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### President's Message— April 2024

We are approaching the middle of the spring rally season as I write this. Elaine and I just returned from the Bluebonnet Rally in Brenham which was a lot of fun for us and I hope for others who attended. We had a very large turnout and folks were really good about attending the semi-annual business meeting and voting to approve a new caravan as well as electing officers for next year. For those of you that don't know, our year runs from November to November so the newly elected officers will take their positions at the installation rally in November. Also at the executive board meeting, the board voted to split the Marketing and Membership roles which have been combined for some time under Peter Sajovich. Peter had requested to step down from the membership committee but reports he will continue until the end of the year and will continue next year in the marketing role which we much appreciate. We will be looking for a new membership chairperson. If you are interested, please contact me.

I would like to thank, on behalf of myself and the club, Grady Ferry, Cindy and Marty Berdan, Mark and Sharon Smith, and Joan and Ricky Taylor for working so hard and hosting a marvelous rally. They even personally cooked hamburgers and pancakes for us. What a great job!

Speaking of which, Mike and Betty Richards are looking for additional help with the Belton rally to be held May 30 – June 2. This rally will be open for registration shortly if not already.

I personally hope that you are finding your membership enjoyable and rewarding and I can assure you that all of the officers, committee members and hosts are always trying to make your membership a very positive experience. If you have questions or suggestions please contact any board member and express those thoughts. Remember that we are entirely a volunteer staffed organization and the club will only be as strong as those who step forward to help.

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Executive Board:			<u>2024</u>	
President:	Bill Saulnier		April 18-21	Texas State Railroad Rally Rusk, TX
1st VP:	Allen Faulk			
2nd VP:	Jim Dudley		May 1-5	THLAC/ Region 9 Rally Bandera, TX
Corr. Secretary:	Keith Ferry			
Rec. Secretary:	Linda Glassman			
Treasurer:	Bruce Nutt		May 30-June 2	Best of Belton & Salado Belton, TX
Past President:	Frank Steed			
Webmaster:	Debbie Trimble		Aug 28-Sept 16	Upper Pennisula Caravan
Trustees:	Betty Richards		Oct 5-12	67th International Rally Sedalia, MO
	Harvey Craig			
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	Ginger Zeringue		Nov. 14-17	Installation Rally
				Fredericksburg, TX
Standing/Special Committee Chairs:			Dec. 5-8	Margaritaville RV Resort
Caravan:	Rick Trimble			Beach, TX
Chaplain:	Cinda Brooks		2025	
Constitution/Bylaws:	Harvey Craig		<u>2025</u>	
Directory:	Mike Lovell		Feb. 13-16	The Range RV Resort, Ennis, TX
Marketing:	Peter Sajovich			
Membership: Newsletter:	Peter Sajovich Keith Ferry		March 13-16	The Canopy RV Resort
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			September	The Vineyards Campground
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to your Membership Directory.			NI 42.44	N. 1. W. A. C.
			Nov. 13-16	North Texas Airstream Community Hillsboro, TX

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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 <a href="https://airstreamclub.org/texas-highland-lakes">https://airstreamclub.org/texas-highland-lakes</a>. 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.



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I was pleased to meet some members that I had not met before while attending the Brenham rally. If you have not participated in a rally yet please consider attending one soon. You may already be signed up for the Eclipse Rally or the Texas RR Rally but if not, the Gather Rally in Belton would be a great chance to attend a rally before the summer break. We will not have another unit only rally after that until November all though many of us will meet at the Regional in Bandera, the UP Caravan, the Six Shooter Caravan, the West of the Pecos Caravan, or the International in Sedalia. So much to choose from!

See you down the road. Bill Saulnier, President

### **THLAC Rally Plans for 2025**

In case you are wondering about Rally plans for <u>next year</u>, below is a summary of current plans! <u>Please don't confuse this info with the current year's plans!</u>

December 5-8, 2024	Margaritaville RV Resort, Crystal Beach, Tx		
February 13-16, 2025	The Range RV Resort, Ennis, Tx		
March 13-16, 2025	The Canopy RV Resort, New Braunfels, Tx		
May	Region 9 Rally dates have not been communicated		
August 23-28, 2025	International Rally, York, PA		
September, 2025	The Vineyards Campground, Grapevine, Tx		
October 2-5, 2025	Palo Duro Canyon State Park		
November 13-16, 2025	North Texas Airstream Community, Hillsboro, Tx		

Mark your calendars accordingly!

Feel free to contact me directly if you have any questions.

Safe travels!

Allen Faulk

1st VP

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# **Marketing & Membership**

Peter Sajovich Marketing / Membership Chairman #13349

Big shout out to our 35 members who helped Airstream of Austin and Blue Compass sell 15 Airstreams at this year's RV Expo. Your help is very much appreciated by me and everyone at Airstream of Austin.

Pictured below are the volunteers from one of our many two hour shifts throughout the four day show.







During the show I learned that the backlog in the service center for Airstreams has been cleared. You can now schedule and receive an appointment time without a delay.

I also learned that Blue Compass, which is the largest Airstream dealer in the country, owns their own transportation company and you can now select any model from any of their dealerships and have it delivered to Austin for only \$250.00 which the dealership will pay for.

When it comes to previously owned Airstreams, each of their salesman has access from their iPhone or tablet to any Airstream available on any of their over 160 dealerships throughout the country. Not sure how any dealer in the State of Texas can compete when it comes to providing the widest selection and now the all Airstream service center.

## NEW MEMBER PAGE

#### Welcome New Members

Kevin & Gwen Bresser Austin, TX 2022 Globetrotter 27'

Regina Jo Carlson Bartlett, TX 2023 Bambi 22'

Cary & Kath Gillman Austin 2022 Flying Cloud 23'

Joanne McCavery Marble Falls, TX 2014 International 23'

Gerald & Nita Kay Powell Houston, TX

Ramon Garcia 2014 International 25' Dallas, TX

Steve Cook & Randy Davis 2022 Caravel 16' Leander, TX

Amy & Douglas Smendik 2015 Flying Cloud 20' Middleville, MI

David & Carole Brittain 2-19 Flying Cloud Brenham, TX

### What is the ACI "Blue Book"?

"We are a camping club full of members who love to enjoy their Airstreams. With any club our size, we need a set of governing documents that describe who we are, what we do and how we do it. These documents fall under the oversight of the International Board of Trustees and are normally updated twice per year. The "Blue Book" is our collection of Constitution, Bylaws and Policies." (ACI Website)

The Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc (Airstream Club International) is registered in the state of Ohio as a 501.c.7 organization by the IRS under the category of Pleasure, Recreational, or Social Club.

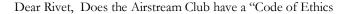
This designation requires the organization to provide legal documents which include a constitution. The ACI constitution includes fundamental principles defining how the organization is to be governed. This includes information about the International Board of Trustees and the number and type of elected officers. Amendments to the Constitution must be approved by the membership.

The ACI Bylaws lists specific rules for how ACI will conduct its business and control the actions of its members. Here you will find the terms of office for those elected and the number of meetings required. The Bylaws may be amended by the International Board of Trustees.

Finally, there is a set of Policies. These set forth the "how" to conduct the business outlined in the other two documents. The information listed in the Policies is like "gold". It answers questions about how to organize and carry out rallies and caravans. It sets forth information about Intra Club and Special Interest Group formation. Financial management rules are included as well as the cost for dues and a Lifetime membership. There is even a section on selecting and displaying your Big Red Number. The policies for Flag Protocol are excellent. Take a few minutes to review these documents by going to <u>Blue Book | ACI (airstreamclub.org)</u>

ACI is divided into twelve geographic regions. We are in Region 9, which is made up of ten local clubs in Texas. Information about the regional government is also available in the Blue Book.

Local clubs are organized under ACI rules and regulations. Texas Highland Lakes Airstream Club has its own Constitution & Bylaws which may be viewed on our website at Constitution, Bylaws and Policies | ACI (airstreamclub.org).



Yes. It can be found of the first page of the WBCCI Constitution & Bylaws. It reads,

"To be ever mindful of our responsibility to Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc., and through conduct, indicate to the public that membership in this organization is an assurance of our courtesy on the road and good will to all peoples and countries.

To be ever mindful of what we say or print with respect to its effect on other of our diverse membership so as to avoid disharmony and ill feelings among club members of differing ethnicities, religious beliefs or orientation and to dedicate ourselves to the work of cementing together the members of WBCCI in bonds of good fellowship and mutual understanding. (6/22/18)

To conduct ourselves in a manner to inspire others engaged in recreational vehicle travel to a full appreciation of the intent and meaning of this code. To maintain our camps in an orderly manner and leave them in the same way."

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## Welcome New Members



Jim & Mary Trussell



Cary & Kath Gilliam



Carola & Stephen Souris

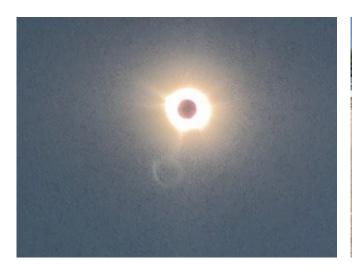


Audrey Yu,-Speight & Evan Speight



Jim & Tina Arseneau

# **Solar Eclipse Rally**







# **Solar Eclipse Rally**



Mike & Dolly Ames and Teddy



Steve Cook, Randy Davis & Tina Louise



# **Solar Eclipse Rally**



First Lady, Elaine Saulnier, receives proclamation from Judge



Ramsey Art Collection



Tour of the Hill County Courthouse



Colin Melton with Hillsboro Mayor, M. Scott Johnson

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### John & Sarah Harrod







Yes - snow flurry's!!



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### Peter & Carol Sajovich

What a wonderful way to start off a new year! Since 2019 Carol and I have lead the Rollin' to The BIG EASY caravan. This years was the best ever and I'm happy to say eight of our THLAC club couples got to participate in our National Caravan. Just one of the many benefits of being a THLAC member.





Crawfish Boil Swamp Tour





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Preservation Hall Court of Two Sisters

Wonderful times, marking new friends from all around the country.

#### Peter & Carol Sajovich

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After the caravan Carol and I took a week for some R & R in Destin, Florida.

We stayed at Henderson State Park on the Emerald Coast right in downtown Destin. Beaches were beautiful and I went fishing. Caught a lot of little ones and this one nice Red Snapper.



Emerald water on the Emerald Coast of Florida

Took a while to land this 28 lb. Red Snapper



### Marty & Cindy Berdan



Here are some recent pics of The Bluebonnet Rally. We enjoyed the beautiful RV Park and had great weather.

The city of Brenham was a great location with many areas to visit locally. They have done a great job with wonderful artist painted murals.

We have been busy redoing our front yard that required some updating with recent winter storms and now drought. We have half the Zoysia grass we had previously. Lake Travis is only around 37% full and our MUD is warning we may not be able to irrigate our yards by this summer.

When we were at the Bluebonnet Rally we saw some wildflowers, but they were no comparison to the ones at Muleshoe Bend Recreation Area not far from us.

Marty & Cindy Berdan

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# Bluebonnet Rally



THLAC Spring Business Meeting—Bill Saulnier, President



The Hill Top Resort Brenham, TX

