



Magnolia Messenger

Mississippi Airstream Club Unit 056

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November 2019

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Fellow Airstreamers,

I hope you have tended to the winterization of your rig. Ours is still in the shop in Rocket RV in Tanner, Alabama, so I called Monday to make sure they keep it inside.

You can read in the newsletter about the Christmas Rally. All it needs to be a rip-roaring success is your presence. Take special note of the Christmas gifts needed. If this will be your first visit to the Central Hills site, when you turn onto County Road 4227 and head north, don't turn into the entrance to the main facility (like I did last year). Go on to the campground entrance about ¼-mile up the road.

Six of us (the Hummels, Presleys, and Hawkins) had a great Unit Luncheon at the Georgia Blue restaurant in Madison last Thursday. These events are a good way to keep in touch without having to bring our domino boxes.

Folks, as I said last time: the success of *your* club depends on *your* participation. Notice that the May rally will be over a weekend so that people who are still working can join the activities. If you have rally ideas/suggestions/criticisms, let me know.

Happy Trailers,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bob".

Robert Hawkins, President

CHRISTMAS RALLY (also Buddy Rally)

Wednesday, Dec. 4 – Saturday, Dec 7, 2019 (Early Arrivals-Dec. 2 - 3)

Central Hills Baptist Retreat, 6377 Attala Road 4227, West, MS 39192 [think Kosciusko].

Rooms available. Make your own room reservation by calling the Center at 662-289-9730.

This will be a BUDDY rally. The parking will be \$20.00/night; the rally fee \$10.00/person; the club will pay for the holiday meal on Friday. Credit cards are not accepted at the Center. As last year, we will pay the club, and Don Hummel will write one check to the facility. We do not need to make RV reservations at Central Hills. You may let Elizabeth Hawkins (ejhawkins@bellsouth.net) or J.C Prather (mspa3@netscape.net) know you will be there.

J.C. says to avoid gravel, go to Kozy, take highway 19 N/Fenwick St. Travel about 7 miles.

Follow the signs. LAT-LON per Apple Maps 33.1187/ -89.6909. Map on last page.

If you plan to drive in for the Friday lunch, J.C. Prather needs to know in advance. It is a catered event prepared at the Center. Let him know at 662-210-0458; mspa3@netscape.net

Wed., Dec. 4

Arrive and park

5:00 - Vegetable soup by Committee. Please bring a can of vegetables or non-cream soup for the pot. Cornbread provided by Reynolds and Hawkins. BRING TABLE SERVICE AND BEVERAGE TO ALL MEALS EXCEPT FRIDAY LUNCH.

6:30 – fellowship and catching up

Thursday, Dec. 5

8:00 – Pancake breakfast by the Buckatunna Blueberry Brigade (Don and Carol and committee)

9:30 – Caravan to French Camp; visit Children of God Pottery Studio; Log Cabin Gift Shop, Double Blessings Thrift Shop, Historic Village

Lunch – Council House Cafe

Afternoon - free

5:30 – potato bar provided by club; desserts by (volunteers needed)

Evening - Christmas sing-along with Bob and Elizabeth; bingo

Friday, Dec. 6

Breakfast – on your own

12:00 - Christmas Lunch – *This year we will not have a member gift exchange. As last year, the club is accepting donations to be given to the Retreat Center for disaster relief. Make checks to MAC or give cash to Don Hummel. In addition, we are collecting toys for Christmas for the children of displaced workers at the central Mississippi poultry processing plants. Please bring a gift in a GIFT BAG (the coordinators of relief efforts can see who the gift is appropriate for) for a child 2nd grade or younger. Books are good – either Spanish or English.*

2:00 – 4:00 – Informal gathering to update materials and plan N.O. rally activities.

6:00 - Movie night with popcorn and snacks (bring something to share).

Saturday, Dec 7

8:00 – coffee and pickup breakfast

Good-byes

UPCOMING EVENTS

Christmas Rally, Dec 4-7, 2019. Central Hills Baptist Assembly, Kosciusko, MS

Spring (New Orleans) Rally, Mar. 23-27, 2020. New Orleans KOA, 11123 Jefferson Hwy, River Ridge. (504) 467-1792. **RESERVE BY DEC 15 TO INSURE PLACE. See notes in this newsletter.**

May Rally. May 1 – 4, 2020. Site TBA

International Rally, June 20-27, 2020. Loveland, CO (see Blue Beret or www.loveland.airstreamclub.net)

Election Rally, Sept 10-13, 2020. Eldorado, AR. [Airstreams on the Square](#)

Region 6 Rally, Oct. 8-12, 2020. River View RV Park, Vidalia, LA

CLUB NOTES

Notice: the club has a policy of awarding \$50 to members attending their first full rally.

Martha Prather is home following her heart procedure. J.C. reports that she's doing well.

We welcome new members: (I forgot to add the Sawyers to the last newsletter).

Lenny and Earline Sawyer #05013

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Contact: Elizabeth Hawkins 662-312-4882 ejhawkins@bellsouth.net with news.

NEW ORLEANS RALLY

Don Hummel is organizing the rally in March. He has asked me to emphasize in this newsletter that you must PLAN AHEAD! The basic info is below.

Arrive Monday March 23--Leave Friday March 27

Rally Site—New Orleans KOA 504-467-1792

11123 Jefferson Hwy, River Ridge

MISSISSIPPI AIRSTREAM Rate incl tax \$196.54/4 nights; With a KOA Card-Rate incl tax \$178.01 for 4 nights; Cabin rate \$165.00/night. Sleeps 4. To get this rate, tell them you are with the "MISSISSIPPI AIRSTREAM CLUB." They will park us together near the clubhouse.

PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATION BY DEC. 15. This is a busy park, and they may not have space if you don't reserve in advance.

We will have a meeting during the Christmas Rally (Dec. 4-7) to discuss and schedule our New Orleans activities. Things to consider include:

WWII Museum \$24

St. Charles Streetcar Ride \$3 Scenic

I Max Theater

Swamp Tour \$25

Jackson Square w/buggy rides-Café DuMonde

Riverwalk—shopping

Ogden Museum of Southern Art

Aquarium \$25

HopOnHopOff bus tour \$39

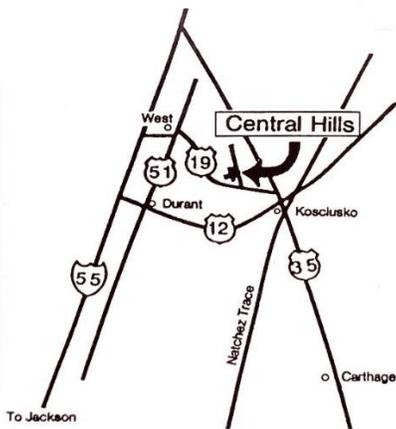
River Boat Cruise \$36

French Market—shopping

Walking tour of French Quarter \$22

OR Anything else that you might know of!!

Map to Central Hills



Central Hills is located eight miles northwest of Kosciusko and 10 miles southeast of West. From Highway 19, turn north at Springdale Baptist Church and go one mile to the retreat. The retreat is located on County Road 4227.