



# COYOTE TALES



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## May Flowers



School's out and summer adventures have begun! Despite the rains, May was a busy month for Rallies. GHAC participated in the Region 9 Rally in Bandera and the Memorial Day Rally in Lexington.

I want to thank the hosts that helped Carol & I run the rally. Several people stepped up and took over a meal and/or an activity to make the rally a success. A tip of the hat to Jim & Barbara Mercer, Tom and Caren Bundy,

With May rains behind us, another scorching Texas summer is underway. As we slide into the summer season, many GHAC members are hitting the road.

- One contingent left Houston heading northwest for a long 3-month adventure on the Alaska Caravan led by Lyle Snow. We look forward to hearing a lot of stories and great pictures from the caravan! If you have chance, check out some of Barbara Mercer's Facebook posts of their journey.
- Another small band will head east for the 62<sup>nd</sup> International Rally in Doswell, Virginia in early July.

For Fredericksburg, we are looking to recruit a few extra hands for breakfast or dinner to spread the out the load.

Quote:

*"Stop worrying about the potholes in the road and celebrate the journey."  
– Fitzhugh Mullan*

We are heading to Virginia in July and will post the results and activities from in the next newsletter. If your plans for this summer include any travel or camping, please send us pictures of your adventures. We hope to you at the Labor Day Rally!

Keep the shiny side up and safe travels!

*Jerry & Carol*

**Up Next:**

**20-26 July 2019  
62<sup>nd</sup> International Rally  
Doswell, VA**

**29 August - 2 September 2019  
Labor Day Rally  
Oakwood RV Resort  
Fredericksburg, Texas**

***Region 9 Rally***  
**Skyline Ranch RV Park**  
**Bandera, Texas**  
**6-11 May 2019**

Cowboy Up! The 50<sup>th</sup> Region 9 Rally in Bandera is in the books! The week was packed with a ton of activities and events that made for an exciting rally! A few people arrived early to set up the rally (Bill & Dorma Kindle, Bill & Joanne Miller) with a larger number (Red & Nancy Childers, Jerry & Carol Goodwin, Jim & Barbara Mercer, Jose & Valerie Melgares, Don & Helen Teegarden, Lyle & Peggy Snow, John & Susan Sheridan) arriving on Sunday. A few joined our mini caravan at the rest stop outside of Columbus and to head west to Skyline Ranch. We were early enough for everyone to park close to the rally hall. After settling in, several of the group enjoyed a *long* dinner at the Brickhouse. Food was good but it took a **while** to get served. Jerry & Irene Lyddon were delay due to some issues with their TV.



The rally officially opened on Monday and GHAC was recruited to run the registration and sign in tables for everyone.



Monday evening was capped off with the opening ceremony with the Flag Ceremony, welcome from the Region officers and a summary about some of the Bandera sites and attractions provided by a rep from Bandera Visitor's Bureau.



Tuesday kicked off with a variety of meetings, seminars and activities with the Region Board meeting held Tuesday morning. Several members attended a seminar from Esther Benedict, a local artist who specializes in laser metal cutting that made some amazing metal sculptures. Tuesday evening had a fun and entertaining talent show follow by ice cream.





Wednesday opened early with more seminars, games, and tours of the Benedict studio. Wednesday evening was topped off with dinner at the 11<sup>th</sup> Street Cowboy Bar. This was an outdoor venue where you cooked your own meat and enjoyed a local band and dancing.





Thursday kicked off with a hearty breakfast of sausage, gravy and eggs provided by Snow and "crew". The rest of the day was open explore Bandera and the surrounding area.

We enjoyed a unit luncheon at an old Bandera restaurant (OST) that served some really good food! If you ever have a chance to visit Bandera, check out the John Wayne room.



Friday was a fun day with games and pet show a pizza dinner and a great night of entertainment from the Patsy Kline Trio.

Saturday got off to a great start with a pancake breakfast with a good number of our crew volunteering for meal prep and grill duty.



This was followed up by the flea market, beanbag base ball tournament, followed by a Mother's Day Devotional led by Dorma Kindle. We wrapped up the rally with a hamburger dinner followed by some amusing entertainment from a local Cowboy Poet, Singer, Story Teller - **Lee Haile**. The rally was officially closed out wishing everyone safe travels back home and a few hints regarding next year's region rally (hint: the 2020 Theme will be *The Roaring Twenties*).



Kudos to Bill & Dorma Kindle and Bill & Joanne Miller! They did a great job organizing and leading this rally from start to finish. It was a great rally and we are looking forward to next year's region rally. If you can make the time, I highly recommend signing up for it early.

Jerry & Carol



## *Memorial Day Rally*

**Sonny's RV Park  
Lexington, Texas  
23-27 May 2019**

While we had a lower turn out at the Memorial Day Rally at Lexington, that did not keep us from having a good time. Carol & I served as general hosts with help from several people who stepped up as co-hosts for a meal. We really appreciate everyone pitching in to make this rally a success.

Most arrived at Sonny's RV Park on Thursday (Red & Nancy Childers, Don & Helen Teegarden, Jerry & Carol Goodwin, Jim & Barbara Mercer, Fred Walschburger, Clark Gardner, Shirley Holmesly & Gene Guthrie. Tom & Caren Bundy and Alan, Bernadine, Ashley Billard joined us on Friday. Bruce Lee dropped by for the business meeting.

For those that attended last year's April Rally in Lexington, the site is pretty much unchanged. Grassy sites with some tree cover. The fire pit area is surrounded by a ring of porch swings that made happy hour and evenings a bit more social (until the flies joined us).

Thursday's agenda was pretty laid back as an arrival day. We set up grills to cook dinner and had sides to share.

Friday was an open day for additional arrivals, Red commanded the coffee pots and breakfast was on your own. Barbara & Jim Mercer prepared an amazing Pasta e Fagioli Soup for dinner that was very filling. I asked Barbara to share it with the group (included in this newsletter). Ice cream for desert and a few games were played to rounded out the evening.

Saturday, we opened with coffee and breakfast tacos and paid rally fees. We held a business meeting to review upcoming activities (i.e. International Rally, elect officers for 2020, review old & new business, and Clark submitted his proposed rally schedule for 2020). I included the schedule in this newsletter. After the business meeting, a few people headed south to La Grange to tour either the Quilt Museum or the Texas Hero's Museum. Of all the years we have been traveling to and from Austin and passing through La Grange, this was the first time to truly stop and visit some of the local attractions. Both museums had some great displays. The Quilt Museum displayed some incredible works of art. The dedication and skill to create these quilts is simply overwhelming. A few others toured the Texas Hero's Museum which is set up in the Old Fayette County Jailhouse. On display was a lot of history around the jail and how it operated since it was built in 1883. The jail currently houses the Texas Heroes Museum, honoring Texans who have answered the call to defend their property, their lives and their liberty. Through a wide range of stories and artifacts, the museum seeks to educate the public about the history of Texan conflicts and the contributions Texans have made in preserving freedom. Artifacts and uniforms from various wars or incursions that Texans have participated in were on display. It was impressive to walk through history of the men & women who proudly served Texas and the United States. After touring both sites, we returned to Sonny's for a Memorial Day picnic of hamburgers and hot dogs followed with ice cream and games.

Sunday, we had coffee with a hearty breakfast of sausage & gravy. After breakfast. Jerry led a brief devotional covering the true meaning behind Decoration (Memorial) Day, how it started and what some of the traditions mean. He even covered the significance of Memorial Day poppies. Lunch was on your own and several people camped out in the recliners to enjoy the Memorial Day Races. Barbara Mercer led a craft session for watercolor painting. Some of the artwork turned out excellent. Tom & Caren Bundy served up Beer Brats for dinner followed by more ice cream (you can never get enough ice cream) and a lively game of Mexican Train. The Team RWB raffle raised **\$48** for the charity.

Monday morning dawned bright & early with coffee and continental breakfast before we said goodbye and headed back home.

Carol & I would like to thank everyone who came out to the rally and helped out with games, meals and activities.

# Quilt Museum



**Mural**

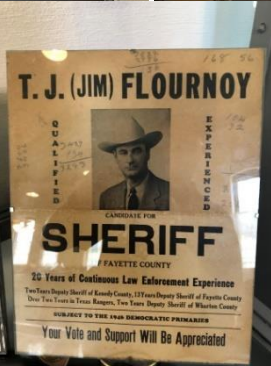
A mural is art applied directly to a permanent surface, such as a wall. Mural-like art can be found in pre-historic cave paintings, in ancient Egyptian tombs, and preserved by volcanic ash in the Roman-era city of Pompeii. Even though it is a very old technique, it's still popular today. Our 13 x 85 foot mural was designed by Donna Gill of Austin to represent quilts on a clothlike. It was painted by muralist Brent McCarthy of New Braunfels, using acrylic paints with an acrylic glass for protection from the hot sun. We named it *Quilt: History in the Making*, which is also the name of the Museum, because much of women's history can be traced, literally, their creations with needle, thread, and cloth, rather than in the paintings or sculpture. These 15 traditional quilts from the International Quilt Festival collection were selected for the mural because traditional quilts are the basis from which all of the contemporary art quilts being made today trace their heritage.

The center quilt is *Feathered Star*, an original design by Jewel Pearce Patterson to mark the 150th anniversary of the Republic of Texas in 1836. Its center medallion, a five-pointed Feathered Texas Star, also her original design, honors the Lone Star flag and has been adopted as the emblem of the Museum. The quilt features four-pointed Texas Stars commemorating pioneer hardships, and Bands of the Alamo blocks, in memory of that shrine of Texas liberty.





# Texas Hero's Museum





*Crafts*



*Relaxing*





*Sonny's RV Park*



### *Pasta e Fagioli Soup*

Serves 8

*Shared from Barbara Mercer*

**Ingredients:**

- 1-pound ground beef
- 1 small onion, diced (1 cup)
- 1 large carrot, julienned (1 cup)
- 3 stalks celery, chopped (1 cup)
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 14.5-ounce cans diced tomatoes
- 1 15-ounce can red kidney beans (with liquid)
- 1 15-ounce can great northern beans (with liquid)
- 1 15-ounce can tomato sauce
- 1 12-ounce can V-8 juice
- 1 tablespoon white vinegar
- 1 1/2 teaspoons salt
- 1 teaspoon oregano
- 1 teaspoon basil
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon thyme
- 1/2-pound (1/2 pkg.) ditali pasta

**Instructions:**

1. Brown the ground beef in a large saucepan or pot over medium heat. Drain off most of the fat.
2. Add onion, carrot, celery and garlic and sauté for 10 minutes.
3. Add remaining ingredients, except pasta, and simmer for one hour.
4. About 50 minutes into the simmering, cook the pasta in 1 1/2 to 2 quarts of boiling water over high heat. Cook for 10 minutes or just until pasta is al dente, or slightly tough. Drain.
5. Add the pasta to the large pot of soup. Simmer for 5-10 minutes more and serve.

A really great recipe that Barbara and Jim prepared for the rally on Friday night.



## Labor Day Rally 29 August – 2 September 2019

**Oakwood RV Resort  
78 FM 2093  
Fredericksburg, Texas 78624  
oakwoodrvresort.com (830)-997-9817**

*Tentative Rally Agenda (subject to change)*

**Directions:** Take Hwy 16 south from Fredericksburg or Hwy 16 north from Kerrville.

**Hosts:** Jerry & Carol Goodwin      **Parking:** \$37.00 per night ( seeking discounted rate)      **Rally Fee:** TBA  
Depending upon participation, this may be a “no host” rally.

**Bring Table Service to all Meals**

**Thursday August 29**      Early Arrivals  
5:00 PM Social Hour  
6:00 PM Dinner – bring something to grill and a side to share

**Friday August 30**      Parking all day  
Breakfast and Lunch on your own  
5:00 PM Social Hour (**Even number rigs bring appetizers**)  
6:00 PM Dinner Out (local restaurant)  
7:00 PM Games

**Saturday August 31**  
8:30 AM Coffee  
9:00 Breakfast  
10:00 AM Pay Rally Fees  
Lunch on your own  
1:00 PM Tour of Pacific Combat Zone Reenactment (Nimitz Museum closed until 2020)  
5:00 PM Social Hour (**Odd Number Rigs bring appetizers**)  
6:00 PM Potluck Dinner  
7:30 PM Games

**Sunday September 1**  
8:30 AM Coffee  
9:00 AM Breakfast  
10:00 AM Devotional  
Lunch on your own  
2:00 PM Crafts  
5:00 PM Social Hour (**Even number rigs bring appetizers**)  
6:00 PM Dinner  
7:00 PM Games (bring your favorite game)

**Monday September 2**      **Labor Day**  
8:30 AM Continental Breakfast  
9:00 AM Prep for departure

Everyone have a safe journey home!

**Please e-mail or phone your reservations to Jerry & Carol by 14 August 2019.**

[jlg79@comcast.net](mailto:jlg79@comcast.net)  
**281-787-6687 or 713-598-1063**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Rig# \_\_\_\_\_ Trailer \_\_\_ MH \_\_\_ 30a \_\_\_ 50a \_\_\_  
Arrival \_\_\_\_\_ Departure \_\_\_\_\_

## 2019 Rally Schedule

**January 19**

**ANNUAL LUNCHEON**

Landry's Seafood House  
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**

**FLY INTO APRIL RALLY**

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

**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: Goodwin, Mercer, Bundy, Guthrie

**June 17 – September 7**

**Alaska Caravan**

Texas to Alaska  
Caravan Leaders: Snow

**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: J Goodwin

**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: Isabell,

**December 6-8**

**CHRISTMAS & INSTALLATION**

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



*The following rally schedule was proposed by Clark Gardner at the Memorial Day Rally:*

## *Proposed*

### **2020 Rally Schedule**

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
Dec 29 – Jan 1	New Year's Rally	Coushatte RV Ranch
18-Jan-20	Annual Luncheon	Carrabas on Kirby
Feb 12-16	Mid-Winter Rally	Summer Breeze Cuty N Shoot (Conroe)
Mar 5-8	March Rally	Splashway, Sheridan
Apr 16-19	April Rally	Jamaica Beech
May 21-25	Memorial Day Rally	Johnson Creek Ingram
Sep 3-7	Labor Day Rally	Tropical Islands RV Resort (Rockport)
Oct 1-4	October Rally	Stephen F Austin State Park
Nov 5-8	November Rally	Summer Breeze Katy
Dec 3-6	Christmas/Installation Rally	Conroe KOA
Dec 31 - Jan 3	New Year's Rally	Coushatte RV Ranch

## Welcome new GHAC members!

The club continues to grow each month! A couple from the Woodlands (*Anthony & Debby Urbanelli*) just joined GHAC this week! If you see new members at any rallies, please join us in giving them a warm welcome to the club!

### Odd & Ends from the back office -

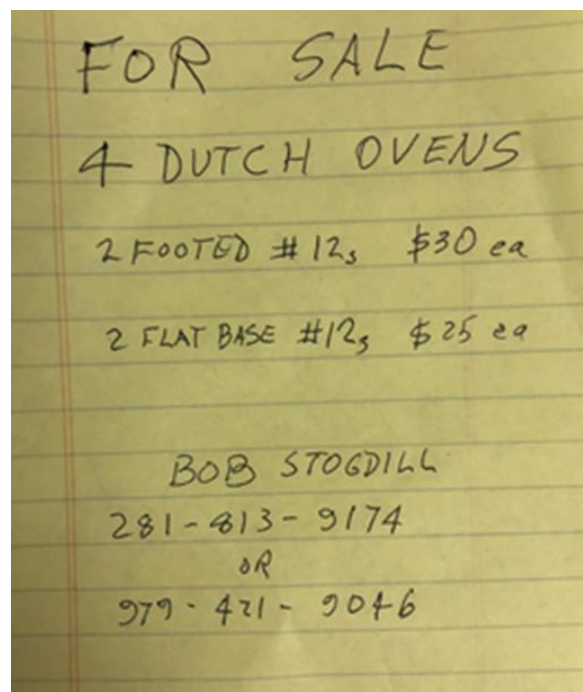
- **Corrected Web Address:**

Remember that the new web address for GHAC has been updated to:

[greaterhouston.airstreamclub.net](http://greaterhouston.airstreamclub.net)

- Hosts - We are still need for hosts/co-hosts for several rallies (**Labor Day**, and **Christmas**). Please sign up!
- **Enjoy The Ride** – As of the weekend, there are **7** GHAC members signed on for the International Rally in Doswell. I am working with a few people to coordinate an informal caravan to Virginia. Please let me know if you plan to attend the rally. Rally information is published by the Doswell Rally Committee and through a new Grupio APP that posts daily updates.

- Reminder: New GHAC flags are for sale!! For those who would like to proudly fly the unit colors in front of their rigs, we have flags with the new Greater Houston Airstream Club logos available for \$35.00. Contact me if you would like to get your very own unit flag.
- Pull tabs for charity. We have amassed a sizeable number of pull tabs to take to Doswell. Remember to bring your pull tabs to the next rally so we can collect for the 2020 International Rally in Colorado.





*Happy Birthday!!!***June**

1-Jun	Jamie Nixon
2-Jun	John Tynes
4-Jun	Rob Schmidt
5 Jun	Ginger Hancock
7-Jun	Jeanette Bowen
10-Jun	Dan McAnulty
12-Jun	Ron Lange
12-Jun	Jo Goodwin
12-Jun	Sherry Miller
17-Jun	Janice Archibald
24-Jun	Lisa Scharz
28-Jun	Carol Goodwin
30-Jun	Susan Sheridan

**July**

1-Jul	Lia Laney
1-Jul	Eloise Reeves
3-Jul	Robert Smith
4-Jul	Jan Rightmyer
5-Jul	Wayne Hale
5-Jul	Steve Zeringue
11-Jul	Bill Dodson
11-Jul	Stephen Duffy
17-Jul	Ron Cook
17-Jul	Virginia Taroni
19-Jul	Andrew Adams
20-Jul	Gene Blanchard
22-Jul	Richard Collier
26-Jul	Lori Passmore

**August**

1-Aug	Mark Hancock
1-Aug	Coreen Collins
3-Aug	Lisa Hansen
6-Aug	Cheryl Verlander
6-Aug	Diane Roberts
7-Aug	Bob Stogdill
10-Aug	Jim Shults
11-Aug	Tom Taroni
13-Aug	Bob Miller
13-Aug	Connie Wooley
17-Aug	Kent Laney
19-Aug	Jim Miller
24-Aug	Tina Miller
25-Aug	Joan Smith
28-Aug	Vivki Ketchum
29-Aug	Tonia Goodwin
30-Aug	Sue Gaines

*Anniversaries***June**

4-Jun-66	Russ & Nancy Dionne
6-Jun-57	Don & Helen Teegarden
15-Jun-63	Don & Eloise Reeves
15-Jun-74	Grady & Keith Ferry
16-Jun-17	Jerry & Tanya Slayton Tilles
20-Jun-59	Arnold & Mary Etta Zander
20-Jun-70	Ronn & Rae Gilbert
30-Jun-01	Alan & Eileen Hubbard

**July**

1-Jul-08	Gene Gutheri & Shirley Holmesly
4-Jul-81	Stephen & Linda Duffy
7-Jul-77	Dennise & Diane Roberts
15-Jul-03	Ron & Susan Bernucho
16-Jul-86	George & Jamie Nixon
20-Jul-85	Jim & Mary Miller
26-Jul-08	Bruce Lee & Leslie Spilman

**August**

3-Aug-79	Bob & June Hutson
4-Jul-81	Stephen & Linda Duffy
7-Jul-77	Dennise & Diane Roberts

## THE SUNSHINE CORNER

May 2019

May arrived with wind and rain, but flowers burst forth everywhere. We've gathered some "bouquets" of good wishes to send to our friends in need.

Hub Miller is recuperating from surgery about 6 weeks ago to have chemo implanted in his liver. He will have a CT Scan and an MRI on June 20<sup>th</sup> and they hope those will show positive results on the tumor in his liver. Sherry will send an update when she knows something.

Vernon Goodwin is up and about, and he hopes the six-weeks of antibiotics has cleared up all the infection in his knee. He will have a test in mid-July to assess the condition of his knee, but in the meantime he and Joletta were able to head up to Colorado for a few days of cooler weather.

Irene Lyddon needs an extra-large "bouquet" of good wishes. After a brief outing at Region 9 and after having had seven surgeries, she was admitted to the hospital again. This time her stay is to try and get the infection in her hip completely cleared up.

We were sorry to hear that Sue Gaines' son passed away Wednesday night May 29 after a long illness. If you wish to send her a card her address is: 20114 Glen Breeze, Kingwood, TX 77346.

During the prior week, we received word that Bernadine Billard was admitted to the Hospital because her potassium levels were very high, and her kidneys were having problems. The latest update is that she was treated and released to go home last Wednesday. In spite these challenges, she & Alan & Ashley were able to pull out on Thursday to rejoin the Alaskan caravan somewhere in route.

We hope our coffee barista, Red Childers, is walking better after having surgery on his ankle. to repair a torn tendon. He will have to stay off his feet for several days. No weight on the right foot for at least 6 weeks.

Please keep these folks in your thoughts and prayers. If you know of someone who may need a "bouquet" please contact me at [hdteegarden@verison.net](mailto:hdteegarden@verison.net).

Hint from Helen: *Wherever you go, no matter the weather, always bring your own sunshine and watch the "flowers" grow.* By Anthony D'Angelo



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