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NEW YEAR'S RALLY



RALLY HOSTS: Bernadine & Ashley & Alan Billard, Leslie Spilman, Bruce Lee, Sue Gaines, Fred Walschburger, Tom Harris

“Aggie Arrives”

Welcome to 2019! After a rousing welcoming at the Christmas Installation Rally, it is an honor to take over the reins of a distinguished club with a long history of great rallies and adventures. Hub and Sherry did an outstanding job last year in leading the club across many miles to many successful rallies. Carol and I are happy to take over the reins and are looking forward to this year's rallies and adventures.



The year is already looking promising with a number of great sites for this year, some old, some new. We've tried to keep this year's sites close to Houston to allow time for those still tied to a paycheck to attend more of the rallies.

One of the outstanding traits of the club is the level of participation from all of its members. We established a rally schedule for 2019 and are still looking to recruit hosts for a few of the rallies. If

you have not signed up for one, please consider signing up as a host or co-host to help organize the rally.

Quote:

Life is a journey, not a destination – Ralph Waldo Emerson

We hope to see everyone this weekend at the Annual Unit Luncheon this Saturday.

We are also looking forward to seeing you at next month's Rally in Cut N Shoot. (14-17 February). *See Page 5 for more information.*

Keep the shiny side up and safe travels!

Jerry

**ANNUAL LUNCHEON
SATURDAY,
JANUARY 19, 2019 — 11:30 AM
Landry's Seafood House,
22215 Katy Freeway, Katy, TX**

2019 NEW YEAR'S RALLY

So long 2018, hello 2019!

Another great rally to ring in the new year!

In traditional fashion, GHAC celebrated the New Year at Coushatta Recreation Ranch. Hosts Alan, Bernadine, Ashley Billard and Katherine Richards, and Co-Hosts Tom Harris, Fred Walschburger, Sue Gaines, Leslie Spillman, and Bruce Lee organized the rally and all the fun. Kudos to a great job by the Hosts!

In addition to the hosts, those participating were Jerry and Carol Goodwin, Jerry and Tracey Calvert, Tom and Vicki Ketchum, Hub and Sherry Miller, Jose and Valerie Melgares, Vernon and Jo Goodwin, Jason, Sherry, Austin, and Riley Goodwin, Ken and Lia Laney. Fred and Searcy Kracke also came to visit.

Most folks arrived as early as Saturday because they couldn't wait for all the fun (The official rally started on Sunday). Some set up some BBQ pits for all to use so we brought something to grill and something to share. The pot luck dinner was fantastic, but once again we had way more than we could eat, especially after the great Happy Hour hors d'oeuvres. (The "odds" were on tap for Happy Hour and all but one rig was odd.) Nobody came away hungry. Everyone enjoyed the games and old songs played by Fred.



Monday morning breakfast was served consisting of microwaved to order sausage, cheese, and egg biscuits. A large variety of fruit, and orange juice was also on hand. Throughout the day, people were entertained with several games or puzzles or one of the many football games on the TV. Dinner was again this year served by Howard, consisting of baked potatoes, and brisket, potato soup, a huge pot of stew, and salad. *Outstanding!*

We welcomed the two newest members to the club – Jose & Valerie Melgares. During the day, Vernon utilized his numbers skills to apply the WBCCI numbers onto the Melgares' new rig. As with any typical GHAC gathering, there was a sizeable crew assisting with all sorts of advice and comments.





As the evening wore on, the real fun began. Racehorse Fred took on the role of announcer for the traditional Horse Races with the help of Tom the bookie, jockeys Ashley & Katherine running the horses. The horse races are always a hit.



More games ensued to keep everyone busy. New Years was celebrated on New York time with Sue's black eyed peas and cabbage. Champagne was also served. Many went to watch Howard's fireworks show at midnight.



Tuesday morning's breakfast was changed up a bit to add some variety. Instead of sausage, egg, and cheese biscuits, we had sausage, egg, and cheese croissants. Also included was fruit, pastries, orange juice, and plenty of left overs. A great time was had by one and all!

Some of the fun at the rally...



Puzzles



Games



And general tomfoolery...



Summer Breeze USA, Country Place RV Resort
3043 Waukegan Rd. Cut-N-Shoot, TX
936-264-2854
February 14 - 17, 2018

Hosts: Hub & Sherry Miller, Ron & Janice Lange, Tom & Vicki Ketchum, Clark Gardner & Debbie Pflunder

Directions: From Houston, take I-45 N to exit 84B, TX 75 N to TX 336 Loop, go 5.5 mi turn right on Hwy 105E, 3.8 mi go right on Waukegan Rd, in .6 mi destination on left

Parking Fee: Back-in sites \$35 per night; Pull-thru sites \$45 per night (This is a 30% discount) *Be sure ask the discount rate for the GHAC Airstream Rally, early arrivals included*

Rally Fee: \$21 per person

Thursday, 2/14/19

6:00 pm Dinner provided by Hosts.

We are collecting for local Animal Shelter: old towels, dog food, cat food, cleaning items.

Friday, 2/15/19

8:00 am Coffee (Breakfast on your own)

All Day *We are going to make dog/cat beds for a local Animal Shelter. Bring sewing machines, old blankets, comforters, mattress pads for padding and fabric or old sheets for the covering.*

LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

5:00 pm Social Hour (even # rigs bring snacks)

6:00 pm Chuck Wagon Dinner

Dinner cooked by Hosts outside over open fire (Pray for clear skies)

Saturday, 2/16/19

9:00 am Breakfast and pay Rally Fees

10:00 am *Seminar: Airstream Full time and Volunteering along the way. Tom & Vicki Ketchum*

LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

Afternoon *Flea Market shopping. Find things for yourself and one to auction off.*

5:00 pm Social Hour (odd # rigs bring snacks)

6:00 pm Dinner by Hosts

7:00 pm *After dinner we will show treasures from Flea Market - **Live auction of Flea Market items with proceeds going to Red, White & Blue***

Sunday, 2/19/19

9:00 am Breakfast by Hosts

10:00 am Devotional by Hub Miller

Please RSVP to: Sherry Miller, sherry61247@gmail.com or 214-770-3271

Name: _____ Number of People _____

Rig size: (length) _____ # of nights _____

Drive Home Safely

St. Patrick's Day Rally - March 14-17, 2019
Brazos Bend State Park
21901 FM 762 RD, Needville, Texas 77461

Hosts: Caren and Tom Bundy, Barbara and Jim Mercer, Virginia and Tom Taroni, Jack & Beverly Williams

Directions: Take US 59 South and exit for FM-2759/Tx-99. Turn Left onto TX-99/Crab River Rd. Go 11 miles and turn left onto FM 762. Go 5.8 miles and turn right onto Park Road 72.

Upon arrival at the park, pay day use fees or present park pass and obtain campsite location. Hosts will pay for all sites and we assign them.

Thursday

5:00 PM – Happy Hour at dining hall:

6:00 PM – Dinner provided by hosts. Bring table service and bowls

Friday

Arrivals all day

5:30 PM – Happy Hour at dining hall (Even Number Rigs bring appetizers)

6:00 PM – Bring something to grill and a side to share. Hosts will provide dessert.

7:30 PM – Activity

Saturday

7:30: Early coffee

8:00: Breakfast provided by hosts, Bring table service

9:00: Pay Rally Fees

3:00: Dutch oven cooking seminar (dinner will be cooked in Dutch ovens)

5:00: Happy Hour (Odd Number Rigs bring appetizers)

6:00: Dinner

7:30 Activity – campfire

Sunday

7:30: Early Coffee

8:00: Breakfast

9:00: Devotional

Please let Tom and Caren Bundy know you are coming by E-Mail: Tom-Caren@SBCglobal.net or by calling 281-250-7644. **Let us know your WBCCI #, rig length and number of attendees by March 4, 2019**. We have 26 sites reserved. **We will release extra camping sites after the deadline**

Fees: Thursday Arrivals: Meals - \$17/person . RV Site and Dining Hall Fees - \$105/ per rig
Friday arrivals: Meals \$12/person. RV Site and Dining Hall Fees \$80/rig. Dining Hall Fees will be adjusted depending on total rig count. **The Club will be charged a \$30 cancellation Fee for reservations cancelled less than 4 days before the Rally.**

2019 Rally Schedule

January 19

ANNUAL LUNCHEON

Landry's Seafood
22215 Katy Freeway,, Katy, TX 77450
Hosts: Gilbert, Kracke, Harris

January 25-29

MID-WINTER IBT

Baldwin County Coliseum and Arena
19477 Fairground Road
Robertsdale, Alabama 36567

February 14-17

MID-WINTER RALLY

Summer Breeze USA - Conroe
3043 Waukegan Rd., Conroe, TX 77306
Hosts: H. Miller, Ketchum, Lange

March 14-17

ST. PATRICK'S RALLY

Brazos Bend State Park
21901 FM 762, Needville, TX 77461
Hosts: Bundy, Mercer, Taroni, Williams

April 11-14

TAX DAY RALLY

Big Spot RV
2241 E Bay Short Dr, San Leon TX 77539
Hosts: Teagarden, J. Goodwin

May 6-11

REGION 9 RALLY "COWBOY UP"

Skyline Ranch RV Park
2231 State Highway 16 N, Bandera, TX 78003

May 23-27

MEMORIAL DAY RALLY

Sonny's RV Park
8816 US 77, Lexington, TX 78947
Hosts:

July 20-27

INTERNATIONAL RALLY

The Meadow Event Park
13191 Dawn Blvd., Doswell, VA 23047

August 30 - September 2

LABOR DAY RALLY

Oakwood RV Resort
78 FM 2093, Fredericksburg, TX 78624
Hosts:

October 3-6

HARVEST RALLY

Bolivar Peninsula RV Park
1685 State Hwy 87, Port Bolivar, TX 77650
Hosts: V. Goodwin

November 8-10

BUDDY RALLY

Stephen F. Austin State Park
2100 Park Rd, 38, San Felipe, TX 77474
Hosts:

December 6-8

CHRISTMAS & INSTALLATION

Coushatta RV Ranch
812 Nelius Road, Bellville, TX 77418
Hosts:

A few odd & ends from the front office -

- Hosts - We are still looking for hosts/co-hosts for several rallies (Memorial Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas). Please sign up!
- Doswell 2019 - We are collecting a list of members who will be attending the 62nd International Rally in July in Doswell, VA. Please let us know if you plan to attend the rally.
- April Rally change of location – due to issues with the rally site not being finished/adequate in time for our April Rally, we have located an alternate site in San Leon (Big Spot RV) that is willing to host our rally. I am negotiating the terms with the site management now but we are hopeful to hold the rally in the same general area (Kemah/San Leon) so as to be able to tour the local attractions (Kemah Boardwalk, NASA, Lone Star Flight Museum). Details to follow.
- Tech talk – Carol & I are hoping to resurrect some of the tech talks/hints in the Coyote. Nothing too complex but helpful hints or advice on how to take care of things on the road with your rig. If you are willing to lend a hand and draft some of the articles, please let us know. We are also looking for suggestions on topics to cover.
- Proposed changes – At the impromptu board meeting in December, a recommendation was made to discontinue publication of the GHAC Directory as a hard copy instead to post it online for members to access/review. Other clubs have successfully implemented an online membership directory with security issues being of concern. The idea was discussed but nothing was put forward at this time. Please forward to me your thoughts or comments and I will bring them to the next board meeting.
- Any ideas or recommendations for future rally sites, please forward them to me and I will pass along to Clark & Bruce for consideration for the upcoming years.

*Happy Birthday!!!***February**

1-Feb	Bill Nelson
2-Feb	KD Couch
8-Feb	Debbie Pflunder
12-Feb	Irene Lyddon
13-Feb	Autumn Isbell
14-Feb	Bernadine Billard
15-Feb	Frances Robeson
17-Feb	Lee Jordan
23-Feb	Clark Gardner
25-Feb	Beverly Williams

March

1-Mar	Stephen Couch
9-Mar	Jim Parry
12-Mar	Russ Dionne
13-Mar	Jerry Lyddon
21-Mar	Jerry Goodwin
22-Mar	Pat Martin
22-Mar	Alec Miller
24-Mar	Ron Bernucho
25-Mar	Gayla Haas
27-Mar	Red Childers
29-Mar	Jim Goodwin
31-Mar	Vernon Goodwin

*Anniversaries***February**

3-Feb-83	Charlie & Cheryl Jacobs
13-Feb-99	Dan & Lisa Schwarz
20-Feb-57	Red & Nancy Childers
26-Feb-82	Alan & Bernadine Billard

March

3-Mar-85	Richard & Suzanne McLean
10-Mar-04	Bob & Lisa Hansen
16-Mar-04	Lee & Christina Jordan
17-Mar-79	Tom & Caren Bundy

THE SUNSHINE CORNER

Hip, hip – but no hurray for two of our members at least not at the present time. Irene Lyddon is home after recently having hip surgery. Jan Rightmyer is preparing herself for hip surgery on January 30 th at Methodist Hospital down town.

As time goes by, we welcome new members and say good-by to others. In early December we lost Ed Nelson who joined TCPU (The Greater Houston Airstream Club) in 1983. For many years Ed served as Unit Treasurer as well as Region Treasurer under Vern Goodwin. Ed lived at the North Texas Airstream Community in Hillsboro, but remained a faithful member of our Unit. On a more positive note Tom and Jill Kershner received some positive news regarding some of the health concerns they've had this past year.

If you know of someone who needs some "Sunshine" please contact me at:

hdteegarden@verizon.net

A Hint from Helen – some food for thought for the New Year:
"Happiness is letting go of what you think your life is supposed to look like and celebrating it for everything that it is."

GREATER HOUSTON AIRSTREAM CLUB UNIT # 155

Unit Officers:

President	Jerry Goodwin	# 1131
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2nd Vice President	Bruce Lee	# 5461
3rd Vice President		#
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"COWBOY UP"

*Never too early to
plan your trip next
year to the*

50th Annual

REGION 9 RALLY

In Bandera, TX

May 6—11, 2019

**Skyline Ranch RV
Park**

2231 Hwy. 16N

Bandera, TX 78003

1-800-267-1402



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A Message from Bob Jones RV

Hello to all our Greater Houston Airstream Club members from the gang at BOB JONES RV.

We would like to express our excitement about an advanced service we are providing. BOB JONES RV has invested in a SEAL TECH machine that will pressurize the interior cabin of any coach, allowing us to detect leaks by soaping the complete exterior. It will identify efficiently any breaches in the exterior seal that will cause water leaks ultimately causing damage.

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