

THE ROADRUNNER



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President's Message—June 2021

I feel like the school kid checking off the days on the calendar, the racehorse entering the gate, or the countdown on one of Elon Musk's rockets.....summer is rounding the corner and I'm ready to hit the open road. With COVID vaccines received, I definitely feel free, with a tiny bit of caution, packing my masks and hand sanitizers.

The past three rallies, although weather challenged, were a blast. Catching up with friends and meeting new members is always the highlight of my rally experience. Solving a murder mystery and cruising on the river walk just made them more special.

Next trip is the 2021 International Rally in Lebanon, Tennessee. Please let me know if you are attending, so we can send you an invitation for our club luncheon. Also send me your itinerary, we are all going to the same place, simply different roads. We might be in the same town at the same time, it has happened a lot.

Next week I will be sending out registration and instructions for our last two 2021 rallies. Please sign up before you leave for the summer. The State Fair-Everything on a Stick Rally, will be held at Grapevine RV Park on September 23-26. Grapevine has so much to offer, with wineries, train rides, cute little downtown with shops & restaurants, it will be hard to decide between the State Fair or exploring Grapevine. Saturday, I have arranged glass blowing classes where you can actually blow your own wine glass and the pavilion has been rented for the evening to see who has the most creative dinner on a stick. For those going on the Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta Caravan, this is a perfect start as we meet in Abilene on Sunday, the 26th.

The Installation Rally will be held on November 4th-7th at the Vineyard RV Park in Fredericksburg. This is also the end of the line for the West of the Pecos Caravan led by the Trimbles and Brooks. Still working on a hop on-hop off bus for wine tasting, Nimitz Museum, Ruff House for appetizers, shopping for Christmas, and catered dinner on Saturday for the installation Party. There will be cake!

Lastly, this is my wish and mantra..... whatever you do this summer, I hope it is full of adventure, good health, laughter, old friends, new friends, and family.

Stay Safe,
Carol Sajovich, THLAC President

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2021 CONTACT INFORMATION

2021 CLUB CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Executive Board:

President:	Carol Sajovich
1st VP:	Steve Zeringue
2nd VP:	Frank Steed
Corr. Secretary:	Keith Ferry
Rec. Secretary:	Betty Richards
Treasurer:	Bruce Nutt
Past President:	Keith Ferry
Webmaster:	Debbie Trimble
Trustees:	Rick Trimble
	Harvey Craig
	Mike Lovell
	Brenda Heinold

Standing/Special Committee Chairs:

Caravan:	Marty Berdan
Chaplain:	Cinda Brooks
Community Service:	Gayle Steed
Constitution/Bylaws:	Harvey Craig
Directory:	Mike Lovell
Marketing:	Peter Sajovich
Membership:	Peter Sajovich
Newsletter:	Keith Ferry
Sunshine:	Cindy Berdan

For Security Purposes The Roadrunner does not publish contact information. Please refer to your Membership Directory.

2021

July 15-24	64th International WBCCI Rally Lebanon, TN
Sept. 23-26	Everything on a Stick Rally / State Fair of Texas The Vineyards RV Park, Grapevine, TX
Sept 26– Oct. 9	Balloon Fiesta Unit Caravan Albuquerque, NM
Oct 21-Nov 2	West of the Pecos Caravan Del Rio, TX
Nov 4-7	Installation Rally The Vineyard, Fredericksburg, TX

2022

Nov. 29-Dec. 1	Christmas Rally & Auction NTAC RV Park, Hillsboro, TX
Feb 17-19	Lone Star Cowboy Poetry Lost Alaskan, RV Park, Alpine, TX
March 24-27	Airport Park—US Corps Waco, TX
April 26-May1	Region 9 Rally ~ ‘Let’s Get Together’ Minneola, TX
July 23-29	2022 International Rally Fryeburg, Maine

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Check us out:

If you own an Airstream and are curious about what being a member of the Texas Highland Lakes Airstream Club and the Airstream Club International (WBCCI) would be like, visit texashighlandlakes.airstreamclub.net, our club website. Listed are events offered by our club. You are welcome to attend one of our events provided there is space available. You would be responsible for any fees covering your camping site, event activities and/or meals. We look forward to welcoming you as a prospective member of our club.



Family – Fun & Music is around the corner

I am super excited about the 64th Annual Wally Byam Airstream Club International Rally in Lebanon, Tennessee, and it's just around the corner.

If you haven't registered yet, there is still time. 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. You can register [HERE](#). The Rally is from July 17th to July 24th, 2021. The Rally kick-off is planned for Saturday, July 17th and the closing celebration on Friday night, July 23rd.

Entertainment will include Ron Saylor, Top Tier, and the Airstream Club Concert Band. Exhibitors such as Blue Ox, Dexter Axle, Lifeline Batteries, and MicroAir, to name a few. Plus, there will be over 40 presentations and seminars on a variety of topics.

July 17th – Vintage Airstream Parade, Rally Welcome Dinner, Opening Ceremony
 July 18th – Vintage Open House, 60's Dance
 July 19th – Jam Session & Movie sponsored by the Vintage Club
 July 20th – Pet Show & Ron Saylor
 July 21st – Band Concert & FCIS Sponsored Ice Cream Social
 July 22nd – Justin Humphreys Airstream Inc and 2022 Fryeburg Rally Registration Starts
 July 23rd – 90 Years of Airstream by Samantha Martin – Closing Ceremonies
 PLUS, much more!

All COVID guidelines and precautions will be in place. Precautions such as social distancing, face coverings, no shared meals, only served meals (using food safety practices), plus sanitizing of tables, chairs, and equipment will be in place for this event as needed.

We have adjusted our cancellation dates to make sure all members have the opportunity to register for Lebanon. The standard cancellation policy is as follows refund requests received by June 5th, 2021, will be assessed a \$50.00 fee. Refund requests after June 6th, 2021, will be assessed a 50% fee. NO refunds after July 3rd, 2021. If local authorities prevent the Rally from taking place, those registered will receive a 100% refund of their rally fees.

I am certain we will have a fun and safe Rally. Sign up today to reserve your spot by visiting airstreamclub.org/Lebanon.

Hope to see you there!
 Andrew Selking
 International President

Region 9 Brunch Sunday, July 18, 2021 International Rally Lebanon, Tennessee You are cordially invited to attend the Region 9 Brunch to be held at the 2021 WBCCI International Rally in Lebanon, Tennessee. The Brunch will be held on Sunday, July 18, 2021, at 10:30 A.M., in Buildings D/E, East/West Building. It will be a catered, Touchless Buffet. We have requested both Buildings D/E in order to accommodate our Region 9 members and guests. However, due to COVID restrictions, the maximum number of attendees we may have has been limited. Please reserve your place as soon as possible. You don't want to miss out attending this fun Region event. Tickets are \$16 per person. **Please RSVP by Friday, July 9, 2021**, to David Thompson, Region 9 Treasurer: david@highsiesta.com. Send your check **payable to Region 9** to: David Thompson 2200 4th Ave. #305 Canyon, Texas 79015

Are you planning to attend the International Rally?

Please be sure to let THLAC President, Carol Sajovich know your plans at carol_sajovich@hotmail.com. She would like to welcome you when you arrive and invite you for Happy Hour get togethers and the traditional THLAC lunch.

THLAC CLUB NEWS

Report from THLAC Spring Business Meeting

Motion 1: That the club allow \$2,500 to offset the expenses of the 2021 Christmas Rally. Passed

Motion 2: To accept the slate of nominees for the THLAC officers for 2021-2022. Passed

President:	Steve Zeringue	Treasurer:	Bruce Nutt
1st Vice President:	Frank Steed	1 Year Trustee:	Mike Lovell
2nd Vice President:	Bill Saulnier	1 Year Trustee:	Brenda Heinold
Corresponding Secretary:	Keith Ferry	2 Year Trustee:	Paula Haddox
Recording Secretary:	Nancy Powers	2 Year Trustee:	Richard Roucloux

Motion 3: To Appoint Carol Sajovich, Delegate, and Steve Zeringue, Alternate to WBCCI Delegates Meeting and that they should vote their personal conscience for the good of the club. Passed

Motion 4: To approve the slate of nominees for WBCCI Internal Officers 2021-2022 Passed

Motion 5, 6 & 7: To approved the proposed WBCCI Constitutional Amendments #1, #2 & #3 Passed

THLAC 2022 CALENDAR PROPOSED RALLIES

Steve Zeringue—President Elect

DATE	LOCATION	COMMENTS
Nov. 29 - Dec 1, 2021 Mon - Wed	NTAC RV Park Hillsboro, TX	Christmas Rally & Auction Dates are confirmed but trying to get a weekend
Feb 17-19, 2022	Lost Alaskan RV Park 432-832-1136	Lone Star Cowboy Poetry Alpine, TX
March 24-27, 2022 (Confirm in October)	Airport Park—US Corps Waco, TX	Lots of Activities
April 26– May 1, 2022	Region 9 Rally Mineola, TX	
July 23-29, 2022	2022 International Rally Fryeburg, Maine	Registration Begins: July 22, 2021, 2 PM Central Time
October 2022	THLAC Caravan West of the Pecos	Confirming Dates
October 20-23, 2022 October 27-29, 2022	NTAC RV Park Hillsboro, TX	Texas Country Reporter Festival Waxahatchie, TX
November 17-20, 2022 (Confirm in November)	Oakdale RV Park Glen Rose, TX	Installation Rally With North Texas Club

A Message from Frank Steed—2nd Vice President

As we begin to select THLAC Rally locations for 2023 we would like your input. Our goal is to have enjoyable rallies in locations that you would like to experience. Watch your email for a survey going out in the next few days. The survey shouldn't take more than 5 minutes to complete and your prompt response will allow us to begin searching for great destinations. Thanks in advance for your assistance and we look forward to seeing you on the road.

Frank Steed, 2nd Vice-President
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AND
GREAT
MEMORIES**

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Update on the WOP—West Of the Pecos Caravan

Rick & Debbie Trimble and Stanley & Cinda Brooks



The excitement for the WOP Caravan jumped up a big notch after the Trimble / Brooks scouting run. If we have half as much fun as the scouting run was...it'll be a great caravan. Good news...as we made the rounds, we made adjustments to campgrounds and were able to bump the caravan to 14 rigs (counting the co-host rigs). The standby list is scrolling upwards. Thanks to you all who showed enthusiasm and trust to pitch your names in. If the caravan goes well...there is rumor of more WOPs in the future.

Alumawagons will circle up in Del Rio October 21, adventure into the Great West Texas just in time to wash the sand off our rigs and join the Installation Rally November 3rd in Fredericksburg.

CLUB DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS:

New email? Address? Please send info to Keith Ferry at ferry_keith@hotmail.com

Pam Faulk Email: gryhoundgrl@gmail.com

Julie Jordan: Zipcode: 81623

Tom Beebe Email: tbeebe144@gmail.com

Ray & Donna Herrold New address: 548 Tanda Lane, Hutto, TX 78634

Lee & Tricia Henry New address: P. O. Box 947, Fredericksburg, TX 78624-0947

Tricia Henry Email: tricia.henry@att.net

Congratulations to Peter and Carol Sajovich on Receiving the Founder's Award

THE FOUNDER'S AWARD

Purpose: To establish a Membership Program which would identify and reward outstanding service in the club through new membership recruitment.

Requirement for Membership: The honoree must be a member in good standing of the WBCCI and must have sponsored a minimum number of fifteen (15) new regular members following the approval and initiation of this program. Recruitment of former members who renew their membership within three (3) years will not count towards this award: They join the following THLAC members in being recognized for the Founder's Award.

Myron Fischer #345

Jimmy Mooney #703

Marque Mooney #703

Patti Ramsey #6670

Carol Sajovich #13349

Peter Sajovich #13349



THLAC is organizing a **New Member Mentoring Program** beginning in the Fall. This program can help retain new members, increase participation, improve member satisfaction and reinforce safe RV practices. We all enjoy sharing our travel experiences and maintenance tips with our Airstream friends.

We are looking for volunteers who would be willing to be a New Member Mentor. Training will be provided via a Zoom meeting. As a mentor, your role will be to help new members feel welcome and keep them informed of upcoming rallies and club activities. Mentors main goal is to help new members quickly feel part of the club.

Have you been a member for only a year or so? You would make a great mentor for you have just experienced becoming part of THLAC. To volunteer, please contact Keith Ferry at ferry_keith@hotmail.com.

CHANGE IN MEMBERSHIP DUES PAYMENT

The WBCCI membership year is currently from January 1—December 31. For all current members, your dues are to be renewed by January 1 which is considered to be your "Anniversary Date". You should start looking at renewing for 2022 no sooner than 120 days before your Anniversary Date which is October 1, 2021. Reminder emails will be sent directly to primary and partner members 2-3 months before their membership expires.

For our newest members who joined WBCCI in 2021, their "Anniversary Date" will be the date they joined. If new member joined on September 12, 2021, their dues would need to be renewed by September 12, 2022. The intention of this change is spread out headquarters workload and cash flow. It will also prevent the confusion caused by pro-rating dues when members join mid-year. New members will also receive reminder emails 2-3 months before their membership expires.

Membership/Marketing Report

Peter Sajovich

The word is getting out, we have more activities and more fun with our Airstreams and as a result our membership continues to grow. Our New Owner Workshops are getting rave reviews and the clubs future seems brighter than ever. But the best still lies ahead of us! Airstream of Austin has received final approvals from the City of Buda and will start construction momentarily on the 22.99 acre site with I-35 frontage in two phases. Phase 1 will be the construction of the all Airstream single story 27 feet tall facility, which will house several service bays and contain an indoor show room. When completed this will be the home of Airstream of Austin.



Phase 2 will also be a single story, 35' tall facility housing Explore USA displaying all other SOB's. (*Some Other Brands*)



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Membership/Marketing Report

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I'm sure you've all heard COVID has caused the sales Airstreams to exceed all previous records. Both Camper Clinic & Airstream DFW are completely out of inventory. Justin Humphreys VP of Sales announced that in May Jackson Center had 1,237 families working around the clock to try to catch up with existing orders.

Airstreams coveted Top Sales awards include sales from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Our two favorite dealers are neck and neck for top sales award for Central United States.

1. Camper Clinic II – Buda, TX
2. Airstream of DFW – Fort Worth, TX
3. Windish RV Center – Lakewood, CO
4. Airstream of Oklahoma – Oklahoma City, OK
5. TIED - Airstream of New Mexico – Albuquerque, NM
5. TIED - Airstream of Mississippi – Gulfport, MS

Coming down the final stretch these positions can change with only a couple of sales. So if you're thinking of upgrading June would be the perfect month to visit your favorite dealer.

There are five Airstream dealerships in Texas and thus far I've called on three of them. Yep, with the introductions made by Josh Fonner, Regional Sales Director for Airstream, Carol and I drove to Amarillo to visit with Jack Sisemore.



Turns out Jack sold his dealership to Camping World who asked Jack and his son to stay and continue to run the dealership. Jack DID NOT SELL his museum which is a must stop if you're in the area. Jack is very close with our Texas Plains Unit so no need for me to call on him anymore. Plus Jack knows more about Airstreams and our club than I do.



By the way if you're in Amarillo don't forget to order your FREE dinner at the Big Texan!

New Owner Weekend Workshop May 21st, 22nd & 23rd

Our weekend at Lake Grapevine was cancelled due to flooding at The Vineyards campground. At the last minute we switched venues to NTAC. Thanks to the efforts of Frank & Gayle Steed and Steve & Ginger it turned out to be one of the best ever!

Testimonial (Optional)

Fantastic program! Great tips for us
newbies! Presenters were very knowledgeable
and friendly. It was fun meeting all the
other newbies too!



Friday evening barbecue



Chef Steve Zeringue



Angela Vold attended the workshop



Instructor Ginger Zeringue - Session #4



Photos by Peter Sajovich

Saturday night dinner at R & K Cafe

NEW MEMBER PAGE

Welcome New Members

Timothy & Lucinda West
2021 Intl Serenity 30'
Conroe, TX

Amy & Jerry Newman
2020 Globetrotter 23'
Georgetown, TX

Scott & Pamela McWilliams
2019 International 28'
Austin, TX

Bruce Leonard
2016 Flying Cloud 26'
Houston, TX

Dean & Julie Lechtenbrger
2021 Flying Cloud 25'
Georgetown, TX

Denis & Patti Blanchet
2021 Atlas 25'
Magnolia, TX

Barry Brooks
2017 International 25'
Austin, TX

Vickie & Ray Spaw
2021 Globetrotter 27'
Burnet, TX

Coleman Fung
2021 Bambi 19'
Spicewood, TX

Angela Vold
2017 Flying Cloud 27'
Austin, TX

Deborah Kline & Jeff Derstine
2019 Atlas 25'
Helotes, TX

Jerry & Cindy Hazfeld
2021 Globetrotter 27'
Lewisville, TX

Kimberly Harmon
2021 Caravel 19'
League City, TX

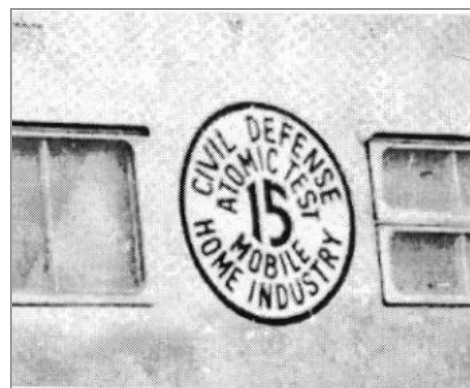
Robert & Lynda Brandon
2021 Globetrotter 23'
Garland, TX

Your Airstream as an Escape Pod

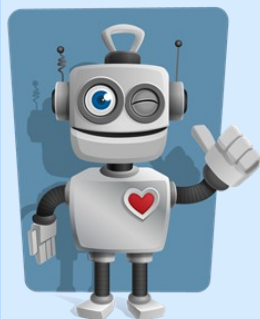
Have you considering equipping your Airsteam as an escape pod? June 1 is the beginning of the hurricane season which goes through the end of November. Texans are encouraged to be prepared with emergency supplies. We have also experienced an unusual year dealing with Covid-19 and the Texas Freeze. Several members utilized their Airstream rigs when they needed to quarantine or needed access to water and electricity as the result of the freeze.

I realized that our Airstream was ideal for emergency situations while at the International Rally held at Lewisburg, West Virginia. There was a devastating flood through out the area. People who lived locally had no food, water or electricity. There were all of us at the rally with generators, propane gas for cooking, and plenty of bottled water and non-perishable food items. We had cleaning supplies and extra blankets to share. Since we were well taken care of our selves, we were able to help unload trucks of supplies and help in the community

Back in the 1950's a mock neighborhood including trailers was set up to be pitted against an Atomic Bomb. The explosion was equivalent to 40,000 tons of TNT. To everyone's surprise, the Airstream fared better than the other trailers which were damaged significantly. The Airstream had only a small dent in the rear and two broken windows — it had not even popped a rivet.



Airstreams are built to be durable and last for many years of travel. Consider using your Airstream as an escape pod. A suggested 72 Hour Kit for emergencies offers lots of helpful suggestions. It can be used at home or when you are traveling. (See Pages 17-18)



Dear Rivet, Why do members save pull tabs? Pop

Dear Pop, Airstreamers collect pull tabs throughout the year. These are then collected and turned in at the International Rally. Hundreds of pounds of pull tabs are then sorted, weighed, and cashed in for money which is donated to Ronald McDonald House. This is an ongoing WBCCI community service project.

PARTY LINE and PRAYERS/CONCERNS

Jim & Paula Haddox

We spent a very relaxing 4 days at Mustang Island SP, the goal of which was to find good seafood, explore the area for more good camping spots and watch the boats. The seafood places were ho-hum but we did find camping places we'd return to. The boat-watching was facilitated by an internet site giving departures and arrivals in the harbor at Corpus Christi. That was interesting.

For the moment we have no travel plans for the summer but are always open to a spur-of-the-moment trip. Unfortunately the need to make reservations everywhere makes that difficult....but not impossible.

Happy Trails. Paula and Jim Haddox



Tom & Jean Beebe

We are off to Wisconsin for the summer on June 7th. Have a great summer. Jean

Bill & Elaine Saulnier

We have had Airstream fun this year attending the Stars and Bars (Snowmegeddon) Rally, the Georgia on my Mind National Caravan with Rick and Debbie Trimble, and most recently the Fiesta (Tornado and Flood) Rally in San Antonio. We had good times at all events despite some poor weather luck. This week we are starting all over again with a Classic 30 Airstream. So far we have unloaded all our stuff and got most of it back into the new rig but we have more work to do. There are really a lot of things to set up and the new configuration takes some "getting used to". Worst of all we have to remember where we put everything. Our initial camping experience with the new one will begin next week. Many thanks to Mike Richards and Peter Sajovitch who have been conducting a Newbie session for Bill via email covering stuff not included in the walk through. Even though this is not our first Airstream it is great that we have good friends with experience to call on.

PARTY LINE *and* PRAYERS/CONCERNS

Angi English & Sue Skyler



We've taken a trip to the LCRA South Shore of Lake Bastrop to continue to learn more about our new Airstream. (Aerial view of AS at Lake Bastrop).

I wrote an article published in Medium.com titled, "For Want of a Nail: Are you a High Reliability Airstreamer."

<https://carolinagal14.medium.com/for-want-of-a-nail-are-you-a-high-reliability-airstreamer-ed2b05b590c6>

I am in the process of writing another Medium article about considerations for using a drone from a recreational pilot perspective while Airstreaming with suggestions on what drone to buy and safety considerations.

Angi's Medium Blog: <https://medium.com/@Carolinagal14>

LinkedIn: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/angi-english-23057266>



Sue, a volunteer veterinarian for Austin Wildlife Rescue is building a Raptor Mew (raptor bedrooms) for three raptors undergoing rehabilitation and will eventually be Educational Bird Ambassadors. Pictured above is one of the Raptors needing help. This guy was caught in a wire fence, the Critter Dr. (Susan) did surgery. One of the mew residents.

PARTY LINE *and* PRAYERS/CONCERNS

Keith & Barbra Roberts

Keith and Barbara purchased a 2020 Airstream Classic 33RBT. Congratulations!

Mike & Helen Dickerson

A little bit of news. We sold the 2018 Airstream Sprinter and are now waiting (patiently) for our 2021 Airstream Flying Cloud. Due the end of June!!!! Bigger news, We have two brand new granddaughters born May 3rd and May 13!! Moms' and girls are doing fine.. Mark & Helen Dickerson

John & Kay Irwin

Three trips to the coast this year. Two to Port A along with friends with SOBs and one to Port O'Connor with an informal rally group. I would definitely not recommend Port O'Connor, although the RV park here was new and excellent. Other than that, two rallies and some short state and COE park visits. John & Kay Irwin

Ed & Cheri Addicks



We just brought home our 2019 Flying Cloud! We travelled through 17 states over 3 weeks to bring Shiloh safely home. It sure feels good to have a "home away from home" again! Some our trip highlights included visiting: the WWI Memorial and Museum in Kansas City, Sioux Falls for the first time, the State Museum in Bismarck (North Dakota was the last of the contiguous 49 states for both of us to visit), Bozeman (which is a new favorite town of ours), the State Capitol in Helena, Coeur d'Alene (a continued favorite of ours), and Spokane. We had a great time camping, and it felt great to get home to Anacortes.

In July we'll be attending our first Washington rally in Rockport (note to Peter and Carol that Lee and Jan are leading the rally). We miss our friends in Texas, and look forward to meeting up with Grady and Keith after their Oregon Trail Caravan. We hope everyone enjoys the summer; always feel welcome to visit us in the Pacific Northwest if your travels bring you this way (we have full hook-ups). Ed & Cheri Addicks



PARTY LINE and PRAYERS/CONCERNS

Mark & Lisa Randolph

We have a new Cava poo puppy we named Sadie. Sadie will travel with our other Cava poo Kira as we go camping this summer following my hip replacement. Mark & Lisa Randolph

Harvey & Gail Craig

Finally got the lithium batteries installed. Went with Lithionics & Victron controllers & Xantex inverter/converter; wanted the new Victron but it won't be out until Sept or so. Have 650Ah and 720W of solar and can add another 200W of solar if I want.

We are departing NTAC on Saturday, May 15 headed to LA, AL, GA, NC, & TN for the International. Will join up with the VAC folks prior to International.

After International, we head to the Ruidoso home arriving the first part of Aug. Plan to return to NTAC for 1 1/2 weeks in Sept. before the Balloon Fiesta Caraven starts. Then plan to return to NTAC for 1 1/2 weeks in Nov. for the Installation Rally & then back to Ruidoso until March.

So happy to be Airstreaming again! Safe travels to everyone & hope to see you down the road! Harvey & Gail Craig

Marty & Cindy Berdan

Hello

Hope everyone is vaccinated and doing well. Our family has been safe through all this and only one not vaccinated because she is too young.

We have been tearing out shrubs and replanting shrubs ourselves. It is kind of like starting over with a 16 YO house. We leave soon for a trip to CO and Dinosaur National Monument then to Flaming Gorge, Custer, SD and to Badlands NP. On our way home we will stop in Hamilton, MO to visit Missouri Star Quilting Co Stores. Our trip is about one month long.

After we return home I will be getting a Cochlear Implant in my right ear on July 12. My left ear has severe hearing loss, but I can still wear a Super Hearing aid in it. The cochlear implant will not provide instant hearing because the brain must learn to use it. Please be patient ☺ The hearing loss is a combination of congenital hearing loss and Meniere's Disease.

If anyone knows someone who might be a candidate for a CI there is a group on FB called Cochlear Experiences which is both educational and compassionate, yes there are some good features to Social Media.

Looking forward to future get togethers

See you down the road, Cindy and Marty Berdan

Cinco de Mayo Rally



Photos by Peter Sajovich

Top Left: Elaine & Bill Saulnier enjoy a Mexican dinner at the Market.

Top Right: The sun came out in time for a historic barge trip along the waterway.

Bottom Left: The beautiful Japanese Gardens.

Bottom Right: Bruce Nutt enjoying one of the many puddles resulting from the torrential rainfall during the rally.



Flamingo Flip

Thanks to a great suggestion from Jamie Eng, # 13135, we have a new page for our newsletter, Flamingo Flip. This is space for you to list items you have for sale or swap. Submit information and photos to Keith Ferry at ferry_keith@hotmail.com.

Used PROVEN INDUSTRIES 2020 Airstream Hitch lock set:

<https://www.provenlocks.com/collections/2-5-16-tailer-coupler-locks/products/model-2516-e>

Contact: Keith Roberts at rrobertsg@gmail.com

In Box - Fiamma Carry-Bike for Airstream Came with our new Classic don't want to install it.

<https://www.fiammausa.com/en/carry-bike-841011293/bike-carriers-for-caravans-1134443429/carry-bike-airstream-en>

Contact: Keith Roberts at rrobertsg@gmail.com

Looking to sell my 1967 Caravel

It is in very good original condition. 17 feet long. New tires, brakes and AC unit. Thoroughly inspected when I purchased it three years ago. If interested contact: Linda or Dave Heier at 210-651-4255.



THLAC LOGO FLAGS FOR SALE

Cost is \$75 payable to THLAC. To order, contact

Frank Steed at fsteed@thesteedconsultancy.com

Suggested Contents for a 72-Hour Kit

By Beth McCall

Food and Water

Have a three day supply of food and water per person. Include items that do not need refrigeration or cooking.

- Protein bars
- Dried fruit and nuts
- Crackers and cereals
- Canned tuna, baked beans
- Crystal Lite type mixes
- Hard candy or sweet treats
- About 3 gallons of water per person

Fuel and Light

- Flashlight (a wind up/shake is great since they don't need batteries) and Batteries
- Candles
- Lighter & Water-proof matches

Personal Supplies and Medication

- First Aid kit
- Toiletries (roll of toilet paper—remove the center tube to easily flatten into a zip loc bag)
- Cleaning supplies (hand sanitizer, soap, shampoo, dish soap, etc.) (Warning: scented items may flavor food items if stored together)
- Prescription medication for 3 days
- Non-prescription meds (pain relief medicines, anti-diarrheal medication, antacids, laxatives)
- Small plastic bags, ties and moist towelettes for personal sanitation

Miscellaneous

- Bags to put 72 Hour Kit items in such as duffel bags or backpacks) Make sure you can carry it!
- Games and books
- Scriptures

Bedding and Clothing

- Change of clothing (short and long sleeved shirts, pants, jackets, socks, etc)
- Undergarments
- Rain coat/poncho
- Sleeping bag
- Large plastic bags
- A plastic sheet & duct tape for sheltering in place

Equipment

- Can opener
- Dishes/Utensils
- Shovel
- Radio with batteries or hand crank kind
- Pen and Paper. Have a permanent marker. If you leave your house you can leave a message on the outside wall
- Small axe
- Pocket knife
- Rope
- Whistle to signal help

Copies of Documents and Money

- Place these items in a water proof bag
- Contact phone numbers of relatives and close friends
- Copies of legal documents (birth / marriage certificates, wills, passports, contracts, etc.)
- Copies of any urgent medical papers
- Insurance policies
- Cash (in case ATMs aren't working)
- Bank account and credit card numbers
- Photos of family members. Attach a homemade photo ID of the owner of the 72 Hour Kit with important information in case you are separated or injured or lose you kit.

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Beyond the Kit

Slippers or shoes should be by your bed. The Northridge CA Earthquake (1994) struck at 4:31 AM in the dark, while people were in bed. There are numerous stories of families escaping their houses with injured feet. Many people had breakage of items and windows as well as brick walls that had collapsed blocking exits. Some had to jump out of smashed windows as the doorways had twisted and couldn't be opened. You will already be in a bad situation, don't make it worse by injuring yourself.

People have different reactions and reaction times. After a disaster event, some people may be sitting dazed, some may panic, and some will be calm— You won't know how you will react until you are in the situation. Make a plan and have practice drills getting out of your house. Know the safe places in your house. Make sure each member of your family knows where you will meet if not at your house.

Also, be sure to know how to escape from your Airstream's emergency escape windows. Before each trip check to be sure the windows are able to be opened easily.

Keep all cell phones charged and be sure to have car chargers. Having a "corded" phone at home to use during a power outage is also useful.

When traveling, carry local maps and know what county you are in.



Your kit should include: Sturdy leashes, harnesses and/or carriers to transport your **pets** safely and ensure that they **can't** escape. Have three days of Food, and drinking water (a gallon per day), bowls, cat litter/pan and **a** manual **can** opener **if you pet** eats canned food. Medications and copies of medical records stored in **a** waterproof container.

Maintaining Your Kit

After assembling your kit remember to maintain it so it's ready when needed:

- Store boxed food in tightly closed plastic or metal containers.
- Keep canned food in a cool, dry, place.
- Replace expired items as needed.
- Re-think your needs every year and update

Kit Storage Locations

Since you do not know where you will be when an emergency occurs, prepare supplies for home, work and cars.

- **Home:** Keep this kit in a designated place and have it ready in case you have to leave your home quickly. Make sure all family members know where the kit is kept.
- **Work:** Be prepared to shelter at work for at least 24 hours. Your work kit should include food, water and other necessities like medicines, as well as comfortable walking shoes, stored in a "grab and go" case.
- **Car:** In case you are stranded, keep a kit of emergency supplies in your car.



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