

RAZORBACK UNIT

ARKANSAS RAZORBACK UNIT 005 / WBCCI

SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER 2014

Fall rally set --

Can you spot the rally campsite from the air?

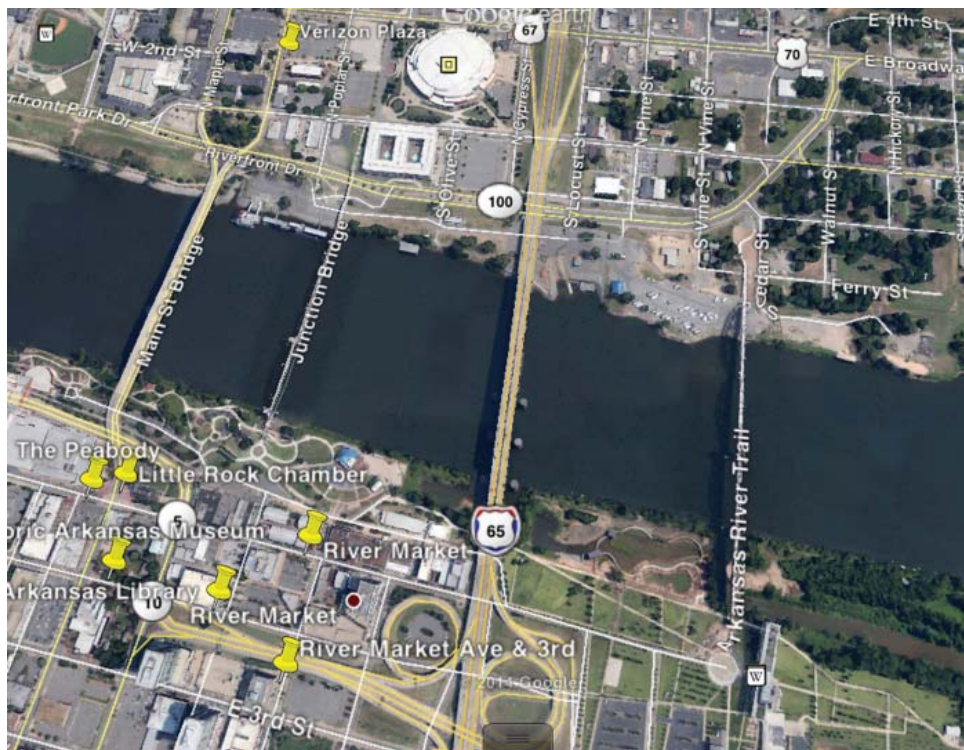
The Arkansas Razorback Unit members will gather Sept. 18-20, 2014 at the Downtown Riverside RV Park in North Little Rock for their fall election rally.

This year's fall rally is organized by unit members Larry and Terry Madden of Fort Smith. Highlights include a tour of the Bankruptcy Courthouse by unit member Dana Landrum, Pulaski County Courthouse, the Old State House and Historical Arkansas Museum.

Jason and Dana Landrum are hosting the group for Saturday's happy hour and evening meal of barbecue ribs at their Little Rock home in the SOMA district (South on Main).

An election for new club officers will be held at a business meeting Saturday morning.

A complete schedule of events and more information is on the next page.



VIEW FROM SPACE - Google Earth is an app that can help locate destinations.

ODDS AND ENDS ...

Club Trivia - Unit member Charles Duran has been a Razorback Unit President, Region 6 President, and WBCCI International President.

August Luncheon - Held Aug. 7 at The Oyster Bar in Little Rock, members attending included Paul Moore, Charles and Emogene Duran, Jason Landrum and son Henry, Larry and Terry Madden, B.J. Kymer, new members Dave and Laura Wessinger, Bill and Carole Barton, and Mark Magie.

At International Rally - Region 6 President Lonnie Carver, an affiliate member of the Razorback Unit, was our unit's delegate at the International Rally and Convention June 28 - July 4, 2014 in Gillette, Wyoming. 325 rigs attended. Joe Perryman was elected new WBCCI International President.

Unit Website - Check often for the latest updates. Webmaster is Paul Moore. <http://arkansasrazorback.wbcci.net>

UPCOMING EVENTS ...

Oct. 2, 2014 - Razorback Unit Luncheon. 11:30 a.m. Check our website for the location.

Oct. 15-19, 2014 - Region 6 Rally. Johnny's Lakeside RV Resort in Foley, Ala. Details at www.johnnys-lakesidervresort.com

June 26-July 4, 2015 - International Convention/Rally in Farmington, New Mexico.

Arkansas Razorback Unit of WBCCI
Fall Election Rally
September 18-20, 2014
Downtown Riverside RV Park
50 Riverfront Drive, North Little Rock

ORGANIZERS - LARRY AND TERRY MADDEN
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Contact the campground to make reservations - (501) 340-5312. Ask to be with the Airstreamers.

** RALLY FEE TO BE DETERMINED **

- Wednesday, Sept. 17 Early parking
Dinner on your own
- Thursday, Sept. 18 8 a.m. to Noon -- parking
Noon -- Lunch on your own
1 p.m. to 4 p.m. -- Parking and/or discover Little Rock
4 p.m. to 5 p.m. -- Happy Hour under the pavillion - BYO beverages, snacks and chairs
5:30 p.m. -- Dinner and evening entertainment on your own
- Friday, Sept. 19 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. -- breakfast provided under the pavillion - Please bring your own set-up
Noon -- Lunch on your own
1 p.m. to 4 p.m. -- Tour of the Bankruptcy Courthouse (by Dana Landrum), Pulaski County
Courthouse, Old State House and Historical Arkansas Museum. (Perhaps stop at
Spokes bike shop for a cup of coffee on the way)
5:30 p.m. -- Caravan to dinner at Flying Fish, 511 President Clinton Avenue, 501-375-
3474. (All major credit cards accepted. No reservations offered.)
Evening entertainment on your own
- Saturday, Sept. 20 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. -- Breakfast provided under the pavillion - Please bring your own set-up
10 a.m. -- Unit Business Meeting under the pavillion. Election of officers for Oct. 1, 2014
- Sept. 30, 2015, and voting on proposed unit constitution and bylaws changes
10:30 a.m. -- Reception for officers and new members
Noon -- Lunch on your own
1 p.m. to 4 p.m. -- Tour the SOMA District (South on Main Street). Visit Loblolly Ice
Cream store, purse museum and go shopping.
5 p.m. to 6 p.m. -- Happy Hour at the Landrums' home - 1606 S. Gaines - BYO beverages
6 p.m. -- Dinner at the Landrums' home. They will provide main course of ribs. Bring
chairs, side dish or dessert.
Evening entertainment on your own
- Sunday, Sept.21 Depart for home. Happy and safe travels to all!

BRING YOUR DUES TO THE RALLY ... SAVE A STAMP!

Razorback Unit Treasurer Carole Barton reminds members they can pay their 2015 WBCCI-Unit dues at the Fall Rally in North Little Rock. Make \$70 dues check payable to the Arkansas Razorback Unit. Checks may also be mailed to the treasurer at Carole Barton, 1178 Cliff Rd., Russellville, AR 72802.

The satellite connection --

It's easy to "watch" the world while camping

By Larry Madden

Razorback Unit member

With our tent camping years behind us, my wife, Terry, and I decided to make our Silver Bullet as comfortable as possible to our home. After all, she is our home away from home. We both love the outdoors and to experience the beauty of Mother Nature, nothing can compare. After a long day of adventure, it's nice to sit back and catch up



with what is happening in our world.

We have subscribed to Directv in our home for a number of years. We learned all that was required to enjoy satellite service in the Silver Bullet was to install a Directv receiver in her and have a small portable satellite dish. The additional fee is \$6 monthly.

I so admire the campers I see, who with seemingly little effort, set up satellite dishes and are able to acquire the proper satellite signal for their service. I found this task to be very frustrating. The fact is, I have never successively located the satellites required to enjoy

our satellite service while camping.

Terry, sensing my frustration as she watched the gray metal satellite dish flying through the air like a Frisbee, suggested "there has got to be a better way Larry," and she was right. After some research on the Internet, I found a company that developed a portable satellite dish system that automatically finds the satellites for you and me!

The Winegard Company manufactures and markets a vast variety of electronic equipment. In fact, the electronic TV antenna mounted on the top of your Airstream is a Winegard product. While camping, we sought out other campers who were using the Winegard satellite system. After numerous conversations with these kind folks and their positive remarks of satisfaction, Terry and I decided it would be a good investment.

Completely satisfied is an understatement. This system works as advertised. I bought our Winegard Satellite Dish through Amazon; at the time there was no tax liability and shipping was free. I also purchased an AC/DC converter box. It was inexpensive and a necessity for the required 12 volt DC power requirements to operate the satellite dish.

There is an old saying that "every now and then even a blind dog finds a bone." I don't have much luck with electronics, but as it turned out this day was going to be the exception. After carefully



WINEGARD SATELLITE DISH

following the instructions, I made the two required connections. Then placing the domed dish with a clear view of the southern sky, I turned on both the satellite and the TV. After only a couple of minutes of searching, the dish locked on to a satellite and presto, we had clear satellite TV reception.

It would be a little misleading if I said that is all there is to it. There are some preliminary set up procedures you must do on your TV and a phone call to your satellite service provider for setting up the receiver.

Success at last! In my case, the modest investment of time and treasure has yielded a very happy spouse. Terry now has the ability to enjoy her football and favorite TV shows from almost any venue. The Winegard Portable Satellite system -- \$450. The smile on Terry's face -- Priceless.



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From the president --

I hope this newsletter issue finds you doing well. It looks like we escaped a typically hot Arkansas summer and we can now turn our thoughts to pleasant days of autumn and beautiful fall colors on trees throughout the state ... perfect camping weather!

I am sad to report that we've lost two unit members this year: Dorothy Sturdy died in March and F.L. Mosley died in July. Please keep their families in your prayers and memories of them in your hearts.

In a couple of weeks - the Razorback Unit fall rally is September 18 - 20, 2014 at the North Little Rock Downtown Riverside RV Park located at 50 Riverfront Drive. Contact Larry Madden for more information at 70man@cox.net or (479) 646-9188.

On October 15 - 19, 2014, the Region 6 Rally will be held at Johnny's Lakeside RV Resort in Foley, Ala. The resort website is www.johnnylakesidervresort.com

I am encouraged that some new members have joined our unit and hope everyone gets to meet them at an upcoming event.

Safe travels -- Jim Pankey, Razorback Unit president



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HEALTH REPORT

Neal Anderson - surgery Sept. 5
Bill Barton - surgery Sept. 18
B.J. McNair - ask him about tick bites

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

9/2 -- David Gulley
9/15 -- Dorr Moore
9/21 -- Rick Perryman
9/29 -- V.J. Carter

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

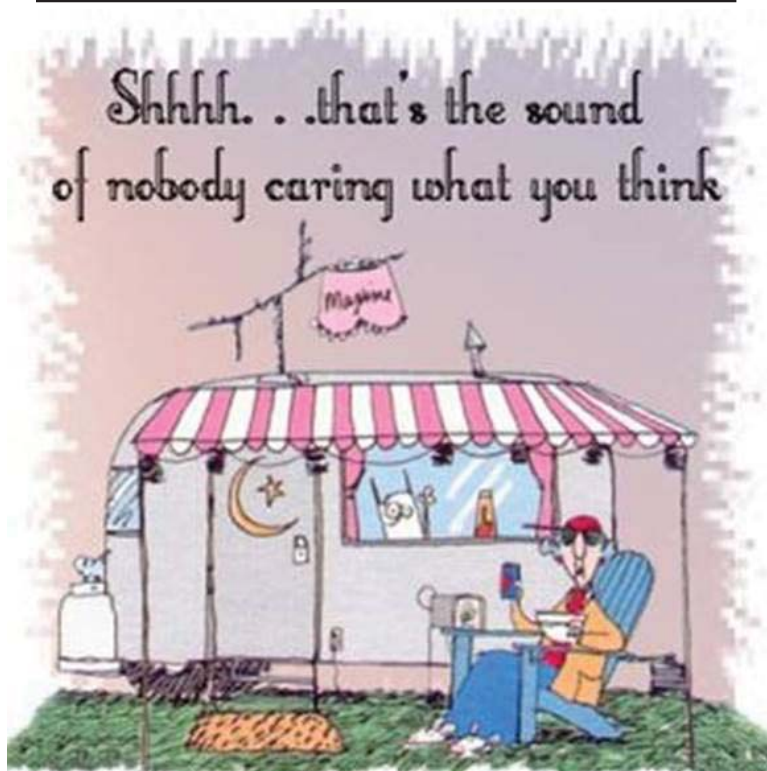
10/5 -- John Sturdy
10/17 -- Carole Barton
10/19 -- Mildred Graves
10/26 -- Linda Auerbach

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

9/5 -- Johnathan and Katie Gulley
9/17 -- B.J. and Donna McNair
9/18 -- Ron and Susan Johnson

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

10/9 -- Carl and Joyce Fitzhugh
10/27 -- Don and Linda Auerbach



MAXINE AND HER AIRSTREAM - Unit Treasurer Carole Barton loves Maxine cartoons and shares this one with the Razorback Airstreamers.