# KEYSTONE KOURIER









## President's Message Jennifer Eggers BRN 4825

jeggers@leadershiftinsights.com

Greetings Keystone Airstreamers!

This month brings us closer to streaming season and it can't come a moment too soon for me! I'm writing this in March so preparations are well underway. I've got a clothes rack out to decide what needs to get packed for my first trip and am double checking reservations, putting trips into RV Trip Wizard and RV Weather,

and getting my checklists ready. I'm hoping by the end of the month it will be warm enough to de-winterize and get all my preseason maintenance done. On that note, I thought I'd share what I do in case it helps anyone. Let me know if I've missed anything! And if you've got a question, reach out - I'm happy to help and if I don't know the answer, I'm betting I can find it.

### Jennifer's De-winterization & Preseason Checklist

- Clean and grease 7-way plug (dielectric grease; there are great tools for this on Amazon)
- Lubricate the breakaway switch (dielectric grease)
- Inspect hitch and bolts for signs of wear
- Check hitch bolt torque (or have your dealer do this)
- Check for rust on hitch or equalizer bars and repaint if necessary
- Lubricate ball and hitch
- Check tire pressure (including spare)
- Check date on tires and make sure they don't need replacing
- Torque lug nuts
- Test smoke, CO2, and propane alarms and replace batteries
- Check battery connections
- Check all nooks and crannies for mice and remove mouse detergent
- Wash exterior
- Replace level-mate batteries
- Test all propane appliances (stove, water heater, furnace, and fridge, if you have one)
- Check for propane leaks
- Test heat pump/AC unit
- Close low point drains
- Make sure water pump valve is NOT on winterize setting
- Flush antifreeze out of system (run all faucets hot and cold)
- Sanitize water system
- Check all pipes for water leaks
- Lubricate stabilizer jacks
- Lubricate entry step
- Lubricate sewer valves
- Inspect sewer hose (this is not where you want a problem)
- Check expiration of fire extinguishers
- Replace water filter

### How I sanitize my fresh tank:

- Flush antifreeze out of the lines
- Drain tank
- Close all drains
- Measure 1/4 C bleach for every 15 gallons water tank holds (or 1oz /8 gal)
- Pour bleach into 1 gallon container and fill with water
- Add bleach water to fresh water tank (use funnel)
- Fill fresh tank with fresh water
- Turn on water pump and open all faucets (hot and cold side)
- Run water until you can smell bleach in each faucet, then close
- Let sit for up to 12 hours (3-4 is fine but no more than 12)
- Drain all water from system
- Refill fresh water tank
- Turn on water pump and open all faucets to flush again
- Run water and repeat until it no longer smells like bleach (I usually do this twice)



- Spray city water intake screen with alcohol to kill any bacteria and clean with Q-Tip
- Inspect water pump check valve or replace
- Check squirrel cage bolts on AC unit (you'll need a ladder)
- Tighten every screw you can find in the unit
- Restock and make beds
- Turn on fridge

### Stuff To Do On The First Trip:

- Free and lubricate all window seals
- Wash windows and screens
- Clean fan blades
- Lubricate awning
- Caulk any seams outside
- Hit any corrosion or aluminum oxidization with CorrosionX (this stuff is amazing)

This is how I do it, but my opinion should not trump any recommendations from Airstream or your owner's manual. If you're in doubt, read your manual - there is great information in there including what kind of grease to use for everything. I carry a grease box with about 20 different varieties, but I work on boats, too, and "you never know" when you'll need it.

Incidentally, I use checklists for everything, and they get revisited and revised every year. If you're looking for a start, I've put them on our private Facebook page under the Files tab. They were designed for a 27-foot unit with an electric fridge and tankless hot water heater. Feel free to use and customize. I've included checklists for:

- Interior Departure
- Exterior Departure
- Hitching
- Dumping
- De-winterization (including tank sanitization)

I'll add Winterization once it gets revised - that one needs work as it is half in my head.

This season, I'm looking forward to escaping to Florida to avoid April allergy season in the Lehigh Valley and (of course) most of the Keystone rallies. I'll spend a few weeks coaching, driving and working on boats at Twin Lakes Waterski Park in June and then down to Jersey Shore Haven. I'll also be joining the New York/New England clubs at their rally at Sampson State Park on Lake Seneca and the Indie Streamers in the fall at their Fly-Fishing Rally in Vermont. Later this summer I'll be heading south for some coveted time at Virginia Highlands Haven (never enough) and off to the Crooked Road Caravan...not quite all in that order. In October, I'm heading back to Jackson Center for my last year under warranty. This is going to be a lot of travel to keep up with and I'm forever grateful to be able to run my business from the LeaderShift Insights Mobile Headquarters in "Fort Grace" and the backseat of Walter, my truck.

I hope April has you as excited as I am, and I can't wait to see you on the road! If you haven't registered for a Keystone rally, check out the schedule and join us - there's still time!

Jennifer



#### **Stay Connected**

Facebook - Keystone Pennsylvania Airstream
Club
Keystone on the Web
Airstream International Website

Interested in joining the club? Contact Jennifer Eggers <u>jeggers@leadershiftinsights.com</u>

#### **Club Officers**

President, Jennifer Eggers jeggers@leadershiftinsights.com
1st VP, Brian Mulligan mulligansix@rcn.com
2nd VP, Lori Pfahler loripfahler88@gmail.com
Treasurer, Richard Pitts r\_pitts@verizon.net
Secretary, Kathleen Quinn kathleenquinn56@icloud.com
Immediate Past Pres., Jody Dietz Jdietz4361@gmail.com
1st Year Trustee, Katherine Mulligan mulligansix@rcn.com
2nd Year Trustee, Joel Burkholder jpburkholder@verizon.net

In addition to our officers, Keystone's bylaws provide the option of adding additional positions or committees to handle specific tasks. I would like to recognize those that have agreed to continue to serve and a few new ones. If you would like to help, please let any of us know!

Returning positions include:

Website - Andy Pitts Sunshine - Karen Kushto Newsletter - Bill Earle

Facebook Administrators - Jennifer Eggers & Jody Dietz

New positions for 2025 include:

**Historian** - Jody Dietz

Membership - Kathleen Quinn

### **New Member Spotlight**

The Keystone Unit continues to grow. Let's all extend a warm welcome to all of our new members for 2025. We hope to meet all of you soon.

### January 2025

Elena Echart - Home BRN 07579 Anthony & Selina Chaffier - Home BRN 11154 John & Patrice Ferko - Affiliate BRN 10043 Kirk & Cyndy Bunte - Home BRN 31364

### February 2025

David & Monica Platt - Affiliate BRN 08817

#### March 2025

David & Susan Newman - Home BRN 02563



### **News & Items of Interest**

### **Need Money Scam**

Just to be clear because it's still happening and I'm getting questions. If any of you get an email from any of us (likely Rick or me) asking for help with a payment or needing to pay something for the club, these are a scam. DO NOT give anyone any money. It is not us. If money ever needs to be exchanged, I suggest we do that by phone so we can identify voices, but I cannot think of a single reason why it would ever need to be. So if you get a text or an email saying anyone needs help paying a Keystone bill, please ignore it.

These guys are convincing and they are pulling emails from the website. I don't exactly know how they emulate us, but somehow they do. Be careful out there!

Thanks, Jennifer

### **Holiday Luncheon Toy Donations**

All toys donated at the Holiday Luncheon have been donated to the Pennridge FISH Organization and were distributed as part of their Christmas Toy Distribution. We did this on behalf of Keystone and in Leslie's honor as this was the charity she collected them for for years. They were most greatful when we dropped them off, so thank you to all who participated.

### **Keystone Rally and Event Schedule**

We are looking for feedback on the 2025 schedule along with volunteers to host/co-host. Please reach out to Jennifer Eggers. <a href="mailto:jeggers@leadershiftinsights.com">jeggers@leadershiftinsights.com</a>

#### **Kourier Content**

As you consider submissions, please give some thought to things that would interest you and possibly benefit others. I'm always available to answer specific questions you may have regarding the newsletter.

The deadline for content for the upcoming issue is the 25th of the month prior to publication. Please send all submissions to Bill Earle, Newsletter Editor via email: <a href="mailto:info@occasionalrv.com">info@occasionalrv.com</a>

#### Sunshine Report by Karen Kushto

As we begin the new year a few of our fellow members are experiencing some health issues and we wish speedy healing and recovery for all of them. They are: Howard Mergelkamp, Phyllis Harrington, Lori Pfahler, Kathleen Quinn, and Sue Walton. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Wayne and Sharon Fitzgerald who lost their son Andrew at age 41 to a heart attack. George Spahn has suffered a setback from an injury last year and is back in rehab. Our thoughts and prayers go out to George for a speedy recovery. Our thoughts and prayers go to Will and Karen Kushto and their family as Will's mother recently passed peacefully at the age of 102.

#### Blue Compass buys more Airstream Dealerships

Blue Compass RV has expanded its footprint by acquiring two Airstream dealerships in New England, bringing its total number of Airstream locations to 12. The company has acquired Airstream of New Hampshire in Nashua and Airstream of Maine in Lebanon. Click additional details for more information.

#### Airstream Discontinuing the Pottery Barn Model

It appears that 2025 will be the last year for the iconic Pottery Barn model.

### New Airstream Model - Basecamp Xe

With Basecamp Xe, Airstream is once again pushing the boundaries of travel independence with an all-electric capable travel trailer built for off-grid exploration. Learn more about how the Basecamp Xe enables owners to maximize their travel adventures both big and small. Details: https://tinyurl.com/hus5xe74



## Keystone Pennsylvania Airstream Club 2025 Rally and Event Schedule

More information available in our private Facebook group Keystone Pennsylvania Airstream Club

https://www.facebook.com/groups/keystonepaairstreamclub

Date	Event/Host(s)	Location	Notes
February 15	Valentine's Luncheon Jennifer Eggers	Eggers Home	RSVP to Jennifer or on Facebook
March 15	St. Patrick's Luncheon Sharon & Wayne Fitzgerald	Fitzgerald's home	RSVP to Sharon or on Facebook
April 25-27	Joint Maintenance Rally DelMarVa and PA Clubs	Queen Annes County 4-H Park Centreville, MD	Contact Charles Helwig at helwigcw@icloud.com
May 2-4	Season Opener with Central Penn Rick & Andy Pitts	Lums Pond State Park	Lum's Pond is booked; contact Rick for waitlist
May 15-18	Gettysburg Bluegrass Festival Jennifer Eggers	Granite Hill Camping Resort	Festival is full; contact Granite Hill for waitlist
June 6-7	Jersey Shore Special Sharon Fitzgerald	Jersey Shore Haven	Sharon Fitzgerald
July 11-13	Explore the Upper Delaware Jennifer Eggers/Kathy Russo	Soaring Eagle Campground Equinunk, PA	CALL Soaring Eagle to book; tell them you are with Jennifer Eggers/Key- stone Airstream Club; do not book on-line
August 23-28	ACI International Rally Joel Burkholder	York Fairgrounds York, PA	Book directly through ACI; we will connect when we get there
Sept. 19-21	Bald Cypress and Eagles Jennifer Eggers/Kathleen Quinn	Trapp Pond State Park Loop C	Book Trap Pond Loop C on-line; RSVP to Jennifer or on Facebook
October 17-20 & 20-21	Dark Sky and Canyon's Mini- Caravan Jennifer Eggers/Kathleen Quinn	Grand Canyon of PA (Twin Streams Campground) New Moon at Cherry Springs Dark Sky Park (Ole Bull State Park)	Book Twin Streams (CALL and tell them you're with Keystone Airstream Club) Book Ole Bull on-line
November 15	Installation Luncheon & Meeting Jennifer Eggers/Kathryn Mulligan	Bird in Hand Restaurant, Lancaster Country Acres Campground	CALL to book Country Acres Campground (tell them you're with Key- stone Airstream Club)
December 6	Holiday Luncheon Jerry Hillegass/Jennifer Eggers	Plumsteadville Inn	RSVP on Facebook or to Jennifer or Jerry

Wanted: Hosts or co-hosts for all rallies! Please let Jennifer know if you can help.



## **2025 Event Spotlights**

### Valentine's Day Luncheon - February 15, 2025

Wonderful Valentine's Luncheon on a snowy afternoon at Jennifer's with the help of her mom and delicious goodies brought by the attendees. So nice to meet up with old friends and make some new ones.











## 2025 Event Spotlights cont.

## St. Patrick's Day Luncheon - March 15, 2025

Thank you Wayne & Sharon Fitzgerald for hosting a delicious ham & fixins luncheon. Wonderful to see everyone and hear their plans for adventures this year. Safe travels.











### 2025 Event Spotlights cont.

### Trap Pond Cypress and Eagle Rally - September 19-21, 2025

As you probably saw on the 2025 schedule, we will have a rally at Trap Pond in Delaware next September 19-21, (2025).

Trap Pond is a fantastic state park we've been to before and fall is the perfect time to camp there. They open up for reservations a year in advance, so if you want to get a jump on things, you can begin making your reservation now. Trap Pond has water and electricity. To snag a spot head to the Delaware State Parks Reservation site: Click here for reservations.

It's a big park, so we will try to cluster on C Loop. Once you get a spot, please post it on the event page on Facebook so we can keep up with who will be attending and where you are. Obviously, the earlier you book the better chance we have of being together and this place does fill up. The cancellation fees are nominal, so book if you think you might want to go.

If you've not been there before, Trap Pond has a beautiful lake full of cypress trees that make for great fishing, birding, kayaking and canoeing. Their "boat" rental concession should still be open at this time. They also have a pontoon boat ride we can do as a group. Last year, they also offered a wagon tour of the park free from the office and we did that, too. We'll keep you posted closer to the time to sign up for these things as you'll need to book them individually. Not to mention, it's a gorgeous place to sit and read a book and there are numerous trails to hike as well.

We'll figure out the rally stuff closer to the time (anyone want to cohost?), but I'm sure it will be low key with optional happy hours, campfires, and other fun gatherings.

See you there! Jennifer



68th Airstream Club International Rally - August 23-28, 2025





### 2025 Event Spotlights cont.

### **Lums Pond Rally Update Andy & Rick Pitts**

Looking forward to camping with many of you at Lums Pond State Park, May 3-5, 2025. We are working with Central Penn to put together a fun-filled weekend. Spoiler Alert: think Kentucky and horses!!!

If you have secured your site at the campground, please email Rick (<u>r\_pitts@verizon.net</u>) so we can keep an up-to-date list of attendees for planning purposes. Send along your site number, reservation dates and number in party. There will be a modest rally fee and we'll be sending out more information and fun plans as we get nearer the rally date.

The campground continues to be fully booked. Rick is maintaining a waitlist as we have Airstreamers who were not able to get reservations. If you have registered and your plans change, please let Rick know before you cancel your reservations with the campground so that we can put the next waitlisted party in touch with you to take over your reservation. If you have not registered and would like to be added to the waitlist, just let Rick know.

Thanks all, Andy & Rick Pitts





Installation Rally - November 14-15

The date has moved back to our original dates that the club voted on. 2025 Installation will be held on November 14-15 at Country Acres Campground in Lancaster, PA.

BOOK NOW - They are holding 10 spots for us for one month, but have more if we need them.

Call to book NOW - DO NOT BOOK ONLINE - (717) 687-8014 (ask for Kathy or Becky and tell them you are with Jennifer Eggers / Keystone Airstream Club)

We have 10 big rig spots reserved and a pavilion booked on Saturday morning for our Installation Ceremony. The spots we have reserved are their bigger FHU sites. We were able to negotiate a 10% discount. If you want something else, be sure to specify but you will not be with the group. Please note that Country Acres is closed for the season but they ARE in the office in the mornings. You will be asked for a 1 night deposit and there is an easy 7 day cancellation policy. This is a very busy time in Lancaster, so if you think you might want to go, book now!

This campground also has cabins available for those who no longer have rigs and would like to join us.

https://bird-in-hand.com/country-acres-campground (717) 687-8014

The ceremony on Saturday will be held at 10 am, followed by a luncheon at the the newly rebuilt Bird in Hand Restaurant.



## **Region 2 Spotlight**

### Submitted by Gary Russo

As we start the 2025 camping season WBCCI has reached a milestone! The Club is celebrating its 70th year. Founded in 1955 it is the largest and oldest single
brand RV club in existence.

Wally Byam, inventor of the iconic Airstream intrepid travelers on international caravans years when the idea to incorporate a caravan Eastern Canada Caravan led by Wally's gathered in Kentville, Nova Scotia, for the meeting. This marked the beginning of a rich enthusiasts in our passion for adventure,



travel trailer, had been leading groups of in their beloved Airstream trailers for four club was born. On Aug. 3, 1955, during the cousin, Helen Byam Schwamborn, travelers first Wally Byam Caravan Club membership tradition, uniting generations of Airstream camaraderie, and exploration.



An oral history project gathering current member stories and recollections about their family's history with the club has begun, with materials gathered to be donated to the soon-to-be established Airstream Club International Historical Center. I'm sending each Club President a list of WBCCI members who have been with the Club 25+ years. My hope is that they reach out to these members and send their recollections, family history and photos to the link below.

https://blog.airstreamclub.org/how-to-participate-in-the-aci-oral-history-project/

A historical retrospective campaign highlighting the history of the Club throughout the decades with archival photos, educational presentations by the Club Historian, Joe Peplinski, and personal stories from Dale "PeeWee" Schwamborn, Helen Byam Schwamborn's son, Wally Byam's cousin.

In that vein, I did a search of Region 2 members with greater than 25 years and asked their Club presidents to send me a photo and responses to the same questions. I will be including some of these interviews in my President newsletter.



### **Submitted by Gary Russo**





Roy DeWitte is from the New York Finger Lakes Airstream Club with his home base in Webster, New York. Since he lives less than five minutes from my house, he was a logical choice for me to stop in and have a chat. Roy is retired from Eastman Kodak. He has been Airstreaming since 1988 making him a member of WBCCI for 37 years. He is on his third Airstream. The first Airstream he used/borrowed was a 25ft. from his parents so Airstreaming is in his blood. He has had three different traveling companions: his wife Louise, Helen Lagasse, and now his daughter, Ann.

Roy is a past President of the New York Finger Lakes Unit which was formed in 2003, and is now called the New York Finger Lakes Club. The following Units were combined to create this Unit: Niagara-Genesee, Greater Rochester, Upstate and Susque-Lawrence.

Roy has been on many US-based caravans and hosted multiple rallies in the US and Canada. One of his prized possessions is his 46th International appreciation gift. One of his notable quotes is "I don't know how to travel without my Airstream."

What do you store underneath your dinette? His response was that the table is foldable and does not have anything underneath.

What tools or gadgets have you found to be the most useful for doing on-the-road DYI repairs? His response was bring everything especially duct tape!

What do you seek out and stop for on every Airstream trip? Watching the scenery and conversation. When I'm driving, I focus on the road.

Roy is noted for his interesting lawn chair. He got the plans from his daughter Nancy's husband and he built one from those plans. He still has the plans, if anyone wants to build one.



### **Submitted by Gary Russo**





2001 2024

Wayne and Linda Moore joined WBCCI in January 1999 but were asked to be a charter member of a new unit, the Washington DC Unit, just before November 1999 and haven't looked back.

- Current Airstream 1999 (coincidence?) 30' Classic.
- Streaming since Our very first outing was Nov 1999 to the first Installation Rally. We had to go without our rig because it wasn't finished yet. Our official first outing with our restored 1966 Tradewind was April 2000 to the WDCU Cherry Blossom Rally in RFK Stadium complete with an armed guard. We also had our Airstreams on the road behind the Capital building with all of us in front of them for a photo op.
- Number of Airstreams owned We have had many, but we didn't travel in all of them. Once we restored our 1966 Tradewind in 1999 we collected Airstreams from all over. The idea was to restore and sell them, but you can't restore anything if you are working then out rallying all the time. Those were the days you could find them in old campgrounds, on property along the highway and found out about others from folks stopping to talk to us and ask us "How do you keep it so shiny?" or "Do they still make those?"
- **Travel companions** Just Wayne and I. Kids old enough to stay home alone and no pets. When asked when making reservations if I have any pets my reply is usually, just my husband.
- **Home base** Wayne and I were born in New England both from Massachusetts and then moved to southern NH when we were young. In 2024 we sold our house in NH and moved to SC not far south of Greenville. There is no snow here!
- Why did you decide to purchase an Airstream That's a funny story. We brought our kids up tenting and shortly after a pop-up camper. The pop-up had reached the end of its life cycle and I was planning on getting a new tent. Wayne showed me an ad from the newspaper for a 1966 24' Airstream. I gave it back to him without comment and thought, over my dead body! I agreed to go see it choosing my battle. Wayne gabbed all the way, I didn't say a word. A broom handle held the door closed, it was encased in ice and the inside was a disaster with squirrel nests in the drawers. Wayne gabbed all the way home, I didn't say a word. The next morning, I was researching Airstreams and WBCCI. A cup of coffee was placed in my hand, and I said, "I don't know why but we have to buy this Airstream." It was flat-bedded home in January 1999 and Wayne started restoring it.
- What do you seek out and stop for on every Airstream trip While we were both working it was mostly rallies and we would try to go see something. It was always a long drive from NH to the mid-atlantic area the rallies were usually in so I was determined to see and learn something. Since retirement we rally when we can but seek out trips south and west where we have never been before. National Parks, Monuments and Battlefields a must. Gotta collect those stamps! It's the only evidence we have been there!?
- What do you store underneath the dinette and how do you keep things organized We don't have a dinette in our 1999 but when we did have a rig with a dinette anything could be found there, ice maker, back packs, computer bags while we were working, etc. Organization was always soft bins for the upper lockers with the curve
- What tools or gadgets have you found to be the most useful for doing on-the-road DIY repairs Wayne usually has a few bins of tools in the bed of the truck. Rivet guns, wrenches, aluminum stock, etc. I can't talk to tools but the items I make sure we travel with is anything I can use to prepare food on the road. We quickly learned fast food on the road can take the excitement out of you. One of my favorite gadgets is my Hot Logic which is the size of a lunch box that plugs into the truck and heats/cooks like a slow cooker. I won't leave without



#### **Submitted by Gary Russo**

it. I always have my computer, which is always on my lap while traveling to help me navigate when we are in a traffic slow down to find alternate routes, finding the next travel stop or fueling station. We recently added a CB radio for traffic issue information, communicating with others we may be traveling with or for serious weather issues.

• How do you pass the time and stay motivated when you faced long stretches on the road – Music, researching the area we are driving through on my laptop then sharing the findings. Wayne does most of the driving, but I share maybe 25%-30% to be able to give him a break.

I recall telling Wayne, who is the one who signed us up with WBCCI, "Don't be signing us up to any of those blue hair groups!" Well, here we are 26 years later and still members of the WDCU, retired with gray hair. Both of us have participated as Unit Officers, VAC Officers and I am the unit newsletter editor. I hope we can rally and travel for many, many more years! We can't wait to go rallying with our Airstream family!

The largest celebration takes place in August at the Airstream Club International Rally in York, Pennsylvania. Taking advantage of the "Let's Make History" theme of this year's Rally, the club will host activities throughout the week long rally highlighting the rich history of the club.

Registrations for the Region 2 International Rally Luncheon at York, the Region 2 Rally at the Center County Grange Fairgrounds, and the joint Sampson State Park Rally are now open. The links are below. There is limited space for seating at the International Luncheon in York so do not delay! Right now, we have 235 rigs signed up for the International. If everyone attends, that works out to approximately 425 people for the luncheon. Mission BBQ is catering the meal, and we have quite the spread planned!

Region 2 International Rally Luncheon at York registration

https://form.jotform.com/250156206580148

This year's Region 2 Rally is being sponsored by the Washington DC Unit. The theme is Kentucky Derby. We will be showing the race live at the Rally along with other activities.

Region 2 Rally at Center County Grange Fairgrounds registration <a href="https://form.jotform.com/243194535933159">https://form.jotform.com/243194535933159</a>

This is the 5th year for this Rally at Sampson. This year the Pennsylvania, New York Finger Lakes and Region 1 are the sponsors for this event. The theme is a Taste of New York and New England. Come join the Rally. There will be Wine and Craft Beer tasting at the Rally with charcuterie boards and gourmet popcorn, two catered dinners, and a Sunday Continental Breakfast. There is also a separate bus wine tour if you are so inclined.

Sampson State Park registration

https://form.jotform.com/243194600769159

We currently have 10 sites left for this event in Loop 4.

Again, I want to remind people that headquarters will be sending out a notice searching for Executive Council candidates to fill the subsequent slate of nominee positions. If you are interested in becoming a candidate to help direct the Airstream club, I want to encourage you to fill out an application form. Even if you are not interested, your vote does count! Please take the time to read about the candidates, get acquainted with them, and reach out to their local Club President or the Region officers if you have any questions while making your voting decisions.

Why not YOU? The search is on. My term as Region 2 President comes to an end on July 31, 2025. The Region 2 team is looking for a 2nd VP. Region 2 covers the following areas: Ontario Canada, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Washington DC, Delaware, and Maryland. If you are interested in volunteering as a Region officer, please contact me, Patti Galupo or Matt Moore to join this dynamic team!



### **Submitted by Gary Russo**

Support positions at the International are still open. Tours Chair and Community Service both report to Sherrye McCabe. Sherrye works out of the Jackson Center office. Debbie Wood is also looking for people to support the Meals & Refreshments committee. Please contact Jackson Center if interested.

If you see an area of support that interests you, please step up.

- Provide local information for International Club's Marketing/Communications including:
  - o Identify several contributors to write articles for club publications about the rally locale,
  - o Best routes to the rally site,
  - o Camping suggestions for enroute to the rally through the region,
  - o Staging areas near the rally site for members to meet up before entering rally site (for parking together),
  - o Suggestions for local vendors to participate in the exhibitor show, and
  - o Other local information specific to the region and rally site that is useful to members traveling in the area.
- At the Sedalia Rally, the **Ambassador program** was started and well received. A signup list will be coming from Jackson Center.
  - o Recruited volunteers from the local clubs in the region will act as **Ambassadors** at the rally which will involve:
    - Answering questions, providing directions to events in the park and being that enthusiastic presence ready to offer a smile and some assistance.
    - Attending an orientation session at the start of the rally to be briefed on the rally logistics and other information as needed, and to set up the rally event app and learn to use it.
    - ♦ Wearing special vests provided by the rally that identifies them as Rally Ambassadors.
    - Posting at strategic locations around the rally site to assist members with questions, directions, or local information.
    - Manning the doors to the Exhibitor Hall before opening hours to allow only exhibitors to enter.
- Identify
  - o Community Service programs
  - Local tourist attractions

As you can see, we have multiple opportunities to help at the York Rally.

#### Please contact

- Primary: Debbie Wood, 704-430-9196, <a href="mailto:dwood@airstreamclub.org">dwood@airstreamclub.org</a>
- Secondary: Sherrye McCabe, 937-722-1436, <a href="mailto:smccabe@airstreamclub.org">smccabe@airstreamclub.org</a>



Let's Make History at the 68th Airstream Club International Rally located in York, Pennsylvania: August 23-28, 2025. Registration is now open. Go to the Airstream Club website today and don't miss out seeing old friends and making new ones at the event. This event is in our Region -- let's show them how to have fun!!! <a href="https://airstreamclub.org/rally2025">https://airstreamclub.org/rally2025</a>



### Resources

### Courtesy Parking is Live on Harvest Hosts

The new courtesy parking powered by Harvest Hosts is live on the Harvest Hosts site. Please take a few minutes and read the details. <u>Click here</u> for all of the details.

If you would like to be a Courtesy Parking Host and haven't yet filled out our survey to get listed in the Summer of 2024 database, please <u>click here</u> to get started! (ACI member login required)

#### **Airstream Club Member Discounts**

A reminder that Airstream International club members have access to some great discounts. Click on the following link for details. (ACI member login required) <u>Airstream Club member discounts</u>

### **Loves RV Stops**

Conveniently located at Loves Travel Stops across the country, Love's RV Hookups and RV Stops provide the RV traveler with a safe, clean and well-maintained place to stop on their journey.

Click this link: Loves RV Stops