

# The Pelican Briefs October 2025

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## A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

**Robert Perere** 

Grettings Louisiana Airstream Members and Affiliates

- Rebecca and I recently returned from the Region 6 Rally in Sevierville, TN. It
- was an incredible Rally and everyone had a fantastic time. The food,
- entertainment, and music were all exceptional. We had the pleasure of
- reuniting with old friends and making new friends from all over the country. The
- Ridge Outdoor Resort was a beautiful and accommodating campground.
- On behalf of the Louisiana Airstream Club, I want to express my deepest
- gratitude to Region 6 President David Gulley, his wife Mary and their daughter
- Jennifer for hosting such a wonderful Rally. I also want to extend my sincere
- appreciation to the Region 6 officers and all those who volunteered to make the
- Rally a resounding success.
- Louisiana Airstream attendees:
- Robert & Rebecca Perere
- Todd & Jill Malmberg
- Tony & Juliana Cloud
- Dan & Linda Laporte
- Don & Nannette Broussard
- Randy & Tracy Leblanc
- Jim & Judith Ruimerman
- David & Dianne Morrill
- Jeffery & Donna Theriot

Shan & Jan Tidwell

Chris & Rachelle Markerson

Jim & Sukie Russo

Frank & Marion Raphael

David & Paula Gautreau

Paul & Tomi Bartel

Pat & Debbie Attaway

Curt Fontenot & Brenda Bonfanti

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A schedule has been emailed to all that are going on the Natchez Trace Caravan. If you haven't gotten the email, contact Dale Spillman at lau15880@yahoo.com. or Shan Tidwell at shantidwell@gmail.com

Region 6 has a new Airstream Club in Florida called the "Emerald Coast Airstream Club." Rebecca and I will be joining them for their Mardi Gras Rally from February 5-9 at Fontainebleau State Park, Mandeville LA. The registration deadline is January 20, 2026. If you're interested, you can register on the Emerald Coast website. It's great to support a new Club. This Rally is just one week before our "Dutch Oven Evening In The Woods Rally."

Membership Renewal Season is here. For many of our members the 2026 Membership Renewal season begins October 3rd. Below are a few highlights to remember:

Membership dues are \$99 per year. The primary or partner member must be logged in to the member-only portal to renew online.

- Members with multiple Big Red Numbers (BRN) can renew their additional BRN in the member-only portal at the time of renewal.
- HQ is collecting Affiliate and Intra-Club dues.
- All Lifetime members must go through the renewal process.
- HQ will be notifying members it is time to renew by postcard, email and social media starting November 1st.
- HQ will notify Local Clubs if there is an issue contacting a member.
- The deadline for the 2026 Published Membership Directory is January 31, 2026.
- Members can pay by credit card or ACH (bank transfer).
  - Credit card payments will be charged a 3% convenience fee but are processed immediately.
  - ACH payments may take 3–5 business days to process.

See you down the road,





David & Paula Gautreau

We are David and Paula Gautreau of Gonzales, La. We have been married for 44 years. We have one son, and he and our daughter-in-law have blessed us with a granddaughter and a grandson. We enjoy our family activities, traveling, camping, bluegrass festivals, Dutch oven cooking, riding our recumbent bikes, our 2009 C6 Corvette, and playing our guitar and mandolin.

We have been camping for 35 years and were desiring to own an Airstream trailer when we saw one during our first years of camping. In 2024, we purchased a 2015 Airstream Classic 30', joined the Airstream Club International (BRN 16362), and joined the Louisiana Airstream Club. After attending two luncheons, we felt the desire to register for a few rallies. In September, we attended our first Airstream rally with the Louisiana Airstream club at the Region 6 Airstream Rally in Sevierville, Tennessee.

The Louisiana Airstream Club members in attendance at the rally were very warm and welcoming to us, as were the members of Region 6. We look forward to many years of attending rallies and fellowshipping with all club members.

#### **UPCOMING BALLY SCHEDULE**



Oct. 25-Nov. 2, 2025 "Following" the Natchez Trace to Nashville" The caravan is full; standby only. Email Dale Spillman at lau15880@yahoo.com

**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.

Feb. 12-15, 2026 "A Dutch Oven Evening In The Woods" Rally Hosted by: Mark & Janelle Williams and Robert & Rebecca Perere at Fontainebleau State Park. (62883 Hwy 1089, Mandeville, LA 70448). We have reserved a room in case of bad weather. Reserve your site ASAP as sites fill up fast during this time of year. Use code 62PLUS for a senior discount. Reservations can be made online at www.lastateparks.com or by calling 833-609-0686. Preferred sites: 10-23 & 49-57. Contact Robert Perere at 225-315-3825 for more information.

March 12-15, 2036 Joint Seafood Rally with the Mississippi Airstream Club at La Pay E Bas RV Park. (669 Arpant Road, Eunice, LA 70535). Hosted by: Blake & Jeri Donald and Robert & Rebecca Perere. Annual Ronald McDonald Auction on Saturday. Email Rebecca Perere rebeccaperer@yahoo.com with trailer length and party size for reservations. Contact Robert Perere at 225-315-3825 for more information.

Do YOU enjoy Rallies? How about hosting one? Grab a buddy to oo host and call Robert! (225 315 3836) He has loads of ideas and help is always available!

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### **Ronald McDonald House Charities**

Update on Palmer: Her wounds have finally healed, allowing her to be in public. For the next year, they'll focus on minimizing hardening and raising of her scars, by moisturizing them three times daily, on the lower left part of her chin, chest, upper left arm and left thigh.

Her mother said she is spoiled rotten from all the attention and is a load to pack around, but they couldn't be happier; they have been blessed by God.

Her Grandmother has donated \$1100 for us to give to RMHC for our Christmas fund.

A small reminder: We are collecting toiletries for RMHC. A collection box will be available for donations at the Christmas rally.

Thank you so much, Rebecca Perere