

Roving Reporter
Lone Star Allegro Club May 2017 Rally

We had a great rally this month at the Colorado Landing RV Park in LaGrange, Tx with 8 member coaches, and 1 visitor coach.

Attending were: Didelot, Flores, King, Marler, McCormick, Mesz, Shaner, Stanger, & Bowman (visitor).

The weather was mostly beautiful, no flooding, no evacuations, no hard luck stories for anyone on the way over. The Stangers & McCormicks took very good care of us as hosts, and as usual, we ate very well. The gang went to Las Fuentes on Friday evening, and we had a very good breakfast on Saturday morning of fresh fruit with yogurt, and an assortment of the local favorite kolaches and muffins this area is well known for. Some folks got up early before breakfast to go to the local farmer's market, which was on the square on Saturday morning, and even the Mesz's got up early to go!

Thanks to The Shaner's, we were invited to go tour the "Itsy Bitsy Burro Company" just outside of LaGrange. The Shaner's 1st cousins Tonnie & Jerry Willrich, owns this enormous farm that raises miniature Sicilian Burros, and sells them all of the U.S. and also raises and sells dogs as well. The group had a great time visiting the farm, and getting up close and personal with the almost 30 miniature burros that live there! Thanks to the Shaner's for getting us this very unique, and interesting tour!



Saturday evening found us back at the clubhouse for another delicious meal of brisket & sausage, complete with homemade calico beans, potato salad & coleslaw, plus all the trimmings, and of course, peach & blackberry cobbler with ice-cream, strawberry pie & brownies for dessert! We then played a rousing game of bean bag baseball, and then a small group stayed for our favorite, Catch Phrase, and I have to say that the Sylvia & Andy Flores are getting very good at that game, and we even convinced our visitor, Al Bowman to join in the fun! We had a great time, as usual, and ate way too much! Thanks again to the hosts for the great job they did!

Sunday morning brought us back to the clubhouse to finish off the rest of the fruit and kolaches, then we were off to a picnic lunch at a little know state park in LaGrange called, Monument Hill / Kreische Brewery which is up the hill that overlooks the Colorado River, and is a beautiful park with an extraordinary view of the river, and LaGrange. You can actually see for a long way from up there, and the monument, ruins of the brewery, and family homestead house were excellent! We were able to take a guided tour of the house, and I recommend it highly if you are ever in the area! Here are a couple of pics of the group and the view!



Monday morning brought another chance to finish up all of the good food we had been munching on, and to say our goodbyes. I was told that the Marler's had a little trouble getting their coach to start, but thanks to the expertice of Mark & Mac, and with the help of a good hammer hit to the starter, Bruce & Sherren were off on their way back to Houston.

Thanks to everyone for a great rally, and for your participation in the club, it would not be a club without you. Have a great summer of travels, and we hope to see everyone at the September rally in Sulphur, LA, where the Didelot's & Shaner's will be our hosts.

Take Care & Safe Travels,

Prez Mesz