



COYOTE TALES



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Saturday at Saint Francis Wolf Sanctuary.



President's Message

We did really well raising money for the RWB these last two rallies. We started something new this last time; we had a grand price at the end. We will do this a bit differently at the next rally. The grand price will go to the one with the most tickets at the end the last rig being drawn. This is the stack built up after being repeated drawn after already winning a price. More ticket will get you a better chance to get the grand price! Carrie will do something really nice – you'll see.

Remember:

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Some of us met up to square out how to do the Region 9 rally with regards to the Taco Bar, Margherita Table, Chili Cook Off and Dutch Oven Breakfast competition. It will be fun and very tasty. Tom has assured us that we will win with his recipe.

I want to stress that it is time to register for the Regional 9 rally in Mineola. It will be a great rally. Lots of fun, fellowship, food and some libations. Nancy Fitzgerald has been hot on her heels getting us back to enjoying this annual rally. I talk to her on a regular basis as this is approaching. Nancy and her crew are busy working, making sure it will be a great event. I urge you to join all the Texas and Oklahoma Airstreamers. It will be a fantastic way of meeting new people, and perhaps, old friends. [Click Here to register.](#)

Did I mention we need help with hosting the October?

It's not the destination, but the journey.

Michael and Carrie Iversen





GHAC Rally Report March 10-13, 2022

By Caren Bundy

The GHAC March rally was held at the Lake Conroe KOA in Montgomery Texas. The Thursday attendees enjoyed beautiful spring weather. The rally was hosted by Tom and Caren Bundy, Rick and Laurie Vice, and Alan, Bernadine, and Ashley Billard, and Ashley's friend, Katherine Richards. Joining the hosts on Thursday were Rick and Tracy Elkins, James and Lisa Feine, Clark Gardner and Debbie Pfunder, Jerry and Carol Goodwin, Vernon and Jo Goodwin, Bob and Lisa Hansen, Michael and Carrie Iversen, Ron and Janice Lange, Bruce Lee, Dave and Jan Rightmyer, Jim and Jo Ann Shults, Tom and Virginia Taroni, and Don and Helen Teegarden. Everyone gathered for happy hour and then split up for dinner. Groups went to the Ransom's Steakhouse, Pizza Shack, and Vernon's Kuntry Katfish.

On Friday the weather changed. The morning temperature was the high for the day and the wind switch from southerly to strong north winds. Friday arrivals were Ken and Lia Laney, and Jerry and Irene Lyddon. Carol Goodwin had a St. Patrick's themed zentangle craft for the ladies on Friday afternoon. Friday's dinner was a delicious Shrimp, Crab, and Corn Soup with bread, salad, and Blue Bell Ice Cream treats. The soup was a recipe that Rick Vice's grandmother used to make for him and was perfect for the cold and wet Friday.

Saturday morning's breakfast was breakfast tacos, clementines, bananas, and juice. After breakfast several members toured the Saint Francis Wolf Sanctuary in Navasota Texas. The sanctuary is a nonprofit charity that provides lifelong sanctuary to non-releasable wolves and wolfdogs. We learned about the story behind the 13 animals currently at the facility and learned how the keepers provide them with daily enrichment. Saturday's dinner was corned beef, potatoes, carrots, and green beans with St. Patrick's themed cupcakes for dessert. The raffle to support Team Red, White, and Blue had a lot of great items including a special GHAC engraved box and knife donated by James Feine. The raffle proceeds were \$120. After cleaning up several members enjoyed visiting around a campfire.



Shrimp and Corn Soup

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| 2 Tbsp oil | 1 can cream corn |
| 2 Tbsp flour | 2 cans whole kernel corn |
| 2 onions | 1 can tomato sauce |
| ½ cup of chopped celery | 1/2 pound of shrimp |
| ½ pound of crab meat | 2 shallots – chop and separate greens from onion parts. |
| 2 – 3 large potatoes | 1 can whole tomatoes |
| Salt and pepper to taste | |

Combine flour and oil; cook on medium low heat until a golden-brown roux is achieved. Stir the roux frequently to prevent burning. Once roux is golden brown, add onions and cook until onions are translucent. Once onions are translucent, add shallot onion parts and cook for about 1 minute. Then add tomato sauce, whole tomatoes, celery, whole and cream corn, and crab meat. Add water to desired thickness without adding too much to significantly reduce tomato flavor (recipe usually yields approximately 1 ¾ gallons of soup with all ingredients combined). Simmer soup covered for 45 minutes then add potatoes. Once potatoes are cooked, add shrimp and shallot's green parts, and cook until shrimp are done.

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Jamaica Beach RV Resort

April 21 – 24, 2022

17200 FM 3005

Galveston, TX 77554

(409) 632-0200

Hosts: Clark Gardner & Debbie Pfunder & Paul Evans & Natalie Garrett

Rally fee: \$ 10. Per person

Start your spring off by attending the April Rally at Jamaica Beach RV Resort. Make your reservation directly with Jamaica Beach RV Resort at the number listed above. We have several more spaces available, so make your reservations before the April 1, 2022 cutoff date. Please register on the Jotform as well. The link is:

<https://form.jotform.com/220386058088158>

For those of you who have already made reservations, your sites have already been assigned to you. You may park, unhook and then go to the office to check in. You can contact me at (832) 776-6055 for your site assignment if you don't already have it.

There are many amenities to be enjoyed at park.

*Lazy River, Beach Pool, Miniature Golf, Infinity Spa, Outdoor Theater, Nature Trails & Bay Access
Playground for the kids.*

Friday and Saturday are free time; however, Vernon Goodwin will be leading a kite flying activity Saturday. You will need to bring your kite with you. Galveston has stores where they can be purchased from. Games and other outdoor activities are planned Saturday afternoon. Please let us know if you can help.

We will also have a rally room and kitchen for meals and other activities. The hosts will provide dinner Friday and Saturday evening. Please bring your drinks, plates and eating utensils both nights. Happy hour Friday and Saturday at 5 pm. Appetizers will be provided by odd BRN's Friday evening and even BRN's on Saturday.

Donuts and coffee will be available Friday morning at the rally room at 8 am. Rob Krajicek with Skymed will provide McDonald's breakfast Saturday morning with a review of Skymed's program.

Galveston provides many wonderful restaurants, Pleasure Pier, Moody Gardens and much more.

If you have any questions, you can reach Debbie at 832 778-6055, dpfunder7@gmail.com or Clark at (713) 204-8126, rcg1@sbcglobal.net.

Regional Rally

As you know, it has been planned for April in Mineola for the past 3 years. 3rd time is a charm – Nancy is assuring us she will keep COVID at bay!

Some of the things to come:

- The theme is “Let’s get together”
- Many activities are centered on doing things together
- Dutch oven cook off
- Possible golf tournament
- Margherita and taco night
- Different take on President’s ceremony
- Chili Cook off
- Black stone breakfast
- Pick up music

More to come from Regional

*******Rally sign up*******

Please don’t forget to sign up for all the rallies.

Also, very important, call the RV parks to reserve – many are booked through the end of the year. I get calls all the time to asked if to free up spots. They are constantly changing their deadlines to release RV spots. Don’t lose out!

Please Help us fill the Host and Co-Host positions for 2022

We need Hosts for Lake Sommerville in October

2022 GHAC Rally Schedule							
Event	Date	Place	Address	Phone		Host	Cohost
Annual Luncheon	1/22/22						
Valentines Rally	2/10-13/22	Galveston RV resort	6310 Heards Lane, Galveston	409-744-2837		Mercer	Feine
GHAC Rally	3/10-13/22	Lake Conroe/Houston North KOA	19785 SH-105, Montgomery	936-582-1200		Bundy	Billard
GHAC Rally	4/21-24/22	Jamaica Beach RV Park	7200 FM 3005, Galveston	409-632-0200		Gardner	Evens
Region 9 Rally	4/26-5/1/22		Mineola				
Memorial Day Rally	5/26-30/22	Johnson Creek RV Resort	4279 Junction Hwy, Ingram	830-367-3300		Elkins	Feine
International	7/22-29/22		Fryeburg, Maine				
Labor Day Rally	9/1-5/22	Matagorda Bay RV and Nature Park	6430 FM 2031, Matagorda	979-863-7120		McAnulty	Vice
GHAC Rally	Oct 20-23	Lake Somerville State Park Birch Cree	14222 Park Rd 57, Somerville	979-535-7763	512-389-8900		Billard
Buddy Rally	Nov 10-13	Brazos Bend State Park	21901 FM 762 Rd, Needville	979-553-5102	512-389-8900	Elkins	Schwarz
Christmas/Installation	12/29-1/1/23	Coushatta Recreation Ranch	4029 Clay Ranch Ln, Bellville	979-865-5897			

Airstream Club Websites- Just so you don't forget

The Airstream Club website <HTTPS://airstreamclub.org> 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.

THE SUNSHINE CORNER

By Carol Goodwin

“The first blooms of spring always make my heart sing.”

by S. Brown

MEMBER CONCERNS

Please keep the following club members in your prayers:

Vern Goodwin, Jr, who is doing much better after gall bladder surgery last month. Jo Goodwin who is doing well after her second cataract surgery and says that she is seeing much better.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Dale & Kathy Spillman	April 7, 1966
Dan & Rose Nugteren	April 13, 1985
Jerry & Irene Lyddon	April 15, 1967
Rick & Christina Kanis	April 16, 2000
Jim & Barbara Mercer	April 17, 1970
David & Louise Parry	April 25, 2008
Paul & April Corley	April 27, 2003

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Bob Hutson	April 3
Joanne Miller	April 4
Susan Meeks	April 8
Jerry Calvert	April 9
Peter Dumont	April 11
Grady Ferry	April 12
Ronn Gilbert	April 15
Keith Ferry	April 17
Rick Cary	April 18
Justin Edwards	April 18
Lana Dalston	April 21
John Davis	April 21
Cherie Mathews	April 21
Bob Jones	April 22
Suzan Bernucho	April 23
Ashley Billard	April 25
James Feine	April 27
Bill Kindle	April 27
Kimberly Harmon	April 28

WELCOME SPRING!!



GHAC Mentoring

A mentoring program can help retain members, increase participation, improve member satisfaction and reinforce safe RV practices. Many new Airstream owners join the Wally Byam Caravan Club so they can socialize with experienced Airstreamers and learn the skills of Airstream travel.

Mentoring is designed to help new members rapidly become a comfortable part of the group; otherwise, experience shows many will feel disconnected, somewhat unwelcome, and may eventually drift away.

A primary role of a mentor is to help the new member feel welcome and become knowledgeable about all events and activities. A first step for the mentor is to listen to the new member to find out their interests, expectations of the club, and their past RV experience.

When a new member joins the unit, the membership chair:

- Has a conversation with the new member to explain the mentoring program
- Collects enough information to get an idea of which experienced member might be a good match for the mentor relationship. For example, the chair might look for mentor and new member matches based on geography, profession, Airstream model or other common interests.

Most conversations will probably evolve from at least three themes: **Social, organizational and technical.**

Mentorship Examples

Social

- Explain the details of the rally. Invite them to join you at meals and other functions and activities.
- Explain how the happy hour works with the snacks. Escort the new member to their first couple of happy hours so they know the when, where, and what of the social hour

Organizational

- Talk about the website and make sure the new member has the website address (where they can access the newsletter).
- Explain the process of advance reservations and rallies. Ensure they have the dates and locations for upcoming rallies. Point out the reservation deadline.

Technical

- Tell the new Airstreamer about the “maintenance” section on the WBCCI website, which has dozens of good articles on technical basics.
- Talk about the importance of safety and demonstrate it in your own conduct.

Our club is blessed to have significant experience and knowledge in each of these 3 areas. Members serving as mentors offer new members a great opportunity for quickly sharing and enhancing their club involvement and enjoyment.

All members will remember what it was like to be the “Newbie” where you don’t know many members or how to fit in with activities or events. Mentors assist in eliminating the “Newbie” feeling quickly, by answering questions, introducing members and making sure new members are informed of club activities including how to join in and enjoy. Member and Mentor both will receive benefits from sharing this experience.

Anyone wishing to learn more about how to become a mentor, or you are a current member and desire to have a mentor assigned to work with you please contact Dan (maison1306@gmail.com) or Rick Elkins (rick112851@gmail.com) for additional details and guidance.

Most important, be of good cheer and have fun!

Greater Houston Airstream Club 2021 Unit Officers

Unit Officers:

President	Michael Iversen	8621
1 st Vice President	Dan McAnulty	2162
2 nd Vice President	Rick Elkins	9713
3 rd 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	Daniel Schwarz	5404
Trustee 1 Year	Jose Melgares	7049
Trustee 1 Year	Jerry Goodwin	1131
Parliamentarian	Joanne Miller	212
Immediate Past President	Bruce Lee	5461

Committee Chairpersons:

Caravan	John Sheridan	1326
Constitution & Bylaws	Bruce Lee	5461
Crafts & Projects	Carol Goodwin	1131
Directory Editor	Tracy Elkins	9713
Electronics Communications	Tom Bundy	2835
Historical	Vernon Goodwin, Jr.	131
Membership	Tracy Elkins	9713
Mentorship	Rick Elkins	9713
Newsletter Editor	Michael & Carrie Iversen	8621

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.

Bob Jones

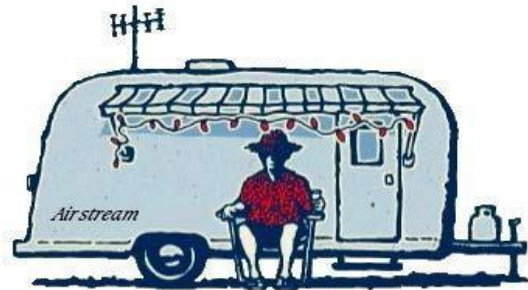
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Our service team will pinpoint problem areas on a chart and consult with the customer a plan for corrective action. This is a true cost saving & preventive measure to protect your RV investment. The cost is \$230 - \$345 depending on your coach configuration. 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!**