

The Pelican Briefs June 2025

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FROM the Editor

Donna McBroom-Theriot

It was great to see everyone at the Seafood Rally. We have a special group that truly reflects the Cajun heritage of our area. Cajuns are loving and helpful people. We received a lot of help with troubleshooting on our onery refrigerator. Curt's cabinets enjoy becoming detached and he was able to find help in showing them who's boss. The Louisiana Airstream Club membership is always looking out for one another and others notice our unique club.

Did you know the Airstream Club has an app? In case you missed the article in the last email from International, I have included links to download the app in the newsletter.

As of now, the next rally on the schedule is the International Rally in August. Additional information can be found on the Airstream Club website. Check out Upcoming Rally Schedule to stay up to date.





FROM THE PRESIDENT

Robert Perere

Greetings Louisiana Airstream Club members and affiliates

Our annual Seafood/Election and Ronald McDonald House Charities Auction Rally was a huge success. Thanks to Charlie Davis and Diana Hobbs for putting everything together. Charlie did an excellent job on procuring and cooking some of the best crawfish we've ever had. I also want to thank Will Schexnayder for providing the crawfish boiler.

The Louisiana Airstream Club began donating to Ronald McDonald House Charities in 2016 when we made the decision to give to a charity that helps children and families within our State. My wife, Rebecca Perere, has the leadership role in this endeavor. Rebecca researched Ronald McDonald House Charities of South Louisiana, and discovered they met the criteria our club was searching for. Ninety five percent of all donations to RMH goes to the children and their families. I want to thank all of the individuals that donated over two hundred items to be auctioned. I would like to add that we could not have been successful without the help of Ms. Linda Hebert, owner of La Pay E Bas campground. She advertised our auction and provided help from her crew when we needed it. Our total amount raised from the auction was \$3,222. Thanks to all that helped put this together.

Last but not least, our nomination committee nominated Mark Williams from Lake Charles, La. as 3rd VP, John Griffin from Lafayette, La. as Trustee, and Rebecca Perere from Walker, La. as Trustee. All were voted in unanimously. We will have an installation luncheon in August.

Summertime is here which means it is going to be very hot and humid. We will schedule luncheons in June and July, and look forward to the cooler months ahead. Our logistics/planning committee will be working on future Rallies. We welcome input and ideas from everyone. Please call or email me: perere@att.net or 225-315-3825.

"You don't do kind deeds expecting kindness in return. You don't do kind deeds because you deem the recipient worthy. You do kind deeds because you understand the powerful difference your gentle hand makes in this dreary world." ~ Richelle Goodrich ~

> See you down the road! Robert Perere



JUNE



HOW TO PACK YOUR RY FOR A CAMPING TRIP

Special Feature

Whether you're a first-timer or a pro, packing your RV takes some forethought and planning. And even though it might seem like your RV has endless shelves, cabinets, and nooks and crannies, you'll soon find that space is limited. To help make the most of your RV's space, this RV packing checklist includes a few dos, and don'ts, tips, and tricks to get you started.

Remember to space your heavy items throughout the RV to avoid weighing down one side of the rig. Do this both from front to back and side to side. Staying as light as possible is important to keep your rig under the necessary payload and towing capacity limits.

Electronics

Adapters and Chargers

To start, remember to pack your <u>electrical adapters</u>. This goes for your phones, tablets, and computers as well as the bigger things, like 20-, 30-, and 50-amp adapters and cords for shore power. Also, throw in some electrical tape, a digital voltmeter/multimeter to check your battery, and a digital line monitor to test faulty wiring and monitor your AC voltage and generator frequency. It's a good idea to pack a surge protector and extra fuses as well. (Find information about fuses in your RV owner's manual.)

Lighting

It can get dark when the campfire starts to lose steam. Be sure to bring <u>flashlights</u>, <u>lanterns</u>, <u>headlamps</u>, and any extra lighting you can for inside and outside the RV at night. Adequate lighting is not just a convenience, it's a basic safety measure and a necessity. That also goes for bringing extra batteries and a charger for rechargeables.

Generator

If you plan on using a generator or have one in your RV, make sure you check it prior to departure and bring along any necessary cords or replacement parts. If you're getting energy from a solar panel system, bring all the necessary parts and replacements for that as well.

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Have you downloaded the new Airstream Club International Member App?

What You Can Do in the App:

- Access your member profile and update info
- Use Quick BRN Lookup to match Big Red Numbers with member names
- Browse and register for events, rallies, and caravans
- View club documents, bylaws, and policies
- Stay up to date with announcements and alerts from HQ
- Connect with fellow members via the Membership Directory
- Join open discussions in the Campfire forum
- Send private, secure messages using Whispers
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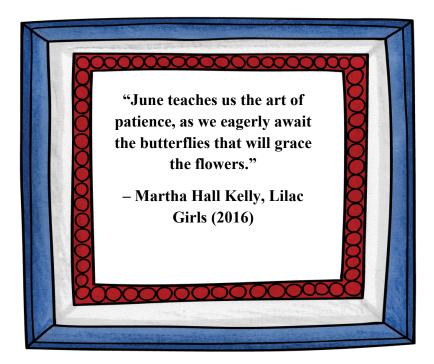
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SEAFOOD RALLY! MAY-JUNE 2025







UPCOMING RALLY SCHEDULE



August 2025 International Rally in York, PA. Much more to come!

Sept. 24-28,Region 6 Rally. Registration has already begun! The Rally is2025being held at The Ridge Outdoor Resort, nestled in the heart of the
Smoky Mountains in Sevierville, TN. Reservations: 865-505-3111.

- Oct. 24-Nov. 2,"Following the Natchez Trace to Nashville." Hosted by Dale Spillman2025and Shan Tidwell. Unit caravan limited to 10 units. For <u>regular</u> andaffiliatemembers of the LA Airstream Club. Other WBAC members can
apply and will be placed on waiting list for empty spots available.
All applicants are to email Dale Spillman: Lau15880@yahoo.com
Caravan full; standby only.
- Dec. 4-7, 2025 Christmas Rally. Hosted by Charlotte and John Taylor at the River View RV Park and Resort, 100 River View Pkwy., Vidalia, LA 71373; Phone: 318-336-1400. When you make your reservations, please let them know you are with the Louisiana Airstream Club. Additional information will be available at a later date.

Do YOU enjoy Rallies? How about hosting one? Grab a buddy to co-host and call Robert! (225-315-3825) He has loads of ideas and help is always available!

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ASPARAGUS SOUP

PREP TIME 20 mins | COOK TIME 63 mins | TOTAL TIME 1 hour 23 mins

Recipe by: George Graham - AcadianaTable.com Serves: 4 to 6

INGREDIENTS

- 24 asparagus spears
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 cup diced yellow onion
- 1 cup diced celery
- 1 cup diced green bell pepper
- 1 tablespoon minced garlic
- 1/2 cup diced green onion tops
- 1 teaspoon dried oregano
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme
- 6 cups chicken stock
- Salt and freshly ground black pepper
- Sour cream

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Remove the woody ends of the asparagus stalks. Cut the tips off the ends of the stalks and reserve. Chop the rest of the asparagus into pieces and reserve.
- 2. In a large pot with a heavy lid over medium-high heat, add the oil and the onions, celery, and bell pepper. Sauté until the onions turn translucent, about 5 minutes. Add the garlic, onion tops, oregano, and thyme and sauté for another 3 minutes.
- 3. Add the asparagus pieces and chicken stock, and bring to a boil. Reduce to a simmer and cover cooking for 45 minutes or until the asparagus pieces are tender.
- 4. Using an immersion blender (or blender), pureé the soup until smooth. Add more stock (or water) if too thick. Season to taste with salt and pepper.
- 5. Add the asparagus tips to the mixture and bring to a simmer. Cook for another 10 minutes or until the asparagus tips are tender.
- 6. Ladle into bowls and top with a spoonful of sour cream.

NOTES

No need to peel the asparagus since the blender will pulverize everything. I like chicken stock in this, but feel free to use vegetable stock for a vegan version. Some folks add butter at the end of cooking for added richness, but i find that this recipe doesn't need it. I would not advise adding hot sauce or excessive spice that will mask the freshness of the asparagus; this is a delicate dish.