









President's Message Jennifer Eggers BRN 4825

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Greetings Keystone Airstreamers!

What a great month! It will be hard to beat the two rally's we've had in May! Lum's Pond, a joint rally with Central Penn, was incredible. Central Penn ran a fantastic burger bar on Friday and Rick and Andy Pitts outdid themselves once again with

Kentucky Hot Browns and a big TV set up for the Kentucky Derby. That may have been the best rally dinner I've ever had, complete with mint juleps and ice cream with caramel sauce for about 50 people. There was also a group bike ride, kayak trip, and canopy tour adventure. I'm not sure you'll ever find me swinging through the trees in a canopy again, but it sure was an adventure!

That was quickly followed by the Gettysburg Bluegrass Festival. This was Keystone's first time at that festival and my goal was to put up an unconventional event to attract some of our new members and that was successful. It was wonderful to welcome the Como's and Harbage's to Keystone and the Dietz's and Burkholder's also joined us. The campground was a bit muddy, but we were only about 100 yards from the bands and they sure had some good ones. I think most of use reserved for next year and we were able to get them to hold some spots for others who might want to join us. Which brings me to a Mea Culpa.

In our haste to reserve spots at Gettysburg (they go FAST), most of us renewed and I did not think about the Region 2 rally scheduled at Pocono Raceway that weekend. It was not my intent to compete with the Region 2 rally. So while it's good to have options, it's also good to support your region and I dropped the ball. My apologies.

I will, unfortunately, not be able to be at our June Rally at Jersey Shore Haven as I will be coaching and driving at a comp, but Sharon Fitzgerald is a wonderful host and you will love the location and the availability of great food in the area.

New Logo and Flags

By way of an update on the new Keystone Logo and Flag designs, we hit a bit of a snafu in getting a motion to International, but I believe we are back on track. It is my hope that we will have news of approval by the time of this newsletter and will soon be able to order some swag and new flags. Hopefully, we can have them in time for York.

What's Next?

If you are interested in the Upper Delaware rally, the Ladies Rally, Dark Skys and Canyons Caravan or Installation, there is likely still availability.

Please also give your feedback on next year's rally schedule. Brian and the newly formed rally committee are working hard to get things done in advance and there are plenty of opportunities to get involved or plan something you want to do. We can't do it without you!



Learning to Tow

Ladies, if you don't tow (and you should, for a million reasons) don't rule out having your husband bring your trailer to Westchester and drop you off at the Ladies Rally. We will help you with anything you need to learn. If you want to learn to tow, I recommend getting comfortable with your truck first. Drive it daily for a month or until you are completely comfortable with where the ends are, parking, turning, backing up, etc. Then hook up your trailer and practice. A few of us are comfortable teaching, so call me if you want help and we'll figure out who's available. There are also some YouTube videos I recommend for tips on backing up a trailer.

June Maintenance & Mechanical Tip

I wanted to include something related to trailer maintenance and trouble shooting in each President's letter. This one features the Gerard Tankless Water Heater. Going into season three, after much ado, I still did not have hot water in my kitchen sink. I've heard this from others with this system and after much troubleshooting, I narrowed it down to the faucet sprayer. After removing all the restrictors I could find and bringing it to the dealer twice and Jackson Center once, I still didn't have hot water in the kitchen. They all told me this was pretty normal. Well, that faucet is a Delta 1.8 gpm flow faucet, so it should have more than enough flow to trigger the water heater that requires only .6 gpm. In Gettysburg, after disassembling it for the umpteeth time, I finally discovered that the sprayer line can get pinched under the sink when the sprayer is not extended. Resituating it to keep that from happening saved the day and resulted in the ability to wash dishes with hot water!

If you haven't joined us for a rally, please do! We'd love to meet you. Enjoy June, happy summer, and I hope to see you on the road! ...and as always, please reach out if you have any questions about Keystone or your Airstream.

Jennifer

Stay Connected

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Keystone on the Web
Airstream International Website

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

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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

April 2025

Richard & Eva Rodgers - Affiliate BRN 14631 Brian & Polly Robinson - Home BRN 03619 Laura & Scott Thoroman - Affiliate BRN 04456

May 2025

Miguel & Susan Rodriguez - Affiliate BRN 07035

News & Items of Interest

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. <u>jeggers@leadershiftinsights.com</u>

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: info@occasionalrv.com

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.



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
June 6-7	Jersey Shore Special Sharon Fitzgerald	Jersey Shore Haven	Contact Jersey Shore Haven (leave message; they are not in the office)
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/ Keystone Airstream Club; Do not book online; Let Jennifer know or RSVP on Facebook
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 online; RSVP to Jennifer or on Facebook
October 17-20 & 20-22	Dark Skys and Canyons Mini- Caravan Jennifer Eggers/Kathleen Quinn	Grand Canyon of PA Fall Foliage and New Moon at Cherry Springs (stay at Ole Bull)	Book Twin Streams (CALL and tell them you're with Keystone Airstream Club) Book Ole Bull online RSVP with site numbers to Jennifer or on Facebook
November 15	Installation Luncheon & Meeting Jennifer Eggers/Kathryn Mulligan	Bird in Hand Restaurant, Lancaster Country Acres	CALL to book Country Acres Campground (tell them you're with Keystone Airstream Club) and RSVP to Jennifer; there are 2 spots left
December 6	Christmas Luncheon Jennifer Eggers	Plumsteadville Inn	RSVP on Facebook or to Jennifer

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



Keystone Pennsylvania Airstream Club Preliminary 2026 Rally and Event Schedule

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Date	Event/Host(s)	Location	Notes
Feb 14	Valentine's Day Get-Together	TBD	TBD
March 14	St. Paddy's	TBD	TBD
April 17-19	TBD / Looking for a Leader	Lancaster Beacon Hill (?)	I called and they will not hold any spots. Please call 717-768- 8755 to book a spot. We want to be on top of the hill - they know the Keystone Club. Lots to in Lancaster. Maybe a happy hour Friday night.
May 1-3	Season Opener	Lums Pond State Park (this is firm)	If you are not in now, consider calling very soon - it fills up. This is a Delaware State Park - online reservations.
June 5-7	Chester Blues Festival	French Creek State Park	Saturday, June 6, 2026 - Book Friday, June 5th Loop A. We can get tickets to the festival later. Book online - it's a PA State park - most important to get your reservation at French Creek first.
July	Saratoga Horse Race	TBD	TBD
August	Cowtown NJ Rodeo	TBD	Thinking of a chili cook-off theme??
September	Caravan	Rt 6 from the PA Grand Canyon to the dark sky park to Lake Erie	Details to Follow
September	TBD	Harpers Ferry/Gettysburg/Antietam or Cape Henlopen	Details to Follow
October	TBD	Fredericksburg	Details to Follow
November	Installation Rally	Country Acres	Details to Follow

Additional Potential Rallies:

Hudson Valley Newberg, NY (Sep-Oct?) Jersey Shore Haven? Eastern Museum of Auto Racing - TBD

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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.









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.











Eastern PA 'Opener' Rally May 2-4, Lums Pond State Park, Bear, DE

Fifteen rigs from **Keystone** joined with seven from **Central Penn** and rigs from the **PA, New Jersey and Watchung** for the Opener Rally. This year's theme was **Run for the Roses** and was hosted by Wendy & Terry Hauschild (CP) and Andy & Rick Pitts (Keystone).



Led by fearless president Jennifer Eggers, early arrivers daringly trekked through the **Go Ape! Zipline adventure**. Comments overheard at the evening campfire included: 'really cool', 'awesome' and 'what the heck was I thinking!', but all had a great time.



Friday evening **Central Penn** coordinated a great burger bar, followed by an evening campfire.









Saturday activities were kicked off by a morning bike ride along the C&D canal trail. Not too surprising, there was an ice cream shop at the end of the trail...





Eastern PA 'Opener' Rally cont. May 2-4, Lums Pond State Park, Bear, DE

The weather held, and adventurous kayakers enjoyed the afternoon on Lums Pond.









Keystone coordinated the evening's Kentucky Derby theme which began with a dubious pair of bartenders serving up some wicked mini-Mint Juleps. Servers



(singing their own version of 'take me out to the Derby') then served up a scrumptious dinner featuring Kentucky Hot Brown sandwiches accompanied by southern style green beans and scalloped potatoes.







Vanilla ice cream topped with bourbon caramel sauce completed the meal as diners watched on the big screen with Sovereignty winning the 151st running of the Derby on a soggy Churchill Downs track.

Airstream weather karma persisted through the evening allowing another fun campfire chat.

We'll do it again next year, May 1-3. **Book now** as sites are filling up.



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





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 newly rebuilt Bird in Hand Restaurant.



1955 - 2025 ACI's 70th Anniversary

Celebrate 70 Years of Airstream Adventures in the Commemorative Edition of Blue Beret!

Airstream Club International is turning 70, and we're marking this milestone with a special commemorative edition of the Blue Beret this August! The issue will be packed with stories from our rich history, inspiring member spotlights, and a tribute to the incredible community that has made this journey unforgettable.





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70th Anniversary Store

It's finally open! There's drinkware, accessories, and apparel for everyone, including a special 70th Anniversary T-Shirt with Wally's Creed on the back! Purchases are printed/embroidered on demand, so all sales are final. https://airstreamclub.checkoutstores.com/

The 70th Logo has also been uploaded to Land's End, for use on their apparel and we have 70th Anniversary decals being printed now. Those will be released in the ACI store and will sell for \$7.00, in the next couple of weeks.

August Blue Beret

The next Blue Beret is going to be a commemorative edition focused on the Club's 70th Anniversary. The issue will highlight the club's rich history, multi-generational member stories and more! We've set up a couple ways for members to participate:

- Share Your Story: Tell us about your family's history with the club, your favorite Club traditions, craziest Club adventures, and more! https://form.jotform.com/251196029698166
- Share Your Photos: Show off your best club adventure photos select photos will be used throughout the issue and maybe even grace the cover! https://app.kululu.com/9dqw1q
- Leave Your Mark: Buy a 70th Anniversary Message that will be included in the magazine. You can choose a text only message for \$25 or text with photo/logo for \$100. All proceeds will be donated to the WBCCI Historical Center. https://form.jotform.com/251103983344050

All these links and more can also be found at <u>AirstreamClub.org/70Years</u>