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President's Message—April 2022

The Lone Star Cowboy Poetry Rally was a great success. The event was held on the campus of Sul Ross University. (Does anyone know a famous TV Star who attended Sul Ross University? Answer at the end of this message) There were well over 30 entertainers who each performed several times over the 2-day period. Most of the morning and afternoon performances were free and you were able to get up close to the performers which is something not common in today's world. The Chuck Wagon breakfast was like no other. Those cowboys really know how to cook. We had so much fun that several of the THLAC members signed up for the event next year.

The April Fools Rally in Conroe, Texas was lots of fun. It has been a long time since our club has held a rally in the Houston area. The April Fool pranks our group came up with were very creative. The Region 9 rally will be in late April in Mineola, Texas. Our own Grady Ferry will be competing in the Dutch Oven cook off We are still looking for someone to compete in the Chili cook-off so if you are interested, please let me know.

In THLAC club news:

- Our unit continues to grow. We have had several new and current Airstreamers join our club. I think we will continue to grow as more and more folks decide to travel.
- There are several newbie rallies scheduled in the upcoming months. The interest in this event continues to be strong. New Airstream owners are eager to learn about their new purchase.
- The Nominating Committee has done its job and we once again have a full slate of Officers for 2023.
- Frank Steed is hard at work planning his rallies for his 2023 presidency.
- Many of our club members attended the 1st Region 9 Galveston Mardi Gras Rally and by all accounts it was a success. Ginger and I are making plans to attend next year.

Summer is fast approaching, many of you will be going to the WBCCI International Rally or other travel destinations. Please travel safe and here's to finding the cheapest gas. By the way, the famous alum from Sul Ross University was Dan Blocker – he played Hoss on TV show Bonanza

Happy Airstreaming,

Steve Zeringue, THLAC President



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2022

April 25-May1	WBCCI Region 9 Rally ~ “Let’s Get Together” Mineola Civic Center Mineola, TX
July 23-29	2022 WBCCI International Rally Fryeburg, Maine
Sept. 8-11	U S Corps Airport Park Waco, TX (Not Confirmed)
Oct. 27-29	Texas Country Reporter Festival ~ Waxahachie NTAC RV Park Hillsboro, TX
Oct 30-Nov 14	THLAC Caravan—West of the Pecos
Nov. 17-20	Installation Rally Oakdale RV Park Glen Rose, TX
Dec. 8-11	Christmas Rally & Auction Brackenridge RV Park & Campground Edna, TX

2023

Feb. 9-12	Streamin’ on the Strand Rally ~ Sponsored by Region 9 Units Galveston, TX
March 16-18	Weekend at Wendy’s Ranch Cherokee, TX
June 24-July 1	67th International Rally Rock Springs, WY



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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 us at <https://airstreamclub.org/texas-highland-lakes>. 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.

THLAC 2023 Calendar Year Events

Frank Steed – 1st Vice-president

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Date	Location	Comments
Dec 1 - Dec 4 Thur – Sun	Brackenridge RV Park - Edna Christmas Rally and Auction	Dates Confirmed
Feb 9-12 Thur – Sun	Region 9 Streaming on the Strand Galveston	Mardi Gras in Galveston
March 16 - 19 Thur – Sun	Weekend at Wendi's Cherokee	Dates & Location Confirmed
Apr13-16	Crawfish Boil Fairfield State Park Fairfield	Book 1 Year Out Te'Jun to Cater
April 18-22	Region 9 Rally	Date & Location TBD
June 24 – July 1	WBAC International Rally Rock Springs, WY	Dates & location confirmed
September Thur – Sun	The Range Ennis	Book 6 months out
Oct 12-15	Tyler Rose Festival	Working w/ Colin & Mike
Oct 19-22 Thur – Sun	Airstreams on the Square El Dorado, AR	Arkansas Razor- backs Airstream Club
Nov 16- 19 Thur – Sun	Installation Rally NTAC Hillsboro	Dates & location confirmed

THLAC Officers 2022-2023

The following officers were elected at the April 2, 2022 Spring Business Meeting. They will be installed at the November 2022 Rally. Steve Zeringue will serve as the THLAC Delegate to the WBCCI Delegates Meeting at the International Rally in Fryeburg, Maine. Frank Steed will serve as the alternate.

Candidate	Office
Frank Steed	President
Bill Saulnier	1st Vice President
Alan Faulk	2nd Vice President
Keith Ferry	Corresponding Secretary
Nancy Powers	Recording Secretary
Bruce Nutt	Treasurer
Richard Roucloux	1 Year Trustee
Paula Haddox	1 Year Trustee
Betty Richards	2 Year Trustee
Darel Ball	2 Year Trustee

Election of International Officers

Slate of Nominees 2022-2023

To be Elected at the International Delegates Meeting

Candidate	Office
Eric McHenry	International President
Per Hamnqvist	International 1st Vice President
Karen Fisher	International 2nd Vice President
Millie O'Donnell	International 3rd Vice President
Terri Warren	International Recording Secretary
Matt Hackney	International Treasurer

See the April issue of the *Blue Beret* pages 10-12 for nominee resumes.

Marketing / Membership

Peter Sajovich

Airstream of Austin / Camper Clinic - Update

Visited Airstream of Austin's new facility on Tuesday April 5th. Finally seeing real progress. They tell me completion is on schedule for the end of June.



Marketing / Membership

New Owner Workshop - NTAC

The first Newbie workshop of the year was held the weekend of April 8th, 9th & 10th and turned out to be a BIG SUCCESS thanks to all the help provided by Steve Zeringue, Cynthia & Bruce Nut and our special guest speakers. Jim Haddaway provided insight into WBCCI history and George Beckwith wowed all attendees with our Airstream maintenance session. George even helped a few new owners with small items that needed attention at their trailers.





Fryeburg, ME July 23rd to July 29th

65th International Rally

Sign up now for the FRYEBURG MAINE event! There will be six days of fun-filled events, seminars, social gatherings, tours, food, and entertainment. Fryeburg is located between North Conway, New Hampshire, and Bridgton, Maine, on the west side of the state. Fryeburg also offers a variety of recreational opportunities. Including the White Mountains National Forest, the Saco River, and numerous ponds and lakes nearby. Other sites of interest include Jockey Cap Rock, Fryeburg Farm Museum, and the Fryeburg Historical Society and Museum.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

A great way to meet new friends is to volunteer at the International Rally. Keith Ferry is in charge of the Building Security Team. Volunteers check for badges at the door for meetings and the evening entertainment. If you would like to volunteer contact Keith at ferry_keith@hotmail.com. In addition, volunteers are needed to help with refreshments, the club store, the Friendship Center, Tables & Chairs, and the help desk just to name a few choices. More info is available at the rally.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Start collecting your aluminum can pop tops. There will be a collection at the rally. The money made goes to Ronald McDonald House. Also being collected are warm hats, stuffed animals, blankets or throws, women's shelter items, food pantry items, pet supplies for cats and dogs. All items are given to local groups who can use them and will be greatly appreciated. Also bring coins for the Common Cents Collection. These funds go to assist a family with medical expenses.

QUILTING AND FIBER ARTS

An air-conditioned space with tables and chairs will be set up for quilting and working on your fiber art. Bring your sewing machine together with quilting, sewing, knitting, etc. supplies. The room is available for anyone who wants to come work together and chat as well as open to anyone to drop by to see what's going on. Demos will be offered. Check the rally schedule for the location and times the room is open.

General Schedule:

Wednesday, July 20th - General Parking Starts

Friday, July 22nd - 2021/2022 International Board of Trustees Meeting

Saturday, July 23rd - Rally Kick Off and Opening Ceremonies

Wednesday, July 27th - Constitutional Delegates Meeting

Friday, July 29th - Closing Ceremonies

Saturday, July 30th - 2022/2023 International Board of Trustees Meeting and Departure

Are you a musician? Consider joining the International Rally Concert Band. More information is in the January Blue Beret.

International Rally Logo Products are on sale now. Visit the International rally site to order your shirt and hat.

If you have any questions email rally@airstreamclub.org

Lone Star Poetry Gathering

The Lone Star Poetry Gathering was held in Alpine, TX on February 18-19 at Sul Ross State University. It was a great rally and some have reservations for next year.

Photos were submitted by Betty Richards.



A Cowboy Poetry performance on an unusual bass instrument at Sul Ross State University



Dinner at the Reata Restaurant



Historic Ft. Davis Drug Store Hotel exterior and interior



Lunch at Ft. Davis Drug Store From Left: Rick & Debbie Trimble, Elaine & Bill Saulnier and Bruce Nutt



We have always wanted to do an Urban Rally, and when we heard about Streamin' on the Strand from Phil Vasquez, we immediately said we'd love to go. We arrived Thursday and took our spot in line. The planning committee did a great job coordinating the parking process. With the exception of levelers "squirting out" from under trailer wheels (lesson learned: bring a rubber mat to set the levelers on!) things went quite smoothly. We proceeded to meet the rest of the folks at Yaga's Cafe for a very happy hour.



Streamin' on the Strand

The following morning was brisk, but it's never too cold for a Bloody Mary (hosted by the Texas Gulf Coast Unit), and King's Cake. We spent the day window shopping in antique stores, boutiques and souvenir shops, until it was time to stop for lunch. We enjoyed big, fat oysters on the half shell and other local fare. Intermittently during the day and into the night, parades would travel by our trailers. If you're any kind of an (Airstream) exhibitionist, this is the place for you! Passers by had plenty of oohs and ahs and questions for members. Shop owners were delighted to have life breathed back into an area that didn't get as much attention as other parts of the parade route. As beads were thrown, we decorated our rigs with them or shared them with other parade-goers.

Saturday morning, breakfast was hosted by Holiday World of Katy at the Tremont Hotel. We enjoyed beautiful weather exploring the area and socializing with new friends. As the parades again started, spirits rose and a great time was had by all!

Submitted by Mayra Barefoot



Rollin' to the BIG EASY Caravan



Rollin' to the BIG EASY Caravan, led by Peter & Carol Sajovich together with Grady & Keith Ferry, traveled with twenty-three other rigs through out south Louisiana. Nineteen of the members were from Texas Highland Lakes Airstream Club. The rest of the group were from all over the United States. During the twelve day caravan we visited a crawfish pond and co-op and enjoyed a real crawfish boil. Petting the gators at the Gator Chaateau in Jennings, LA was for the brave! A visit to the Bayou Rum Distillery was well worth the stop.

After arriving at Bayou Segnette State Park everyone was free to explore New Orleans at their own pace. There were so many great places to enjoy beignets and café au lait, seafood dinners and gumbo in the French Quarter. The sunset Jazz Cruise and dinner gave everyone a chance to relax and enjoy the beautiful Mississippi River. As a very special event, a private one hour live jazz performance was presented at historic Preservation Hall just for us.

The final stop was at Poche's RV Park in Breaux Bridge, LA. Everyone got an early start for the swamp tour. The scenery and birds were unbelievable. The gators were out too to greet us. That evening we were off to experience a real taste of Cajun culture at La Poussiere Dancehall. We did our best to step lively but were no competition for the local dancers but they made us all feel welcome. The final banquet was a full Cajun seafood meal with crawfish etouffe and fried catfish. Everyone traveled home with a new understanding of the culture and food from south Louisiana as well as lots of new Airstream friends.



Photos by Peter Sajovich

Howdy New Members



Kathy & Mike Ashley



Amy & John Van Artsdalen



Bob Paquette



Mark & Michelle Wright



Michael & Sandee Payne

NEW MEMBER PAGE

Welcome New Members

James & Gena Orth
2022 Flying Cloud 27'
New Braunfels, TX

Kathy & John Ward
2019 Tommy Bahama 24'
Dallas, TX

Michael Bayer
0222 Globetrotter 27'
Austin, TX

Melissa Ciccarelli
2020 Caravel 20'
Austin, TX

Michelle & Mark Wright
202 Flying Cloud 25'
Plano, TX

Alexander Banos
2022 Globetrotter 30'
New Braunfels, TX

Rickey & Judy Taylor
McGregor, TX

Becky Westbrook
2022 Flying Cloud 27'
Tarpley, TX

Ronald Russell
2020 Flying Cloud 23'
San Antonio, TX

John & Amy Van Artsdalen
1964 Sovereign 25'
Hillsboro, TX

Coddie & Meghan Gunseor
2022 International 27'
Scottsdale, AZ

Sandy Dickinson
2007 International 27'
Port Townsend, WA

Dolly & Michael Ames
2015 Classic 30'
Austin, TX

Buzz & Katy Pruitt
2022 Flying Cloud 25'
Austin, TX

TEXAS STATE PARKS

State parks in Texas highlight the full diversity of landscapes in the Lone Star State. From high mountains in West Texas to the piney woods and prairies to the east, Texas State Parks cover it all. Hiking, mountain biking, and horse riding are all popular ways to explore the varied environments of Texas state parks. Many of these are also popular for stargazing thanks to incredible night skies.

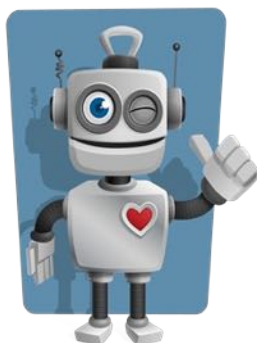
There are 95 state parks, historic sites and natural areas overseen by the Texas Parks & Wildlife department. Each state park in Texas offers a unique experience to enjoy. From canyons in the Texas Panhandle to churning waves on the Southern Coast, the state is as varied as it is large. Several state parks are easy to reach from big cities in Texas, including Houston, Dallas, and Austin. These accessible state parks make escaping the city an easy thing to do. This is great for saving on gasoline costs.

Garner State Park in Concan is the most visited park in Texas. From September 2020 to May 2021, more than 317,000 people visited the park. Palo Duro Canyon is the second most visited.

THE TOP TEN MOST BEAUTIFUL TEXAS STATE PARKS

- Big Bend Ranch State Park
- Palo Duro Canyon State Park.
- Colorado Bend State Park.
- Franklin Mountains State Park.
- Guadalupe River State Park Editor's Choice.
- Longhorn Cavern State Park.
- Pedernales Falls State Park.
- Brazos Bend State Park.
- Enchanted Rock State Natural Area
- Huecco Tanks State Park & Historic Area

Consider buying a Texas State Park Pass. **It definitely saves us a bunch of money!** Besides covering your day use fees for a year, your Texas State Parks Pass also gets you a few nights of discounted camping, as well as discounts in park gift shops or for equipment rentals in some parks.



Dear Rivet, Is it okay to contact other Airstream members when we see them on the road or in a park? Kinda Shy

It is more than okay, it is welcome. I travel with a copy of the Membership Directory on my phone as well as the printed one. It is easy to look up the names using the Big Red Number.

Once while camping in Kentucky we discovered not one, but two Airstream friends parked there. We got together for a great reunion to talk about our travels. Don't be shy about meeting Airstream friends without a Big Red Number. It is helpful to have a business card to share. Many owners do not know about the International Airstream Club. They often are eager to talk about travel plans and tips as well as learn about

the club.

PARTY LINE and PRAYERS/CONCERNS

Bob Paquette



My RV and I celebrated St Paddy's Day with a view of the sunrise on our way out of the Davis Mountains. I had just returned from Arizona with a hike on Mt Lemmon and biking in the desert. Trail biking in Arizona is all about cactus avoidance.
Regards, Bob P.



Laurie & Don O'Neal



First Overnight with Grand



Our Granddaughter

PARTY LINE *and* PRAYERS/CONCERNS

Peter & Carol Sajovich

As national caravan leaders for Rollin' to The BIG EASY, this year we added a professionally prepared crawfish boil at Palmetto Island State Park.



But the highlight of our caravan was a private one hour performance at Preservation Hall in the French Quarter. What a wonderful experience, everyone loved both of these events.



PARTY LINE *and* PRAYERS/CONCERNS

Peter & Carol Sajovich

From the caravan we headed straight for the April Fools rally in Lake Conroe where our hosts prepared a fun weekend.



Rally Hosts: Richard & Janet Turner, Colin Melton, Mike Lovell, Cindy & Marty Berdan

Grady & Keith Ferry

We had a great time traveling with the Rollin' to the BIG EASY caravan last month. While in New Orleans, we enjoyed a delicious dinner with Peter & Carol Sajovich at Court of Two Sisters. Plans to attend the Region 9 Rally and the International Rally in Fryeburg, Maine are in the works. Pictured below is our grandson, an awesome pole vaulter, and our granddaughters in their costumes ready for a dance competition. We are so proud of them!



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PARTY LINE and PRAYERS/CONCERNS

Cheryl Chenaud



A couple of days before a trip to Galveston (Stella Mare RV Resort) with our Basecamp 16X, I heard a cat crying as I walked past our local middle school. A school bus driver said that a kitten had been surviving in the lot for 5 days and no one had taken him home.

Well, after retrieving him from the engine block, where he went to hide from us humans, I took him home. We named him Lucky; the school police officer said he was lucky to survive the parking lot and lucky to have someone take him home. The first photo is him the week I took him home, at 5 weeks old, on his first trip in the Basecamp.

The second photo is him full grown, at 1 year old, watching birds out the Basecamp window.

The third photo is Lucky ready for a hike in northern New Mexico.

Sincerely, Cheryl



Rick & Debbie Trimble

We have friends looking to buy an Airstream

*Twin beds

*25 to 27 ft.

Please call Rick at 214-298-1009 or email him at akk5bb@gmail.com.

We will be down in the Valley from April 5 to April 19, hoping to catch some trout in the bay and do some gardening.

Our big summer trip is to go on the Canadian Rockies Caravan finally. We were on the waiting list for 2018 & 2019. We made it for 2020. Unfortunately, both 2020 and 2021 were canceled. We visited the area in the 80s, so we are excited to return. Let us know about any good camping spots on the way to Alberta.

PARTY LINE *and* PRAYERS/CONCERNS

Michael & Julie Kutach



Since our daughter and family live near Cincinnati, Ohio, we made an appointment at the Airstream Service Center in Jackson, OH to have our leaking fresh water tank replaced and to have other maintenance done. The staff and service technician were friendly and kept us informed of the work that was done. We even spent the night at the Airstream Terraport.

From Ohio, we traveled through the Daniel Boone National Forest in Kentucky and explored the Cumberland Falls recreation area. After waiting out a snow storm we headed to warmer weather first to Asheville, NC and then to Charleston, SC. Somehow both our phone GPS got confused and instead of taking us to the Charleston KOA it took us to the Charleston Visitor Center in the historical district of Charleston. Boy, did we get a lot of stares from watching this lost couple from Texas towing an Airstream through the narrow historic district of town. Oh well, nobody got hurt and we were able to inch our way out of town. Charleston is a wonderful historic city with around twenty seven hundred 16 and 17 century restored houses and churches. The restaurants serving oysters weren't bad either. We were lucky and had reservations at Myrtle Beach State Park, a park situated in a thick growth of oak trees with an easy walking distance to the beach and the beach boardwalk. Julie said it was an awesome park. Our grandsons Jackson and Will and granddaughter Olivia had their spring break from school and wanted to go camping. We met them at the Red River Gorge Geological Area in Kentucky for hiking and exploring then traveled to Mammoth Cave National Park, KY for a cave tour. We haven't made it back to Texas yet and if the weather cooperates, we'll visit some of the Kentucky bourbon distilleries. Michael & Julie Kutach #11451



Cumberland Falls State Park, KY



Snow day in Corbin, KY



Daughter, Vanessa, Grandsons Jackson & Will and Granddaughter Olivia at Red River Gorge Geological Area in Stanton, KY



Myrtle Beach, SC

PARTY LINE and PRAYERS/CONCERNS

Bob & Kay Irwin

After more than 2 years of not seeing my grand and great-grandchildren, we had a few days with a favorite granddaughter and two great-grandchildren 6 and 11. We went to a trampoline park, Austin Zoo, and LBJ ranch. The girls had a blast.

We are signed up for the Montgomery rally and the Region 9 rally. Those rallies and, maybe a trip to the coast if I can get a bank loan for diesel, will be our spring Air-streaming. After the Region 9 rally, I will be putting my twin-bed 2018 Interstate up for sale.



Joseph Webb & Victoria Summy



Victoria & Joseph (1070) set out soon on their 4-month trek of CO, camping primarily in USFS sites. Camp sites often are remote, increasingly have no water or poor quality water. Their solar keeps the 1970 Airstream all lite up. There's so much to do... reading, baking, fly fishing, hiking, birding, Airstream repairs, making new acquaintances.

PARTY LINE and PRAYERS/CONCERNS

Gary & Susan Korn

Susan and I are new to the RV world and bought our Airstream on December 31st. We had a great weekend camping at Blanco Settlement and granddaughter #2 sent news that granddaughter #4 will be arriving in 2022. Gary & Susan Korn



Keith & Barbara Roberts

Barbara Roberts started working in 1978, 44 years ago and continued to work since. She started working for Federal Service in 1984 while stationed in Germany. Barbara is excited to retire 30 April 2022 with 37.5 years in Federal Service. Now Keith and her can truly enjoy life with freedom to travel in their Air Stream and spend time with all the Air Stream friends they have made.

Prayers for Richard Roberts III, son of Keith and Barbara Roberts.

Keith and Barbara send special thanks to all the attendees of the April Fools Rally. The pranks were fun and very interesting plus we always enjoy meeting old and new friends at each rally. Thank you all for giving us a great time.

Wendy & Shirley Fleming

We're grounded. Our Airstream 2005 Classic 30' is in Paul Mayeaux's shop in Paradise, TX. Serious damage from the forward battery boxes 17 years offgassing damage to the skin and trim rivets causing severe damage to trim and front pane. That and a short list of little stuff so I'm planting a huge veggie garden and staying home.



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