

COYOTE TALES



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Having some refreshments on our way to Lebanon, TN. Thank you, Jerry and Carol, for sharing your empty spot.

President's Message

Welcome to the Dog Days of Summer. In case you are wondering, the term Dog Days of Summer comes from the fact that the Sun and the star Sirius occupy the same region of the sky for a period of time in July and August. Sirius is in the constellation Canis Major, the Greater Dog, which is why Sirius is known as the Dog Star.

GHAC was well represented at Wally Byam Airstream Club's 64th International Rally in Lebanon, TN. We had, by my count, 18 rigs from our club with our members participating in many events. It was my first International Rally and I was quite impressed by all the Rally organizing committees. As your delegate to this rally, I had some apprehension about attending the Delegates Meeting as I heard stories about how long this could last. Fortunately, I found this was very well run and organized. We were done with all the business within 2 hours. Another impressive experience was seeing nearly 800 Airstreams assembled around the Wilson County Fairgrounds. I have heard about past Internationally Rallies having 4,000 rigs. Next year's International Rally is scheduled for Fryeburg, Maine July 23-29, 2022 and WBCCI is currently taking reservations.

Please welcome the following new members who recently joined GHAC:

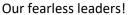
- Larry & Linda Ford joined July 9 and live in Conroe
- Rick Cassani & LeAnn Hill joined July 10 and live in Katy
- John & Amanda Gayle joined July 10 and live in Houston
- Christopher & Lana Dalston joined July 18 and live in Houston
- Paul & Sabra Francis joined July 21 and live in Morgan's Point (near LaPorte)

Drone photo showing the Airstreams and the Fairgrounds in Lebanon, Tennessee. What a party!



I will post a few photos from the International Rally here to whet your appetite to put the hot days of summer behind us and get back to enjoying our Airstreams and our Airstream family. There will be more photos of the International Rally at the end of the newsletter.







Vintage Airstream Parade

We all know Labor Day usually means "Back to School" after the summer off. But for Texas Airstreamers, it's Back To Camping!! So Join us for Back to School Camping Fun

Greater Houston Airstream Club Back to School Camping Rally

September 2-6,2021

Vineyards of Fredericksburg RV Park 2647 N Hwy 87, Fredericksburg TX 830-992-1237

Email: stay@thevineyardsrvpark.com



Hosts: Tom and Vick Ketchum, Email: vicketchum@gmail.com Cell: 812-322-6075

Fees: \$21 per person for meals (paid to GHAC) + \$45/night for the RV site (Paid to RV Park).

<u>Thursday</u> Arrival- Find the Host site, for a Goodie Bag

5:30 "What I Did on My Summer Vacation" Happy Hour, Bring snacks, drinks, chairs Share special places, cool campgrounds or fun stories from your summer. (PRIZES!)) Dinner on your own - but we'll have a campfire at the pavilion if you want to grill

| Friday, |) | |
|-------------------|---|--|
| 8:00-9:30 | Wake up - Coffee Time - in the Rally Room | |
| | Explore Fredericksburg's history - check your goodie bag for ideas! | |
| Time TBD | | |
| 6:00 | Dinner in Rally Room | |
| 8:00 | Sock Hop - dancing, DJ (get your requests ready!), karaoke. (PRIZES!!) | |
| <u>Saturday</u> | | |
| 8:00 - 9:30 | Breakfast and Coffee in the Rally Room | |
| | Shopping in Fredericksburg - Wineries, Breweries, Distilleries, Foodie Finds | |
| | Nostalgic Five n Dimes, Boutiques, Art Galleries, Home Decor | |
| 5:30 | Show and Tell Tasting - In the Rally Room | |
| | Bring something to drink or eat from your Fredericksburg exploration: | |
| | wine, beer, jellies, spreads, dips you found. (there are a couple of terrific | |
| | places in Fredericksburg where you can taste their goodies!) | |
| 6:30 | Dinner - in the Rally Room | |
| 8:00 | Games, Cards, Puzzles - In the Rally Room. Campfire at the Pavilion | |
| <u>Sunday</u> | | |
| 8:00 - 9:30 | Breakfast and Coffee in the Rally Room | |
| AM TBD | Craft Time | |
| PM TBD | Games in the field: Cornhole, Water Balloon Toss, Scavenger Hunt. (PRIZES!!) | |
| 5:00 | Dinner in the Rally Room | |
| 7:30 | Throw Back Movie Night - with Popcorn and Ice Cream Treats | |
| <u>Monday</u> Saf | e Travels - See you down the Road | |

The Park is holding 20 sites for us, until August 2nd. To reserve:

1. Call the park directly (see above!) to reserve your space-tell them you are with the Greater Houston Airstream Club.

- 2. Register online for the rally by clicking here:
- 3. https://airstreamclub.org/ghac-2021-labor-day-rally



Greater Houston Airstream Club BACK TO THE ISLAND RALLY AND BUDDY RALLY

October 8 – 10, 2021 Galveston RV Resort and Marina 6310 Heards Lane Galveston, TX 77551

Phone: 409-744-2837

Email: mgmt@galvestonrvresortandmarina.com Sandy Elliott Website:

http://www.galvestonrvresortandmarina.com

Hosts: Debbie Pfunder & Clark Gardner

Co-host: Tom Harris

Thursday 10/7 9a-5p Early Arrival All Day – Goodie Bags at Office Registration

5p Happy Hour – Sheltered area under the Restaurant Building

Dinner on your own

Friday 10/8 9a-5p Site Arrival All Day – Goodie Bags at Office Registration

Tour Island on your own - Info in Goodie Bags

5p Happy Hour – Sheltered area under the Restaurant Building

6p Shrimp Boil, with fresh Gulf Shrimp, sausage, potatoes, corn on the cob and more.

Served on the table tops. Please bring your own table service and drinks.

7p Clark's Golf Game – Under the Restaurant Building, bring your own outdoor games for

more fun!

Saturday 10/9 9a-4p Tour the island on your own – OR - Duck Tour – Reservations required

6p-7p Grill Out – Bring your favorite meat to grill. Sides will be provided.

Sunday 10/10 11a Departure, unless extended stay has been arranged.

Rally Notes:

- A RV Park reservations to be made directly with the RV Park Manager, Sandy Elliott. Week days are the best time to call. <u>Back-In Sites are \$45/Night, Pull-Thru Sites are \$55/Night, with a First Night Deposit required. A 48-hour cancellation notice directly to the RV Park Manager is required to avoid a penalty.</u> There are presently 12 water view sites reserved for this event. Early reservations are recommended.
- At the time of this writing, some events listed are subject to change. In the event of changes, appropriate timely notice will be provided to all attendees. For additional Rally information, email, text or call Debbie Pfunder: Phone/Text 832 776-6055 Email: dpfunder7@gmail.com
- C We are using an JotForm registration system for this rally. To Register for the rally, click on:

 http://AirstreamClub.org/ghac-oct-rally, then click on the rally registration button. The Cut-Off Date for RV

 Park Registration and for Rally Reservations with the RV Park is Thursday September 23, 2021 for a guaranteed site with the rest of the group. Rally fee will be determined and collected at the rally.

Galveston Duck Tour



All Tours Weather Permitting

All land and water tours start at 25th and Seawall Blvd. Enjoy a One-hour round trip through Historic Galveston. Also enjoy the experience of riding the Duck directly into OFFAT'S Bayou on the Bay side of the island.

We can determine as a group Friday evening, what time we want to schedule our tour on Saturday. For the most part, they are scheduled every 2 hours. The ticket price is:

\$25 adults \$18 children ages 12-3 children ages 2 and \$10.00

2415 Seawall Boulevard Galveston, Texas 77550



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Three New National Road Caravans to Check Out

Come with us, as we explore the historic National Road, on a journey through the lives and fortunes of the men and women who built America.

The National Road runs from Baltimore, MD to Vandalia, IL

There are three caravans covering this route, with each a nine-day format. This will allow younger club members with jobs and families to experience what the Airstream Club was founded to do. The former name, Wally Byam Caravan Club International says it all - the Caravan experience, traveling to enjoy the history, hospitality, and friendship of our host communities, and making new friendships as part of Airstream ownership.

Old National Road East starts in Baltimore and ends in Washington, PA. Start April 29, 2022 End May 7, 2022

Old National Road Central starts in Washington and ends in Richmond, IN. Start May 7, 2022 End May 15, 2022

Old National Road West starts in Richmond and ends near Vandalia, IL. Start May 15, 2022 End May 23, 2022

The segments are each a full nine-day caravan, and run consecutively, making it possible to enjoy just one segment, two segments, or all three.

Register online at https://airstreamclub.org/current-members/caravans! There are a total of only 22 units for each segment, and the online enrollment process time stamp decides the order of the wait list after the available spots are filled.

Once you register online, you will be contacted by email regarding kitty fee payment dates and amounts. Please note, the \$25 caravan administration fee the club charges will be charged once if you are booking two or all three segments as the administration fee, and credited to the kitty fee for the other segment(s).

The link to the Facebook group is:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/1516515115215585/

Thank you, and hope to see you down the road!

Tom Ketchum Vicki Ketchum #5809

Greater Houston Airstream Club 2021 Club Officers and Chairpersons

| Executive Board: | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------|------|
| President | Bruce Lee | 5461 |
| 1st Vice President | Michael Iverson | 8621 |
| 2nd Vice President | | |
| 3rd Vice President | | |
| Recording Secretary | Barbara Mercer | 1353 |
| Corresponding Secretary | Leslie Spilman | 5461 |
| Treasurer | Jerry Lyddon | 7746 |
| Assistant Treasurer | Caren Bundy | 2835 |
| Trustee - 2 Years | Jerry Goodwin | 1131 |
| Trustee - 2 Years | Jose Melgares | 7049 |
| Trustee - 1 Year | Tom Harris | 1373 |
| Trustee - 1 Year | Jim Mercer | 1353 |
| Immediate Past President | Clark Gardner | 2646 |
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| Committee Chairpersons: | | |
| Caravan | Bruce Lee | 5461 |
| Constitution & Bylaws | Vernon Goodwin III | 1311 |
| Crafts & Projects | Carol Goodwin | 1131 |
| Directory Editor | Bill Miller | 212 |
| Membership | Joletta Goodwin | 1311 |
| Newsletter Editor | Leslie Spilman | 5461 |
| Parliamentarian | Joanne Miller | 212 |
| Sunshine | Carol Goodwin | 1131 |
| Webmaster | Tom Bundy | 2835 |
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2022 Club Officers

| President | Michael Iversen | 8621 |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-------|
| 1st Vice President | Dan McAnulty | 2162 |
| 2nd Vice President | Rick Elkins | 9713 |
| 3rd Vice President | Jim Goodwin | 11858 |
| Recording Secretary | Maria McAnulty | 2162 |
| Corresponding Secretary | Carrie Iversen | 8621 |
| Treasurer | Jerry Lyddon | 7746 |
| Assistant Treasurer | Caren Bundy | 2835 |
| Trustee - 2 Years | Debbie Pfunder | 2646 |
| Trustee - 2 Years | Dan Schwarz | 5404 |
| Trustee - 1 Year | Jerry Goodwin | 1373 |
| Trustee - 1 Year | Jose Melgares | 1353 |

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY- August and September

| 08/03/79 | Bob & June Hutson | | |
|----------|--------------------------|----------|----------------------------|
| 08/05/00 | Mike & Susan Beal | | |
| 08/06/66 | Bob & Dell Jones | | |
| 08/08/70 | Jack & Beverly Williams | 09/07/74 | Doug & Leslie Stauber |
| 08/19/67 | Stephen & K.D. Couch | 09/11/93 | Chris & Lindsey Buckley |
| 08/20/11 | John & Amanda Gayle | 09/22/10 | Michael & Trevina Champion |
| 08/21/76 | Larry & Linda Ford | | |
| 08/23/08 | Paul & Sabra Francis | | |
| 08/28/04 | Michael & Carrie Iversen | | |
| 08/29/75 | Danny & Till Brown | | |

HAPPY BIRTHDAY-August and September

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| 1-Aug | Coreen | Collins | 2-Sep | Lorraine | Gray |
| 2-Aug | Jason | Goodwin | 5-Sep | Leslie | Spilman |
| 3-Aug | Lisa | Hansen | 5-Sep | Maria | McAnulty |
| 4-Aug | John | Fuselier | 7-Sep | Mary | Miller |
| 4-Aug | Derrick | George | 10-Sep | Tracy | Elkins |
| 5-Aug | Sharlene | Ferrin | 10-Sep | Roxane | Graff |
| 6-Aug | Cheryl | Verlander | 11-Sep | Tom | Raia |
| 9-Aug | Dan | Nugteren | 12-Sep | Janice | Lange |
| 10-Aug | Jim | Shults | 12-Sep | Valerie | Melgares |
| 11-Aug | Tom | Taroni | 13-Sep | JoAnn | Shults |
| 13-Aug | Bob | Miller | 14-Sep | Jim | Mercer |
| 16-Aug | David | Rice | 17-Sep | Susan | Beal |
| 17-Aug | Ken | Laney | 18-Sep | Leslie | Stauber |
| 19-Aug | Jim | Miller | 22-Sep | Chuck | Bracht |
| 22-Aug | Adam | Mathews | 24-Sep | Mike | Beal |
| 24-Aug | Jennifer | Cary | 26-Sep | Paul | Francis |
| 24-Aug | Tina | Miller | 26-Sep | Sabra | Francis |
| 26-Aug | Carol | Baker | | | |
| 28-Aug | Vicki | Ketchum | | | |
| 29-Aug | Tonia | Goodwin | | | |
| 30-Aug | Shelby | Bagwell | | | |
| 30-Aug | Sue | Gaines | | | |

Welcome New Members

Larry & Linda Ford Rick Cassani & LeAnn Hill John & Amanda Gayle Christopher & Lana Dalston Paul & Sabra Francis

2021 GHAC Rally Schedule

(That's Greater Houston Airstream Club)

September 2021

- September 2-7: Labor Day Rally, Vineyards of Fredericksburg RV Park
 - o 2647 US Hwy 87, Fredericksburg, TX 78624: 830-992-1237
 - Hosts: Vicki and Tom Ketchum, vketchum@sbcglobal.net

October 2021

- October 7-10: October Rally, Galveston RV Resort and Marina
 - o 6310 Heards Lane, Galveston, TX 77551: 409-744-2837
 - Hosts: June and Bob Hutson, mjunetoo@aol.com

November 2021

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- November 4-7: Harvest Rally, Lake Livingston/Onalaska KOA
 - 15152 U.S. Hwy 190 West, Onalaska, TX 77360: 936-646-3824
 - Hosts: Rick and Tracy Elkins, rick112851@gmail.com

December 2021

- December 2-5: Christmas & Installation Rally, KOA Lake Conroe
 - 19785 Highway 105 West, Conroe, TX 77356: 936-582-1200
 - Hosts: TBD Still looking for hosts for this event

THE SUNSHINE CORNER

By Carol Goodwin

One of the major perks of being a member of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International (WBCCI) is going to the international rallies. My husband and I just came back from the International Airstream Rally in Lebanon, Tennessee. We had a great time not just with our regular members, but with members from all over the United States, Canada, and Europe. This is a great chance to travel further from the Houston area to other parts of the U.S. hopefully to cooler climes. Some of the things to enjoy is seeing new innovations by Airstream and other supporting manufacturers in the RV industry. Other things include learning to cook in an Airstream and trailer maintenance. There is a pet show, flea market, a hobby and art show, and quilting activities. There are also tours to visit local venues. I hope to see you soon at an international rally soon!

Member Concerns:

Fred Walschburger has finished chemotherapy. Although he feels weaker than before chemotherapy, he is getting out more and driving. He's moved on from a liquid diet to eating solid food. And, he is able to go out with Sue at least three times a week. We wish him continued success in his recovery. Fred says to tell everyone that he is hanging in there and that he has some good days and some bad days. He also wants to thank everyone for caring about him.

Condolences to Rick and Tracy Elkins on the passing of Rick's brother-in-law, Retired USAF Colonel Nicholas C. Nicholas, veteran with 34 years of service. Rick and Tracy left the International Rally early so that they could be with their family in Oklahoma. The link below will take you to Nick's obituary.

Col. Nicholas Obituary

Have Happy and Safe Travels!

August 2021

Time to Plan for Next Year

2022 GHAC Rally Schedule

(Subject to change)

| Event | Date | Place |
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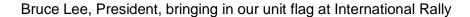
| Annual Luncheon | 1/22/2022 | TBD |
|------------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|
| Valentines Rally | 2/10-13/22 | Matagorda Bay RV and Nature Park |
| GHAC Rally | 3/10-13/22 | Lake Conroe/Houston North KOA |
| GHAC Rally | 4/21-24/22 | Jamaica Beach RV Park |
| Region 9 Rally | 4/26-5/1/22 | Mineola, TX |
| Memorial Day Rally | 5/26-30/22 | Johnson Creek RV Resort |
| International | 7/16-23/22 | Fryeburg, Maine |
| Labor Day Rally | 9/1-5/22 | Blue Lagoons RV Resort |
| 2GHAC Rally | 10/13-16/22 | Lake Somerville State Park |
| Buddy Rally | 11/17-20/22 | Brazos Bend State Park |
| Christmas/Installation | 12/29-1/1/23 | Coushatte Recreation Ranch |

Airstream Club Websites- Just so you don't forget

The Airstream Club website <u>HTTPS://airstreamclub.org</u> gives you access to your members only section by clicking on login in the upper righthand corner.

The Greater Houston Airstream Club website is found at: https://airstreamclub.org/greater-houston. where information on current GHAC rallies, unit newsletters and more can be found. Check us out.

Photos from the International Rally, Lebanon, Tennessee July 17-24, 2021







Vern Goodwin and Helen Teegarden compare notes while Dorma Kindle and Lyle and Peggy Snow smile for the camera.



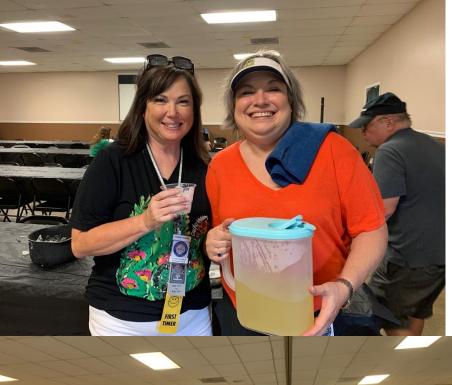


Rick and Roxane Graff discuss what a great time they are having with Bruce Lee.

Barbara and Jim Mercer get ready to enjoy lunch.



The Goodwin's take an unusual rest break. They were all busy.



Carrie Iverson and Tracy Elkins, with their wonderful spouses, hosted a margarita night with wonderful Mexican food also.

Affiliate members Ronn and Rae Lady and International them and to the left.

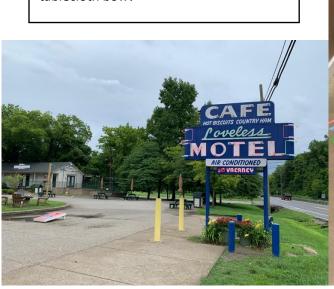
Gilbert checked everyone in for the Region 9 luncheon. Region 9 First Parliamentarian Joanne Miller looks on. Ken Laney is standing behind



The Flea Market is always a big hit.

There were many opportunities for enjoying the country dining around Nashville.

Carol Goodwin enjoyed the Pinata and tablecloth bow!







Servers for the Region 9 Sunday buffet are ready to serve







Greater Houston Airstream Club pets made impressive showings at the pet show.

Above, Ashley Billard showed Nina and Nicki, who performed beautifully on a very hot morning.

To the left are Lia and Ken Laney with Go-Go. Go-Go, meaning dog in Chinese, placed first in tricks and Best in Show. Way to go Go-Go, Lia and Ken!

Also, although not shown, Debbie and Clark Gardner's cat, Jaspurr, placed second in the competition for cats. It was a hot day and Jaspurr still prefers the inside of his Airstream.

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Message from Bob Jones

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.



Our service team will pinpoint problem areas on a chart and consult with the customer a plan for corrective action. This is a true cost saving & preventive measure to protect your RV investment. The cost is \$230 - \$345 depending on your coach configuration. So, give us a call to discuss how we can protect your RV, we think you'll be glad you did!

Get out there and enjoy your Airstream adventures!