



TEXAS HIGHLAND LAKES UNIT NEWSLETTER

April 2016



President's Message

This has been an amazing year for beautiful weather in Texas. It is inspiring for getting out there in our Airstreams and enjoying the relaxation, comradery and expansiveness of Airstream life. I think back to how Wally Byam must have felt empowering thousands of folks to experience the open road to the great outdoors. When someone sees our Airstreams the dream of experiencing wonderful new things can be seen in their eyes because Airstream represents the American dream of adventure and freedom. The real gem of Airstream is WBCCI. As many of you know, the friendships we make through our travel club are friendships that last a lifetime. We are a community of folks from all walks of life brought together through the adventure and wonder that is Airstream!

Our next rally is the Galveston Island Rally on Thursday May 5th through Sunday May 8th. We have about 10 spots left. This is currently a No-Host rally so if you would like to host please let us know. You can also select the host option when registering.

[Click Here to Register Now!](#)

All are invited to the Doc Cain Memorial Fishing Tournament to be held during the May 12th through May 15th Rally of the Texas Gulf Coast Unit at Texas Airstream Harbor on Sam Rayburn Lake just outside of Zavalla, TX.

[Click Here for More Information!](#)

Texas Highland Lakes Unit was recognized as a 2105 Superior Merit Award Unit

for its contribution to WBCCI. This award is presented to units which have earned at least 4000 points collected through their leadership and participation in unit, region and international activities. The purpose of the merit award is "To assist Units in planning and setting goals; to develop effective and well-managed Units; to serve as a tool to gather and share information on successful activities and to recognize excellence in Unit operations". At the Region 9 Rally, a certificate was presented to Grady Ferry, Past President, together with a gold inscribed streamer which will be displayed on the THLU flag.

Welcome New Members:

Robert and Jenny Fuller WBCCI #: 6555

655 FM 969

Bastrop, TX 78602

Email: robert@fullerusa.com /jenny@fullerusa.com

Airstream: 2016 Flying Cloud 26'

Joined: March 2016

Paul and Terri Krause WBCCI #: 1280

1202 Baird Way

Celina, TX 75009

Email: pauldkrause@gmail.com /terr.krause@gmail.com

Airstream: 2015 Classic 30'

Joined: March 2016

Region 9 News

Congratulations to Grady Ferry who was elected Region 9 President for 2016-2018 term at the business meeting held during the recent Region 9 Rally held in Shawnee, OK. The Nominating Committee has since selected the name of Bill Kindle for the Region 9 office of First Vice President and Bill Miller for the Region 9 office of Second Vice President for 2016/2018. Ballots have been sent to the ten units within the region and once elected they will be installed at the Region 9 luncheon on June 30, 2016 in Lewisburg, WV during the International Rally.

"Airstream PowWow" ~ Region 9 Rally held in Shawnee, OK

During the Region 9 Rally, children's art supplies, tote bags, toys and monetary donations were collected to support local Shriners Hospitals for Children. The response was overwhelming! A truck full of items were delivered to Shriners in Houston together with a check for \$725. An additional \$146 was collected and presented to the Shawnee Veterans Memorial park, a place of solitude and reflection which honors those who are currently serving our country or have served in the past.



Chloe, John Irwin's beloved cat, took first place in the Pet Show.



Cricket, Native American storyteller, shared creation stories of local tribes.



Three Man Scramble Golf Teams: Grady Ferry, Jimmy Mooney & Gary Shelton - 1st Place. Sandie Boutwell, David Thompson & Marvin Essary - 2nd Place



Dominoes: Kathryn Fischer - 2nd place and Myron Fischer 3rd Place. Congratulations also to Mike Richards who took 1st Place in the Forty-Two contest and Sandie Boutwell for 2nd place in Joker-International.



THLU May Luncheon

The next THLU luncheon will be on Tuesday, May 3 at The County Line (on the Lake) Bar-B-Q restaurant located at 5204 Ranch Road 2222 in Austin. We gather at 1:30 PM. Come join us!

Save the Date

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| May 5-8, 2016 | Galveston Island Rally at Galveston Island RV Resort |
| June 28-July 5, 2016 | 59th International Rally in Lewisburg, WV
Registration information at WBCCI.org |
| Sept. 23-Oct. 7, 2016 | THLU 2016 New Mexico Balloon Fiesta ~WBCCI Numbered Caravan
Contact Harvey Craig at charv@msn.com |
| Nov. 3-6, 2016 | THLU Installation Rally at North Texas Airstream Community (NTAC), Hillsboro, TX |
| Dec. 2016 | THLU Christmas Rally & Auction ~ TBA |
| Jan. 16-21, 2017 | International Board of Trustees (IBT) Pinal Fairgrounds & Event Center Casa Grande, AZ |
| July 12-29, 2017 | 60th International Rally in Escanaba, MI More details to be announced |

Birthdays

David Skinner (4-7)

Mickey Reyes (4-10)

Janie Haddaway (4-11)

Grady Ferry (4-12)

Gary January (4-12)

Erlene Shelly (4-12)

Keith Ferry (4-17)

Sue Arnesen (4-18)

Stephanie Sobotik (4-19)

Judy Hazen (4-25)

Darrell Kachilla (4-29)

Anniversaries

William & Karlene Kerfoot (4-5)

Arliss & Sybil McNeely (4-6)

Ron & Vicki Plaxco (4-7)

Gene & Kathy Blanchard (4-16)

Warren & Lynne Capps (4-25)

Party Line & Prayers/Concerns

Marty Berdan will have hip replacement surgery on April 15. We wish him a successful surgery and a speedy recovery.

Condolences go to **Richard and Janet Turner**. Richard's mother recently passed away. They are in North Carolina. We offer our thoughts and prayers for their loss and wish them a safe journey home.

Prayers are requested for **Dana, daughter of Janie Haddaway**. She is having serious issues in her battle with cancer.



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