



# The Akron Ohio Airstream Club Newsletter



March 2024 Edition



**Captain's Log, Stardate 03.01.2024:** not sure about you but it seemed that the month of February went a little too long . . . like at least an extra day! Welcome to March, Airstreamers! I'm thinking this Ralph Waldo Emerson quote is apropos, especially with northeast Ohio's weather, "...our life is March weather, savage and serene in one hour." Lately, we've enjoyed a few days with comfortable, jacket-less weather with lots of sunshine but Mother Nature sent a reminder yesterday! When it comes to the launch of "camping season," I can't help but recall the days traveling with our 4 kids: are we there yet . . . are we there yet . . . when will we get there? Given that we're members of the Akron **OHIO** Airstream Club, we've got about another month until "we're there!"

## BREAKING NEWS

Hopefully you've received the March Luncheon invitation

sent via our Club Express website, thanks to Club secretary, Tom Ozbolt. **A huge thank you to Fred & Kathy Kiehl and Dennis & Karen Kiehl for hosting our last luncheon of the off-season at Kathy & Fred's place (2002 Waycross Ave, Akron) on Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am.** On the menu will be a big pot of Chili with cornbread and whatever we guests provide. We'll need your help with RSVPs in sharing what you're planning to provide, side dish, salad or dessert, by calling Dennis at 330-697-0772 so he can coordinate. **Given that we'll be meeting on the eve of St. Patrick's Day, consider dressing up in your best greens. RSVP** now with one click! Rumor has it that someone may show up with a pint or two of Guinness to share!

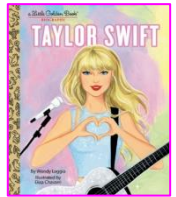


In retrospect, a big "THANK YOU" is extended to hosts



**Jenny & John Schnetter and Andrea & Neil Scheid** for planning our February luncheon at Mulligan's Pub on the 10<sup>th</sup>! The food was great, only exceeded by the fellowship enjoyed by the 30

or so members who attended. We should all feel proud of the book collection effort that will benefit the kiddos at Akron Children's Hospital! My donation of the 24-page (mostly pictures) *Taylor Swift: A Little Golden Book Biography* left a sizeable void in my personal library but I'll get over it—its theme proved a little too complex for my taste, anyways!




Looking ahead, let's recognize those with birthdays in **March** and ~~gift them all hardbound copies remaining in Brian's collection of Taylor Swift novels!~~ Please, if we've missed your information, simply zap me an update.

### Happy 'March' Birthdays to:

- 3/3 Mike Pastva
- 3/10 Mike Mayo
- 3/16 Pat Auman
- 3/17 Mary Mayo
- 3/24 Russ Martin
- 3/28 Joe Maxwell
- 3/29 Andrea Scheid



### UPCOMING EVENTS

- **March "Wednesday Breakfast,"** 3/3/24 at 9:00am at the Waterloo Restaurant—it's "Eggcellent!"
- **March Luncheon: Saturday the 16<sup>th</sup>** @ 11:30am at the Kiehl's compound; hosted by Fred & Kathy and Dennis & Karen! Bring a side dish, salad or dessert but first coordinate with Dennis @ 330.697.0772. 
- **Region 4 "The Great Eclipse Rally of 2024"** is scheduled for **April 7-11<sup>th</sup>** in Darke County. Click [HERE](#) to register online. Experience the "Darke Side of the Moon" in Darke County, Ohio JOIN US for the 2024 National Eclipse Rally at the Great Darke County Fairgrounds in beautiful Greenville, Ohio, near the Mothership in Jackson Center!
- **Wake Up Downtown Rally in Logan, Ohio May 2-4, 2024.** The City of Logan will close the streets to all motorized traffic; Airstreams line the historic downtown forming a quiet/safe pedestrian mall. More information can be found [HERE](#).
- **Region 4 Community Service Rally, May 29 – June 2** in Flint Michigan. This year's Region 4 Community

Service Rally assists the Food Bank of Eastern Michigan, located in Flint. This is a very impressive facility with the capacity to have up to 100 volunteers working at a time! **Details:** Food Bank of Eastern Michigan (FBEM.org) 1939 Howard Ave., Flint, MI 48503. There will be volunteer opportunities on Thursday May 29th and Friday May 30th from 9:00-Noon and 1:00-4:00 (You are free to work as many or few shifts as you like, taking a break during a shift as you may need.) **Campground:** Groveland Oaks County Park Campground, 14555 Dixie Highway, Holly, MI 48442. This campground is about 20 minutes from the Food Bank. A covered pavilion and a couple firepits are at each group site. Fill up with water when you get to the campground and empty your tanks. 30 Amp power, only, provided for each rig. Rally fee of \$100/rig gets you your site from Wednesday-Tuesday and lunch, at the Food Bank, if you decide to work both the morning and afternoon shifts. **To sign up/ask questions** please contact Jamie Kingseed, Community Service Chair, at jkingseed@gmail or click [HERE](#) or (937) 539-3139

- **AOAC June Rally at Sauder Village, Archbold, Ohio** (22611 State Rt 2, 43502) **June 11<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>** (Tuesday – Friday) hosted by the Wilch's. We have 15 sites reserved for the Akron Ohio Airstream Club and once we commit to 10 or more, our cost/night drops from \$46 to \$44. **Reservations can be made by calling this number directly: 800.590.9755.** On site, the Sauder Village experience will take us on a walk-through-time from 1803 (Ohio becomes a state) through the 1920s while visiting Natives & Newcomers, Pioneer Settlement, and the 1920s Main Street. As of the release of this newsletter, **we have 8 sites already reserved** so please register sooner than later—and follow up with a RSVP email to me or use the **“Register Now”** on the website (don't worry about the \$25 fee—we'll determine/collect the rally fee at the campground).



- **AOAC July Rally at The Wilderness Campground in Dundee, Michigan, July 17 – 21** hosted by Fred & Kathy Kiehl and Mike Pastva & Jill McCauslin. Unlike the June rally, you **MUST** reserve your site via our website by clicking [HERE](#)—(only 2 rigs registered on Club Express so far!) Sites are \$57 per night and include water + 30/50 amp electric (dump station at the park). Rated by Airstreamers as one of the top 5 museums in the country, we'll tour the Henry Ford Museum as well as Greenfield Village—less than an hour's drive (\$51.50/person for a 3-day pass that covers both museums). Cabela's is also right around the corner! Limited sites are available



so make your reservation by tax day—April 15<sup>th</sup>!

- **AOAC August Rally...** could be the most epic ever recorded—if we only had one! August is “open” to anyone wishing to plan/host a rally!
- **NOVA Rally in the Valley II** September 5 –9, 2024 (Thu - Mon) 4439 & 4495 Black Road, Richfield. Click [HERE](#) for details. Special note: yours truly's favorite ice cream shop, “Country Maid,” is right around the corner! RSVP: Tom & Judi Moran, BRN#4405 330-606-4101, [topshelfgsp@aol.com](mailto:topshelfgsp@aol.com)
- **Region 4 61<sup>st</sup> Annual Swiss Festival National Rally**, September 21st – 29th at Winklepleck Grove (2800 Winklepleck Rd NW, Sugarcreek, OH, 44681) Located in the rolling green hills of eastern Ohio, deep in the heart of Amish country, this rally offers lots of fun for everyone. The week-long rally includes visits to the annual Swiss Festival in nearby Sugarcreek, Ohio, plus tours to various local sites and our favorite “Day in the Park.” Click [HERE](#) for more information at to register.
- **67th Airstream Club International Rally**, October 5-10, 2024. Missouri State Fairgrounds in Sedalia, Missouri. Register online [HERE](#).

*More pictures from the February Luncheon . . .*



Do you have Airstream “stuff” that you want gone? Zap a description & picture my way for the next newsletter! See next page!



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For those interested, Russ Martin has some Airstream accessories for sale given that he and Janis have sold their Airstream. If interested, give Russ a call @ 330.720.8476 or email at [russ@flowpur.com](mailto:russ@flowpur.com)

1. **TWO (2) IDENTICAL GENTLY USED FOLDING BICYCLES FOR SALE**

BRAND: GIANT  
MODEL: EXPRESSWAY  
CONDITION: IMMACULATE  
CURRENT NEW PRICE: APPRX \$630 EACH  
ASKING PRICE: REASONABLE OFFER FOR PAIR, CARRYING BAGS INCLUDED



2. **30 AMP SURGE PROTECTOR FOR SALE**

BRAND: PROGRESSIVE INDUSTRIES  
MODEL: EMS-PT30X  
CONDITION: CLEAN, UNDAMAGED, EXCELLENT  
CURRENT NEW PRICE: \$165 AND UP  
ASKING PRICE: \$65



3. **FOUR (4) ZIPPERED BAGS OF TEN (10) LYNX RV LEVELING BLOCKS FOR SALE**

BRAND: LYNX RV LEVELING BLOCKS WITH NYLON STORAGE CASE  
MODEL: TEN (10) PIECE BAG  
CONDITION: CLEAN, 38 ARE EXCELLENT AND 2 HAVE SLIGHT DAMAGE, BUT USEABLE AS DESIGNED  
CURRENT NEW PRICE: \$38.45 PER BAG AT WALMART AND AMAZON  
ASKING PRICE: \$60 FOR ALL FOUR (4) BAGS



4. **50 AMP TO 30 AMP PIGTAIL RV ADAPTER FOR SALE**

CONDITION: CLEAN, USED  
NEW PRICE: \$17  
ASKING PRICE: \$5



5. **30 AMP POWER CORD FROM AIRSTREAM FOR SALE**

CONDITION: CLEAN, UNDAMAGED, EXCELLENT  
ASKING PRICE: \$35



6. **30 AMP POWER CORD FOR SALE**

BRAND: FURRION  
CONDITION: CLEAN, UNDAMAGED, EXCELLENT  
ASKING PRICE: \$45



7. **30 AMP RV POWER CORD EXTENSION FOR SALE**

CONDITION: CLEAN, UNDAMAGED, EXCELLENT  
ASKING PRICE: \$25



8. **12 VOLT RV PUMP FOR SALE**

BRAND: SHURFLO  
MODEL: 4008-101-E65  
CONDITION: HAS NEVER BEEN OUT OF THE BOX  
ASKING PRICE: \$25

