Roper Lake Rally Agenda

Things to do there... There is hiking, fishing, swimming, kayaking, boating and Mt Graham!! We love exploring Mt Graham. Town of Safford is an 11-minute drive north.

May 5th Thursday - arrive and settle in.

5:00PM - Join us at the hospitality tent. Look for the Mexican banners.

Vance Bryce Executive Director of the Graham County Chamber of Commerce and Kay Marchione, Adventure Buddy, Gila Valley Office of Tourism, will bring us swag bags of local goodies and talk about the area. They have been invited to join us for dinner.

Cinco de Mayo Fiesta Dinner (Included in Rally Fee)

- Beef Tacos and chicken and vegetable fajitas with all the fixins
- Mexican rice and Refried beans
- Campfire Queso, salsa and Chips
- Churros with cinnamon and sugar

Bring your homemade salsa. Sweet, mild, hot, hotter, chunky, smooth.... We will all vote for our favorite and crown the winner the AZ Airstream Salsa Guru!

Bring your own Margaritas, Mexican beer or Sangria!

May 6th Friday - Explore the park, take a hike, kayak, go fishing...

<u>8:00AM</u> - Breakfast tacos, Fresh Pastries from a local bakery, fruit, juice and hot coffee at the Hospitality tent.

<u>11:00AM to 2:00PM</u> - Gather on the peninsula at the Ramada for a picnic. You can walk over or drive and park very close. Bring your lunch and drinks, a picnic blanket or chair, your fishing pole, go for a swim. There's a beach.

We have arranged for a Paint and take session during this time. All paint supplies, easels, and canvasses will be supplied. We will have a professional instructing us. The subject will be an Airstream at the Lake in the Desert. The fee to participate and keep your artwork is \$20.00 (pay at the event). Please let me know if you are interested. - (Heidi Vail (480) 734-0701)

<u>5:00PM</u> - Cocktails at the hospitality tent

<u>6:00PM</u> - Tonight feel free to have dinner on your own or join us for a potluck dinner at the hospitality tent.

The grill will be fired up to grill your proteins.

Feel free to bring a side or dessert to share.

8:00PM on - Cocktails and Cosmos!

Paul Shultz and his colleagues from the Dessert Stargazers Astro Club will bring out their BIG telescopes and talk about whatever we can see in the sky!

Super cool experience!

May 7th Saturday

<u>9:30AM</u> - Meet at Genavives Marketplace and Coffee Shop (it's on the corner, 401 W Main Street, Safford AZ.)

We have reserved a couple tables (8 seats) to watch the Safford Cinco de Mayo parade. There is lots of sidewalk seating as well. <u>Bring a chair</u>. Parade starts at 10:00 AM -10:30 AM.

If anyone wants to pull their airstream in the parade call Kaye (612) 325-1549; they'd love to have us in the parade.

<u>12:00 Noon</u> - Join us at the Discovery Park (615 N Stadium Ave, Thatcher, AZ 85552) for an informative tour, virtual reality, very interesting Native American history and more... Paul Anger is a wonderful speaker and loves the area. He will enlighten us.

Then you might want to Explore Mount Graham (Pinaleno Mountains). It is an extraordinary drive to the top (Parts may be closed due to snow). Unbelievably beautiful drive!

6:00PM - Dinner and live music! (Included)

- BBQ chicken,
- cowboy beans,
- apple slaw,
- Potato salad, rolls and butter
- Delicious Dessert!

Followed by some honky tonk music!!!

DeRusha Family Band country and bluegrass

They are playing for tips!!!

8:00PM(ish) - Gather round the campfire

May 8th Sunday

<u>8:00AM</u> - Fresh baked pastries from a local bakery, fresh fruit and hot coffee. Come say your goodbyes before you hit the road.

Say Adios to your Amigos!

Sincerely, Heidi Vail 480-734-0701