



Country Coach Texans

Fall 2017

Rain, rain - just wouldn't go away

The Fall Rally was a great time anyway...



From President
David Twilley

What a great Rally we had at Buckhorn Lake Resort. Even though the Hill Country received some much-needed rain, our spirit was not dampened. Great food, entertainment and fellowship was enjoyed by all. Thank you **Pat, Jurhee** and **Jerry** for planning and hosting a great rally. See their full report on the rally on page 3 of this newsletter.

On the business side, the proposed By Law and Standing Rule changes were approved. **Laura Osiecki** and **L. B. Butts** were re-elected as Treasurer and Alternate National Director respectively. **David Schnautz** was elected Vice President to replace **Sue Houle**, who did not seek re-election. Thank you Sue for your service to our club.

We need to all thank our rally sponsors: **Dave Miller** of **Texas Custom Coach**, **Ginny Konrad-Norwex**, **Wick's Master Scenters & Candles**, **David Schnautz-Clark Freight** and **James and Jennifer Stallings-Xtreme Paint & Graphics**.

Our next Rally is April 23-27, 2018 at Cajun Palms RV Resort in Breaux Bridge, Louisiana. We hope all of you can attend.



Our Fall Rally hosts:
Pat Turpin, Jerry Clary and Jurhee Ivy

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David Schnautz
Vice President

Hello folks. I hope this finds everyone traveling safe and having fun.! Thanks for the confidence in electing me as your new Vice President of the CCTexans. Since I am new to this position and relatively new to the club, I ask for your help to make things happen.

2018 already has the rallies set. So we need to be looking ahead to 2019. If anyone has any suggestions for a good location, new or old, please let me know. And, we're looking for hosts to step up to the plate. If there is a certain special event or service you would like to see included in a future rally, just let us know. Yep, just like that, **Diane** is in the mix too!

Safe travels and we will see you at Cajun Palms, if not before.

David

Since last report, I have maintained the Member Directory and Birthday List. Welcome Packets and Directories were provided to **Lisa and Fred Salitore** and **Bob and Karen Louton**, who joined during the Fall Rally. I will be sending them a membership packet soon. The By-Laws and Standing Rules amendments that were passed at the Fall Rally in Buckhorn are posted on the [website](#). New members will be provided hard-copies of these new documents. [Minutes](#) from our General Business Meeting held at Buckhorn are also posted on the website.

I will be working with **Bobby and Terrie Howard** to plan the Spring 2018 Rally at Cajun Palms, Breau Bridge/Henderson, LA set for April 23-27, 2018. This will be the last rally that I plan to host, so am looking forward to others volunteering to host rallies in 2019. I will be happy to help!

Pat



Pat Turpin
Secretary

Our club is in sound financial shape. We have a bank balance of \$8,912.40. We have collected dues from 14 member units for 2018 and welcomed 2 new members in our club since our last rally. Our Fall 2017 rally appears to have been a huge success with expenses coming in as budgeted.

Laura



Laura Osiecki
Treasurer

Fall Rally at Buckhorn Lake Resort

From Rally Hosts, Pat Turpin, Jurhee Ivy and Jerry Clary

The Fall 2017 Rally of the Country Coach Texans was held September 27-October 1, 2017 at Buckhorn Lake RV Resort. We had 19 member-units registered for this event, with 11 coaches in attendance. We have "officially" renamed this rally "*The Rain Rally*," as some of us arriving on Monday, prior to the start of the rally, were treated to a strong rainstorm that night, and we had rain EVERY DAY until Saturday, September 30th!

As registrants arrived, they received the rally bags with the agenda, membership roster, pamphlets from Kerrville's Visitor Center, Hill Country Pottery, 2018 pocket calendars (courtesy of **James & Jennifer Stallings, Xtreme Paint & Graphics**), and a small cutting board (courtesy of **David Schnautz, Clark Freight**).

We began our festivities with a wine and beer reception. The rally hosts provided a hot hors d'oeuvre, along with usual happy hour fare. The reception was followed by a delicious dinner of hamburgers, fries, cookies and ice cream.



Thursday morning, we gathered for a delicious breakfast of Buckhorn

Eggs Benedict with sliced fruit, leading up to our General Membership Meeting (see [Minutes](#) of the meeting on the website). After the meeting, **Dave Miller**, our corporate sponsor from **Texas Custom Coach**, provided a general update on the RV industry. We had plenty of time to ask questions and get feedback from "the expert."



Thursday afternoon, some of us gathered at Chi-Cho's Restaurant in Ingram for lunch and then headed up to the James Avery Craftsmen Headquarters. Our day was completed with a fabulous spaghetti dinner with cheesecake for dessert. The evening entertainment was Card Bingo, with four members claiming the winning prizes!

Friday, we began the day with a delicious egg casserole with fresh croissant. **Ginny Konrad**, with **Norwex**, joined us after breakfast to provide a demonstration of the Norwex products, offer door prizes, and the opportunity to place personal orders. What a treat she is!!

We were supposed to leave on the tour of the YO Ranch; however, it had been so wet, the tour was postponed until the

next day, with the Ranch Activity Director saying, "We will go tomorrow, even if we get stuck in the mud!!!"

In lieu of going to the ranch, several of us drove over to Comfort, TX for lunch at the High's Cafe and then visited Hill Country Pottery. **Brian**, the lead potter, gave us a tour of his facility and demonstrated how he makes a vase on the wheel. We had the opportunity to



shop and add to our collections of pottery.

Friday night, we regrouped for Buckhorn's Pizza Buffet, with Lemon Cello dessert. Although the "plan" was for folks to bring their favorite board game, Card Bingo won out and we enjoyed playing that for the evening.



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On Saturday, we began the day with Buckhorn's Saturday morning breakfast on-your-own. Those of us going on the YO Ranch Tour formed a car-caravan to drive the 50 minute trek to the ranch. Our host, **Debbie** greeted us and introduced us to **Chris**, who would be our tour guide. We



loaded onto the "giraffe-painted" bus and headed out to see many animals, including four species of antelope (all of whom have been removed from the endangered species list due to conservation efforts in Texas), ostrich, waterbuck, red and white-tailed deer, and giraffes. And, yes, as if on schedule, we DID get stuck in the mud!! Chris was skillful enough to maneuver the bus to dry land so none of us had to get out and push, nor did we have to be towed out by a giant tractor. He also quipped: "this is why Debbie didn't want to take you on this tour." Turns out, she was supposed to have driven us. We finished the tour with a fabulous barbecue lunch on the ranch and a tour of the "old western town." We also had the pleasure to meet the new owners of the headquarters. A great day!!



Saturday night, we had our highlight dinner of the rally: Pork Loin Marsala with Russian Bundt Cake dessert. Delicious! Dinner was followed by entertainment by **Bobby Dunn & his Texas Whisky Band** -- great music, dancing, and FUN!!

Sunday morning, we had our traditional continental breakfast; said our goodbyes; and headed out to our respective destinations. Although, a few of us stayed one more night for a "mini-rally-after-the-rally."

Our thanks go to the Buckhorn staff for providing us with wonderful meals and hospitality. They are the greatest!!

We hope to see everyone Monday, April 23 - Friday, April 27, 2018 at Cajun Palms RV Resort, Breaux Bridge/Henderson, LA.

Safe travels!

Pat, Jurhee, and Jerry

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Texas Custom Coach

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**Wick's Master Scenters &
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More photos are posted
on the [CCT website](#)!

Thank you to Pat Turpin & David Schnautz
for their photo contributions

Welcome New Members



Bob & Karen Louton
Kerrville, TX



Fred & Lassie Salitore
Kerrville, TX

Mark your calendar for the Spring Rally

April 23-27, 2018

Cajun Palms RV Resort, Breau Bridge/Henderson, LA

This is a very popular resort, so call now to get your site reserved!

Our hosts will be:

Pat Turpin and Bobby & Terrie Howard

We had a great time there in 2011



More details will be posted
on the website as the date
gets closer



Mark your calendar
for the Fall 2018 Rally:

October 15-19, 2018
Antler Oaks RV Park
Bandera, Texas

Hosts: Jerry & Geneva Keeton
Co-hosts: Kevin & Sheila Ford

Remember to utilize the Country Coach Texans Facebook page to learn about or inform other members of "unofficial" get-togethers, we're calling "no-rally rallies". We had a great group gathering at Stella Mare RV Resort in Galveston in February. See the website for more details regarding the Facebook page and the Galveston photos.

