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TGCU

YELLOW ROSE NEWSLETTER
Texas Gulf Coast Unit



...from the President

Old Dogs, New Tricks, and a 55+ Community

Many of our Airstream club members have been very successful in their careers. They are not only smart but have accumulated a certain amount of wisdom. And they're ready for a change in lifestyle and travel. The Airstream community seems to attract these kind of people.

Some are retired but a number are still engaged in the workforce. Some have given up large homes to either live in their Airstreams on the road or have downsized their homes to a 900 square foot cabana for a simpler life.

Having more time for communication with friends and neighbors, we learn from each other — another chance for meaningful education. Talking with each other even casually can reveal secrets for success. Here are a few of the nuggets recently shared.

From Roy: When I was young, I put together models and paid attention to the order of the steps. This also comes in handy when doing repairs. And taking a picture before taking something apart gives a better idea of how it should look when completed.

From Wayne: Travel when you can and keep a log. In your later years it will help you relive memories.

From Kay: Don't sweat the small stuff.

From Kevin: Do less better.

From Terry: Marriage counsel- agree to disagree.

From Pam: Never go to bed angry.

From Emma Lee: Love your neighbor as yourself.

From Nancy: Real courage is doing the right thing when nobody's looking.

From Charlie: I follow what my father always said, "If you don't have time to do it right, when will you have time to fix it?"

From Fred: Keep the Son in your eyes!

From Anonymous: Every day I ask God to help me be more intentional in my thoughts and plans. As I age, I realize that my days are fewer and I have not yet completed all I need to do. He has committed some work to me which He has not committed to another. I never may know my mission in this life, but I shall be told it in the next.

From Shanna: Make it a beautiful day.

From Robert: It's a joy to wake up every morning praying and thanking God.

From Mary: Even though I may not be going to work, I put on my makeup first thing in the morning. I feel better, look better and protect my delicate skin from the intense rays of the sun whenever I take my morning walk.

From Bruce (my husband): Not every question about why something is done is a criticism of that behavior. It is for information so that it can be understood. (Men from Mars—women from Venus. And one can surmise it's following that biblical admonition for husbands to "live with your wives in an understanding way.")

Yes, old dogs can learn new tricks and wise folks are always learning. What a joy it is to age gracefully!



Enjoying The Last Best Place,
Debra B. Green #56



HOME UNIT OF
2022-2024 REGION 9
PRESIDENT
NANCY FITZGERALD

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2023 Rallies & Hosts

Sept. 14-17 Back to School Rally

Emma Lee Wilson & Don Patterson, Pam Pearson, Terry DeCuir, Mary Watermann, Debra Green, Ava Daniels

Oct. 12-15 "Music to Our Ears" Rally

Lou & Byron Kaelin, Rhonda & Jim Petrukitas, Kay & Kevin Krisko, Aaron & Jennifer Richardson

Nov. 9-12 5th Annual Turkey Shoot Rally

Nancy Fitzgerald & Randy Robinson, Shelby & Jim Trimble, Becky & Bob Kalton, Jody Herrera, Michelle & Chris Morlan, Mallory Smith & Mike Mullinnix

Dec. 7-10 Christmas Party & Silent Auction Rally

Mary Watermann, Pam & Bill Pearson, Annette & Mike Bearden, Susan & Robert Warner, Celine Martel & Alain Defoy, Dee Smith, Steve & Selina Shadd

If you are unable to host in your month, kindly switch with someone & record at the clubhouse. Please see page 3 for Host duties



SEPTEMBER RALLY

**TGCU
Rally is
Sept. 14-17
Back to School Rally**

***RSVP to Debra Green
by Monday Sept. 11th
936-676-3819
debragreen@gmail.com***

WELCOME FALL!

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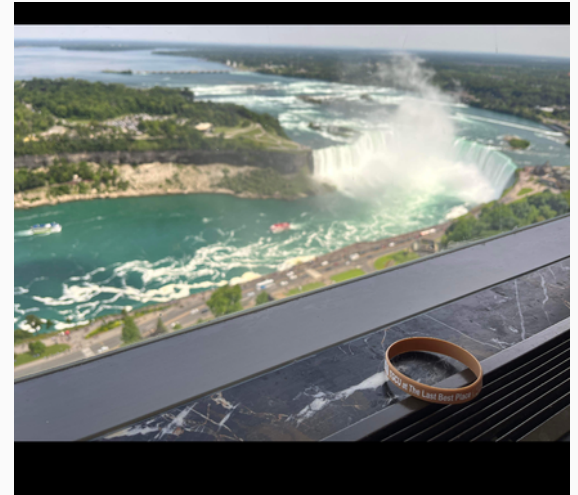
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2023 TGCU OFFICERS

Debra Green President
Shanna Moll 1st Vice President
Selina Shadd 2nd Vice President
Linda Williams ... Corresponding Secretary
LaVerne Villanti Recording Secretary
RutheAnn Richardson Treasurer
Charlie Petrillo Trustee
Emma Lee Wilson Trustee

WHERE HAS YOUR WRISTBAND BEEN?



NIAGRA FALLS- LOU & BYRON KAELIN

Rally September 14-17th



TGCU Rally Host Duty Reminders

- Coordinate plans together with rally host team; first couple listed is team leader.
- If an appointed team member is unable to participate, it is his responsibility to find a replacement & communicate that change to the host team leader at least two weeks prior to the event.
- Plan activities & meals for Thursday evening through Sunday morning.
- Send rally schedule to Debra, to post in newsletter (by 25th of month prior to rally, i.e. Mar. 25 for April 13-16 rally).
- Shop for food & decorating items needed, keeping receipts (reimbursable any time during the rally); check boxes in store room first for available décor—food & decorating budget for each rally is typically \$300 for 40-50 in attendance. [Saturday breakfast is pre-planned & not included in team responsibilities or expenses.]
- Check supplies on hand in clubhouse before ordering more. Decorate accordingly.
- Make coffee each morning; prepare and serve meals; remember to plan in advance to have propane turned on if oven is to be used.
- Post daily activities on clubhouse whiteboard.
- For each event, make sure kitchen is clean & restrooms supplied.
- Set up tables & chairs for meals, TGCU meeting & Sunday Devotional.
- Ask someone to lead in prayer before each meal.
- Make announcements & remind members of Sunday Service, informing them that our collections always go to the Zavalla Food Pantry.
- Clean up after each meal.
- Take trash to dumpster as needed.
- Turn off lights after each event **OR** arrange for those remaining later to do so.



Back to School Rally September 14-17, 2023

Bring a high school photo.
Any cheerleaders, sports, band?

Thursday, September 14 – Cinema

5:00 pm Happy Hour. **Bring your own beverage.**
6:00 pm Popcorn & a Movie: **American Graffiti**



Friday, September 15 – Cafeteria & Cheer

9:00 am Morning Coffee & Sweetbreads at Clubhouse
10:00 am TAHI Board Meeting
5:00 pm Happy Hour. **Bring your own beverage.**
6:00 pm Cafeteria Lunches for Dinner
(Don't bring a thing—everything provided)
7:00 pm Cheerleading Practice with Ping Pong,
Pool, Mexican Train, Shuffleboard



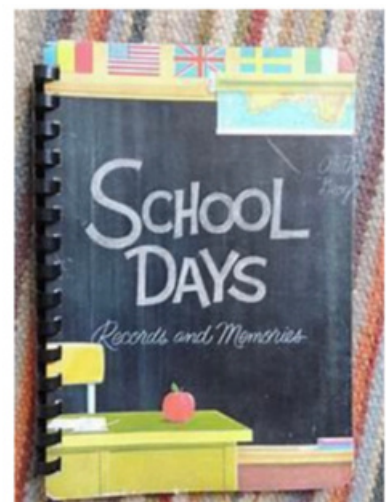
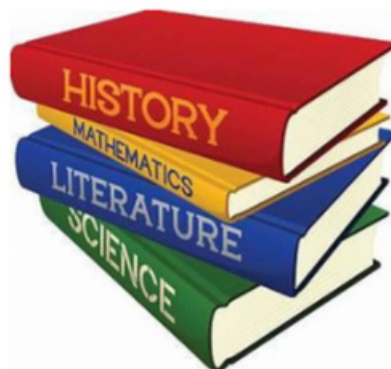
Saturday, September 16 – Classmates

7:00-8:30 am Breakfast with **Bodacious Breakfast Crew.** **Bring your own setups.**
9:00 am TGCU Board Meeting
10:00 am TGCU Membership Meeting
11:00 am TAHI Membership Meeting
2:00 pm Trailer Clinic – Schooling on Airstreams
5:00 pm Happy Hour. **Bring your own beverage.**
6:00 pm Dinner. **Bring your own setups and beverage.**
[High School Photo Competition – Who are your classmates?](#)
7:00 pm School Sports – Cheerleading, Sports, Games



Sunday, September 17

8:30-9:00 am Coffee & Pastries
9:00 am Devotional
9:30 am Clubhouse clean-up



CELEBRATIONS

September Birthdays!

Selena Hodges	7
Rachel Wilson	8
Trey Wilson	9
Robert Warner	9
Jim Hodges	11
Judy Wilson	12
Bruce Green	14
Don Patterson	15
Lonna Nelson	15
Emma Lee Wilson	20
Stephanie Kersten	22
Rick Nelson	26

September Anniversaries!

Jon & LaVerne Villanti	1
Dan & Stephanie Kersten	4



Lets have some Fun!

UPCOMING EVENTS



**INTERNATIONAL RALLY 2024
SEDALIA, MO
REGISTRATION NOW OPEN
REGISTER AT AIRSTREAMCLUB.ORG**

OCTOBER 5-10, 2024

REMEMBER:

RECORD MILES TRAVELED IN YOUR AIRSTREAM THIS YEAR. AT THE DECEMBER RALLY, AN AWARD WILL GO TO THE TRAVELER WITH THE MOST MILES IN 2023.

SAVE THE DATE!

Region 9 presents the 3rd annual



Streamin' on the Strand
National Event Rally
February, 1-4, 2024

Registration opens September 14th

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

66th Annual Airstream International Rally "Rolling to Rock Springs" Wyoming



REGION 9 PRESIDENT
NANCY FITZGERALD &
TRACY ELKINS VP

OPENING CEREMONY REGION 9
DEBRA GREEN TGPU PRESIDENT WITH HUSBAND
BRUCE GREEN. FLAG CEREMONY WITH NANCY
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AND TRACY ELKINS.



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Airstream International Rally Rock Springs, Wyoming



TGCU AT ROCK SPRINGS



VINTAGE TRAILER PARADE
DOWNTOWN ROCK SPRINGS



TGCU AT
SWEETWATER EVENT CENTER

Summer Adventures!



TEXAS AIRSTREAM HARBOR

News & Views..

I hope everyone that ventured out away from TAHI this summer with their Airstreams has had a great time and seen some wonderful country and met many outstanding folks along your journey paths. RutheAnn and I were delayed in our travels awaiting clearance from our doctors but we made up for it beginning the first of July and just barely returned to TAHI at the time of this writing. It is always good to be home...however...someone let it get HOT, HOT, HOT!! Travelers by TGPU Airstreamers to the International Rally in Wyoming took with them T-shirts and Business cards with the "QR" code that enabled visitors to scan the code



with their phones and deliver those visitors directly to our front door via the internet to www.TexasAirstreamHarbor.com The Theme was "Come Rally With Us" and the saying "No Whar but Texas".



The extremely hot weather has taxed our water system pretty heavy but the well is keeping up with demand. There was a brief period when the storage tank got very low but everyone came to the rescue of all by voluntarily restricting their water usage so our pumps could catch up with the daily demand. Currently everything is ok, however an awareness of water usage is still encouraged for all. Speaking of water wells, the process of bringing online what we call "Well #3" is in progress. Several tests that are required by TCEQ have been conducted and have come back with positive results of good water and the wells ability to provide over 18,000 gallons of water in a 36 hour period. Three consecutive days of laboratory testing of the raw water quality came back with very good water results. Currently we are seeking an exception as the drillers report for this particular well was unable to be located.

Also this summer we experienced a few days without our security gate as the key pad was bad order but a new one was able to be ordered and installed and all is good. It's very appropriate that we thank Ken & Ava Daniels,TAHI Park Hosts, who didn't travel this summer but helped out immensely with greeting visitors and getting them parking spots, collecting the mail and paying invoices to keep the park running smoothly.

Several transactions of membership lots and associated improvements occurred over the summer. Mary Watermann sold her two lots, one on Magnolia the other on Oak to Keith and Terry DeCuir. The Molls sold one of their lots on Holly to Mary Watermann. Also, Mike and Annette Bearden sold their three lots on Magnolia to Bob and Jolinda Lauderdale. George and Angie Embry sold their two lots on Magnolia to Dan and Louisa Monk. Another sale is pending on Pine street until prospective new members can be vetted during a rally.

Angelina County has not set a tax rate as of this writing, and we are prayerful that our appeal of property valuation is successful. Stay tuned...

Hope to see you all at the September Rally!

Keep the Son In Your Eyes..

Fred Richardson, President

The Peddler

BUY, SELL & TRADE

For Sale: 173 Magnolia. Gorgeous cabana completely renovated. Beautiful cabinets with granite countertops. Large deck. Air-conditioned storage building/man cave. Central air/heat. Two patio areas. Washer/Dryer and refrigerator included. Contact Nancy Fitzgerald, 281-739-5701. \$125,000.

For Sale: 131 Elm. A beautiful cabana lot located within walking distance to the beautiful Lake Sam Rayburn and the park clubhouse. Cabana was built in 2022. Design is based on an open floor plan, has a storm shelter, granite countertops, custom made kitchen and bathroom cabinets. Weatherized with closed cell insulation foam & solar screens. Has two split AC/Heat units, ceiling fans & seamless gutters. All appliances including stove, refrig., washer & dryer. Electric service by Jasper-Newton Electric Co-op. Includes airstream port with hookups 30/50amps. Buyer is responsible for paying membership transfer fees. \$145,000 For more information call owner Hector Correa, 703-631-2015.

For Sale: 125 Magnolia: A cozy turnkey cabana for sale. This small home includes a living/dining space with 3 ft closet, galley kitchen with microwave, electric range, and large refrigerator, bedroom and 4 ft closet that includes built-in organization and 3 piece bath, Cabana has 200 amp Jasper-Newton Electric and 2 inground water shut off's, one for cabana and one for shed. An insulated and heated 10'x10' storage shed has hookups for washer & dryer with worktable vise and wire shelving. There is a 30 amp plug on the shed for trailer and dryer a 50amp could be added. The covered rv pad for your Airstream is 10'W x 30'L, there is also a covered patio at the entrance with for outdoor seating and has a great view of the lake. Included with this property is the bed and a sleeper sofa. For more information contact Rhonda Petrukitas 219-851-6332, reduced to \$52,000.

For Sale: 100 & 110 Pine. 100 Pine is a corner lot with an asphalt driveway, 200-amp service with Jasper-Newton Electric, concrete patio, nice trees and a 10 x 12 storage shed. 110 Pine has an asphalt driveway, 100-amp service with Jasper-Newton Electric, concrete patio and nice trees for shade. *Selling both together for \$14,500. or will sell separately \$4,500 for lot 110 and \$10,000 for lot 100 with storage unit* Contact Roy Moore, 713-504-0140, or Brenda Moore, 281-326-6025.

For Sale: Aluminum Boat with galvanized trailer and new 6 hp outboard motor. \$1950. Contact Chris Morlan at 281-948-7629 or chrismorlan@yahoo.com

For Sale: TAHI Lots 5, 7, 9 & 11 Magnolia. Asphalted with 30 amp electrical service & sewer. \$4,500 each. Contact number is 903-731-2036

For Sale: 151 and 159 Oak. Two lots with cabana, trailer port, full RV hookups, patio and storage! See the detailed listing for this beautiful and modern cabana on our website. Rick & Lonna Nelson, 941-800-8556. \$260,000.

For Sale: 2000 Kenner Boat with center console. Lots of extras, new cover still in the box, everything works and runs well. Asking \$5900. Contact Richard O'Quinn 936-346-4720

The Peddler

BUY, SELL & TRADE

For Sale: 110 Elm. Very nice corner lot with asphalt pad. \$3,000. Contact Pat Muller 360-608-3413.

For Sale: Lot 1, 110 Oak. This is a nice corner lot with a smaller tree for some shade. The space is large enough to build a full size cabana with parking space for your Airstream. It currently has full hookups for water, gray/black water disposal & electricity. If you want more information, contact marymoosemiller@gmail.com.

For Sale: 2010, 30-foot Airstream Flying Cloud. In excellent condition. Has Hensley hitch, second air conditioner, and Maxxis tires. The couch has been removed and 2 Lazyboy rockers/recliners have replaced it. They have removable custom camo covers. The trailer is located near Del Rio, Texas. The asking price is \$70,000.00. Also available as the tow vehicle, is a **2005 Eddie Bauer Excursion Diesel** with approximately 156K miles. Banks exhaust and airbags installed. The asking price is \$45,000.00. Combo Price \$105,000.00. Please call Dave Williams at 713-560-1298.

For Sale: Lot 2 Pine. Beautiful corner lot with 36x12 RV Port, 18x9 covered patio and 10x10 storage building. Live Oak Trees provide plenty of shade, full hookups, water, electric and sewer. \$28,000, Contact Janie Lovelady 817-253-0210.

FOR SALE: Lots 10 & 12 Dogwood. Cute one-bedroom cabana (12 Dogwood) and extra lot (10 Dogwood) located in Texas Airstream Harbor on Lake Sam Rayburn, Zavalla, Texas. This lakeside cabana has awesome unobstructed views of the lake, shaded front and back porches, is very well insulated, new AC/Heat was professionally installed about 2 years ago, full size trailer port with full hookups, washer/dryer hookups inside cabana and decked attic storage. Extra lot has asphalt driveway and full hookups. Both lots are already serviced by Jasper-Newton Electric. \$60,000. Contact Terry DeCuir 409-988-3987 or Ketih DeCuir 409-988-3935

FOR SALE: Lots 14 and 16 Dogwood. Premium lakefront lots on quiet street with beautiful unobstructed views of Lake Sam Rayburn. Lot 16 contains a completed air conditioned cabana, with full size RV port. Jasper-Newton Electric providing 200 amp electric service with 50 amp RV service available. Lot 14 contains an asphalt driveway for your RV with full hookups, 50 amp service and concrete patio, perfect for additional construction if desired. Best views in the park. For more information call Daniel Kersten at 713-724-5670, or Stephanie at 713-389-0683. \$50,000 for both lots.

For Sale: 181 Elm Lot 14

RV port, Cabana and Shed. This Concrete slab has a reputation for being one of the best in the park. The concrete is high enough to divert all rain water. We have no problems with any water, cracking, or shifting. The RV port and Cabana are the sturdiest at TAHI. The Horizontal cross beams are 8 inches (Overbuilt and All Welded) The RV port easily fits any Airstream Trailer. There is a 10 ft x 10 ft storage shed. Jasper Newton 100 amp service. There is 220v power into the main Cabana. There are 3 appliances in the cabana included (dryer, mini fridge, small deep freezer). Wall-to-wall custom shelving in the cabana for ample storage. Plenty of electric outlets inside and out. Full width concrete driveway with covered vehicle parking. Shade/Privacy mesh on 3 sides which is very nicely done. Full RV hook ups including electric, sewer, water. 50 yards to the TAHI boat launch & harbor. This is a quality building and concrete. Buy with confidence. Asking \$45,000.00 Contact: Jennifer DeLand 715-614-0776 or jennifer.deland@outlook.com If you want to see the site, you can rent a visitor RV site just 100ft down from ours for \$20.00/night. That way you can get an up-close look at all there is to offer.

The Peddler is posted on TAHI's website www.TexasAirstreamHarbor.com

Be sure to check out the individual Cabana listings!! Send updates to selinashadd@gmail.com

In order to purchase a TAHI membership, all prospective members

must be members of WBCCI & TGCU

and owners of a road worthy Airstream per our TAHI bylaws.



CARAVAN DIARIES

June 12, three TAHI couples headed north toward Wyoming. Nancy Fitzgerald and Randy Robinson, Pam and Bill Pearson, and Terry and Keith DeCuir comprised this small caravan. Clear skies, pleasant temperatures, and often fierce winds were a constant. First big stop was at Palo Duro State Park where we stayed at the only accessible campground due to recent heavy flooding. The Texas Musical was a rip roaring adventure with singing, dancing, light shows, and a cast mostly of college students from all over the country. After 44 years of performances, they've perfected it!

Next stop was Albuquerque for a visit to old town and delicious food. A short drive from town led to rock walls filled with petroglyphs. (Quick lesson here, petroglyphs are carved into stone while pictographs are painted onto walls.).

Mesa Verde National Park in Mancos, Colorado, was the next stop. Cave dwellings, fantastic scenery, displays of artifacts, and a historical documentary answered the often asked question, "Where did they go?" The answer, they're still there. It's the descendants who are continuing the story.

The last stop was at Salt Lake City where we joined Shanna and Gil Moll. Our biggest thrill there was an organ recital in the famous tabernacle. The organ contains over 6,000 pipes. We attended a short devotional program in the meeting house, with a cello solo, a vocal selection, and beautiful piano accompaniment. We spent some time in the city with a visit to a new-to-us sporting goods store called Scheels. It had a Ferris wheel in the center!

A short drive took us to Rock Springs, Wyoming, where Selena and Jim Hodges, Marilyn and Mike Murphy, Debra and Bruce Green, LaVerne and Jon Villanti, and surprise additions Charlie Petrillo and his sister Peggy Vandenberg were waiting. These couples had traveled on different paths with most working as they journeyed.

Not to recap the international rally, but we all enjoyed a great week at the Sweetwater Events Complex with about 1,200 Airstreams. Many of us, as first timers, enjoyed the vendors, door prizes, new Airstreams on display, (ask Gil and Shanna about their purchase!), entertainment, informative sessions, food trucks, and the beautiful display of airstreams aglow. Debra and Nancy represented us well as our leaders during the opening ceremony and the Region 9 breakfast.

We took a leisurely path home, and after 39 days, arrived at TAHI to 100 degrees! It was a 4,000+ mile, 39 day trip for us and worth every minute!

By Pam Pearson

Teaching an old dog new tricks is possible and beneficial for the dog's mental stimulation and fun. The phrase "You can't teach an old dog new tricks" is an old saying that appeared as early as 1721, but it is not true. To teach an old dog new tricks, one should use positive reinforcement, high value treats, praise, short and consistent sessions, and practice in different locations. One should also be patient and consider the dog's level of physical ability and comfort in the new environment.



September TAHI Park

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Robert & Susan

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