



# THE BELL RINGER

PALMETTO STATE AIRSTREAM CLUB  
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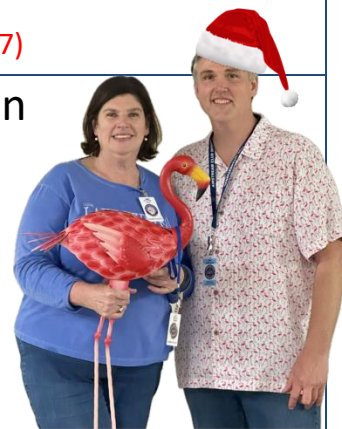
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## President’s Message:

by Eric Graham (BRN 05097)

The holiday season is here, and while we’re all enjoying the festivities, I’ve been taking some time to reflect.



I’d like to personally thank all our volunteer officers. We truly have an amazing group that works tirelessly on club business, keeping everything running smoothly and holding the club together.

As we look ahead, take a moment to review next year’s rally schedule. Many campgrounds have a short booking window, so don’t miss the opportunity to secure your spot.

I’m also excited about the 2025 schedule and hope everyone can join us to enjoy each and every rally!

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

## December Birthdays:

- Carrie Sandstrom – 5
- Eric Graham – 6
- Rick Wright – 7
- Tom “Buddy” Efrid – 20
- Jim Stewart – 21
- Thomas Martini – 28
- Barbara Whitman – 30
- Richard Sandstrom – 31



## January Birthdays

- Kathleen Tyminski – 1
- Steve Schnaubelt – 5
- Pradit Robertson (Kid) – 6
- Chris Zerkus – 7
- Tom Scheitler – 8
- Eric Pollard – 9
- Paul Welch – 16
- Gail Broadway – 20
- Susan Baughman – 21
- Scott Falkner – 21
- Terry Montgomery – 22
- Susan Leake – 24
- Donna Pollard – 26
- Jo Jones – 26
- Fred Basnett – 31
- Bill Welch – 31



# HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

## December Anniversaries:

- Renee & Tom Dodge – 4
- Rick & Lisa Wright – 5
- Charlie & Mary Ann Purser – 10
- Jim & Betsy Stewart – 23

## January Anniversaries:

None



## Cares and Prayers:

- Continued prayers for Jeff Morehead healing
- Continued prayers for Gail Broadway as she is struggling w/pain from her shoulder surgery.
- Prayers for Carole Austin as she is healing from another Achilles surgery.

## How to Sign Up for Rallies: You MUST Register/Pay Online!



The Palmetto State Airstream Club meets throughout the year at various private campgrounds and state parks. Rallies are planned March thru November and luncheons are held in December and February. Read our award-winning newsletter, The Bell Ringer to find out more details about our rallies.

To register for a rally, go to this website [airstreamclub.org/palmetto-state](http://airstreamclub.org/palmetto-state) and watch the “Registration Tutorial”. This tutorial will walk you through the steps to register and pay for any upcoming rallies.



**NOTE: You “MUST REGISTER” for all events, even if there is no rally fee!**

\*\*\* To register for a rally.... find the rally by scrolling and selecting the rally you will be attending.

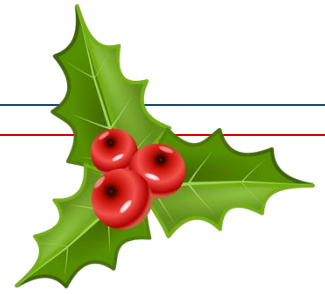
**NOTE: This is only to register and pay your rally fees! See [PSAC 2025 Rally Schedule](#) in this newsletter for more details. You will need to call the campground to make your camping reservations, separately!**

**Sign up to host a Rally!**





# Christmas Rally Schedule



## December 6-8, 2024

**Optional:** Camping can be December 6, 7 or 8.

**Christmas Luncheon:** December 7, Noon – 2:00 pm

at Bobby & Arlene Puryears', 2912 Holley Ferry Road, Leesville, SC

Registration link for this rally:

<https://form.jotform.com/m/240856586717167?rally=2024-12>

Christmas Potluck - \$0



**Water, electric,  
and dump station will be  
provided.**

**OPTIONAL CAMPING:** 2950 Holley Ferry Road for your Airstream in Leesville, SC. There are address number signs at both driveways.



**Eric Graham needs a head count, on those who plan to camp, and on those who plan to be at the Potluck! Email Eric at [ericshane.graham@yahoo.com](mailto:ericshane.graham@yahoo.com) ASAP!**

We are located 300 yards south of US 378 on Holley Ferry Rd, 15 miles west of Lexington and 16 miles east of Saluda on the Lexington/Saluda County line.

If you want to bring your Airstream, please do so. We would love to have you. We have plenty of room. Feel free to come in before the 7th if you'd like. Bring your wye "Y" adapter (20-30 amp/household outlet adapter) and we will provide water.

We also have a dump station on site.

**ALL RVs PLEASE NOTE:** Enter the driveway at 2950 Holley Ferry Rd. This is a wider, flatter driveway installed many years ago to prevent dragging your trailer bumper. Just follow this driveway past the barn to the top of the hill up to our house.

**Friday Afternoon:** Spend the afternoon lounging around the pool deck. Supper at Shealy's BBQ in Leesville (9 miles away). Return to the farm for stargazing, games and social time.

**Saturday Morning:** Breakfast on your own or we recommend Southern Thymes Café across the road about ¼ mile. Then we can spend time catching up with friends.

**The luncheon will be on Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> from Noon – 2:00 pm, 2912 Holley Ferry Road**

Bring a covered dish for the potluck. Various drinks will be provided by the Puryears.

**Saturday Night:** After lunch if time and weather permits, we can visit some antique shops. Supper on your own or we can check out another local favorite. There are several great, locally owned restaurants in Batesburg-Leesville, or hang out at the house or on the deck. We can also show movies in our small but cozy theater upstairs.

**Sunday Morning:** 10 am, church at Stillwaters Baptist Church 1 mile away.

**NOTICE FOR:**

by Director: Nancy Suttlemyre (BRN 05118)

**MOUNTAIN STREAM RESERVATIONS  
FOR AUGUST 2025 RALLY**

Soon after the devastating loss of the Mountain Stream RV Park, contacts were made to inquire about the deposits, or full payment, made for this rally. Some received responses of uncertainty regarding the ability to issue refunds. We are now told if we send the following information by email, refunds will be issued.

Email address for Mountain Stream:

[Mtnstreamrvpark@gmail.com](mailto:Mtnstreamrvpark@gmail.com)

They ask that we give them:

- Full Name with complete address:
- Reservation or Confirmation Number:
- Amount Paid:
- Phone #:

They ask, due to circumstances, to please be patient and allow up to 2-3 weeks for processing your refunds.

Shelby, the lady who gave me this information, said they **do** plan to rebuild in the lower area of the property, but do not anticipate being opened and completed for the 2025 season.



We regret to inform you that the **Sip, Stream & Stroll Rally** scheduled for December 13th-15th has been **cancelled**.

This decision was not made lightly, and we apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. Thank you to everyone who had registered and shown interest in this rally.

You will receive a full refund back to your original form of payment. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out.

We appreciate your understanding and hope you consider attending this rally in the future.  
Warm regards,

Melia A. Jacobs BRN 6901  
Sip, Stream & Stroll Rally Host  
Palmetto State Airstream Club

Melia A. Jacobs  
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Canton, GA 30115  
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Life's Little Instruction Book #1533:  
Don't live with the brakes on.



# 2025 Rally Schedule

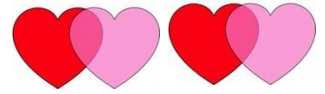
February 8, 2025 | 11:00AM-2:00PM | **Valentine Luncheon**

15083 Molokai Drive, Tega Cay SC 29708 | Tega Cay Shore Club

**Booking Contact & Host:** Text Gail Broadway at **(803) 322-7687**

Use this link below to register for this rally:

<https://form.jotform.com/240856586717167?rally=2025-02> Valentine Luncheon



March 13-16, 2025 | **Silver in the Sand** | **Reserve Now**

6001 S Kings Highway, Myrtle Beach, SC 29575 | Ocean Lakes Campground – **Full hook-up**

Booking Contact #: **(800) 722-1451**

Use this link below to register for this rally:

<https://form.jotform.com/240856586717167?rally=2025-03> Silver in the Sand -\$20

**Host:** Larry & Jan Inguagiato and Tom & Nancy Suttlemyre - [Pavilion Available](#)

April 9-13, 2025 | **Region 3 Rally** - See Blue Beret for details and registration

9850 Highway 78, Ladson, SC 29456 | Exchange Park Fairgrounds – **Full hook-up**

April 24-27, 2025 | **Silver in the City** | **MUST CONFIRM WITH TERRY MONTGOMERY**

North Congress Street, York, SC 29745 – **Boondocking**

Booking Contact: Terry Montgomery at [terrymontgomery31@gmail.com](mailto:terrymontgomery31@gmail.com)

Use this link below to register for this rally:

[PSAC Registration -https://form.jotform.com/243114968629163](https://form.jotform.com/243114968629163) Silver in the City



May 10-18, 2025 | **The Outer Banks Rally** | **Reserve Now**

24798 NC HWY 12, Rodanthe, NC 27968 | Camp Hatteras – **Full hook-up**

Booking Contact: Jen Carlson at [jen@camphatteras.com](mailto:jen@camphatteras.com) or **252-987-2777 Ext. 105**

Use this link below to register for this rally:

<https://form.jotform.com/240856586717167?rally=2025-05> Cape Hatteras RV Rally - \$TBD

**Host: Unknown** - [Pavilion Available](#)



**Caravan Itinerary: Can start to book in December 2024.**

May 10-11, 2025, | May 17-18, 2025 | *Caravan overnight stay*

558 Beaver Creek Road, Apex, NC 27502 | Poplar Point Campground

Booking Contact : **(919) 362-0586** – More details to follow.

<https://www.ncparks.gov/park-features/jordan-lake-state-recreation-area-poplar-point-campground>

June 19-22, 2025 | **Silver in the Smokies** | **Reserve Now**

321 Thumpers Trail, Franklin, NC 28734 | The Great Outdoors RV Resort – **Full hook-up**

Booking Contact: Michelle at **(828) 349-0412** | [info@camphestersbottoms.com](mailto:info@camphestersbottoms.com)

Use this link below to register for this rally:

<https://form.jotform.com/240856586717167?rally=2025-06> The Great Outdoors - \$20

**Host: Unknown**

# 2025 Rally Schedule

July 10-13, 2025 | **Silver by the Creek** | *They will hold blocked area until 12/31/24* | **Reserve Now**  
95 Pinewood Trail, Mill Spring, NC 28756 | Emberglow Outdoor Resort – **Full hook-up**  
Booking Contact: Nainsi at **(828) 625-2205** (Call Wed-Sun)

Use this link below to register for this rally:

<https://form.jotform.com/240856586717167?rally=2025-07> Silver by the Creek - \$20  
When making reservations at this campground use link below, it will give you a 5% discount for the group rate. If you would like a site that is not included in the blocked area, please call the office to receive the discounted rate and mention you are with the Palmetto State Airstream Club.

<https://resnexus.com/resnexus/reservations/group/B76FA3BF-9F3F-46AD-A07B9408B49C784A?GID=e9997fc8-5740-4bdb-8a91-fae21d2eec60>

**Host: Unknown**

August 14-17, 2025 | **Silver at the TOP** | **Reserve Now**

14255 Highway 75 N, Helen, GA 30545 | Top of Georgia – **Full hook-up**  
Booking Contact: Chris at **(706) 878-3590**



Use this link below to register for this rally:

<https://form.jotform.com/240856586717167?rally=2025-08> Silver at the TOP - \$20

**Host: Unknown** - [Pavilion Available](#)



August 23-28, 2025 | **Airstream Club International Rally: York, PA** | **Reserve Now**  
See Blue Beret for details and registration.

September, 17-21 | **Carolina Mountain Jamboree/Joint Rally**



521 Table Rock Road, Cleveland, SC, 29635  
Palmetto Cove RV Park

Booking Contact #: **More to follow** – **Full hook-up**

**Host: Unknown** - [Pavilion Available](#)

October 23-26, 2025 | **Alumalina**

1885 US 70 E Marion, NC, 28752 – **Full hook-up**

Booking Contact: John Leake at [john@leakesantiques.com](mailto:john@leakesantiques.com)



November 7-9, 2025 | **Installation Rally** | **Reserve Now**

120 Broad River Campground Rd., Mooresboro, NC 28114 | Broad River Campground – **Full hook-up**  
Booking Contact: Christine (Christie) Rex at **(828) 338-9598**

Use this link below to register for this rally:

<https://form.jotform.com/240856586717167?rally=2025-11> Installation Rally - \$20

**Host: Unknown**

Christmas Potluck - TBD

Use this link below to register for this rally:

<https://form.jotform.com/240856586717167?rally=2025-12> Christmas Potluck

## A “Wild” RV Spot by Bill & Sandee Welch (BRN 01399)



There are indeed a variety of places you can park your Airstream for the night, but if you’ve ever wondered what it might be like to fall asleep to the sounds of an African tundra, Turpentine Creek Wildlife Refuge (TCWR) is the perfect location for your next camping adventure.

For the past 30 years, Turpentine Creek has rescued over five hundred animals from private owners, roadside zoos, and situations of abuse and neglect. The residents of the sanctuary, primarily “Big Cats” with an emphasis on tigers, lions, leopards, and cougars, are provided with a lifelong home and care, including both physical and mental rehabilitation. Open air tram tours of the grounds are available and are led by one of TCWR’s education or animal care team members. It is a wonderful opportunity to see and learn about the amazing animals that call the refuge their home. You can also wander through the self-guided Discovery Area where you can learn even more about TCWR’s efforts to end the exotic animal trade.



Located just 20 minutes from Eureka Springs, AR and 1 ½ hours from Branson, MO, the refuge’s six RV spots, all with electric and water hookups are literally right next to the animals’ habitats. It is definitely a different and memorable RV experience when your neighbor is a magnificent white tiger!

For more information about Turpentine Creek or to make advanced reservations for the tour or an RV spot, go to their website at [www.turpentinecreek.org](http://www.turpentinecreek.org).







## Welcome New Members

Tim Baker [bakerhome9997@gmail.com](mailto:bakerhome9997@gmail.com)  
 Kimberly Baker [kfbaker997@gmail.com](mailto:kfbaker997@gmail.com)  
 BRN 07228 (2020 Classic 30')  
 Wagener, SC



## Welcome New Affiliate Members

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 BRN 07228 (2020 Classic 30')  
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**DONATE**

## SOME OF OUR NATIONAL HOLIDAYS IN DECEMBER

December 1

- First Sunday in Advent

December 6

- St. Nicholas Day



December 7

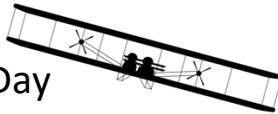
- Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

December 9

- Feast of Immaculate Conception

December 17

- Wright Brothers Day



December 21

- Winter Solstice

December 24

- Christmas Eve



December 25

- Christmas Day

December 31

- New Year's Eve



Anyone can donate anything at anytime as a door prize.

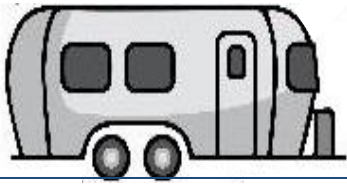
Donate whatever you'd like, such as a craft, or something you think would be a nice door prize. It's always fun to give and receive.

Please bring your donation(s) to the next rally that you attend!

**At every rally there will be this box to put your donations in, so you can donate at anytime!**



# A Little Something About Us by Fred & Victoria Basnett (BRN 08275)



Hello &  
welcome



We have been lifelong campers. Our first RV was a drivable one and was purchased used in 2007. Another one we purchased was a teardrop. We bought our first Airstream in 2022. We named her “Catarina” and she is a 2017 23’ FC that we love to travel in with our Bichon Frise, Aida.

Our first rally was Alumalina in 2023, and what a blast we had; we knew we found our “tribe!” We live in the North Georgia mountains and our primary membership is with the Southeastern Camping Unit. We are affiliate members of Carolinas Airstream Club and Palmetto State Airstream Club.

We love attending rallies and look forward to seeing y’all down the road.



# Recipe

Submitted by Tami Van Thof (BRN 29651)

## Wild Rice, Squash, Pomegranate

### Ingredients:

- 2 cups wild rice, rinsed
- 4 oz. kale, ribs removed & chopped small (preferably the Tuscan variety, about ½ bunch or 2 cups)
- ¾ cup chopped green onion (from 1 large or 2 medium bunches), divided
- 4 oz. goat cheese (about ⅔ cup crumbled)
- Arils from 1 medium pomegranate, or ½ cup chopped dried cranberries
- ½ cup raw pepitas (green pumpkin seeds)
- 1 teaspoon extra-virgin olive oil
- ¼ teaspoon fine sea salt
- ¼ teaspoon ground cinnamon

### Roasted Butternut Squash

- 1 small-to-medium (2 to 2 ½ pounds) butternut squash, cut into ¾-inch cubes
- 1 ½ tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- ¼ teaspoon fine sea salt

### Ginger Dressing

- ¼ cup extra-virgin olive oil
- 2 tablespoons apple cider vinegar
- 1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
- 1 tablespoon maple syrup
- 1 tablespoon grated fresh ginger
- ¼ teaspoon fine sea salt



### Instructions:

1. Preheat the oven to 425 degrees F & line a large, rimmed baking sheet with parchment paper for easy clean-up, if desired.
2. **Cooking the wild rice:** Bring a *large* pot of water to boil. Add the rinsed rice & continue cooking, reducing heat as necessary to maintain a lively simmer, for 40 minutes to 55 minutes. It's done when the rice is pleasantly tender but still offers a light resistance to the bite. Remove from heat, drain the rice & return rice to the pot.
3. **Meanwhile, roast the butternut:** Place cubed butternut squash on your rimmed baking sheet. Drizzle it with olive oil & sprinkle with salt. Toss until the cubes are lightly & evenly coated in oil. Arrange them in a single layer & roast for 35 to 50 minutes, tossing after 20 minutes, until they are starting to turn golden on the edges & tender when pierced with a fork.
4. While the wild rice & butternut cook, prepare all the remaining ingredients. Chop the kale & green onion, remove the arils from the pomegranate, & whisk together all the dressing ingredients in a small bowl.
5. To toast the pepitas, combine the pepitas, 1 tsp. olive oil, ¼ tsp. each salt & cinnamon in a small skillet. Stir to combine & cook over medium heat until the pepitas are starting to turn golden on the edges & making little popping noises, about 3 to 5 minutes. Remove the skillet from the heat & set aside.
6. When the wild rice is finished cooking & still warm, stir in the kale, half of the green onions, & all the ginger dressing. Spread the mixture over a large serving platter or large serving bowl.
7. Arrange the butternut squash over the wild rice mixture. Crumble the goat cheese on top with a fork. Top with pomegranate arils, toasted pepitas, & remaining green onions. Serve.