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Madame Esparza

The October rally date approached so quickly, and I was still nervous on Friday afternoon about how the weekend would go! In usual TAU fashion, we ate well and enjoyed great conversations. David Willis is providing a nice recap for the weekend, so I'll let him cover the details in his article. I personally want to extend an extra Thank You to Mari...my creative partner-in-crime for our new games last weekend!

The temperatures around San Antonio have finally started to drop a few degrees so it's kinda feeling like fall. Before we know it, Thanksgiving will be here. The 2024 calendar generously gives us 5 weekends in November so we can have it all - a Thanksgiving-themed rally with friends and Thanksgiving Day with family.

I hope you've already made your reservations or will make them as you're reading the newsletter for the November rally (weekend of November 22-24) at Bending Oaks RV Park in Fredericksburg. Your hosts for this rally will be Diane & Rich Espinoza, along with Cathy & David Willis (your rally team has three Past Presidents working it, how lucky is that!). Remember that you make your RV park reservations directly with the park, but also need to submit the JotForm through the club website indicating that you will be attending, so we can plan meals and activities accordingly. I hope 2024 has been a good year for you and you can come up with lots of things to be thankful for!



President AnnMarie Esparza

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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 Harte Flat Road
Spicewood, TX 78669
844-333-1517
www.openairrv.com/communities/spicewood/

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

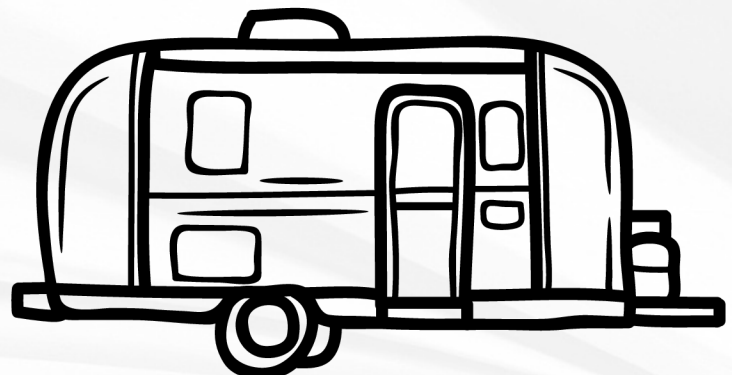
Wilderness Lakes RV Resort
22552 Park Rd 25
Mathis, TX 78368
361-547-9995
www.wildernesslakesrv.com

September 26-28, 2025

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

Buddy Rally

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November + May = Buddy Rally



Have we missed
your birthday or
anniversary? email:
muffincamp@gmail.
com with your
information

NOVEMBER

Birthdays:

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

NOVEMBER

Anniversary:

02 Buddy & Blanche Royall

Weekend Rally Schedule

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

Sedalia, MO Betty and Geno

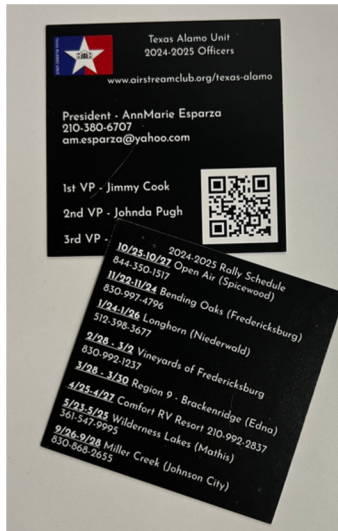
Betty and Geno had a great time at the Region 9 Rally in Sedalia, MO. There was a Halloween dress up and dance Monday night. She also won First place with her blanket and a Second place with one of her embroidered aprons. She reports that she donated a Llama and another apron to raffle. The money from the raffle went to the local hospital breast cancer drive. While at the rally WBCCI also gathered over \$62,000 for Hurricane relief. They had a great time with the Willis, Espinosas, Pughs and the Dunns.



Merit Badges



This year's rally schedule will feature a new Merit Badge for each rally that you can earn thru participation! Each custom-designed and hand-crafted, exclusive Merit Badge will be based on an activity at the rally. The Merit Badges will coordinate perfectly with your Host apron! Don't miss a rally and collect all 8 Merit Badges.



Pick up your 2024 Rally Schedule at the upcoming Rally!

To do:

- read *The Alamo Bugle* _____
- Submit article for newsletter _____
- send in photos to publish _____
- email = Muffin Camp@gmail.com _____



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 Ben Young

Past Pres - Richard Espinosa



Region 9 is bustling with events and Rallies. In September Wally's Workshop was a sold out maintenance rally at NTAC in Hillsboro. October will find Region 9 at the 67th Annual International Rally in Sedalia hosting a Region Officers' Social on Saturday Oct 5th, a Members Breakfast on Monday, Oct 7th and the Blood Drive Oct 7th - 9th.

We are delighted to have two Region 9 sponsored National Event Rallies in 2025. The 4th Annual Streamin' on the Strand at Mardi Gras! Galveston will be February 20-24, 2025. Registration is open:

<https://airstreamclub.org/streamin-strand-2025>

Stitchin' & Fishin' in its 2nd year at NTAC in Hillsboro is a National Event Rally taking place April 24-25, 2025. Registration is open:

<https://airstreamclub.org/stitchin-and-fishin-region-9>

Region 9 Rally will be March 26-30, 2025 at Brackenridge Recreational Complex in Edna, TX. If you would be willing to serve on a planning & host committee, please contact Region 9 President, Tracy Elkins at 281.725.1672 or region9wbcci@gmail.com.

Coming May 15-18, 2025 is the Region 9 Sponsored HAM Rally at NTAC. Registration is open: <https://airstreamclub.org/region-9-2025-ham-rally>

Check out our Region 9 Website at <https://airstreamclub.org/region-9> for details on other upcoming Region 9

All the best,
Tracy Elkins
Region 9 President
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President Ann Marie's first rally as the new TAU President was held at Open Air RV Park in Spicewood, Texas. The rally drew a total of 11 rigs in attendance. Hosts for the rally were Mari Rabinowitz & Jimmy Cook, along with Barbara & Luke Brennecke. Thursday saw the early arrival of 5 rigs to "grease the skids" for the weekend festivities. An extended Happy Hour in the park clubhouse occupied the better part of the evening.

Friday was the official start of the rally. Opie's BBQ in Spicewood was the provider of dinner that evening, and it was delicious. Saturday morning featured Luke's custom-made breakfast casserole, along with English muffins. Saturday evening's dinner featured "The Blackstone Man", Jimmy Cook, at the helm of his Blackstone churning out burgers and hotdogs, assisted by Past President Samuel Esparza. Sunday breakfast was a reprise of "The Blackstone Man", only this time the end product were delicious pancakes, together with a fantastic fruit compote topping created by Mari. A side dish of grilled sausage patties (including a few "spicy" ones!) rounded out the meal. Devotional was handled by Past President Ben Young, followed by the customary group "clean up & out" of the rally hall. A huge thank you to the hosts and all club members for making the meals work so seamlessly.



Activities during the rally involved some board & card game play, a little football watching, a visit by some members to Iron Wolf Distillery for their Fall Festival, trailer tours of several members new trailers, and the traditional "story telling". Saturday evening's games were headed up by President Ann Marie, who introduced the group to "Bumpkin Bowling", "Ghost Arcade", and "Pin the Nose on the Witch". President Ann Marie also introduced her new merit badge program, and all club members present were awarded their first merit badge in "Bumpkin Bowling". Six rigs stayed over until Monday, and those who stayed "did it all over again", one more time on Sunday evening. A huge thank you goes out to President Ann Marie for her hard work and creativity in planning this rally, along with the hosts mentioned above. She has certainly "hit the ground running"!!!! See you at the Rally! Keep the Shiny Side Up!

David Willis

October 2024 Rally
Open Air Resort, cont

