

President's Message

by Rhona Fuller



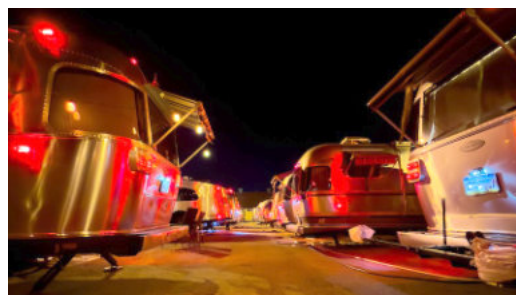
*H*i everyone, Hope everyone is set and ready for the holidays.

We were all set to spend the day with everyone at Don and Eileen's for their wonderful holiday party when plans changed. The kitchen cabinets that we had ordered for here in TR were being shipped out early, like the 11th from Texas which meant they would be here on the 15th. So, we packed up the truck and headed south. I must admit that they are beautiful Russ did a good job pickling them out, he is now in his glory putting them all together.

We spent Thanksgiving with our oldest daughter and family and had a sumptuous dinner, it was the first time that she did the whole thing on her own. She did an amazing job.

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What do kids get when they eat Christmas decorations?

What do you call a person who is afraid of Santa Claus?

What's the best Christmas present?

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Keep Your Daydream



by Sandy Sasuta

Welcome

Jenny Riggs, Jay Poliner **10197**
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Hard to believe another year has flown by. Hope you have made many wonderful memories throughout the year. We have a fantastic 2026 schedule of events; plan on supporting the hosts by attending and joining in the fun.

We heard the **ALLER'S** Xmas party was excellent, sorry to have missed it. (See article and pictures).

KATHY KUSHMAN had a mishap with her e-bike and now is recovering from a fractured ankle and leg injury. **CYNDI BRODEUR** had arthroscopic knee repair. One good thing is they can share the crutches and each have one. We are sending get well wishes to both for steady improvement.

The teacher asked the Sunday school class to draw pictures of their favorite Bible stories. She was puzzled by little Johnny's picture which showed four people on an airplane. She asked him which story it was meant to represent. Johnny said "It's the flight to Egypt". I see, that's Mary, Joseph and baby Jesus. But, who is the fourth person? Oh, that's Pontius-the pilot.

Remember, one of the most appreciated gifts you can give anyone is "YOUR TIME".

Wishing everyone a healthy, happy 2026!

President's Message

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We spent the day before we left with our youngest. We had a another terrific dinner, exchanged gifts and left our family gifts with her.

We have an amazing year coming for our CTAC club, starting with the Souper Bowl hosted by Dave Jensen on Super Bowl Sunday and St. Patricks Day hosted by Joyce and Gilles Rousseau and many other terrific events to come. All events are listed in the Chatter, with dates and instructions how to sign up. Please consider being a host or co-host, it doesn't have to be elaborate, it can be simple as a Rendezvous.. We all started out small.

It is so nice to be here in the warmer weather, Cosmo is back to being the diva dog with his golf cart rides to the park and then around TR. We actually put a sign on the cart that reads Cosmo's Taxi. He is spoiled!

We have caught up with some our CTAC friends, Gail and Wiley, Cindy and Michael Brodeur, Rich and Kathy Kushman and Sandy and Michael Sasuda and many others as they arrive. We are looking forward to our Florida Christmas here, the park is so beautifully decorated as are some of the houses, ours included. We brought a lot of "stuff" from home, which Russ is happy we don't have to take back with us. As the Christmas and the New Year approaches I look back over the past year and I realize that we have so many things to be thankful for, family and wonderful friends being able to travel in our Airstreams, it truly is a wonderful life.

So my friends, Russ and I want to wish you all a Very Merry Christmas, and a wonderful Healthy New Year, and a HUGE THANK YOU to all those who volunteer to make our CTAC an amazing adventure

See you down the road next year. ~Rhona



Connecticut Holiday Party

by Brian Hunter

Once again, Don & Eileen Allers opened their wonderful home, a beautifully restored antique mill on Comstock Brook in Wilton, to CTAC for our Annual Holiday Party. Our cohort was well represented with 22 members in attendance. We were greeted upon our arrival with delightful decorations reminiscent of the North Pole - minus a fresh blanket of new fallen snow, making it easier to navigate

to our intended destination.

Like most Airstream rallies and gatherings, it's about the people, both old friends and new!



Our club continues to grow. We welcomed new members Pat & Nat Whitcomb of Danbury. The Whitcomb's make four the number of CTAC members who will attend Airstream rallies in a Class B motor coach.

The Newtown contingency also expanded with new members Rui & Meredith DeSousa. Bill & Evie Watts joined the celebration. Evie is shown here, as a beautiful angel, sword in hand, serving as protector at the edge of the "garden of desserts".

Brian & Maureen Hunter arrived with their Airstream. Maureen insisted on driving her

kitchen so she could put the final touches on her dessert masterpiece, making theirs the only Airstream in sight besides the Allers'.



Holly Schoen & Steve Seitz traveled across the state, and we are glad they did.

The feasting begins... Complimenting the scrumptious main meal prepared by our hosts were a delicious bounty of savory side dishes and delectable desserts provided by fellow travelers.

The Lessig team, Glen & Christine, were in attendance on her birthday. We did our best to make Christine feel self-conscious by singing happy birthday. Rumor has it, Christine is celebrating her 39th birthday -again!





Connecticut Holiday Party

The Rouseaus always shine at any event. Gilles does what he does best in working the crowd and Joyce is the glue that holds it all together. Joyce fielded a long distant call from Florida with our President Rhona Fuller (*Rhona! Rhona!*

Rhona!) where she addressed the crowd with style and grace.

Mari-Jo & Howard Jones reportedly crossed state lines smuggling in some delectable desserts from Springfield, MA.



Eddie & Paula Carll made perhaps the longest trek coming in from Cape Cod making it a true inter-club event and brightening up the afternoon.

The Annual Holiday event closes out the 2025 year.

A shout out for our first event of 2026 when Dave Jenson plans to host our Soup-er Bowl (North) event in Brooklyn, CT.

Until then, wishing all of our members a blessed, and Joyous Holiday Season. Stay safe, stay warm, and as Tiny Tim would say...

**GOD·BLESS·US,
EVERY·ONE!**



Enjoy photos from the
2025
CTAC Holiday Party.



Connecticut

Chatter



Come rally with us and share your smile.

December/ 2025

Happy New Year



*Photos submitted by
Brian and Maureen Hunter*



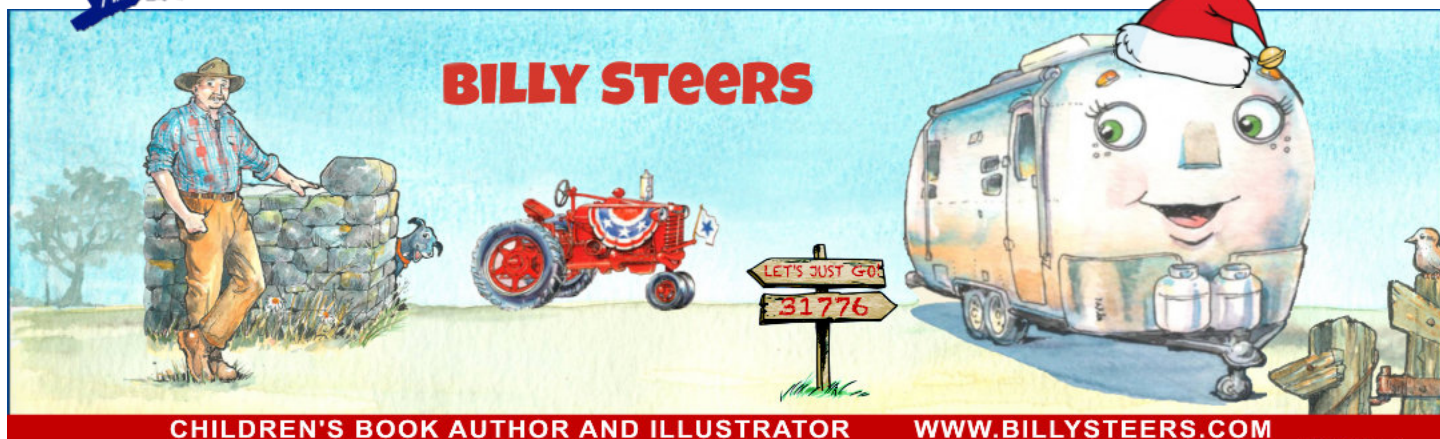
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*Photos submitted by
Joyce and Gilles Rousseau*



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STREAM LINES by Billy Steers

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THE NEXT BIG THING IN
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Whenever available be sure to attend Billy's seminar on creating a travel journal - also visit Billy's website and make sure you add a copy of **Let's Just Go**, the adventures of an Airstream travel trailer **Snug** to your library or gift list. Oh, and check out **Tractor Mac**. ~Ed



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Happy New Year

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- Sherry Anderson



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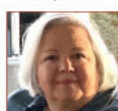
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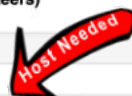
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CTAC 2026 Activity Calendar

December 20, 2025	"CtAC Holiday Party" Wilton CT (Allers)
February 8, 2026	"Souper Bowl Lunch North" Brooklyn, CT (Dave Jensen)
February 8, 2026	"Souper Bowl Lunch South" Brooklyn, CT (Kushman, Sasuta)
March 15, 2026	"St Patrick's Day Lunch North" Southbury CT (Rousseau)
March 15, 2026	"St Patrick's Day Lunch South" Citrus (R Fuller)
April 24-26, 2026	"Connecticut Antique Machinery Association CAMA - Spring Power Up" Boondocking Rendezvous - Kent CT (Watts Jr)
May 8-10, 2026	"Bison Farm Boondocking Rally" Brooklyn CT (Jensen)
May 15-17, 2026	"Newbie Get to Know You and Your Rig Rally" Oak Haven CG Brimfield (R Fuller, Carli) w/CCMAC (water and 30amp electric - 20 sites, extra night is available before rally)
May 29-31, 2026	"Spring Meeting Rally" Charlie Brown CG Eastford, CT (Lessig, Dubrowski) (water and electric 30/50a)
June 11-14, 2026	"Scusset Beach State Park" Scusset MA (Reg 1 - Carli)
June 19-21, 2026	"Let's Be Kids Again Buddy Rally" bring the grand kids as well as your non-Airstream friends Lake Compounce Amusement Park BUDDY Rally (Jensen) (water and 30amp electric)
July 9-14, 2026	"Airstreams at the Jersey Shore" Rally JSH CG Cape May Courthouse, NJ (R Fuller) (water and 30amp electric - 12 sites max)
July 16-20, 2026	"Christmas in July - Where it Never Rains Pastures CG Rally" Orford, NH (R Fuller, Carli) w/CCMAC (water and 30a electric 24 sites)
July 30- Aug 3, 2026	"Reg 1 & Reg 2 Joint Rally" Sampson State Park NY (Region 1)
Aug 21-23, 2026	"Country Fair Rally" Roxbury CT (close to the Bridgewater Country Fair) (Steers) (Boondocking)
Aug 22-27, 2026	"ACI International Rally" Minot, ND
Sept 9-13, 2026	"Region 1 Rally" - Gunstock Resort NH (Region 1)
Sept 18-20, 2026	Fall Rendezvous or Rally TBD (looking for a place and a host or two - contact rcfbf@att.net to volunteer)
Oct 2-4, 2026	"Sweater Weather Fall Meeting Rally" Travelers Woods CG Bernardston, MA (Rousseau, Brodeur) (water and 30amp electric)



Host a Rally or a Rendezvous - Make it Fun - Make it New - Do it Your Way

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What did you think?

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A broken drum; you just can't beat it!

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What you can expect:

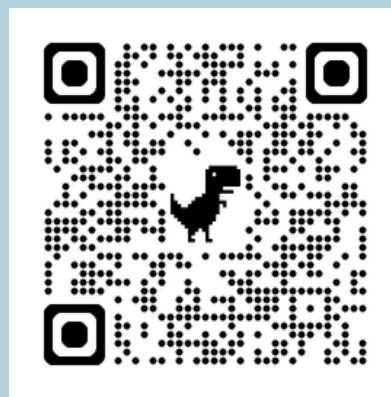
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- An Airstream exclusive river cruise sailing from Lyon to Avignon through the Rhone Valley and Provence region of France.
- Inclusions: Gourmet meals, unlimited premium drinks, choice of shore excursions, all gratuities, and all panoramic balcony-window suites with butler service.
- Great pre-cruise group options include additional 3 nights on Ravel, tours to Normandy or Champagne region. Post cruise is an optional group trip to Paris.



July 15-22, 2026

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