

# NORVA NEWS



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## Message from the President

As 2024 wraps up, it's nice to reflect on all of the outstanding events NORVA had in the last year. We had many of our traditional rallies like the Super Bowl party and the always well attended Maintenance rally. Drew and Elizabeth Morgan sponsored a new rally in Williamsburg this year and everyone had a great time. Williamsburg is a wonderful location for a rally as there is so much to do in the area. Pete and Elizabeth West held a rally at their property and all those who attended had a great time boondocking together. We also had an outstanding River Rally in June that has developed into an annual event we all look forward to.

Our caravan this year was a memorable trip down the east coast from North Carolina down to Georgia with fun stops all along the way. We had caravanners from several other Airstream clubs join us for the journey and it was great to meet so many new folks and hear about their Airstream adventures. Only a few of us made it all the way out to Missouri for the ACI International Rally, but we combined forces with all four of the Virginia clubs and had a great time together. We rounded out 2024 with our annual Holiday Party on December 7<sup>th</sup>. A great way to end the year, and Ed and Beth Jones did an excellent job as hosts (as they always do!)

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*“Let’s not make changes, let’s only make improvements.”*

Wally Bayam

As 2025 begins, we already have numerous events on the calendar, including a lot of great rallies and a caravan that promises to be a good time for all. Please keep an eye out for what’s coming up by taking a look at the NORVA website calendar and our Face Book page as well. I look forward to seeing everyone on the road in 2025!

Bob Nickel  
President, NORVA

## Holiday Cheer with Beth and Ed

As Bob just said, Beth and Ed Jones welcomed us with open arms once again, along with their daughter, Jenny, to celebrate the holidays and wind up our year. From being greeted at the door by coat-check-girl, (and granddaughter, Olivia) to the last yummy dessert we had relaxed time checking in with folks we haven’t seen in a while and hang out with those we have. A great time was had by all.



# December 2024



Previous page clockwise from top: The festive entryway of Beth and Ed's beautiful home; Lew Brodsky and John Bevis; plenty of food for all.

Clockwise from above: Gerry, Gail's sister Wanda and Gail with munchies to start; Bob about to give the blessing; Cathy Brodsky, Beth and Wanda; Barb Formoso and Wendy Nickel; Peggy and Don Eckerman with Sun and Larry Riley in the library; and just a fraction of the sweet carolers arranged all around the house.



## Upcoming Events 2025

### **January 1:**

First Day Hike Rally at Mason Neck State Park, Lorton Virginia

8:AM

Host: Bob Nickel

Registration and Information: <https://airstreamclub.org/norva-2025-first-day-hike>

### **February 9**

Superbowl Rally

Save the date! More info to follow on NORVA's website.

### **March 22**

New Members' Rally

Host: Jim Oxley

Location TBD

Registration and more info to follow on NORVA's website

### ***April 9-13***

Region 3 Rally, Exchange Park Fairgrounds, Ladson, SC

Registration: <https://airstreamclub.org/region-3-2025-rally-tbd>

### ***April 25-27***

NORVA Maintenance Rally at Madison Vines RV Resort, Madison, VA

Host: Tom Carmichael

Check the website for more details and registration.

### ***May 13-24: "Dead Presidents and a Bourbon Chaser" NORVA Caravan***

Drew and Elizabeth Morgan

Embark on a journey that blends American history, scenic beauty, and a splash of Kentucky's world-famous bourbon with the *Dead Presidents and a Bourbon Chaser* caravan hosted by the NORVA Airstream Club from May 13-24, 2025. Led by Drew and Elizabeth Morgan, this 12-day adventure will guide you through Ohio and Kentucky, two states rich in presidential heritage and natural splendor. Starting in Canton, Ohio, you'll explore historical gems and presidential libraries revolving around the lives and times of William McKinley, Warren G. Harding, U.S. Grant, and Rutherford B. Hayes. We will also visit the NFL Hall of Fame, and sites along Lake Erie and the Ohio River, all while enjoying relaxing stays at picturesque state parks. As you travel south, enjoy visits to the Airstream Mothership in Jackson Center and Wright-Patterson National Air Force Museum before winding up in the heart of Kentucky's Bourbon Trail, where you'll have the chance to explore world-renowned distilleries like Maker's Mark and Jim Beam.

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With a pace designed for easygoing exploration, this caravan offers ample time for sightseeing and relaxation. You'll spend at least two nights at each campground, with only short, manageable drives between stops. Enjoy group meals, local wineries, and brewery tours, including a visit to Ohio's oldest winery and a farewell dinner in Bardstown, KY, all while taking in the stunning springtime landscapes. Whether you're a history buff, a bourbon enthusiast, or simply looking for a scenic getaway, this caravan provides the perfect blend of education, adventure, and leisure. So, pack your bags and hitch your rig, bring your curiosity, and join us for an unforgettable trip that blends history with fun before Memorial Day weekend kicks off!

The current cost estimate is \$1300 for two; and \$900 for a single. Sign-up before 7 January 2025. A \$500 deposit is due at sign-up. Sign up in Jotform, and contact Drew at 757-849-2219 or [amorg210@gmail.com](mailto:amorg210@gmail.com) for additional information, a more detailed caravan itinerary, and to answer questions.

To see the Presidential sites we will visit for Harding, Hayes, Grant, and McKinley, as well as the National Air Force Museum, see the following link:

<https://roadtrips.ohio.org/trips/highway-to-history/ohios-presidential-history-stops>

For a good video about the Bourbon Trail, see the following link: [https://youtu.be/LRoUvSMz6gY?si=jXeow\\_CC\\_fYAFptg](https://youtu.be/LRoUvSMz6gY?si=jXeow_CC_fYAFptg)

Register soon as spaces are limited! [Dead Presidents and a Bourbon Chaser Registration](#)

### **June 6-8: River Rally, Luray, Virginia**

Hosts: Gail and Doug Perkins

Make your reservations at Spacious Skies, Luray. If you want to go on the Sunday rafting trip, be sure to book an extra night on Sunday the 8th so you won't miss a minute of the fun!



The banner features a blue background with white text and several small images. On the left, there is a logo for 'SPACIOUS SKIES CAMPGROUNDS' with a small illustration of a campsite. Below the logo, it says 'Mention NORVA Airstream Club for Discounted Group Rate'. In the center, the text reads 'NORVA RIVER RALLY 2025' in a large, serif font, followed by 'JUNE 6, 7, 8' and 'LURAY, VA' in a similar font. On the right, it says 'Rally Fees \$20.00 Per Adult Pay at Rally'. Below the text are five small images: a dog holding a sign that says 'PLEASE NO TUBS!', a bottle of wine on a table, a person playing corn hole, a person grilling food, and a group of people on a raft on a river.

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CAMPGROUNDS

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Dog Activities   Wine Tasting   Corn Hole   Great Food   Raft Trip

More information and registration to follow on NORVA's website.

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**August 4-9** Old Fiddler's Convention, Cool Breeze Campground, Galax, VA

Host: Christine Baum

Registration: <https://airstreamclub.org/galax-old-fiddlers-rally> August 23-28

**August 23-28** : Airstream 68th International Rally, York Expo Center, York, PA

Registration: <https://airstreamclub.org/rally2025>

**September 26-28**: Virginia Commonwealth Rally, American Heritage RV Park, Williamsburg, VA

Stay tuned for more information.

**October 23-26** Alumalina, Tom Johnson's Camping Work Rally Park, Marion, NC

Stay tuned for more information.

**November 7-8**: Urbanna Oyster

Festival

Stay tuned for more information.

