

The Alamo Bugle



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Presidential Ponderings November 2023



October was my first full rally as club president and the first time I'd actually been at the October rally in several years. Diane and I are usually in Colorado at this time of year for our granddaughter's birthday. I can certainly say that we've been missing the fun since the rally was really fun. We had a great turn out again this month. It looks like folks are finally venturing out again and we're so happy to have you all back with us. Sue Rogers, Johnda Pugh and Karolyn Sutherland were our hosts for the weekend and they really went above and beyond to make everyone fat and happy. Friday night dinner was a feast of lasagna, salad, garlic bread and a bunch of desserts. Saturday breakfastconsisted of a variety of egg casseroles as well as biscuits and gravy. We had potluck on Saturday night and pastries and leftovers for Sunday morning. I helped out by getting up early to get the coffee started and got some early morning entertainment when Sue Rogers came into the clubhouse with her guitar. She and Karolyn were swinging and singing early in the morning. A definite upgrade to "whistle while you work".

Saturday afternoon everyone got together to relax and chat in the shade under the big oak trees. Sue suggested we all play a game called two truths and a lie. Each person had to tell three things about themselves. One of them was true and the other two were lies. The group had to figure out which one was the truth. Needless to say, that was hilarious. Saturday evening a number of us donned our Halloween costumes for dinner. It's only this man's opinion but a pregnant Roseann Young was the highlight of the evening. Diane and I had been teasing her that she was going to end up pregnant now that she and Ben were married. They entered the room as Abraham and Sarah, Sarah being pregnant with Isaac. It was a nice segue into Ben's devotional on Sunday morning about the issues in the Middle East and how it stemmed from Abraham and his children all those years ago.

We said our goodbyes Sunday morning and wished everyone a happy Halloween. Next month's rally will be at Oakwood RV Resort in Fredericksburg, Texas.



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Thanksgiving dinner is being provided by the resort along with wine from the local wineries. They ask that we each provide a side dish feeding 8-10. Don't forget to:

- 1) Call the Oakwood Resort to reserve your site as part of the "Espinosa Family Gathering". They don't allow rallies on Thanksgiving but they do allow family gatherings.
- 2) Sign up online at www.airstreamclub.org/tau-november-2023-rally.
- 3) There will be a holiday gift exchange on Saturday night (\$25 limit)
- 4) We still need hosts for Saturday and Sunday breakfast as well as Saturday night dinner. You can volunteer on the website or let me or Diane know directly.

See you in November!





President Rich Espinosa

The Board

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Our new board members



Rally Schedule. 2023-2024

September 22–24 Roadrunner RV Park 501 S Hwy 281, Johnson City 2023 830–255–7650

Oct 27-29, 2023 Mystic Quarry 13190 FM 306 C Myon Lake, TX 78133 POC Monicc 30-964-3330

Nov 23-26, 2023 Oakwood Resort FM 2093 Fredericksburg, TX 78624 POC: Malinda 830-997-9817

Dec 2023 NO RALLY

Jan 26-28, 2024 Longhorn RV Resort 12921 Camino Real Niederwald, TX 78640 512-398-3677

Feb 23-25, 2024 Parkview Riverside 2561 Co Rd 350, Concan, TX 78838 830-232-4006

Mar 22-24, 2024 Oakwood RV Resort 78 FM 2093 Fredericksburg, TX 78624 830-997-9817

April 19-21, 2024 Patriot RV Park 5784 US-90 ALT East Gonzales, TX 78629 1 (830) 468-5709

May 2-5, 2024 Region 9 Rally Skyline Ranch RV Park 2231 Hwy. 16N Bandera, TX 78003 830-796-4958

May 17-19, 2024 Lagoons RV Resort 600 Enterprise Blvd Rockport, TX 78382 361-729-7834

Sept 27-29, 2024 Lake Buchanan 1420 FM690, Burnet, TX 78611 512-887-7410

Weekend Schedule

Thursday Early Arrivals:

4 pm Social Hour 6 pm Potluck Dinner

Friday:

4 pm Social Hour 5 pm Opening Ceremonies 6 pm Dinner

Saturday

8:30 am Breakfast 4:30 pm Pay Rally Fees 5 pm Social Hour 6 pm Dinner 7:30 pm Games

Sunday

8:30 am Breakfast 9:00 am Devotional





NOVEMBER

16 Veronica Adams
20 Woody Stephenson
21 Eldon Sheffer
27 Barbara Sheffer
27 Samuel Esparza

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02 Buddy & Blanche Royall

Have we missed your birthday or anniversary? email: muffincamp@gmail.com and let her know



No reservation required...

Please join the next lunch outing at
Chris Madrids' San Antonio
Saturday, November 11th
12 noon - 1pm
(We meet on every 2nd Saturday of
the month)

Do you have an idea for an article, interview, or something else you'd like to share with the club? I'd love to hear from you! The articles are all written by TAU members... like you! Submissions for the newsletter (including rally write-ups) should be emailed to Muffin (muffincamp@gmail.com)

Pieces received after that date will be included in the next newsletter.





One of the fun benefits of attending and participating in a rally is definitely the food!

Creative cooks bring delictable dishes to share.

Have a recipe you'd like to share? Send it in!



Johnda Pugh made this pie for the October rally

Chocolate Peanut Butter Pie Pioneer Woman

Ingredients

FOR THE CRUST:

- 25 chocolate sandwich cookies, such as Oreos
- 5 tbsp. salted butter, melted

FOR THE FILLING:

- 1c. creamy peanut butter
- 1 (8 oz.) package cream cheese, softened
- 11/4 c. powdered sugar
- 8 oz. whipped topping, such as Cool Whip, thawed

Directions

- 1. For the crust: Preheat the oven to 350°F.
- 2. Place the cookies in the bowl of a large food processor. Process until finely crushed, about 1 minute. Transfer to a bowl and pour the melted butter over top. Stir with a fork to combine. Press the Oreo mixture firmly into the bottom and up the sides of a pie plate. Bake until set, 5 to 7 minutes. Remove from the oven and allow to cool completely.
- 3. For the filling: In the bowl of a stand mixer fitted with a whisk attachment, beat the peanut butter with the cream cheese until smooth. Add the powdered sugar and beat until smooth. Add the thawed whipped topping and beat until smooth, scraping the sides as needed.
- 4. Pour the filling into the crust, evening out the top with a knife or spatula. Chill for at least 4 hours before serving.

Hobbies and Handiwork



The talented Betty Dunn submitted a photo of a beautiful crocheted blanket. Many of us have seen Betty and Geno busy at work with their incredible creations. Betty's been crocheting since she was about ten years old! Her Grandmother Garis and a neighbor named Mrs. Rogers taught her. Betty says that this was a kit that she ordered from Ann the Gran in 2020 and started working on it at the end of Covid.

She put it away and forgot about it until this fall. Each kit arrives over a ten month period. She took it out of the closet in September and finished it after our September rally. Betty bought the kit because she liked the colors and the pattern. Since she has the pattern, she can make it in the colors somebody would want.



Betty finished this llama this past weekend and it was auctioned off for \$75! Have a hobby that you want and photo!







October Rally

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Sue Rogers



Gracie and Bob Waggener



James and Amy Allison



Roseann and Ben Young



The Espinosas

