

THE ROADRUNNER



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President's Message— February 2025

I've heard rumors that there are a few hearty THLAC members who have been winter camping these past weeks. My hat is off to you!!! I'm ready for Springtime!!

I hope everyone's holidays were enjoyable and memorable. Except for a quick trip down to the Texas Coast to be with family, we have been staying at NTAC, warm and cozy.

This new year is filled with camping opportunities. I hope that you are planning to rally with us! The Czech Music Festival Rally is waitlisted, however, planning for the St Patty's Day Rally (March 13-15), in New Braunfels, is well underway.

By the time you read this, registration for the St Patty's Day Rally will be open. Contact Debbie Trimble or Jim Pfeil if you have not received information. Randy and Mouse Rice and Cullen and Shirley Combs are hosting this rally.

The Canopy RV Resort, in New Braunfels, is a relatively new park and will provide us with an excellent location to easily see the sights and experience the old German Texas culture that has been a key part of that region since the mid 1800's. New Braunfels received its name from Prince Carl of Solm-Braunfels in 1845. Don't forget to wear your green!

The month of May provides club members with the opportunity to attend a **"Pop UP" Rally** to be held at Cedar Ridge Campground on Lake Belton. A **Pop Up Rally** is one that is planned after the official Rally Schedule is announced to the club in the fall of the previous year. There are no Rally Hosts and no specific activities planned. They simply provide the chance to camp with club members in a relaxing place. Contact Kathy and Mike Ashley for more information. And, if you have an idea for a **Pop UP Rally**, let me know!

Region 9 will hold its annual rally at Brackenridge Park & Campground, near Edna, TX, March 26-30. Brackenridge is a nice park on a beautiful lake. I hope to see some club members there.

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2025

March 13-15 St Patty’s Rally
 The Canopy RV Resort, New Braunfels, TX

March 26-30 Region 9 Rally
 Brackenridge Park & Campground, Edna, TX

April 21-May 6 Texas Riviera Caravan

May 11-14 Sunrise, Sunset, Lake Watchin’ Pop Up Rally
 Cedar Ridge Campground on Lake Belton
 Temple, TX

August 23-28 ACI International Rally, York, PA

September 11-14 Grapefest! Rally,
 The Vineyards Campground, Grapevine, TX

Oct. 2-5 Bikin’ & Hikin’ Rally
 Palo Duro Canyon State Park

November 13-16 Installation Rally
 North Texas Airstream Community
 Hillsboro, TX

December 4-7 Christmas Rally
 KOA, San Antonio, 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 <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.

President's Message— Continued

To ensure that we maintain our status as being “the Gold Standard for Club Caravans”, we have two, count them – 2, Club caravans in April: the Texas 6 Shooter and the Texas Riviera caravans. Both have a waitlist, however, contact the caravan leaders to add your name to the list. Waitlists can, and do, change. The popular West of the Pecos caravan is another great camping experience that hitches up in the fall. It is led by our very own Brian and Nancy Powers. Contact the Powers to learn more.

ALSO, please begin to think about the Bikin' & Hikin' Rally at Palo Duro Canyon SP in October (2-5). Reserving campsites in Texas' State Parks is challenging when trying to book a large number of campsites, so related information will be sent soon. Kathy and Mike Ashley and Helen and Mark Dickerson are the rally Hosts.

So, as we wait for flowers to bloom and the birds to come south again, map out your camping plans for this year. And don't forget to include the International Rally to be held in York, PA (Aug 23-28). There are only 1,000 campsites there, so don't wait. The International Rally is typically attended by as many as 1200+ Airstreamers. You can reserve a spot using ACI's web-site. <https://airstreamclub.org/members/login>

Happy camping and safe travels!

Allen Faulk

Membership

Hello THLAC Members,

I hope everyone had a wonderful Holiday Season and you're staying warm and dreaming of your Spring and Summer travels. Your Club leadership has been active preparing for this year's Rallies, Caravans and Business meetings. Thanks to Alan and the Executive Board for their diligence.

Our Club enters 2025 with 178 Primary members and 45 additional affiliates. Thank you all for sharing your travel stories in our newsletters and on our Facebook page. This is a proven membership driver and sharing your experiences with other Airstreamers as you travel helps as well.

We'll see many of you at the Austin RV show in February and at our Spring Rallies. Please direct anyone who is interested in joining our Club to me by e-mail, phone or text.

Safe travels,

Frank Steed

Membership Chairman

Texas Highland Lakes Airstream Club

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Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee is asking for your help in identifying volunteers to serve in THLAC leadership positions.

Volunteers are needed for the following offices:

2nd Vice President - A one year position that moves up through 1st VP, President and Past President for a total commitment of four years

Treasurer—A one year position but prefer a volunteer who will commit to two or more years

Recording Secretary— A one year position

2 Year Trustee—2 positions—Each trustee serves a two year commitment

THLAC is fortunate to have volunteers willing to step up to fill the offices required to make our club one of the best!

Please give serving as an officer your thoughtful consideration. Duties for each officer is located in the Constitution & Bylaws posted on the club website.

For more information and to volunteer yourself or someone else, contact Bill Saulnier, Nominating Committee Chair.

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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.

Trailer Shed for rent, will accommodate 30' Airstream Trailer or shorter. It has a sewer Dump and 30 amp electricity and is fully enclosed. I am located 20 miles west of Austin in the Hudson Bend area. The Rent is \$100.00 per month. Contact Myron Fischer. My phone number is 512-784-0635 and my address is 16731 Rocky Ridge Rd. Austin, Texas 78734

Airstream for sale. I have a 2021 Airstream Globetrotter for sale . It has only been used 3 times. In perfect condition!

Contact Lynda Brandon



Region 9 Updates

By: Tracy Elkins, Region 9 President, BRN 9713

Hello Airstream Friends:

Mark your calendars. Region 9 has a busy few months ahead!

- ◆ **Streamin' on the Strand: The National Event Rally** kicks off at Mardi Gras! In Galveston, February 20th-23rd. While the waitlist is full, you can still visit us on Mechanic Row between 22nd and 25th Streets on the Historic Galveston Strand!
- ◆ **Wally's Workshop: Need to get your rig ready for camping season?** There are still a few slots open at Wally's Workshop, happening March 21st-23rd at NTAC in Hillsboro. Register here: <https://airstreamclub.org/wallys-workshop>
- ◆ **Escape to the Country: Join us** for the annual Region 9 Rally, March 26th-30th at the beautiful Brackenridge Recreation Complex on the banks of Lake Texana! Registration is open now at <https://airstreamclub.org/region-9-2025-rally>. Don't miss out!

We hope to see you at one of these exciting events!

Region 9 has volunteer opportunities with two chair positions currently open. If you are interested and have some time to serve, please consider the Region 9 Membership Chair or the Region 9 Caravan Chair. I would be delighted to visit with you about either of these roles!

All the best,

Tracy Elkins
Region 9 President
BRN 9713





68th Annual
Airstream Club International Rally
August 23—28, 2025
York, PA

AIRSTREAM CLUB INTERNATIONAL ANNOUNCES the 68th Annual Airstream Club International Rally will be held at the 87-acre York Expo Center located in the heart of York, PA. The Expo Center promises to be a historic and hospitable host with a potential for 1200 campsites. Rally RV sites include water and 30 amp electric service with pump-out of tanks every four (4) days. Additional pump out services will be available for a fee. Boondocking options are also available.

Vibrant downtown York bustles with activity – from art galleries, shops and restaurants, there's something for everyone! And don't miss the York Central Market – a century-old building featuring over 50 vendor stalls filled with tasty treats and handmade goods from local artisans.

History buffs will love the York County History Center, Colonial Complex and Susquehanna National Heritage Area, as well as the proximity to other historical sites such as Gettysburg National Military Park, the National Civil War Museum, and many others in nearby Harrisburg and Hershey. And York is also just 52 miles to Baltimore, Maryland and 92 miles to Washington, DC!

Rally Activities include a Pet Show, 50's Casino Night. Vintage Airstream Club hospitality and dance, Airstream Inc. presentation, First Timer welcome, block parties and so much more!

Embrace the timeless traditions of adventure and friendship while exploring and enjoying the sites and sounds of the Mid-Atlantic at the 2025 ACI Rally.

REGISTER NOW FOR SITES SELL OUT QUICKLY

Click Here for Additional Information: [York 2025 | Registration | ACI](#)



NEW MEMBER PAGE

Tools for the Road

Welcome New Members

Ernest Nitka & Vicki Ottoson
Wheat Ridge, CO
2011 Flying Cloud 23'

Kevin & Jane Robinson
Temple, TX
2020 Caravel 22'

Vernon & Suzanne Neal
Iola, TX
2023 Globetrotter 27'



As a new Airstream owner, I was amazed to see what experienced Airstream travelers carried with them in their tool boxes. Have you ever wondered what an well equipped tool box would contain? I have met those who carry a minimum as well as those who are over zealous in what they pack. However, it is important to carry certain “must have” tools in order to ensure safe travels. Here are a few suggestions.

Tools:

- Rivet gun & rivets
- Hex wrench
- Adjustable wrench
- Screwdriver & bits
- Allen wrench set
- Small socket set
- 1 1/16 “ socket for anode rod
- Vice grips
- Channel lock pliers
- Needle nose pliers
- Crescent wrench

Electric:

- Multimeter Electrical multi tool
- Electrical tape & fittings
- Fuses

Tires:

- Tire pressure gauge
- Lug wrench
- Trailer -Aid tire changing ramp

Safety:

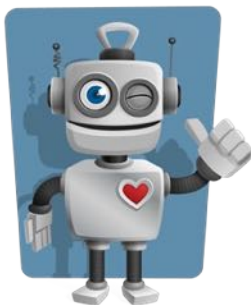
- Goggles
- Work gloves
- Rubber gloves

Miscellaneous:

- Water brush for dirt and rust
- Tape measure
- Silicone
- Plastic putty knife
- Teflon tape
- Levels
- Duct tape
- 3 in 1 oil

Optional:

- Power drill & drill bit set
- Caulk gun
- Small saw
- Box cutter



Dear Rivet, I have never been to a Region 9 rally. What is it like?

Nervous Nellie

It is lots of fun! The Region 9 Rally brings together members from ten Texas Airstream Clubs. Lots of activities are planned including catered meals, a shrimp boil, outings to local attractions, and workshops. I enjoy the chance to hear about new travel adventures from other Airstreamers. It is also a great resource for asking maintenance questions. Those who are attending the rally for the first time will be warmly welcomed. Go ahead, register and enjoy meeting new friends.

BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES

February Birthdays

2/1 Elizabeth Miller
2/3 Kathryn Riva
2/5 Jean Beebe
2/5 Shirley Fleming
2/11 Phil Rumford
2/13 Patricia Thomas
2/15 Victor Blood
2/16 Ed Addicks
2/16 Marilyn McClanahan
2/20 Harvey Craig
2/24 Don Bell
2/28 Nancy Powers

March Birthdays

3/3 Peter Sajovich
3/6 Humberto Reyes
3/8 Holly Ice
3/11 Mike Richards
3/16 Linda Fischer
3/21 Cindy Sikorski
3/23 Myron Fischer
3/30 Rock McNulty

February & March Anniversaries

2/14 Jimmy & Marque Mooney
2/29 John & Sarah Harrod
3/2 Jim & Pam Dudley
3/25 Jim & Janie Haddaway
3/26 Bill & Pat Lovelace

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

Kirk Guidry's father, Kerby Guidry, passed away on January 30 at the age of 96. Services will be February 3 in Breau Bridge. Our thoughts and prayers are with Kirk, Sharon and their family.

Pat Martin passed away on January 5, 2025. Our thoughts and prayers are with her husband, HV and their family. The Martins are long time members who have been active not only in our club but at the Region 9 and International Rallies.



PARTY LINE *and* PRAYERS/CONCERNS

Mike & Robin Pierce

Hi from Brownsville , Texas. We haven't had an opportunity to participate since we've joined but we hope to change that. Our first grand baby was born in November and we are so lucky. She, and her parents live here on our organic grapefruit farm so we get to see her almost daily. Currently we are winding down our grapefruit season. Next on the calendar for us is our local Charro Days at the end of February and then two weeks beginning 3/22 in our airstream in Roundtop/Warrenton .



Henry & Nancy Jackson

We are new members and new to Airstreams. We having been spending our time learning about our new Airstream and have been taking short shake down trips. We can't wait to meet everyone. Shoutout to Randy and "Mouse" Rice who we met at Inks Lake who were so informative about this group. Hope to see all of you soon. Airstream BRN#14241.

Best,
Henry & Nancy Jackson

PARTY LINE *and* PRAYERS/CONCERNS

Ed & Cheri Addicks

Ed and Cheri Addicks enjoyed the Colorado Rockies caravan last spring, where this photo was taken.

This February, we'll be retiring from a 42-year engineering career. We'll be releasing pent up travel desires this year.

Our first stop from our Washington State home will be West Texas where we'll visit Cheri's brother and sister-in-law in Fort Stockton, and the Trimble's in Alpine at Cowboy Poetry.

Then on to Brenham to visit our Moms and more siblings and their families. Next up will be joining up with the Georgia on My Mind caravan the month of March. The first week of April, we'll join a Florida Airstream Club Rally in central Florida. From mid-April to mid-May we'll join friends on the Southeast Coastal



The last week of May, we join Airstream friends and Ed's brother and sister-in-law in the British Virgin Islands where we'll charter a catamaran for a week of sailing.

In June, we're back to Texas in Galveston the weekend of Father's Day and the following week, with several of our children and grandchildren. Then two weeks traveling slowly with our grandkids and our trailer from Texas to Ohio for some camping fun. Then just the two of us back home.

In early September, we join Ed's Mom, Aunt, brother, and sister-in-law on a 1-week cruise around Ireland on an Azamara cruise ship. Finally, in October Cheri and I spend 3 weeks with the RVICs ministry at Shasta Bible College in northern California helping restore and rehabilitate their facilities.

Retirement promises to be fun!

Bob Paquette

I get to spend the winter months at home, which gives me time to play with a couple of cheerful three year old kids.

I also get to make plans for the year. February is Vietnam, March is Phoenix for spring baseball, April and May is the Florida Coastal caravan. June and July are short, "local" trips.

I'm still working details for the rest of the year, but it's a multi-month east coast tour, from the Carolinas to New Brunswick. Keep on rolling!



PARTY LINE *and* PRAYERS/CONCERNS

Cindi & Mark Cockrill

Hello from Cindi & Mark Cockrill,

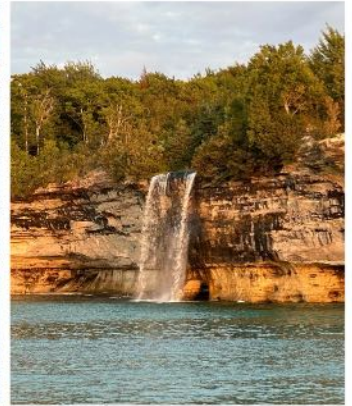
We recently returned from the UP caravan. We had a fabulous time! Each stop was filled with so much beauty, adventure & fellowship! One of our favorites was hiking to Chapel Rock in Pictured Rock Nat'l Lakeshore...it is such an amazing sight to see- we then took a sunset cruise & were able to see it again from water view! We also enjoyed a lot of biking & rock collecting- even finding Yooperlite rocks with our UV flashlight in the evenings! After the caravan, we were able to explore much of Door County, WI.

“Life is meant for spectacular adventures. Let your feet wander, your eyes marvel, & your soul ignite.”



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Rick & Debbie Trimble

It has been a busy couple of months. On December 17, we closed on the sale of our Plano home and moved to our villa at NTAC on December 21. What a coincidence that we moved into our house in Plano 45 years ago on the same date! We will miss the park behind our home, the ample storage space, and the wood-burning stove that kept us so cozy on cold winter days.

We are enjoying our new home. When we moved in, Steve and Ginger Zeringue hosted a welcome party. We have replaced all the flooring, painted the downstairs, and installed new blinds throughout the villa. After seeing the beautiful kitchens of the Beckwiths and Glasnapps, we hired the same company to remodel our kitchen, with work scheduled to begin in mid-March. Additionally, we purchased the small lot across from us, which makes parking the Airstream easier, and it could eventually be converted into a small apartment or workspace.

It's been great spending time with other club members and the friends we've made on caravans. We've enjoyed visiting and going out to dinner with them. I may need to put a tracker on Rick. He often takes the golf cart to take out the trash or pick up the mail and can be gone for a while, especially when the weather is nice. He always finds so many people to chat with.

Rick is a member of the Architectural Building Committee (ABC) and also serves on the Maintenance Committee. I have taken on the role of NTAC webmaster, which will take some learning. The NTAC Board consists of dedicated volunteers who strive to keep the community thriving. Volunteerism is key here. We like the way things are done here.

Rick has planted carrots, beets, and seven-top turnip greens in the Valley. Because of everything else going on, he started late this year. We are also adding a 500-square-foot storage room to our building for items we can't keep at NTAC.

We will attend the Lone Star Cowboy Poetry event with other club members in February. Since they moved to Washington, we are also looking forward to seeing Ed and Cheri Addicks. In March, we will attend the St. Patty's Rally in New Braunfels and look forward to seeing many of you there.

Our new mailing address is 200 Walnut Hill Ave, #57, Hillsboro, TX. 76645. Our Villa number is 201A. Wishing everyone good health and safe travels.



Downstairs of the Villa



Storage Building in LaFeria



Upstairs of the Villa