



Coyote Tales

Texas Coastal Plains Unit #155, WBAC, The RV Club of Airstream Owners

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Upcoming Events & Deadlines

Dec 30-Jan 2, 2017 — **NEW YEAR'S RALLY**—Coushatta Reception Ranch, Bellville, Texas Contact: Tom Harris tfharris60@gmail.com or Fred Walschburger — kc5vgb@juno.com

Jan. 16 - Jan. 21, 2017 — **IBT**, Tucson, Arizona

Sat, Jan 28, 2017 — **Annual TCPU Luncheon**, Maggiano's Italian Restaurant, Houston, Texas 11:30 - 2:30 Contact: Don or Helen Teegarden — hdt1412-travel@yahoo.com



The President's Chair

Welcome to 2017— another year to make ourselves an even better club.

That will be a tall order after the great job Jim and Barbara Mercer did in 2016. We do, however, have a clean slate on which to imprint our best efforts. We promise to do just that.

Eloise and I have developed a set of very good rally locations for 2017. They will be interesting, varied, educational — and fun!

We open with the New Year's Rally close to Houston. Coushatta Recreational Ranch near Bellville, Texas, will provide relaxing, informal site to start the year. With Tom Harris and Fred Walschburger as hosts, and Alan and Bernadine Billard as co-hosts, how can you go wrong?

The TCPU Annual Luncheon for 2017 will be held at Maggiano's Italian Restaurant, 2019 Post Oak Blvd., Houston, Texas, 77056 on January 28, 2017 from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. This is a family-style restaurant with plenty of excellent food. A short program will be presented after the meal. Please contact the Teegardens or the Zanders by January 21, 2017 to make reservations.

See you at these "riveting" events! Don

"You are enough as you are,
perfect in your IMPERFECTION"
(Unknown)



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Unit Website: <http://tcpu155.wbcci.net>



Jerry Goodwin, Carol Goodwin Bob Stogdill, Jo Goodwin, Vern Goodwin III and Jack Isbell. Vaughnette Stogdill and Autumn Isbell not shown.

TCPU Fiesta Christmas Installation Rally 2016
By Jo Goodwin

What a great weekend it was to hold our annual Christmas Installation Rally at Couthatte Recreation Ranch in Bellville, TX. Twenty-four rigs and several special guests were in attendance. Early parking began on Wednesday for three hardy campers—Vernon Goodwin arrived first to stake out a few parking places for our special-needs guests. Soon he was joined by Red & Nancy Childres then Jerry & Tracey Calvert. Since no activities were planned for that evening, all rode to town in Jerry's new truck to dine at the Golden Pagoda Chinese Restaurant. Yum!

Thursday morning arrived a little colder and wetter—but that didn't slow down arrivals. During the day, we saw Jack & Autumn Isbell, Bob & Vaughnette Stogdill, Jo Goowin, Alan & Bernadine Billard, Jerry & Carol Goodwin, David & Gayla Haas, Ronn & Rae Gilbert, HV & Pat Martin, Don & Kathy McKelvey, Rob & Nelda Pope, Fred Walschburger, Don & Eloise Reeves, Jim & Barbara Mercer, Bill & Dorma Kindle, Tom Harris, Dave & Jan Rightmyer, Bill & Joanne Miller, Jim Parry and his guest, Patricia. During the day, the rally room was turned into a Christmas Fiesta complete with a Christmas tree and lots of poinsettias both on the tables and the tree. Luminaries were placed outside the rally room to welcome everyone. That evening, everyone brought something to grill and a side dish to share. The grills were set up outside the rally room. Vernon Goodwin provided propane heaters to keep the grillers warm. The hosts provided large platters of Christmas cookies and cups of Blue Bell ice cream for dessert.

Friday dawned cold but a little warmer than Thursday. While the hosts gathered to prep the food for the evening meal, the remaining campers arrived. They were Don & Helen Teegarden, Jerry & Irene Lyddon, Jim & Mary Miller, Tom & Caren Bundy. To carry on with the Christmas Fiesta theme, a dinner of King Ranch Casserole salad, rolls and Tres Leche cake for dessert were served. Following dinner was the traditional TCPU gift exchange. The exchange was rather quiet until Jack Isbell started opening gifts that everyone else wanted. He sometimes hardly got the paper off before it was snatched up by someone.

On Saturday morning, everyone breakfasted on Breakfast tacos, orange juice and fresh fruit. As soon as breakfast was complete, the morning rally got rolling with the collection of rally fees and a board meeting. A seminar on towing safety and maintenance for the men and a craft session for the ladies followed. The ladies made poinsettia and holly felt napkin rings. During the afternoon, we had three additional attendees—Vern & Janye Goodwin and their driver, grandson Andrew. Everyone was happy to see that they were able to join us for the day. Following the catered meal, provided by Howard Nelius, was the Installation Ceremony. Unfortunately, as Hub & Sherry Miller were leaving Dallas their motorhome developed a mechanical problem. They had hoped to get it resolved in time to join us; however, that was not to be the case. When it came time to install Hub as the First VP of the unit, a phone call was made and he took the oath of office via telephone with the microphone nearby so everyone could hear him.

The new officers for 2017 are: Don Reeves—President, Hub Miller—1st VP, Jerry Goodwin—2nd VP, Jerry Lyddon—Treasurer, Caren Bundy—Asst. Treasurer, Nelda Pope—Recording Secretary and Eloise Reeves—Corresponding Secretary.

Outgoing President, Jim Mercer, made two special recognition presentations—one to Jolitta Goodwin for her continued outstanding service as the membership chairman. The second presentation was to Rae Gilbert for her enthusiasm and dedication to teach everyone, from the unit, region and international level, what to do in an emergency and how to use the AED when needed.

As Sunday morning rolled around, the temperature had warmed up significantly. Everyone enjoyed our unit version of Egg McMuffins, along with orange juice and fresh fruit. The devotional was presented by Bob Stogdill. Shortly thereafter, everything was packed up and everyone was headed home to prepare for the upcoming holidays.

TCPU Officers, 2017

President: Don Reeves
 1st Vice President: Hub Miller
 2nd Vice President: Jerry Goodwin
 3rd Vice President: TBD
 Corresponding Secretary: Eloise Reeves
 Recording Secretary: Nelda Pope
 Treasurer: Jerry Lyddon
 Parliamentarian: Joanne Miller
 Assistant Treasurer: Caren Bundy

One-year Trustee: Tom Harris
 One-Year Trustee: Fred Walschburger
 Two-year Trustee: Clark Gardner
 Two-year Trustee: Dan McAnulty
 Immediate Past President: Jim Mercer

TCPU Committee Chairpersons, 2017

Constitution & Bylaws: Vernon Goodwin III
 Crafts & Projects: Sherry Miller
 Directory Editor: Bill Miller
 Electronic Communications: Tom Bundy
 Health: Rae Gilbert
 Membership Chairperson: Jo Goodwin
 Newsletter Editor: Don & Eloise Reeves
 Webmaster: Tom Bundy
 Sunshine: Nelda Pope
 Technical: Don Teegarden
 New Member Mentor: Ronn Gilbert



Good News!

Searcy Kracke is back in Texas! She is at:
 Health South Rehab Hospital
 1325 Highway 6
 Sugarland, Texas 77478
 Room 1149
 Phone: 281-276-7574





Rae Gilbert, The Topes, Tom Harris
The Lyddons, Bernadine Billard
and Caren Bundy



Good Friends Arrive
Vern, Jr. & Jamye Goodwin



Crafts Session
(Napkin Holders)



FRIENDSHIP IS
BORN
AT THAT MOMENT
WHEN ONE PERSON
SAYS TO ANOTHER
"WHAT? YOU
TOO?
I THOUGHT I
WAS THE
ONLY ONE"

C. S. LEWIS



Bob Stogdill's Sunday Devotional



Bill Kindle, Dorma Kindle
Jan Rightmyer and Bill Miller

NO MATTER
HOW YOU FEEL,
GET UP, DRESS UP,
SHOW UP,
AND
NEVER GIVE UP!

(UNKNOWN)



Early Morning Coffee Club
Red Childers, Jack Isbell, Alan Billard
Vern Goodwin III, Fred Walschburger
and Ronn Gilbert



Special
Honorees



Jim Mercer and Rae Gilbert— Nurse and Mentor

Jim Mercer and Jo Goodwin—Membership Chairwoman



"The Martins"



Pat Martin, The Millers & The Lyddons



"The Gilberts"



Passing The Torch



"The Lyddons"

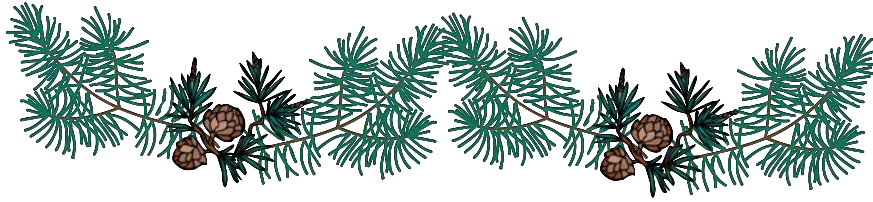


"The Goodwins"



Board of Directors Meeting





December Birthdays



12-9 Sam Nunnaly
 12-11 Caren Bundy
 12-11 Dorma Kindle
 12-20 Larry Robeson
 12-22 Melissa Katz
 12-25 Barbara Dodson
 12-26 Israel Gonzalez
 12-26 Don Reeves
 12-28 Fred Kracke
 12-30 Tom Bundy

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December Anniversaries

12-2-12 Kent Miller & Darlene Kloesel
 12-4-62 Bill & Joanne Miller
 12-5-97 Bill & Elizabeth Clifford
 12-15-10 Jack & Autumn Isbell
 12-18-71 Jerry & Tracey Calvert
 12-18-82 Matthew & Deanna Shepard
 12-21-81 James & Tonia Goodwin
 12-27-63 Roy & Bonnie MacDonald
 12-27-78 Andy & Barbara Selking
 12-30-66 Dave & Jan Rightmyer



January Birthdays

1-1 Bill Miller
 1-1 Lyle Snow
 1-2 Peggy Snow
 1-4 Sally Mercer
 1-7 Ginger Zeringue
 1-10 Jack Williams
 1-12 Nancy Dionne
 1-12 Bob Nimmo
 1-15 Tracey Calvert
 1-15 Barbara Mercer
 1-21 Bill Wedelich
 1-28 David Rightmyer, Jr.
 1-28 Helen Teegarden
 1-28 June Hutson
 1-31 Pearl Adams-Kyle



January Anniversaries

1-21-61 Bill & Dorma Kindle
 1-25-89 Lyle & Peggy Snow
 1-26-85 Bob & Tina Miller
 1-27-82 John & Mary Ann Boerner



Sunshine Corner

We are so sorry to report the Searcy Kracke is still having health issues. The latest report is that she is back in the hospital in ICU again. She and Fred are still in Virginia, so I am sure it is even more difficult being away from family and home. Please continue to pray for her healing and strength.

We wish everyone a very happy holiday season and hope it is filled with good health and happy memories. As usual, if you know of anyone needing prayers, a card, or a word of encouragement, please contact me.

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TEXAS COASTAL PLAINS UNIT 2017 RALLY SCHEDULE

Don Reeves, President

Friday, December 30, 2016 - Monday, January 2, 2017 — New Year's Rally, Coushatta Recreation Ranch, Bellville, Texas—HOSTS: Walschburger & Harris, CO-HOSTS: Billards

Monday, January 16 - Saturday, January 21, 2017— IBT, Tucson, Arizona

Saturday, January 28, 2017— Annual TCPU Luncheon, Maggiano's Italian Restaurant, Houston, Texas—HOSTS: Don & Helen Teegarden, CO-HOST: Zanders, Lukers

Thursday, February 16 - Sunday, February 19, 2017— Winter Rally, Coletto Creek KOA, Victoria, Texas—HOSTS: Ronn & Rae Gilbert, CO-HOSTS: James & Tonia Goodwin, Israel & Millie Gonzalez

Thursday, March 16 - Sunday, March 19, 2017 — Pre-Region Rally, Rusk KOA, Rusk, Texas—HOSTS: Hub & Sherry Miller, CO-HOSTS: Jack & Beverly Williams, Lisa & Bob Hansen

Monday, March 20 - Sunday, March 26, 2017 — Region 9 Rally, Perrin, Texas

Thursday, April 20 - Sunday, April 23, 2017 — Creole Nature Trail, A+ RV Park, Sulphur, Louisiana—HOSTS: **NEEDED** CO-HOSTS: Tracey & Jerry Calvert, Bob & Vaughnette Stogdill

Thursday, May 25 - Sunday May 29, 2017 — Memorial Day Rally, Oakwood RV Park, Fredericksburg, Texas—HOSTS: Tom & Caren Bundy, CO-HOSTS: Red & Nancy Childress, Rob & Nelda Tope

Saturday, July 22 - Saturday, July 29, 2017 — International Rally, Escanaba, Michigan

Thursday, September, 14 - Sunday, September 17, 2017 — Hummingbird Festival, Ancient Oaks RV Park, Rockport, Texas—HOSTS: Jerry & Tracey Calvert, CO-HOSTS: Ron & Janice Lange

Thursday, October 19 - Sunday, October 22, 2017 — Pecan Jam, San Saba River RV Park, San Saba, Texas—HOSTS: Ronn & Rae Gilbert, CO-HOSTS: Blanchards, Calverts

Thursday, November 9 - Sunday, November 12, 2017 — Goliad Market Days, Coletto Creek KOA, Victoria, Texas—HOSTS: Lyle & Peggy Snow, Bill & Dorma Kindle, Tom & Virginia Taroni

Thursday, December 7 - Sunday, December 10, 2017 — Christmas Celebration and 2018 Officer Installation Rally, Coushatta Recreation, Bellville, Texas—HOSTS: Jim & Barbara Mercer, CO-HOSTS: Nelda & Rob Tope, Jack & Beverly Williams

WBAC
TEXAS COASTAL PLAINS UNIT #155

ANNUAL LUNCHEON

HOSTS: TEEGARDENS, ZANDERS AND LUKERS

Saturday, January 28, 2017
11:30AM - 2:30PM

MAGGIANO'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT
2019 POST OAK BOULEVARD, HOUSTON, TEXAS 77056

PRESIDENT AND FIRST LADY
DON AND ELOISE REEVES

GATHERING TIME 11:30 AM — DRESS CODE-DRESSY
COCKTAILS (CASH BAR)

LUNCHEON SERVED FAMILY STYLE PROMPTLY AT 12:00 PM
MAGGIANO'S CHOPPED APPLE AND WALNUT SALAD
MOZZARELLA MARINARA AND SPINACH AND ARTICHOKE AL FORNO
FETTUCCHINE ALFREDO WITH CHICKEN; CHICKEN PICCATA
MOM'S LASAGNA WITH MARINARA SAUCE
CHOCOLATE ZUCCOTO CAKE AND NEW YORK STYLE CHEESECAKE
\$25.00 PER PERSON (INCLUDES TAX AND GRATUITY)

PLEASE SEND YOUR CHECK (TCPU) TO:
DON AND HELEN TEEGARDEN
303 LAKESHORE DRIVE
SEABROOK, TEXAS 77586

ALL CHECKS AND RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY
JANUARY 20, 2017
RESERVATIONS NOT ACCEPTED AFTER JANUARY 20
CANCELLATIONS CANNOT BE REFUNDED AFTER JANUARY 20

PIZZA /WINGS ORDER: MENUS ATTACHED. NEED TO KNOW YOUR ORDER AHEAD OF TIME SO THEY CAN BE READY FOR OUR DINNER HOUR. PAY AT PIZZA KITCHEN

PLEASE ORDER PIZZA/WINGS FROM MENU BELOW:

NAME/ORDER: size pizza _____ toppings: _____ WINGS _____ ETC.

PIZZA: (choose any or all topping for no extra charge except cheese)

12" large pizza \$9.99

each additional pizza \$8.99 Single Hunk \$2.89 Double Hunk \$5.49 extra cheese \$1.59

TOPPING CHOICES: italian sausage, beef, black olives, onions, wanna peppers, pepperoni, bacon, mushrooms, bell peppers, jalapeño peppers

WINGS: (SOUTHERN STYLE OR BUFFALO

Single order \$3.79 Double order \$7.29 PARTY TRAY (24 WINGS) \$16.99

CHEESY BREAD: Snack \$1.99 Family \$ 5.49

COMBOS:

Hunk pizza & single wings \$6.29

12 " pizza & double wings \$16.49

BREAKFAST MENU

THE COWBOY: 2 eggs, loaded hash browns, choice of toast, biscuit,tortilla \$6.50

THE SCRAMBLER: 2 scrambled eggs/hashbrowns \$5.00

HAM/CHEESE OMLET: served with hash browns, toast or biscuit \$6.50

BREAKFAST BURRITA: flour tortilla, refried beans, scrambled egg,sausage,cheese, peppers, onions served with hash browns & sour cream \$6.50

BISCUIT/SAUSAGE GRAVY FULL ORDER \$3.25 HALF ORDER \$2.75

FRENCH TOAST: 3 slices grilled and sprinkled with powdered sugar \$4.50

ALL YOU CAN EAT PANCAKES \$4.50

LOADED HASHBROWNS sausage,onions, peppers, topped with cheese \$6.50

OJ \$.75

SWEET TEA \$1.50 WATER & SODA \$1.00

COFFEE IS COMPLIMENTARY

THE KOA HAS JUST BEGUN THIS PIZZA/BREAKFAST BUSINESS. WE WILL WORK WITH THEM AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.

LOOKING FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU

RAE & RONN GILBERT rmgilb3673@aol.com 713-412-2838

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL OF YOU!

A Message from Bob Jones RV

Hello to all our Texas Coastal Plains Unit members from the gang at BOB JONES RV.

We would like to express our excitement about an advanced service we are providing. BOB JONES RV has invested in a SEAL TECH machine that will pressurize the interior cabin of any coach, allowing us to detect leaks by soaping the complete exterior. It will identify efficiently any breaches in the exterior seal that will cause water leaks ultimately causing damage.

Our service team will pinpoint problem areas on a chart and consult with the customer a plan for corrective action. This is a true cost saving & preventive measure to protect your RV investment. The cost is \$230 - \$345 depending on your coach configuration. So give us a call to discuss how we can protect your RV, we think you'll be glad you did!

Please contact Harry at 713-910-2949 for an appointment.

Bob Jones

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