

Vintage Airstream TODAY

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Texas Vintage Airstream Round-Up Rally

The 11th Texas Vintage Airstream Round-Up Rally was held at the Mineola Civic Center & RV Park in Mineola, TX 80 miles east of Dallas from May 2nd thru the 5th, 2019. This rally is held every other year and is sponsored by the newly re-named Texas Highland Lakes Airstream Club (THLAC) a unit of WBCCI.

VAC support was provided by past VAC president, Victor Blood, co-hosting the rally and VAC members Ginger Zeringue, Amy VanArtsdalen, Kevin Katz and Greg Walker presenting seminars. There were 54 rigs attending and several tow vehicles featured the large magnetic VAC logos on their doors.

Mona Heath, VAC member and incoming WBCCI president was in attendance.

This civic center is a great facility that caters to RV rallies. It is a convention center with a large banquet hall, smaller meeting rooms, and commercial kitchen providing the catered meals. The RV park has a large wagon wheel layout with full hookups, pavilion, restrooms and showers. The rally featured 1 potluck dinner, 2 catered breakfasts, 2 dinners, movie night and live entertainment on Saturday night. Country star Miranda Lambert is a member of THLAC and wine from her parent's winery was provided at happy hour and at dinner.

The rally was a great success and we look forward to the next one which will be held in two years.

Story and photos by Victor Blood. Photos continued to page 2



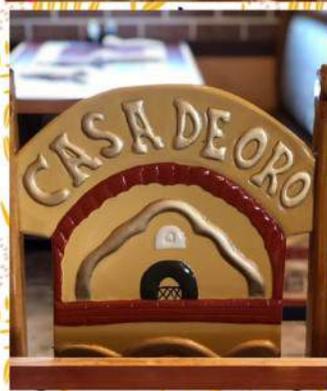
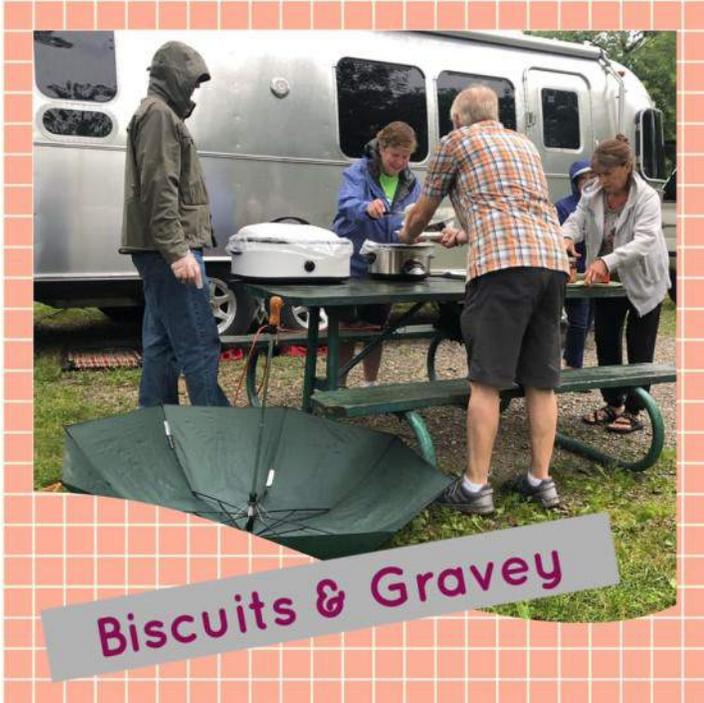
More photos of the 11th Texas Vintage Airstream Round-Up Rally
by Victor Blood



The Vintage Airstream Club Midwest of Region 8 held their annual spring rally at Viking State Lake near Stanton, Iowa, on June 20-23. Members kayaked, hiked the walking trails, looked at one another's trailers, and visited the local sites of interest. Of course, there were shared meals, happy hours and conversations around the campfire. Scott Allen gave a presentation about the resources and tools available when restoring a vintage Airstream trailer. Tips were shared and questions were answered!



More photos of the Region 8 VAC Rally held at Viking Lake, Iowa by Jodi Jensen

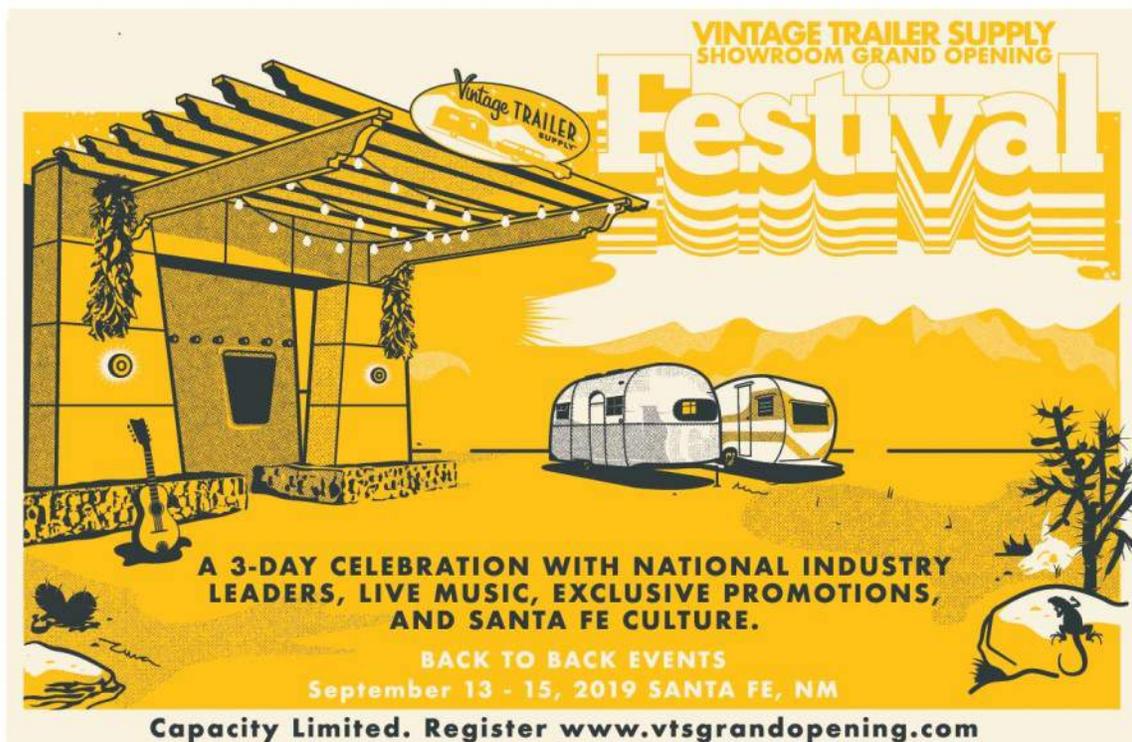


RECOGNITION OF OUR VAC REGION 8 REPRESENTATIVES: Scott and Kathy have been our VAC Representatives for many years. Kathy and Scott have put in many hours organizing or helping to organize our rallies. There are been having fantastic turn outs of VAC members to the rallies. Thanks for their hard work. Our members decided to recognize them for their service to the club and during our recent rally they were given a note of appreciation and a large VAC magnet to be used on their tow vehicle.

From all of our Region 8 VAC members thank you so much for your work and for being our friends.



Usually I don't put into the newsletter advertisements, but many VAC members have been purchasing parts from the Vintage Trailer Supply owned by Steve Hintgen for years. As you may know, they have opened a new facility in Santa Fe, NM, and are still keeping the old location in Maine open as well. They are sponsoring a Grand Opening Festival in September. So if you are looking for a place to go, sign up quickly. Mona Heath, the incoming WBCCI president, will be presenting along with many others. The website for the event is <http://www.vtsgrandopening.com>



Dal Smilie recently sent me the following article from Hemmings Motor News. Hope you enjoy it as much as I did. Following is a link to the article.

<https://www.hemmings.com/blog/2018/11/12/earliest-known-factory-airstream-meets-earliest-known-byam-built-curtis-wright-trailer/#comments-block>

Earliest-known factory Airstream meets earliest-known Byam-built Curtis Wright trailer by Daniel Strohl

"Courtesy of Hemmings Daily and Tom Comerro Editorial Dept. at www.hemmings.com."

Thanks to Dal Smilie for the images of the tiles at the NW Auto and Motorcycle Museum in Brooks, Oregon where the VAC held the 2018 Rendezvous. The pavers are for the VAC and the Vintage Trailer Camp www.vintagetrailercamp.com by Toni and Chuck Miltenberger

