December Installation & Holiday Luncheon Hosted by George & Linda Kiesel and Lea Plant.



December Installation Lunch

December 10, 2022 at Chelsea's Pub 1051 US-22, Lebanon, NJ 08833

(908) 437-0311

Please join us for a fun Holiday Lunch and Officer installation ceremony at Chelsea's Pub. We have our own room for the afternoon, the food is always good and they make the best Bloody Mary's ☺.

Time: 12pm to 3pm.

Please bring a new, unwrapped toy for either a girl or boy, for our annual toy drive to benefit Toys for Tots NJ.

Choice of entrees include; Penne Vodka, Chicken Parmigiana, and Blackened Salmon. All entrees are served with a mixed green salad, soft drinks, coffee, tea and Homemade chocolate pudding for dessert. Cash Bar.

Immediately following lunch will be our traditional Watchung Candle light ceremony led by Past Region 2 President Rich Short.

Price per person is \$34.00

Hosted by George and Linda Kiesel and Frank and Leslie DeHerde

Reservation Deadline is November 26th

Name _____ Phone _____ Email _____

Choice of Entrée(s) Penne Vodka _____ Chicken Parm _____ Blackened Salmon _____

Price per person = \$34.00 x Number of people = _____ total.

Please mail coupon and check to;

George and Linda Kiesel 15 State Route 437 White Haven PA 18661

Any questions, contact me at 908-930-0550

WATCHUNG NJ AIRSTREAM CLUB

JANUARY LUNCHEON – SATURDAY, 1/14/2023 @ 12PM

CRYANNS TAVERN – 2 BEAVER AVENUE, ANNANDALE, NJ

HOSTS: NANCY AND KEN EGAN (STEAMENRR@COMCAST.NET / 908-720-8073)

MENU

(PLEASE SELECT ONE EACH FROM THE FOLLOWING / SODA, COFFEE, AND TEA INCLUDED – CASH BAR)

APPETIZERS

POTATO SKINS _____ BACON BOMBS _____ FRIED PICKLES _____ IRISH PRETZELS _____

ENTREES

FISH N CHIPS _____ SHEPHERDS PIE _____ GRILLED CHICKEN BREAST _____ PENNE VODKA _____

RESERVATION DEADLINE: 12/31/2022

PLEASE MAIL COMPLETED FORM TO KENNETH M. EGAN, 95 W. KELLEY STREET, METUCHEN, NJ, 08840

YOU MAY ALSO EMAIL FORM TO NHE815@COMCAST.NET, BE SURE TO INDICATE FOOD PREFERENCES

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO WATCHUNG NJ AIRSTREAM CLUB

MAXIMUM OF 30 ATTENDEES – PLEASE SIGN UP EARLY!

NAME _____ WBCCI# _____

EMAIL _____ PHONE # _____

OF GUESTS _____ x \$35 PER PERSON TOTAL \$ _____



February Luncheon

Hosted by: Leslie and Frank DeHerde and Gail Lloyd

Where: Warrenside Tavern

511 Rt. 173, Stewartsville, NJ

When: 2/12/2022 @ 12n

Menu:

House Salad

Entrée choices:

1. Chicken Saltimbocca served with rice and veggie of the day
2. Tender tips Marseillaise served with rice and veggie of the day
3. Broiled cod with butter lemon caper sauce served with rice and veggie of the day
4. Harvest salad mixed greens with pecans, goat cheese and cranberries

Includes Soft drink or Coffee

Desert will be served

Cost: \$28 per person

Name: _____

Chicken _____

Tender Tips _____

Baked Cod _____

Harvest Salad _____

Return coupon to Leslie DeHerde 22 Hissim Rd., Great Meadows, NJ 07838 or pay on line by February 1st
By Lois Wagner

April 2023 at Trap Pond State Park

Hello everyone, we know it's early to be thinking about **APRIL**, but due to the very challenging camping environment we are in, we have to act early if we plan on having group rallies next year. (What George said) LOL We have chosen Delaware in hopes of finding better weather for that weekend.

The April, Unbutton Rally will be held at **TRAP POND STATE PARK**, located in Laurel, DE.
<https://destateparks.com/TrapPond>

The dates are: April 28th, 29th, 30th. (Feel free to come early, or stay late, as the availability allows.) We would like to have as many rigs as possible in LOOP D, which has all pull throughs.

We need to act quickly if our group is going to be able to stay together. Reservations are made through Reserveamerica.com

Each site has water and electric. The dump station is on the way out. Please check the length of the site you wish to reserve as each site fits different rigs. Each rig needs to make their own reservations. Please act quickly as no sites are being held for our use.

Your hosts for this rally are Derek & Lois Wagner-Conley and Lynda Kresge. Our sites are D12 and D10. After you have made your reservation, please send Lois an email at airstreaminglois@gmail.com and give us your site number. As a reminder, this will be a Meeting Rally.

August 2023 at Lake Glory Campground

Hello everyone, I know it's very early to be thinking about next summer, but due to the very challenging camping environment we are in, we have to act early if we plan on having group rallies next year. Linda and I visited 8 campgrounds in the last few weeks, some were too small or just not suitable. 2 very nice campgrounds were already sold out for August 2023, or only had a few scattered sites available. That being the case, we are happy to announce that **Lake Glory Campground in Catawissa PA**, being part of the Knoebel's Amusement family was willing to hold 20 sites for us for 90 days. Which means that we have until mid-January to make reservations and leave a deposit. After that, they release the sites to the general public. If you make an early reservation and need to cancel, you will only lose \$5.00 of your deposit if you cancel more than 7 days from arrival date. I have attached a map of the campground, and a link to their website for your review.

The dates will be; **Thursday Aug 10th thru Sunday Aug.13th, 2023.**
Please refer to the campground map. We have reserved the following sites;

Sites 2 thru 12 **Sites 38 thru 48 minus site 44** **Sites 116 thru 136 minus site 118 and site 128.**

Please call 570-356-7392 and tell them you are with the Airstream Club if you are planning on attending. Please let us know what site you have booked.

Campsite map <https://www.knoebels.com/download/?id=3370>
Lake Glory Website <https://www.knoebels.com/stay/lake-glory-campground>



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