



Region 3 Hi-Lites

Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida



March 2009

To Be Shared With All Members

The Presidents Corner



Lynne and I had a wonderful trip to Montgomery, TX for the Mid-winter IBT meeting in January. Details of the meeting are listed later in the newsletter. Thanks to **Joan Lahr**, Region VII 2nd Vice President for the attached information on the IBT Meeting.

We also traveled to the **Florida State Rally** in Sarasota. This was again a very nice rally with 390 Airstreams and nearly 800 people in attendance. Make your plans now to attend next years rally February 16th - 20th.

Due to the resignation of **Rick Bell** as 1st VP, we are in urgent need of a 1st VP and we also need an incoming 2nd VP. Please contact me or **Jean Gilbert**, Chairman of the nominating committee if you are interested in finding out the details of these positions. The 1st VP position will be a three year term. Region 3 is the largest region in WBCCI and it would be a shame for us not to be able to continue as a region because we cannot find people willing to be region officers.

Region 3 Schedule of Events for 2009

We have the following events scheduled in Region 3 for 2009:

- Apr 7-12** St. Augustine Easter Rally, Elkton, FL
- Apr 21-26** Region 3 Rally, Perry, GA
- Apr 26 to May 14** Region 3 SW Georgia Caravan
Contact Julian Clements:
dandylynn@windstream.net / (706) 244-2129
- Aug 3-9** Galax Fiddlers Convention, Galax, VA
- Sep 10-13** Virginia Commonwealth Rally,
Salem, VA
- Oct 14-18** Carolinas State Rally, Palmetto Cove,
Cleveland, SC
The Carolinas State rally is a combined North Carolina and South Carolina rally.

Region 3 Rally

Your region officers have been working hard to put together the Region 3 Rally that will be held April 21-26, 2009 in Perry Georgia. The theme is Moonlight and Magnolias and we look forward to an exciting time at this wonderful rally site. We will have great entertainment highlighted by Leon Jacobs on Saturday night. We also have some very good seminars planned and as always, fun, fellowship and great food. Middle Georgia will be beautiful in the springtime. So, make your plans now to attend. Parking is only \$18 per night and you can park as early as Monday April 20th.

Our Region 3 Rally community service project for this year will be the Rainbow House Children's Resource Center. Toys, quilts, blankets and stuffed animals would be well received at the center. Volunteers also visit the local hospital for new born babies where rattles and crocheted blankets are provided. There is a special need for stuffed animals because they are given to the children to hold during interviews and are the taken home with them. Money may also be donated which will be used to purchase gift certificates that will be given to families in need. Please contact Betty Ivy, e-mail: jatara@juno.com for questions or for additional information.

We still have some vacancies in our Region caravan (R-276) through SW GA. This is an 18 day caravan which will showcase some of the interesting and beautiful attractions in southwest Georgia. If you have not been on a caravan before, this short caravan is a great way to gain exposure to the caravan lifestyle.

Julian Clements
President, Region 3

(ed. Note: see Region 3 Rally Coupon on page 6)

REGION 3 REPORTS

International Board of Trustees Report

By
Joan Lahr, Region VII 2nd Vice President

The International Board of Trustees meeting was held on January 16, 2009 in Montgomery, Texas. Live streaming was again offered on the Web site and will be archived for one year. Go to wbcci.org and click on "IBT" to listen to the meeting.

Following are highlights from the business meeting:

Standing Committee Reports

Budget: There is a deficit budget again this year due to lower membership numbers. 88.6% of the annual budgeted membership dues has been received. Blue Beret publishing costs are running less than budgeted, but its revenue has decreased due to the economy and fewer advertisers.

Caravan: As of December 1, 2008, eight caravans are scheduled to arrive in Madison.

Constitution and Bylaws: The Committee hopes to review the International Constitution and Bylaws for necessary housekeeping changes in 2009.

Ethics and Grievance: There are no grievances pending at this time.

Family and Youth: Requests more emphasis on pictures, articles, etc. geared to younger Airstream owners to encourage these families to join WBCCI.

International Relations: Doris Pritchard, International Caravan Association Chair, and her husband will attend the Madison rally as guests of WBCCI.

Membership: Pre-printed, postage paid postcards will be available for Airstream dealers to place in Airstream products they handle. Hopefully, the postcard will attract interest from nonmember Airstream owners who use the dealership for service.

Public Relations: Many reports are coming in about newspaper, television, and radio coverage of WBCCI events due to the mailing of media kits to the media where events are being held. The WBCCI.net Web sites have grown to 78. These free Web sites are available to all units, regions, rallies, caravans, and special committees. Contact Bill Schrader at bschrad500@aol.com for more information.

Special Committee Reports

Electronic Communications: The committee is conducting a review and analysis of the forum section of the club's Web site. As the current software is extremely out of date, updates and upgrades are being considered to provide a more user friendly and manageable environment.

2020 Long Range Planning: The committee thoroughly assessed data on all facets of the club and presented a detailed report, which is available on the Web site. Proposals include vision and mission statements and a five-year long-range plan to provide better management, direction, and continuity for the club.

Motions to be presented to the Delegates Meeting on June 30, 2009

Change the title of Constitution, Article III, Objectives to Article III, Vision, Mission and Objectives and add a new Section 1 as follows: Vision Statement. Wally Byam Caravan Club, International, Inc. maintains its unique position of strength and visibility among recreational vehicle organizations as the recreational vehicle club of choice for Airstream owners.

Add a new Section II to read as follows: Mission Statement. Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc. is a diverse community of Airstream owners with a commitment to Fun, Fellowship and Adventure.

Change the Constitution, Article XII, Delegates Meeting, Section 4 to read as follows: Each Unit shall be represented at the Delegates Meeting by one Delegate or an Alternate. The Delegate shall be a Regular Member of the Unit represented; the Alternate may be a Regular Member of the Unit represented or an Affiliate Member of the Unit to be represented, and a Regular Member of a Unit within the same Region as the Unit represented. No Delegate or Alternate Delegate may represent more than one Unit at the Delegates Meeting.

Watch your Blue Beret for more information on these two important items.

Other Motions

Name badges for past region presidents and spouses and past international board members will have the "International" insert replaced with an insert for the member's unit.

The Northwest Territory of Canada will be added to the geographic boundary of Region 10.

The WBCCI Computer Club has dissolved and references to it in the Constitution were deleted.

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REGION 3 Rallies

Region 3 Rally

Community Service project for Region 3 Rally Perry, GA, April 21-26.

We will be giving a helping hand to **The Rainbow House Children's Resource Center**. The Rainbow House is the location used to interview children involved in child abuse cases. They give the young children teddy bears and other stuffed toys to hold while they are being interviewed, and to keep after.

The Rainbow House reaches out to all ages, including newborns. The following items would be graciously received: Teddy bears, stuffed animals, thing for newborn and young babies (blankets, pacifiers and such). Hand made blankets would be nice as well as money or Wal Mart gift cards.

Thank you for your generosity.
Betty Ivy, e-mail jatara@juno.com

South Florida Unit 2009 Spring Rally

**SUN'N'SHADE RV PARK
PUNTA GORDA, FLORIDA**

APRIL 1 TO APRIL 5 2009
U.S. 41 SOUTH, 14880 TAMIAMI TRAIL
PUNTA GORDA, FLORIDA 33955
SUNNSHADE @ HOTMAIL.COM
941-639-5388

WEDNESDAY 7 am to 4 pm General Parking
5:00 pm Happy Hour

THURSDAY 8:00 AM Breakfast by Myra, bagels & cream cheese (Bring cup & service)

10:00 AM Trolley Tour starts at Fisherman Village

6:00 PM Dinner by: POT LUCK The meat will be furnished. Every one brings a side dish or desert

FRIDAY Breakfast on your own

10:30 AM Special Boat Trip by Capt. LOUIE -Lunch will be served.

6:00 PM Dinner by: On Your Own.

7:30 PM White Elephant Auction

SATURDAY 8 to 9 AM Breakfast by: Tommy T23
Bacon and Scrambled eggs. (Bring cup and service)

2:00 PM Board Meeting

3:00 PM General Meeting

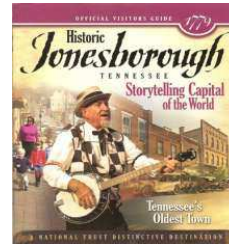
6:00 PM Dinner by: Myra Joseph. (POT ROAST)

SUNDAY Have a safe trip home

(ed. note see Coupon on page 7)

Norva's Caravan

"To Jonesboro Story Telling Rally"



Folks we are getting excited about the caravan coming up this fall. Since we have several days, we are working hard to fill them. Of course, the main thing is to enjoy the storytellers in Jonesboro. On the way down, we will have several stops to enjoy some of the sights in southwestern Virginia, Kentucky, and Tennessee. We want to highlight a couple of tours. One is the Bristol Speedway in Bristol Tennessee. Tour takers have given it great reviews. The Story Telling Festival in Jonesboro is the center of attention but in that area you will find the "Gray Fossil Site and Museum", and Andrew Johnson Historical site plus much more. We are checking out some things on the "Country Music Crooked Road". Bristol Virginia/Tennessee is the birthplace of country music. We will also visit Cumberland Gap, Big Stone Gap and many other places. We will have much more information in the April Newsletter.

(ed. Note: Stay tuned for more on this great fall caravan)

Region 3 SW Georgia Caravan

Region 3 SW Georgia Caravan (R-276) will be April 26th to May 14th. We will meet at Twin Oaks Campground in Elko, GA with stops in Cordele, Albany, Columbus and Pine Mountain. We will be touring harness racing farms, train to Plains, Andersonville National Historic Site, The Parks at Chehaw (Wild Animal Park) and Flint River Aquarium in Albany GA, Westville 1850's living history museum, Providence Canyon, Callaway Gardens and Warm Springs Historic Village. We will go to the Springer Opera House and see Red White and Tuna. Several meals are planned.

Deposit is \$250 with kitty fee for Airstream with 2 adults \$1300, limit 10 rigs.

Make checks payable to **Julian Clements**.

Contact: **Julian Clements**, 130 Suwanee Point, Cornelia, GA 30531,

email dandylynn@windstream.net,

Home: (706) 778-0102, Cell: (706) 244-2129.

Virginia Unit 109 Clover Hill Village Rally April 2-5, 2009

April the 1st Wednesday - early arrivals, dinner on your own (let Richard Bartelt know if you want to come in Wednesday) 434-352-8936 /434-401-2572.

Thursday: sweet rolls and coffee, workday, dinner on your own.

Friday: sweet rolls and coffee, workday, pot-luck dinner, bring a main dish and one other accompaniment.

Saturday: sweet rolls and coffee, play day at Clover Hill or on your own, dinner by Clover Hill (barbecue)

Sunday: Church in the Chapel at 10 AM, afternoon 2 PM memorial at the Confederate Cemetery.

Parking will be on the left side. This will be graveled. Electric power will be limited. Bring your generators. Richard can be on site if anyone wants to come on Wednesday he would like to have people to come in on Thursday so we can work both Thursday and Friday.

Clover Hill will be hosting a group called Living History with Lee's Lieutenants www.leeslieutenants.com. They will set up Camp. So bring your civil war clothes or your camera, or both and join in the activities Saturday. You can stay over if you want to see the memorial to the fallen soldiers of the Civil War at the Confederate Cemetery adjacent to the National Park on Sunday at 2:00 PM.

WORK NEEDING TO BE DONE

Mulch around trees.

Plant flowers and bushes around buildings.

Trim bushes at School House and any other that need trimming.

Clean out building and wash School House floor.

Winter Quarters Building needs chinking repair.

Winter Quarters Building fire place chimney needs to be finished.

The Grady Cabin needs to be made air tight.

Buggy seat needs to be cleaned with saddle soap.

Reglaze the windows on the buildings.

Sometime during the week-end the Blacksmith will do a demonstration. ***

(ed note: See coupon on page 7)

International Rally at Madison "One Ton Challenge"

The following idea came from Kerry & Betty Mattila. This is a "One Ton Challenge". Let's see if our members can collect one ton of food for the Madison food bank. (I am told achieving one ton would require

International Board of Trustees Report

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The Tri-County California Unit requested a name change to Central Coast California Unit, which will give the unit location definition. The request and the new unit flag were approved.

A new flag for the Virginia Unit was approved.

Other Topics of Interest

The **Airstream Company** is developing a relationship with **KOA**. A turn key Airstream village at a KOA campground in Las Vegas is in the works and, hopefully, more villages will be strategically positioned at KOA campgrounds around the country. This should provide good exposure for WBCCI. Airstream is also building a relationship with Cabala's, with the possibility of holding rallies onsite and developing products for hunting and fishing.

As of January 16, there were 686 registrations for the Madison rally; however, more are trickling in every day. Ewalds, a Milwaukee car and Airstream dealer, is providing the rally raffle prize of a new Airstream and truck. All units should publish the raffle in their newsletters to help promote the rally.

Details are being finalized for the 53rd International Rally in 2010, which will be held in Gillette, Wyoming. This location offers full hookups.

WBCCI has two corporate sponsors—Farm & City Insurance Services and SkyMed.

The Nominating Committee's slate of officers are: president, Tom Collier; first vice president, Norm Beu; second vice president, Barry Heckenswiler; third vice president, Don Clark; secretary, Anne Werth; treasurer, Myron Fisher; and Nominating Committee members, Roy Bernd and Don McKelvey. Candidates also can be nominated from the floor.

Details are forthcoming on the newly created Market Committee.

less than 4 pounds of food from each Airstream). It must be non-perishable & not outdated.

I am contacting each of you so that you may contact your units with this mission. There will be a need for unit participation at the International to keep a record of what their Region contributes and the totals passed on to me. As of now, arrangements have been made for barrels & money containers to be placed in the convention hall. This may be changed as the amount of food grows.

As you know the need is great and a great organization such as this is up to the challenge. This will appear in the Blue Beret in April or May. This is the reason for sending it to you now so that you may get it out to your units. Thank you for all the help you can give. **Janet Kendig, Chairman Community Service *****

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Region 3 WBCCI Rally

Moonlight & Magnolias



April 21-26, 2009
Georgia National Fair Grounds & Agricenter
Perry, Georgia

Region 3 WBCCI Rally

April 21-26, 2009

Last Name _____ First _____ Spouse _____ WBCCI # _____

Address _____ City _____ State/Province _____ Code _____

Office _____ Present _____ Past _____ Handicapped? _____

Region _____ Unit _____ Telephone _____ Vintage Parking? Yes _____ No _____

Rally fees:

Airstream w/2 adults -----	\$ 145.00 -----	\$ _____
Airstream w/1 Adult -----	\$ 75.00 -----	\$ _____
Guest (per person) -----	\$ 75.00 -----	\$ _____
Weekend (Friday arrival per person) -----	\$ 30.00 -----	\$ _____
Saturday Banquet (per person) -----	\$ 20.00 -----	\$ _____

Sub-total rally fee: ----- \$ _____

Parking: _____ Nights x \$ 18.00 per night ----- \$ _____
(early Parking starts April 20th)

Total fee: (rally fee & parking) ----- \$ _____

Make checks payable to Region 3 Rally. Include the coupon and a ***SASE**.
Mail to: **Martha Kerns, 18133 Nantz Road, Cornelius, NC 28031-8609**

***Self Address, Stamped LARGE (4x9) Envelope**

**South Florida Unit
2009 SPRING RALLY
SUN'N'SHADE RV PARK
PUNTA GORDA, FLORIDA**

APRIL 1 TO APRIL 5, 2009

Rally Fee 10.00 each	\$ _____
Camping Fee \$20.00 tax included	\$ <u>84.80</u>
Punta Gorda Trolley Tour \$7.50 ea. X 2	\$ _____
Capt. Louie Boat Trip on the 44' "The Peggy Jean" 2 hr trip PLUS Lunch will be served at the end of the trip. (Large menu) bring your own drink..... #25.00 each tax included X2	\$ _____
Total Rally Fee:	\$ _____

Return rally coupon to:
SUSAN QUINTANA 504 E. Taylor Rd. Deland, Fl. 32724-7821
Phone 386-822-5599.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

Make checks payable to South Florida Unit.

**COUPON FOR CLOVER HILL RALLY
April 2nd to 5th**

In order to provide the sweet rolls and coffee, and activities, please submit this coupon and your check for \$10.00 (per person) by **MARCH 27, 2009**.

Make check payable to **"Virginia Unit WBCCL"**
Mail to **Richard Bartelt P.O. Box 2039 Appomattox VA. 24522-2039**
Phone: 434-342-8936 or 434-401-2572

NAME _____ SPOUSE _____ PHONE _____

TT/MH Length _____ WBCCI # _____

GUEST NAMES: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACTS:

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____