

# The Alamo Bugle

Texas Alamo Unit

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# Madame Esparza

My parents took our family primitive camping in Northern California in my childhood. Then we moved to Texas and my last camping experience was on the beach with all the crabs and other insects crawling under the tent floor. End of camping for AnnMarie!

Fast forward 30 years when my new husband Samuel wanted to go camping. As a compromise, I arranged for a RV rental thru Outdoorsy in June 2018...you know...if I'm going to camp, at least I would have some creature comforts. We rented a 2012 Airstream Sport (22 ft) for a week and that's the start of our Airstream story!



President AnnMarie Esparza

In July 2018, we purchased a 1996 30-foot Excella and named her "Texas Belle". We sold "Texas Belle" in December 2021 and purchased a 2012 Interstate for longer road trips. This summer we sold the Interstate and went back to a travel trailer. We debuted our 2024 20' Bambi at the Installation Rally last weekend.

I'm excited and nervous as the new TAU president! Samuel and I have scouted some new locations. We love the TAU rallies as weekend getaways and have made some great friends at the rallies. I hope you'll be able to join us for most of the rallies during my presidency for good friends, good food and good times...Let's continue adventuring together!

Ann Marie

# Rally Schedule. 2024-2025



#### Sept 27-29, 2024

Lake Buchanan 1420 FM690, Burnet, TX 78611 512 234 2381

#### October 25-27, 2024

Open Air Resort 25928 Haynie Flat Road Spicewood, TX 78669 844-350-1517 www.openairrv.com/communities/spic ewood/

#### November 22-24, 2024

Bending Oaks Ranch RV Resort
5681 E US Highway 290
Fredericksburg, TX 78624
830-997-4796
www.bendingoaksranch.com

#### **January 24-26, 2025**

Longhorn RV Resort 23932 Camino Real Niederwald, TX 78640 512-398-3677 www.longhornrvresort.com

#### February 28-March 2, 2025

The Vineyards of Fredericksburg 2647 N Hwy 87 Fredericksburg, TX 78624 830-992-1237 www.thevineyardsrvpark.com Please note: The March 28-30, 2025 Rally will be cancelled. Instead we are encouraged to attend the Region 9 Rally in Edna. March 26-30, 2025

#### April 25-27, 2025

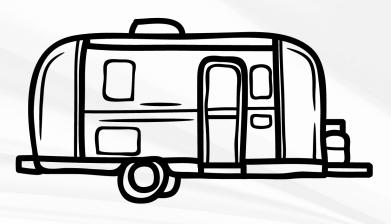
Comfort RV Resort 145 Hermann Sons Rd E Comfort, TX 78013 210-992-2837 www.comfortrvresort.com

#### May 23-25, 2025

Wilderness Lakes RV Resort 22552 Park Rd 25 Mathis, TX 78368 361-547-9995 www.wildernesslakesrv.com

#### September 26-28, 2025

Miller Creek RV Park 5618 Us-281 Johnson City, TX 78636 830-868-2655 www.millercreekrvpark.com



November + May = Buddy Rally



## **OCTOBER**

Birthdays: 16 Roseann Wood 19 Diana Flores 31 Malen Dell

## **OCTOBER**

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**Anniversary:** 05 Sandy & Fred Baird 22 Joi and George Taylor



#### **Thursday Early Arrivals:**

4 pm Social Hour 6 pm Potluck Dinner

#### Friday:

5 pm Social Hour 5:30 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 Congratulations to Betty and Geno Dunn on their new vintage Land Yacht! The Dunns traveled to Oklahoma in July to pick it up from Jeff Kaiser who is a Minnesota WBCCI member. He drove it down to Oklahoma for them.

#### **Happy Trails, Betty and Geno!**



Betty and Geno also celebrated their 26th anniversary on the 26th of September! Betty and Geno have a shout out to Rich for installing the ever-important backup camera and a new radio in their Land Yacht.





Help wanted for the October Rally!
Join Luke and Barbara Brennecke in
hosting the October Rally.

Meals to prepare include:
Saturday Breakfast
Saturday Dinner
Sunday Breakfast

\*Bonus — AnnMarie will provide a new host apron for you to wear!

AnnMarie and Samuel model the new host aprons



Pick up your 2024
Rally Schedule at the upcoming
October Rally!





Your 2024-2025 Officers!
Please note that the flamingo adjacent to AnnMarie is standing in for Jimmy Cook

Pres - AnnMarie Esparza

1st VP - Jimmy Cook

2nd VP - Johnda Pugh

3rd VP - open

Treasurer - Roseann Young

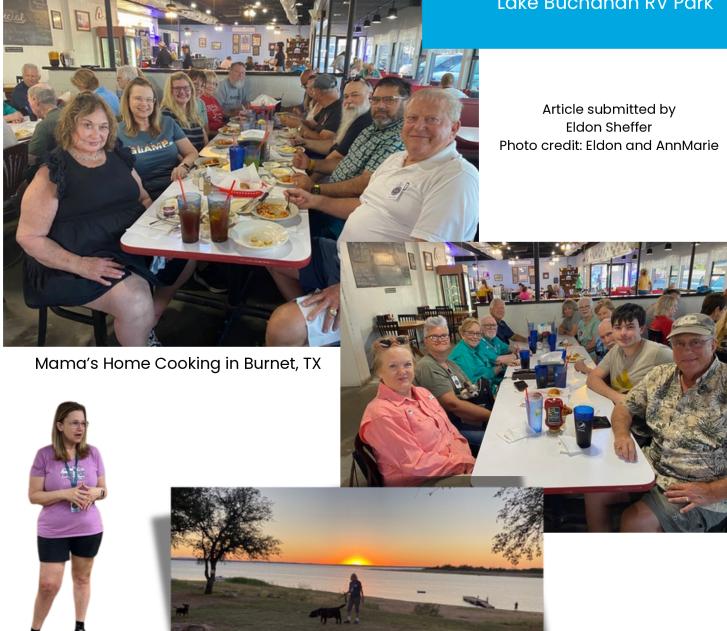
Corresponding and Recording Secretary - Diane Espinosa

1 Year Trustees - Eldon Sheffer and Luke Brenneke

2 Year Trustees - Tom St. Pierre and open



# September 2024 Rally Lake Buchanan RV Park



Poppy and Barbara take a sunset stroll

The September Rally for the Texas Alamo Unit (TAU) was held at the Lake Buchanan RV Park. If you are familiar with the area, it was called the Big Chief RV Park until rather recently. The park has access to Lake Buchanan and a nice swimming pool complex. I included a picture of wife Barbara and Poppy at sunset near the lake. The rally hall was more than large enough and was well equipped.

An early highlight of the rally was the arrival of Gail and Cliff Hall. They are charter members of the TAU with something like 50 years of membership. Unfortunately, they had canine health challenges and needed to leave the next day after arriving. Several of us were glad we had a chance to speak with them during their short time at the rally.

#### September Rally, continued

The Friday night potluck was great fun and our many talented cooks showed their talents with the wonderful food alternatives. Game time followed the dinner.

To honor the installation of officers, we had great fellowship at our annual installation dinner which this year was held at Mama's Home Cooking in Burnet. (See pictures of the two tables.) At the installation, we honored Rich Espinosa for his faithful service and welcomed AnnMarie Esparza as the incoming president. AnnMarie immediately showed her creativity by handing out cards printed with the rally schedule to each person attendance. Because Jimmy was unable to attend due to an different Airstream event, In the officer picture, Jimmy is replaced by a flamingo.

Following the installation, a rousing game of "Left, Right, Center" was enjoyed by those who joined the fun. We appreciate the great year that has just finished and look forward to another great year with



A fun game of L-C-R was played at the Rally



Diane is honored at the ceremony.







Welcome Madame President AnnMarie!



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