# **THE ROADRUNNER**



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## President's Message—June 2023

Hello Highland Lakers.

Here we are headed into Summer and lots of travel to Caravans, distant Rallies and, of course, our International Rally in Rock Springs, Wyoming. We've had a great warm-up with our Region 9, Weekend at Windys and Fruitcake Rally with great turnouts, lots of wonderful food and fellowship and plenty of fun and learning. We were thrilled to have had several affiliates and first timers attend and of course reuniting with friends from across the State. Thank you to all our volunteers and attendees, you've made this a very successful six months.

We wish you all a safe and fun Summer and want you to stay on the lookout for registration for our Fall Rallies. Our Weekend at the Range is sold out. Grady and Keith are planning a terrific rally in Brazos Bend and then, of course, our annual November Installation Rally at NTAC.

Bill Saulnier has a fun line up of events for 2024 beginning with our popular Annual Christmas Rally & Auction. Please attend and get involved. We need Rally Hosts for November and next year. It's a great way to meet members and get your toe in the water of Club Leadership. It won't be long before I change roles and head up our Nominating Committee to select our future leaders.

Please drop Bill or me a note if you would like to step up your involvement or if you'd just like to help with breakfast, lunches, and dinners at our upcoming Rallies. Gayle and I have had a fun and rewarding year to date and look forward to passing the baton to the future.

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We'll see y'all down the road.

Frank Steed, President Texas Highland Lakes Airstream Club Fsteed6149@gmail.com (214) 616-4551



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2023 CONTACT	INFORMATION	2023	CLUB CALENDAR OF EVENTS		
Executive Board:		<u>2023</u>			
President:	Frank Steed	June 24-July 1	66th International Rally		
1st VP:	Bill Saulnier	June 24 July 1	Rock Springs, WY		
2nd VP:	Allen Faulk	0 0 00			
Corr. Secretary:	Keith Ferry	Sept. 29-30	Rally at the Range Vintage RV Resort Gourmet Weekend		
Rec. Secretary:	Nancy Powers		Ennis, TX		
Treasurer:	Bruce Nutt				
Past President:	Steve Zeringue	Oct. 12-15	Gators, Birds & Stars Rally Brazos Bend State Park		
Webmaster:	Debbie Trimble		Needville, TX		
Trustees:	Richard Roucloux				
	Paula Haddox	Oct. 30-Nov. 13	West of the Pecos Caravan		
	Betty Richards	Nov. 16-19	Installation Rally—		
	Harvey Craig		NTAC - Hillsboro, TX		
Standing/Special Comr	nittee Chairs:	Nov. 30-Dec. 3	Christmas Rally		
Caravan:	Rick Trimble		Buckhorn Lake Resort, Kerrville, TX		
Chaplain:	Cinda Brooks	<u>2024</u>			
Constitution/Bylaws:	Harvey Craig				
Directory:	Mike Lovell	Feb. 15-18	Lone Star Cowboy Poetry Gathering Alpine, TX		
Marketing:	Peter Sajovich		Alphie, 1X		
Membership:	Peter Sajovich	May 1-5	Region 9 Rally		
Newsletter:	Keith Ferry		Bandera, TX		
Sunshine:	Cindy Berdan	Oct 5-12	67th International Rally Sedalia, MO		
For Security Purposes The Roadrunner does not publish contact information. Please refer to your Membership Directory.					

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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.

# NEW MEMBER PAGE

#### Welcome New Members

Kevin & Mary Short 2018 Classic 30' Hillsboro, TX

Larry & Jane Bolton 2022 Classic 33' Kerrville, TX

John & Melissa Brattlof 2923 Pottery Barn 28' Georgetown, TX

Amanda & Jay Bubela 2021 Flying Cloud 30' Edna, TX

John & Rachel Place 2016 Classic 30' Round Rock, TX

# Cool Summer Eats

Yes, it truly is Summertime and the heat is here to stay. Choosing dinner ideas for Airstream travelers should include recipes that don't need a lot of preparation or cooking time. After a day of travel, simple menu choices are welcome.

There are several options for choosing meals ideal for summer eating. My favorite is a "no cook" meal. This involves stocking your refrigerator with deli cold cuts, sliced cheeses, chicken & tuna salad and microwaved hot dogs. I include pre-cut melon, pineapple and watermelon as well as whole fresh fruits. Cherry tomatoes, mini carrots, jicama. Snow peas and bell pepper slices are good additions. Other options include hard boiled eggs, hummus, and canned beans. Choose tortillas, bagels or bread to create tasty sandwiches and wraps.

My favorite choice is to prepare a charcuterie board for a meal. Small portions of items from a salad bar are ideal. Hard cheese and soft spreadable cheeses and a variety of crackers are essential. Veggies may include jarred artichoke hearts, red bell peppers in oil, and olives. Dried apricots and apples are tasty. For protein, summer sausage is a good choice because it lasts a long time in the refrigerator. In addition to crackers, pita wedges are a good choice. To add interest, include small jars of fancy mustard and jelly and mixed nuts to the board.

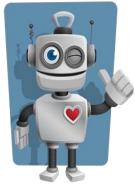
For those who have time to plan ahead, pre cooked soups, meats and pasta dishes are always a good ideas. Grilled chicken breasts can be individually frozen and then thawed to add to wraps or salads. Taco meat can be frozen in small portions and then defrosted, dumped and reheated. There are lots of pasta possibilities.

Good summer eats must certainly include the salad option. Here is a favorite recipe for Broccoli Salad:

head broccoli, chopped
cup raisins
cup sunflower seeds
small red onion
pound bacon, fried crisp, crumbled

Dressing: 1 cup mayonnaise 1/2 cup sugar 2 tablespoons wine vinegar

Mix salad ingredients. Mix dressing ingredients together well then mix with salad.



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Dear Rivet, How can I be sure my iced tea stays cold in my Airstream fridge?

Here are a few tips: It is very important that your refrigerator is level to operate efficiently. Next, pre-cool it ahead of time before adding items and then don't pack it too full. Of course, parking in the shade when you arrive is always beneficial. Adding a 12 volt fan will help circulate the air. Avoid frequent trips to the fridge and make them brief to avoid losing all your cool air. Stay cool!





Nancy Fitzgerald, Region 9 President

Hello Streamin' on the Strand Friends

How do you like the **National Event Rally brand** that Streamin' on the Strand just developed! We think it captures perfectly the Mardi Gras! Galveston fun. Your Streamin' hosts are hard at work setting up for 2024. It will take place Feb 1-4, 2024.

Changes this year include a **new host team led by Bruce and Marya Barefoot and Rich and Diane Espinosa.** You will hear more from new leaders once the registration is underway. Another change is the **lottery system will be in place for registration**. Yaga, Inc will handle the lottery process as well as the waitlist.

My reason for contacting you this early is to ask if you would **like to bypass the lottery system and register as a volunteer?** We are offering this opportunity to all of our 2023 registrants. We will need 20 volunteers for parking and social activities. If this sounds interesting to you, please email me (nefitzge6@gmail.com / 281-739-5701) by June 10 and I will get you on the list as interested in volunteering. The number of those interested in volunteering will determine the process for selecting our 20 volunteers. If selected as a volunteer, you will receive a link to pre-register before the September 14, 2023 Streamin' on the Strand Lottery opens to all.

Let me know if you need more information.

Sincerely,

Your Region 9 Team



# **THLAC COMMUNITY SERVICE**

The Executive Director of the Dove Project, Angie Chandler, in San Saba, wants to thank everyone for all the donated items we collected at the March rally. The things will help these women get a fresh start and make a better life for them and their children. The day we delivered them Angie was on her way to help a woman move and to console a family who, sadly, was shocked by a domestic murder-suicide. Angie was very grateful for the help.

If you want to donate to a Women's Shelter near you, here are some needed items: bras, diapers, books, feminine hygiene products, art materials, nail polish, cell phones, transportation passes, purses/wallets, cosmetics, tickets to something fun such as movie passes and birthday gifts.

# **Marketing & Membership**

Peter Sajovich

Marketing / Membership Chairman #13349

I visited Airstream of Austin over the Memorial Day weekend to see the progress of their new SuperCenter SOB Store (Some Other Box

They've made good progress; the entire area has been graded and all the foundations and roadways have been poured. It looks like they will finish this year.



While there I saw the largest inventory of Airstreams that I can ever remember. If you had any thoughts of upgrading now would be an excellent time to strike a GREAT DEAL!





Rick and Debbie Trimble Volunteer Caravan Leaders

Rick and I will arrange the campgrounds. You will then be asked to select one of the specified campsites and make your reservation with the park by a specific date. We will use volunteers to research places to visit, shop, hike, bike, kayak, and make restaurant suggestions.

Each rig will pay for its campsites, tours, and meals. There will be lots of time to pursue your interests yet, have the camaraderie of traveling and sharing experiences with friends.

Total Miles	1108.6
Total Nights	19

This caravan has been approved by the club.

We would meet in Grand Rapids, <u>Michigan</u>, and conclude at the Porcupine Mountains State Park. The caravan is from August <u>27 to September 15, 2024</u>. This does not include traveling to and from the caravan from Texas. We usually do between 250 - 300 miles a day so we take about 5 days.

The itinerary included below is subject to change. The link to the right will take you to a private link to see the trip in detail. Scroll down to click on trip. https://tripwizard.rvlife.com/app/visit/ YnNsbDZ1V0ZPbIBkZG1iZDI4RVIvUT0 9

If you are interested and have not done a survey earlier, please complete the Survey. Here is the link: <u>https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/sv/hSMl6Bt/campingsurvey</u>

# Michigan Caravan

STOP NAME	ARRIVAL	ACTIVITIES	DAYS
Steamboat Park Campground	August 27, 2024	Frederick Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park	3
Jenison, MI		Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library	
Indigo Bluffs RV Park & Resort	August 30, 2024	Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore	4
Empire, MI			
Lakeshore Park Campground	Sept. 3, 2024	Shepler's Mackinac Island Ferry	2
Saint Ignace, MI		Dine at Grand Hotel	
Aune-Osborn Campground	Sept 5, 2024	Soo Locks Boat Tour	2
Sainte Marie, MI		Great Lakes Shipwreck Museum	
		Tahquamenon Falls State Park	
Marquette Tourist Park	Sept 7, 2024	Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore Boat Tour	3
Marquette, MI		Presque Isle Park	
		Marquette Maritime Museum	
		Lackenland Sculpture Park	
		Bishop Barrago Shrine	
City of Haughton RV Park	Sept 10, 2024	Quincy Mine	2
Haughton, MI		Copper Harbor	
Other Option:			
Hancock City Park			
Hancock, MI			
Union River Big Bear Campground	Sept 12, 2024	Porcupine Mountains State Park	2
Silver City, MI			

## BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES

June Birthdays		July Bir	July Birthdays		June & July Anniversaries	
6-4	Douglas Thomas	7-1	Richard Roucloux	6-3	Phil & Peggy Spruell	
6-4	Shelley McNulty	7-5	Steven Zeringue	6-3	Dean & Julie Lechtenberger	
6-7	Lee Henry	7-13	Hollis Matheney	6-7	Lynn & Ann Perrin	
6-9	John Stutsman	7-16	Mike Lovell	6-9	John & Karen Stutsman	
6-10	Jim Rich	7-17	Paula Haddox	6-11	Kirk & Sharon Guidry	
6-15	Stanley Brooks	7-17	Kay Irwin	6-15	Grady & Keith Ferry	
6-17	Don O'Neal	7-20	Bill Lovelace	6-20	C.C. & Carla Gartman	
6-18	Don Love	78-20	Gene Blanchard	7-1	David Delgado & Molly Cappadonna	
6-20	Steven Sosland	7-25	Jim Haddaway	7-6	Bill Booker & Richard Roucloux	
6-22	Julie Lechtenberger	7-26	Tricia Henry	7-6	Larry & Brenda Heinold	
6-22	Brenda Heinold	7-27	Mike Ashley	7-8	Stanley & Cinda Brooks	
6-23	Julie Kutach	7-31	John Parten	7-9	Ray & Donna Herrold	
6-25	Jim Dudley			7-16	David & Marilyn Blakey	
6-28	Cinda Brooks			7-25	Jim & Paula Haddox	
6-30	Susan Sheridan			7-26	Mark & Helen Dickerson	

Did we miss recognizing your special day? Contact Keith Ferry, Corresponding Secretary, at ferry\_keith@hotmail.com to update your membership information.

# PARTY LINE and PRAYERS/CONCERNS

Victoria Summy/Joseph Webb #1070 We were members of Highland Lakes until 2023. We are 'retiring' from Airstreaming for the usual reasons--age & health. THLAC will miss you.

Lynn & Ann Perrin have sold their Airstream and are retiring from the club. THLAC will miss you.

**Myrtle Bell** passed away in Austin, TX on April 11, 2023. Our condolences go to her husband, Don, and family. Myrtle and Don have been active members of THLAC for many years. Myrtle retired from a 29 year career with IBM as a Financial Analyst. She was committed to service and involved in many organizations. She will be fondly remembered for her genuine smile.

#### Cheri & Ed Addicks

Cheri and Ed Addicks have been enjoying the start of the spring and summer seasons in Anacortes.

In April, we trekked on the ferry to Friday Harbor for a weekend stay in a lake house at the Lakedale Resort with two of our sons, their wives, and three of our grandchildren. We enjoyed treasure hunts, island exploring, whale watching, inside games at night, and evening dinners/drinks. Here's a photo of our two granddaughters sharing a sundae at a favorite restaurant, Downrigger's.

In May, Cheri and Ed returned to San Juan Island with our Indian Chieftain bike to explore the island over the weekend. Here's a photo of us near the southern tip of the island with Vancouver Island in the far background.

From August to October, we're joining the Southwest Adventures Caravan in the Four Corners area of the USA. We hope to see many of our Texas friends at the Balloon Festival in Albuquerque!





#### Harvey Craig

Next stop was Palms RV Resort in Vegas. Garth Brooks was playing with a great family show.

Williams. AZ & Grand Canyon was next with my first train trip to the canyon. Had been to the canyon many times but never took the train.

After Grand Canyon, Lake Powell & then Monument Valley was next.

Currently I am in Farmington, NM visiting a friend for Memorial weekend. Head to Santa Fe on June 1 to visit another friend. Will start for Rock Springs from there with stops in Pagosa Springs, Silverton. Ouray, & Grand Junction in Colorsdo.



Will spend a few nights on the Green River prior to parking on June 21 in Rock Springs.









#### Harvey Craig

I got an appointment at Vinnies Northshore Airstream in CA the first of May.to have the Airstream ceramiced. Vinnie and crew were great and am very pleased with the work. He & crew will be at Rock Springs and will be giving away a ceramic job at end of the rally.



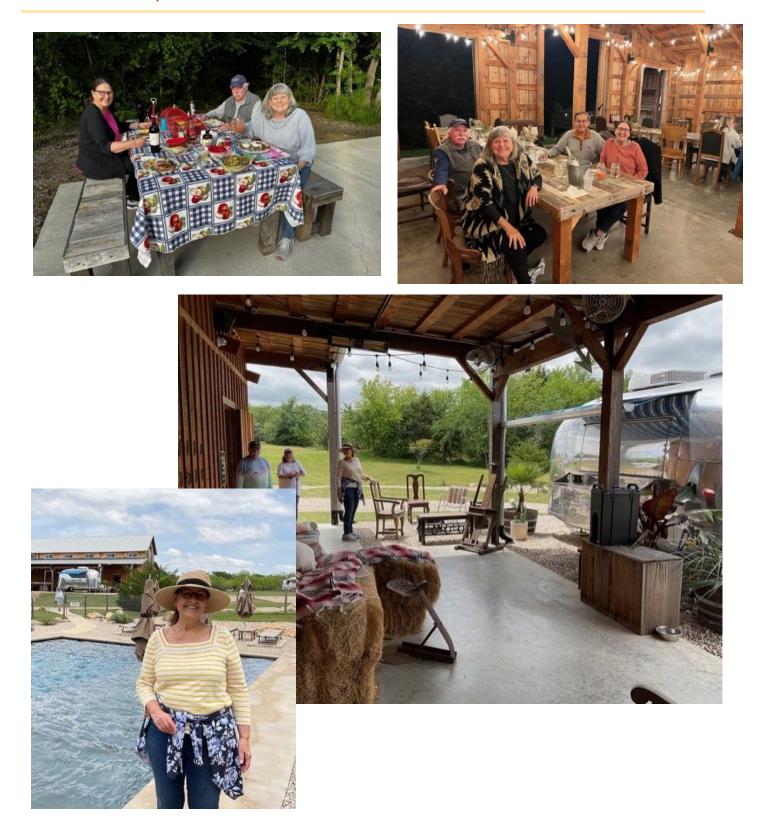
After the job, I spent a week in Yosemite. Could not believe the amount of water going over all of the falls....most in years because of all of the snow.







## Peter & Carol Sajovich



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#### **Bob Paquette**

I had a wedding to attend on Memorial Day weekend, so naturally, I took all month to get there. I don't need no stinking airplane, I have an Airstream! I visited family in SC, a friend in NC, more family in NY, and a friend in MA. And several mountain biking trails along the way. I still have time to swing through VT and NH to do some mountain biking before I head home in time for my grandsons' second birthday in June.

I have a ton of photos and stories from the adventures listed above, but wanted to mention the fun I've had with Airstream Courtesy Parking. I stopped in Brandon MS, and met a wonderful couple. I parked in their driveway, and met them on the back patio to chat and meet their granddaughter. That "brief" chat lasted for nearly two hours. They mentioned they would be in NC the following week, and we had our second meeting there for lunch.

I also had a stop in PA on the way north, and stayed with a courtesy park host I had stayed with two years before. After I parked, we met on their back patio for a "brief" happy hour that lasted about 90 minutes. We caught up on our adventures since my previous stop in their driveway. It's not just about the parking!

I also enjoy my encounters with other Airstreamers in campgrounds. We begin with that one thing we have in common, and soon find another dozen things to discuss. I love Airstreaming! See you at the campground!



Biking in South Carolina



Biking with my daughter and her pupper in New York



Courtesy Parking in Mississippi

## Windy & Shirley Fleming



Breakfast in the barn at Rally



Sunset on our rig



Burgers on Cherokee Creek

#### Darel & Marve Ball

Marve, son Brett, and I spent a few days in Big Bend National Park hiking and visiting Terlingua during May.







Ardell Mayton (Marve's Dad) won the Oldest Vintage t-shirt category with not one, but two entries at the THLAC Fruitcake Rally. Here he is pictured with his shirts.

#### Judy & Rickey Taylor

Judy and I have really enjoyed these past weeks traveling in "Fancy" our 2022 Globetrotter 25FB. We attended the Rally at Windy and Shirley's Ranch in Cherokee. Such hard working and gracious hosts! Then, the next weekend we departed on a trip to Big Bend National Park. The first stop over was in Llano State Park, such a beautiful park, then on to Study Butte for seven days of hiking Big Bend National Park. We stopped on the way back at Llano State Park for two more days. We enjoyed watching the variety of birds at Llano State Park. Then, back home for restocking the trailer, taking care of the yard and cleaning Fancy. Four days later we left for another adventure at Inks Lake State Park for six nights. Lots of time on Inks Lake on the kayaks. We also met fellow THLAC members, Dean and Cathy Tighe were also camping at Inks Lake. They were such a joy! We ended this week by moving to Colorado Bend State Park for the night to help with the 100<sup>th</sup> Year Park Celebration. Back home again for Mother's Day and family time. A short stay at home and back to the Fruitcake Rally at Oak Park. We have really enjoyed the time spent with our THLAC friends this past year and look forward to more adventures with everyone! We are truly blessed to be a part of such a wonderful group!

Rickey & Judy Taylor BRN-2995



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### Judy & Rickey Taylor





#### Mike Lovell & Colin Melton



Mike Lovell as the Governor in Hamilton Civic Theatre's production of "The Outsider."



# Fruitcake Rally Pics





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# 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.

FOR SALE: We are selling our Blue Ox hitch system with two sets of control arms ranging from 5,000 all the way up to 14,000. Asking \$275 OBO Keith Roberts 254-258-9554

FOR SALE: Equalizer brand anti-sway, weight down hitch with 10,000 lb. bars. \$250 Contact Jimmy Mooney @ 254/967-5689 or jimmarq@gmail.com

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