



The Region Niner

Region 9 Newsletter - To Be Shared With All Unit Members

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All Aboard the Airstream Express

Lake Conroe/Houston North KOA
Montgomery, Texas

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THANK YOU , THANK YOU TO ALL OF REGION 9 UNITS FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK AND HELP IN THE 2009 “Make New Friends but Keep the Old” Rally at the Heart O’ Texas Fair Complex in Waco, Texas. It was a success thanks to all of you. Each Unit had so much talent, we laughed so hard we cried. We had everyone helping with chairmen positions, making the Region Officers work much easier. The tours were enjoyed by all of the members. We were scared for a long time because we had only 7 members registered and at the last day there were 139 rigs on the grounds. Most members enjoyed the food, some of the men were more hungry for a few of the breakfasts but we had plenty. The Unit Presidents did a great job at the Board Meeting. Our Opening Ceremony was on Tuesday along with our Board Meeting. We had new and old faces ready to help with anything our Region Officers needed. We are looking for Chairmen for next year, Doug has a book with all the Chairmen directions and a place for you or your Unit to volunteer, let him know .

Presidents Comments

Region 9 will be celebrating its 41st Anniversary on April 12 –18, 2010 at the Lake Conroe/Houston North KOA in Montgomery, Texas. This is the “All Aboard the Airstream Express” Rally. We are having a Railroad themed rally which we are looking forward to seeing our old and new friends and membership. Region 9 members were given a great discount at the rally in Waco if you registered before it came to an end, instead of 7 we have 70 registered. And the new members who come to our Region 9 rally in 2010 will be given a discount. We would love having lots of first timers.

Region 9 Superior Merit Awards were given to the following Units for 2008: East Texas Lakes Unit, President Alonzo Sosa; North Texas Unit, President Marilyn Adams; Texas Unit, President Ed Watkins; Texas Alamo Unit, President Charlie Williams; Texas Coastal Plains Unit, President Dave Rightmyer; Texas Highland Lakes Unit, President Kay Irwin; Texas Gulf Coast Unit, President James P. Yeates; Texas Hill Country Unit, President Ken Sands; Texas Plains Unit, President Sam Spence. Congratulations to the nine Units.

As many of you are aware Doug & my youngest daughter, Shannon, has been going through a divorce since last year and has been home. She was scheduled for her left hip to be replaced last April but due to no insurance and her husband not having to take care of her the surgery has not happened. As of January this year or sooner her left hip has dislocated and she was able to see the surgeon at the University Hospital. She is scheduled for surgery on April 27, 2009 at 6:00 am. Please still keep her in your prayers and thank you for all your prayers and blessings so far. We will keep you posted.

Doug & Sheryl , C. C. & Carla, Ken & Sandy, Lyle & Peggy Joanne & Bill Miller



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Region 9 Events

4th Annual Chili Cook-Off Rally hosted by Texas Alamo Unit , Texas Coastal Plains and Texas Unit being held April 23-26, 2009 Braunig Lake RV Resort, Elmendorf, Texas. Open to all members and their buddies, send a team or two.

52nd International Rally
 Madison, Wisconsin June 28-July 4, 2009

Region 9 Luncheon at Madison , Wisconsin
 July 3, 2009 11:30 to 2:00 pm
 Madison Elks Lodge #410
 711 Jennifer Street
 Madison , WI 53703
 608-255-1644

Unit Installations September thru December

Mid-Winter IBT
 January 2010
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Airstream Memories
 1st Myrtle Bell—TU
 2nd Howard Watts—NTU
 3rd Myrtle Bell—TU
 Honorable Mention Colin Melton—THLU

Best of Show Howard Watts—NTU

Thank you everyone for competing in the tournaments and hobby and photo show. There was a great turnout and I hope everyone had fun. Congratulations to all the winners and participants. Start practicing now for next year and good luck.

Annual Delegates Meeting**June 30, 2009**

WBCCI International Headquarters recently advised WBCCI Unit Presidents of proposed changes to the constitution to be decided at this year's Annual Delegates Meeting. Two proposed constitutional amendments and the Report of the 2008-2009 Nominating Committee for International Officers and 2009-2010 Nominating Committee positions are included below.

Amendment No. 1: The International Board of Trustees proposes to revise the Constitution, Article III, to add Vision and Mission Statements reflecting the work of the 2020 Planning Committee.

The Vision Statement would read:

Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc. maintains its unique position of strength and visibility among recreational vehicle organizations as the recreational vehicle club of choice for Airstream owners.

The Mission Statement would read:

Wally Byam Caravan Club International, Inc. is a diverse community of Airstream owners with a commitment of Fun, Fellowship, and Adventure.

Rationale: A common theme during 2020 Committee conversations over the past year has been that WBCCI suffers from a lack of vision, a strategy to achieve the vision, and a way of providing continuity of management in implementing the strategy. The committee's first priority has been to create Vision and Mission Statements for the organization that provide direction for the future.

Amendment No. 2: The International Board of Trustees has proposed to amend the Constitution, Article XII, Delegates Meeting, Section 4, to read as follows:

Sec. 4 Each Unit shall be represented at the Delegates Meeting by one Delegate or an Alternate. The Delegate shall be a Regular Member of the Unit represented; the Alternate may be a Regular Member of the Unit represented or and Affiliate Member Of the Unit to be represented and a Regular Member of a Unit within the Same Region as the Unit represented. No Delegate or Alternate may represent more than one Unit at the Delegates Meeting.

Rationale:

As the cost of travel increases, several of our Units, on the fringes of the North American Continent, and several smaller Units have no one in attendance at the International Rally. Thus, their members are not represented and votes not cast at the annual Delegates Meeting. A method is needed to provide members of Units who do not have a Regular Member in attendance at the International Rally and annual Delegates Meeting to cast their votes.

This change allows a unit to designate a Regular Member to be its Delegate (no Change), and also allows an Affiliate Member of the Unit who is a Regular Member of a Unit within the same Region to be designated the Alternate Delegate.

Allowing any Affiliate Member of a unit to be the Alternate Delegate is unacceptable. It is too easy to become an Affiliate, obtain a Delegates credential and know absolutely nothing of the culture of the Unit to be represented and to use the authority to support the personal agenda of the of the Alternate-not necessarily that of the unit's members. By requiring that the Alternate Delegate be a Regular Member of a Unit within the same Region, there a reasonable expectation that the designated Alternate Delegate will have a familiarity with the membership and culture of the represented unit and could, thus, more accurately interpret and vote the unit's actual desires if so required.

The preceding proposed amendments to the constitution were accompanied by a report of the International Constitution and Bylaws Committee.

Nominating Committee Report

The 2008-2009 Nominating Committee will propose the following slate for consideration by the Delegates.

International President	Tom Collier
International 1st Vice President	Norm Beu
International 2nd Vice President	Barry Heckenswiler
International 3rd Vice President	Don Clark
International Recording Secretary	Anne Werth
International Treasurer	Myron Fischer
Nominating Committee	Roy B. Bernd
Nominating Committee	Don McKelvey

Other candidates for these offices may run from the floor, according to WBCCI Constitution, Article XIII, Sec. 5.

Resumes for the above slate of officers are included in the April issue of Blue Beret.

Region 9 Rally Games & Tournament Results

Balloon Volleyball

- 1st Texas Plains Unit—Team 2
- 2nd Texas Pains Unit—Team 1
- 3rd Texas Gulf Coast—Team 1

Holey Board—Men

- 1st Bobby Mott—TGCU
- 2nd Tommy Largent—TGCU
- 3rd Jimmy Lohrke—TAU
- 4th Fred Richardson—TGCU

Holey Board—Women

- 1st Mary Fowler—TU
- 2nd Paula Largent—TGCU
- 3rd Margaret Lovelady—TGCU
- 4th Vivian Smith—TGCU

Dominoes

- 1st Jim Cribbs—TPU
- 2nd Verna Mott—TGCU
- 3rd Sam Spence—TPU
- 4th Tommy Largent—TGCU

Manipulation

- 1st Jimmy Lohrke—TAU
- 2nd Sammie Musselman—TAU
- 3rd Ruth Becker—TAU

Joker International

- 1st Meredith Fitzgerald—TGCU
- 1st Lotus LaRocca—TCGU
- 2nd Betty Webb—TU
- 2nd June Gravley—NTU

Mexican Train

- 1st Mary Ellen Cribbs—TPU
- 2nd Betty Lanasa—TGCU
- 3rd Jim Cribbs—TPU

Skip-Bo

- 1st Letrice Sellers—ETLU
- 2nd Debra Clark—TGCU
- 3rd Loana Wheat—OU
- Honorable Mention— Dee Curlee—OU

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- 1st Sam Spence—TPU
- 2nd Willard Fischer—THLU
- 3rd Willie Mae Kennedy—NTU
- Honorable Mention—Gloria Shaffer ETLU

Party Bridge

- 1st Clydene Watkins—TU
- 2nd Shirley DeCuir—TGCU
- 3rd Willie Mae Kennedy—NTU
- Honorable Mention Rose Davis—TGCU

Results continued:

Golf

1st Place Team: Dick Jefferies—Columbus, OH
 Bill Miller—TCPU
 Ronnie Gilliland—THCU
 Kathy Blanchard—THLU

2nd Place Team: David Thalman—THLU
 Ken Sands—THCU
 Fred Walschburger—TCPU
 Robert Scott—NTU

Closest to the Pin: Tom Harris—TCPU

Longest Drive: Bill Miller—TCPU

Joker Continous Play

1st Willie Mae Kennedy—NTU
 2nd Gene Leard—OU
 3rd Joan Larson—THLU
 Honorable Mention Juanell Leard—OU
 Honorable Mention Karen Clugy—TPU

Backing Contest

1st Jerry and Joan Larson—THLU
 2nd Jimmy and Diane Lohrke—TAU
 3rd Joe and June Gravley—NTU
 Honorable Mention Fred & Ruth Ann
 Richardson—TGCU

Beanbag Baseball

1st Texas Gulf Coast—Team 1
 2nd Texas Gulf Coast—Team 2
 3rd Texas Highland Lakes

Bulletin Boards

1st Texas Alamo Unit
 2nd North Texas Unit
 3rd Texas Coastal Plains Unit

Pet Show

Dogs

1st Ella Faye Stephens/Breezy—THLU
 2nd Gayland Stephens/Ebony Lou—THLU
 3rd Bobbie Tetzlaff/Tipper—South Dakota Unit
 Honorable Mention Debra Clark/Bear-THLU

Other Categories

1st Gail Hord/Croker(frog)—THCU

Best of Show

Ella Faye Stephens/Breezy—THLU

Hobby Show

Best of Show

Dick Jefferies: woodcarving—Columbus, OH

Bead Work

1st Lilly Putney—TAU
 2nd Sandra White—TU
 3rd Myrna Guidry—THLU

Collections

1st Dick Jefferies—Columbus, OH
 2nd Sandra White—TU
 3rd Meredith Fitzgerald—TGCU

Crocheted Items

1st Ella Faye Stephens—THLU
 2nd Ella Faye Stephens—THLU
 3rd Ella Faye Stephens—THLU

Decorated Clothing—Painted

1st Ella Faye Stephens—THLU
 2nd Ella Faye Stephens—THLU

Decorated Clothing—Stitched

1st Babette Richardson—TGCU
 2nd Babette Richardson—TGCU
 3rd Ella Faye Stephens—THLU

Hobby Continued:

Hand Needle Art

- 1st Ella Faye Stephens—THLU
- 2nd Elizabeth Rodgers—THLU
- 3rd Myrna Guidry—THLU

Jewelry

- 1st Lilly Putney—TAU
- 2nd Sandra White—TU
- 3rd Betty Lanasa—TGCU

Quilt Tops

- 1st Myrna Guidry: flower pot—THLU
- 2nd Myrna Guidry: quilt tops—THLU

Machine Embroidery

- 1st Ella Faye Stephens: child t-shirt THLU
- 2nd Ella Faye Stephens: dish towel—THLU
- 3rd Ella Faye Stephens: towel set—THLU

Quilt Wall Hangings

- 1st Jean Beebe: hand quilted large—THLU
- 2nd Jean Beebe: heart—THLU
- 3rd Jean Beebe: small hand quilted THLU

Quilting—Hand Quilting

- 1st Myrna Guidry: friendship/windmill quilt—THLU
- 2nd Myrna Guidry: patchwork tulip THLU

Quilting—Machine Quilting

- 1st Beverly Pritchett: sunbonnet girls baby quilt—TGCU
- 2nd Beverly Pritchett: Dr. Seuss baby quilt TGCU
- 3rd Judith Wynne: thimbleberries—THLU

Sewing

- 1st Jean Beebe: set up bag—THLU
- 2nd Ella Faye Stephens: crayon color book holder—THLU
- 3rd Ella Faye Stephens: blue jean apron THLU

Stuffed Items

- 1st Ella Faye Stephens: envelope pillow
- 2nd Ella Faye Stephens: airstream pillow
- 3rd Ella Faye Stephens: placement pillow

Woodcrafts

- 1st Luke Guidry: green wing teal duck THLU
- 2nd Luke Guidry: drake—THLU
- 3rd Luke Guidry: grebe—THLU

Miscellaneous

- 1st Babette Richardson—TGCU
- 2nd Jerry Humble—Southern Illinois
- 3rd Elle Faye Stephens—THLU

Photos

Acrylic

- Best of Show Ella Faye Stephens—THLU

Human Interest

- 1st Ella Faye Stephens—THLU
- 2nd Ella Faye Stephens—THLU
- 3rd Myrtle Bell—TU

Salon

- 1st Howard Watts—NTU
- 2nd Ella Faye Stephens—THLU
- 3rd Ella Faye Stephens—THLU
- Honorable Mention Ella Faye Stephens—THLU

Scenic Digital

- 1st Ella Faye Stephens—THLU
- 2nd Howard Watts—NTU
- 3rd Ella Faye Stephens—THLU
- Honorable Mention Howard Watts—NTU

Digitally Enhanced

- 1st Gayland Stephens—THLU
- 2nd John Irwin—THLU
- 3rd Howard Watts—NTU

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