# ALMOST MONTHLY The Bluebonnet



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#### President's Message

Welcome to our newest members Bill and Louise Kirchen in Austin, Texas. We look forward to meeting them this fall at a rally.

Membership renewals for the Airstream Club International began August 1, 2020. This is done online at: airstreamclub.org/renew

With COVID-19 still ravaging our nation it is not safe to gather ten or more people inside a restaurant for a luncheon. We are cancelling this year's September luncheon (hope to have one next year) and our December Luncheon is still on hold.

Mark your calendar for we will have a rally October 15-18 at the Schulenburg RV Park in Schulenburg Texas. Call me to reserve your spot (830.263.8378). I will need to know your rig length and if you have slide outs. Our special rate is \$35.00 per night for either 30/50 amp. You will pay the park upon arrival. Payment will be by CHECK or CASH; the park does NOT take credit card payments. If you wish to arrive a day early or stay a day later please let me know that also. The club house is available if the weather does not cooperate and there is also a pavilion on site. All attendees will be required to wear a mask and practice social distancing. A rally schedule will included in the October newsletter which includes our business meeting where the slate of officers for the 2020-2021 year will be presented.

We are planning on having our Installation Rally in November in Glen Rose at Oakdale RV Park. The tentative dates are November 11<sup>th</sup> to November 15<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to host please let me know.

Your help is needed to construct a rally schedule for the 2020-2021 year that is usually finalized in December when we have a luncheon. Whether that will be possible remains to be determined.

Suggestions include places you may have gone to and would like to visit again or share with others. Do you have a favorite campground, state park, or Corps of Engineer Park? What month would you like to host a rally? Do you want that rally to be a themed rally? This unit is your unit and it needs your input to schedule fun and interesting rallies.

Many of our members have been out and about. Please share your adventures and pictures with Ally so we can enjoy them in our newsletter.

Please continue to pray for the families of the over 180,000 people who have died from this pandemic as well as our first responders, doctors, nurses, teachers, mail personnel, plumbers, grocery store personnel and our friends we have yet to meet. We all are in this together.

Safe travels and looking forward to seeing you in Schulenburg. Joane



Time to renew your membership!

Membership renewal dues of 75.00/year will start on August 1st using the following website: <u>airstreamclub.org/renew</u>. There will no longer be a three part renewal form (this has been discontinued). The deadline for the Annual Printed Membership Directory is December 31, 2020 and will be printed in Feburary. The club headquarters will be notifying members by postcard, email, and social media

The members-only self-service portal on <u>airstreamclub.org</u> will be launching soon. Keep an eye out for a notification that it is up and running. If you want to see our website, go to this link: https://airstreamclub.org/TexasHillCountry. It includes past newsletters and any news we have on rallies and upcoming club events.



### It's Time for Family – Fun – Music in Lebanon, Tennessee

Registration is now <u>OPEN</u> for the 64<sup>th</sup> Annual Wally Byam Airstream Club International Rally in Lebanon, Tennessee. The Rally is set for July 17 to July 24, 2021.

Join us in the beautiful city of Lebanon, Tennessee, located in Wilson County. Only 30 minutes east of Nashville with a ton of amazing things to do in the area. Here you will

find friendly faces, historical places, endless shopping, diverse dining, distilleries, wineries, beautiful lakes, state parks, and outdoor adventure, just to name a few.

Rally fees are \$265 per RV on-site with 30 amp electric, water, and pump-out. \$125 per adult, \$40 for youth 13 to 17 and kids under 12 are free. Keep an eye out for more information Sign up today to reserve your spot by visiting <u>airstreamclub.org/Lebanon</u>.

Hope to see you there! Andrew Selking International President

## How exciting is this news!!!

To get to the 2021 International rally, Doug Wylie and Joane Ermis are planning a caravan from TX to TN. It isn't too early to start planning. Below is the information from Mr Wylie:

## TEXAS HILL COUNTRY UNIT CARAVAN

To THCU and any Airstreamers,

The information is out for the 2021 International Airstream Rally in Lebanon, TN. The date for the rally is July 17 - 24, 2021. Joane Ermis and Doug Wylie are starting to put together a caravan from Texas to Lebanon, TN. and back home. There is a lot to see and do between here and there. Joane and I have been in this area and know of some fun things to do. On our next unit rally we will talk about it. We are open for any and all suggestions. Thank you and this will be fun.

#### Happy summer to remember pictures from our members.



Marek fun at the Range Vintage Trailer Resort!! Left: Dan having fun with the inflatable pool ( so cool—literally and figuratively)



Ebbers' adventures as we headed back to the great state of Texas.

Left: Somewhere on CO-64 (northern Colorado) on the way to Rifle, CO. Great opportunity to get a solo vehicle picture. Really pretty scenery and not a lot of cars!

Bottom Left: At Mountain Views RV Resort in Creede, CO

Bottom Middle: At Whittington Center in Raton, NM (fun fact—internet is speedy fast here) Bottom Right: Bear sighting at our campsite AKA native water hose inspector (We think he was thirsty. We didn't think we would see bears until we went to Alaska.)







Howard Duff has passed away. He was part of the Tropical Trails unit.



NEW website: https://airstreamclub.org/ TexasHillCountry THCU President: joanermis@hotmail.com Facebook Page:

**Texas Hill Country Unit** 



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## **2021 Officer Nominees**

President	Phillip Vasquez
First Vice President	Joe Long
Second Vice President	Sandy Brogan
Treasurer	Zephyr Marek
Recording Secretary	Peggy Knox
Corresponding Secretary	Gayle Ketchum
1 Year Director	Gayle Ketchum
1 Year Director	Tim Ebbers
2 Year Director	Daniel Marek
2 Year Director	Charlie Williams
Past President	Joane Ermis
Membership Chairman	Bob Grimes
Newsletter Editor	Allison Ebbers
Webmaster	Tim Ebbers

#### 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

Dates	Location	Hosts .
Jan. 20 24	IBT Las Vegas	
Feb. 20-23	San Marcos	Joan Ermis
	Pecan Park RV Park	
	50 Squirrel Run	
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March 19-22	Roadrunner RV Park	
	501 US Hwy 281 South	
	Johnson City, TX	
April 14-19	Mineola	
·	Region 9 Rally	
May 14-17	Mason (Buddy Rally)	CANCELLED
June 20-27	International Rally	
	Loveland, CO	
August	Luncheon	CANCELLED
Sept. 10-13	Fredricksburg, TX	
	RV Park to be determined	CANCELLED
	(Business meeting)	
Oct. 1-4	Gonzales	CANCELLED
Oct 15-18	RV Park in Schulenburg Texas	Joane Ermis
Nov. 11-15	Glen Rose, TX	NEED HOST
Dec. 12	TBA—Luncheon or Rally	
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