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## Message from our President

### President's Message

Happy Father's Day to all our fantastic fathers in our unit.

A heartfelt thank you to all our International Officers, Region Presidents, Committees and the Headquarters Team who have worked diligently through these months of uncertainty. While we will not gather in Loveland this month we can look forward to Lebanon, Tennessee in 2021.

We welcome James Zion and Karen Lundquist of Austin as new members to our Airstream Unit. We look forward to meeting them.

May came and went so quickly. The highlights of the month were the celebration of Mother's Day and on May 30<sup>th</sup> the SpaceX launch of astronauts to the International Space Station. The Coronavirus 19 pandemic has claimed over 103,000+ lives in our nation. According to the statistics only five percent of the nation has been impacted so far.

Please continue to keep our first responders, health care personnel and all others who are working faithfully every day in your prayers. Stay safe and protect yourself.

It is hoped that you have read the May issue of the Blue Beret. The International Board of Trustees declared a Proclamation of Emergency Due to the Coronavirus Disease 2019. As our unit delegate I will be voting our votes on the slate of International Officers, members of the Nominating Committee to elect along with 3 key Constitutional Amendments listed in the Blue Beret. If you wish to cast a "NO" vote on a Constitutional Amendment please text me at 830-263-8378. Please do so before June 11.

We all are looking forward to getting out and being together at a rally. Some of our members are already visiting family and state parks. If you do please send Ally pictures for our newsletter (ally.ebbers@gmail.com). I hope we can safely venture out as a group in September. I sure miss all your smiles and hugs. While we cannot safely have a rally we can stay in touch and I encourage you to do so. I love hearing from you and as most of you know you should call me before the sun comes up or after the sun goes down; otherwise, text me and I will get back with you.

Joane

# TEXAS HILL COUNTRY Unit #104 MEMBER SURVEY RESULTS

## SUMMARY OF UNIT 104 MEMBER SURVEY MAY, 2020

We ended with 11 respondents out of 44 active members, a 25% response rate. I'm not a statistician so don't know if this a good response rate or not. What I will share is that mostly all of the respondents have been active participants whom the Unit leaders would recognize. There were several who simply have not participated, but responded. What I am providing below is a summary, with relevant comments. I have not included every comment, but those that are reflective of valid observations. All questions were not answered by each responder, so don't expect 11 responses on each question!

1. Last rally attended when? Feb/6 March/2 Never/1 NA/1
2. Does the Thursday – Sunday schedule work? Yes/9 No/1
3. Are you pleased with scheduled activities? Shopping/ tours etc. Yes/9 No/1 Comments: Like to hike; not shoppers; can't be gone all day due to dog
4. Opinion of on-site activities, games such as dominos, Mexican Train? OK/4 Haven't played/3  
Comments: no effort to get other games going; more variety may be nice
5. Satisfaction with Rally town selections? OK/3 Not OK/0 NA/1  
Comments: would like to go further; been to many as day trips; OK within 150 miles; many repeats from prior years; need to reschedule Johnson City and Mason; not a factor in attendance.
6. Satisfaction with Park selections? OK/5 Not OK/0 NA/3  
Comments; didn't like Hico as no shade; some better than others; best with club house to use
7. Heavy appetizers or more standard meals? Appetizers/5 Standard Meals/2  
Comments: tend to eat earlier and lightly so doesn't matter; meals have been fine; would prefer more pot luck; prefer group cooking at rally site, willing to help prepare; cut out scheduled lunches and have group cooked meal/s; more pot luck
8. Thoughts on a Unit Caravan? Yes/5 No/1  
Comments: Further away such as Big Bend or Galveston; choose carefully, go north in the summer; 4-6 weeks notice; several months notice; maybe to regional or international; fans of AZ, NM, far West Texas
9. In leadership role or willing to serve? Yes/4 No/5 NA/2
10. Sunday morning prayer / readings? OK/4 Not OK/2  
Comments: plays too heavy a role; keep as is; for those interested, have inspirational meeting separately before breakfast; can go either way; fine with optional
11. Thoughts on a themed rally?  
Comments: Maybe do a "learning experience" teaching; food theme good (Not SPAM!); sounds like fun; others do them, seem to be fun and well attended, not into quirky events; not into dressing up!; generally Yes/5
12. Do a Rally with another Unit?  
Comments: generally all thought this is a good idea; promotes new friendships; have done it in the past, not great attendance; sure, have looked at joining another unit ; the more the merrier



## Cool Member Stories to keep in touch



What a cool photo at the beach! This is essential Grimes travel featuring Jan Grimes.

Camping at The Copa Copa in Rockport, TX. This is a mini RV resort park with two RV spaces, so quarantining is no biggie in this little slice of Texas paradise.



From the Mareks—Keeping in touch with family. Zephyr's explanation of the sweet family pictures below:

*My children knew I was missing my hugs so; Carol & son Jeremy made a hugging curtain and brought it down. They took a shower curtain cut (4) slits into the curtain. Then tape long plastic bags to the slits. One person on one side and another on the other side. It felt so good to get hugs since not having any since March. Below are pictures of us using the hug curtain. Hope you can get your children or grand children to make one your hugs. Zephyr*

Left: Andella Kovar and Zephyr Marek; Middle: Alanna Kovar and Zephyr Marek; Right: Dan Marek and Jeremy Faulder





To:  
10 Mickey Finch  
14 Kathryn Chandler  
16 Warner Hord  
21 Jazz Jaeschke  
25 Gail Hord  
26 Betty Lanasa



To:  
11 Doug & Sheryl Wylie  
16 John & Becky Blackhall  
20 Dan & Zephyr Marek  
28 Gary & Lisa Brankin



Welcome new members  
James Zion and Karen Lundquist  
\* hope to see you at the next rally



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## THCU Rally Schedule 2020

A mostly tentative 2020 Rally Schedule is presented for your review. Your comments as club members are requested. There are seven rallies on the list and we hope to see you at as many rallies as you can attend. We would like to have two (2) rigs sign up as Wagon Masters for each rally. Having two (2) Wagon Masters makes everything flow smoothly should one have to cancel close to the rally date. One wonderful fact is that our members all pitch in thus ensuring the rally is a huge success.

The Wagon Masters decide on the activities and choose a theme, if they so desire.

Thank you for taking time to review the schedule. Please text Joan Ermis at 830-263-8378 to reserve your choice city for hosting a rally. Don't delay---schedule today.

### 2020 RALLY SCHEDULE

REVISED

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Hosts</u>
Jan. 20-24	IBT Las Vegas	-----
Feb. 20-23	San Marcos Pecan Park RV Park 50 Squirrel Run 512-396-0070	Joan Ermis
March 19-22	Roadrunner RV Park 501 US Hwy 281 South Johnson City, TX 830-868-7449	CANCELLED
April 14-19	Mineola Region 9 Rally	CANCELLED
May 14-17	Mason (Buddy Rally)	CANCELLED
June 20-27	International Rally ---Loveland, CO	CANCELLED

ALL FALL ACTIVITIES ARE ON HOLD. Please check the website or future newsletters. Stay safe and happy.

August	Luncheon	To be determined
Sept. 10-13	Fredricksburg, TX RV Park to be determined (Business meeting)	Carol Wallace and Charlie Williams
Oct. 1-4	Gonzales	Tim & Allison Ebbers
Nov. 12-15	New Braunfels or Galveston	----- ----- -----
Dec. 12	TBA—Luncheon or Rally	

