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Connecticut Airstream Club



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CHARTER OAK CHATTER



DECEMBER 2004/JANUARY 2005

THE AIRSTREAM RV ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, it has been a month since installation and I must say that becoming President is going to be an exciting endeavor for me. I am looking forward to an exciting year of rallies and rendezvous. We have a great line up for 2005 and I would like to thank everyone who has stepped up to volunteer not only for this upcoming year, but to those who have volunteered in the past. It's a great learning experience to watch people work together to make our rallies and meeting fun and enjoyable. As a reminder, we still have an opening for a rally on the weekend of May 6th through the 8th. If anyone is interested, please let me know.

The holiday luncheon was well attended with 38 members present. Ray and Maryellen Moniz did an outstanding job with the buffet menu and wonderful holiday decorations. It is always nice to see your friends, especially around the holidays. For those of you who could not make it or have already set off for warmer locations, Annette and I would like to wish you happy, healthy holidays and safe travels

Looking forward to seeing everyone in February at the luncheon at the Imperial Buffet in Plainville!

With warm wishes this holiday season

Mark, Annette, Callie, Stuart, Franklin, Tigger, Tommy and Ebony (The Wilson's)

NEW AIRSTREAM DEALER IN CONNECTICUT

The Goulds & Bartrams visited "Airstream of Connecticut" in early November to introduce ourselves and COCU to the new dealer.

Their stock includes about 10 new trailers and 3 Interstate/Westfalia motorhomes. They are building up their parts stock and have a seasoned Airstream technician on board (George from Holiday on Wheels in Patterson, NY). The service Manager is Dick Morrison. The parts department is run by Ernie Raschke.

CT Airstream gives a 10% WBCCI discount on parts and labor.

Fred Valenti owns the business, which shares the facility with Valenti Pontiac @ 520 Watertown Ave. just North of Waterbury alongside route 8 on the West side. From I-84 E or W, take route 8 North and take first exit (left) toward Watertown. At first light, go left (Aurora St.) to Watertown Ave., then left again. They will be on the left about 2 blocks South toward Waterbury. For Sales, see Tony Amorosi (Sales Mgr.), Andrea Sledjeski, or Larry DeMaida.

This dealer will be at the 22nd annual Northeast RV Show January 14-16, which is at the Connecticut Expo Center in Hartford. They will also be at the Springfield RV Show February 18-21, which is at the Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield, MA.

WBCCI members are invited and encouraged to be a part of each show to explain the benefits of the Airstream/WBCCI way of life. If anyone is going, contact Mark Wilson (203-746-9756) who will try to set up a schedule so we are represented at the booth most of the time. If you cannot reach Mark, call Tony Amorosi and let him know you are coming and when, if possible.

Their phone # is 203-754-6135

Their fax # is 203-754-0642

Stop in and introduce yourself when passing Waterbury.

Dick & Eileen Bartram #281

DATES TO REMEMBER

February 6, 2005

Dinner Meeting
Imperial Buffett
Plainville, CT
Ray & MaryEllen Moniz

March 6, 2005 Dinner Meeting Kathy Kushman Doreen Fuller

April 6, 2005
Dinner Meeting
Nutmeg Restaurant
East Windsor, CT
Jerry & Fran Ingallinera

May 6-8, 2005
Rally - Open
Contact Mark Wilson if you are interested in hosting



BIRTHDAYS

December

James Rutty	12/01
Lynn Perlotto	12/01
Duncan McDougall	12/03
Jan Miller	12/03
Daphine McDonald	12/12
Dorothy Lowell	12/13
Rene Osterlund	12/15
Carol Potter	12/16
Jeanette O'Donald	12/18
Pat Larson	12/22
Larry Larson	12/27

John Fuller	01/03
Donald Perry	01/03
Rip Nelson	01/05
Jerry Ingallinera	01/16
Howard M. Knight	01/16
Jane Sanders	01/18
Mark Wilson	01/18
Carmella Santos	01/19
Linda Cyr	01/21
Annette Wilson	01/23
Lianne Rutty	01/24
Joseph Tetreault	01/25
Ray Osterlund	01/26
Laurie Soucy	01/27
Arlene Sikes	01/28
Rita Tetreault	01/29
Raynold Lemaire	01/30
Linwood Lowell	01/30

ANNIVERSARIES

December

Greg & Jan Miller	12/17
Michael & Deborah Onorato	12/23
Philip & Frances Simmons	12/26
Fred & Susan Newman	12/28
Ray & Rene Osterlund	12/31
Ron & Gail Saverese	12/31

January

Earl & Elaine Duesel	01/01
Charles & Beth Petrie	01/13
Jerry & Fran Ingallinera	01/20



FOR SALE/WANTED

For Sale: 1996 Airstream 30' Land Yacht Motorhome. 88,000 easy miles. No smokers and no pets. Excellent condition. 6 new tires. \$41,000 or make an offer. Call 860 658-1222. Seb & Juanita Pestretto

For Sale: 1996 Airstream Ford Cutter, 34 ft. Class A Motorhome. Full Warranty For another 20,000 Miles(29,000 miles on odometer) Very clean - Many features(2 tv's, cd player, radio, ver,cb radio) New tires & Fuel pump. Queen bed. Backup camera and alarm. Front and Rear AC. Exterior awning. Multiple storage bins. Nonsmoking and no pets with previous owner. MINT CONDITION Price: \$39,000 or best offer. George Slatcher; New Milford, CT Phone: 203-788-1236

Wanted: 1990-1995 model 25ft.w/rear twin beds. Anyone thinking of updating and would like to see their trailer go to a "good home", please call (203) 272-4325 Pat & Brian Brosnahan #8709

For Sale: 2001 Airstream Excella 31' wide body. Rear queen bed. Zipdee awning all around. No smokers, no pets, original owners, in excellent condition. Asking \$39,500. Ph. 207-642-2574. Claire & Pat Lines Standish, ME.

For Sale: 1993 34' Excella 1000, new refrigerator-freezer installed in it this past May, original 110VAC to 12VDC converter replaced with a new 60 amp Intelli-Power converter with Charge Wizard, new tires, new brake pads, and new shocks, all with less than 1,500 miles on them, also,about a year ago we had two Fantastic Fans with thermostatic control and rain sensors installed to replace the original Airstream crankopen vents, two new deep-cycle RV batteries, Reese Dual-Cam Strait-Line load leveling/sway control hitch, with auxiliary Reese friction sway controller. Asking \$20,500 Hensley Arrow hitch, \$1,500. (The factory's lifetime warranty is transferable to a subsequent owner) Terry Clopper and Gayle Shonley; Falmouth, Maine 207-781-3110 or terry@midcoast.com

For Sale: 1997 25' Safari, Twin Bed, asking \$12,500 Steve and Barbara West Middletown, Rhode Island 401-846-3825 or west313@cox.net

For Sale: \$ 150.00 Gift Certificate Turner Airstream Good thru July 31, 2005 A bargain @ \$ 100.00 Ted Price 860-529-9393

NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome the following new members to Charter Oak. We hope that they will be able to join us at an upcoming event soon. If you see them around please stop and give them a big Charter Oak welcome.

Regular Members

Stephen and Cecelia Syrotiak WBCCI #3548 86 Valley Road North Branford, CT 06471 Phone: 203 483-9949 Email: stephen.s1@comcast.net

CHARTER OAK THOUGHTS & CARES

Please keep the following members in your thoughts and prayers as they recover from illnesses or surgeries:

Marge Peterson is in Cobalt Nursing resting well. Marge & her husband John are long time members who have been unable to travel recently. Please keep Marge in your prayers as she endures these difficult time.

Rip Nelson had pneumonia and was in the hospital just before Thanksgiving. He has finished his treatment and is home. Rip and Elsie are looking forward to getting down to TR in early January.

Susan Newman has had pneumonia; she is at home recovering.

If you know of a member who is ill or recently lost a family member please let Annette Wilson and the editors know so they can notify the members.

NEW EDITORS

Starting with the February 2005 Chatter, Ray & Cynthia Richard will be the new editors.

Please forward all items to them via the following information:

> Raymond & Cynthia Richard P.O. Box 41 Modus, CT 06469 Phone: 860-873-1973 Email: Raycynrich1@aol.com

Please extend every helping help to Ray & Cynthia in this very challenging and important new role for them. Thanks to them for jumping in to take over the *Chatter*.

BILL GATES

Love him or hate him, he sure hits the nail on the head with this!

To anyone with kids of any age, here's some advice. Bill Gates recently gave a speech at a High School about 11 things they did not and will not learn in school. He talks about how feel-good, politically correct teachings created a generation of kids with no concept of reality and how this concept set them up for failure in the real world.

- Rule 1: Life is not fair -- get used to it!
- Rule 2: The world won't care about your self-esteem. The world will expect you to accomplish something BEFORE you feel good about yourself.
- Rule 3: You will NOT make \$60,000 a year right out of high school. You won't be a vice-president with a car phone until you earn both.
- Rule 4: If you think your teacher is tough, wait till you get a boss.
- Rule 5: Flipping burgers is not beneath your dignity. Your Grandparents had a different word for burger flipping they called it opportunity.
- Rule 6: If you mess up, it's not your parents' fault, so don't whine about your mistakes, learn from them.
- Rule 7: Before you were born, your parents weren't as boring as they are now. They got that way from paying your bills, cleaning your clothes and listening to you talk about how cool you thought you were. So before you save the rain forest from the parasites of your parent's generation, try delousing the closet in your own room.
- Rule 8: Your school may have done away with winners and losers, but life HAS NOT. In some schools they have abolished failing grades and they'll give you as MANY TIMES as you want to get the right answer. This doesn't bear the lightest resemblance to ANYTHING in real life.
- Rule 9: Life is not divided into semesters. You don't get summers off and very few employers are interested in helping you FIND YOURSELF. Do that on your own time.
- Rule 10: Television is NOT real life. In real life people actually have to leave the coffee shop and go to jobs.
- Rule 11: Be nice to nerds. Chances are you'll end up working for one.

CHATTER

After six and a half years Lianne & I are hanging up the old editor pen and with this issue are officially out of the newsletter business. We have enjoyed producing the Chatter but realized that we were not doing it justice the past year with all of our other duties to James & Sam now 5 & 2 ½ respectively among others things.

We hope you have enjoyed reading the Chatter each month as much as we enjoyed editing it. I know it got a "little" later each month, this month is no exception. It became a difficult thing to just find the 3-4 hours in front of the computer each month to compile all of the items submitted. The standard time usually was around 2:00-3:00 am while the kids and Lianne were sleeping and I would not have James knocking and saying "Daddy are you done yet?" After a few months of this we realized that the newsletter was taking to much precious family time and had to go. Not to fret along came Cynthia and Ray Richard. Just about the time I said it is time to give up the Chatter I here that Ray received a very attractive job offer in Texas and they were moving! "Oh boy", I said to Lianne "We are going to be editing the Chatter forever!!" But as it turned out Ray's present company here made him an offer he could not refuse and the rest is history. Please offer Ray & Cynthia your support as you all have given to Lianne & I. I know that they will do a great job and wish them all the best.

In closing Lianne & I would like to thank the club for the wonderful gift basket we received. It was a great surprise right before the holidays!!

Thanks again and Happy New Year!!

Newsletter desk #16264 is officially closed!!

Michael Rutty #16264







RÉGION 1 RALLY 2005

HOSTED BY QUEBEC CANADA UNIT WBCCI

QUEBEC HEARTLAND

TROIS-RIVIÈRES AUGUST 25 TO 28

Trois-Rivières Fairground 1650, boul. des Forges, Trois-Rivières (Québec) Canada G9A 5K8

Quebec Canada Unit invites you to visit "The Quebec Heartland" with it's historical sites and museums. "Les vieilles forges du St-Maurice", Notre-Dame du Cap Sanctuary, Arts, Crafts, Sugar house and city bus tour are some of the things to do. Fun and Friendship is always.

YOUR RALLY FEE INCLUDES:

3 nights limited electric, water and dump station 2 nights of amateur & professional entertainment 3 continental breakfast ,2 dinners & ice cream nightly Prizes, craft and flea market, happy hours Youth program ,fellowship & fun as always Pets are welcome- Must remain on leash at all times Security -24 hours

OPTIONAL

City bus tour including: these 3visits
1-"Les vieilles Forges du St-Maurice (\$4.00)
2-"QCP Museum" (\$9.00)
3-"Old Penitenciary" (\$9.00)
\$30.00 US per person

DIRECTIONS

From west (ouest) I-40 exit #199 Boul. des Forges. 2nd traffic light turn left under the bypass. Second traffic light turn right to the top of the hill. Turn left and go straight under the arch and follow the WBCCI signs.

From south (sud) take I-55; after the bridge Laviolette exit 182 to I-40 east (est); exit 199 Boul. des Forges 2nd traffic light turn left under the bypass; second light turn right to the top of the hill; turn left and go straight under the arch and follow the WBCCI signs.

From east (est) I-40 exit 199 to Boul. des Forges; at the traffic light turn right and go straight ahead under the arch; follow the WBCCI signs.

2 Adults in Airstream	\$140.US =
1 Adult in Airstream	
Extra adults	
Teens – Ages 13-17	
Children – Ages 0-12	Free
Early parking - Tuesday 8/23	
Early parking - Wednesday 8/24	S15.US=
Late parking – Sunday 8/28	\$15.US=
Bus city tour (Sign up now) (Pay now or at the Rally)	0.US.per person x =
	Fees (enclosed) \$

Make check payable to: Region 1 2005 Mail to: Jocelyne Morand, 141 rue Meunier, est Laval, Qc. Canada H7G 1R8

Information: Claude Boucher (450) 669-6601 (cbouche18@hotmail.com)

Name	WBCCI#	HomeUnit
Guest names :		
Address		ty
Country/State	Zip code	Tél. ()
E-mail	Vintage	First Région1 rally



Take A Break From Winter And Join Us For An Oriental Delight

Where: Imperial Buffet

282 New Britain Avenue

Plainville Ct 860-410-1888

When: February 6 2005

12:30 pm

Hosted By: Ray & MaryEllen Moniz

860-621-1536 260 Buckland Street Plantsville, Ct .06479

Dinner Prices: \$12.00 per Adult

\$8.00 Kids under 10

Respond By: January 23 2005

Directions: East Exit 34 off 1-84

Left at light (Crooked Street) Left at next light (372 West) Left at next light into Lowes Plaza Imperial Buffet next to "AC Moore"

West Exit 33 off I-84

Exit 2 New Britain Avenue (372 East)

Right at light

Lowes Plaza on right





Come join us for Sunday Brunch, 12:00 Noon at:

The Nutroeg Restaurant 297 South Main Street (Route 5) East Windsor, CT 06088 860 627-7094

Brunch includes:

Carving Station

Hickory Smoked Ham Roast Beef

Omelet Station (Omelets made to your liking)

Variety of Luncheon Items

Fish Chicken Pasta Potatoes Vegetables

Pasta Salad Green Salad

Variety of Breakfast Items

French Toast Waffles Bacon Sausage

Muffins Bagels Assorted Pastries

Assorted Rolls and Breads

Chef's selection of the finest desserts

Coffee. Tea and Decaf

Buffet also includes two Champagne, Mimorsa or Bloody Mary \$25.00 Per person

Directions: From Hartford: 91 North to Exit 35A "Bissel Bridge – Route 291 East Follow Route 291 over Bissel Bridge to Exit 4. Take left at the light follow Route 5 N 4.5 miles to Nutmeg Restaurant on right.

From Springfield:	91 South to Exit 44.	Right at end of ramp.	Nutmeg Restauran	t is 3.5 miles on left
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Please send completed form and	check payable to:	
Fran Ingallinera 210 Colby Drive		
East Hartford, CT 06108-1455	By March 20th	
Name:		WBCCI#
Address:		Phone #
Number of Persons	Amount enclosed	





HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!



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FIRST CLASS MAIL

CHARTER OAK CHATTER



FEBRUARY 2005

THE AIRSTREAM RV ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, it's almost mid-February and, to date, winter here in New Fairfield hasn't been too harsh.

Annette has been traveling often with her job; Arizona, Chicago, Tennessee and Florida, so it's been me and the cats. Although they are not fond of the cold weather, they keep me on the move letting them in and out and checking head count at night's end. I know they, as well as I, are looking forward to spring, warmer temperatures and being back on the road again seeing our camping buddies. I think we all get a little stir crazy this time of year.

We attended the February luncheon that was hosted by Ray and Maryellen Moniz. The luncheon was held at Imperial Buffet in Plainville, Ct with 21 in attendance. The buffet had a wide selection of choices from soups to desserts and everything in between. As usual, the company was most enjoyable. We spoke of our travels past and upcoming.

We also discussed the camping show that is held every year at the site of the big e in Springfield, MA. This year our new dealership in Waterbury will have a selection of models in the show. Some of our members have volunteered to sit with Annette and I, as we will be setting up a table at the show hoping to talk with perspective buyers about the club and it's activities. The camping show that was held in January at the Expo Center in Hartford brought four new possible members.

We are still looking for a meeting site May 6 - 8 to have a rendezvous/business meeting. Should anyone have an idea of where we could meet, we are open for suggestions.

We sure miss seeing all of the lucky snow birds that are spending the winter in warmer places and hope this newsletter finds everyone well.

A Note from Ted Price

In a few weeks, all cell numbers are being released to telemarketing companies and you may start to receive sales calls. The following is information about how to have your cell phone number blocked. In order to do so, you must call from your cell phone 888-382-1222 to the national "Do Not Call List". It will take 30 seconds and will block your number for 5 years.

DATES TO REMEMBER

March 6, 2005
Dinner Meeting
Cuckoo's Nest
Old Saybrook, CT
Kathy Kushman
Doreen Fuller

April 3, 2005
Dinner Meeting
Nutmeg Restaurant
East Windsor, CT
Jerry & Fran Ingallinera

May 6-8, 2005
Rally - Open
Contact Mark Wilson if you are
interested in hosting

June 28 - July 4, 2005 Golden Annaversary International Rally Springfield, MO

Four Rules for Living
Show Up
Pay Attention
Tell the Truth
Don't be too attached
to the outcome



BIRTHDAYS

February	
Susan Newman	02/01
Richard Griffin	02/05
Samuel Rutty	02/05
Bill Perlotto	02/09
Pat Brosnahan	02/10
David Levinson	02/13
Leila Clark	02/16
Patricia Lines	02/18
Lynn Blackwell	02/20
Mike Sasuta	02/21
Betty Clark	02/23
Val Galasyn	02/25

March

March	
Carolyn Barrett	03/01
Corinne Burnham	03/01
Laura Edmondson	03/01
MaryEllen Moniz	03/01
Dee Holliday	03/06
Juanita Pestretto	03/06
Larry Lamontagne	03/07
Lydia Rosenbeck	03/08
Sandy Eglise	03/11
Jessie Gould	03/15
Elaine Duesel	03/17
Rhona Fuller	03/17
Linda Moore	03/17
Keith Adams	03/18
Roger Crockett	03/21
Frances Simmons	03/21
Ruth Crockett	03/22
Kim Terry	03/22
Leland Bradley	03/23
Rich Walbridge	03/23
Steve Kelly	03/25
Francis Eckels	03/30
Alan Beardsley	03/30
Anthony Sherman	03/30

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Ron & Shirley Edmondson	03/01
Arthur & Arlene Sikes	03/02
Anthony & Dorothy Sherman	03/04
Clarence & Jessie Gould	03/17

COMING IN OCTOBER COCC CARAVAN

"GEMS OF OUR OWN BACKYARD"

LEAD BY RAYMOND RICHARD

MORE INFORMATION IN THE NEAR FUTURE

FOR SALE/WANTED

For Sale: McKesh Mirrors only used 3 or 4 times sale at \$85.00 (\$124.00 from Hensley) Contact Richard Kushman 860-739-2066 Silvershadow@snet.net

For Sale: 1996 Airstream 30' Land Yacht Motorhome. 88,000 easy miles. No smokers and no pets. Excellent condition. 6 new tires. \$41,000 or make an offer. Call 860 658-1222. Seb & Juanita Pestretto

For Sale:2001 Airstream Excella 31' widebody. Rear queen bed. Zipdee awnings all around. In excellent condition. No smokers, no pets. asking \$39,500. Ph. 207-642-2574. Claire & Pat Lines Standish, ME

For Sale: 1997 25' Safari, Twin Bed, asking \$12,500 Steve and Barbara West Middletown, Rhode Island 401-846-3825 or west313@cox.net

For Sale: \$ 150.00 Gift Certificate from Turner Airstream Good thru July 31, 2005 A bargain @ \$ 100.00 Ted Price 860-529-9393

Springfield RV Camping and Outdoor Show At the

Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield, MA.

There will be exhibits, entertainment, seminars and prizes. Friday Feb. 18 4-9 pm

Saturday Feb. 19 10am - 9 pm Sunday Feb. 20 !0 am - &pm Monday Feb. 21 10am - 5 pm

For Information: 413-781-CAMP or visit their website at www.SpringfieldRVcampingshow.com

Admission is \$6.00 with coupon* Children under 12 are free Seniors and DAV \$4.00





CHARTER OAK THOUGHTS &

Please keep the following members in you thoughts and prayers:

Jim and Corrine Burnham on the loss of Jim's mother. Mike and Sandy Sasuta on the loss of Mike's mother.

John Peterson on the loss of his wife, Marge Peterson.

Jerry Ingallinera was hospitalized while on a trip. Bob Barrett was hospitalized and had surgery in Florida.

Annette Wilson slipped on ice and badly injure her leg.

LETTER FROM THE EDITORS

We have enjoyed putting together our first issue of the Chatter, and hope everyone enjoys it. We have a lot to learn and will do better as the editions and months pass.

We have a few ideas for future Chatters. However, in the end this is your newsletter. So we welcome any and all contributions. Please email your thoughts, comments, suggestions and articles to cynthiasheraton @yahoo.com. Your assistance is greatly appreciated and needed.

REGION ONE PRESIDENTS NEWSLETTER

Issue Three, January 2005

Dear Fellow Caravaners:

MIDWINTER IBT MEETING

The midwinter IBT meeting was held at Havens Landing RV Resort in Montgomery, Texas, from January 10 through January 15, 2005. Representing Region One was your President, and spouse Cecile, and 1" VP Bob Thompson, and spouse Harriett.

One of the largest turnouts ever for a midwinter IBT consisted of 169 Airstreams with a population of 319 people in total. Some without their RV, stayed in cabins at the Resort, or at a motel nearby.

Membership as of December 2, 2004 was 7,493. As of January 11, 2005, that number increased to 7,669. The good news is that our membership is holding steady.

At the IBT meeting, 24 motions were brought forward. I will take note of some of them. One motion (#1), approved, was to increase our membership dues by \$10.00. This is the first increase in eleven years.

Another motion (#3), approved, was to decrease the minimum number of members necessary for a Unit to obtain or retain a charter shall be (10), a reduction from the (15) that is now required.

Motion (#24), to put the word AIRSTREAM in our name, was postponed, and will be brought forward at the Delegates Meeting at the International Rally in Springfield, MO.

Many other motions were of housekeeping business, two approving a Unit flag.

The nominee for International President is Jim Franklin. For 1" VP, is Don Shafer. For 2" VP, is Jerry Collins. The lone candidate for 3" VP, Kenneth Cook, President of Region 3, WAS NOT endorsed by the nominating committee. The nominee for International Secretary is Colet Schmidt, for International Treasurer, is Andy Richers.

2004 MERIT AWARDS

Region One can take great pleasure and pride that five of our Units have qualified for the Superior Merit Award (SMA), or the Merit Award (MA). They are as follows.

Cape Code Mass. Unit, SMA
President, Pierrette (Pat) Lamontagne.
Charter Oak CT Unit, SMA
President, Lois-Ann Price
New England Unit, SMA
President, Claire R. Lines
Québec, Canada, Unit MA
President, Claude Boucher
White Mountains NH Unit, SMA
President, J. Russell Melocik

Congratulations to all the members of Region One who made this happen.

INTERNATIONAL RALLY

The International Rally will be held in Springfield, MO. The dates are June 28 through July 4, 2005. Our Region Luncheon is June 29, 2005, at Millie's Turn of the Century Café. Region One 1" VP, Bob Thompson, is in charge of tickets.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

If you are NOT a Life Member of WBCCI, this is a great chance to do so. With a dues increase coming up next year, it would be to your advantage to become a life member now... If I understand this correctly, for husband & wife, cost is based on your average age as of December 31, 2005. Also, your annual dues for the year 2005 will be subtracted from the total cost. After 27 years as a member of WBCCI, we now will apply for Life Membership. To become a Life Member at the present rate, you must apply by June 30, 2005. Call Kathy Adams at WBCCI Headquarters, Jackson Center, OH.

Unit Constitution & Bylaws

A word of encouragement to all our Units in Region One. Please keep your Constitution & Bylaws up to date. Some of our Units are in arrears in this matter. There is a MODEL Constitution & Bylaws in the Blue Book that you can follow. If I can be of any help, please let me know.

Abuse of Rules

It was brought out at the midwinter IBT that some members and/or Units, have not been following the rules and regulations of WBCCI. If we can't go by what's written in the Blue Book, then I question whether or not we should be members of this great organization. If we want to be in the game; we should play by the rules.

Until next time, enjoy your winter, wherever you are.

Raynold Lemaire, President Region One, WBCCI # 203

Off to Alaska By Fran Simmons Part 6

I did not say much about Palmer, AK in my last writing. It is such a different place that it does need to be mentioned again. In the 30's the US Government in an attempt to settle this area, offered to send people up there, provide them with homes, land and a barn in exchange for a very small sum, about \$8000.00 and give them 30 years to pay this back. They came from states such as Minnesota and Wisconsin and the government felt that the climate in Palmer or Matanuska, as it was called in those days, was similar and they should be able to tolerate it. Some left, but many stuck it out and they and their descendents remain to this day. A large state agriculture fair is held here each year. UCONN women's basketball fans will recognize Palmer as the home of Jessica Moore.

The drive to Valdez along the Richardson Highway was beautiful. The Worthington glacier is next to the road, almost close enough to touch. The portion of the trip through Keystone Canyon with its waterfalls was a sight to behold. Today Valdez is 4 miles away from where it was located prior to the 1964 earthquake. So much was destroyed that they just rebuilt the town in another location where it might not be so susceptible to tidal wave damage. Many towns in Alaska still show signs of this earthquake damage. The campground was located right on the water and we shared our camping space with many fishermen. The season was at its peak and odor of fish was definitely in the air. They caught their fish, smoked it and canned it right there. More than one pick- up truck had a big deep freezer in the truck bed.

We looked across the water at the pipeline terminal. We had seen the pipeline as far north as the Arctic Circle, running south through the Tundra and now finally at it's destination. We were told that the pipeline can hold one million barrels of oil at a time. Also one million barrels can be stored in the Valdez tanks. They load 1 ½ tankers a day, the new double hulled ones that are also capable of carrying one million barrels. Do the math, at \$45.00 to \$50.00 a barrel, a mind boggling amount of money leaves Prince William Sound each day. The oil that leaves each day is capable of furnishing the US oil needs only for a few hours. This amount is only half of the lines capacity; it is capable of 2 millions barrels per day.

When one thinks of this town, the first thing that comes to mind is that infamous oil spill. We took a boat trip out to see the local birds, sea life and glaciers. The Captain said that few remains of the spill are visible, but if you turn over a rock on certain beaches, you will still find oil. However there is much, much more to Valdez than oil and tankers running aground. The people! We had a caravan member become seriously ill and another member had a death in her family and needed to return home. "Cathy", the campground owner and friends directed the ill member to medical care and subsequent air evacuation to Anchorage.

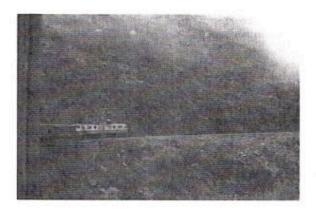
Arrangements were also made for his wife to follow with their Airstream and camp in the hospital parking lot with electricity provided. The member who had the death in the family was able to get a good flight back home. Cathy arranged for her to stay in a local hotel because her sister and husband were due to leave for our next destination. This stay turned out to be at "no charge" and then Cathy drove her to the airport and insisted on staying with her until she was safely on the plane. Cathy also "dog sat" for several of the traveling pooches.. When we arrived home after the boat trip, we were greeted by Cathy and one of the dogs sporting a "For Sale" sign. "Ginger", is a young and "active" boxer. Good natured, but still very much a puppy with lots to learn. Guess she kept Cathy busy all day and we all had lots of laughs about the sign. Valdez being near the water gets a lot of winter moisture in the form of snow. When we asked people what they did in the winter, the answer was always "shovel".

We left Valdez with cases of canned salmon from the local cannery and traveled on to Tok. Only one night here, and the highlight was a Salmon dinner. The next day, off to Haines Junction which meant a crossing of the border back into Yukon Territory. We had only a short stay here and soon left for Haines, AK which meant crossing the border again! It is the only way to get to where we wanted to go. Haines was interesting in itself, but the main purpose of the stay here was the access by Water Taxi & Catamaran to Skagway and Juneau. Skagway was famous as a wild town in gold rush days. It was the start of several trails over the mountains that the prospectors took over the mountains. Now a cruise ship port with many tourist type businesses along the main streets. Most notable is the train trip on the "White Pass and Yukon Railroad". It clings to the side of the mountain, barely, and you have to wonder how in it's day it was ever built. It used to go all the way to White Horse, YT, but now just runs to the US/Canadian boarder and then turns around.

Juneau is only reachable by water or by air. You travel down the Lynn Canal where you are entertained in route by whales and other sea life. Juneau, the capital of AK is a major cruise ship stop. There were 6 enormous ships in the harbor the day that we were there. The city perches on the harbor. There is a hill on one side and then the cruise ships on the other side on the main street. You feel as though you are in a roofless tunnel. We had a nice lunch and then got back on the boat to go back to Haines after a trip to see the Mendenhall Glacier.

Our time was starting to wind down and we would soon be starting back east. I will finish this next month.





WHITE PASS AND YUKON RAILROAD

March 6, 2005 Brunch



Join us for a Buffet Brunch in Old Saybrook at the Cuckoo's Nest on Sunday, March 6, 2005 at noon. Cost is \$17.00 per person . A full breakfast buffet, coffee, and tip are included.

DIRECTIONS:

From New Haven
Take 95 North to exit 66
(Route 166 South).
Right at the end of the exit.
At the stop light take a right.
Restaurant is on the left

From New London
Take 95 South to exit 66
(Route 166 south).
Go left at the end of the exit.
At the stop light go r right.
Restaurant is on the left.

From Hartford or Middletown
Take I-91 to Route 9 to I-95 South.
Take exit 66 (Rt. 166 south).
Go left at the bottom of the ramp.
At the stop light go right.
Restaurant is on the left.

Send check to: Doreen Fuller 103 Military Highway Gales Ferry, CT 06335

Questions? Call Kathy Kushman 860-739-2066 Or Doreen Fuller 860-464-8110 Names:

Number attending

CHARTER OAK DINNER MEETING SUNDAY APRIL 3, 2005

Come join us for Sunday Brunch 12:00 Noon at the

Nutmeg Restaurant 297 South Main Street (Route 5) East Windsor, CT 06088 860 627 7094

Brunch Includes:

Carving Station has Hickory Smoked Ham and Roast Beef Omelet Station (Omelets made to your liking)

Variety of Luncheon Items

Fish Chicken Pasta

Potatoes Vegetables

Pasta Salad

Green Salad

Bacon Saus

Bagels

Variety of Breakfast Items Sausage French Toast Waffles

Assorted Pastries

oast Waffles Muffins
Assorted Rolls and Breads

Chef's selection of the finest desserts

Coffee

Tea and Decaf

Buffet also includes two Champagne, Mimosas or Bloody Mary

Directions from Hartford: I-91 North to Exit 35A – "Bissell Bridge/Route 291 East. Follow Route 291 over Bissell Bridge to Exit 4. Take a left at the light and follow Route 5 North 4.5 miles to Nutmeg Restaurant on right.

Directions from Springfield: I-91 South to Exit 44. Turn Right at end of ramp. Nutmeg Restaurant is 3.5 miles on left.

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HOSTED BY QUEBEC CANADA UNIT WBCCI

QUEBEC HEARTLAND

TROIS-RIVIÈRES AUGUST 25 TO 28

Trois-Rivières Fairground 1650, boul. des Forges, Trois-Rivières (Québec) Canada G9A 5K8

Quebec Canada Unit invites you to visit "The Quebec Heartland" with it's historical sites and museums. "Les vieilles forges du St-Maurice", Notre-Dame du Cap Sanctuary, Arts, Crafts, Sugar house and city bus tour are some of the things to do. Fun and Friendship is always.

YOUR RALLY FEE INCLUDES:

3 nights limited electric, water and dump station 2 nights of amateur & professional entertainment 3 continental breakfast, 2 dinners & ice cream nightly Prizes, craft and flea market, happy hours Youth program, fellowship & fun as always Pets are welcome- Must remain on leash at all times Security -24 hours

OPTIONAL

City bus tour including: these 3visits
1-"Les vieilles Forges du St-Maurice (\$4.00)
2-"QCP Museum" (\$9.00)
3-"Old Penitenciary" (\$9.00)
\$30.00 US per person

DIRECTIONS

From west (ouest) I-40 exit #199 Boul. des Forges. 2nd trafic light turn left under the bypass. Second trafic light turn right to the top of the hill. Turn left and go straight under the arch and follow the WBCCI signs.

From south (sud) take I-55; after the bridge Laviolette exit 182 to I-40 east (est); exit 199 Boul. des Forges 2nd traffic light turn left under the bypass; second light turn right to the top of the hill; turn left and go straight under the arch and follow the WBCCI signs.

From east (est) I-40 exit 199 to Boul. des Forges; at the traffic light turn right and go straight ahead under the arch; follow the WBCCI signs.

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An invitation to Come Home to the 2nd Annual Airstream Homecoming!

The 2nd Annual Airstream Homecoming Festival in Jackson Center, Ohio is open to all Airstream Owners. There will be plenty of food, entertainment and family fun. You can even test drive and tow a new Airstream! In addition to the information currently

provided on Airstream.com, you will be contacted as the event draws near with more detailed festival schedules.

Pricing:

\$225 per vehicle w/ 2 Adults \$175 per vehicle w/ 1 Adult \$75 per Additional Adult \$60 per Child (Under 18)

Services:

Water and basic 3 amp electrical hookup will be available. Be sure to have a 5/8" white hose for drinking water and a 5/8" hose free-flowing "Y" connector with a shut off valve. Water service to each unit will be daisy chained from unit to unit. Please do not dumping gray water on the ground. You will be notified as to when pumping services will be available for black water. Further details will be provided on-site.

Parking:

Special parking is available for disabled access, dogs and generators. Please note this on your pre-registration form. Buy Your Tickets Now. Registration will be limited to only 300 units!

In and Around Jackson Center:

There's so much to see in Ohio! From exploring canals and mills, state scenic rivers and lakes, peace treaties and forts, enchanting downtowns and festivals to man walking on the moon, Ohio's Historic West welcomes the modern day pioneer to discover our stories of the past. Be sure to make seeing the attractions of Ohio part of your Airstream Homecoming travel plans. Visit Ohio's Historic West for more information. Ohio has a long and rich history, and we are proud to share this history with anyone with an interest. Some of our best known museums in Southwest Ohio include the Wright Patterson Air Force Museum. Neil Armstrong Museum, National Afro-American Museum, and Grant's birthplace

Getting to the Homecoming:

The Homecoming Rally will take place at 419 Pike Street, Jackson Center, OH 45334.

Jackson Center is at the junction of highways 274 and 65 in Shelby County, Ohio, north of Dayton and east from Interstate 75. Jackson Center, Ohio is in the center of things!

Factory Tour is available. Airstream's factory is truly amazing. You may already know that each Airstream is handcrafted. But until you see the factory firsthand, and notice all of the hard work and love put into each Airstream, you can never fully appreciate what went into making your Airstream. Factory tours are led by extremely knowledgeable employees, so we dare you to try and stump them with your questions.

The Service Center is Open for Business:

Your Airstream could be getting some TLC while you're enjoying the Homecoming Rally. Our 12 service bays will be waiting for your Airstream when you arrive. During the Homecoming, the Service Center will only be accepting appointments for Homecoming attendees. This way, we will be sure to have ample time to complete all of your repair and maintenance needs. Service work will be done on an appointment basis only, and all appointments will be scheduled on a first come, first served basis.

Don't Own an Airstream? If you don't have an Airstream but still want to enjoy the festivities, purchase an Additional Adult ticket in the shop and stay at one of these local campgrounds: the Four Seasons or Glacier Hills or the KOA all in Wapakoneta or Lakeview, in Lakeview OH

Refund Policy; Requests for cancellation up to April 29, 2005 will be assessed a \$50.00 administrative fee. Cancellations after May 2, 2005 will be assessed 50% of registration fee.



WALLY BYAM CARAVAN CLUB INTERNATIONAL, INC. GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY RALLY

JUNE 28 - JULY 4, 2005 • SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI

PRE-REGISTRATION SPECIAL

Rally Fees for pre-registrations received prior to January 1, 2005, will be \$210.00 for couples, \$135.00 for singles, and \$75.00 for additional adults.

Through the courtesy of Airstream, Inc., all members pre-registering on or before January 1, 2005, will be eligible to participate in a drawing for a total of \$5,000.00 in awards. The award may be redeemed at any Airstream Dealership or at the Jackson Center Service Facility for parts and service.

Rally Fees received after January 1, 2005, will be \$230.00 for couples, \$145.00 for singles, and \$85.00 for additional adults.

FEE REFUND POLICY All refund requests must be postmarked by June 30, 2005, and must include the complete pass receipt. All cancellations will be assessed a \$15.00 administrative fee. No refund request will be honored if postmarked after June 30, 2005.

ELECTRIC REFUND POLICY No refunds on 30-amp electric received after April 1, 2005.	For registra	rs only:
Rally Pass Receipts will be mailed beginning January 15, 2005.	Amt:	Check #
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Airstream w/2 adults	@\$210.00	@\$230.00		First International Rally
Airstream w/1 adult	@\$135.00	@\$145.00		Amateur Radio
Additional adults	@ \$ 75.00 @ \$ 60.00	@\$ 85.00 @\$ 60.00		Call Slide Outs: Left_ Right_ Both
Youth (Ages 4 - 19) Youth after two full youth pmts:	@ \$ 60.00	@\$ 60.00		Vintage Parking
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HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!



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CHARTER OAK CHATTER



MARCH 2005

THE AIRSTREAM RV ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As I sit and write this message, the snow has been falling for a good hour. We are in the midst of a Nor "Easter". We are all hoping that the weather forecast will be wrong again, The are calling for 6" to 12" here in New Fairfield. This can cause a problem for our four legged critters. With the winter becoming very long for the cats, I do the best I can to snowblow paths through the yard so they have places to romp. Spring can't come soon enough for them.

This past month Annette and I took a business trip to Indianapolis, IN to attend a Precast Concrete Convention. This convention is something that I attend every year in February. We've never been to Indiana before and found it to be most enjoyable. Although Annette was still on crutches from her fall last month, we made the best of our visit by sight seeing and enjoying the delicious food from many well known restaurants. While I attended the show during the day, Annette relaxed reading one of her James Patterson books as walking the floor this year was not an option for her. Next year Anaheim, California.

This past weekend we met friends of our and went to Old Forge, New York to snowmobile. We left our house early Thursday morning for a four and a half hour trip to God's Country — The Adirondacks. Arriving at about 11 am we were happy to see more than enough snow for sledding. After getting settled, we unloaded the sleds and the afternoon was all ours. The sights were breath taking. This big Moose Inn which is where we stay and have made friends is located right on Big Moose Lake. Our room faced the lake and as we woke every morning, we were able to watch the deer crossing the lake to munch on trees and branches.

Although we did not see a bear or moose, the owners of the Inn have wonderful pictures proving that they are in the area. Each morning, we woke to below zero temperatures, not warming to above zero much before 9:00 am. On Friday, we woke to snow falling which continued all day into Saturday. It is a beautiful sight to hold our your hand and catch many snowflakes that actually have their won unique size and pattern. We travelled about 250 miles overall for the weekend on our sleds.

Back to reality on Monday with a big decision to make as to whether or not I will leave for Florida for Bike Week. As I would be meeting many friends, this trip would be a solo trip as Annette will be unable to ride until her leg is fully healed. Decisions, decisions.

Did you know:

Wally Byam was a sheperd boy and lived out of a small, two-wheeled wagon covered with cloth and towed along at a walking pace by a donkey.

Wally graduated from Stanford in 1923 with a degree in law. He never applied for a board examination or practiced law in any form the rest of his life.

The factory in Jackson Center, Ohio was originally built to manufacture bazookas. It took one month to produce the first eastern-made Airstream travel trailer in August, 1952.

DATES TO REMEMBER

April 3, 2005
Dinner Meeting
Nutmeg Restaurant
East Windsor, CT
Jerry & Fran Ingallinera

May 6-8, 2005
Highland Orchard Campground
Charlie and Jeanne Wilson

June 3-5, 2005
"Your Airstream is Your Castle"
Haddam Neck Fairgrounds
Wayne and Susan Rutty
Michael and Lianne Rutty

June 28 - July 4, 2005 Golden Anniversary International Rally Springfield, MO

"Find out what's at the end of some country road. Go see what's over the next hill, and the one after that, and the one after that."

Wally Byam

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FOR SALE/WANTED

For Sale: McKesh Mirrors only used 3 or 4 times sale at \$85.00 (\$124.00 from Hensley) Contact Richard Kushman 860-739-2066 Silvershadow@snet.net

For Sale:2001 Airstream Excella 31' widebody. Rear queen bed. Zipdee awnings all around. In excellent condition. No smokers, no pets. asking \$39,500. Ph. 207-642-2574. Claire & Pat Lines Standish, ME

Free Firewood Contact Raymond and Cynthia Richard At home 860-873-1973 or cynthiasheraton@yahoo.com

A Word of Thanks

Thank you very much for your kind words of sympathy, your cards and prayers on the recent loss of my mother. They were most helpful and consoling. It is nice to have friends like you all.

Michael and Sandy Sasuta

CHARTER OAK THOUGHTS & CARES

Please keep the following members in your thoughts and prayers:

Shirley Edmondson dislocated her new hip and will have Revision Surgery on April 5.

Our sincere sympathies to Dick Brockett's family on his passing.

NOW IS THE TIME

To order your tickets for the Region 1 Luncheon, in Springfield, MO on June 29, 2005 at

Millie's Turn of the Centruy Café (313 South Jefferson, Springfield, M O)

for a cost \$12.50 per person

For tickets send check to: Robert E. Thompson II PMB 3383 133 Rainbow Drive Livingston, TX 77399



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Directions

From Most Places, You'll Want to reach us from I-84. From I-84, transfer to Route 8 North and Stay to the left. Get off exit 35. At your first light, take a left. At your next light, take another left. Go down the road for about 1/5 of a mile and you'll see us on your left!



LETTER FROM THE EDITOR AND CHIEF (YOU FIGURE OUT WHO'S W H O)

By the time you are reading this Chatter we will be just returned from cruising in the Western Carribean. It's not Airstreaming but it will have to do until Spring.

We would like to thank everyone who commented on our first issue of the Chatter. Your comments were welcome and appreciated.



Springfield RV and Camper Show

On Saturday, February 19th, Annette and I started our day early. We packed the Jeep with tables, brochures, new membership packages and photo albums. We left New Fairfield at 7:30 am and headed to Plantsville to meet Ray and Maryellen Moniz. We met at Dunkin' Donuts for a quick coffee, gathered our thoughts and agreed on a game plan. We followed one another to the camping expo and unloaded our vehicles. Once we located where Airstream of CT was set up, we were warmly welcomed by Tony, Kevin, Mike and Dave. Giving us an area to set up, we were ready to meet new perspective Airstream owners by 10:00 am.

The guys from Airstream of CT had a nice selection for all to see. Four travel trailers ranging from 19' to 28', along with two Class B Motorhomes; Freightliner and Dodge Chassis.

As Maryellen, Annette, Ray and I sat and answered questions that campers had, we took notice of some of the comments that people were making. I thought I would share a few with you. I believe they will give you a good chuckle as they did us. As curious people passed we heard:

- Ahhhh, we should have bought one of these.
- Hey, it's Tin Can Alley

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- These look like Space Ships
- Airstreams never change
- Did you know that Airstreams are made out of stainless steel....
- Oh look...it's an Airstream Bubble
- These are the Cadillac of Cadillacs
- and the best.....as a young boy about 8 or 9 years of age walked out of the 28', he throws his hands in the air and comments; "Champagne!"



While there, we were supported by Maureen and Fran Eckels, Cynthia and Raymond Richard and a few of our affiliates, The Bleakneys, The Platts and Russ and Rhona Fuller.

We were able to speak with many people, and I believe we may have three potential families joining. One from Danbury, one from Brookfield and one from Kensington. It was nice to see so many people not only interested in Airstreams, but in camping in general. As the floor traffic came and went in spurts, there wasn't a time that the salesmen from Airstream of CT weren't answering questions. What a great feeling.

On Sunday, February 20th, I met Bard Fuller who graciously volunteered his time to continue our mission. Spending the day with Bard was not only enjoyable but extremely informative for me and inquisitive campers. His knowledge of Airstreams, especially Vintage Airstreams is unbelievable! After a full day, Bard and I packed up and left the show at about 4:30 pm.

I believe that spending this time being available to answer questions was a positive experience. I would like to thank Dick and Eileen Bartram for making the initial contact with our new Airstream Dealer and giving COCU the opportunity to spend time at the show. Also, Annette will be sending a thank you card from COCU to show our appreciation

MEMBER PROFILE

This month our member profile is on Wayne and Susan Rutty.

Wayne and Susan have been active with COCU for many years. Their interest began when Susan's father, Jim Edmundson, bought an Airstream. When he purchased a larger Airstream he lent them his old one and the rest is history. But Susan says their real involvement came after their boys left home and they were going through the "empty nest syndrome".

Both Wayne and Susan have held the office of President and Wayne was Region One President in 1999 and 2000. They logged many miles covering the Region; not an easy task when you consider they were both working. Each have been Region Rally Chairmen and most recently helped their son Mike with last year's very successful Region One Rally at Woodstock. Wayne and Susan are always ready to lend a helping hand.

Wayne and Susan are still working. Susan works for the Boys Scouts of America and Wayne works at the Middlesex Hospital. They both hold political offices in their local community.



They have two sons, Mike and David. Mike is a member of our club and David and his family also enjoy camping.

They especially enjoy spending time with their grandchildren James, Sam, Justin and Katelyn.

Wayne and Susan are examples of true Airstreamers – active, involved, friendly, and always willing to help make our club the best. Thank you Wayne and Susan!



UPDATE ON JERRY INGALLINERA

Thought I'd let you know what is happening with Jerry. We were on our way home from Florida and stopped at a state park in Savannah on February 5th. During the night Jerry woke up with a terrible headache. I called 911 and he was taken to Memorial Health. There he was diagnosed as having had a mild stroke. Although it was a mild stroke he has weakness on his right side. He was in the hospital for three days and then transferred to the Rehabilitation Institute of Memorial Health. While initially he was unable to walk by undergoing both physical and occupational therapy he is now able to walk short distances with the aid of a walker.

We flew home to Connecticut on Saturday, 3/5. He will continue out patient therapy at a facility near our home. We have arranged to have the truck and Airstream taken to storage in Tennessee until the weather improves at home.

After the Region 1Rally, we called Good Sam and took out their Emergency Medical Insurance. It was a good move. They paid our air fare home as well as per diem expenses, gas, tolls, etc. for getting the Airstream and truck transported.

Fran Ingallinera

Region One Florida Luncheon

Thirty people attended a luncheon sponsored by Region One of the Wally Byam Club on Tuesday, February 1, 2005. Organized by Lee and Claire Bradley of the Cape Cod Unit, the event took place at the Golden Corral in Zephyrhills, Florida.

Rose Tavares, President of the Cape Cod Unit, welcomed the guests. She reminded the audience that Rich and Dottie Walbridge are arranging to lead a Caravan to the International Rally in Springfield, Missouri, assisted by Trevor and Gale Lake.



In addition to the organizers, those who attended were: Richard and "Billy" Allen, Alan and Joan Beardsley, "Whit" and Betty Bradley, Betty Clark, Ann Huke, Raynold and Cecile Lemaire, Russell and Fran Stearns, Ed and Helen Swindler, and Rose and John Tavares, all from the Cape Cod Unit. Those present from the New England Unit were: Russell Berg and Dorothy O'Connor, Bill and Dawn Hammond, Olga Morrow, Gus and Vera Sbrogna, and "Woody" Wood. The Charter Oak Unit was represented by Howard "Mike" Kuehn and Dorcas VanHorn and Clarence "Rip" and Elsie Nelson.

As always, the participants enjoyed being together and catching up on the news. Submitted by Dorothy O'Connor

Photograph of Elsie and Rip Nelson by John Tavares of the Cape Cod Unit.

Several COCU members winter in Dade City, Florida at Travelers Rest. Cynthia and Raymond stopped by on March 12th to check out the resort. Here Cynthia visits with Sandy and Mike Sasuta and Fred and Dale McGoldrick. Raymond (W4RPR) is off admiring several amateur radio antennas and visiting with the local "Hams"



Sheepherder's Airstream

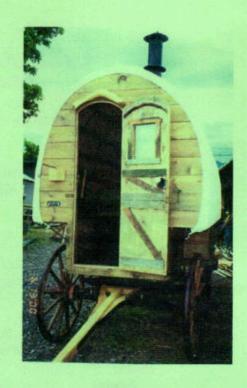
What you see is Rip's idea of what the first Airstream., as we know it today, looked like, the Sheep Herder's Wagon. The herders along with their dogs would spend the summer months camped in the hills of Montana grazing their sheep.

While visiting Montana with some very good friends Rip & Elsie uncovered some old wooden wheels at an equipment dump, which he found useful for lamp making. Further investigation led them to the old wagon which had been updated with automobile tires. The shape speaks for itself and perhaps without knowing, these sheep herders were the very first Airstreamers.

James Candlish, a blacksmith from Rawlins Wyoming, is often credited with inventing the Sheepwagon back in 1884. Over the years wagons were updated with better wheels and sheet metal replaced the curved top canvas. One hundred and twenty years after its introduction these wagons can still be seen today in some parts of Wyoming.

One ranched took his last Sheepwagon and hitched it to his 1930 Model A and traveled from Casper Wyoming to San Diego California enjoying the sights and camping along the way. Could this have been inspiration for Wally.

... Rip Nelson with Richard Kushman







CHARTER OAK DINNER MEETING SUNDAY APRIL 3, 2005

Come join us for Sunday Brunch 12:00 Noon at the

Nutmeg Restaurant 297 South Main Street (Route 5) East Windsor, CT 06088 860 627 7094

Brunch Includes:

Carving Station has Hickory Smoked Ham and Roast Beef
Omelet Station (Omelets made to your liking)
Variety of Luncheon Items
Fish Chicken PastaPotatoes Vegetables
Pasta Salad Green Salad
Variety of Breakfast Items

Bacon Sausage French Toast Waffles Muffins
Bagels Assorted PastriesAssorted Rolls and Breads
Chef's selection of the finest desserts
Coffee Tea and Decaf

Buffet also includes two Champagne, Mimosas or Bloody Mary

\$25.00 per Person

Please send completed form and check payable to:

Fran Ingallinera 210 Colby Drive East Hartford, CT 06108-1455

Due Date: March 20

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Name	WBCCI#	
Address	Phone#	
Number of Persons	Amount Enclosed	

Directions from Hartford: I-91 North to Exit 35A - "Bissell Bridge/Route 291 East. Follow Route 291 over Bissell Bridge to Exit 4. Take a left at the light and follow Route 5 North 4.5 miles to Nutmeg Restaurant on right.

Directions from Springfield: I-91 South to Exit 44. Turn Right at end of ramp. Nutmeg Restaurant is 3.5 miles on left.

LADIES APPRECIATION WEEKEND MAY 6, 7 & 8

Let's all make our first outing of the season a big success.
GREAT LOCATION-GREAT FACILITIES

Highland Orchards CG in North Stonington, CT---W/E/Cable—Indoor meeting room (there is a flight of stairs)—Full kitchen & heated. All meetings will be held there.

Area Attractions include: Foxwoods casino, Mohegan Sun Casino, Pequot museum, Mystic Village and Seaport, USS Nautilus and many more...

FRIDAY (arrive after 12:00pm) 4:30 Social, bring snack to share 6:00 Welcome Dinner provided

(bring table service Bring a dessert to share to each meal)

Campfire after dinner

SATURDAY 8:00 Breakfast provided, eggs,bacon/sausage

Juice, coffee and pastries

3:00 Business Meeting

4:00 Social, bring snack to share 5:30 Picnic Dinner provided Bring a dessert to share

Campfire after dinner

SUNDAY 8:00 Continental breakfast provided

Auto:make/ST/Lic# RV Size:

Cost, 2 nights @ \$66.88 Food service @ \$10.00 person (kids under 12 free)

Send check and pay to: Charles Wilson, 2 Mary Ann Dr, Danbury, CT 06811

Extra days are available at the same discounted rate-contact campground if you wish.

Directions: Please check their web site www.highlandorchards.com or your directory. Connecticut-I 95, exit 92

Pets Welcome

Reservations must be received by April 20th, 2005

"YOUR AIRSTREAM IS YOUR CASTLE"

Charter Oak CT Unit Rally



June 3-5, 2005 Haddam Neck Fairgrounds Haddam Neck, CT



Hosts: Wayne & Susan Rutty and Mike & Lianne Rutty



Directions to Fairgrounds:

From the North and West:

Take I-91 to route 9 south or route 66 east to the Arrigoni Bridge. Follow route 66 for about 5 miles east to Cobalt and the intersection of route 66 and 151. Take route 151 south for about five miles to Haddam Neck Road. Follow Haddam Neck Road for 1.5 miles to the fairgrounds located on the left.

From the South:

Take I-95 to route 9 north. Take route 9 to exit 7 (route 82). Follow route 82 and cross the East Haddam Bridge. After crossing the bridge bear left on to route 149 and follow to the intersection of route 151 in Leesville. Follow route 151 to Haddam Neck Road. Follow Haddam Neck Road for 1.5 miles to the fairgrounds located on the left.

From the East:

Take I-395 to route 2 west. Follow route 2 to route 16 in Colchester. Take route 16 to route 66 in East Hampton. Follow route 66 about 1/2 miles west to Cobalt and the intersection of route 66 and 151. Take route 151 south for about three miles to Haddam Neck Road. Follow Haddam Neck Road for 1.5 miles to the fairgrounds located on the left.

Friday:

- •Arrive after 2:00 pm
- 4:30 pm Happy Hour Bring your beverages and a snack to share.

Events for the Weekend

- •Dinner on your own.
- •7:30 pm Campfire, Cookies & Ice Cream

Saturday:

- •7:00 am Coffee (Breakfast on your own)
- •9:00 am "Warm Hats for Kids" Sewing Project

All materials supplied. Please bring Scissors.

- •10:30 am Carpool Caravan to Gillette's Castle State Park-The castle has gone under an \$8 million dollar renovation and looks great!! Wonderful hiking trails, picnic area and breathtaking views of the CT River await you!! (Pack a picnic lunch, visit concession stand at park or take the Ferry over to Chester for lunch) Fee for Castle Tour is: Age 18 and Over: \$5, Ages 6-17: \$3, Ages 5 and under: Free (Pay directly at park) Visit the website for the castle at: http://dep.state.ct.us/stateparks/parks/gillettecastle.htm
- •4:30 pm Happy Hour Bring your beverages and a snack to
- •6:00 pm Catered Dinner
- •7:30 pm Evening Program, Desert & Coffee

Sunday:

- 8:00 am -Breakfast Menu: Omelets to order, Canadian Bacon, Pancakes, Muffins and OJ.
- •Depart at your leisure and thanks for coming!!!

Rally Fee of \$55 per unit includes: Two (2) Nights Camping with Water & Electric, Saturday Dinner, Sunday Breakfast and Deserts.

Pets welcome but must remain on leash at all times.

"YOUR AIRSTREAM IS YOUR CASTLE"

Charter Oak CT Unit Rally June 3-5, 2005

Haddam Neck Fairgrounds Please mail by May 25, 2005

Make Check Payable and mail to: Michael Rutty; 7 Winthrop Road; Chester, CT 06412

Names:	WBCCI#

RÉGION 1 RALLY 2005

HOSTED BY QUEBEC CANADA UNIT WBCCI

QUEBEC HEARTLAND

TROIS-RIVIÈRES AUGUST 25 TO 28

Trois-Rivières Fairground 1650, boul. des Forges, Trois-Rivières (Québec) Canada G9A 5K8

Quebec Canada Unit invites you to visit "The Quebec Heartland" with it's historical sites and museums. "Les vieilles forges du St-Maurice", Notre-Dame du Cap Sanctuary, Arts, Crafts, Sugar house and city bus tour are some of the things to do. Fun and Friendship is always.

YOUR RALLY FEE INCLUDES:

3 nights limited electric, water and dump station 2 nights of amateur & professional entertainment 3 continental breakfast ,2 dinners & ice cream nightly Prizes, craft and flea market, happy hours Youth program ,fellowship & fun as always Pets are welcome- Must remain on leash at all times Security -24 hours

OPTIONAL

......Cut on line.....

City bus tour including: these 3visits
1-"Les vieilles Forges du St-Maurice (\$4.00)
2-"QCP Museum" (\$9.00)
3-"Old Penitenciary" (\$9.00)
\$30.00 US per person

DIRECTIONS

From west (ouest) I-40 exit #199 Boul. des Forges. 2nd trafic light turn left under the bypass. Second trafic light turn right to the top of the hill. Turn left and go straight under the arch and follow the WBCCI signs.

From south (sud) take I-55; after the bridge Laviolette exit 182 to I-40 east (est); exit 199 Boul. des Forges 2nd traffic light turn left under the bypass; second light turn right to the top of the hill; turn left and go straight under the arch and follow the WBCCI signs.

From east (est) I-40 exit 199 to Boul. des Forges; at the traffic light turn right and go straight ahead under the arch; follow the WBCCI signs.

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Late parking – Sunday 8/28\$15.U	S=	
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(All PRICES IN US FUNDS PLEASE) Total Rally Fees (enclosed)		

Make check payable to: Region 1 2005
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Information: Claude Boucher (450) 669-6601 (cbouche18@hotmail.com)

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An invitation to Come Home to the 2nd Annual Airstream Homecoming!

The 2nd Annual Airstream Homecoming Festival in Jackson Center, Ohio is open to all Airstream Owners. There will be plenty of food, entertainment and family fun. You can even test drive and tow a new Airstream! In addition to the information currently

provided on Airstream.com, you will be contacted as the event draws near with more detailed festival schedules.

Pricing:

\$225 per vehicle w/ 2 Adults \$175 per vehicle w/ 1 Adult \$75 per Additional Adult \$60 per Child (Under 18)

Services:

Water and basic 3 amp electrical hookup will be available. Be sure to have a 5/8" white hose for drinking water and a 5/8" hose free-flowing "Y" connector with a shut off valve. Water service to each unit will be daisy chained from unit to unit. Please do not dumping gray water on the ground. You will be notified as to when pumping services will be available for black water. Further details will be provided on-site.

Parking:

Special parking is available for disabled access, dogs and generators. Please note this on your pre-registration form. Buy Your Tickets Now. Registration will be limited to only 300 units!

In and Around Jackson Center:

There's so much to see in Ohio! From exploring canals and mills, state scenic rivers and lakes, peace treaties and forts, enchanting downtowns and festivals to man walking on the moon, Ohio's Historic West welcomes the modern day pioneer to discover our stories of the past. Be sure to make seeing the attractions of Ohio part of your Airstream Homecoming travel plans. Visit Ohio's Historic West for more information. Ohio has a long and rich history, and we are proud to share this history with anyone with an interest. Some of our best known museums in Southwest Ohio include the Wright Patterson Air Force Museum, Neil Armstrong Museum, National Afro-American Museum, and Grant's birthplace

Getting to the Homecoming:

The Homecoming Rally will take place at 419 Pike Street, Jackson Center, OH 45334.

Jackson Center is at the junction of highways 274 and 65 in Shelby County, Ohio, north of Dayton and east from Interstate 75. Jackson Center, Ohio is in the center of things!

Factory Tour is available. Airstream's factory is truly amazing. You may already know that each Airstream is handcrafted. But until you see the factory firsthand, and notice all of the hard work and love put into each Airstream, you can never fully appreciate what went into making your Airstream. Factory tours are led by extremely knowledgeable employees, so we dare you to try and stump them with your questions.

The Service Center is Open for Business:

Your Airstream could be getting some TLC while you're enjoying the Homecoming Rally. Our 12 service bays will be waiting for your Airstream when you arrive. During the Homecoming, the Service Center will only be accepting appointments for Homecoming attendees. This way, we will be sure to have ample time to complete all of your repair and maintenance needs. Service work will be done on an appointment basis only, and all appointments will be scheduled on a first come, first served basis.

Don't Own an Airstream? If you don't have an Airstream but still want to enjoy the festivities, purchase an Additional Adult ticket in the shop and stay at one of these local campgrounds: the Four Seasons or Glacier Hills or the KOA all in Wapakoneta or Lakeview, in Lakeview OH

Refund Policy; Requests for cancellation up to April 29, 2005 will be assessed a \$50.00 administrative fee. Cancellations after May 2, 2005 will be assessed 50% of registration fee.



WALLY BYAM CARAVAN CLUB INTERNATIONAL, INC.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY RALLY

June 28 - July 4, 2005 • Springfield, Missouri

PRE-REGISTRATION SPECIAL

Rally Fees for pre-registrations received **prior to January 1, 2005**, will be \$210.00 for couples, \$135.00 for singles, and \$75.00 for additional adults.

Through the courtesy of Airstream, Inc., all members pre-registering on or before January 1, 2005, will be eligible to participate in a drawing for a total of \$5,000.00 in awards. The award may be redeemed at any Airstream Dealership or at the Jackson Center Service Facility for parts and service.

Rally Fees received after January 1, 2005, will be \$230.00 for couples, \$145.00 for singles, and \$85.00 for additional adults.

FEE REFUND POLICY All refund requests must be postmarked by June 30, 2005, and must include the complete pass receipt. All cancellations will be assessed a \$15.00 administrative fee. No refund request will be honored if postmarked after June 30, 2005.

ELECTRIC REFUND POLICY No refunds on 30-amp electric received after April 1, 2005.

Rally Pass Receipts will be mailed beginning January 15, 2005,

For registrar	s only:
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30-amp Electric	@\$125.00	@\$125.00		☐ Bringing a dog
(Note: Pets allowed in 30-amp se				Need my generator
Airstream w/2 adults	@\$210.00	@\$230.00		First International Rally
Airstream w/1 adult	@\$135.00	@\$145.00		☐ Amateur Radio
Additional adults	@ \$ 75.00	@\$ 85.00		Call
Youth (Ages 4 - 19)	@ \$ 60.00	@\$ 60.00		Slide Outs: Left_ Right_ Both_ Vintage Parking
Youth after two full youth pmts: Youth (Ages 4 - 19)	@ FREE	@ FREE		Handicap Parking (Wheelchair & Cane):
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HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!



CHARTER OAK CHATTER

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APRIL 2005

THE AIRSTREAM RV ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, finally Spring has arrived! I'm sure everyone is as happy as we are.

In last month's letter, I was not sure if I was going to leave for Florida or not. After much thought, I packed the Airstream and my Harley and left to meet many friends in Daytona. I took my time on the way down and was pleasantly surprised to find beautiful weather. Once I arrived, I was able to talk Annette into flying down for a couple of days. We experienced only one full day of rain, but the rest of the week was beautiful. It's such a nice retreat to get away from winter for a short time.

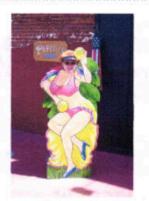
Being home, business is extremely busy. Long days and short nights...never enough time to get everything done!

We are looking forward to seeing everyone in May at Highland Orchards in North Stonington, CT for our Business Meeting. Much thanks to Charlie and Jeanne Wilson for hosting our first outing.

Submitted by President Mark Wilson



Here Lillie Phillips solicits for the Cents for Kids organization. Photo submitted by Lois Price



Here Cynthia Richard solicits for a different cause.



DATES TO REMEMBER

May 6-8, 2005 Highland Orchard Campground Charlie and Jeanne Wilson

June 3-5, 2005
"Your Airstream is Your Castle"
Haddam Neck Fairgrounds
Wayne and Susan Rutty
Michael and Lianne Rutty

June 28 - July 4, 2005 Golden Anniversary International Rally Springfield, MO

Over the next few months we will print portions of the Wally Byam Creed until we have completed it.

"In the heart of these words is an entire life's dream. To those of you who find in the promise of these words your promise, I bequeath this creed....my dream belongs to you."

To place the great wide world at your doorstep for you who yearn to travel with all the comforts of home.

To provide a more satisfying, meaningful way of travel that offers complete travel independence, wherever and whenever you choose to go or stay.

BIRTHDAYS

Mayl

Bard Fuller	05/01
Mark Good	05/03
Pat Lamontagne	05/03
William O'Donald	05/05
Jean Landry	05/11
Michael Newman	05/11
Ron Edmondson	05/13
Raymond Richard	05/17
Molly Cherouny	05/21
Pat Riiska	05/23
Paul Williams	05/26
Don Rawson	05/27
Jocelyne Morand	05/28

ANNIVERSARIES

Larry &Pat Lamontagne	05/02
Charles & Pamela Bleakney	05/06
David & Pat Riiska	05/10
Terry Clopper & Gayle Shonley	05/14
Rob & Kim Terry	05/19
Rich & Kathy Kushman	05/26
Claire & Patricia Lines	05/26
Ted & Lois Price	05/26
William & Jeanette O'Donald	05/31
Mike & Sandy Sasuta	05/31

A Word of Thanks

Dear Airstream Friends:

Thank you for your cards, prayers and messages during the recent months as I waited for my hip revision surgery. My surgery went well and we are now looking forward to getting our and seeing our friends in the near future.

Fondly, Shirley Edmondson

Thank you all for the cards during my recent back surgery and recovery.

Bob Henschel





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Directions

From Most Places, You'll Want to reach us from I-84. From I-84, transfer to Route 3 North and Stay to the left. Get off exit 35. At your first light, take a left. At your next light, take another left. Go down the road for about 1/5 of a mile and you'll see us on your left!

CHARTER OAK THOUGHTS &

Please keep the following members in your thoughts and prayers:

Shirley Edmondson is recovering from hip surgery and is doing well.

Our sincere sympathies to Liannne Rutty and her family on the passing, of her father.

Dot Lowell is recovering from a heart attack.

NOW IS THE TIME

To order your tickets for the
Region 1 Luncheon, in Springfield,
MO on June 29, 2005 at
Millie's Turn of the Centruy Café
(313 South Jefferson, Springfield,
MO)
for a cost \$12.50 per person

For tickets send check to: Robert E. Thompson II PMB 3383 133 Rainbow Drive Livingston, TX 77399

AND CHIEF (YOU FIGURE OUT WHO'S WHO)

Chief Here – The other day when I was buying postage for this month's Chatter, I told the Postmaster that putting out a newsletter is like getting a big bill every month – it's here before you know it. It seems you just finish one and it is time for the next one.

We have enjoyed doing the newsletter and appreciated all your contributions and comments. But please remember that Editor and I both work. Not only do we work, we work a lot. So please bear with us if your Chatter does not arrive on the 15th. We strive to get it out in a timely manner but sometimes things just don't come togetherSo please be patient. We promise it will be worth waiting for.

Both the Editor and I are looking forward to the first camping rally of the season at Highland Orchards, May 6-8 with Charlie and Jeanne Wilson hosting. We hope to see everyone there!



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REGION ONE PRESIDENTS NEWSLETTER

Issue Four, May 2005

Dear Fellow Caravaners

SPRING MEETING VISITATIONS

Franklin Sanders, 2nd VP, along with spouce Jane, will be in attendance at the White Nountains New Hampshire Unit and the New England Unit Spring Business Meetings. Bob Thompson, 1st VP, along with spouce Harriett, will be in attendance at the Charter Oak Unit and Cape Cod Massachusetts Unit Spring Business Meetings. Your President, Raynold Lemaire, and spouce Cecile, will be at the same two rallies as the Thompson's.

The Thompson's will be at the Indianapolis "500" Rally, May 20-30. The Thompson's, and the Lemaire's, will be at Airstream, Inc. Homecoming Rally, in Jackson Center, Ohio, May 31 to June 5. From there, we will be heading for the International Rally in Springfield, Missouri.

Your Region Officers parking date for International is June 13. Believe it, or not, there are many obligations long before the rally actually starts on June 28.

CARAVAN TO SPRINGFIELD, MO

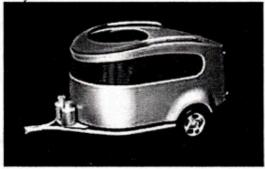
To all membesr of Region One. Rich Walbridge is running a caravan, and you are invited to join. Rendezvous on June 19, at the rest area on I-84 in Danbury, CT. Leave rest area the morning of June 20, with a parking date of June 24. Get in touch with Rich. Cell:781-254-6399. Email: richwalbridge@earthlink.net

REGION ONE LUNCHEON

Our Region One Luncheon, at International, will be June 29, at Millie's Turn of the Century Café, in Springfield, MO. Tickets are available, before the rally, from Bob Thompson. Mail a check for \$12.50, per person, to Bob. He has been putting all of the information you need in Unit newsletters. Hope to see many of you there.

"BASE CAMP"

Airstream, Inc., is coming out with a trailer, called "Base Camp", with some members of the IBT favoring it's entry into the club. You may recal seeing it on the cover of a Blue Beret last year.



I've managed to get a photo of it here in the newsletter. Thanks to Cindy Reed for sending me the picture as an attachment to an email. I might add here, that, the four ladies who work at WBCCI Headquarters in Jackson, OH, do one fantastic job. We should all be greatfull for their dedication.

The following description has been provided by Bob Wheeler, Vice President of Airstream, Inc.

"The Base Camp is designed to be fully enclosed, hard sided trailer with an optional tent room attachment at the rear. It will have a battery, electrical system, LP system, heat, and AC. It will have an optional casette/chemical toilet, but no bathroom or shower. It will have fresh water storage, but no black or gray tank."

My reason for writing about the Base Camp, and it's possible inclusion into the Club,is, I want all members of Region One to give their opinion about letting this Unit into the club. I want to be informed from Region One members, how I should vote on your behalf. Let me know directly, or through your Unit President. Thanks for your input. By email: RaynoldLemaire@aol.com

Until next time, safe, and happy travels. Raynold Lemaire, President Region One, WBCCI #203

MEMBER PROFILE

Last month our profile was on Wayne and Susan Rutty, members of long standing. This month we are profiling Pete and Laura Soucy, relatively new members to COCC and airstreaming.

They bought their first Airstream in 2003 while visiting their son at school. They were only suppose to be looking.

The reason they bought an Airstream was because of the style. They had seen Airstreams in the campgrounds for many years and said that one day they would get one. Pete had looked for several years for a used one to restore but could not find anything local, so when they saw the new ones it was an easy decision.

Pete and Laurie are the only ones in their family to be campers. They have been campers since their children were very young. They started by bombing around in a 1974 Palamino pop up for about 15 years. They currently are traveling with a Bambi, (nice upgrade) but Pete says if they continue to put on weight they will need to upgrade again to a larger unit. Laurie calls it their bungalow on wheels

Laurie and Pete have been married for 23 interesting years. And according to Pete they wouldn't change a thing. They have two sons Eric and Bryan. Eric is 22 and currently in the Air Force stationed in Belguim. Bryan is 20 and a student. No grandchidren – yet.

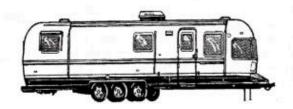
And as you read this they are in Belgium visiting Eric for two weeks.

Both are still working. Pete works for the Hartford Board of Education as the Mechanical Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds. Laurie is employed at the Newington Board of Education as Conveyer of Precious Cargo, better known as a bus driver.

Pete and Laurie were going to look into the WBCCI when they bought their trailer, but the dealer did it for them by paying their first years dues. They have enjoyed their association with the club and "found a bunch of fun and friendly people."

Unfortunately Laurie and Pete won't make it to the International this year but are looking forward to many functions in the future. They really enjoy traveling with their Airstream and we really enjoy having them as a part of our club.





MAY 6, 7 & 8

Let's all make our first outing of the season a big success.
GREAT LOCATION-GREAT FACILITIES

Highland Orchards CG in North Stonington, CT---W/E/Cable—Indoor meeting room (there is a flight of stairs)—Full kitchen & heated. All meetings will be held there.

Area Attractions include: Foxwoods casino, Mohegan Sun Casino, Pequot museum, Mystic Village and Seaport, USS Nautilus and many more...

FRIDAY (arrive after 12:00pm) 4:30 Social, bring snack to share 6:00 Welcome Dinner provided (bring table service Bring a dessert to share to each meal) Campfire after dinner SATURDAY 8:00 Breakfast provided, eggs,bacon/sausage Juice, coffee and pastries 3:00 Business Meeting 4:00 Social, bring snack to share 5:30 Picnic Dinner provided Bring a dessert to share Campfire after dinner SUNDAY 8:00 Continental breakfast provided

Directions: Please check their web site www.highlandorchards.com or your directory. Connecticut-I 95, exit 92
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Reservations must be received by April 20th, 2005

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Charter Oak CT Unit Rally



June 3-5, 2005 Haddam Neck Fairgrounds Haddam Neck, CT



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From the East:

Take I-395 to route 2 west. Follow route 2 to route 16 in Colchester. Take route 16 to route 66 in East Hampton. Follow route 66 about 1/2 miles west to Cobalt and the intersection of route 66 and 151. Take route 151 south for about three miles to Haddam Neck Road. Follow Haddam Neck Road for 1.5 miles to the fairgrounds located on the left.

Friday:

- ·Arrive after 2:00 pm
- 4:30 pm Happy Hour Bring your beverages and a snack to share.

Events for the Weekend

- Dinner on your own.
- •7:30 pm Campfire, Cookies & Ice Cream

Saturday:

- •7:00 am Coffee (Breakfast on your own)
- 9:00 am "Warm Hats for Kids" Sewing Project
 All materials supplied. Please bring Scissors.
- •10:30 am Carpool Caravan to Gillette's Castle State Park- The castle has gone under an \$8 million dollar renovation and looks great!! Wonderful hiking trails, picnic area and breathtaking views of the CT River await you!! (Pack a picnic lunch, visit concession stand at park or take the Ferry over to Chester for lunch) Fee for Castle Tour is: Age 18 and Over: \$5, Ages 6-17: \$3, Ages 5 and under: Free (Pay directly at park) Visit the website for the castle at: http://dep.state.ct.us/stateparks/parks/gillettecastle.htm
- 4:30 pm Happy Hour Bring your beverages and a snack to share.
- 6:00 pm Catered Dinner
- •7:30 pm Evening Program, Desert & Coffee

Sunday:

- 8:00 am -Breakfast Menu: Omelets to order, Canadian Bacon, Pancakes, Muffins and OJ.
- •Depart at your leisure and thanks for coming!!!

Rally Fee of \$55 per unit includes: Two (2) Nights Camping with Water & Electric, Saturday Dinner, Sunday Breakfast and Deserts.

Pets welcome but must remain on leash at all times.

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Haddam Neck Fairgrounds Please mail by May 25, 2005

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YOUR RALLY FEE INCLUDES:

3 nights limited electric, water and dump station
2 nights of amateur & professional entertainment
3 continental breakfast, 2 dinners & ice cream nightly
Prizes, craft and flea market, happy hours
Youth program, fellowship & fun as always
Pets are welcome- Must remain on leash at all times
Security -24 hours

OPTIONAL

City bus tour including: these 3visits
1-"Les vieilles Forges du St-Maurice (\$4.00)
2-"QCP Museum" (\$9.00)
3-"Old Penitenciary" (\$9.00)
\$30.00 US per person

DIRECTIONS

From west (ouest) I-40 exit #199 Boul. des Forges. 2nd trafic light turn left under the bypass. Second trafic light turn right to the top of the hill. Turn left and go straight under the arch and follow the WBCCI signs.

From south (sud) take I-55; after the bridge Laviolette exit 182 to I-40 east (est); exit 199 Boul. des Forges 2nd traffic light turn left under the bypass; second light turn right to the top of the hill; turn left and go straight under the arch and follow the WBCCI signs.

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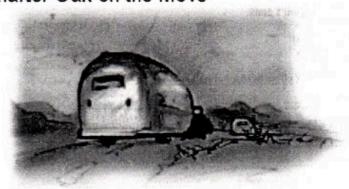


HAPPY SPRING!

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MAY 2005

THE AIRSTREAM RV ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, it's finally Spring and although the temperature doesn't make it feel like Spring, our first rally of the year sure did! What a great kick-off for our camping season.

Annette and I are gearing up to leave Thursday 5/12 for a trip to Myrtle Beach. We are planning on leaving after Annette gets home from work. We will spend the first night in New Jersey then on to Washington DC for a night or two. From there we will head to South of the Border and finally on to Myrtle Beach for the balance of the week. This all comes between packing our house and preparing for destruction sometime in late May / early June. We are finally making our move to build our new home. After a few years of planning, we have building permits in hand and are scheduling tradesmen to start the process but not before I do some tree and shrub transplanting. The house will be demolished right down to the foundation. We are starting from the bottom up and while this process is in place, we will basically be "full timing" in our Airstream. Will keep you posted on the progress as the summer approaches!

We had a wonderful time at Highland Orchards this past weekend. From the hospitality to the food to the great conversations I believe everyone enjoyed the weekend as much as we did! This was my first business meeting as President for COCU and I have to say without the help and support of everyone, I don't think I would have made it through! Thanks to everyone for their help and patience. I would also like to make mention that with everything going on, I inadvertently forgot to mention what a wonderful job Rich Kushman, with the help of Sandy Sasuta, did on our unit directory. Thank you Rich for not only the directory but for all the outstanding work you do for the COCU!

Now that most of us have de-winterized our trailers and are ready for the summer, I would like to wish safe travels to all. We are looking forward to seeing everyone over the summer!

NOW IS THE TIME

To order your tickets for the Region 1 Luncheon, in Springfield,
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rediscovering old places and new
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To open a whole world of new experiences.... A new dimension in enjoyment where travel adventure and good fellowship are your constant companions.

To encourage clubs and rallies that provide an endless source of friendships, travel fun and personal expressions.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Sebastian Pestretto	66/03
Gregg Cocco	06/11
John Hatch	06/14
Joe Ribiero	06/14
Joe Santos	06/16
Chuck McDonald	06/17
Russ Fuller	06/20
Pete Soucy	06/20
Philip Simmons	96/23
Arthur Sikes	06/25
Gail Good	06/26
Reggie Brown	06/28
Maureen Eckels	06/28
Frank Guthman	06/28

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

Fred & Date McGoldrick	06/01
Bill & Lill Herpich	06/03
Robert & Dorcen Fuller	06/05
Russ and Rhonda Fuller	06/05
Frank & Patty Guthman	06/15
Jim & Corinne Burnham	06/17
Bob & Sharon Henschel	06/17
Richard & Rosalie Moffo	06/17
Franklin & Jane Sanders	06/18
Joe & Carmella Santos	06/18
Leland & Claire Bradley	06/24
Robert and Ann Werth	06/24
Bob and Jean Landry	06/25
Sebastian & Juanita Pestretto	06/30
Niels & Lydia Rosenbeck	06/30

A Word of Thanks

Dear Airstream Friends:

Thank you for your cards, prayers and messages during the recent months as I waited for my hip revision surgery. My surgery went well and we are now looking forward to getting our and seeing our friends in the near future.

Fondly, Shirley Edmondson

Thank you all for the cards during my recent back surgery and recovery.



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CHARTER OAK THOUGHTS & CARES

Please keep the following members in your thoughts and prayers:

Our sincere sympathies to Ray and MaryEllen Moniz and their family on the passing of Ray's father.

To Gary Levinson and his family on the passing of his mother.

Our continued thoughts and prayers to Jerry Ingallinera and Shirley Edmondson as they continue to improve from recent medical issues.

AND CHIEF (YOU FIGURE OUT WHO'S WHO)

Editor Here – Chief has given me permission to put my two cents worth in this month. Doesn't happen often so I am going to take full advantage of it. So forgive me if I ramble.

We didn't make to May Rally with our trailer. That nasty natural enemy -work- got in the way. So we were only able to attend the business meeting. We drove down for the meeting and dinner. Charlie and Jeanne Wilson did a great job! Considering the weather everyone seemed to be in a good mood and enjoying themselves.

As I sat and looked around the room, I realized how different each Rally is. Different people, different environments and different dynamics at work. But even though each rally is different, each is great! It is always an opportunity to see old friends and catch up everyone's traveling. So we urge everyone to all the rallies that you can. Each is different and unique. And there is something to be enjoyed or learned from each one.

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RESUMES FOR 2ND VICE PRESIDENT REGION ONE

If you are interested in submitting a resume for Region One's 2nd Vice President, there is still time. The Nominating Committee will make their recommendation at the annual Region One rally business meeting in August (25-28) in Trois-Rivieres, Quebec, Canada. The Units will be voting on the candidate at their fall business meetings.

Please submit your resume to Anne Werth with copies to the other committee members.

The Nominating Committee consists of the following: Anne Werth, past Region One President (Chairman) Pat Lamontagne Lois Price

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AIRSTREAM REMODEL ON DIY

Many of you either know Arlene Fowler or know of her. She and her husband own Fowler Interiors in Symsonia, KY. They have been giving Airstreams a face lift since 1981.

Recently the DIY Television Network contacted them and ask them to be a part of a Airstream "dream team" to help remodel an airstream. They were in charge of the curtains and blinds.

The show will air sometimes around November 25, 2005, but will rerun many times - probably next spring and summer.

NEW AFFILIATES

Bruce, Alma & Eva delaRonde WBCCI #6004 99 Clinton Ave. Jamestown, RI 02835 email: adavenport@umassd.edu

Roy & Debbie Lupien WBCCI #2197 P.O. Box 274 South Thomaston, Maine 04858

NEW MEMBER:

Frederick Monnes WBCCI #3710 5 Botsford Hill Road Newtown, CT 06470

Please make these new members feel welcome!

MEMBER PROFILE

Last month we profiled one of the newer members in our club, Laurie and Pete Soucy. This month we take a closer look at a couple who have been members since 1990, Bud and Jesse Gould.

Bud and Jesse got their first Airstream in 1989. They had friends that had an Airstream and when the friends decided to get a new one, Bud and Jesse bought their old one. It was a 1973 29 foot. Today they have 34 foot Excella 1000.

Bud and Jesse have always been campers. As parents of seven children they went on many camping trips in tents and popups. Jesse was camp host at Hammonasett State Park for many years..

They have been married 55 years and in addition to their 7 children they have 14 grandchildren and one great grandson, Tyler James.

Bud still works off and on when he feels like it. He says it keeps him young.

Jesse said that her favorite part of airstreaming is traveling and meeting people.

Bud and Jesse are active member of COCC and always ready to lend a helping hand. Bud served as President in 2001

. Last year at the Region One Rally that COCC hosted, Bud was the coffee person, which meant he was up at 5:30 am every morning. He also was a great help in transporting the equipment that was needed for the rally. Jesse taught a seminar on how to make her beautiful lanyards.

In addition to WBCCI events, Bud and Jesse use their Airstream to visit family and to spend time at Travelers Rest in Florida during the winter.

Bud and Jesse are real assets to our club. If you don't know them, make sure the next time you see them at a rally that you say hello and if you do know them, tell them how much we appreciate them.



Highland Orchards

Mother's Day weekend brought COCU members to the first event of the new camping season. Approximately 24 Airstream units, some with guests, braved the elements and a most unwelcome Nor'easter, which brought with it, heavy rain and strong winds. Many arrived Friday before the skies opened up and wisely so.

Appetizers provided by members were followed by a delicious dinner Friday evening. Charlie and Jeannie Wilson presented this with great style with the assistance of Pat and Brian Brosnahan. Desserts were provided by the attending members and all the "calories" were removed! Sure!

Saturday morning was spent by club officers in an Executive Board meeting and followed in the afternoon by the COCU Spring Business meeting.

Some members ventured over to the Mystic area and a few tried their luck at the nearby Casinos. No reports on how lucky or unlucky they were. Others snuggled in with a good book and stayed out of the rain and wind.

A hearty breakfast was provided on Saturday morning and Fried Chicken and salads on Saturday night. Airstreamers can always come up with tasty appetizers and desserts and Saturday night ran true to form.

Sunday the rain stopped and after a continental breakfast, the group packed up and headed for home. All agreed that in spite of the weather, we had a good time. Fortunately we had the use of an enclosed and heated building which certainly saved the weekend.

Good food, good company and all looking forward to our next get together in June.

Fran Simmons

SEE MORE DO MORE LIVE MORE

KUDOS

TO MIKE RUTTY FOR SUBMITTING THE PICTURES THAT WERE FEATURED ON THE LAST BLUE BERET

TO RICH KUSHMAN FOR AN EXCELLENT JOB ON OUR NEW DIRECTORY!

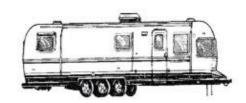
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NEWS FLASH! NEWS FLASH!

At the recent Business Meeting it was decided that the Chatter would be posted on our website. This was decided for a couple of reason. First, cost. It' is becoming more and more expensive to produce the Chatter each month with copying becoming very expensive. Second, accessibility. Members have expressed a desire to be able to get the Chatter when they are traveling. By posting it on the web we will be able to use more color and be more creative.

So beginning with the June issue, you will only receive a hard copy if you either email or call the Editor or the Chief and request that you still want a hard copy.

We are very excited about this new path that the Chatter is taking and remember the Chatter is only as good as WE (the club) make it. We always welcome and encourage your submissions and comments.



Off to Alaska Final

We were sorry to leave Haines AK as it meant that we would now be on our way home. We had one more stop to make in Alaska, but we would travel through a lot of Yukon Territory before we got there.

The next stop would take us back to Whitehorse, YT and another border crossing. Whitehorse is a very unique town with gold rush history everywhere. The campground where we were to stay had been closed. A Walmart had opened only a short distance away and most of the RV traffic passing through was now staying there overnight. The owner of the park had promised our caravan leaders that they would honor the reservation that had been made a year or more before and they did reopen for us. We stayed there, traveling both north and south. It was a shame that they had to close. It had been a nice park at one time with a beautiful location, up on a hill, sadly looking down at the packed Walmart!

We saw the museums that we had missed before and took a second tour, this time with the Steve & Carol Kelly through the local mini brewery. I don't especially like beer, but this was good! We bought some to take home, a change from "Canned Salmon"!

We were then off to Junction 37, a stop on the Alaska Highway. We would be completing the section that we missed when we turned off to head north earlier on our way to Dawson City. The "Baby Nugget" was brand new, still being constructed and we felt that it will be very nice when done. Like so many, the fill was "tailings" from gold mining. We had been having "Potlatches", a Native American or First Nations People's term for special celebrations. We know them better as "Happy Hours!" However here, we decided to have a "Dessert Party" for a change and all the "goodies" that were produced after so long on the road was astonishing.

Before we left for Alaska, we had heard nightmare stories about how bad the Alaska Highway would be. This was not true. We did find occasional construction and you had to watch for "frost heaves" as the road was built on Muskeag (mud), Permafrost and other surfaces not exactly suitable for highways, but the Alaska Highway did not live up to its reputation. We now were to leave the Highway and our worst fears about bad roads were about to come true. We turned onto the "Cassiar Highway"! Roads in the YT, BC, and AK all are known by their name. Some may also have a route number, but they are seldom referred to by number. There are obviously no "Interstates" in this part of the world. It was now getting cold, raining quite hard and the "Cassiar Highway" was under construction. Maybe next year, it will be fine, but it was an incredible mess this past year. We stayed that night is Iskut, BC at a First Nations People owned camp ground. Everyone grabbed their hoses and tried to wash some of the mud off windshields as all the vehicles, trailers and people were covered with a thick coat of sticky mud. With all the demand, the water pressure dropped to almost nothing and little of the mud was removed. The next day, we continued for a short distance more on this horrible road. Finally we turned off to head back west to Stewart, BC and Hyder, AK, fortunately now having left the bad road behind. Stewart is a very small town with Hyder, AK, an even smaller town just a short distance beyond. You cannot reach Hyder from Alaska proper, as there are impassable mountains between it and the rest of the state. The immediate highlight of Stewart was a "do-it-yourself" car & RV wash. There was a long, long line of Airstreams waiting to drop their "loonies & toonies" into the coin slots. The campground was pleasant, but we traded mud for pine needles. Hyder has its own post office, but no bank. Stewart is on Pacific Time, Hyder on Alaska Time. The mail comes in and out twice a week. The currency accepted is whatever you have in your pocket. Hyder has a reputation of being a "wild" place, but it was very quiet and peaceful while we were there. Not sure of the population, but guessing 100 people is probably too many. Further up the road from the town were streams with massive runs of salmon. This was another place where you could walk the across the water on the backs of the fish. It was also a very popular place for bears.

Our next stop was Hazelton, BC. The Indian and Eskimo populations in the western US, Canada and Alaska or Native Americans or in Canada, First Nations People as they prefer to be called, vary greatly. Some appear quite prosperous and well educated. Others barely are surviving. We stayed in another First Nations People's owned RV Park next to a replica Indian village which we all toured. This area and several nearby towns have displays of Totem poles, all unique. It was now September 8 and the rain that had been falling for the past few days appeared the next morning as snow on the surrounding mountains. This was a sure sign that it was really time to head for home.

We were then off to our final stop, back where we started in Prince George, BC, but to a different campground. A Farewell Banquet was held at a local hotel on Saturday night. The journal that was written during the trip was distributed and goodbyes were said, all agreeing that it had been a great trip. Sunday AM, the group was off and running again, but this time in different directions.

Phil & I traveled south from Prince George down through the Frazer River Canyon. For anyone going out this way, this area should not be missed. It was beautiful. The road travels through mountains with tunnels for both road and rail on each side of the river. Most spectacular. This was another one of those areas where you can only wonder how they ever built it all.

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Take I-95 to route 9 north. Take route 9 to exit 7 (route 82). Follow route 82 and cross the East Haddam Bridge. After crossing the bridge bear left on to route 149 and follow to the intersection of route 151 in Leesville. Follow route 151 to Haddam Neck Road. Follow Haddam Neck Road for 1.5 miles to the fairgrounds located on the left.

From the East:

Take I-395 to route 2 west. Follow route 2 to route 16 in Colchester. Take route 16 to route 66 in East Hampton. Follow route 66 about 1/2 miles west to Cobalt and the intersection of route 66 and 151. Take route 151 south for about three miles to Haddam Neck Road. Follow Haddam Neck Road for 1.5 miles to the fairgrounds located on the left.

Friday:

- ·Arrive after 2:00 pm
- 4:30 pm Happy Hour Bring your beverages and a snack to share.

Events for the Weekend

- Dinner on your own.
- •7:30 pm Campfire, Cookies & Ice Cream

Saturday:

- •7:00 am Coffee (Breakfast on your own)
- 9:00 am "Warm Hats for Kids" Sewing Project

All materials supplied. Please bring Scissors.

- •10:30 am Carpool Caravan to Gillette's Castle State Park-The castle has gone under an \$8 million dollar renovation and looks great!! Wonderful hiking trails, picnic area and breathtaking views of the CT River await you!! (Pack a picnic lunch, visit concession stand at park or take the Ferry over to Chester for lunch) Fee for Castle Tour is: Age 18 and Over: \$5, Ages 6-17: \$3, Ages 5 and under: Free (Pay directly at park) Visit the website for the castle at: http://dep.state.ct.us/stateparks/parks/gillettecastle.htm
- 4:30 pm Happy Hour Bring your beverages and a snack to share.
- •6:00 pm Catered Dinner
- •7:30 pm Evening Program, Desert & Coffee

Sunday

- 8:00 am -Breakfast Menu: Omelets to order, Canadian Bacon, Pancakes, Muffins and OJ.
- •Depart at your leisure and thanks for coming!!!

Rally Fee of \$55 per unit includes: Two (2) Nights Camping with Water & Electric, Saturday Dinner, Sunday Breakfast and Deserts.

Pets welcome but must remain on leash at all times.

"YOUR AIRSTREAM IS YOUR CASTLE"

Charter Oak CT Unit Rally June 3-5, 2005

Haddam Neck Fairgrounds Please mail by May 25, 2005

Make Check Payable and mail to: Michael Rutty; 7 Winthrop Road; Chester, CT 06412

Names:	WBCCI#



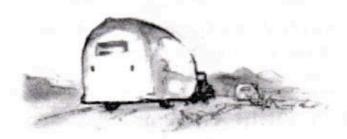


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We're back from Myrtle Beach and we had great weather. Annette did fine on her maiden trip (she usually fly's and meets me where our travels take us). We left New Fairfield and went as far as Washington, DC where we met up Ann Huke. The three of us toured the city which was most enjoyable and then dinner. The next morning, off for South of the Border. Upon arrival and set up, we ran into a fellow Airstreamer from Region 2. He was travelling alone so we invited him to dinner and ice cream with us. We shared many stories and truly enjoyed the company. The next morning we left for Myrtle Beach. The weather was beautiful and we were able to meet with some of our friends from Ohio, Connecticut and New York. We also met another Airstream couple from Rhode Island who spent a few nights hanging out with our friends.

Annette continues to pack the house. One room left to go! We are still on track for demolition the last week of June. As for now, we are leaving for our yearly trip to New Hampshire. This will be our last camping trip for a few months as we will need to be close to home with the construction.

Submitted by President Mark Wilson

REMINDER

June will be the last month that the Chatter is automatically mailed to all of our members. As we reported last month the Club has decided to make the Chatter available on line. Only about 10% of our members have asked that we continue to send them a hard copy. If you wish to get a hard copy please let us know. Remember there is not a Chatter in July and the August chatter will be online.

If you would like to see this Chatter on line go to the Region One Web site at www.wbccil.org and enter username charteroak and the password is friends. August's Chatter will be available around August 15th.



DATES TO REMEMBER

June 28 - July 4, 2005 Golden Anniversary International Rally Springfield, MO

August 5 - 7, 2005
Fiesta de Charter Oak CT Rally
Traveler's Woods Campground
North Bernardston, MA
Dick and Eileen Bartrum

August 25 - 28, 2005 Region One Rally 2005 Hosted by Quebec Canada Unit Trois-Rivieres

September 16 - 18, 2005

"Old Tyme Connecticut"
Rendezvous Buddy Rally
Kent, CT
Mark and Annette Wilson
Chuck and Pam Bleakney
Jim and Corinne Burnham

September 30 - October 2, 2005
Charter Oak Western Round Up
Rally
Nickerson Campground
Chaplin, CT
Fran and Maureen Eckels
Pete and Laurie Soucy
Bob and Anne Werth



JULY BIRTHDAYS

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

Jim Burham	07/01
Ted Price	07/03
Kathy Kushman	07/05
Cecile Lemaire	07/06
Dale McGoldrick	07/06
Earl Duesel	07/14
Rosalie Moffo	07/15
Rob Terry	07/19
Megan Fuller	07/21
Carol Kelly	07/21
Harriett Thompson	07/22
Richard Moffo	07/23
Claire Lines	07/23
Judy Good	07/26
Lois Price	07/26
Joan Beardsley	07/28
Kathy Fuller	07/29
Dorothy O'Connor	07/30

Don & Pat Rawson	07/01
Val & Aili Galasyn	07/02
Jim & Angela Tauras	07/03
Charles & Jeanne Wilson	07/04
Brian & Pat Brosnahan	07/06
Joe & Sarah Ribeiro	07/07
Steve & Carol Kelly	07/13
Dick & Eileen Bartram	07/14
Raynold & Cecile Lemaire	07/26
Gregg & Debi Cocco	07/28
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AND CHIEF (YOU FIGURE OUT WHO'S WHO)

What a great time we had at the Haddam Neck Rally. Susan, Wayne, Mike and Lianne really know how to host a rally. It was held at the Haddam Neck Fairgrounds which is a great location for a rally. The food was great, as well as the commradie. It was nice to see the Shermans and Gutmans in attendance. Thanks for a great time.

Now it is time for us to think about the International Rally. This will be our third and we are really excited about going to Missouri. We have never been to Springfield or Branson and plan to visit both areas. It is nice to know that we will be able to use our air conditioning—especially since we will have Gracie, Obediah and Oscar with us. I had a long talk with them after the Haddam Neck Rally about barking and being a nuisance. They listened but did not give any assurances on future behavior.

One of best things about the International is being able to see old friends. We will visit with friends with the Florida Big Bend Unit and friends that we have made during our travels and only see at the International.

Look for full coverage in the August issue of the Chatter. So long for now and we hope to see you down the road.

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MEMBER PROFILE

Richard and Kathy Kushman are the focus of this month's member profile.

Rich and Kathy have been members of the club since 1997 when they purchased their first trailer, a 25 ft Safari. According to Rich "we were killing a Saturday afternoon at a RV Show when we saw, sat in and fell in love with our first Airstream. We had no experience towing, parking, maintaining, or living in a trailer, so we bought it."

They joined the Club then but it would be another year or so before they attended their first rally. After that rally in Otis, MA they were hooked. Getting more involved with the club and getting to know fellow Airstreams was now a very important endeavor. And get involved they did. Both have served as First and Second Year Directors. Rich maintains our website and is always ready with a camera at any of the club's events. Rich is also a large contributor to our directory, which won awards. And rightfully so! You will see them at most of the club rallies and they are always ready to lend a helping hand.

Rich and Kathy's only camping experience prior to their Airstream was on the Appalachian Trail in a tent with no hookups! On March 2, 1996 they started hiking the Appalachian Trail and completed almost a thousand miles!

They currently have a 34 ft trailer with a toilet. When asked about their favorite part of having an Airstream both said having a toilet in the woods. Their favorite part of the Club is the people.

Both still work. Rich runs Village Bake House in Niantic and Groton. This is Kathy's last year as a 6th grade teacher at New London Middle School. She will retire next year just in time for their trip to Alaska.

Rich and Kathy have been married 21 years and have 5 children and 6 ½ grandchildren.

This summer they are off on a grand adventure out West. They will visit Yellowstone Park, Glacier Park, Mt Rushmore, Cheyenne and much more. Isn't this what Airstreaming is all about. I think the people Rich and Kathy meet along the way will be really lucky to have met such a nice couple, doing what they love to do!

Portions of this article copied from Rich's story on the WBCCI Region 1 Website



KUDOS

TO WAYNE, SUSAN, MIKE AND LIANNE RUTTY FOR A GREAT RALLY. GOOD JOB!!

MAKE HATS FOR THE WARM HATS FOR KIDS PROGRAM.





Life should NOT be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in an attractive and well preserved body, but rather to skid in sideways, chocolate in one hand, wine in the other, body thoroughly used up, totally worn out and screaming...

Damn, What a ride!!

THE FALL CARAVAN

Cynthia and I have put together this year's Fall caravan. It is called "Gems of Our Own Backyard". It will start on October 2nd after the rally in Chaplin. Our first stop will be in North Stonington at Highland Orchards. There we are planning to have a clam and lobster bake and a fun night of square dancing. In addition to these activities there are many things to see and do in that area. Mystic Seaport is only a short ride away as well as the outlets in Clinton and Westbrook.

From Highland Orchards we are going to travel to the Meadowlark Campground in Middletown, RI. We will be one mile from the beach and only a few miles from downtown Newport. Newport is a beautiful city with lots to do including the mansions.

We will include several evening meals, ice cream, a couple of group outings and breakfast every morning. We expect the kitty fee to be between \$250 and \$275.

Our information flyer will be in the August Chatter. So mark your calendar and join us in visiting "The Gems of Our Own Backyard".

Raymond Richard # 1445



RECIEPES FROM SHARON HENSCHEL

SEVERAL PEOPLE ASK ME FOR THESE RECIEPES AT THE MAY RALLY.

SNICKER DOODLES
1 CUP SHORTENING
1 ½ CUPS SUGAR
2 EGGS
3 3/4 CUPS FLOUR
2 TEASPOONS CREAM OF TARTAR
1 TEASPOON BAKING SODA
½ TEASPOON SALT
2 TEASPOONS SUGAR AND CINNAMON

MIX SHORTENING, SUGAR AND EGGS
THOROUGHLY
SIFT FLOUR, CREAM OF TARTAR, SODA AND SALT
TOGETHER.

STIR INTO CREAM MIXTURE.
ROLL DOUGH INTO BALLS THE SIZE OF A SMALL
WALNUT.

PREHEAT OVEN TO 400 DEGREES
BAKE ON AN UNGREASED COOKIE SHEET
8 - 10 MINUTES UNTIL LIGHT BROWN
COMBINE THE TWO TEASOONS SUGAR AND
CINNAMON AND ROLL EACH COOKIE IN MIXTURE
MAKES ABOUT 3 DOZENS

RICE KRISPIE SQUARES

1 CUP LIGHT KARO
½ CUP SUGAR
BRING ABOVE TO A BOIL AND
ADD 1 CUP PEANUT BUTTER
REMOVE FROM HEAT
ADD 6 CUPS RICE KRISPIES
POUR INTO 9"X13" GREASED CAKE PAN
COOL
THESE CAN BE FROSTED WITH

THESE CAN BE FROSTED WITH

1 PKG (6 OZ) CHOCOLATE CHIPS

½ PKG (3 OZ) BUTTERSCOTH CHIPS

MELT IN A DOUBLE BOILER



CLUES THAT YOUR VEHICLE ISN'T THE RIGHT TOW VEHICLE FOR YOUR AIRSTREAM

The Airstream you wish to tow can sleep more people comfortably than you can squeeze sitting upright into your vehicle.

Each time you try to tow your Airstream uphill, you find yourself going back downhill with the Airstream as the new lead vehicle.

When you stomped on the gas to move your determinedly parked Airstream, the hitch tore off your vehicle but the Airstream remained stationary.

Your vehicle's owners manual doesn't contain any information at all on towing or towing specifications.

The mechanics at your vehicle dealership laughed uproariously when you told them you were going to tow your new Airstream, and started making lists of what they were going to buy with their anticipated bonuses.

When the vehicle and the Airstream trailer are attached, the Airstream completely covers the vehicle in its shade.

When the vehicle and the Airstream are attached, your vehicle's front wheels are off the ground.

You could park two of your vehicle inside your Airstream.

Your vehicle was parked near your Airstream when the Airstream's name was painted on and the painters took the liberty of stenciling the word "Dinghy" on its rear bumper.

Actor Matt McConaughey recently visited Selfridge ANG base in Michigar Bob and Sharon Henschel's daughter, Kim, who is a civilian military employee, was allowed on the base to meet him.

Matt is driving around the country with his airstream to promote his movie, Sah. He has had the Airstream covered in a thin plastic coating to go with the color scheme of the movie. He is only stopping at military bases.

Thanks to Bob and Sharon for sharing this with us.



Bob and Sharon's daughter, Kim, is in the front and actor Matt McConaughey is standing the rear.



Matt McConaughey's Airstream all decked out to promote his new movie Sahara.



"PEDRO" says, "BIENVENIDOS!" FIESTA DE CHARTER OAK CT RAL

August 5, 6, 7, 2005

at Traveler's Woods of New England
152 River Street, Bernardston, MA 01337

Hosts: The Goulds, The Sasutas, The Bartrams

Rally Colors are red, green and white - Mexican Flag colors.

Please bring (and wear!) sombreros or serapes or any other Mexican items.

COCU has the use of the pavilion for all our acttivities. Electricity & water are provided.

Following is a preliminary schedule of the rally:

FRIDAY: (arrive after 12 noon)4:30 Social Hour- Mock-Margaritas (non-

alcoholic) will be served. Please bring a snack to

share.

6:00 Dinner: Taco Soup

7:30 Ice Cream served

SATURDAY:

8 A.M. Breakfast of French Toast and sausage

Day free for touring

4 P.M. Salsa Party - bring snack to share and

your own beverage.

5:30 Chalupas (Southwestern Dinner) Served. Please bring salads to complement our Mexican

Theme.

7:30 Jessie Cake!!!!!

SUNDAY:

8 A.M. Muffins, toast, cereal buffet

Leave at your leisure.

Reservations	must be made by July 28th
Name:	WBCC1#
	How Many Kids?
Auto Make/ST Lic#	RV size
Camping 2 nights for \$35 Foo	od Service @ \$12.50 (Kids under 12 free
Send check to: Dick Bartram 30	01 Cedar In, New Hartford, CT 06057







"Charter Oak Western Roundup"

September 30, October 1 & 2, 2005

Nickerson Campground in Chaplin, CT Hosts: Fran & Maureen Eckels, Pete & Laurie Soucy, Bob & Anne Werth

HEY BUCK-A-ROOS! Think "Western"!
Bring/wear your cowboy hats, boots, spurs, saddles...no horses!
ALL ROUNDUPS UNDER THE TENT, EXCEPT CAMPFIRES!

Friday September, 30th

4:00pm: "Branding" Happy Hour (bring beverage/snack)

*Dinner on your own, dessert to be followed at the campfire

Saturday, October 1st

8:00am: Saddle Up for Breakfast (pancakes, sausage, juice, coffee)

10:00am: Free Time -- Hiking in Natchaug Forest OR Buell's Candy Apple Making Tour

4:00pm: "Branding" Happy Hour (bring beverage/snack to tent)

5:00pm: Chuck Wagon Dinner (b-b-q ribs, beans, rolls, cole slaw supplied) -- buck-a-roos, please bring

desserts

CAMPFIRE IN EVENING

Sunday, October 2nd

8:00am: Roundup for Breakfast (coffee/pastry under the tent)

*"Get Along Little Doggies" Prepare for Departure

KITTY FEE: 2 nights parking, 1 full breakfast, 1 light breakfast, 1 dinner, bread, dessert, beverages = \$50 - Camping (water and electric)

Meals - \$25 for two (kids under 12 are free)

NOTE: BRING TABLE SERVICES TO ALL MEALS, THANKS!

**Limited (5) sites with sewers for an extra \$5/weekend (call Maureen for availability)

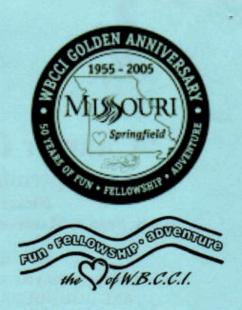
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TOTAL: \$50 \$5 (sewer) \$25/2 meals = _____

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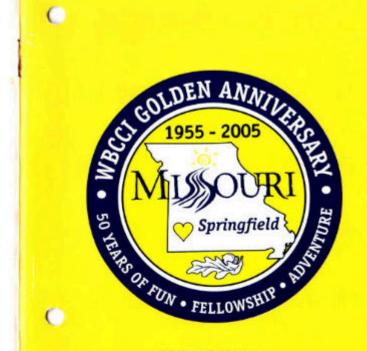
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June 2005

Dear Airstreamer:

Welcome to Springfield, Missouri and the "Golden Amiversary Rally" of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International. This is an historic event in the life of our club and you are now a part of that history. Fifty years ago, in 1955, a small group of Airstreamers caravanning through eastern Canada with Wally Byam conceived the idea of forming an RV club to carry on the rallies and caravans that Wally had started. The rest is history!



International President and First Lady

WBCCI is now the oldest caravan club in North America and one of the largest RV clubs in the world. The club was founded on democratic principles and has never wavered from those original ideas put forth by our founding members.

Springfield was chosen as the site of our "Golden Anniversary" because of its strategic location near the population center of the United States. This makes it easily accessible to the majority of our members in Canada and the S.A. It was also chosen because it has tremendous recreational appeal, rou will find that there is something for everyone in Springfield and the surrounding area. The number one tourist attraction in the state of Missouri, the Bass Pro Shops, is located right here.

Enjoy your visit, I hope you take home many fond memories of WBCCT's "Golden Anniversary." Also, I hope you will share with your friends the wonderful entertainment and time you had in Springfield!

Thanks for coming, Janie and I look forward to greeting you!

James D. Haddaway International President the Of W.B.C.C.I.

WELCOME



WELCOME TO SPRINGFIELD!

On behalf of the Springfield Convention & Visitors Bureau, I would like to extend a warm welcome to the Wally Byam Caravan Club. We are delighted to host your 2005 international Rally and hope that you will enjoy your stay in our city.

Although we know your time in Springfield will be full of activities associated with the meeting, we hope you have the opportunity to enjoy the musty things in the Springfield area our residents enjoy daily.

Springfield is home to Missouri's #1 attraction, Bass Pro Shops Outdoor World, a "must see" while here. Right next door is our newest attraction, the Wonders of Wildlife Zooquarium. We are also home to Fantastic Caverns, America's only ride through cave; Wilson's Creek National Bantlefield, the site of the first major Civil War battle west of the Mississippi; and Exotic Animal Paradise, a ride-through animal park.

Shopping abounds, from enclosed malls to quaint antique shops. And our 600 restaurants feature a variety of cuisine. Just a short, beautiful ride away is the BearssonTable Rock Lake area with a variety of shows and amusement parks. Whatever you are looking for, I am sure you will find it here.

We wish you a successful rally and look forward to welcoming you to Springfield in June/July 2005. If there is anything we can do to make your 2005 rally more enjoyable, please do not hesitate to call on us.

Tracy Kimbelin Executive Director Springfield Convention & Visitors Bureau

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International Board of Trustees (IBT)	
National Caravan	
Unit Parade Chairmen	
Vintage Club	11,19,19,21

HOSPITAL URGENT CARE/PHARMACIES

HOSPITALS:

417-886-5239

Cox Health Systems North 1423 N Jefferson Ave. Springfield, MO

St Johns Hospital 1235 E Cherokee ST. Springfield, MO 417-885-2000

URGENT CARE/WALK-IN CLINICS:

Cox Urgent Care at hospital 1423 N Jefferson Ave.

Springfield, MO Hours: 11 AM- 11PM, Daily 2619 N Kansas Expressway Springfield, MO 417-866-5550

Hours 8 - 8 PM M-F, Sat 9-5,

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Sun 11-6

PHARMACIES:

Walgreens's Pharmacy 1140 E Keaney ST Springfield, MO 417-869-5112

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Strafford Family Pharmacy Pine ST & Madison ST

Strafford, MO (go north to RT. 66 from Parking Site, turn right and go about 3 - 4 miles to Strafford, turn left on Madison to Pine).

Hours 9- 6 M-F, 102 Sat., Emergency 417-736-2275

DENTAL CARE:

Northside Dental Clinic 2105 W Kearney Springfield, MO 417-862-2468

Total Family Dental Care 540 W LaSalle Springfield, MO 417-883-3333

TO SPRINGFIELD



On behalf of the City of Springfield, it is an honor and distinct pleasure to welcome the Wally Byam Caravan Chib International Rolly to our City Jame 25, 2007 - July 5, 2007. Springfield is situated in the heart of Quark Mountain Country and is one of the flattest growing cities in the Malwest. It is a region bleased with march sparing cities in the Malwest. It is a region bleased with march sparing cities and boundful streams with a wide variety of water recreation activities. It am confident that these natural attractions would provide ample material for both your personal enjoyment and your professional endowers.

Springfield is in the midst of an exciting Conser-City redevelopment project named Jordan Valley Park. Deiven by a long-range vision created by our citizens, the project niready features the new Jordan Valley Ice Park, a malfi-purpose facility featuring two NILL-size ice shorts, and an adjacent 12-acre park with a flouristic and water feature designed to evoke as Ozaria stream. In the field of 2000, we opered a new 110,000-square-foot Exposition Center with an adjacent parking deck. The Springfield Cardinals, a Double A affiliate of the St. Louis Cardinals, opened their inaugural season in April 2005 at the new 8,100-seat Hammons Field baseball studium, also home to the SMS Baseball Bears. A short walk on the new Jordan Creek Openway or a drive on new Streetscapes links the Jordan Valley development to our traditional do metown area.

Our downtown area features a variety of restaurants in all price and taste ranges, art galleries and the historic Landers Theatre, built in 1909 and recently renovated in its baroque Rentistance/Nepolatin architecture and decor. Dovertown and Jordan Valley also are close to several of the City's most popular vinues, such as the hards-on Discovery Center, a children's solonee museum, the Walnut Street Historic District and the Juanita K. Harratonic Center for the Performing Arts at Southwest Missouri State University.

Springfield in home to many area attractions such as the Missouri Sports Hall of Farre, Wilson's Creek National Bambeleld (Crief War), Diskerson Park Zoo, and size public and private golf courses. You might also miyor visiting our Japanese Strolf Garden complete with a traditional ton but. Springfield is the beadquaters of Bass Pro Shope' Outslow World, billed as the "World's Most Sportacular Sporting Goods Store," with its four-story waterfall, giant squarkers, nature center and teodormy studio

the Wonders of Widdlin Museum, located on the Bass Pro Shops' campus, is a "most see". Save a couple of hours for a tour of this creamen, an experience you will be talking about for many years.

We are muly proud of our City and the many opportunities available to our visitoes. On behalf of the City of Springfield, we welcome all participants and guests and look forward to sharing with you the hospitality of the "Queen City of the Ozarka"

THOMAS J. CARLSON, MAYOR

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International Rally Committee



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NATIONAL ANTHEMS

O Canada

O Canada! Our home and native land!

True patriot love in all thy sons command.

With glowing hearts we see thee rise,

The True North strong and free!

From far and wide, O Canada,

We stand on guard for thee.

Chorus:

God keep our land glorious and free!
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee,
O Canada, we stand on guard for thee.

Star Spangled Banner

Oh, say can you see by the dawn's early light
What so proudly we hailed at the
Twilight's last gleaming
Whose broad stripes and bright stars,
through the perilous fight
O'er the ramparts we watched were so
gallantly streaming
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air

And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there,

Oh, say does that Star Spangled Banner yet wave, O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave.

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

COMMITTEE	CHAIRMAN	WBCCI#	ROUP
Religious Service Coordinator	Carmon E Sollenberger		V
Religious Service/Catholic	Jane Sheets	00316	V-1
Religious Service/Jewish	Ray Landman	03553	V-1
Religious Service/Protestant	Carmon E Sollenberger		V-1
Safety Inspection	Warner H Hord	10416	IV-3
Safety Seminar/Traffic	Howard McMurtrie	08944	IV-3
Sanitation	Raymond Wagner	02722	IV-3
Scrapbooking	Janet Kendig	23640	III-1
Sign Erection/Removal	Edgar Mueller	15023	IV-2
Sign Shop	Pat Payne	06342	IV-2
Sign-up Tables	Calvin Skinner	14839	111-1
Space Coordinator	Ewart Phillips	00123	1-1
Special Messenger	Lois Powala	01254	V-1
Stage/Sound Controller	Herman B Hill	06508	11-3
Tables and Chairs	Wayne Shaffer	00233	11-3
Talent/Skit Contest	Jim Phalen	04614	111-2
Teen Queen Pageant	Harriette Warren	02624	111-2
Telephone	John Boutwell	03982	11-3
Tennis	Carol Wallen	06254	111-3
Tent Reservations	Marge Grosch	24724	11-3
Tours During The Rally	Leon Dussault	00247	1-1
Tractor Towing	Dale E Grosch	24724	IV-1
Traffic Control	W C "Jim" Grimes	03144	IV-1
Trailer Display, New	Dave Schumann	00049	1-1
Transportation, Buses	Barbara Grimes	03144	111-3
Typing/Clerical Pool	Sherelyn McLaury	07414	V-1
Unit History Contest	Carolyn L Florence	03500	III(
Unit Officer Workshop	Marilyn Collins	00217	1-1
Unit Publications	Louise Humble	01238	111-2
Usherettes	Martha Keans	00230	1-1
Vehicle Procurement	Marion Krajewski	08860	IV-3
Vendors, Inside	Richard Arnold	17953	11-2
Vendors, Outside	Larry Skeen	05096	11-2
Vintage Airstream Seminar	Bob Herman	08556	11-2
Volunteer Recognition	Dale Webb	00334	1-1
Water	William Fleming	03256	IV-1
Welcome Committee	Roy DeWitte	02060	IV-1
Youth, General/PreTeens	Linda Amme	06056	11-1
Youth, Registration	David & Mildred Gaehri		11-1
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2005 "GOLDEN ANNIVERSITY" RALLY



IMPORTANT THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

"What to do, when it happens, where to find it"

BADGES

All persons attending must wear badges and ribbons to be admitted to all the programs. Write your WBCCI number on the back of your ribbon so, if lost, and some are at every rally, it can be returned.

FRIENDSHIP CENTER

The Friendship Center is in the Expo Center Lower Atrium. Please note that activities in the WBCCI Friendship Center area will be closed during the evening programs and Opening Ceremony.

HEARING IMPAIRED

Arrangements have been made to assist any of our hearing impaired members during the evening programs. Ask the Usherettes for assistance.

MAIL SERVICE

The POST OFFICE located at the Parking site will be open June 24, 11:00 am to 4:30 pm daily, except on Sundays. The last mail call will be July 3 (there is no mail delivery on July 4).

MEDICAL INFORMATION

Medical Information is in the Expo Center Mezzanine Room 1B. Nurses, Doctors and other Medical Technicians will be available for blood pressure readings and referrals. Our medical service is not a treatment service. No medication or treatment is available or allowed to be administered to rally participants. Addresses for Hospitals, Urgent Care & Pharmacies listed on page 30.

PET OWNERS

Pet owners are reminded that all pets must be on a leash when outside your Airstream. PETS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN ANY BUILDING. Once again the "Doctor is in" sign will be out each morning, Monday through Friday from 8:00 am until 9:00 am, emergencies at any time, in the Vintage Parking area, at the RV of Bert Kalet, DVM, WBCCI #6957. Consult the locator board for exact location.

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

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aster of Ceremonies	Vernon Goodwin	00131	1-1
Medical Information	Betty Sullivan	06665	111-3
Membership Workshop	Marilyn Collins	00217	111-2
Message Ctr/Scooter Patrol	Earl Leggett	05249	IV-2
Microwave/Conv. Class 1	Violet C Scheibe	06847	111-3
Microwave/Conv. Class 2	Sarah Doerr	02730	III-3
Opening Anthems	Edward Whitacre	05852	1-1
Opening & Closing	Norman Hewer	00133	1-1
Pancakes	Jerome Sproge	00322	IV-3
Parade	Cecil W Grisham	06295	11-3
Parking	Marvin Lane	04531	IV-1
Past Region Pres. Lunch	Howard T Lance	00269	11-2
Personalizing Your Airstream	Richard & Jean Patton	04049	IV-2
Pet Show	John & Lois Camealy	02160	III-1
Pet Sick Call	Bert Kalet	06957	111-1
Piano/Organ	Jane Griffith	02122	11-2
Photo Print Contest	Nancy Longworth	16744	111-2
Photo Slide Contest	Mary Curtis	01549	111-2
Photographer	H. Robert Helker	02169	1-1
Place Markers	Martha Kerns	00230	1-1
Pre-rally News	Max Joseph	07157	1-1
Print Shop	Wanita Bublis	00315	V-1
Program Editor	John P Bergen	00321	1-1
Propane Service/Seminar	Edward L Gilbert	12864	IV-2
Property Control	Don Ray Leedham	01659	VI-1
Prostate Cancer CA	James G Moss	00324	IV-2
ablic Relations	Leonard Sullivan	06665	1-1
Purchasing	Edward Knernschield	09559	VI-1
Quilts	Judith Richers	00239	111-1
Radio, Amateur	Joseph Kolb	01060	IV-2
Radio, CB	Joan Viney	13854	IV-2
Rally Appt. Secretary	Bettie Webb	00314	V-1
Rally Chairmen Secretary	Barbara Z Bergen	00321	V-1
Rally Coordinator Secretary	Barbara Sproge	00322	V-1
Rally Hdqtrs. Receptionist	Jean Helker	02169	V-1
Rally Pre-Registration	Karmen Younts	01416	11-1
Rally VP's Secretary	Colet Schmidt	03316	V-1
Region VP's Workshop	Marilyn Collins	00217	1-1
Registration	Virginia Scott	31795	VI-1
Religious Morning Devotions	Nancy Whiteley	24736	V-1

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COMMITTEE	CHAIRMAN	WBCCI#	
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Early Workers' Dinner	Robert Black	00226	1
Early Workers' Tours	Julia Lyon	09784	III-3
Electric Installation	Robert Mann	03446	IV-1
Engineering	Darwin W Brugger	08472	IV-1
Entertainment Receptionist	Barbara Dezendorf	08564	1-1
Entry Verification	Frank J Wagner	29188	IV-1
Escort Coordinator	John Carriker III	03679	111-2
Field Service Canteen	Charles & Doris Jean		
		02326	IV-3
Fine Needle Arts	Shirley Bishop	10025	111-1
First Timers	Jan Barrera	14536	111-2
Flag Ceremony	Bill Minor	00037	1-1
Flea Market/Hobby Sale	Fred Brandt	03641	11-1
Friendship Center	Anna Janesko	31788	11-2
Full Timer Seminar	Lorraine Peirce	06996	111-2
Future Rally Site	Wilson Yerk	00287	11-3
Games, Indoor	Dorothy Sampson	08583	111-1
Games, Outdoor	Martha A Butschek	14058	111-3
Golf Tournament	Raymond Brunk	09933	111-3
Grounds After Rally	Clarence Jones	21438	IV-3
Guest Badges	Sue Collins	00212	V-1
Handicapped Area	Dave Buttleman	09694	IV-2
Headquarters Liaison	Gloria Shaffer	00233	V-1
History Display, WBCCI	Loretta A Moss	00324	V-1
Hobby Show	Nova Fleming	03256	111-1
Inaugural Ball Reception/Flags	Harold Kerns	00230	H-1
Incentives Drawing	John Shull	00132	1-(
Information/Lost & Found	Gwen Huffman	01684	III-3
Installation of Officers	Max Carmichael	00137	11-2
Job Descriptions	William "Bill" Taylor	15303	V-1
Joker	Jamye Goodwin	00131	111-1
Judges Acquisition	Elnora Moss	00335	111-2
Keys	Julia Wagner	29188	VI-1
Knitting	Mary Ann Braden	02812	111-3
Line Dancing	Joyce A Grawe	09017	111-3
Locator Service	Red Dieter	19042	VI-1
Luncheons & Dinners	Charles & Emogene Du		
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Mail Service	Phil Azeredo	31185	IV-2

PROPANE

Propane will not be sold at the International Rally parking site. However, commercial vendors are available nearby.

ROGRAMS AND SCHEDULES

Scheduled activities for special groups that are not in the program booklet may be obtained at the sign-up tables or from the bulletin boards. Any program or schedule change will be posted on the Bulletin Board in the Expo Center Upper Atrium.

RALLY COMPETITIVE EVENTS

Sign-up tables for Golf, Horseshoes, Holeyboard and Tennis are located in the Expo Center Upper Mezzanine. Individuals interested in participating in any of these outdoor activities must visit the appropriate table to (1) sign up and (2) learn when and where the activities will be held. The times and locations are not listed in the program of daily activities. Also in the Expo Center Upper Mezzanine are sign-up tables for a wide variety of other activities. Visit the area and sign up for your favorites. Special program schedules are also available for field trips and tours.

SOUND SYSTEM

Any Chairman needing a sound system must contact the Stage/Sound Controller at least 24 hours in advance. His Office is located in the Committee Chairmen's Office, Expo Center Room 2C.

WALLY BYAM CONTROL

Listen to Ch. 14 to hear announcements, program changes, and to aport emergencies that may arise. Please do not tie up Channel 14 ith personal messages. Open the squelch, until you hear static on your set, and make sure that Channel 14 is clear before transmitting. Use Channel 14 to contact your friends and then switch to another channel above 20 for your conversation. Please realize that we must also share the channel with local CB users. Announcements are made at the following times:7:30 am,10:00 am,12:30 pm, 5:00 pm, 10:00 pm.

VIDEO TAPING OF PROGRAMS

Many programs at the international permit taping, but some do not want videos taken. Almost without exception all PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS will not permit their program to be taped. If you want to tape a program, check with the Entertainment Receptionist Chairman and get their permission ahead of time to avoid any embarrassment.

WHERE TO FIND PEOPLE WHO COORDINATE ACTIVITIES

WBCCI OFFICE HOURS 9:00 AM -12:00 / 1:00-4:00 PM

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Activities Board Expo Center Upper Atrium
Airstream Display
Airstream Service & Parts
Amateur Radio Base Mobile Home at Parking Site
Attendance by States Expo Center Lower Mezzanine
Awards Supervisor Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2E
Bulletin Boards Expo Center Lower Mezzanine
CB & Wally Byam Control Home at Parking Site
Caravan Leaders University Plaza Taneycomo Room
Cargo & Task Force
Carpenters Garage at Parking Site
Cashier Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2F
City, State & Rally Information Expo Center Upper Atrium
Club Store Expo Center Upper Mezzanine
Committee Chairmen's Office Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2C
Computer Services University Plaza Table Rock Room
Contest Results Board Expo Center Upper Atrium
Coordinators Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2D
Controller Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2F
Credentials & Ribbons (with Registration) Expo Center Upper Mezzanine
E-mail Service
Financial Services Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2F
Friendship Center Expo Center Lower Mezzanine
Guest Badges Expo Center Upper Mezzani
Headquarters Liaison Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2B
Information and Lost & Found Expo Center Upper Atrium
International President Expo Center Show Office
International Vice Presidents Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2A
International Secretary Expo Center Show Office
International Treasurer Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2F
International Immediate Past President
Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2A

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

	COMMITTEE	CHAIRMAN	WBCCI#	Area
				Group
(Aerial Photo	Charles Kennedy	00284	1-1
73	Airstream Seminar/Vendors	Dave Schumann	00049	IV-2
	Art Show	Matilda Roberson	14245	111-1
	Awards Supervisor	Bernie Carriker	15886	111-2
	Band, Concert and Stage	John M Landry	05882	11-2
	Blue & Gold Dinner	W.A. Oweiss	00295	1-7
	Bookkeeper, Rally	June Ryan	02326	VI-1
	Bridge, Duplicate	Don Conner	27197	111-1
	Bridge, Party	Helen Leggett	05249	111-1
	Building Security	Lois Nuckles	03118	11-2
	Bull Pen	Clifford A Hall	00277	IV-1
	Bulletin Board Coordinator	Donald Sutton	00286	11-3
	Bulletin Board/Intra Clubs	Bernard Solomon	01691	11-3
	Bulletin Boards/Unit & Region	Edward Curran	03025	11-3
	Camcorder/Video	William Cordsen	04350	1-1
	Canada Day	Al Stahl	00298	1-1
	Canine Park	Ken B Harris	30798	IV-3
	Caravan Publications Contest	Linda Keutzer	01908	111-2
	Caravan Training	Gary Fithian	27912	11-2
	Caravans, Natl. Promotion	Chuck Kiple	03607	11-2
	Cargo	Richard Lee McLaury	07414	IV-1
	Carpenter	Percy N Veile	04445	IV-3
	Cashier, Rally	John Perryman	03629	VI-1
	Choir Director	Donita Pyles	13299	11-2
	Club Store	Morris & Shirley Clo	dfelter	
-			03066	VI-1
(Community Service	Marlyn Hofsteller	14438	11-1
	Computer Seminars	Eugene Sturdevant	09407	111-3
	Computer Services	R C "Wag" Wagnon	00139	VI-1
	Contest Results	Lynette Dussault	08153	111-2
	Controller, Rally	Joe Bublis	00315	VI-1
	Craft Workshop	Lilly Putney	00429	III-1
	Credentials	Betty Kenney	00276	V-1
	Daily Schedule Board	Norma Hilvers	00328	11-3
	Dancing, Ballroom	George Kotrch	13858	11-2
	Decorations, Dinner	June Crawford	17281	1-1
	Decorations, Stage	Ron Amme	06050	1-1
	Delegates Mtg. Supervisor	Kenneth VanHart	00125	1-1

HKEH OF RESPONSIBILITY

AREA I - INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT, JIM HADDAWAY Group 1 Region 5 Coordinator
AREA II - 1ST VICE PRESIDENT, JIM FRANKLIN
Group 1 Region 8
Coordinator Darrell Waters
Assistants Norman J Beu/Betty Sullivan
Group 2 Region 11
Coordinator
Assistants Ron Starcher/Chester Haughawaut
Group 3 Region 2
Coordinator
Assistants Barry Heckenswiler/Don McKelvay
AREA III - 2ND VICE PRESIDENT, DON SHAFER
Group 1 Region 9
CoordinatorJerry Larson
Assistants
Group 2 Region 12
Coordinator
Assistant
Group 3 Region 3
Coordinator
Assistants Thomas Tisdel/Julian T Clements
AREA IV - 3RD VICE PRESIDENT, JERRY COLLINS
Group 1 Region 10
Coordinator
Assistants
Group 2 Region 1
Coordinator Raynold Lemaire
Assistants Robert E Thompson/Franklin Sanders
Group 3 Region 4
Coordinator
Assistants Richard Osborne/Charles Wise
AREA V - RECORDING SECRETARY, JEAN DUSSAULT
Group 1 Region 6
Coordinator Lois Kalthoff
Assistants Phil Risher/Bill McManemin
AREA VI - TREASURER, DICK BARTRAM
Group 1 Region 7
CoordinatorJohn Tetzlaff
AssistantsPearl Adams

WHERE TO FIND PEOPLE WHO COORDINATE ACTIVITIES

	udges Acquisition University Plaza Executive Board Room
	Keys, Building Key Chairman Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2C
	Locator Board Chairman
	Lost & Found and Information Expo Center Upper Atrium
	Luncheons & Dinners Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2B
	Mail Service WBCCI Trailer at Parking Site
	Master of Ceremonies Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2B
	Medical Information Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 1B
	Message Center & Scooter Patrol Home at Parking Site
	Parade Chairman Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2C
	Parliamentarian Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2A
	Print Shop Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2G
	Program Editor Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2E
	Property Control Expo Center Cargo Dock
	Public Relations Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2E
	Purchasing Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2F
	Rally Appointments Secretary . Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2B
	Registration Expo Center Upper Mezzanine
	Security Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2C
	Reliable Chevrolet Display Parking Site
	Sign Shop Expo Center Cargo Dock
	Sign-up Tables Expo Center Upper Mezzanine
	Space Coordinator Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2E
	Stage/Sound Controller Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2C
	Tables & Chairs Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2C
ř	Tent Reservations Member # 24724 by large WBCCI Tent
Ŀ	raffic Control Mobile Home at Parking Site
	Typing & Clerical Pool Expo Center Upper Mezzanine Room 2G
	Unit Bulletin Boards Expo Center Upper Atrium
	Usherettes Expo Center Lower Atrium Room 1A
	Vendors Expo Center Upper Mezzanine
	Youth/Teen Activities

 * All Rally Chairmen have office space or can be contacted through the Rally Committee Chairmen Secretary in Expo Center Room 2C.

Daily Activities Schedule

Friday, June 24 8:00 am - 4:00 pm RALLY PARKING 8:30 am - 4:00 pm Teen Queen Practice Convention Center Nebraska Room 8:30 am - 4:00 pm WBCCI International Board of Trustees Seminar (Open to all members) Expo Center Hall C 9:00 am - 10:00 am Choir Practice (Everyone Welcome) University Plaza Missouri Room 9:00 am - 12:00 pm REGISTRATION ... Expo Center Upper Atrium 9:00 am Friendship Center will be open each day of the rally except during Opening Ceremony, evening programs and Sunday mornings . . . Lower Atrium 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Club Store & Vendors Expo Center Upper Mezzanine 11:30 am- 1:30 pm Region Past Presidents' Luncheon . . . Crystal Room, Kentwood Hall 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm REGISTRATION .. Expo Center Upper Atrium 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Sign-up Tables ... Expo Center Upper Mezzanine 8:00 pm Jewish Worship Service Temple Israel "Directions will be posted on Bulletin Board" Saturday, June 25 8:00 am - 3:00 pm Airstream Store & Service ... Airstream Tent 8:00 am - 4:00 pm RALLY PARKING 8:30 am - 12:00 pm WBCCI International Board of Trustees Seminar (Open to all members) Expo Center Hall 8:30 am - 12:00 pm Teen Queen Practice Convention Center Nebraska Room 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Club Store & Vendors Expo Center Upper Mezzanine 9:00 am - 10:00 am Choir Practice (Everyone Welcome) . . University Plaza Missouri Room 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm REGISTRATION ... Expo Center Upper Atrium 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Sign-up Tables ... Expo Center Upper Mezzanine 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm Committee Chairmen's Meeting Expo Center Hall A 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm UNIT PRESIDENTS' APPRECIATION DINNER (by Invitation only)

Sunday, July 3, continued

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Vendors Expo Center Upper Mezzanine 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Registration for 2006 International Rally

. Expo Center Upper Atrium

.... Expo Center Hall C

Evening Program

7:15 pm Announcements
7:30 pm ENTERTAINER "JIM OWENS"

INSTALLATION OF YOUR INTERNATIONAL

OFFICERS FOR 2005-2006

(followed by)

Receiving line by Flags

Inaugural Ball Expo Center Hall A

Monday, July 4

U. S. Independence Day: Wear Red, White & Blue 10:00 am WBCCI Fourth of July Parade

Followed by

Time for Region, Unit & Group Picnics

Evening Program

7:15 pm Announcements

7:30 pm ENTERTAINER "PAM TILLIS"

CLOSING CEREMONY Expo Center Hall C

Tuesday, July 5

8:00 am

2005-2006 Executive Committee Meeting

(followed by)

2005-2006 WBCCI International Board of

Trustees Seminar/Meeting (Open to all members)

. . . . University Plaza Illinois Room

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. . . . University Plaza Oklahoma-Illinois Room

Saturda	v. July	2. continued		Sunday	. June	26
20 July 10 Sept 10 Sep		Unit Newsletter & Directory Seminar University Plaza Arkansas Room ABC				Choir Assembly Expo Center Hall CINTERDENOMINATIONAL SERVICE
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		Last Day to Pick Up Mail				Region 8 Breakfast Bass Pro White River Room
11:30 am-	2:00 pm	Committee Chairmen's Appreciation Luncheon (by Invitation Only)	4	12:00 pm-	4:00 pm	Vendors Expo Center Upper Mezzanine
		Convention Center Iowa & Nebraska Room		Monday	. June	27
1:00 pm -	2:30 pm	Motorhome Maintenance Roundtable by Phred Sez University Plaza Illinois Room	•	8:00 am		2004-2005 WBCCI Executive Committee Meeting (followed by)
1:30 pm -	3:30 pm	Full Timers' Seminar (2 of 2)				WBCCI International Board of Trustees
	(For ex	sperienced Full Timers - open to all members) University Plaza Arkansas Room ABC				Meeting (Open to all members)
1:30 pm -	4:00 pm	WBCCI Computer Club General Meeting"		8:00 am		Red Cross Emergency Communications Response
	-10	University Plaza Colorado Room B		0.00 am		Vehicle (ECRV) on display near Amateur Radio
2:00 pm -	4:00 pm	Genealogy Club Meeting/Seminar		8:00 am -	4:00 pm	RALLY PARKING
		Convention Center Georgia Room				Airstream Store & Service Airstream Tent
2:15 pm	3:45 pm	Golden Anniversary Caravan, N-34GA-1				Teen Queen Practice
		University Plaza Kansas Room A			100000000	Convention Center Nebraska Room
2:15 pm	3:45 pm	Golden Anniversary Caravan, N-34GA-2		9:00 am -	4:00 pm	Club Store & Vendors
		University Plaza Kansas Room B			2000	Expo Center Upper Mezzanine
2:15 pm	3:45 pm	Golden Anniversary Caravan, N-34GA-3		9:00 am -	5:00 pm	Airstream Sales Airstream Display Area
		University Plaza Kansas Room C		10:00 am		Vintage Airstream Caravan Parade into
		Evening Program		1:00 pm -	4:00 nm	REGISTRATION Expo Center Upper Atrium
7:15 pm		Announcements				Sign-up Tables Expo Center Upper Mezzanine
7:30 pm		A ONE ACT PLAY				Building & Gate Security Meeting
1.50 pm		ENTERTAINMENT		Lioo piii	5.00 piii	Expo Center Hall A
		"SALUTE TO WALLY BYAM"	1	2:00 pm -	4:00 pm	Choir Practice (Everyone Welcome)
8:00 pm		TEEN QUEEN PAGEANT Expo Center Hall C	(and how	University Plaza Missouri Room
After Progr	ram	Ballroom Dancing # 4 Expo Center Hall C		2:00 pm -	4:00 pm	FLAG PRACTICE (with poles only)
		Teen Sock Hop & Ball Shrine Temple				Expo Center Hall C
				3:00 pm -	4:00 pm	Unit Parade Chairmen's Meeting
Sunday,	July 3	3		Charles and		Expo Center Hall A
		Choir Assembly Expo Center Hall C		7:30 pm		Big Band Ballroom Dance #1 Expo Center Hall C
10:00 am -	9:30 am	INTERDENOMINATIONAL SERVICE				Control of the Contro
10.00 am-	11.00 am	Expo Center Hall C		Tuesda	y, June	28
11:30 am -	2:00 nm	Region 7 Luncheon Bass Pro Shop Restaurant				Blue Beret Day: Wear it with pride!
11:30 am -	2:00 pm	Region 9 Luncheon . Tower Club, Hammons Tower		7:15 am -	7:45 am	Morning Devotions WBCCI Large Tent
		Flea Market & Craft Sales		8:00 am -	8:45 am	Line Dancing Expo Center Hall A
rioo piii	oloo piii	1:00 pm - 2:00 pm - Set Up		8:00 am		Red Cross Emergency Communications Response
		2:00 pm - 2:30 pm - Wheel Chairs Admitted				Vehicle (ECRV) on display near Amateur Radio
		2:30 pm - 5:00 pm - Selling		8:00 am -	9:45 am	Vintage Club Board Meeting
		Expo Center Lower Mezzanine				University Plaza Kansas Room A
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Tuesda	y, June	28, continued
8:00 am -	4:00 pm	RALLY PARKING
8:00 am -		Airstream Store & Service Airstream Tent
9:00 am -		Airstream Sales Airstream Display Are
10:00 am		PARADE OF FLAGS & OPENING CEREMONY Expo Center Hall C
11:30 am	- 2:00 pm	Region 11 Luncheon
12-00	2.00	Convention Center Georgia Room Region 4 Luncheon Bass Pro, Hemingway Room
12:00 pm -		
12:00 pm -	4:00 pm	Expo Center Upper Mezzanine
1:00 pm	2:00 nm	Artistic Design
1:00 pm -	2.00 pm	"Traveling Lightly Fashion Show"
		University Plaza Kansas Room B
1:00 pm -	2-00 nm	RV Super Saver, LLC "RV Safety & Handling"
1.00 pm -	2.00 pm	University Plaza Kansas Room A
1:00 nm -	2-30 nm	Computer Class (1 of 8)
1.00 pm	2.30 pm	"Exploring Beginning Computers"
		University Plaza Colorado Room B
1:00 pm -	2:30 pm	RV Safety Education Foundation (1 of 3)
		University Plaza Arkansas Room ABC
		First Timers' Seminar Expo Center Hall A
1:00 pm -	4:00 pm	Teen Queen Practice
		Convention Center Nebraska Room
1:00 pm -	4:00 pm	Caravan Discussion Session (open to all)
		University Plaza Kansas Room C
1:00 pm -	4:00 pm	Airstream Angels (1 of 4)
		"Cardiac Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)"
		University Plaza Colorado Room A
1:00 pm -		REGISTRATION Expo Center Upper Atrium
		Sign-up Tables Expo Center Upper Mezzanine
2:15 pm -	3:15 pm	Blue OX "Towing, Supplemental Braking, Steering & RV Accessories"
		University Plaza Kansas Room A
2:45 pm	4:30 pm	Computer Class (2 of 8) "Adobe Photo Shop
(Interpretation)		Elements for McIntosh & PC's"
		University Plaza Colorado Room B
3:00 pm -	4:00 pm	Larry Huttle, Chairman of Airstream
		Expo Center Hall C

,	7:15 pm	Announcements
	':30 pm	CANADA NIGHT
		ENTERTAINMENT
		"THE RONNIE PROPHET SHOW"
		Expo Center Hall C
	Saturday, July	12
	7:15 am - 7:45 am	Morning Devotions WBCCI Large Tent
	7:30 am - 9:30 am	Region 12 Breakfast
		University Plaza Oklahoma Room
	8:00 am - 8:45 am	Line Dancing Expo Center Hall A
		Vintage Club Board Meeting
		University Plaza Kansas Room A
	8:00 am - 12:00 pm	Airstream Store & Service Airstream Tent
		All Unit Bulletin Boards must be picked up
	8:30 am - 10:00 am	Holeyboard Contest Parking Site
	8:30 am - 10:00 am	
		University Plaza Texas Room
	8:30 am - 11:30 am	Introduction to Caravanning (Part 3 of 3)
		Convention Center Georgia Room
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8:30 am - 4:00 pm Teen Queen Practice Expo Center Hall C

9:00 am - 11:00 am Amateur Radio FCC Exam (2 of 2)

(Technician/General/Extra Class)

9:00 am - 11:00 am Pet Show WBCCI Large Tent

9:00 am - 5:00 pm Airstream Sales Airstream Display Area

9:00 am - 4:00 pm Registration for 2006 International Rally

10:00 am-11:00 pm National/Special Event Rallies Seminar

. . . . University Plaza Kansas Room BC

. . . . Expo Center Upper Mezzanine

. Expo Center Upper Atrium

. Expo Center Lower Mezzanine

. Expo Center Hall A

(Open to everyone interested in conducting rallies)

9:00 am -10:00 am Fine Needle Arts Seminar

9:00 am - 4:00 pm Club Store & Vendors

9:15 am - 12:00 pm Party Bridge (3 of 3)

Evening Program

Friday, July 1, continued

Friday, July 1	Club Store & Vendors
3.00 am - 4.00 pm	Expo Center Upper Mezzanine
9:00 am - 5:00 nm	Airstream Sales Airstream Display An
9:15 am - 12:00 pm	Party Bridge (2 of 3)
3.13 am - 12.00 pm	Expo Center Lower Mezzanine
10:00 am-12:00 nm	Microwave/Convection Seminar
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10:00 am-12:00 pm	Teen Queen Talent Judging Expo Center Hall C
	Full Timers' Seminar (1 of 2)
10.00 am 12.00 pm	(For Explorers of Full Timing: Open to All)
	University Plaza Arkansas Room ABC
10:30 am-12:00 pm	Personalizing Your Airstream
TOISO MIT TELOO PITT	University Plaza Kansas Room BC
10:30 am-12:00 pm	Skit Show Rehearsal
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11:00 am-12:00 pm	Future Rally Site Presentation
r troo am raiso p	University Plaza Colorado B
11:30 am - 2:00 pm	WBCCI Amateur Radio Club Annual Meeting
	Luncheon & Election of Officers
	University Plaza Illinois Room
11:30 am - 2:00 pm	Region 6 Luncheon . Tower Club, Hammons Tower
	Region 2 Luncheon Oasis Inn
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Vintage Seminar "Care & Feeding of Batteries"
	University Plaza Kansas Room BC
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm	Computer Class (7 of 8) "Greeting Card Design"
	University Plaza Colorado Room B
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm	Membership Workshop Expo Center Hall A
	Capetown to Cairo Exploration Seminar
	(Open to Everyone)
	Convention Center Georgia Room
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Scrapbooking Seminar
	University Plaza Texas Room
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Airstream Angels (4 of 4)
	"Mass Care" (Overview)
	University Plaza Kansas Room A
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Hand & Foot Game
	Expo Center Lower Mezzanine
1:00 pm - 4:30 pm	Duplicate Bridge (3 of 3)
	Expo Center Lower Mezzanine
1:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Talent/Skit Contest
	Convention Center Nebraska Room
2:45 pm - 4:30 pm	Computer Class (8 of 8)
EK A	"Working with Digital Photography"
	University Plaza Colorado Room B

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Evening Program Announcements 7:15 pm 7:30 pm SPRINGFIELD NIGHT ENTERTAINER "GARY ELLISON" Following Program Ballroom Dancing # 2 Expo Center Hall C Wednesday, June 29 Rally Color Day: Wear Navy Blue, Gold & White 7:15 am - 7:45 am Morning Devotions WBCCI Large Tent 7:30 am - 9:00 am Region 5 Breakfast Convention Center Georgia Room 7:30 am - 9:00 am Region 10 Breakfast Oasis Inn 8:00 am - 8:45 am Line Dancing Expo Center Hall A 8:00 am - 2:15 pm Photo Slide Contest University Plaza Texas Room 8:00 am - Set Up 9:00 am - Judging 1:00 pm - Viewing 8:00 am - 3:00 pm Unit Publications Contest Convention Center Iowa Room (Newsletters & Directories) 8:00 am - Set Up 9:00 am - Judging 1:00 pm - Viewing 8:00 am - 3:00 pm Unit History Book Contest Convention Center Iowa Room 8:00 am - Set Up 9:00 am - Judging 1:00 pm - Viewing 8:00 am - 3:00 pm Caravan Publication Contest Convention Center Iowa Room 8:00 am - Set Up 9:00 am - Judging 1:00 pm - Viewing 8:00 am - 3:00 pm Photo Print Contest Convention Center Iowa Room 8:00 am - Set Up 9:00 am - Judging 1:00 pm - Viewing 8:00 am - 4:00 pm RALLY PARKING

Tuesday, June 28, continued

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8:00 am - 4:30 pm Airstream Store & Service Airstream Tent 8:30 am - 9:30 am AJL Solar Seminar Arkansas Room ABC

Wednesday, J	une 29, continued
8:30 am- 9:30 am	Fowler Interiors Seminar "RV Refurbishing"
	University Plaza Colorado Room B
9:00 am - 11:00 am	Amateur Radio FCC Exam (1 of 2)
	(Technician/General/Extra Class)
	University Plaza Kansas Room BC
9:00 am - 4:00 pm	Airstream Company Vendors Seminars
(A list	of vendors will be posted with participating vendor
par	ticipants and times at entrance to seminar)
	Expo Center Hall A
9:00 am - 4:00 pm	Club Store & Vendors
	Expo Center Upper Mezzanine
9:00 am - 5:00 pm	Airstream Sales Airstream Display Area
	CB Radio Seminar "Do it Yourself"
	University Plaza Arkansas Room ABC
9:45 am - 11:45 am	Beginners Joker Lessons
	Expo Center Lower Mezzanine
10:00 am-11:30 am	Appliqué Buffet Seminar (1 of 2)
	"Iron on Appliqués, Ladies Shirts & Blouses"
	University Plaza Colorado Room B
10:00 am-12:00 pm	Teen Queen Formal Judging Expo Center Hall C
11:00 am-12:00 pm	Safety/Traffic Seminar
	University Plaza Arkansas Room ABC
11:00 am - 1:00 pm	Vintage Airstream Club's Concours d'Elegance
	& Open House in both 3 & 30 amp areas
	Vintage Parking Site
11:30 am - 1:30 pm	Region 3 Luncheon
	Convention Center Georgia Room
12:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Region 1 Luncheon . Millie's Turn of Century Cafe
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm	Computer Class (3 of 8) "Microsoft Publisher" (
	University Plaza Colorado Room B
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Unit Officers Workshop
	University Plaza Kansas Room BC
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	REGISTRATION Expo Center Upper Atrium
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Sign-up Tables Expo Center Upper Mezzanine
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Duplicate Bridge (1 of 3)
	Expo Center Lower Mezzanine
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Pinochle Card Games
	Expo Center Lower Mezzanine
1:00 pm - 4:30 pm	Joker Game Tournament
	Expo Center Lower Mezzanine
1:30 pm - 3:00 pm	Teen Queen Interviews
	Convention Center Nebraska Poom

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Thursday, Jur	ne 30, continued
2:15 pm - 4:15 pm	Vintage Club Membership Meeting
	University Plaza Kansas Room BC
7:45 pm - 4:30 pm	Computer Class (6 of 8)
Control - Control	"How to Design & Build Web Pages"
	University Plaza Colorado Room B
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm	National Caravan, N-34D-2 (Viking Trail)
	Convention Center Georgia Room
	Evening Program
7:15 pm	Announcements
7:30 pm	INVITATION TO 2006 RALLY
7:45 pm	ENTERTAINMENT
	"50's - AT THE HOP Show"
Following Program	"Sock Hop" (Dress for the 50's)
	Expo Center Hall C
Friday, July 1	
	Canada Day: Wear Red and White
7:15 am - 7:45 am	Morning Devotions WBCCI Small Tent
7:30 am - 9:00 am	Vintage Club Breakfast & Awards Golden Corral
8:00 am	Golf Payne Stewart
8:00 am - 8:45 am	Line Dancing Expo Center Hall A
8:00 am - 4:30 pm	Airstream Store & Service Airstream Tent
8:30 am - 10:00 am	Teen Queen Practice Expo Center Hall C
	Introduction to Caravanning (Part 2 of 3) Convention Center Georgia Room
9:00 am- 10:00 am	SkyMed (2 of 2) University Plaza Texas Room
7:00 am - 10:00 am	Amateur Radio and Major Disasters Seminar
	(Advanced Subjects for Amateur Radio) University Plaza Kansas Room BC
9:00 am - 10:30 am	Talent Show Rehearsal
	Convention Center Nebraska Room
9:00 am - 12:00 pm	Craft Workshop (2 of 2)
	University Plaza Oklahoma Room
9:00 am - 12:00 pm	
	University Plaza Oklahoma Room
9:00 am - 12:00 pm	Airstream Angels (3 of 4)
-7/	"Introduction to Disaster Service"
	University Plaza Kansas Room A
9:00 am - 4:00 pm	Quilting University Plaza Oklahoma Room
9:00 am - 4:00 pm	Registration for 2006 International Rally
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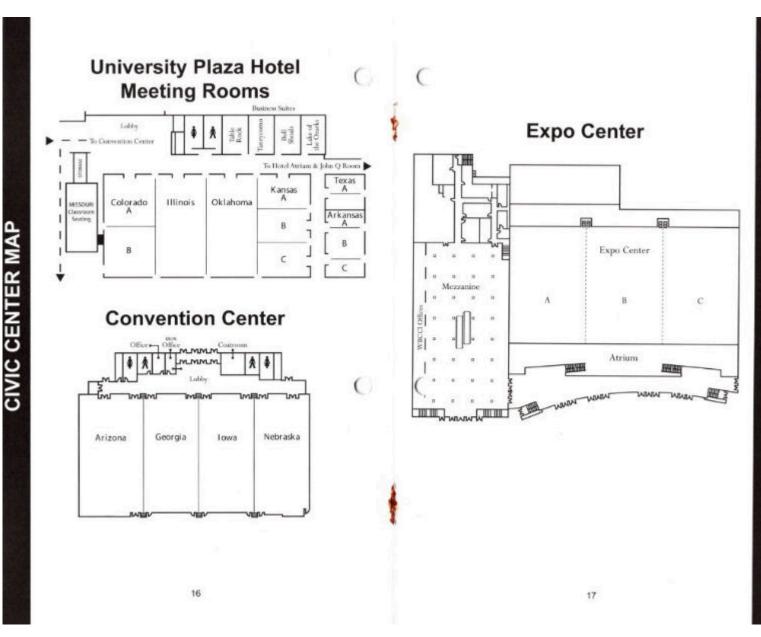
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9:15 am - 1	12:00 pm	Party Bridge (1 of 3)
		Expo Center Lower Mezzanine
10:00 am-1	11:30 am	Appliqué Buffet Seminar (2 of 2)
		"Iron on Appliqués, Ladies Shirts & Blouses"
		University Plaza Colorado Room B
10:00 am-	4:00 pm	Blood Drive Convention Center Arizona Room
10:30 am-1	11:30 am	Freightliner Custom Chassis Seminar
		University Plaza Kansas Room A
10:30 am-1	11:30 am	Vintage Seminar "Physics of Towing"
		University Plaza Kansas Room BC
10:30 am-	11:30 am	Feel Good Orthotics Seminar
		University Plaza Texas Room
10:30 am-	12:00 pm	RV Safety Education Foundation (2 of 3)
	CONTRACTOR OF PARTY	University Plaza Arkansas ABC
1:00 pm -	2:00 pm	REGISTRATION Expo Center Upper Atrium
1:00 pm -	2:00 pm	Vintage Seminar
		"Airstream Travelers 1947-57"
		University Plaza Kansas Room BC
1:00 pm -	2:00 pm	Prostate CA "The Miracle Beam"
netra attorio		University Plaza Texas Room
1:00 pm -	2:30 pm	RV Safety Education Foundation (3 of 3)
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1:00 pm -	2:30 pm	Computer Class (5 of 8)
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		University Plaza Colorado Room B
1:00 pm -	3:00 pm	National Caravan, N-34D-1 (Viking Trail)
	-	Convention Center Georgia Room
1:00 pm -	4:00 pm	Craft Workshop (1 of 2)
		University Plaza Oklahoma Room
1:00 pm -	4:00 pm	Knitting (1 of 2)
30		University Plaza Oklahoma Room
1:00 pm -	4:00 pm	Cribbage Card Games
, and		Expo Center Lower Mezzanine
1:00 pm -	4:00 pm	Manipulation Card Games
		Expo Center Lower Mezzanine
1:00 nm -	4:00 nm	Airstream Angels (2 of 4) "Adult First Aid"
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1:00 nm -	4:30 pm	Duplicate Bridge (2 of 3)
noo pin	1.30 pm	Expo Center Lower Mezzanine
2-00 nm -	4:00 pm	Airstream Open House & Ice Cream Social
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2:00 pm - 5:00 pm Band Dress Rehearsal .... Expo Center Hall C
2:45 pm - 4:30 pm Computer Class (4 of 8)
                        "Buying & Selling on E-Bay"
                             . . . . . University Plaza Colorado Room B
                    Evening Program
                    Announcements
7:15 pm
7:30 pm
                    Incentive Drawing for those
                    Registered by January 1, 2005
7:45 pm
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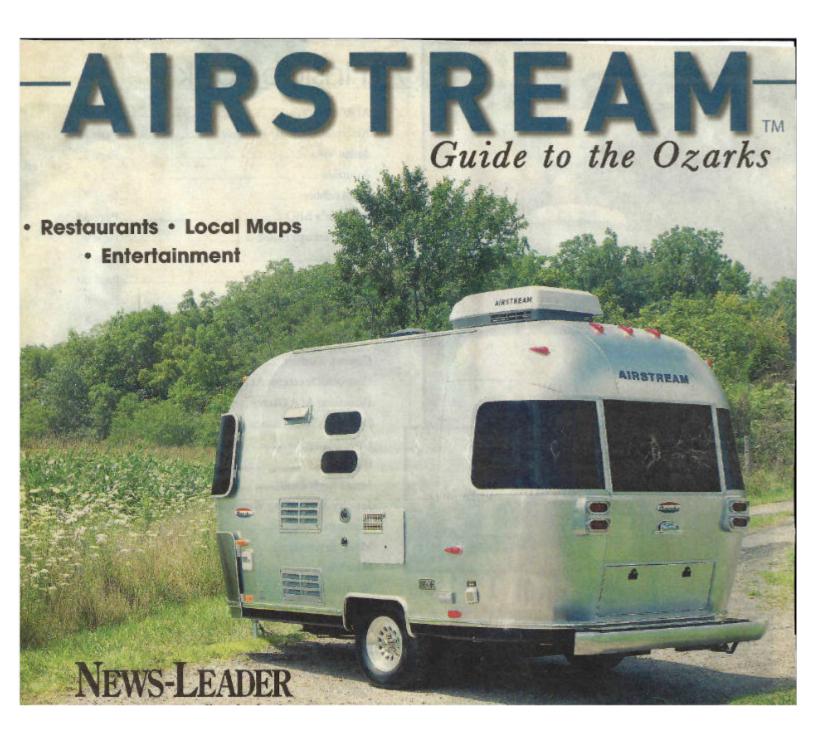
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"It's a very close-knit group ... you reconnect easily"



Hunt and Sue Jones, of Mountain Lakes, N.J., rebuilt their 1962 Airstream and pull it with a 1955 GMC pickup.

Silver City' residents arrive

By Wes Johnson W.IDHNSON/RNEWS-LEADER.COM

Hunt and Sue Jones spent 30 years doing camping trips in tents.

But when an approaching hurricane started tearing their tent apart at a New Jersey beach campsite one night, Hunt said he'd had enough.

"I yelled out at 2 a.m. 'That's it, we're getting an Airstream!" he said.

This week, the Joneses' fully restored 1962 Airstream trailer will join about 1,400 other Airstream trailers and motor homes - both old and brand new - for a golden anniversary gathering in Springfield.

For the next week or so, rows of shiny polished aluminum Airstreams will park at a grassy campsite east of town dubbed "Silver City."

of vintage Airstream trailers - those built before 1980 - will caravan from the Ozark Empire Fairgrounds to Silver City.

From Tuesday through July 4, "Airstreamers," as they call themselves, will meet at the downtown Expo Center to renew acquaintances, meet new ones and attend classes ranging from line dancing to the physics of trailer towing.

It was 50 years ago this year that Airstream founder Wally Byam organized a group of Airstream owners into a traveling club that would meet yearly at different locations. The Wally Byam Caravan Club International now has more than 8,000 members.

Springfield was picked for the 50th anniversary gathering, in part, be-This morning, a group cause the caravan has

Open house Wednesday

Vintage Airstream trailer owners will have an open house for the public from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday at the two parking areas east of Springfield. The Airstream company also will have a product display tent at the site.



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never had an international rally here before.

VINTAGE TRAVELERS

Seeing different parts of the country suits Hunt and Sue Jones, of Mountain Lakes, N.J.

They just wanted to

see the country in something sturdier than a

"We saw two old Airstreams in a field, all beat up and with flat tires," Hunt recalled.

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HOME OF THE WEEK / JACK AND AGNES LOVAAS

Couple enjoy home sweet (rolling) home

By Elizabeth Kelly Klay

Flags flutter in the wind above their 2004 Airstream. As sunbeams bounce off the rounded silver exterior, Jack and Agnes Lovaas talk fondly about their house on wheels.

 Everything has its place and no space is wasted. 4F

"This is home sweet home five months out of the year," says Agnes. "I guess you can say we love Airstream. This is our sixth."

The Lovaases' Airstream is one of the more than 1,300 name-brand trailers and RVs that will visit the Ozarks as the 50th anniversary of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International Rally begins this week in the Ill-acre field near Greene County OO and Farm Road 209.

Their Airstream has one bedroom, one bathroom, a kitchen, a

dinette and a family room area.
"You have everything you have in a house," Jack says.

"Everything except the dishwasher," Agnes says with a chuckle and nods to Jack. "Oh, but I have him."

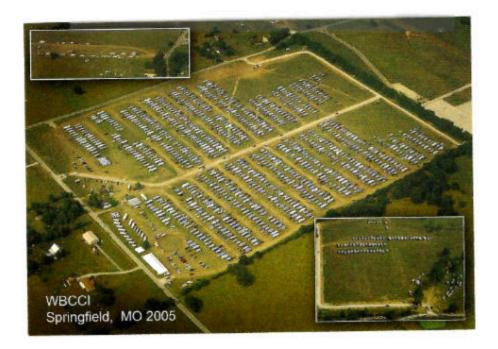
The Mesa, Ariz., couple travels in



Agnes and Jack Lovaes enjoy traveling to annual railies in their comfortable, 34-foot 2004 Airstream.

the Airstream from late spring to and made several trips to Canada. early fall. During 46 years of trailer travels, the Lovaases have visited every state except South Carolina

"The people you meet on the road when you're traveling are just great," Agnes says. "It's a great life."



Sleek Airstream fits to

In more than 40 years of trailer travel, they've learned to make every square inch count.

Y ou won't find any clutter in the 34-foot Airstream of Jack and Agnes Lovaas.

That's because "there's a place for everything," says Agnes about the storage capacity.

She pulls open a kitchen cabinet and slides out a drawer packed with foods. She opens another cabinet to reveal neatly stacked plates.

Everything fits.

Elizabeth

Kelly Klay

Photos by

Bob Linder

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It helps that the Lovasses personalized a few options when they

bought their 2004 Airstream as the new line rolled out in the fall of '03.

Jack and Agnes had the drawers under the range taken out to put in an oven.

"Jack has to have a cookie after every meal, most of which I bake," Agnes explains. "When you're on the road for a long time, you get hungry for a pot roast."

While Agnes bakes, Jack enjoys cooking. To give him seasoning options, a spice rack hangs above the stove.

It matches the kitchen's light birch cabinets, which are accessorized with gold- and silver-tone hardware. The silver-tone refrigerator continues this room's uniform appearance. There's plenty of space in the midsize refrigerator and freezer unit.

"As long as I can have my ice cream," says Agnes as she peeks into the freezer.

The frozen treat is one of her many

Light birch cabinets line the kitchen and bedroom walls in the 34-foot Airstream of Jack and Agnes Lovaas. The couple keeps the home on wheels free of clutter with all the storage space in the many cabinets and compartments found throughout the trailer. The plaque on the wall near the TV notes their service to coordinating Airstream rallies: "Jack and Agnes Lovaas, President and First Lady, 1995-1996, Arizona Unit: In appreciation for your leadership in promoting fun and friendship

for all.



joys while living on the road. She often has her nose in a book or assembles a puzzle.

Don't see one of her 1,000-piece sets?

Lift up the bed.

Move over box springs; beneath the Lovaases' queen-size bed is a storage compartment.

Think that's neat? Look above the bed.

A vent in the ceiling allows spring and summer breezes to fill the home. When rain falls, the vent automatically closes.

Two closets on either side of the bed hold the couple's wardrobe.

"As it goes, I get 10 percent of the closet and she gets 90," Jack says with a laugh.

Two rectangular compartments above the bed offer additional storage space. Each cabinet in the bedroom contains a mirrored center panel. It makes the space appear larger by capturing the light filtering through the windows. The window treatments match the bedspread's soft green and eggshell coloring. Agnes prefers the lighter fabric colors, which complement birch cabinetry throughout the Airstream.

Between the kitchen and the bedroom is a closet and a bathroom, which is the size of a half-bathroom found in most homes. Built to make the most of space, two brass towel racks are mounted above the toilet and a rectangular mirror stretches above the sink. The room's configuration allows for a full-size shower.

The Lovaases spend most of their



Three flags ffy above the Lovaases' trailer: the Arizona flag, the American flag and the past president flag, noting Jack's time as president of the Arizona Unit in 1995-1996.

time in the dinette and family room areas. Here they eat, work on the computer, pay bills and play cards.

The 16-inch dinette slides in and out of the space, extending the dining area once they've parked the Airstream.

They enjoy the space a larger Airstream provides. But like many who get the Airstream bug, they've upgraded through the years, the Lo-



A couch spans the front of the Jack and Agnes' Airstream. The green throw pi dinette. Above the cabinets, Agnes has placed a string of faux daisies to add a

vaases say

They bought their first trailer, which was not an Airstream, in 1958 when their oldest daughter, Kae Jewell, now 50, was 3 years old and their youngest, Mary Curtis, now 47, was a haby.

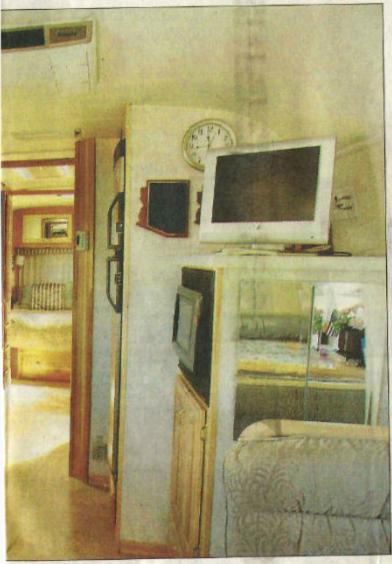
They lived in Minneapolis at the time, but the travel bug bit them, and soon they bought a different model the same size. In 1966, they purchased their first Airstream. At 2 feet long, it was perfect for the sma family. They upgraded again in 197 and in 1976 attended their first Airstream rally in Louisville, Ky which drew more than 5,000 trailer.

They continued to attend rallie during the 30 years Jack worked as deputy fire chief in Minnesota.

In 1979, the couple moved to Siou City, Iowa, where Jack served as fir

integrates

aveling pair's lifestyle





The dinette slides in and out of the Airstream to allow for smooth travel while on the road and more living space when parked.



A light green and eggshell comforter and pillows adorn the queen-size bed. The cabinets here and throughout the trailer are made of birch.



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chief. During his years there, Jack's job was so hectic, they sold their Airstream and bought a white horse instead. As Jack got active with the Shriners, he would ride the horse in parades.

When Jack retired in 1988, the Lovaases wanted to get back into Airstream traveling since they had so many friends involved.

"That's why you keep coming back,"

Suggest a home:

If a friend's home (or your own!) is worth profiling, contact Elizabeth Kelly Klay, 836-1194; fax, 837-1381. Page edited by Beth Brown, 837-1368.



There's ample space in the bedroom and bathroom, which are located at the rear of the Lovaases' 34-foot Airstream, Beneath the gueensize bed is a storage compartment that holds puzzles, clothes and other items the Lovaases may need during five months of travels.

Agnes says, "all the great people."

So in 1990 they bought a 31-foot

Airstream and went to Alaska with a caravan.

Between then and now, they upgraded to 34-foot trailers — the first one bought in 1993 and another purchased in 2002. They pull the 2004 model they now own behind a 34-ton track

The Lovasses have been to more than 22 Airstream rallies during their 46 years of travels. They had a nineyear streak where they didn't miss one rally.

In their Arizona home, Agnes has put up a brag board, which has plaques from each rally the couple has attended. Two plaques hang in their Airstream. One from the Arizona Unit notes Jack's presidency from 1995 to 1996. It reads: "In appreciation for your leadership promoting fun and friendship for all."

In one window hangs five round stained-glass ornaments reminding Jack of his firefighting career and involvement in three civic organizations — Shriners, Masons and Eastern Star.

But the memories most dear to Jack and Agnes are the times they've traveled with family.

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Agnes recalls when Kae's fifthgrade class was studying the National Park system. Kae took slides from the family's adventures for the class to view.

The trips became memorable for their daughters, too, Agnes says. When Kae was a college senior and Mary a college freshman, the girls said, "Dad, can you take vacation on our spring break, and we can take the trailer?"

When your college kids ask to have an Airstream vacation during their college days, you know how much family travels mean, Agnes says.

Now Jack and Agnes are thrilled to take their grandkids on trips. Grandsons Michael Curtis, 14, and Kristopher Curtis, 9, hit the road with them two years ago, visiting spots in Arizona and Colorado.

While they hate to part with their Airstream, the Lovaases will park it for a September cruise to Norway, Sweden, Finland and Russia as they celebrate Kae's birthday.

It makes for "an unusual year," Agnes says. "But we'll be back for a rally in October."





Alighet: Flags billow in the breeze above an Airstream trailer.

Module: Stickers depicting some of the many states an Airstream trailer has visited are stuck on the inside of its door.

Lower regist: A volunteer staffed peet office allows rally attackes to help stay in touch with the outside world white camping out.







name: Marie Segreve of Diamondhead, Miss., has visited every state in the confinental US and sta in the Airstmain. Wow: Claude Porter of Richland, Miss. stands cutside his Airstmain. Was Susantain promis



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Above: A reproduction historic Route 66 sign adoms the front of an Airstream trailer. Right: Tony Tourndrow of Lakeland, Fis.,







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FROM PAGE ONE

Newer models can cost up to \$86,600

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They offered the owner \$1,000 for the smaller one, a 19-foot 1962 model, and proceeded to gut the trailer's interior, tossing all but the porcelain toilet.

"They don't make those any more, so we kept it and put it back in," Hunt said.

After hundreds of hours of effort — new cabinets, a new bed, a tub area they call "the hunchback shower" — the Joneses have a comfortable rolling home that's traveled 75,000 miles in the past six years.

To make the package complete, Hunt pulls the Airstream with a fully restored 1955 GMC Model 100 pickup truck.

"It's not just the old stuff that makes this interesting, it's the camaraderie of the people you meet," Hunt said.

"You might see people once a year," adds Sue, "but it's a very close-knit group and you reconnect easily. We love it."

On Sunday, Harlan and Marion Williams of Lacona, Iowa, pulled in next to the Joneses for their first international rally.

The gleaming polished exterior of their Airstream belied the fact it is 57 years old.

Harlan discovered the trailer in a farmer's field, where it had been shot at and used to store garbage.

Rodents, he said, obviously found the trailer an attractive home.

He offered \$400, but eventually bought the 1948 trailer for \$800 and began excavating the interior.

"There was a bullet hole that went clear through it," he said, pointing to the rear of the trailer. "I patched the inside, but I kept the hole on the outside."

Rodents had eaten through the wood flooring, so he tore



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Harlan and Marion Williams of Lacona, lowa, pull their 1948 Airstream with a 1938 Chevy.



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An early Airstream trailer on display outside the Springfield Expo Center. Many owners buy older models because of their price.

that out and rebuilt it with marine plywood and put modern hardwood flooring on top of that.

Mice had gotten into the insulation between the trailer's inner and outer aluminum skins. That had to be stripped out and replaced.

He built oak cabinets, and a curving sofa that converts into a comfortable bed.

He also rebuilt and restored a 1938 Chevy two-door sedan that gives the trailer package an authentic vintage feel.

"When we go down the highway, people give us 'thumbs up' as they go by," Marion said.

Like the Joneses, the Iowa couple decided to buy an Airstream after a particularly nasty tent camping trip with their children.

"It was raining so hard it was coming inside the tent," Marion recalled. "We had to get out. We've had several campers since then, but these Airstreams are great."

Wayne and Linda Moore of Windham, N.H., say used Airstream trailers appeal to newcomers because they can usually be purchased for far less than a new one.

For example, new Airstream trailers range from \$29,894 for a 16-footer up to \$86,600 for a 34-footer, according to the Jackson Center, Ohio, company's Web site.

Highlights

Events associated with the Wally Byam Caravan Club International golden anniversary gathering:

Today, 9 a.m.: parade of vintage Airstream trailers from the Ozark Empire Fairgrounds to parking area east of Springfield via Kearney Street

Tuesday: start of seven-day rally events at Springfield Expo Center for WBCCI members

Wednesday: 11 a.m.-1 p.m.: Vintage Airstream Club open house at parking area east of town. Public welcome.

July 4: WBCCI rally concludes; Airstream owners may stay longer to tour Ozarks.

The company also has branched into motor homes ranging from \$71,000 to more than \$260,000 for its top-ofthe-line, bus-sized unit.

The Moores restored a 24foot 1966 Airstream they bought for \$1,500. About \$10,000 later, they have it just the way they want it.

"Their shape and uniqueness kind of grows on you," Wayne said.

Ring found among pull tabs

AIRSTREAM, from Page 1B

tion for Community Health, the money will help pay some of Gabby's medical bills and buy a stroller and playpen.

Michelle and her husband decided to use the rest to help buy some parent-friendly furnishings for the Newborn Intensive Care Unit.

"We've looked into a 'cuddle chair' that you can sit in and hold your baby," she said. "Maybe a rocker. I want to tell the Airstream people 'thank you' for the help."

TWO TONS OF PULL TABS

For nearly a decade the Airstreamers have assisted a child with special medical needs at the host city they visit.

At the Springfield Expo Center, Airstreamer Dave Gaehring was busy sifting through bags of aluminum pull tabs for another Airstream goodwill project.

Like the loose change they collect, Airstreamers snap off beverage can pull tabs all year long and turn them in at the an-

"Last year we had 3,900 pounds of pull tabs, and this year we'll go over 4,000 pounds, I'm sure," Gaehring said. "We'll send it to a recycler who sends us a check to the local Ronald McDonald House."

Donita Evans, associate house manager of the Ronald McDonald House of the Ozarks, said the two tons of pull tabs could be worth \$2,000.

The money will go into the organization's Family Fund to help visiting families pay medicine, gasoline and unexpected expenses that come up while they stay at the Ronald McDonald House.

"That money means a lot to these families," Evans said. "That will about double what we made in our pull-tab drive last year."



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"We have a group of

Airstreamers who knit little

caps for babies, and those will

Boxes at the Expo Center contain soda can tabs that will be sent to a recycling center. The money raised will go to charity.

Sifting through nearly four tons of pull tabs yields some surprises, Gaehring said, pulling out a box of oddities he'd found so far this week.

"Lead weights, safety pins, keys, money," he said. "Last year we got \$73 in change in with the tabs, and we've already got \$66 bucks worth so far, so we'll go well over that.

While sorting pull tabs at a rally six years ago Gaehring was shocked to discover a large diamond ring in with the tabs.

"A guy standing next to me asked to look at it because he was a jeweler," Gaehring said. "He said it was worth over \$3,000."

After advertising failed to find its owner, the Airstreamers donated it to a Ronald McDonald House auction. The gleaming ring sold for \$3,800.

Tuesday's pull tab sorting was a four-generation affair for Gaehring. His daughter, her daughter and a greatgranddaughter pitched in to help.

"We're giving back to the community that we're visiting," said Gaehring's daughter Linda

The extended family drove from their home state of New Jersey to attend the rally.

GIVING BACK

Loose change and pull tabs aren't the only good deeds the Airstreamers do.

They also collect thousands of stuffed toys and donate them to police and fire departments, youth shelters and local Shriners groups.

Airstreamers have donated a mountain of blankets and boxes of toothpaste and toiletries that will be given to the needy. Amme said. Some vintage Airstream own-

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some vintage Airstream owners volunteer their skills with the local Habitat for Humanity, helping build or rehabilitate homes for lower-income residents.

At the Springfield rally, Airstreamers also will have three blood drives.

Their good will even extends to music.

The WBCCI Band, a 52-member musical group, will give a free concert from 5:30-7 p.m. Friday on the square in Ozark.

Band member George Kotrch of Endicott, N.Y., said the band plays everything from marches to concert music to songs from the big-band era.

"And everything in between," he quipped.

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2 Barry Heckenswiter of Perkasie, Pa., stancs outside his Airstream. 3 More flags fly over Airstreams at their rally near Springfield.











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I always felt like it was a lot better than a tent



Bert and Vera Leuch, both 92, are charter members of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International. Their Airstream trailer is currently parked across from the Springfield Expo Center. The club celebrates its 50th anniversary this year.

Lifelong passion for travel

The last traveling charter members of Wally Byam's club are still going.

> By Wes Johnson WJOHNSOMENS-LEADER.COM

When Bert and Vera Leuch first started towing shiny aluminum Airstream trailer behind their 1955 Nash Ambassador, fuel economy wasn't much of a concern.

"You could get seven gallons for a dollar," Bert recalls, "and they would give away dishes, occasionally, with a full tank."

Times have changed, but one thing remains constant.

The Leuchs, now 92, continue to pull an Airstream trailer, sometimes far from their Mountain Home, Ark., ly south of the Springfield



Vintage Airstream trailers parade through north Springfield on Monday on their way to the Wally Byam Caravan Club International parking site east of the city. The oldest trailer to make the 50th anniversary rally is a 1935 model called the Airstream Torpedo. The rally, which drew more than 1,400 Airstreams and 3,000 people, continues through Monday.

This week finds the Leuchs and their 21-foot Airstream parked direct-

Expo Center, site of the 50th annual Wally Byam Caravan Club International rally.

With air conditioner



STEVE JURILLANG / NEWS LEADER

A curious pooch peers out during the vintage Airstream parade.

whirring atop their trailer, the Leuchs have a comfortable front-row seat for the Airstream club's golden anniversary celebration.

It's an event they know well, since they were caravanning across eastern Canada with Airstream founder Wally Byam in

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Caravaners help local charities

Ronald McDonald House, parents of premature baby receive donations.

By Wes Johnson WJOHNSONONEWS-LEADER.COM

Airstream owners in town for their 50th anniversary rally will spend hundreds of thousands of dollars on gasoline and restaurant meals.

But it's the buckets of nickels, dimes and pennies they've gathered over the past year that will have a big impact on tiny Gabrielle Marie Wilson.

"Gabby," as her Springfield parents Michelle and Robert Wilson call her, was born May 12 - three months earlier than expected at St. John's Hospital.

Weighing only I pound 9 ounces, the tiny tot has been slowly catching up to her predicted birthday - Aug. 16 - at the hospital's Newborn Intensive Care Unit.

She now weighs 2 pounds 15 ounces, and grows feistier every day, according to her mother.

"She's doing real good," Michelle said. "She cries and throws some fits, and that's good."

But the early birth has been costly, and that's where the Wally Byam known until next week. Caravan Club International stepped in.

The Airstream trailer and motor home owners



Michelie and Robert Wilson hold tiny Gabrielle.

Wally Byam



Caravan Club

are donating all the loose change they've managed to collect for the past year to the Wilsons.

So far, about \$6,000 in change has been deposited in a Springfield bank through the caravan's "Common Cents" effort. With change still coming in, the final contribution won't be

Channeled through the St. John's Founda-

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CARAVAN CLUB

WALLY BYAM



Dumping tanks, giving thanks



Joel Burris (above) sprints from one Airstream to another with the sewage hose as volunteers from Landmark Christian Center empty sewage from trailers. Pastor Wayne Neal (top, left) leads a team of volunteers to another section of the Airstream village to empty sewage tanks.

Caravan seems likely to return

Airstreamers impressed with the city, campsite, club's president says.

> By Wes Johnson WJOHNSONGNEWS-LEADER COM

Springfield gets an "A-plus-plus" as a friendly and accommodating site for Airstream conventions, the president of the group said.

And that likely will bring an Airstream international rally back to Springfield in six or seven years, said Jim Haddaway, president of the Wally Byam Caravan Club In-

Haddaway also said Springfield would be a good site for smaller regional Airstream rallies that typically attract 200 to 300 Airstreams.

"I think it's very possible they could use Springfield for one of their regional rallies," he said. "And we do have an annual rally in Branson - the Branson Musicland Rally — that brings people to the area."

Haddaway spoke to the City Util-ities board Thursday and thanked them for providing the large, grassy campsite east of town near the McCartney Generating Station.

The positive review was good news for Springfield, Greene County and City Utilities, which spent more than \$100,000 developing the campsite, though some of that will be made back directly in utility sales and fees - and much more in sales tax revenue.

About 1,200 Airstream trailers and motor homes and nearly 3,000 people are in Springfield for the group's seven-day convention.

He encouraged people interested in the Airstream lifestyle to visit the rally parking areas and talk to Airstreamers.

The Airstream company also has a promotional tent at the site with a \$2 million display of new Airstream trailers and motor homes

Sewage duty at Airstream camp will help build home for church.

By Wes Johnson

The Lord works in mysterious ways.

He was helping Ashley Neal and Sarah Wiseman handle the stinky end of a sewage hose Thursday as they helped pump out Airstream trailers east of Springfield.

'When my dad told me about it, I said, 'Are you kidding me?'" Neal said. "This is about as low as it gets. But you do it for all the right reasons. It's for God."

Neal, 20, and Wiseman, 18, are part of a team of Landmark Christian Center volunteers helping Greer's Pumping ar Septic Service clean of the 1,200 or so Airstream trailer and motor home wastcwater tanks during the Airstreamers' 50th international rally.

Proceeds from the pumping contract will help the 7-month-old Assembly of God congregation eventually move from its Super 8 Motel meeting site in Strafford to a church that's yet to be built.

It's grueling, fast-paced work. Teams of hose handlers hook up to two trailers at a time. throw some levers and pump three or four days' worth of sewage into Ray Greer's 4,000-gallon pumper truck.

A minute or two later, they race to the next set of trailers - they service about 400 a day and hope they don't suf-fer the fate of 16-year-old Joel Burris.

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Cash would be seed money for down pa



Sarah Wiseman, 18, of Springfield, wipes the sweat from her brow while emptying sewage tanks. The volunteers service about 400 Airstream trailers a day.



DEAN CLIEBS & J. NEWS-LEADER Ashley Neal (above) pauses for a drink of water while working in the heat pump-Ing sewage from Airstream trailers to raise money for her father's church. An Airstream village resident

(right) rides his bike past Ray Greer's pumper truck.



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"I hooked it on the trailer, opened the black water valve and the pressure shot the hose off the trailer,"

Burris said, grinning. "It got my leg pretty good. It's stinky, but you get used to it after Their efforts are Noal

appreciated.

They're doing a fabulous ob," said Airstreamer Bob Babezki, visiting from Naples, Fla. "This had been the best camping site since I started doing this 25 years ago."

Greer said he won the

Airstream contract more than a year ago. But as the event drew closer, the magnitude of the event made him nervous.

A new member of the fledgling Landmark Christian Cen ter, Greer learned of its need for a new church and a light bulb went on in his head.

Why not turn the Airstream contract into a fundraiser for the church?

He crunched some numbers and realized the effort might raise between \$15,000 and \$20,000 as seed money for a down payment on land for a new church.

Landmark pastor Wayne Neal knew his flock would help. He even enlisted two of his daughters, Ashley and Amber, 34, in the effort.

"Everybody's a volunteer," said Neal, who wrestled sewage hoses alongside his sweaty crew. "We'll do 50 or 60 trailers an hour. You couldn't hire people to do this job the way they're doing it."

Several church women volun-teered to clean the 12 portable

toilets at the Airstream camp site southwest of Strafford.

They've done such a good job keeping them spotlessly clean that Airstreamers have begun

stead of their own trailer toilets, Neal said.

noon, church women bring lunch for the pump-out crews.

They eat together beneath a bright blue and white Airstream

Airstream sanitation manager Ray Wagner said Airstreamers appreciate the pumper service more than the volunteers may know.

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Silver City shells out greenbacks



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Airstream RVs line the Wally Byam International Caravan Club campground (above). A payment (top) is left for lunch at Taylor's Drive In, which is in easy walking distance of convention headquarters, the Expo Center.

Airstreamers' economic impact is hard to quantify.

By Jenny Fillmer

Two people per trailer times 1,154 Airstream RVs times eight days in Springfield.

It doesn't take a math whiz to see this week's Wally Byam International Caravan Club convention will mean big bucks for area businesses.

But area tourism officials say it'll be hard to determine just how much money the Silver City brings to town.

"It will be in the millions," said Tracy Kimberlin, executive director of the Springfield Convention & Visitors Bureau.

He's reluctant to even guess about a more specific amount.

"We would have to do some pretty extensive and expensive — re-



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group just to come up with a number I'd feel comfortable with. But we know the impact is significant."

Kimberlin said the Airstream rally is not an average convention.

For one, members of the Airstream owners club aren't generally staying in hotels — a key factor used in determining convention and tourism figures.

"Most of them bring their hotel rooms with them," said Kimberlin.

Another variable is



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Norm and Lucile Hewer, Airstreamers from Macomb, Mich., eat lunch at Taylor's Drive In.

convention began Tuesday, but many Airstreamers showed up two or three weeks early. Many will also remain in the Ozarks after the convention is over Tuesday.

And the spending habits of those attending the convention aren't like those of a typical tourist.

"It's like these people live here for a period of time, as opposed to just visit" said Kimberlin "They get out and about and go places our residents go to, (places) that a normal traveler might not visit."

Meanwhile, they're spending money, generating sales tax revenue, and — with their signature blue berets and yellow-ribboned name tags — they're making their presence known at all kinds of area businesses.

"I think what you'd find

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Members of the Free Wheelers (from left) Mary Marra, Charlie Scanlon, Edward Kime, Elma Craft and Jean Hecht say their group isn't a "singles club."

Single status doesn't stop Airstreamers

By Kathleen O'Dell

When Airstreamers hitch up, power up and head for the road, there's no such thing as a "fifth wheel."

There are, however, Free Wheelers, who may travel solo but never alone.

They are adult, unmarried members of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, and they often add their own club's social events, outings and meals during major Airstream events like the 50th anniversary rally in Springfield that concludes tonight. The seven-day event attracted some 3,000 Airstreamers.

The Free Wheelers had their own section in Silver City — Red 2, Row 10 — and visited day or evening on lawn chairs in the shade of a portable green canopy.

Just don't call it a "singles club" — that might give people the wrong idea, Floridian Elma Craft said and laughed.

Members don't join to find dates or mates. "It's for the laughs, love and support," Craft said.

Many are widows and widowers; a few are divorced or never married.

"I know people who are

Wally Byam



Caravan Club

 English Airstreamers find Americans friendly, 2B

still crying, but they came anyway," said Free Wheeler Julie Fischer. "They recently lost spouses in April and June and they didn't want to travel alone. I told them, 'If you don't do it now, you will never do it."

Jean Hecht of New Jersey had Airstreamed with his wife since 1969 until she died recently. He doesn't want to give up the good memories and good friends from all those years on the road.

"We have more fun than anybody else here," Hecht said.

Mary Marra of Iowa joined the Free Wheelers after her husband died, "and I found out I could drive 5,000 miles by myself."

She added, "I've met some of my best friends here. Julie (Fischer) and I talk to each other once a week. Half the fun is see-

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BUSINESS NEWS-LEADER Monday July 4, 2005 News-Leader Monday July 4, 2005 News-Leader News-

Economic reports expected this week

TUESDAY: Commerce Department reports on factory orders for May

FRIDAY: Labor Department reports on employment for June; Federal Reserve on consumer credit for May

Airstreamers keep compa

Bus-leasing company was among those going the extra mile to provide services.

By Kathleen O'Dell CLUBNEWS-LEADER,COM

Barbara Grimes was in a bind in March. She was expecting 3,000 Airstreamers to attend a June to July rally in Springfield, and she needed bus service from the campgrounds east of town to downtown. Big buses.

But Grimes, making arrangements from her Florida home, learned that Missouri law prohibits school districts from leas-

ing out buses if the state helps finance the buses. It was the first time Grimes hit that kind of a snag since she started arranging transportation for the Airstreamers in 1982.

Then Apple Bus Co. came to the rescue.

The Cleveland, Mo., company, which contracts with many school districts for bus service, had the nofrills passenger buses to spare for the seven-day rally, and delivered.

seven buses daily for Airstreamers' transportation to and from the downtown Expo Center, where all the events are being conducted for the Wally Byam Caravan Club International Golden Anniversary Rally.

Entertainer Pam Tillis will perform at the Airstream closing ceremony there at 7:30 p.m. to-

Apple Bus was one of many local and regional companies that went the extra mile to make sure the visiting Airstreamers

Apple Bus has provided had what they needed, and when, Grimes said.

It was mutually beneficial, and the company was eager to help, said the bus agency's local contract manager, Janice Nelson.

Grimes declined to say what the Airstreamers paid for the bus service, but it was another way regional businesses benefited from the international rally.

Besides the army of volunteers that helped ser-vice the rally:

 Airstreamers rented 20 Club Cars - golf carts to buzz around the sprawl-

ing Silver City between Springfield and Strafford.

· Airstreamer Phil Azeredo contracted with the U.S. Postal Service to pick up mail in Springfield — Box 2005 — and distribute it from a designated post office Airstream trailer.

. The group paid for three fire department first responders to stay from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. on the grounds, and one to staff the grounds at all times, in case of an emergency.

 Rally organizers rented six vehicles for a month from Enterprise rental and five vehicles from Reliable

· Airstreamers bought gasoline from the Strafford Kum & Go, which in turn donated ice for all the grounds workers and canteen; doughnuts came from Dillon's.

Throughout the rally, many of the Airstreamers made use of area services, Grimes said. Saturns needed repairs; families shopped for everything from tents to haircuts to plumbing supplies. And Airstream dogs, along for the ride, got attention from a busy Strafford veterinarian.

CHARTER OAK CHATTER



AUGUJT 2005

THE AIRSTREAM RV ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Wow! August already....it's hard to believe how quick the summer passes us by.

It has been extremely busy for me with work. Running three to four jobs at a time makes for a really long day. It also has kept us from seeing everyone, which Annette and I miss. Unfortunately, we are not much further along on the house than we were since my last note. We're basically packed (except for the essentials). We haven't given up hope to continue with our plans for construction.

We have been working on the details for the September gathering in Kent (see details in this month's Chatter), which is quickly approaching. If anyone has questions, please give me a call as we would love to see many of you that we have missed all summer.

Submitted by President Mark Wilson

Maureen and I recently returned from our trip to Springfield MO. for the 50th International Rally. We caravaned out with the Sasutas, Goulds and the Crocketts. A one night stop at the Natural Bridge in Virginia, then on to Nashville for a few nights. Great campground in Nashville with nightly entertainment and a Camping World next door. The next segment took us north to St. Louis, The Arch, Budweiser factory, a casino and the mall. Mike, Sandy and "Gertie" did a fabulous job getting us down the right highways and on to Springfield for the last traveling day together. We all were grateful for their hard work in planning this. Upon arriving in Springfield we only sat in the bullpen for a short time and were escorted to the rally field. A welcome relief as the temperature was in the 90's.

Yes we made the opening ceremonies, and no I did not spear anyone with the flag pole. I was happy to be supported by other members of the group who met us there including the Bartrams, Halls, Goods, and the Richards. Sandy Sasuta was able to sign up a new member Sally Kerr at the rally.

The Charter Oak bulletin board created by Annette Wilson was a real tribute to Connecticut/Charter Oak and we all were excited to learn Charter Oak won honorable mention or 5th place for it. The delegates meeting which Mike and I participated in was very long and for a while hotly debated. We both were glad to see it end by midafternoon. Region One's Luncheon was a huge success with Raynold's comments as entertaining as ever. Our breakfast was combined with the Cape Cod Unit at Hemingway's Restaurant in the Bass Pro Shop and all comments were very positive. Bud and Jessie Gould left with us on Saturday for the trip home with Mo as the navigator. The trip went well and we spent a few nights in New Holland, PA. the heart of Amish country. It was a memorable experience to represent Charter Oak at the International and we are looking forward to Salem OR next year.

Fran Eckels - 5618 1st Vice President



DATES TO REMEMBER

September 23 - 25, 2005

"Old Tyme Connecticut"
Rendezvous Buddy Rally
Kent, CT
Mark and Annette Wilson
Chuck and Pam Bleakney
Jim and Corinne Burnham

September 30 - October 2, 2005
Charter Oak Western Round Up
Rally
Nickerson Campground
Chaplin, CT
Fran and Maureen Eckels
Pete and Laurie Soucy

October 2 - 7, 2005
Fall Caravan
"Gems of Our Own Backyard"
Raymond and Cynthia Richard

Bob and Anne Werth



Fran Eckels ready to represent Charter Oak

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Robert Fuller 08/01 Aili Galasyn 08/04 Greg Miller 08/05 Steve Pestretto 08/05 Doreen Fuller 08/06 Fred McGoldrick 08/08 Jeanne Wilson 08/08 Shirley Edmondson 08/09 Jackie Brown 08/16 Adria Link 08/18 Pam Bleakney 08/21 Patty Guthman 08/23 Bob Thompson 08/24 Dorothy Freed 08/27 Pat Rawson 08/27 Wayne Rutty 08/27 Art Hall 08/28 Marie Lupien 08/28 Rich Kushman 08/29 Gary Levinson 08/29 Charlie Eglise 08/30

AUGUST

John & Ruby Fuller	08/01
Jeff & Lynn Blackwell	08/02
Keith & Karen Adams	08/10
Howard & Carolyn Knight	08/17
Walter & Dee Holliday	08/22
Art & Carol Hall	08/28



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Jane Ferri	09/04
Bill Mangano	09/05
Deborah Onorato	09/05
Sharon Henschel	09/06
Wayne Moore	09/08
Carolyn L. Knight	09/11
Brian Fuller	09/13
Kathy Griffin	09/13
Bruce delaRonde	09/21
Rod Dole	09/22
James Tauras	09/25
Michael Link	09/27
Ron Saverese	09/29

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THOUGHTS AND CARES

Please keep the following members and their family in your thoughts:

Roger Crockett is recovering from shoulder surgery and Jackie Brown is also recovering from surgery.

Hubert Edmondson who is Ron Edmondson's brother and Susan Rutty's uncle was in a very serious automobile accident and is recovering at Hartford Hospital.

NOTE FROM THE TREASURER SANDY SASUTA

At the May, 2005 Rally, the board and membership agreed to raise the club's annual dues from \$12 to \$15 due to an increase in postage, printing of the Chatter/Directory, and other operating expenses. Also, the International annual dues have gone up from \$45 to \$55. Please keep in mind, the dues notices for 2006 will be out shortly. Please be sure to review your information and make any corrections. Dues must be received by November 1, 2005 to insure that you are listed in the directories.

For you convenience, especially when traveling, and for cost efficiency, the board agreed to offer the Chatter on line at www.wbccil.org user name: charteroak password: friends

AWARD WINNERS AT INTERNATIONAL RALLY

Ruth Crockett - COCU #8627 Hobby Show Basket 1st Place
Roger Crockett COCU #8627 Hobby Show Other Items 2nd
Place

Linda Andrzejewski NEU #16411 Driver's Manual - National 1st Place

Linda Andrzejewski NEU #16411 Photo Print 3rd Place New England Unit - Unit Directory - Hardbound 1st Place Robin Geschwindner WMNH #3136 - Hobby Show - Quilting 4th Place

Dave Pierce WMNH # 6996 Hobby Show - Woodcarving 1st Place White Mountains New Hampshire Unit - parade - Walking -Originality 1st Place



LETTER FROM THE EDITOR AND CHIEF

It is hard to believe that we have been back from the International for over a month. We had a great time and enjoyed seeing everyone from Region One that attended. It was especially nice to see Art and Carol Hall. They are so busy traveling that our paths haven't crossed.

The Region One Luncheon was a great success. Our new International President, Jim Franklin and his wife, Dixie, attended. Bob and Harriett Thompson did a great job planning and hosting this event.

We took lots of pictures and we had planned to share them with you in this issue of the Chatter. However, they take up too much space and it would be impossible to download the Chatter. So we are going to speak with Rich Kushman and see if we can post ours and others who took pictures on the website.

The recent Rally hosted by Dick and Eileen Bartram, Bud and Jessie Gould and Mike and Sandy Sasuta was great fun. We always enjoy having the opportunity to see and visit with other club members. This rally had several new members in attendance as well as some members that we had not seen for a while.

So remember to make your calender for upcoming events. There are fun things coming up and we don't want you to miss out!!

See you down the road!



Jim and Dixie Franklin International President and First Lady

NOTE OF THANKS

I would like to thank everyone who remember me during my recent illness. The cards and king thoughts were much appreciated.

Dot Lowell

MEMBER PROFILE

Chances are if you have been to a rally you have seen our members in profile this month. They are Mike and Sandy Sasuta. Mike and Sandy are very active in the club and attend most of the rallies and dinner meetings. They have been members of Charter Oak for over twenty years, joining in 1983.

Over the years they have had three airstreams. They started in 1983 with a 1974 31 foot International which they found advertised in the Bargain News. It was a real gem. Although it was used, it was in excellent condition and the price was right so they bought it. Their children, Natalie and Valerie, were young and it gave this family an opportunity to travel, yet control expenses. In 1990, they purchased their second Airstream - a new one. And in 2002 purchased another new trailer which is the one they use to travel now.

Mike and Sandy are very active in the club. Mike was President in 1989 and Sandy has served as Treasurer for 10 years. They have led caravans and have participated in all the unit caravans except one.

They have been married for 36 years and have 2 granddogs and one grandparrot.

They love their Airstream for lots of reasons. They like having their own room and no suitcases to pack and unpack. They feel safe traveling in the camping and Airstream communities. The people they met, the fellowship and activities are also attractions to this lifestyle.

Mike retired last September and has really enjoyed having time to do the things he and Sandy want to do.

Mike and Sandy epitomize what Airstreaming is all about. Being involved, being a mentor to newcomers and always there to support the activities of the club.

If you haven't meet the Sasutas, make sure the next time you see them at an event, introduce yourself. You will be glad you did!

COMMITTEE CHARTER OAK UNIT 2006 SLATE OF OFFICERS

President - Fran Eckels

1st Vice President - Ray Moniz

2nd Vice President - Greg Cocco

Treasurer - Sandy Sasuta

Recording Secretary - Frances Simmons

Corresponding Secretary - Maureen Eckels

2nd Year Directors - Raymond Richard Peter Soucy

1st Year Directors - Fred McGoldrick Jerry Ingallinera

The Nominating Committee wishes to thank all who offered to serve on the Board of Directors for the ensuing year and beyond!!

Committee Mike Sasuta Charlie Wilson Lois Price, Chair





REGION ONE PRESIDENT'S NEWSLETTER

Issue five, July 2005

INTERNATIONAL RALLY SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI

Region One had a moderate number of members in attendance. From COCU: Bartram, Sasuta, Richard, Gould, Eckels, Crockett, Hall & Good. From CCMU: Lemaire, McGrath, Walbridge, Lake, Campbell & Tavares. From NEU: Knight, Killian, Peters, Wood Thompson, Andrezewski & Mangano. From WHNHU: Sanders, Geschwindner, Pierce, Luhr, Melocik & Slack.

IBT MEETING, JUNE 27, 2005

In spite of all the socializing that goes on at the International Rally, much work, "Legislation", also goes on.

At the IBT meeting, sixteen motions were brought forward. Your Region One President is a voting member along with eighteen other officers.

Motion #1; was an increase in the Lifetime Member fees, since the International Dues increased \$10.00 as of July 1. Motion adopted. Note: The Sanders and the Lemaires have become Lifetime Members.

Motion #2 was the approval of a Flag for the Tidewater Virginia Unit.

Motion # 3; was a proposal defining co-owner. "A Co-owner is defined as one of two WBCCI members that own a single Airstream Recreational Vehicle." Motion adopted.

Motion # 4 through # 11 was on flag Protocol, presented by International Treasurer, Dick Bartram. All eight motions were adoped. NOTE: Please be aware that only Flags sanctioned by WBCCI my be flown

at any WBCCi function. An amendment to Motion #11 was adopted. Now any member of WBCCI may fly up to five flags.

Motion # 12: Presented by Ken Cook, President of Region 3 was in reference to the International Nominating Committee. Motion was defeated.

Motions # 12 and # 13: Presented by Ken Cook were withdrawn.

Motion # 14: Presented by Ken Cook, was on "New Member Induction Ceremony". Motion was adopted and will be added to the "Blue Book", under appendix 14, page 5. The Installation already in the "Blue book" will remain.

DELEGATES MEETING June 30, 2005

Action Item # 1. "To determine if the name AIRSTREAM shall be included in the club's name." Adopted

Action Item # 2: To allow the IBT to select a new name for the club that includes the word "Airstream." This new name will be presented to the Delegates at their 2006 meeting in Salem, Oregon for approval. Adopted

Amendment # 1: The minimum number of members necessary to obtain <u>OR</u> retain a charter is reduced from fifteen (15) to ten (10). Adopted

Amendment # 2: A proposed "NEW" name, from the New Mexico Unit, was withdrawn after Action Item # 1 was adopted.

Amendment 3: Article VI, Sec. 1, of the WBCCI Constitution has a phrase, "fully self-contained and", be changed. Defeated

An Amendment was passed to exclude all Airstreams manufactured prior to 1975 to be exempt from the restriction "Fully Selfcontained and". Amendment # 4: was a proposal by the San Joaquin California Unit to change Article XII, Section 5, of the Constitution. Defeated

ELECTION OF INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS FOR 2005-2006

All nominees, with the exception of International 3rd VP, were elected by the delegates.

Ken Cook, President of Region 3 and Jerry Larson, President of Region 9, were nominated from the floor, for the office of International 3rd Vice President. By a roll call vote, from all 141 Units in WBCCI, the vote was as follows: Ken Cook, 1,434 votes, Jerry Larson, 5,676 votes. Therefore, Jerry Larson is our new International 3rd VP.

REGION ONE UNITS FALL INSTALLATION SCHEDULE

Installing Officer: Raynold Lemaire, President, Region One.

Canadian Atlantic Unit - September 8 - 11, 2005 Charter Oak Connecticut Unit - November 6, 2005 White Mountains New Hampshire Unit - September 16-18,2005

*Bob Thompson will also be in attendance.

Installing Officer: Bob Thompson, !st VP, Region One New England Unit: September 23-25, 2005

Installing Officer: Franklin Sanders, 2nd VP, Region One

Cape Cod Massachusetts Unit - September 8-11, 2005 Quebec, Canada Unit - September 16 - 18, 2005

50th ANNIVERSARY DEDICATION KENTVILLE, NOVA SCOTIA, CANADA

On August 17, 2005, a commemorative plaque will be dedicated

In Kentville, Nova Scotia, by our immediate past International President, Jim Haddaway. Five Airstreams will caravan to Kentville from McGrath Acres.

IBT MEETING, JULY 5, 2005

Motion #1: Add email addresses & phone numbers to the membership directory. Defeated Motion #2: Incentive \$50 voucher program. Defeated

Motion #3: To allow Airstream's "Base Camp" into WBCCI. Defeated

Motion #4: To enter into a contract for the WBCCI 2007 International Rally in Perry, Georgia. Adopted

Motion # 5: Schedule of fees for Lifetime Membership. Adopted

Franklin Sanders, 2nd VP Region One, has advanced the idea of a Region One picnic/barbeque in Salem, Oregon, on the 4th of July. Your Region Officers will work on this.

WHITE MOUNTAINS NEW HAMPSHIRE UNIT EARNS 1st PLACE IN THE INTERNATIONAL PARADE

WMNHU earned 1st place in the walking units for originality. Eight members of the unit dressed as bakers, with aprons and toques, and carried layers of a cake entitled "Fun, Fellowship and Adventure." The "bakers" included Cynthia and Russell Melocik, Robin and Richard Geschwindner, Jane and Franklin Sanders and Eleanor O'Dea. Emma Luhr, 5 year old daughter of Rich Luhr and Eleanor O'Dea, carried a replica of a fourth-of-July sparkler – which she inserted in the top of the cake as a sparkling candle. Congratulations to all.

Look in the August edition of the Blue Beret for all the winners at International.

Raynold Lemaire, President, Region One WBCCI # 203

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

#3089 John & Serafina Bachar 26 Valley Stream Drive Danbury, CT 06811 203 791-2088 John DOB 2/4 Serafina DOB 10/9 Anniv 5/5

#3412 Gregory Burns 30 Sulik Trail Stratford, CT 06814 203 378-7854

#3411 J. Rick Cipot Sandi Gould 44 Walnut Hill Road Bethel, CT 06801 203 743-7664

#3933 Dennis & Ellen Mirante 8 Copper Beech Ct. Kensington, CT 06037 860 828-5407

#2491
Sally Kerr
31 Hasbrouck Drive
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603
845 462-2668
DOB 07/02
Let's make sure to make these
New members feel welcome!!



Charter Oak Unit August 5, 6, 7, 2005
What a terrific time we had last weekend at Travelers' Woods
Campground in Bernardson, Massachusetts!
Sixteen rigs with 36 members were present at the rally.
COCU members attending were Bartrams, Brosnahans,
Sasutas, Simmons, Pestrettos (Juanita and Seb), Pestrettos
(Pam and Steve and children), Eckels, Goulds, Sandalls,
Ribeiros, Rosenbecks, Werths, and Richards. In addition, we
had two new members of the Charter Oak CT Unit who
participated: Serafina and Jon Bachar and Sally Kerr with her
friend, Mary Jackson. Dot and Linwood Lowell, members of

MEXICAN FIESTA - OLE!

Mark and Annette Wilson, President and First Lady of COCU, visited the rally Saturday afternoon. Mark handed out brochures for the next COCU event which will be held at the Sloane-Stanley Museum in Kent, Ct, on September 23, 24, 25. It will be a very interesting rally and, hopefully many members will attend.

the New England Unit, also came to the rally.

The Mexican Fiesta Rally featured good food, good conversation and good music. <u>Best of all.</u> 4 of our younger members turned up. They were Michaela and Julianna Pestretto, Erika Leonard, and Samuel Newman.

Michaela and Julianna are daughters of Pam and Steve Pestretto and granddaughter of Juanita and Seb Pestretto. Erika is Jessie and Bud Gould's granddaughter; and Samuel Newman is the son of Susan and Fred #6625, and grandson of Eileen and Dick Bartram.

Eileen's mother (and Sam Newman's great-grandmother), 91 year old Olive Richardson came to the rally. She LOVES camping!

What energy those 4 kids exhibited! We adults were all tired out by the heat, but not those kids! They rode bicycles, caught frogs, rode bicycles, ate lots of food, rode bicycles, hunted for lost ferrets, rode bicycles, and just generally enjoyed themselves.

We received many, many compliments from the campground staff, as well as many other adults, commenting on the good manners of all 4 children. Yes, we are very proud!

Mexican music (courtesy of Lillie and Ewart Phillips) was played during dinner and happy hour. Taco soup was served Friday night. Chalupas were served Saturday evening. Jessie Gould's cake was the highlight of the meal on Saturday. (No surprise there).

Just one last word: Dick and I could not have put on the rally without the help of Jessie and Bud Gould; Sandy and Mike Sasuta; and Lydia and Niels Rosenbeck. They worked so hard and tirelessly in the heat and humidity to make the rally a great success. Sam Newman and other people also worked very hard at the rally. Thank you all for your help!

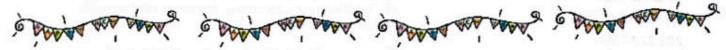
Submitted by Eileen Bartram

NEW NAME FOR CLUB

It has been voted by the IBT, and the Delegates, that the word "Airstream" will be included in a new name for our club. There was strong support for the name change when this was one of the questions on our Member Survey that was published in the Blue Beret.

There is a committee to choose a new name, and I will be the representative for Region One. If you are interested in choosing a new name, please send your response to me. Remember, the new name must have the word "Airstream" in it. I will send all the responses from Region One to the committee responsible for submitting the new name to the IBT, which in turn will submit it to the Delegates. You may send me the name via email, RaynoldLemaire@aol.com, or by snail mail. You can get my mailing address from the Membership Directory. I encourage all members to participate. Thanks.

Raynold Lemaire, President, Region 1 WBCC1#203



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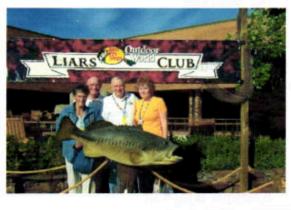


















WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

#3089 John & Serafina Bachar 26 Valley Stream Drive Danbury, CT 06811 203 791-2088 John DOB 2/4 Serafina DOB 10/9 Anniv 5/5

#3412 Gregory Burns 30 Sulik Trail Stratford, CT 06814 203 378-7854

#3411 J. Rick Cipot Sandi Gould 44 Walnut Hill Road Bethel, CT 06801 203 743-7664

#3933 Dennis & Ellen Mirante 8 Copper Beech Ct. Kensington, CT 06037 860 828-5407

#2491
Sally Kerr
31 Hasbrouck Drive
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603
845 462-2668
DOB 07/02
Let's make sure to make these
New members feel welcome!!



MEXICAN FIESTA - OLE!

Charter Oak Unit August 5, 6, 7, 2005
What a terrific time we had last weekend at Travelers' Woods
Campground in Bernardson, Massachusetts!
Sixteen rigs with 36 members were present at the rally.
COCU members attending were Bartrams, Brosnahans,
Sasutas, Simmons, Pestrettos (Juanita and Seb), Pestrettos
(Pam and Steve and children), Eckels, Goulds, Sandalls,
Ribeiros, Rosenbecks, Werths, and Richards. In addition, we
had two new members of the Charter Oak CT Unit who
participated: Serafina and Jon Bachar and Sally Kerr with her
friend, Mary Jackson. Dot and Linwood Lowell, members of
the New England Unit, also came to the rally.

Mark and Annette Wilson, President and First Lady of COCU, visited the rally Saturday afternoon. Mark handed out brochures for the next COCU event which will be held at the Sloane-Stanley Museum in Kent, Ct, on September 23, 24, 25. It will be a very interesting rally and, hopefully many members will attend.

The Mexican Fiesta Rally featured good food, good conversation and good music. <u>Best of all.</u> 4 of our younger members turned up. They were Michaela and Julianna Pestretto, Erika Leonard, and Samuel Newman.

Michaela and Julianna are daughters of Pam and Steve Pestretto and granddaughter of Juanita and Seb Pestretto. Erika is Jessie and Bud Gould's granddaughter; and Samuel Newman is the son of Susan and Fred #6625, and grandson of Eileen and Dick Bartram.

Eileen's mother (and Sam Newman's great-grandmother), 91 year old Olive Richardson came to the rally. She LOVES camping!

What energy those 4 kids exhibited! We adults were all tired out by the heat, but not those kids! They rode bicycles, caught frogs, rode bicycles, ate lots of food, rode bicycles, hunted for lost ferrets, rode bicycles, and just generally enjoyed themselves.

We received many, many compliments from the campground staff, as well as many other adults, commenting on the good manners of all 4 children. Yes, we are very proud!

Mexican music (courtesy of Lillie and Ewart Phillips) was played during dinner and happy hour. Taco soup was served Friday night. Chalupas were served Saturday evening. Jessie Gould's cake was the highlight of the meal on Saturday. (No surprise there).

Just one last word: Dick and I could not have put on the rally without the help of Jessie and Bud Gould; Sandy and Mike Sasuta; and Lydia and Niels Rosenbeck. They worked so hard and tirelessly in the heat and humidity to make the rally a great success. Sam Newman and other people also worked very hard at the rally. Thank you all for your help!

Submitted by Eileen Bartram













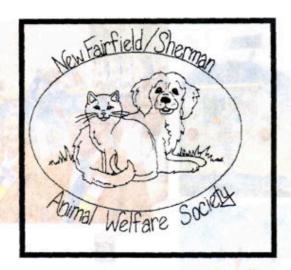












As some of you know, I am an animal lover and am very Involved with my local animal welfare. The New Fairfield Sherman Animal Welfare Society is a private, non-profit Organization dedicated to caring for homeless, neglected and abandoned dogs, cats, puppies and kittens.

I donate as much time as I can, working their Christmas Boutique, painting watercolors to be raffled and painting hand made birdhouses.

It's never enough. The Shelter is always looking for used clean towels or blankets for bedding, Purina dry dog or cat food and cat litter (non-clumping).

I would love to be able to say that our unit also cares by making donations of what is needed so desperately!

If anyone would like to help, please bring your contribution to our next gathering in Kent, CT!

Thank you,
Annette







"Charter Oak Western Roundup"

September 30, October 1 & 2, 2005

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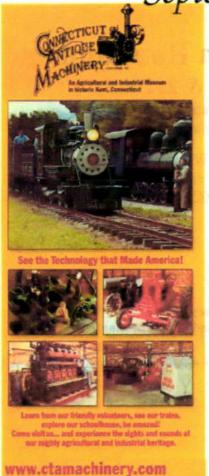
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Old Tyme Connecticut Rendezvous Rally Kent, Connecticut

September 23 – 25, 2005



FRIDAY:

Arrive after 12:00 Noon 4:30 PM - Happy Hour Dinner on your own 8:00 PM - Campfire

SATURDAY:

8:00 AM - Continental Breakfast

**All day to explore the Antique Show and the scenic Town of Kent

4:30 PM - Happy Hour

6:00 PM - Dinner on own or join us under the

tent for Pot Luck Dinner

8:00 PM - Campfire and Dessert

SUNDAY:

Depart at your leisure

Attractions

- *Gift Shops
- *Art Galleries Antique Shops
- *Kent Falls
- *Bass Fishing w/ CT License
- *Antique Machinery Show
- -Food Concessions including
- "Engineer Soup"- Soup prepared in a 120 year old cauldron



Directions: Route 7, One Mile North of Scenic Kent

Old Tyme Connecticut Rendezvous Rally Registration Hosted by: The Burnhams and The Wilsons

Name:		_
Phone:	Cell Phone:	
WBCCI #:	Please Mail by: September 12th, 2005	

*Rally Fee: *\$40.00 for 2 night stay

*Includes two night stay, 2 continental breakfasts, donation/admission the Antique Machinery

Please send registration to: Mark Wilson, 6 Carola Lane, New Fairfield, CT 06812 (203) 746-9756

THE FALL CARAVAN OF CHARTER OAK CONNETICUT UNIT

Gems of Our Own Backyard

Caravan Hosts Raymond and Cynthia Richard



Our Fall Caravan begins on Sunday, October 2nd, the last morning of the October COCU Rally departing the Nickerson campground in Chapin, CT and explores the hidden treasures of Barnstable County in Massachusetts and Newport County in Rhode Island. The caravan will spend two nights at Peter's Pond Park in Sandwich, MA and three nights at Melville Ponds Campground, owned and operated by the City of Portsmouth, Rhode Island. Camping includes water, electric, and dump station. Pets are welcome on a leash. We have planned happy hours, and prizes.

The price of the 5-night COCU Fall Caravan includes:

- 8 meals (3 breakfasts, 1 picnic lunch, 3 dinners, and 1 traditional New England Lobster Clambake);
- Cordials and Coffee by the fire 2 nights, and Ice Cream by the fire 1 night;
- A Square Dance lesson;
- · A visit to the Green Animals Topiary Gardens; and
- A boat ride in Newport Harbor aboard the Amazing Grace.

The Caravan will end Friday, October 6th. If you would like to stay for the Columbus Day Weekend, please contact Melville Ponds Campground directly at (401) 682-2424 and speak with Lisa or Bill Bryant.

Payment must be received by September 20th. Refunds will be made if possible.

THE FALL CARAVAN OF CHARTER OAK CONNETICUT UNIT

Make Check Payable to: Raymond Richard Send Payment to: COCU Fall Coravan Raymond Richard P. O. Box 41 Moodus, CT 06469

For additional information Phone: 860-873-1973 E-mail: raycynrich1@aol.com

Name	
WBCCI Number	
Address	
Phone	
E-mail	

COCU Fall Caravan Registration

Sign up for: Price Amount

2 Adults in Airstream \$295. \$

1 Adult in Airstream \$225. \$

Extra Person \$75. \$



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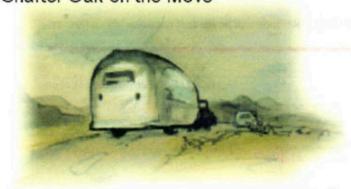


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

WOW! It's already September and I hope everyone has had a great camping season. The weather has been on our side this year although for those of us who garden.....not very productive.

I've been running on a very tight schedule as the weather is on my side work wise. Annette and I haven't been out as often as we would have liked but we did OK. We took a day trip to Hershey PA this past Saturday to go to the Camper Show. It was the largest we have ever seen. Of course, we had to stop at Hershey's Chocolate World. I believe this is where the saying "like a kid in a chocolate factory" came from. Annette and I will be eating chocolate for months!

We are looking forward to seeing those of you who signed up for our rendezvous the weekend of September 23rd.

Please check next month's Chatter for details about the Holiday Party on December 4th



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Unfortunately there was not enough
interest. Thanks to Wilsons and the Sandalls
for you interest support.

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

Bill & Winne Mangano	10/02
Robert & Harriett Thompson	10/02
Bard & Kathy Fuller	10/03
Dan & Karen Olah	10/03
Steve & Pamela Pestretto	10/07
Raymond & Cynthia Richard	10/10
Pete & Laurie Soucy	10/10
Roger & Ruth Crockett	10/16
Mark & Annette Wilson	10/25

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Fran Ingallinera	10/05
Dottie Walbridge	10/06
Bill Herpich	10/07
Mark Lupien	10/08
Elsie Nelson	10/10
Dick Bartram	10/12
Carol Hall	10/12
Niels Rosenbeck	10/12
Brian Brosnahan	10/17
Gail Saverese	10/17
Susan Rutty	10/21
Dick Cyr	10/25
Lill Herpich	10/27
Michael Rutty	10/27
Bob Landry	10/27
Fred Newman	10/29
Debi Cocco	10/30





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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR AND CHIEF

Fall is upon us and with it comes all the fun of that season -- Pumpkins, falling leaves, black cats, pumpkin pies. The last rally of the season is coming up September 30 - October 2 and it sounds like the cowboys and cowgirls are ready for a great roundup. The Editor and the Chief have their cowboy hats and boots ready.

A reminder to everyone who would like something published in the Chatter, please have it to us by the first of the month. We try to get the Chatter ready by the 15th of the month so having everything by the first is a big help.

Our first online Chatter seemed to be a big success. Thanks to everyone for your comments. We sent approximately 45 - 50 copies (that includes multiple copies to the dealership and prospective member copies) by snail mail and all others were retrieved via the web.

We hope to see you soon and until then Safe Travels, and "Happy Trails to you until we meet again."

MEMBER PROFILE

Our Member Profile this month focuses on a couple who have belonged to Charter Oak over 18 years.

Bob and Helen Sandall started camping in 1962 and have camped in a tent, a tent-trailer and 5 travel trailers. They had a longtime desire to own an Airstream and to travel with caravans. So in 1987 they purchased their first Airstream. Although no one in their family had ever owned an Airstream they were positive that the design, quality and towability of the Airstream made it the trailer for them.

They also became members of Charter Oak in 1987. At the time they purchased their first Airstream, unit membership was required. As Bob put it "Happily, we joined Charter Oak and quickly realized how pleasant and rewarding it was to be a member of such a unit."

Bob served as Region Contributing Editor to the Blue Beret during Anne Werth's term as Region President. Both Bob and Helen have held unit offices. Bob served as Recording Secretary in 1995 and 1996, Unit Vice President in 1997 and 1998 and Unit President in 1999. Helen was a Director in 1998 and also Corresponding Secretary in 1999.

Over the years they have attended nine Internationals and fourteen Region Rallies. In the past they have traveled in their Airstream to some of their favorite places including Cape Hatteras, N.C., Bar Harbor, ME., Price Edward Island and Nova Scotia. In 1989, they were on the first Polar Bear Caravan that went to Newfoundland. The longest trip they have done is the Maple Leaf Caravan across country in 1991.

They now have a 25 foot Excella and most of their activities these days are club related.

Bob and Helen have been married for 53 years and have 2 children, Donna and Mark, and four grandchildren. Bob retired from Aetna after 35 years of service.

The friendships they made all across the country through their caravanning and rallies are surely one of their favorite things about owning an Airstream.

Bob and Helen have lived the true Airstream experience. They are valuable members of our club and we appreciate having them as members. Hats off to Bob and Helen, this month's Member Profile focus.



THOUGHTS AND CARES

Please keep the following members and their family in your thoughts:

It is with sadness that we report the death of Paul Good's brother, Mark Good on September 4, 2005. Mark was a long time member of the Charter Oak Unit prior to moving to Oregon in June of 2004.

Mark is survived by his wife, Gail and two children, Darin and Darice.



Gregg Cocco passed away on September 16, 2005. Gregg was 3rd Vice President of the Charter Oak Unit. He is survived by his wife Debi and two children, Stephen Cocco and Karen Janus and two grandchildren, Scott and Kimber

AMIDST THE SADNESS - JOY

Rich and Kathy Kushman welcomed a new grandson on September 2, 2005. Dane Alexander Stormann weighed in at 7 lb. 9 oz. Everyone is doing well! Congratulations Rich and Kathy!



16 Steps to Build a Campfire

- Split dead limb into fragments and shave one Fragment into slivers.
 - 2. Bandage left thumb.
 - Chop other fragments into smaller fragments.
 - Bandage left foot.
 - Make structure of slivers (include those embedded in hand.)
 - 6. Light Match
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 - Repeat "a Scout is cheerful" and light match.
 - Apply match to slivers, add wood fragments, and blow gently into base of fire.
 - 10. Apply burn ointment to nose.
 - 11. When fire is burning, collect more wood.
 - 12. Upon discovering that fire has gone out while out searching for more wood, soak wood from can labeled "kerosene."
 - Treat face and arms for second-degree burns.
 - 14. Re-label can to read "gasoline."
 - When fire is burning well, add all remaining firewood.
 - 16. When thunder storm has passed, repeat steps.

Recipe for Cheesy Chicken and Rice Bake

1 can (103/4 ounces) condensed cream of chicken soup (regular or 98 percent fat free)

1 1/3 cups water

3/4 cup uncooked regular long-grain white rice

1/2 teaspoon onion powder

1/4 teaspoon black pepper

1 1/2 pounds skinless, boneless chicken breast halves (about 4)

I cup shredded Cheddar cheese (4 ounces)

Mix soup, water, rice, onion powder, and black pepper in a 2-quart shallow baking dish. Top with chicken. Sprinkle chicken with additional pepper. Cover.

Bake at 375 degrees for 45 minutes or until the chicken is no longer pink and rice is done

Uncover. Sprinkle cheese over chicken. Remove chicken and stir rice before serving.

NOTE FROM THE TREASURER SANDY SASUTA

The dues notices for 2006 have been sent out. Everyone should have received their notice.. Please be sure to review your information and make any corrections. Dues must be received by November 1, 2005 to insure that you are listed in the directories.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS FOR THOSE WHO RECEIVE A HARD COPY OF THE CHATTER

If you spend the winter somewhere other than the address you are currently receiving the Chatter, please let the Editor and Chief know when to change to your winter address. You must let us know or it will continue going to your address of record.

REGION ONE RALLY NEWS

We are getting ready for our Western Roundup Rally on September 30 thru October 2. To date 11 units have signed up for this event. There are a few sites left if you are interested in this last rally of the year which starts off the Fall Caravan.

Our recent trip to Trois-Rivieres was a wonderful experience. We left on Tuesday at 1:00 with a temperature of 86 degrees and arrived at the exposition fairgrounds at 7:45 with a temperature of 56 degrees. A big change in weather but a warm welcome by Claude, Sonny and the crew made us feel right at home. On Wednesday the Werth's, Pestrettos's, Terry's, Ribeiros's, Sandall's and Bartram's arrived to represent Charter Oak for the opening ceremonies which were held on Thursday.

The weather was great for the entire weekend along with the food and complimentary wine with meals and entertainment. Groups toured the area including Quebec City which was about 70 miles away.

At the Region 1 meeting Raynold Lemaire mentioned the club name change and asked that any suggestions for a name change be forwarded to him.

A great presentation was put on by the New England unit for next year's Region Rally "Alumination Celebration" to be held August 17-20 at Rochester Fairgrounds in Rochester, New Hampshire. Much work has already been done for this upcoming event which will feature a "Tin Chef" cooking contest in which each unit will have a opportunity to compete in. More info will be coming about this exciting weekend.

With much sadness we left Trois-Rivieres at 6:00 AM on Sunday along with the rain which held off for the entire rally. Our thoughts on the way home reflected on the warm hospitality and wonderful time we had at this years Region 1 Rally hosted by the Quebec Unit. Our thanks to them for a great time.

Francis Eckels 1st Vice-President



Charter oak Connecticut 2006 Activity List

August 4 - 6, 2006 - Rally

February 5, 2006 Dinner Rally	
	Host:
Host: Bob and Jean Landry	Co Host:
Location (if known)	Location (if known)
March 5, 2006 Dinner Meeting	September ?????, 2006 - Rally
	Host: Raymond and Cynthia Richard
Host: Wayne and Susan Rutty	Co-Host:
Location (if known)	Location:
April 2, 2006 Dinner Meeting	September 29 - October 1, 2006 - Rally
	Host:
Host: Fran and Jerry Ingllinera	Co-Host:
Location (if known)	Location:
May 5 7, 2006 Rally and Spring Business Meeting	November 5, 2006 Installation Dinner
	Host: Mike and Lianne Rutty
Host: Mike and Sandy Sasuta	Location: Dock and Dine
Co-Host:	
Location (if known)	December 3, 2006 - Holiday Party
	Host: Bud and Jessie Gould
June 2 - 4, 2006	Location:
Host:	
Co-Host:	

Caravan - Date determined by Leaders

Leader: Charlie and Jeanne Wilson

Co- Leader







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desserts

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^{*}Dinner on your own, dessert to be followed at the campfire

Charter Oak Connecticut Unit Join us for Fun, Fellowship, and Adventure



Date: November 6, 2005 Social Hour begins at: 11:30 Brunch served at: 12:30



Installation Dinner

Please join your fellow WBCCI—COCU club members for a wonderful buffet lunch and witness the installation of our 2006 leadership. Cost \$30.00 per person inclusive. A cash bar will feature red, white and blush wines, domestic and international beers, Bloody Marys, Mimosas, and soft drinks during the social hour beginning at 11:30 a.m.

Come and enjoy the festivities and ceremony with friends.

Send Payment to:

Raymond Richard

P. O. Box 41

Moodus, CT 06469

- Big Buffet Lunch Includes:
- · Caesar Salad
- Pasta Primavera Salad
- Country Style Ribs
- Grilled Chicken Supreme
- Vegetable and Rice or Potato
- · Rolls and Butter
- Deserts
- Coffee, Tea, Iced Tea

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2006 Installation Dinner Location:



Sheraton Hotel 100 East River Drive East Hartford, CT 06108

Phone: 860-528-9703 or Cynthia Richard: 860-528-2358 E-mail:raycynrich1@aol.com

Exit 53 off I-84 East or Exit 52 off I-84 West









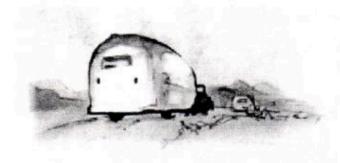
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well my year is over and I would first like to thank everyone for their patience and help along the way. Especially those who have covered for me at events that I could not attend. This has been an experience for both Annette and I. I realize now that working a full time job and staying on top of what is happening within the club is more than a handful. Thanks again for your patience and support.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at the Installation Dinner in November and hopefully at the Holiday Luncheon in December.

Submitted by Mark Wilson

DATES TO REMEMBER

November 6, 2005 Installation Luncheon Sheraton Hartford Hotel Raymond and Cynthia Richard

December 4, 2005

Holiday Party
Fortunato's Villa Pasta Restaurant
New Fairfield, CT
Mark and Annette Wilson



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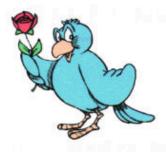
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Rip & Elsie Nelson	11/16
Alan & Joan Beardsley	11/17
Joseph & Rita Tetreault	11/17
Pat & Larry Larson	11/26
Charlie & Sandy Eglise	11/29





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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Sandy Sasuta	11/01
Anne Werth	11/02
Karen Adams	11/06
Ray Moniz	11/06
Walter Holliday	11/07
Theda McGrath	11/07
Sarah Ribiero	11/07
Clarence Gould	11/09
Paul Good, Jr.	11/09
Paul Good	11/10
Beth Petrie	11/10
Winnie Mangano	11/16
Samuel Newman	11/16
John Peterson	11/16
Jeff Blackwell	11/18
Dorcas VanHorn	11/20
Angela Tauras	11/21
Dolores Perry	11/22
Michael Onorato	11/23
Dick Cherouny	11/27
Helen Sandall	11/28
Howard Kuehn	11/30
Dorothy Sherman	11/30



Letter from the Editor and Chief

It is hard to believe that we have finished our camping season. Looking back it was a great season. The Editor and Chief were able to attend all but two of the rallies including the International in Springfield, MO. Unfortunately we were not able to attend the Region Rally and it sounds like we missed a great time. We believe we miss something when we do not attend the rallies.

Unfortunately, we had to cancel this year's Fall Caravan due to low response. We did not met the "ten unit" minimum for campsite reservations. But there is already talk of next year's caravan to the Amish country. Charlie and Jeanne Wilson will lead and there seems to be a lot of interest. We plan to include it on our list of things to do.

The last rally of season was a Western Roundup at Nickerson Campground and it was a great rally. The Eckels, Soucys and Werths are to be commended for all their hard work and planning. Thanks partners!

Columbus Day Weekend found a few hardy souls at the Mellville Ponds Campground in Portsmouth RI. The Editor and Chief were joined by Wayne and Susan Rutty and Mike, Lianne, James and Sammy Rutty for a wet weekend of camping. But you know, we all had a good time just enjoying our Airstreams and each other.

We now have the dinner rallies to look forward to.

The Installation Dinner will be held November 6 and the Holiday
Party will be on December 4. Please look for flyers at the end of
this Chatter.

We hope to see everyone soon. Don't forget our new section in the Chatter called Family Moments. We want everyone to share your favorite family moments. If something special such as a graduation, wedding, or birth of child or grand child, etc. is happening in your family please send us a blurb and or picture about it. We think our Airstream family is interested in what is happening with our families.

Take care and we hope to see you down the road!

Werth's Searching...

Many know of the beginning of our new adventure, and for those who don't this will be a surprise. Our new challenge began in May when we made the decision to sell our Tolland home. Then began the fix-up, clean-up task of readying our home of 41 years to sell. Of course it could have been a cool summer, but no, it turned into the hottest task for the hottest summer. Ultimately, the home was "show ready" and it sold (much to our surprise) in 7 days, 4 showings! WOW! Knocked our socks right off for sure. So, packing up 41 years of memories was the worst! ...but we persevered and arrived at the August 10 closing date. The new homeowners were happy to be moving into our home and we out! We courtesy parked with the Eckels in Ellington for a number of days, leaving and returning from our travels as "full-timers". We left for a 3-week jaunt caravanning with the Lamontagnes, Lemaires, Theda McGrath and Audrey Peters into Canada, covering the dedication of the WBCCI plaque in Kentville, NS, and then traveling up hill and down dale seeing the sights of NS, New Brunswick and Quebec, arriving in Quebec to attend the Region 1 Rally. Highlighted in Nova Scotia was a campground with lobster connections, drove to the boat that had just returned from lobstering and bought the freshest lobsters ever. We all cooked our lobsters and savored the feast. I guess that was the first of many trips along this "full-timing" journey. How long will we be doing this? Not sure, but we are looking forward to searching for a place to make home. We plan on touring as much as we can enjoying what we see. So much to see, so little time... Our address is: 18 Clover Crossing, Stafford Springs, CT 06076 ...see you down the road.

Anne and Bob Werth, #293

Jacoba (Jackie) Margaret Taylor

It is with sadness that we have learned of the death of Jackie Taylor, widow of Chan Taylor. Jackie died on September 28 at the age of 93.

She and Chan were long-time, active members of Charter Oak and avid travelers having done many, many miles with their Airstream trailer.

Jackie had many interests; she was active in the Girl Scouts, gardening, an avid Red Sox fan and cheered the UCONN women's and men's basket ball teams. She lived in Wethersfield most of her life. She and Chan were factive in their church and the community. As a graduate of the University of Buffalo she worked for many years as Librarian at Silas Deane Jr. High School, Wethersfield.

She is survived by her loving family; Allyn C. ("A.C.") Taylor, Robert W. Taylor, Jacoba T. Kellogg, and Margretha A. Taylor, and 7 grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren.

A Memorial Service was held on Thursday, October 13 at First Church of Christ, 250 Main Street, Wethersfield. Memorial contributions may be made to the CT Library for the Blind, 198 West St., Rocky Hill, CT 06067, or to First Church of Christ.

WELCOME THESE NEW MEMBERS:

Thoughts and Cares

LARRY COCHRAN #4773 7 PEPPERBOX rOAD WATERFORD, CT 06385

JOHN LUNE #4772 7 DEAN STREEET DANBURY, CT 06810

NEW CCMU MEMBER:

DAVID AND KRISTEN HALLAM 18 FREEMANS CIRCLE PO BOX 431 ASSONET, MA 02702 Cecile Lemaire is recovering from shoulder surgery. Please keep her in your thoughts.



REGION ONE PRESIDENTS NEWSLETTER Issue 6, October 2005

50th ANNIVERSARY DEDICATION KENTVILLE, NOVA SCOTIA AUGUST 17, 2005

The dedication ceremony in Kentville was impressive to say the least. This all happened at Palmeter's Campground where WBCCI was founded in 1955. In my estimate, there were between 250-300 people in attendance. Jim Haddaway, Immediate Past International President, who orchestrated the entire event, was Master of Ceremonies. The unveiling of the Plaque was performed by Larry Huttle, Chairman of Airstream, Inc., and Jim Franklin, President of WBCCI. There were a number of speakers, yours truly being one of them, and no one was LONG WINDED. After the ceremony, there were many photo opportunities, especially the three caravans of thirtyfive Airstreams each. Also, our little caravan of ten people had our picture taken in front of the plaque. (Below)



I must mention here that the members of the Canadian Atlantic Unit, who were the host, served cookies, tea, coffee and Anniversary cake to the crowd after the ceremony. Thank you for a job well done. From Kentville, we caravanned, SLOWLY, through the north shore of New Brunswick, to Trois-Rivières, Québec. In Pointe-Sapin, New Brunswick we purchased Lobster at the dock, went back to our campground and had a Lobster Fest outside at the picnic tables. Fantastic.

REGION ONE RALLY TROIS-RIVIÈRES, QUÉBEC AUGUST 25-28, 2005

For those of you who were at the Rally, we must all complement the Québec Unit for an outstanding performance. Not being a large Unit by population, their teamwork went off extremely well.

The facility was one of best I have ever seen. A huge hall was adjacent to the parking area, and all activities were there. It was so large, the stage and chairs were on one end, and round tables that seated eight to ten people, were toward the other end. The kitchen was on one side of the hall, separated by a wall with large glass windows. It was very easy to enter at one door, receive your food, and go out the other door and to your table.

Parking, food and the entertainment was excellent.

To the Québec Unit, from all of us who were there at the rally, we extend to you a very large THANK YOU.

Since the New England Unit will host the Region One Rally in 2006, they made a fine presentation one evening, of what will happen next year. They have a very unique title: "Alumination Celebration." The site is the Rochester Fairgrounds, Rochester, NH and the dates are August 17-20, 2006. BE THERE.

FALL INSTALLATION OF UNIT OFFICERS

By the time you read this newsletter, five of our six Units will have their new officers in place. Charter Oak Connecticut Unit has their Installation in early November. To all of our Incoming Unit Officers, may I offer my sincere congratulations.

We are a club of volunteers and that is what makes us so unique. When your Unit is looking for officers, don't hesitate to offer your services if you have never served. Same thing goes for hosting a rally. "Wear Out – Don't Rust Out."

REGION ONE OFFICERS FOR 2006-2008

All but one of the six ballots is in, and the following officers have been elected.

President: Robert E. Thompson II 1st Vice President: Franklin Sanders 2nd Vice President: Russ Melocik

On behalf of all the members in Region One, may I extend my sincere congratulations. I am confident this new team will work diligently for the betterment of Region One.

UNIT MERIT AWARDS

Last year, five of our six Units qualified for the Unit Merit Award and I am confident that those same Units can do the same this year. This award exemplifies the many activities that a Unit has during the year.

I will be in contact with the Immediate Past President of each Unit to offer my help in completing the forms. It does take a little time, but it is not difficult to follow. I encourage each Unit to do this.

BLUE STARS

If you, or your spouse, have served as a Unit President more than once, a Blue Star is now being given in lieu of another PP Flag. The star is sewn, or heat pressed, onto your existing flag. I have been trying to issue the Blue Star to qualified members, starting back when there was only one Unit in what is now Region One. Anyone who falls into this category, and has not received the star, please get in touch with me.

NAME CHANGE

There is still time to submit your suggestion for the new name of our Club. This item will be brought up at the Mid-winter IBT meeting in Anthony, TX this coming January. From this point, it will then go to the Delegates Meeting in Salem, Oregon, next summer, and the Delegates will choose the new name. Whatever you suggest for a name, it MUST include the word "Airstream." Please send any suggestion to me. Email is best. RaynoldLemaie@aol.com

The 4th of July picnic in Salem, Oregon next summer, is still viable.

The White Mountains New Hampshire Unit is planning a Region One participation in the 4th of July parade in Salem, Oregon. More later.

My next newsletter will be after the Mid-winter IBT this coming January in Anthony, Texas. All WBCCI members are welcome.

> Raynold Lemaire, President Region One WBCCI #203



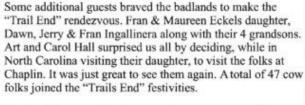
TRAILS END

Well, the cattle drive ended on October 1" at Nickerson Campground. 19 covered wagons made the arduous journey from parts unknown but all came smiling. All cowhands had their western garb on and were ready to party. The weather was ready to give it's best.

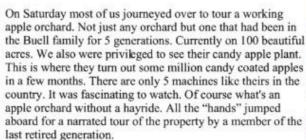


The roundup organizers were the Eckels, Soucy's and Werth's. What a job they did. From the nicely decorated theme area for our meetings to the luscious barbecue expertly prepared by Pete Soucy, everything went very smoothly. All that planning really showed.













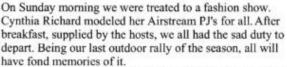
After the tour it was time to get ready for the Social. All Wally's know what that means. Snack's, beverage and good fellowship. We enjoyed two of them plus the lip-smacking barbecue ribs, beans and slaw.



Need we mention desserts? We had all types with Jesse making O'SO DELICIOUS brownies.



Budd and friends provided campfires. Since the weather was so cooperative we had the opportunity for a fire each evening.



Thanks again to the Fran & Maureen, Pete & Laurie, Bob & Anne. Job well done!











MEMBER PROFILE

Sebastian and Juanita Pestretto have been members of Charter Oak since 1996, since they purchased their first Airstream. It was a 1996 new 30' motor home. They were looking for a motor home that was low profile and did not have a flat front and Airstream was the perfect fit. They currently have a 2002 30' Land Yacht motor home.

Although no one in their family had owned an Airstream before they purchased their motor home in 1996, they were extremely please when their son Steve purchased an Airstream and joined the club.

Before owing an Airstream they had Mallard motor home which they camped in for five years.

Seb and Juanita have been married 54 years. In addition to Steve they have Dan, who lives in Grand Cayman. He and his wife Tanya just had a new baby on September 19, named Leonardo. By the time you read this they will have traveled to see their new grandson for the first time. Their daughter Ellen and her husband, Ray Horn, live in Granbury, Texas and have two children, Lori and Michael. Seb and Juanita visit them in the winter when they travel in their Airstream to escape the cold Connecticut winters.

Steve and his wife Pam, who are members of the club live in Granby and have two daughters, Michaela and Julianna, who always bring a breath of fresh air and youth when they attend rallies.

Both are retired but Juanita still works part time for their son, Steve in his landscaping business.

They have met many great people since they have been Airstreaming and enjoy the camaraderie of all the members. They have attended 4 Internationals and 8 Regional Rallies and most of the local rallies.

Seb served as a director in 1998.

They were pleasantly surprised when they attended on of their first rallies and saw Ted Price who had graduated from high school with Seb. Since then Ted and Lois have become special friends.

They especially enjoy the caravans. It gives them an opportunity to see places and things they would not do on their own. Their first caravan was shortly after they purchased their Airstream in 1996 to Mexico. They traveled over 1,000 miles in Mexico and were gone 31 days. They saw so many interesting things. The caravan was well organized and the leaders had been on the trip several times, knew the area well and planned great things to do and see. They made special friends with couples from Iowa and Indiana, and still keep in touch with them.

Seb and Juanita are an excellent example of enjoying retirement, family and travels with an Airstream!



Charter Oak Connecticut Unit Join us for Fun, Fellowship, and Adventure



Date: November 6, 2005 Social Hour begins at: 11:30 Brunch served at: 12:30



Installation Dinner

Please join your fellow WBCCI—COCU club members for a wonderful buffet lunch and witness the installation of our 2006 leadership. Cost \$30.00 per person inclusive. A cash bar will feature red, white and blush wines, domestic and international beers, Bloody Marys, Mimosas, and soft drinks during the social hour beginning at 11:30 a.m.

Come and enjoy the festivities and ceremony with friends.

Send Payment to:

Raymond Richard

P. O. Box 41

Moodus, CT 06469

- Big Buffet Lunch Includes:
- · Caesar Salad
- Pasta Primavera Salad
- Country Style Ribs
- Grilled Chicken Supreme
- · Vegetable and Rice or Potato
- Rolls and Butter
- Deserts
- · Coffee, Tea, Iced Tea

CHARTER OAK CONNECTICUT UNIT

2006 Installation Dinner Location:



Sheraton Hotel 100 East River Drive East Hartford, CT 06108

Phone: 860-528-9703 or Cynthia Richard: 860-528-2358 E-mail:raycynrich1@aol.com

Exit 53 off I-84 East or Exit 52 off I-84 West



COCU Holiday Luncheon



When:

Sunday, December 4, 2005

Where:

Fortunato's Villa Pasta Restaurant

Route 39, New Fairfield

Time:

12:00 - 4:00 PM

Why:

To gather with good friends, have great

conversation and enjoy great food!

Buffet Menu:

Tossed Salad / Italian Bread

Clams & Mussels Scampi

Chicken Marsala Eggplant Parm

Baked Ziti

Coffee & Dessert

Cost:

25.00 per person



Name:		
Phone:	Cell Phone:	
WBCCI#:	Please Mail by: November 21, 2005	

Please RSVP: Mark Wilson, 6 Carola Lane, New Fairfield, CT 06812 (203) 746-9756

Directions: Route 84 to Exit 6, take right off exit, bear left Route 37 North to New Fairfield Center, take right Route 39 North. Approximately 2 – 3 miles on left. If you pass the Causeway you have went too far.

















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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It seems like yesterday that I was installed as 2nd VP. Time has passed very quickly and here we are as President and First Lady looking at a new fun filled year with COCU.

By the time most of you receive this issue of the Chatter the Thanksgiving Day will be over and we will be looking forward to our Holiday Party at the Sheraton Hotel, hosted by Cynthia and Raymond Richard. If you not yet signed up do so quickly as we expect to have a great time. Also don't forget to bring a non-perishable food item which will be donated to a local food pantry.

I would like to thank everyone who stepped up to host an event in the New Year. There are many new places we expect to see and one of them is Rochester New Hampshire where the Region One Rally will be held August 17-21. The rally is being hosted by the New England unit and is being called "Alumination Celebration".

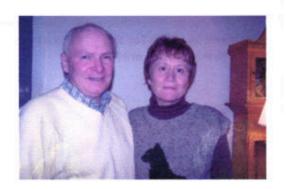
With the cold weather upon us our trailer has been put away for the year and not to soon as the temperature dropped to 18 degrees the night after it was winterized. Many of you more fortunate Airstreamers will soon be heading south for warmer weather. I hope my turn going south for the winter will come as quickly as the presidents office did. To those of you who are heading south have a safe trip.

In closing, if Maureen and I do not see you at the Holiday Party we want to wish everyone Good Health and Happiness for the Holidays and the New Year.

Francis Eckels

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DATES TO REMEMBER

December 4, 2005 Holiday Party Sheraton Hartford Hotel Raymond and Cynthia Richard

A complete list of next year's activities will be in the December Chatter

FOOD BANK DONATIONS

Please bring a non perishable food to the Holiday Party that will be donated to the local Food Banks.



President and First Lady Fran and Maureen Eckels

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Greg & Jan Miller	12/17
Michael & Deborah Onorato	12/23
Philip & Frances Simmons	12/26
Fred & Susan Newman	12/28
Ray & Rene Osterlund	12/31
Ron & Gail Saverese	12/31





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From Most Places, You'l. Wann'to reach us from 184. From I.84, transfer to Route S North and Stay to the list. Get off exit 35. At your first light, take a left. At your most light, take another left. Ge down the road for about 1/5 of a male and you'll see us on your left!

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

James Rutty	12/01
Lynn Perlotto	12/01
Duncan McDougall	12/03
Jan Miller	12/03
Daphine McDonald	12/12
Dorothy Lowell	12/13
Rene Osterlund	12/15
Carol Potter	12/16
Jeanette O'Donald	12/18
Pat Larson	12/22
Larry Larson	12/27



Letter from the Editor and Chief

We had a great time hosting the November Installation Dinner. It was held at the hotel where the Editor or Chief works. Everything was great! The food and service were great and the fellowship with all of our Airstream friends was wonderful. It was nice to see some people we have not seen for a while, such as Angela and Jim Tauras, Mike and Sandy Sasuta, Bob and Harriett Thompson. Jerry Ingallinera was there with his ever present camera. It is nice to see him up and around and improving every day.

As most of you know the Holiday Party has been changed. The Editor and Chief will be hosting again at the Holiday Party December 4.

From what we hear there are some special surprises in store for those who attend. We hope to see you there!

Stolen Airstream Caper Jerry and Fran Ingallinera 18081

On our trip out West as we approached San Francisco, we traveled down Route 101 and over the Golden Gate Bridge. When we came off the bridge, Jerry noticed a California Highway Patrol car following us. When we changed lanes, he changed lanes. Just off the bride, we approached a tunnel while in the right lane. To play it safe, Jerry moved over to the left land as it looked like the right side of the tunnel wall would be too close for the Airstream. The patrol car followed us into the left lane. A few blocks after the tunnel, the overhead lights on the patrol car went on and a loudspeaker instructed us to make a right turn and come to a stop.

Unaware of what we might have done wrong, Jerry speculated that perhaps he shouldn't have come across the bridge with propane bottles. He knew that he went through an intersection just as the light had turned red but he had no choice as stopping would have been difficult with the Airstream.

Looking in his side mirror, Jerry saw that another patrol car had joined the one that had been following us. Now we thought we were really in big trouble.

A very pleasant young officer named Patrick Roth, approached on Fran's side of the truck. He asked if everything was alright, said he noticed us weaving in and out of lanes and we did go through a red light. Jerry explaned the tunnel wall situation and the problem he had stopping for the light as he was already too close to the intersection. The officer acknowledged that he understood why that was a problem. He told us he was not going to give us a citation but asked to see license and registrations for the truck and the Airstream. He asked about the SGI tags on the tow vehicle. "What kink of plates are these", he asked. Jerry explained that in Connecticut one can obtain the same tag for passenger as well as combination registrations. At this point he took the paperwork back to this patrol car. Jerry wondered, "If he's not giving me a ticket, why did he take my license and registrations?"

When Officer Roth returned to bring back our paperwork, he said, "Now I have to tell you a story. About 20 minutes ago a woman called the barracks and said she had read about an Airstream that had been stolen from Sausalito. She had just seen an Airstream pulled by a silver truck on Highway 101 and thought it might be the stolen trailer." Just as we passed his patrol car coming over the bridge, an APB went out to be on the lookout for a silver truck pulling an Airstream and there we were. He began to follow us while checking out our tags. The 18081 on the trailer plate failed to come up on the computer. When he entered the SGI truck tags what came up was a gold Chrysler 300M. Jerry has SGI combo plates on the truck and SGI passenger car plates on his gold Chrysler 300M. SGI are his initials, Salvatore G. Ingallinera.

Well, now Officer Roth had some concerns, thinking he had come up on a truck using stolen plates. So before pulling us over, he called for back-up as he didn't know what he was going to find when he checked us out. When he approached our vehicle and looked in at two 60 something innocent-looking folks he knew we could not be the culprits. He took our paperwork back to his vehicle, dismissed his back-up, wrote up his report and came back with our documents as well as "Frisbees" for our five grandchildren and some California Highway patrol sticker badges

We all chuckled at the coincidence of our passing his patrol car at the same time the APB was broadcast to all cruisers. Officer Roth, who was now on a first-name basis with Jerry, agreed to poise for some photos. After which he directed us back to Highway 101 and we were on our way again having spent 45 minutes "in the stolen Airstream stop."

When we registered at the RV park in Pacifica, Jerry related the encounter with the California Highway Patrol to the person at the registration desk. She mentioned that she had seen the article in the paper but couldn't remember when she had seen it.

We went to dinner at a restaurant nearby and Jerry asked the waiter if there were any back issues of the newspaper around. He came up with the previous day's issue. There was the article. Whose Airstream had been stolen? None other than Christopher C. Dream, the designer of the Airstream CCD. The article described the stolen Airstream as a 16 footer with four portholes on the side made especially for Christopher C. Dream. Our 30 foot Classic hardly filled the description. But getting pulled over by the California Highway Patrol just added to the adventure of our trip cross country.

The trip was great. We covered 9,000 miles in 40 days and saw some wonderful sights in this beautiful country of ours. We wondered all along the way whether Christopher C. Dream ever got his trailer back???????



18081 Pulled over on the streets of San Francisco



Jerry and CHP Officer Patrick Roth

MEMBER PROFILE

Our member profile focus this month is on our new President and First Lady, Fran and Maureen Eckels.

After years of boating, Fran and Maureen decided they wanted to do something different. So in 2000 they purchased their first Airstream which was a 28 foot Safari. No one in their family had owned an Airstream before but it seemed to be the RV for them. In 1999 at the International in Burlington, Vermont they purchased a 1999 31 foot Classic Limited which they love.

Their camping experiences had been limited. Fran had camped when he was raising his family and Maureen did some camping with her parents but said she didn't like it much. My, how things can change!

Fran and Maureen have been married for 19 years. Fran has 6 children by previous marriage and they have 8 grandchildren and one on the way. Their children live along the East Coast from Florida to Vermont.

Both Fran and Maureen work. Fran works for the State of Connecticut, Department of Corrections and Maureen works for St. Paul Travelers.

When asked her favorite thing about owning an Airstream, Maureen was quick to reply 'washing and waxing it." But she is quick to add their favorite thing about being a member of the club is the friends they have made.

They joined the club in 2000 but for the past year and a half have begun to be more involved. This year they hosted the September Rally with the Werths and the Souceys and enjoyed it so much they will hosting their own rally next June.

They have attended two International Rallies and four Region Rallies. They feel getting to the rallies is half the fun because they have seen areas of Canada and United States that they probably would not go on their own. They do use their Airstream to travel to Vermont to visit their children but, they use it more for club activities. They will attend the International Rally in Oregon next year.

Two of their favorite places they have visited with their Airstream is Aassateage State Park in Maryland to see the wild horses and Nashville, Tennessee. Maureen comments on Nashville were "never in my wildest dreams did I think that I would enjoy it since I am Rock'n Roller from a way back but I have to say I had a great time." Another great trip was to the Region Rally in Lunnenberg, Nova Scotia. This gave them an opportunity to visit relatives in Cape Breton.

Francis has served has second and first Vice President. And this year he is President of COCU. Maureen is serving as Corresponding Secretary this year.

Fran and Maureen are great examples of new blood in WBCCI. If you had asked them six years ago if they would be this involved in Airstreaming they would have said "it never crossed our minds". But here they are and how lucky we are! During their year as President and First Lady they will be looking for direction and support. So let's make sure they get it and remember it's all about Fun and Fellowship.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

John and Imani Zito 36 Fairfield Ave. Hartford, CT 06114 Telephone: 860-983-1036

Last month there was a mistake on one of our new Members name. It should be John Clune. Welcome again John!

NEW AFFILIATE MEMBERS

Dan Dureido and Bob Butler 106 Whippoorwill Hollow North Franklin, CT 06254

2006 CARAVAN NOTICE

This month's Chatter contains a registration form for the 2006 Caravan. Why so early you ask? Peak time in the Amish area and firm reservations have to be made. We reserved 15 campground sites and already have about 10 spoken for. If we have to reserve more I need to know yesterday. That's why the registration form is included in this issue.

For those who never visited this area it will be unforgettable. For those who have been there, we always want to go back.

The dinner theater (optional) will begin at 6:00 pm dinner and show at 8:00. My Fair Lady is playing. Check it out on the Internet, The Dutch Apple Theatre in Lancaster, www.dutchapple.com

We will be going to Longwood Gardens for a day trip. This was formerly known as Dupont Gardens. Just a beautiful place. www.longwoodgardens.org

One of the locals, Ivan, will be providing us with a pig roast. He'll cook it on site so we don't have to worry about him showing up like the time in Rhinebeck.

This particular week is a peak time in this area culminating with the Columbus Day weekend. We have decided to break camp on Sunday to head for home. If anyone wants to stay longer I'm pretty sure the sites will be open.

The campground can be seen at: www.millbridge.com

So we are suggesting you reserve as soon as possible.

Hosts: Charlie & Jeanne Wilson Co-Hosts: Fran & Maureen Eckels

INSTALLATION LUNCHEON

There were three big events in the Greater Hartford area on Sunday, November 6, 2005. Along with the Veteran's Day parade and the UCONN women's basketball game at the Civic Center, we welcomed "Wallys" from the four corners of the Nutmeg State at the Sheraton Hotel in East Hartford. We had gathered to install a new slate of officers for 2006.

The turnout was a wonderful sight to behold - fifty-one adults and two young men. (James and Samuel Rutty) We were pleased to welcome Dan Dureiko and Bob Butler as Affiliate Members. There was much hugging, kissing and back-slapping as people gathered for a social time preceding a tasty buffet meal. I just stood back and marveled at the wonderful display of friendship exhibited throughout the room.

The business meeting was conducted by Lois Price in her inimitable fashion. Reports from the Recording Secretary, Treasurer and Committee Chairmen were presented. Charlie Wilson gave us an update on the Caravan to take place the first week of October, 2006 to the Amish area of Pennsylvania.

Region President Raynold Lemaire was the installing officer and, to no-one's surprise, made the installation process one to remember. The following were installed: Fran Eckels, President, Ray Moniz, 1st V,P, Rich Kushman, 2nd V.P., Rec.Sec, Fran Simmons, Treas., Sandy Sasuta, Corr. Sec'y Maureen Eckels, Directors Ray Richard, Pete Soucy, Jerry Ingalinera, Fred McGoldrick. Maureen Eckels was presented with a bouguet of broccoli by President Lemaire.

Incoming President Fran Eckels gave us an over-view of the proposed activities for 2006. It looks to be a full and exciting year ahead.

Our thanks to Cynthia and Ray Richard for a job well done in hosting this important event. The table decorations and prizes added to the festive atmosphere. By the way, the pumpkin bread was delicious.

Bob Sandall















AMISH HARVEST CARAVAN

Our fall caravan for 2006: Sunday October 1st to Sunday October 8st. Come join us for a fun filled week at a perfect location in the heart of the Amish country near Lancaster, PA.

This is the biggest week of the year for this area so there's a lot going on. We'll do some sightseeing, sample some food and in general have a great week.

We have reserved sites at a beautiful campground with FULL hookups and an enclosed heated room. All within a couple of miles of everything.

We plan of having a catered chicken dinner, snack dinner, pig roast by a local, group banquet, trip to Longwood Gardens and an OPTIONAL dinner theater showing My Fair Lady. (dress code: casual, no jeans, sneakers or collarless shirts)

Squeezing all this plus socials and "own time" dinners and of course shopping and exploring will make for a busy week.

Since reservations have to be made in advance and large deposits made, we need firm commitments. We reserved 15 campsites but I may be able to get more if you hurry with your reservations. We reserved 20 dinner theater seats. Jeanne & I have been to their Ft Myers theater and you will not be disappointed in the show or the food.

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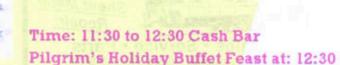
Come Celebrate with Us

The COCU

Holiday Party







Date: December 4, 2005



Our Party Plans have Changed Charter Oak Connecticut Unit's Holiday Party will be hosted at the Sheraton Hartford Hotel at 100 East River Drive, East Hartford On December 4, 2005 hosted by Raymond and Cynthia Richard



Included in our activities will be a Yankee Swap.

Each person should bring a wrapped gift (\$10 value limit) suitable for male or female.

We hope you will be able to join us!

Please send your check to: Raymond Richard P. O. Box 41 Moodus, CT 06469

We will be serving a Holiday Buffet which will include:

Glazed Ham

Roast Turkey and Cranberry Sauce

Country Stuffing and Gravy

Mashed potatoes

Butternut Squash with Maple Butter

Relish Tray

All Inclusive

Tossed Green Salad

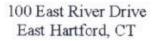
Rolls and Butter

Pumpkin and Apple Pie

The cost will be \$30 per person



Call (860) 873 1973 for further detail





Cash Bar available from 11:30 am-12:30 pm













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THE AIRSTREAM RV ASSOCIATION

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As I sit here next to the wood stove writing this message looking out the window at the 12 inches of snow on our Airstream it is hard not to envy our Airstream friends in the warm southern states. I am looking forward to a time when I will be able to join them.

Back in Connecticut our Christmas Party was a big success. The Richards did a great job making it a festive event. We all enjoyed the Yankee Swap of presents and it was suggested we do it again next year. Jessie Gould's Airstream cookies were also a special treat along with the unique chocolate covered spoons created by Cynthia. Again a thank you to the Richards from all who attended this joyous occasion.

Our next get together will be at a quaint old house for brunch. This event at Monet's Table will be hosted by Jean and Bob Landry. Watch for the flyer in this edition of the Chatter as it will be a "Not to Miss" occasion.

We are planning to travel with the Monizs to Marlboro Mass. to meet with the Region One Rally committee. They will be giving a presentation and discussing the schedule along with expectations of unit participation. We will fill everyone in on the details upon our return.

Material is fast coming in about the International Rally in Salem. We hope to enter in the unit publication contest this year (the Chatter and unit directory). If anyone is interested in the Teen Queen Competition contact me for info.

Don't forget the RV show in Springfield in Feb. Lots to see and purchase. Charter Oak Unit will be there with a table and we will be looking for prospective new members. Any members wishing to help out at the table please contact us.

In conclusion Maureen and I want to wish all of you and your family's a Happy Holiday and wonderful Joyous New Year.

Fran Eckels

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DATES TO REMEMBER

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Monet's Table
Tolland, CT
Hosted by Bob and Jean Landry

March 5, 2006
Luncheon Meeting
Location TBA
Hosted by Wayne and Susan Rutty

April 2, 2006
Luncheon Meeting
Marco Polo Restaurant
East Hartford, CT
Hosted by Jerry and Fran
Ingallinera



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

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FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Susan Newman	02/01		
Richard Griffin	02/05	Dorothy & Linwood Lowell	02/01
Samuel Rutty	02/05	Ray & Mary Ellen Moniz	02/03
Bill Perlotto	02/09	Paul Williams & Jane Ferri	02/10
Pat Brosnahan	02/10	Francis & Maureen Eckels	02/14
David Levinson	02/13	Howard Kuehn&	
Leila Clark	02/16	Dorcas Van Horn	02/14
Patricia Lines	02/18	Bill & Lynn Perlotto	02/15
Lynn Blackwell	02/20	Michael & Adria Link	02/19
Mike Sasuta	02/21	Rod & Shirley Dole	02/26
Betty Clark	02/23	Rou & Similey Dole	02/20





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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR AND CHIEF (YOU FIGURE OUT WHO W H O)

It's hard to believe that Christmas is just around the corner. This year has really flown by. This is the last Chatter for this year and the next edition will be out in February. That will make one year that the Editor and Chief have been doing the Chatter. It has been fun and certainly a learning experience. Thanks to all of you who have contributed and to Rich Kushman who has helped get it to you every month. We could not have done it without you.

The Holiday Party was a big success. The Editor and Chief we happy to host it and we had a great time. Considering the weather and the time of year the attendance was good and everyone seemed to have a great time. The photo op with Santa we enjoyed by all. Look for pictures taken at the Party throughout the Chatter.

Lois Price, our own Poet Laureate, did a great job with a couple of poems that were fitting for the season. We have included her Christmas "Wrap" in this Chatter for all to enjoy. But for the full effect, you just had to be there.

Here's wishing everyone a Happy Holiday Season! If you are Southbound, have a safe trip. If you are staying in Connecticut stay warm!

2006 ACTIVITIES

February 5th - Luncheon Meeting Hosted by Bob and Jean Landry Location - Monet's Table Tolland, CT

March 5th - Luncheon Meeting Hosted by Wayne and Susan Rutty Location - TBA

April 2nd - Luncheon Meeting Hosted by Jerry and Fran Ingallinera Location - Marco Polo Restaurant East Hartford, CT

May 5th - 7th
Taste of Home Rally – Business Meeting
Hosted by Mike and Sandy Sasuta
Location - TBA

June 2nd - 4th
Kick-Off Summer Rally
Hosted by Francis and Maureen Eckels
Location - Travelers Woods Campground
North Bernardson, MA

June 28th - July 4th
International Rally - Westward the
Airstreams
Location - Salem, OR

July 7th - 9th
Connecticut Shore Line Rendezvous Joint
Rally
Hosted by Ray and MaryEllen Moniz
Brad and Kathy Fuller
Location - TBA

August 17th - 21st
Region One Rally
Alumination Celebration
Hosted by New England Unit
Location - Rochester, NH

September 1st - 4th
Goin' to the Fair Rally
Hosted by Wayne and Susan Rutty
Mike and Lianne Rutty
Location - Haddam Neck Fairgrounds
Haddam, CT

September 29th - October 1st Fall Rendezvous Hosted by Raymond and Cynthia Richard Fran and Maureen Eckels Location - TBA

November 5th
Installation Luncheon
Hosted by Mike and Lianne Rutty
Location - Dock n' Dine
Old Saybrook, CT

December 3rd
Luncheon Meeting - Holiday Party
Hosted by Bud and Jesse Gould
Location - San Souci Restaurant
Meriden, CT

Charter Oak Christmas Luncheon

On Sunday, December 04, 2005, Charter Oak members braved a "raging" snow storm and journeyed to East Hartford and the Sheraton Hotel for the club's annual Christmas Party. No skies, snowmobiles or snowshoes were necessary and 34 members made it there safely and enjoyed a most delightful afternoon.

Cynthia & Ray Richard are to be commended for stepping in at almost the last minute when previously scheduled plans did not materialized. They arranged a delicious buffet meal consisting of ham, turkey and all the fixings. The turkey was fantastic and any lingering memories of a recent Thanksgiving menu were soon forgotten as this was just SO GOOD! Airstream trailer shaped cookies were on the tables for each guest to take home. These were made by Jessie Gould and decorated by Jesse, Fran and Maureen Eckels. "Chocolate spoons" made by Cynthia for hot cocoa or coffee completed the package.

After entering the room, you were soon directed to a large standing picture of "Santa" complete with ovals for people to peek through. Digital pictures were taken by Ray, then printed out and given to each attendee. Fortunately it was hard to recognize just "who was who"!

Lunch was then served. This was followed by a performance by Charter Oak's own "Poet Laureate", Lois Price with an "Ode of Thanks" to Cynthia & Ray for their efforts. Also a Christmas poetry effort by Lois with the assistance of some of Santa's Elves and Reindeer set to a "Rap" beat. It was all very clever. You had to be there to hear it and see it. Hopefully Lois's efforts will be published.

Each guest had been asked to bring a gift to exchange and this was done by way of a "Yankee Swap". A few items were very much in demand and were traded around several times, mainly some "lottery tickets". Fortunately no fist fights broke out and everyone went home happy with their gift.

Fran Eckels said that the 2006 schedule is almost ready and will be published in the next "Chatter". Sounds like a busy and fun year. Our next get together will be in February.

Merry Christmas, Seasons Greetings and Happy Holidays to all.

Fran Simmons









Expecting By Dorothy O'Connor

The most astonishing occurrence will take place at Travelers' Rest in a few months. Russell, age 91, and I, age 77, are expecting!

We have been together for 17 years. They have been years brimming over with travel, book discussions, love, laughter, and warm gettogethers with our families and friends. Of course there have been some tensions and disagreements, too. We're human. But nothing like this forthcoming event has ever happened to us before.

You see, in the spring of 2004 we bought a "tied-down" trailer on Site 10-68 at Travelers' Rest. We spent the winter of 2004-2005 here, getting acquainted with our new surroundings and learning to appreciate the many-layered life at our Resort.

There is one orange tree on our property. Last year it's yield was two oranges.

Over the summer a wizard named John Hodge pruned the tree severely and fertilized the soil from which it draws it's nourishment. Lo and behold, we are now expecting a crop of oranges! Every time we park near the tree we gaze up into it's branches and count the babies. Since they are still green, it is not always easy to spot them against leaves of the same color.

I think we will harvest at least a dozen oranges. Please share with us our excitement and happiness.

NEW MEMBERS

PLEASE WELCOME THESE NEW MEMBERS!

THEY JOINED AWHILE AGO AND SOME HOW I MISSED GETTING THEM IN THE CHATTER.

SO A SPECIAL WELCOME TO DAVID AND SUSAN JOHNSON #2921 81 PITKIN ROAD PUTNAM, CT 06260

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU AT ONE OF OUR EVENTS SOON!!

THOUGHTS AND CARES

Our sincere sympathies go out to Ron Edmondson and his family on the loss of his brother, Clarence Colin (Coy) Edmondson. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

CARD OF THANKS

Hello out there – Life as I knew it has been profoundly altered. The passing of my darling Gregory is one of the hardest things I have gone through.

The outpouring of love has been overwhelming. We've received 100 cards and letters.

Many thanks to all for the many gifts to us, and the gifts to fight cancer.

Sincerely, Debi Cocco #4087



IT'S A "WRAPP" BY LOIS PRICE



HO, HO, HO, it's that time of year Time to have fun and drink in the cheer.

We've traveled far, we've traveled wide. So now it's time to put our rigs aside.

Clean, winterize and tuck away the flags, Pack up your troubles in an old rally bag.

Shift your gears into a Holiday mode Before you, once again, hit the road.

Do yourselves a favor --Smile and hug your neighbor.

Be thankful for all that is good, Join in the fun and give thanks for the food.

So Happy Holidays to one and all And may Santa down your chimney fall.

With plenty of goodies that are tasty and nutritious And a bag full of love and lots of good wishes.



The Airstreamers Fishy Story

An Airstreamer (who will remain unnamed) was stopped recently by a game warden in Connecticut as he was returning to his Airstream with bucket fu of still-alive fish. "Do you have a license to catch those fish?" The game warden asked. The man replied, "no sir. These are my pet fish."

"Pet fish?" The warden asked. "Yes sir. Every night I take these fish down to the lake and let them swim around for awhile. When they hear my whistle, they jump right back into the bucket and I take them back to the Airstream."

"That's a bunch of baloney," the game warden said as he reached for his pad of citations. The man looked at the game warden for a moment and the said, "If you don't believe me, then follow me back to the lake to see how this works."

Still suspicious, but curious, the game warden agreed. And so they walked to the lake. There, the man poured the fish into the water where they disappeared. "Okay," said the game warden. "Call them back."

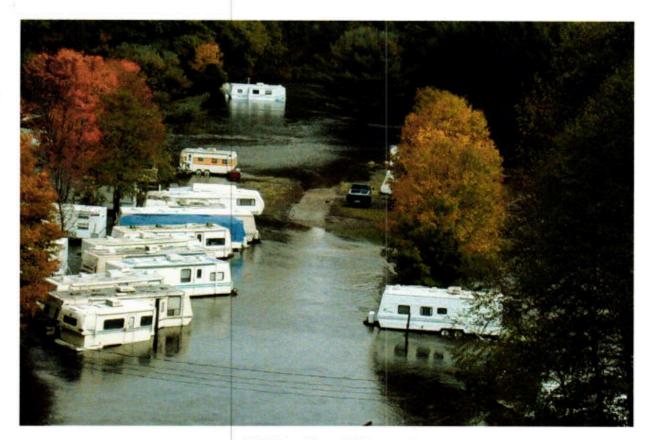
"Call who back?"

"The fish," replied the ward.

"What fish?" Asked the clever Airstreamer.

At the left
The Christmas Tree at the
Sheraton Hartford
And below
MaryEllen Moniz and Susan Rutty
Enjoy the Yankee Swap





Water Front Property

Less than two weeks after our Rally in September, the Travelers Woods Campground went under, water that is. This picture submitted by Bob Sandall shows the area where COCU was parked at our Rally. Looks like we scheduled the Rally at just the right time. Not to worry, everything will be dry by our return in June 2006 for the Kick-off to Summer Rally.



ALUMINATION CELEBRATION

Region One celebrates it's past, present and future at our annual rally to be held at the Rochester NH Fairgrounds, August 17th - 20th, 2006.

We will publish the registration form in the February Chatter. In the meantime, if you would like more information or to register now please visit www.wbcci1.org and click on the Aluminations Celebration logo.

Look for complete information in February.





Charter Oak Brunch February 5. 2005

Monet's Table
167 Tolland Stage Road
Tolland. CT 06084
860-875-7244

Social Hour 11:30-12:30 Cash Bar Brunch 12:30-3:00 \$28.00 Per Person

Buffet Menu

Scrambled Eggs with Parmesan Cheese and Scallions
Roasted Butternut Squash. Rosemary and Garlic Casagna
Chicken Filled Crepes with Apples. Rice. Cheddar and Almonds
Sweet Crepes Filled with a Ricotta Cheese, Custard, and Berries
Cinnamon & Vanilla French Toast
Roasted Rosemary Potatoes
Ham. Bacon. & Sausage
Seasonal Fruit Bowl
Assorted Baked Goods
Assorted Fruit Juices
Coffee and Tea

Please send your checks to:

Bob or Jean Candry 186 Riley Mountain Road Coventry, CT 06238

Please mail by January 20, 2006

Directions on next page

Directions to Monet's Table

From Hartford, CT

Take 184 East to exit 67. At the end of the ramp take a left. At the stoplight take a right onto Route 30. Approximately 2/3 of a mile up on your left is a car wash. At this marker take a left onto Sand Hill Road, which comes to an end quickly. Take a right onto Route 74 and Monet's Table is ¼ mile up on your left. The restaurant is a cream colored colonial farmhouse and parking is in the back of the establishment.

From Boston, MA

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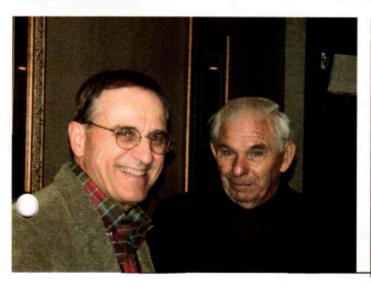
From UCONN at Storrs, CT

Take Route 195 North to the center of Tolland. (Go past the exit 68 entrance to 184) In the historical district of Tolland you will come to a stop sign in the center of the green. Bear left onto route 74 west towards Rockville and Monet's Table is approximately 2.5 miles down on the right. (After you cross over Route 30 bear toward the right of the fork at Rockville Equipment and Monet's Table is a ½ mile down on your right.) The restaurant is a creamed colored colonial farmhouse and parking is in the back of the establishment.

From Somers/Enfield CT Area

From route 190 take 83 south toward Ellington. Follow 83 thru Ellington to Rockville and at the intersection of route 74, take a left onto route 74 up thru Rockville past Rockville Hospital. Continue on Route 74 into Tolland and from Rockville Hospital we are approximately 2 miles up on your left. The restaurant is a creamed colored colonial farmhouse and parking is in the back of the establishment.

More Holiday Party Photos











Our own Poet Laureate

















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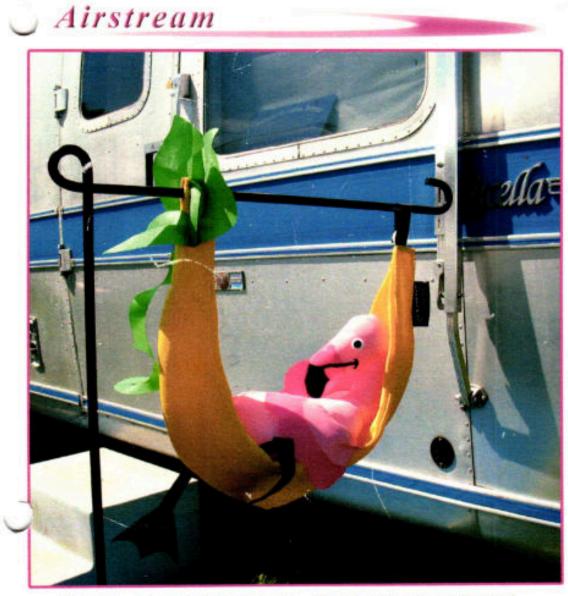
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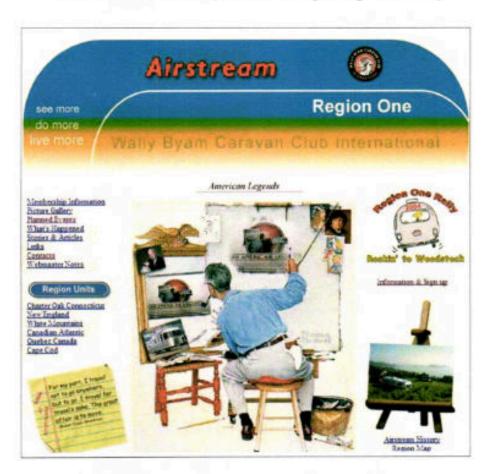
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1984	Ruth Crockett
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1986	Clarence Nelson
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Lois poses!

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Paul Good

Michael Sasuta

Robert Barrett 1991

1988 1989

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1993 Richard Bartram

1994 Jim Edmondson (d)

1995 Eileen Bartram

1996 Jim Miller

Anne Werth 1997

Bob Werth 1998

Bob Sandall 1999

Bud Gould 2000

2001 Ted Price

2002 Charles Wilson

Mike Rutty 2003

2004 Lois Price



Mark & Annette bring a home for Rip & Elsie.

Year 2005 Activities

February 6

Dinner Meeting 12:00pm Imperial Buffet Ray & Maryellen Moniz (860) 621-1536

March 7

Dinner Meeting 12:00pm Cuckoo's Nest-Mexican Food Old Saybrook, CT 06475 Kathy Kushman (860) 739-2066 Doreen Fuller (860) 464-8110



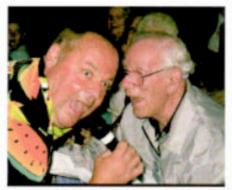
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April 3

Dinner Meeting The Nutmeg Restaurant East Windsor, CT Jerry & Fran Ingallinera (860) 289-9149

May 2

Rally North Stonington Charlie Wilson



Still Rip'n after all these years!

June 3-5

Rally Woodstock Fairgrounds, Route 171 Woodstock, CT Wayne & Susan Rutty (860) 345-4049

June 29, 2004

Region 1 Installation Luncheon Lansing Center; Lansing, MI Ray Lemaire (860) 376-4678

June 28 - July 4, 2004

"Great Lakes, Great Times, Great City" International Rally Lansing, MI



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2005 Activities Continued

August 5-7

Rally Traveler's Woods Campground North Bernardston, MA Dick & Eileen Bartram (860) 496-8507

September 16-18

"Ole Tyme Connecticut" Rendezvous Buddy Rally Kent, CT Chuck & Pam Bleakney (508) 393-8569 Mark & Annette Wilson (203) 746-9756 Jim & Corinne Burnham (860) 623-9752



James & Sam in their favorite hats.

September 30 - October 2

Charter Oak Western Round-up – RALLY Nickerson Campground, Chaplin, CT Fran & Maureen Eckels (860) 875-0724 Pete & Laurie Soucy

November 6

Bob & Anne Werth

Installation Dinner Sheraton Hotel, Hartford, CT Raymond & Cynthia Richard (860) 873-1973

December 4

Holiday Party Savoy Restaurant Federal Road, Brookfield, CT Mark & Annette Wilson (203) 746-9756



Michaela & Julianne crafting.

Connecticut Unit Members by Number

90	Knight, Howard M.	5618	Eckels, Francis
203	Lemaire, Raynold	5969	Sumner, Jason
210	Rutty, Wayne	6465	Fuller, Robert
213	Dole, Roderick	6625	Newman, Fred
281	Bartram, Dick	6917	Vohr, Fritz
93	Werth, Robert	7030	Riiska, David
318	Fuller, John	7115	Meyer, Edward
332	McGrath, Theda	7161	Wilson, Mark
1001	Sasuta, Michael	7459	Wilson, Charlie
018	Lines, Claire	7534	Potter, Joseph
099	Clark, Betty	7596	Larson, Larry
128	Eglise, Charlie	7656	McDonald, Chuck
201	McGoldrick, Fred	7700	Tauras, Jim
328	Osterlund, Ray	7752	Bradley, Leland
409	Sanders, Franklin	7880	Holliday, Walter
442	Kushman, Richard	8115	Galasyn, Val
445	Richard, Raymond	8625	Ribeiro, Joe
531	Lupien, Mark	8627	Crockett, Roger
548	Pestretto, Steve	8709	Brosnahan, Brian
586	Moffo, Richard	8988	Onorato, Michael
745	Fuller, Russ	9348	Simmons, Philip
463	Edmondson, Ron	9480	Barrett, Bob
478	Gould, Clarence	9581	Thompson, Bob
787	Link, Michael	9705	Lamontagne, Larry
813	Griffin, Richard	12051	Brown, Reggie
905	Ahmed, Imtiaz (Titu)	12461	Hall, Art
933	Mignone, Carmine	13840	
942	Miller, Greg	13992	
3045	Rawson, Don	14444	The state of the s
3232	Clopper, Terry	14964	The state of the s
371	Walbridge, Rich	15116	
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3468	Clark, Leila	17702	
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611	Kelly, Stephen	20567	
718	Santos, Joe	23285	
788	Williams, Paul	23726	THE CONTRACT OF THE PROPERTY O
3990	Landry, Bob	23728	Cherouny, Dick
1087	Cocco, Gregg	24115	Rosenbeck, Niels
8804	Perlotto, Bill	25573	
104	McDougall, Duncan	26410	
749	Cyr, Dick	26824	
873	O'Donald, William	28041	
922	Pestretto, Sebastian	29883	
5082	Terry, Rob	30883	
5212	Kingsbury, Peter	31109	
247	Duesel, Earl	31764	Berg, Russell
330	Soucy, Pete		AL HORE DO MORA
381	Moniz, Ray		11
387	Peterson, John		
5406	Fuller, Bard		Contract of the Contract of th

Sandall, Bob

Members

Abbreviations Used:

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9480 Barrett, Bob & Carolyn

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31764 Berg, Russell & O'Connor, Dorothy (AF)

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Joined: 2004



23285 Boucher, Claude & Jocelyne Morand 141 Rue Meunier E.

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7752 Bradley, Leland & Claire (AF) P.O. Box 501

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8709 Brosnahan, Brian & Pat

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Phone: 203-272-4325

CB Handle: Toolbox & Allegro

Joined: 1996



12051 Brown, Reggie & Jackie

29129 Johnston Road, #4-42 Dade City, FL 33523-6128

(352) 588-3615 Winter (401) 559-4495 Cell

CB Handle: Ten Pin

Joined: 1988



31109 Burnham, Jim & Corinne (CP)

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(860) 623-9752 JCB00@cox.net



23728 Cherouny, Dick & Molly 83 Sandy Point Lane Brandon, VT 05733-8508

(802) 247-4543

Joined: 2000

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1099 Clark, Betty (AF) 35 Taylor Street Duxbury, MA 02332

(781) 585-2006 betty.c@mymailstation.com

CB Handles: 1099

Winter (Jan. 1-Apr. 15) 29129 Johnston Road, #19-24 Dade City, FL 33523 (352) 588-4018



3468 Clark, Leila (L)

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(860) 295-0091

Joined: 1997



3232 Clopper, Terry & Gayle Shonley (AF, CP) 418 Middle Road

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4087 Cocco, Gregg & Debi 4 Railroad Avenue Madison, CT 06443

(203) 245-3451 Fax: (203) 245-3691 agcocco@snet.net

CB Handle: Silver Bullet / Swede

Joined: 1998



8627 Crockett, Roger & Ruth (CM) 166 Gillette Road

New Hartford, CT 06057-2807

(860) 489-9566 rpncrockett@aol.com

CB Handle: Lightning Joined: 1970 Winter (Jan 1-Apr. 15) 29129 Johnston Road, #5-13 Dade City, FL 33523-6128 (352) 588-4157



4749

Dick & Linda Cyr 137 Mussel Bed Shoal Road Portsmouth, RI 02871

(401) 683-1887 (401) 954-4521 cell Bonkrs@att.net

Joined: 2004



213 Dole, Rod & Shirley (AF)

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(860) 429-6645 grammashirl@webtv.net

CB Handle: Hot Rod / Nurse



5247 Duesel, Earl & Elaine (AF, CP) 104 Edinboro Street Marlboro, MA 01752

(508) 485-2087 erduesel@aol.com



5618 Eckels, Francis & Maureen 87 Mountain Street Ellington, CT 06029

(860) 875-0724 CB Handle: French Fry Joined: 2000



13992 Edmondson, Laura (L) 85 Brewster Street Coventry, CT 06238

(860) 742-4484 Joined: 1977



463 Edmondson, Ron & Shirley 150 Brewster Street

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(860) 742-7975 rsawree@aol.com



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Joined: 1973



5406 Fuller, Bard & Kathy (AF) Brian & Megan 36 Panorama Drive Southington, CT 06489

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318 Fuller, John & Ruby (AF) 29 Blue Ridge Road Kensington, CT 06037

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1745 Fuller, Russ & Rhona Fuller (CP,AF)

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Phone: 860-747-1193 rfuller1745@juno.com



8115 Val & Aili Galasyn 34 Buck Hill Road

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Joined: 2004



29883 Good, Paul, Judy, & Paul Jr.

1049 Kaupaku Place Honolulu, HI 96825

(808) 396-6767 pa.jbg@att.net

CB Handle: Commander

Joined: 1976



2478 Gould, Clarence & Jessie (CP)

49 Dobson Circle Middletown, CT 06457

(860) 347-5731 (860) 685-1002 Cell

CB Handles: Haystacker, Hummer



2813 Griffin, Richard & Kathy (AF) 124 Timberwall Road Saugerties, NY 12477

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14964 Guthman, Frank & Patty (CP)

35 Riverview Drive Norwalk, CT 06850

(203) 847-8929 cttwin@optonline.net

Joined: 2003



12461 Hall, Art & Carol

232 Rainbow Dr. #13232 Livingston, TX 77399-2032

Phone: 203-216-3873 thirdhand2@aol.com

CB Handle: Silver Doghouse Joined: 2002 Winter (Oct1-April 1) Paradise Park 46900 Bermont Rd., #220 Punta Gorda, FL 33982 (203) 216-3873



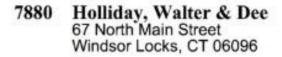
26824 Henschel, Bob & Sharon

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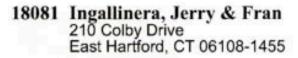
CB Handle: Charlie Bob





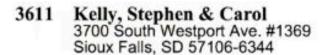
(860) 627-7527 walterholliday@aol.com deeholiday@aol.com

CB Handles: Eagle 1, Eagle 2 Joined: 1995 Winter (Nov 1 - May 1) 1663 Park Gate Drive Kissimmee, FL 34746 (407) 944-4007



(860) 289-9149 airstream1@sbcglobal.net

Joined: 1994



Phone: 605-333-9362 k1rlu@arrl.net

CB Handle: hawkeye - 1 & 2 Joined: 2002 Winter (Nov 15- April 15) 172 Broad River Drive Hertford, NC 27944 (252) 426-7850

5212 Peter & Robin Kingsbury 165 Mamanasco Road Ridgefield, CT 06877

203 431-9119 Joined: 2004









90 Knight, Howard M. & Carolyn L. (AF)

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CB Handles: Silver Knight, Satin Doll



30883 Kuehn, Howard E. & Dorcas Van Horn (L) (CP)

Box 27 Hopkinton, RI 02833

(401) 377-1069 Kue828@aol.com

CB Handle: Pa Bell Joined: 1976 Winter (Oct. 15 - Apr. 15) 29129 Johnston Road, #2706 Dade City, FL 33523-6128 (352) 588-3044



1442 Kushman, Richard & Kathleen

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(860) 739-2066 silvershadow@snet.net

Joined: 1998



9705 Lamontagne, Larry & Pat (AF)

108 Sandy Beach Road Holland, MA 01521

(413) 245-9941 larpatla@earthlink.net

CB Handle: Flying Frenchman



3990 Landry, Bob, Jean - Zach & Paige (CP) 186 Riley Mountain Road

Coventry, CT 06238

(860) 742-8069 zzach13@aol.com

CB Handles: Cruise Director, Bushy

Joined: 1990



7596 Larson, Larry & Pat

1 Bayview Terrace New Fairfield, CT 06812-3402

(203)-746-9467 lawren4849@aol.com

CB Handles:

Larry: Happy Hoosier

Pat: Road Joy

Joined: 2003



1378 Lemaire, Raynold & Cecile (AF)

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CB Handle: Square Root Winter (Dec. 1-Apr. 1) 29129 Johnston Road, #3-27 Dade City, FL 33523-6128 (352) 588-3468



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2787 Link, Michael & Adria

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Joined: 1998



3569 Lowell, Linwood & Dorothy (AF)

11 Main Street, P.O. Box 304 Mendon, MA 01756-0304

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CB Handles: Nozzle Man

Nozzle Lady



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7656 McDonald, Chuck & Daphine (AF) 7656 Mt. Zion Blvd

Jonesboro, GA 30236

(770) 477-7457

Summer: 231 Partridge Cove Road Lamoine, ME 04605 207-667-0577



4104 McDougall, Duncan 84 Middle Road Tok

84 Middle Road Tpk Woodbury, CT 06798

(203) 263-3966 duncan_mcdougall@yahoo.com

Joined: 2003



1201 McGoldrick, Fred & Dale (CP)

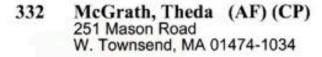
P.O. Box 368 33 old Mountain Road Marion, CT 06444

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Joined: 2002

Winter: (Jan 4-Mar 27) 29129 Johnston Road #02-29 Dade City, FL 33523-6128 (860) 919-5566





(978) 597-8891 temcgrath@juno.com

Winter: (October 1 - April 15) 626 Floyd Bennett Drive Melbourne, FL 32901 (321) 727-8206



Meyer, Edward & Kathleen 7115 6 Dick Finn Road

New Fairfield, CT 06812-3314

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Joined: 1997



Mignone, Carmine & Marilynn Shea 159 Main Street N. 2933

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Joined: 2004



Greg & Jan Miller Box 500 2942

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1586 Moffo, Richard & Rosalie 82 Center Street Wolcott, CT 06716-2002

(203) 879-9210

Joined: 1996



Moniz, Ray & MaryEllen (CP) 260 Buckland Street 5381

Plantsville, CT 06479-1660

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CB Handle: Fender Mender

Joined: 1998



15116 Moore, Wayne & Linda (AF)

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Newman, Fred & Susan 6625

Michael, James, Ethan, Abigail, & Samuel 23 Prospect Street New Hartford, CT 06057

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CB Handle:

Squeezer

Mother Goose



4873 O'Donald, William & Jeanette (AF)

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Winter (Oct. 20 - May 20) 5100 N. La Lomita Tucson, AZ 85718 (520) 577-2619



26410 Olah, Dan & Karen (L)

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(203) 924-7933 karenolah@aol.com

Joined: 1997



8988 Onorato, Michael & Deborah

15 Gaffney Road New Milford, CT 06776

(860) 354-4296 donorato@cbury.org

Joined: 2000



1328 Osterlund, Ray & Rene

37 French Road Bolton, CT 06043

(860) 649-1021

CB Handle: Tin-Can Joined 2002



4088 Perlotto, Bill & Lynn (CP) 49 Davidson Road Goshen, CT 06756

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Joined: 1998



4922 Pestretto, Sebastian & Juanita (CP)

5 Ferry Lane Simsbury, CT 06070

(860) 658-1222 sebp06070@comcast.net

Joined: 1996



1548 Pestretto, Steve & Pam

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(860) 653-9980 spestret@aol.com

Joined: 2001



5387 Peterson, John

62 Barton Hill East Hampton, CT 06424

(860) 267-2867

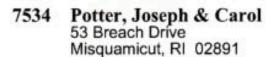
CB Handles: Chow



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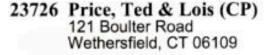
Joined: 2004



(401) 322-0002 potterrv@aol.com

CB Handle: Banker, Bankers Wife Joined: 1997

Winter (Nov. 1 - April 30) 2311 W. Calle Ceja Green Valley, AZ 85614 (520) 625-5370



(860) 529-9393 tedprice@cox.net

CB Handles: The Pingers

Joined: 1988

3045 Rawson, Don & Pat (AF) 135 Rainbow Drive #3579 Livingston, TX 77399-1035

(860) 575-9896 (860) 575-9226 cell rawsons@escapees.com

CB Handle: Air Bear









8625 Ribeiro, Joe & Sarah 1803 Wachusett Street Jefferson, MA 01522

(508) 829-9992

Joined: 1999



1445 Richard, Raymond & Cynthia P.O. Box 41 Moodus, CT 06469

(860) 873-1973 Raycynrich1@aol.com cynthiasheraton@yahoo.com

Joined: 2002



7030 David & Pat Riiska 547 Switch Road Box 143 Wood River Jct., RI 02894

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Joined: 2004



24115 Rosenbeck, Niels & Lydia 324 Albrecht Road Torrington, CT 06790

(860) 482-2430

Joined: 1978

Winter (Oct 1 - April 15) 29129 Johnston Road, #3-38 Dade City, FL 33523-6128 (352) 588-3765



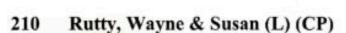
16264 Rutty, Michael, Lianne, James & Samuel (CP)

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(860) 526-8011 (860) 558-8888 cell mwr90@aol.com ler997@aol.com

CB Handle: Ram-bo

Joined: 1998



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5593 Sandall, Bob & Helen 114 Hollister Street

Manchester, CT 06040

(860) 649-0480 rjsandall@snet.net

CB Handle: Square Head

Joined: 1987



1409 Sanders, Franklin & Jane (AF, CP)

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3718 Santos, Joe & Carmella 4367 Madison Ave. Trumbull, CT 06611

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Joined: 2002

Winter (Jan - April) (203) 395-3733



1001 Sasuta, Mike & Sandy (L) 476 Milford Point Road Milford, CT 06460

(203) 878-8070 sandysas@aol.com

CB Handles: Center Punch Candy Cane

Joined: 1983



3427 Sherman, Anthony & Dorothy

2555 Meriden-Waterbury Turnpike P.O. Box 118 Marion, CT 06444-0118

(860) 621-1653 asherman1@cox.net dbarn1@cox.net

CB Handles: Sojo, Baton

Joined: 1998



25573 Sikes, Arthur & Arlene

526 Halladay Avenue West Suffield, CT 06078-1008

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Niantic, CT 06357-1247

(860) 739-1914 fsim480@aol.com

CB Handle: Phantom

Joined: 2000



5330 Soucy, Pete & Laurie

490 Maple Hill Ave. Newington, CT 06111

(860) 666-1285 kb1dmv@aol.com

Joined: 2003



5969 Sumner, Jason

P.O.Box 841

Norwich, CT 06360

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Joined: 2001



3548 Syrotiak, Stephen & Cecelia 86 Valley Road

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(860) 872-6234 (860) 305-1123 cell ajtauras@att.net

Joined: 1998



5082 Terry, Rob & Kim 99 Hemlock Lane Coventry, CT 06238

(860) 742-7290

Joined: 2003



17702 Tetreault, Joseph & Rita (AF)

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(508) 764-4442

CB Handle: RitaJoe



9581 Thompson, Bob & Harriett (AF)

133 Rainbow Drive #3383 Livingston, TX 77399-1033

(540) 998-1040 harriett@pocketmail.com

CB Handle: Rocky



6917 Fritz & Pat Vohr (CP) In The Woods Farm 51 Edwards Lane Charlestown, RI 02813

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Joined: 2002



3371 Walbridge, Rich & Dottie (AF)

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293 Werth, Robert & Anne

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(860) 875-4129 abwerth@hotmail.com

CB Handles: Silver Fox

Joined: 1994



3788 Williams, Paul & Jane Ferri

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7459 Wilson, Charles & Jeanne (L) 2 Maryann Drive Danbury, CT 06811

(203) 746-3506 c7459w@aol.com

Joined: 1996

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7161 Wilson, Mark & Annette (CP) 6 Carola Lane

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Another beautiful creation from Cynthia.

Constitution

Article I

Name of Organization

Section 1: This organization, incorporated in the State of Connecticut, is a chartered Unit of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., and shall be known as the Charter Oak Connecticut Unit of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc.

Article II

Objectives

Section 1: The objectives of this non-profit organization shall be to furnish encouragement and assistance in the development of the Unit and thus afford fraternization for Airstream trailer and motorhome owners; to encourage safe driving and assist in improving the general welfare of the recreational vehicle public through assistance and active participation of all its members in building a strong organization for the betterment of goodwill toward trailer and motorhome travel; to coordinate with and participate in the interests and activities of the International and the Region; to cooperate with other organizations and units within our sphere which are seeking to elevate the standards and ethics of the various groups; to disseminate information of an advisory and educational nature which will be of value to its members and the public; to study, advise and recommend legislation which is in the interest of the trailering and motoring public and oppose all legislation which is discriminatory and injurious to the trailering and motoring public; and to encourage government and private agencies to provide more and better trailer and motorhome parks and facilities.

Article III

Membership Qualifications

- Section 1: Adult ownership of a fully self-contained and hard sided recreational vehicle manufactured by Airstream, Inc., is a prerequisite for membership in this Unit.
- Section 2: There are two classes of membership in this unit: Regular and Affiliate Members.
- Section 3: An applicant for membership in this Unit must submit an application in writing and, upon the payment of International and Unit dues, shall be a Regular Member of this Unit.
- Section 4: Regular Members who have sold their recreational vehicle manufactured by Airstream, Inc., may, upon request, retain their membership as Regular Members of this Unit pursuant to the provisions of Article VI Sec.2C of the International Constitution. Such Regular Members shall possess all the rights and privileges of the International Club, including full voting rights in all elections and on all questions.

- Section 5: Regular Members of another Unit may become Affiliate
 Members in this Unit by an application to the Membership
 Committee and upon acceptance shall possess all the rights and
 privileges of the Unit, except the right to hold office in the Unit or
 the right to vote in the selection or election of officers in the Unit,
 Region, or International or on any amendment to the Unit or the
 International Constitution or on the dissolution of the Unit or the
 merger of the Unit with another Unit.
- Section 6: Applicants for membership in this Unit must submit dues and join the International Club simultaneously or show evidence of membership in the International Club through another duly chartered unit.
- Section 7: Failure to pay either Unit or International dues will automatically terminate membership in the Unit.
- Section 8: In those cases of co-ownership of an fully self-contained hard sided recreational vehicle manufactured by Airstream, Inc., the rights and privileges of membership shall be deemed to include the spouses of such co-owner but collectively such co-owners shall possess one vote only except such co-owners who each pay International and Unit dues to this Unit shall each have one vote.

Article IV

Officers and Their Election

- Section 1: The Officers of the Unit shall consist of a President, a First Vice President, a Second Vice President, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer and Directors (four). The Executive Board shall consist of all of the Unit Officers plus the Immediate Past President of the Unit.
- Section 2: The Officers shall be elected at the annual business meeting and shall be installed and shall assume office at that time. An officer shall serve in office for a term of one year or until a successor is elected but in no case shall an officer, except the Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary or Treasurer, be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office, provided said officers are duly nominated and elected for each term of office.
- Section 3: An officer who advances to an office pursuant to the provisions of Sec. 5 of this ARTICLE shall not be deemed to have served a full term in such office unless said service is for a period of greater than one-half (1/2) the term of such office.
- Section 4: The Directors shall be elected at the annual business meeting, each for a term of two years commencing at the annual meeting, but arranged so that only one-half such Directors' terms expire in any one year. No Director shall serve more than one two-year term consecutively.
- Section 5: In the event of the death or resignation of the President or the death, advancement or resignation of a Vice President, or an officer's inability to fulfill the duties of office, the next ranking Vice

President (in the order first, second) shall advance thereto. All other vacancies on the Executive Board, except that of the Immediate Past President, shall be filled by majority vote of the Executive Board.

Article V

Executive Board

- Section 1: The Executive Board shall be the administrative body of the Unit and shall define the policies of and have full administrative authority in all matters pertaining to the Unit, and shall exercise general control and supervision of all officers and committees.
- Section 2: A quorum of the Executive Board shall consist of a majority of the members.

Article VI

Business Meetings

- Section 1: The annual business meeting of the members of this organization shall be held during the month of November in each calendar year. Such a meeting shall be announced by written notice and delivered to the members not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the meeting. The notice shall indicate the date, time, and location of the meeting. A quorum for conducting business at the annual meeting, or at any additional business meeting, shall not be less than ten (10) percent of members.
- Section 2: Additional business meetings of the members may be held at a suitable time and place during the second day of each rally of the members. If the rally or meeting is of less than two days duration, written notice to the members indicating the time, location, and purpose of such meeting shall be delivered to the members not less than ten (10) days prior to the meeting.
- Section 3: The Executive Board, by majority vote, may call additional business meetings of the members.
- Section 4: The President or any two members of the Board may call a business meeting of the Executive Board at any time deemed necessary.
- Section 5: All Regular and Affiliate Members voting at the annual or additional business meetings of this Unit, and each such membership, identified by the International Club Membership number, shall be considered one vote, except for co-owners who each pay International and Unit Dues to this Unit as provided for in Article III, Section 9.
- Section 6: A mail ballot may be used to obtain the vote of the members of the Unit on a proposal when such is deemed desirable or necessary. When a mail ballot is used to obtain the vote of the member of the Unit on a proposal, no other method of voting on such a proposal shall be utilized.

Article VII

Bylaws

Section 1: Bylaws not inconsistent with this Constitution, and with the Constitution, Bylaws and Policy of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., embodying additional provisions for the government of the Unit may be adopted by the Executive Board.

Article VIII

Amendments

- Section 1: Proposed amendments to this Constitution shall be submitted to the Executive Board in writing. The Executive Board shall submit all such amendments to the members for their consideration.
- Section 2: Any Article or Section of this Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the Regular Members present and voting at a business meeting of the Unit or a special meeting called for that purpose, providing in either case, a notice containing the proposed amendment or amendments has been mailed first-class to each member of the Unit at least fifteen (15) days prior to such a meeting.
- Section 3: All amendments to this Constitution shall become effective upon adoption.

This Constitution adopted and effective May 3, 1997, at Lakeville, Massachusetts.

This Constitution was amended effective November 8, 1998, at Vernon, Connecticut.

Incorporated in Hartford, CT, April 14, 1998



Too many cooks - not!

Bylaws

Article I

Order of Business

Section 1: Parliamentary procedures for all meetings of the Unit and Executive Board shall be governed by the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised except when they are in conflict with the Constitution or Bylaws of this Club.

Section 2: The order of business shall be:

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll call of Executive Board and determination of quorum
- Reading of minutes of previous meeting
- Treasurer's report
- 5. Reading of correspondence
- 6. Report of committee chairpersons
- Unfinished business
- New business
- 9. Announcements
- Adjournment

Article II

Committees

Section 1: Standing Committees shall be:

- A. Budget
- B. Caravan
- C. Constitution and Bylaws
- D. Ethics and Grievances
- E. Family/Youth
- F. Historical
- G. Hospitality
- H. Legislative
- Membership
- J. Publicity
- K. Public Relations

The President shall appoint and be an ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee.



For which it stands...

Section 2: All Standing Committees shall consist of a Chairperson and as many members as deemed necessary by the President. Chairpersons of Standing Committees shall report at each meeting of the Executive Board.

Standing Committees

General Duties

- Budget In cooperation with the incoming and outgoing Treasurer of the Unit, prepare for the Executive Board a budget projecting the unit's income and expenditures for the calendar (or fiscal) year next ensuing.
- Caravan To plan, organize, and obtain leaders for unit caravans that are operated or conducted for the Unit within the scope of the WBCCI Caravan Handbook. To develop an aggressive Unit Caravan program and to coordinate unit caravan matters with appropriate Region and International Caravan Committee personnel.
- Constitution and Bylaws To conduct a continuing review and study of the Unit and the International Constitution and Bylaws and to make recommendations for any amendments or additions deemed desirable and in the best interest of the Club.
- Ethics and Grievance To investigate and assess all grievances or complaints made by members and others and to make recommendations thereon to the Unit Executive Board.
- Family/Youth Plan programs to encourage participation of family/youth at unit functions and to be the liaison person between the Unit and International Family/Youth Standing Committee.
- Historical To record events including written and pictorial material associated with unit activities and to maintain a historical record of such.
- Hospitality To receive and make welcome guests and new members at club functions. Recommend ways to meet and greet all club members and guests at rallies and/or seasonal functions.
- Legislative To study, advise and recommend legislation in the interest of the Club and its members; to recommend opposition to all legislation which is discriminatory and injurious to the interest of the Club and its members.
- Membership be the Unit/Club contact for prospective new members and explain the purpose and objectives of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International. Extend invitations to prospective members to attend a rally or meeting when making application for membership.
- 10. Publicity To collect newsworthy items of interest to club members and to publish monthly a newsletter containing past and future events of the Unit, Region and International. To publish yearly a roster in the form and content as directed by the Executive Board. Forward material to Headquarters for publishing in the Blue Beret and Directory with respect to the Unit's activities schedule.

- Public Relations To maintain communications with the International and Region Public Relations Committee for maintaining a continuing program of public relations between WBCCI and communities being exposed to rallies and caravans.
- Section 3: Special committees may be appointed by the President as required.

Article III

Guests

- Section 1: A guest (or guests) sponsored and invited by a member in good standing and sharing that member's facilities may attend activities of the Unit. Members sponsoring such a guest shall pay one extra rally fee exclusive of the parking fee.
- Section 2: A member in good standing in this Unit may sponsor and invite a prospective member to attend activities of the Unit.
- Section 3: Members in good standing in the International Club may attend activities of the Unit provided that such members, and where required, shall have made prior reservation for each attendance.
- Section 4: The Unit, once each calendar year, may host a rally, caravan or combination thereof with a recreational vehicle club not chartered by the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., and, it may conduct twice each calendar year, a Buddy Rally or a Buddy Caravan or combination thereof to which each member may invite not more than one nonmember recreational vehicle family.

Article IV

Nominating Committee

Section 1: The Executive Board shall, not less than 90 days prior to the Unit's annual business meeting, appoint a three member Nominating Committee who shall, after having obtained the prior consent of each proposed nominee, place in nomination one candidate for each office and director to be filled by election, and submit a written report to the Executive Board which shall include the names of all candidates considered, and the President shall distribute the report to the membership not less than fifteen (15) days prior to said business meeting. Additional candidates, who have previously consented, may be placed in nomination from the floor of that meeting. No seconds are required for any nomination.

Article V

Duties of Officers

Section 1: The President shall preside at all meetings of the Unit and Executive board, enforce the Constitution and Bylaws, appoint all standing committees and have such powers and duties as normally pertain to the principal executive officer.

- Section 2: The 1st Vice President shall attend all business meetings of the Unit and the Executive Board and shall assist the President and assume the duties of the President, when absent.
- Section 3: The 2nd Vice President shall attend all business meetings of the Unit and the Executive Board and shall assist the President and 1st Vice President and assume the duties of the President and 1st Vice President in their absence, and will perform the duties assigned by the Executive Board.
- Section 4: The Corresponding Secretary shall issue notices of all meetings of the Unit and Executive Board as prescribed in Article VI, Sections 1 and 2 and Article VIII, Section 2 of the Constitution. The Corresponding Secretary shall prepare an agenda of pending business for use by the presiding officer at each meeting and shall keep a register of all members of the Unit.
- Section 5: The Recording Secretary shall record and preserve the minutes of all official meetings of the Unit and the Executive Board; copies of same shall be available to members of the Executive Board not more than fifteen (15) days following each meeting, upon request. The Recording Secretary shall record the attendance of the officers and directors at each meeting and shall advise the presiding officer if a quorum is present.
- Section 6: The Treasurer shall maintain the financial records of the Unit and shall receive all moneys and promptly deposit them in the bank previously chosen by the Executive Board; shall notify members of expiration of dues and issue receipts for dues paid; shall submit a full written report of finances to the Executive Board at each meeting and before retirement shall have the books and accounts audited by a committee of not less than three members selected by the incoming President. All books, monies, and property of the Unit held by the Treasurer shall be delivered promptly to the successor.
- Section 7: The duties of the Directors shall be as prescribed in Section 1, Article V, of the Constitution and to attend all meetings of the Unit and the Executive Board; to accept special assignments as directed by the President.



The usual suspects.

Article VI

Delegates

Section 1: The Executive Board shall select one delegate and one alternate from among the officers and Regular and Associate members who will attend the annual Delegates meeting of the parent organization, the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc. Any vacancy occurring following such selection shall be filled by appointment by the President. The delegate and alternate should be instructed respecting the wishes of the Unit on matters to come before the meeting. The President and Secretary shall certify to these selections.

Article VII

Dues

Section 1: The annual dues of Regular and Affiliate members shall be set by the Executive Board.

Section 2: A member who fails to pay properly assessed International and Unit dues before November 15 may not be listed in the Annual Membership Directory of the International Club for the following year. If the dues are not paid and receipted by the Treasurer on or before December 31, membership will be terminated.

Article VIII

Code of Ethics

Section 1: All members shall abide by the following Code of Ethics:

- (a) To be ever mindful of our responsibility to the Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., and through conduct indicate to the public that membership in this organization is an assurance of courtesy on the road and of goodwill to all peoples and countries.
- (b) To say or print nothing which may reflect unfavorably on others and to dedicate ourselves to the work of cementing together the members of our units and the Club in bonds of friendship, good fellowship, and mutual understanding.
- (c) To conduct ourselves so as to inspire others also engaged in recreational vehicle travel to a full appreciation of the intent and meaning of this code.
- (d) To maintain our camps and parking areas in an orderly manner and to leave them in a neat and clean condition.

Article IX

Liability

Section 1: Neither the Unit nor its officers are responsible for the loss of or damage to property or for injury to or death of a person on the premises of any club function. This freedom for responsibility for loss or damage to property applies regardless of whether that property has been received by any member or officer or left upon the premises.

Article X

Amendments

Section 1: These Bylaws may be amended at any business meeting of the Executive Board by two-thirds vote, provided the proposed amendment has been submitted to all members of the Executive Board in writing at least ten (10) days prior to such meeting.

Section 2: Such amendments shall become effective upon adoption.

Article XI

Dissolution

Section 1: In the event of dissolution of this Unit, the members shall, through the President, assign all assets to the International Club, or in the case of an incorporated unit, to such other trustee appointed in accordance with the laws governing non-profit corporation in the State or province of their incorporation, to be held in trust until such time as the charter is restored, the unit is reorganized, or a new charter is issued when such assets shall be returned or transferred to the newly functioning unit. This procedure is in accordance with the meaning of Section 501 © (7) of the Internal Revenue Service Code. None of the funds shall enure to the benefit of any member and the Unit Charter and all International club property shall be returned to International Club Headquarters.

These by laws were last printed on April 5, 1992, at East Hartford, Connecticut.



Here comes the judge.

Airstream Land Yacht Harbors

Alabama

Roaring Pines, Inc. (Union Hill, AL)

c/o Mary Kaufmmann 2206 Phillips Road Huntsville, AL 35810 (205) 852-0919

Directions/Location: From Huntsville South on 231 for 20 miles, turn on Country Road 32 at Morgan City to Union Hill, Left at school for approximately 1 mile, Left at Roaring Pines mailbox. From Decatur East on 67 for 24 miles, Left on Road 36 to Cotaco, Right on 32 to Union Hill.

Arizona

Superstition Resort (Apache Junction, AZ)

c/o President 11313 East Boise Street Apache Junction, AZ 85220 (602) 984-5341 Directions/Location: Located at 72 North 113 Way.

California

Lake Tamerisk Land Yacht Harbor

Box 255 Desert Center, CA 92239 (619) 227-3138

Directions/Location: Located 1 mile North of I-10 at Desert Center on Kaiser Road.

Yucaipa Land Yacht Harbor

12618 Third Street Yucaipa, CA 92399 (909) 797-1807

Directions/Location: Located midway between Los Angeles and Palm Springs just a few miles off I-10 at Yucaipa.

Delaware

Port Del-Mar-Va

Old Landing Road RD #1, Box 502 Rehoboth, DE 19971 (302) 227-7409

Directions/Location: From Delaware Route 1 South on County Road 274, Left at mobile home park, then straight to Port Del-Mar-Va.

Florida

Christmas Airstream Park

Cooperative, Inc. 25525 W. Colonial Drive Christmas, FL 32709 (407) 568-5207

Directions/Location: From North or South I-95 West on U.S. 50 to Christ-mas. From Orlando East on U.S. 50 for approximately 28 miles to Christmas. Park is on North side of U.S. 50 on East side of Christmas.

Land Yacht Harbor

201 N. John Rodes Boulevard Melbourne, FL 32934 (407) 254-6398

Land Yacht Port-O-Call, Inc.

1300 S. Airport Boulevard Melbourne, FL 32901-2956 1-800-982-0255

Mystic Springs Cove, Inc.

591 Mystic Springs Road McDavid, FL 32568 (352) 256-3280

Directions/Location: From the North Flomaton exit from I-65, South on 29 for 13 miles. From the South (at Pensacola) North on 29 for 25 miles. From I-10 East on Mystic Springs Cove Road for 1 mile.

Paradise Park Condo Association

46900 Bermont Road Punta Gorda, FL 33982 (941) 639-2680

Directions/Location: 24.5 miles east of Punta Gorda on Route 74. From North or South on I-75 or U.S. 41 East on 17 for 1 mile (east of I-75), East on 74 for about 24.5 miles. From North or South on Route 31 East on 74 for 4.5 miles. From U.S. 27 South on 29 toward LaBelle for 1 mile. west on 74 for 20 miles. From the South on 41 East on 80 at Fort Myers, North on 31, East on 74 for 4.5 miles.

Travelers Rest Resort

29129 Johnston Road Dade City, FL 33523-6128 (352) 588-2013

Directions/Location: From I-75 West on 41 (Exit 60, mile post 294). Park is 12 miles northwest of Dade City and 30 miles north of Tampa.

Georgia

Top of Georgia Airstream Park

State Route 75, Route 1 Helen, GA 30545 (706) 878-9954

Directions/Location: 4.5 miles north of Helen on GA 75.

Michigan

Holiday Park Campground

4860 U.S. 31 South Traverse City, MI 49684 (616) 943-4410

Directions/Location: 6.5 miles south of Traverse City, off U.S. 31 at Silver Lake.

Iinnesota

Land Yacht Caraveners Club, Inc (St. Cloud, MN)

Clear Lake, MN 55319

Directions/Location: From Minneapolis-St. Paul West on 10 toward St. Cloud, 4.5 miles past Becker. At small lake on right, turn north on County Road 55 for 1 mile, Right (east) for .5 miles at first opportunity. Alternate route Exit 178 from I-94, East to 10, Right to County Road 55, Left for 1 mile. Park is 60 miles northwest of Twin Cities and 12 miles southeast of St. Cloud.

New Jersey

Jersey Shore Airstream Park (Cape May, NJ)

P.O. Box 121

South Seaville, NJ 08246

(610) 459-5526

Directions/Location: From Garden State Parkway West at Exit 17 toward Ocean View, Left (South) on 9, Right on first road (Seaville Avenue), Left at blinker on South Dennis road for 2.5 miles. From West 47S Left on 83 for .5 miles, Left on South Dennis Road (sign for South Seaville) for .5 miles. Park is located between Atlantic City and Cape May.

New York

Brook-N-Wood Family Campground

RFD 1, Box 100B 1947 County Road 8 Elizavile, NY 12523 (518) 537-6896

Directions/Location: From North on New York Thruway Take Exit 21 across bridge, South on 9 for 7 miles, Left (East) at Blue Stores corner County Road 8 for 1.5 miles. From South on New York Thruway Take Exit 19 across bridge, Right (North) on 9 toward Red Hook, Right (East) at Blue Stores corner County Road 8 for 1.5 miles.

Land Yacht Harbor of Tusten, Inc. (Tusten, NY)

Route 2, Box 351

Narrowsburg, NY 12764

(914) 252-7366

Directions/Location: From Part Jarvis North on 97 for 6.4 miles past first blinker in Barryville, Right on Lackawaxen Road. From Milford, PA West on 6, North on 434 to Barryville, Right on 97 for 6.4 miles, Right on Lackawaxen Road. From Narrowsburg, NY South on 97, Left on Lackawaxen Road.

Ohio

Meadow Lake Park

8970 Canaan Road

Wooster, OH 44691

(330) 435-6652

Directions/Location: From the North on I-71 and I-76 South on 3 from Creston for 4.5 miles, West on Fulton Road. From the South Ohio 30 North at Wooster on 3 for 6.5 miles, West on Fulton Road. Park is located between Wooster and Creston.

Oklahoma

Cherokee Land Yacht Harbor

HC 73, Box 597-1

Park Hill, OK 74451

(918)457-4500

Directions/Location: Located 13 miles south of Tahlequah on the east side of Lake Tenkiller on Route 82 or 3 miles north of Cookson, turn East at the Flintridge Store and Cabins.

Oregon

Dufur Valley Farm and Airstream Park

P.O. Box 457

82437 Old Dufur Valley Road

Dufur, OR 97021

(541) 467-2602

Directions/Location: From The Dalles South on 197 for 13 miles, west on Forest Road S221 for 4 miles.

Pennsylvania

Penn Wood Campground

Box 7

Route 66

Limestone, PA 16234

(814) 764-8963

Directions/Location: From Exit 10 on I-80 South on 66 for 4 mile

Province of Quebec

Domaine Beau Bassin

c/o Aline Dupont 5374 Omer Heroux Montreal, North H1G 2Y4 (514) 886-5819

Directions/Location: From St. Emilie De L'Energie South on 131 for 5 miles. Park is located 26 miles north of Joliette and 60 miles from Montreal.

South Carolina

Palmetto Cove

Star Route, Box 87 521 Table Rock Road Cleveland, SC 29635 (864) 836-9221

Directions/Location: From Greenville North on 276, South on 8 for 600 feet, Right on River Road (do not cross bridge). From Charlotte, NC South on I-85 to Gaffney, SC, West on 11, on 8 for 600 feet, Right on River Road (do not cross bridge). Park is on south side of River Road.

Tennessee

Tennessee Cumberland Plateau Campground

Route 5, Box 285 158 Airstream Circle Crossville, TN 38555

Directions/Location: From Chattanooga North on U.S. 127 for approximately 70 miles, West at sign at bridge crossing Daddy's Creek for 4.7 miles, South at sign for 2.1 miles. From I-40 South on U.S. 127 for approximately 16 miles, West at sign at bridge crossing Daddy's Creek for 4.7 miles, South at sign for 2.1 miles.

Texas

North Texas Airstream Community

P.O. Box 1224 200 Walnut Hill Avenue Hillsboro, TX 76645 (254) 582-5566

Directions/Location: From I-35 Take Exit 368A and go East on Highway 22. After .4 miles, turn right on Walnut Hill Street. Park is on right.

El Valle Del Sol

P.O. Box 1668, R.R. 4

2500 East Business 83 #12

Mission, TX 78572

(956) 585-5704

Directions/Location: From East or West Expressway 83 North on FM 494, East on Business 83 for 1,000 feet. Park is located between Mission and McAllen.

TA-HI, The Texas Airstream Harbor, Inc.

Box 200, Route 2

Zavalla, TX 75980

(409) 897-3413

Directions/Location: From U.S. 69 East on 63 for .7 miles, Left (northeast) on 147 for 4.5 miles, Left at TA-HI sign for .6 miles. From Southwest 147 Right at TA-HI sign (2 miles after bridge over reservoir) for .6 miles.

Virginia

Tall Pines Harbor, Inc. (Temperanceville, VA)

P.O. Box 5

Sanford, VA 23426

(757) 824-0777

Directions/Location: From Temperanceville West on 695 for 7 miles.

Virginia Highland Haven Airstream Park

R-1, Box 154C

Copper Hill, VA 24079

(540) 651-9050

Directions/Location: From the North on I-81 Take 581 through Roanoke, South on 220 to Blue Ridge Parkway, South on Blue Ridge Parkway to Adney Gap (mile post 136), South on 221, Right on 610 for 1 mile, turn onto 649 for .3 miles, turn onto 792 for .7 miles. From the South on I-81 Take Route 8 to Floyd from Christianburg, North on 221, Left on 610, turn onto 649 for .3 miles, turn onto 792 for .7 miles. From the South on I-77 North on 221 in Hillsville through Floyd, Left on 610, turn onto 649 for .3 miles, turn onto 792 for .7 miles. From the East on 460 or from the South on 220 South on Blue Ridge Parkway to Adney Gap (mile post 136), South on 221, Right on 610 for 1 mile, turn onto 649 for .3 miles, turn onto 792 for .7 miles. From the west on 460 and West VA Turnpike Take I-81 South, South on 8 past Christianburg to Floyd, North on 221, Left on 610, turn onto 6490 for .3 miles, turn onto 792 for .7 miles.



Washington

Washington Land Yacht Harbor

9101 Steilecoom Road, S.E.

Olympia, WA 98513

(360) 491-3750

Directions/Location: From I-5 South on Marvin Road (exit 111) for 1 mile to second crossroad, Left on Steilecoom Road for .8 miles.

West Virginia

White Oak Land Yacht Harbor (Hedgesville, WV)

(304) 754-7525

Directions/Location: From I-81 Route 9 for 12.7 miles (Mountain Lake Road).

Wisconsin

Fountain Lake Land Yacht Harbor, Inc. (Waupaca, WI)

8599 16th Road

Almond, WI 54909

(715) 366-2954

Directions/Location: From Waupaca West on 54 for 8 miles, South on County Truck TT for 4 miles, East for .5 miles.

No attempt has been made to verify that these parks are operating as Airstream parks. Please help us update this information.



Join the club ... get a kiss.

Guidelines for Rallies & Meetings

1. Chatter Article

Appoint someone in advance to write a news article for the Chatter describing the event and ask them to submit the article to the Chatter editor within a few days after the event. This is the responsibility of the host. Failure to do so will result in a delay in publishing our newsletter.

2. Advance Notice

When preparing flyers, include information regarding rally fees, dates, parking, deposits, activities, potluck dinners, etc. Submit a flyer (sign-up sheet) to the Chatter editor in advance of your event.

3. Rally Expenses

All rallies should be self-supporting, each person paying his share of the expenses. When visitors pay the same as members, they feel free to take part. This also prevents criticism over treasury funds being used for activities in which all members do not participate.

4. Suggestions for Making a Successful "First Impression" at a WBCCI Rally

- a. Have a Greeting Committee to meet arrivals with a . . . "Hi! Glad you're here!" Some may be new owners and new to our program. Make them feel at home. Give each person a name tag, give each RV a program, or if you do not have programs, tell them to check the bulletin board for the schedule of activities.
- b. Have a hospitality center so that on arrival the greeters can say . . . "the coffee is on . . . get set up and then come over ___." Have a bulletin board at the hospitality center. Post announcements and program, and perhaps a sign . . . "Welcome to the Charter Oak Connecticut Unit, WBCCI."
- c. Take a snapshot of each family and paste it in the Unit history book. These books are of interest to everyone and should be on display at all Unit rallies.
- Have a Unit guest book and ask everyone to sign it at each rally.
- e. Award a "gate" prize. One thought . . . number the programs and lucky number gets the prize . . . use some kind of gag.
- Plan something for the children. It will make a more enjoyable rally for everyone.

5. Rally Parking

Park rally hosts together. These are the people who are responsible for the success of the rally. Be sure everyone knows where to locate officers and hosts.

Meetings

Wally patterned "Meeting Time" after the old town hall meetings. Meetings may be strictly social or a combined social and business meeting. Meetings give everyone an opportunity to get together. Meetings provide a time to get acquainted, to exchange ideas, to discuss objectives and accomplishments. This is a time to take part and a time to recognize individual contributions. The sidewalk café meeting is always fun. Members bring their refreshments and sit around and talk about what has been done or seen, trips made, etc. This usually takes place about 4:30 in the afternoon. If a business meeting or a combined business meeting and social meeting is planned, notice should be posted. Everyone will make an extra effort to get back from sight-seeing or shopping.

7. Bulletin Board

Place a bulletin board in a central location (the hospitality RV is often used) as a center of activities for announcements and program news. If you have a printed program, post one on the board. Keep everyone informed about what is going on.

8. Church Services

Post notices of local church services on the bulletin board.

9. Head Table

Arranging the head table and the seating of guests depends upon the size of the table and the number to be seated. If possible, your own officers and their spouses should be seated at the head table. If there isn't room for the spouses, they should be placed as near the head table as possible. The President should sit in the center position. Visiting VIPs and International officers would normally be seated at the head table. A special table for officers, past and present, may be arranged. If you have overlooked someone who might reasonably expect to sit at the head table, ask them to stand and be acknowledged. This helps to overcome what could be an embarrassing situation.



Kids love Region Rallies.

Courtesy Parking In Charter Oak CT Unit

The following members offer one of the most under used benefits of membership in WBCCI. Courtesy Parking is not only for use when you are travel across the country!!! Members would love to have you visit, they would not offer courtesy parking if they did not want you to visit!!! For a complete listing of Courtesy Parking nationwide please see you WBCCI directory.

own/City		
onnecticut		
Chester	Michael & Lianne Rutty #16264	(860) 526-8011
Coventry	Bob & Jean Landry #3990	(860) 742-8069
East Windsor	Jim & Corinne Burnham #31109	(860) 623-9752
Goshen	Bill & Lynn Perlotto #4088	(860) 491-3608
Haddam	Wayne & Susan Rutty #210	(860) 345-4049
Middletown	Bud & Jessie Gould #2478	(860) 347-5731
New Fairfield	Mark & Annette Wilson #7161	(203) 746-9756
Norwalk	Frank & Patty Guthman #14964	(203) 847-8929
Plantsville	Ray & Maryellen Moniz #5381	(860) 621-1536
Simsbury	Seb & Juanita Pestretto #4922	(860) 658-1222
Southington	Russ & Rhona Fuller #1745	(860) 747-1193
Wethersfield	Ted & Lois Price #23726	(860) 529-9393

Massachuset	ts	
Marlboro	Earl & Elaine Duesel #5247	(508) 485-2087
Maine		
Falmouth	Terry Clopper #3232	(207) 781-3110
New York		
Newburgh	David Levinson #20566	(914) 562-0091
Rhode Island		
Charlestown	Fritz & Pat Vohr #6917	(401) 364-0050
Hopkinton	Howard (Mike) Kuehn #30883	(401) 377-1069
Vermont		
Rochester	Franklin & Jane Sanders #1409	(802) 767-3611

Use the next section as a desktop calendar.

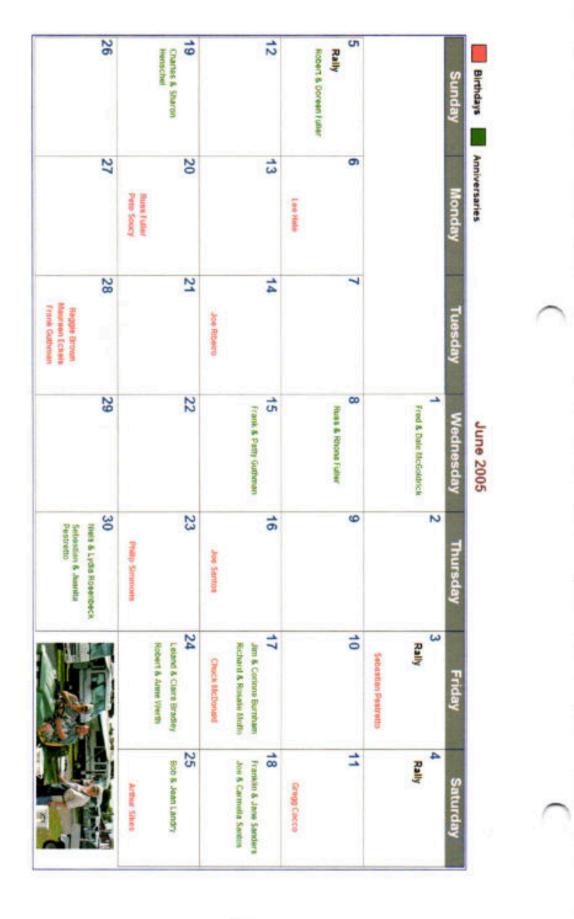
























Supplies

Sandy Sasuta, our Treasurer, maintains a supply of many of the following items. If you wish to purchase any of these, please contact Sandy. Prices are subject to change and items marked with an asterisk (*) will have shipping charges added to the price.

	Item	Price
	Badges & Holders:	
	Badges With Name and Unit	\$2.25
	Badge Holder With Clip Fastener	\$3.00
	Apparel	
	Berets (Polyester)	\$7.50
ŀ	Baseball Cap w/WBCCI Emblem	\$9.00
	Ties: WBCCI Red or Blue Womans Red Tie	\$16.00 \$20.00
	Books:	
	WBCCI Club Caravan Handbook Additional Charter Oak Directory	\$3.50 \$6.00
	Decals:	
	Car Decals with 1/2" Numbers	\$1.50/set
	WBCCI Decal & Trailer Number See (Please order directly from Hea	이번 [12] 교회에서 때 (이번] [15] 시간 [16] 대한 대한 시간 [16] 대한 시간 [16]
	Flags:	
	United States 3' x 5'	\$25.00*
	Connecticut 3' x 5'	\$35.75*
	Canada 3x5	\$22.50*
	WBCCI Flag 3x5	\$30.00*
	Blue Star 4" for Past President Flag (Indicates two past presidents from the same family)	\$5.25
	Patches & Pins:	
	Charter Oak Patch (previous)	\$2.25
	Charter Oak Patch (new design)	\$2.25
	3" WBCCI Jacket Patch	\$4.25
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Charter Oak Pin

Pennants: WBCCI Pennant

\$4.25 \$1.00

\$11.00



Flag Poles

Please order directly from:

Pole Ease

9751 Rexford Road Jackson, MI 49201

Phone:

(517) 536-8022

12 Foot Flag Pole Anodized Aluminum 1" Diameter

\$31.50

Heavy Duty Holder single pole Heavy Duty Holder three pole \$21.50

When ordering holders only, specify pole size.

\$29.50

Shipping Charge

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