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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

We had a great Rally in Kerrville. Weather couldn't have been better. Friday night's entertainment was highlighted by square dancing from the Kerrville area. A very enthusiastic group of Texas W members kicked up their heels in a set of calls. Looked like all had a great time. Saturday entertainment was provided by a Country and Western Band including a fiddle! Two steppers were wearing out the floor.

A highlight of the Rally was the election of officers for 2017. We have a new president – Mike Anderson, new 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Debbie Sak, new Treasurer – Tim Sak, and a new Secretary – Celia Reed. Ann Caywood continued as our First Vice President – thank you Ann. We are looking forward to 2017 and hope to add new exciting things at the Meetings and continue the successful events that Gary, Bonnie, Alma, and Ron have included during their reign.

Our first meeting of 2017 is January 20-22 in Canton at the Civic Center. Since this is a January meeting, we are keeping things low key and basic. Friday night we are planning a "Hobo Dinner", everyone brings a can of water based soup. We will mix them all together and serve the resulting soup. We have added cornbread to the dinner. Wear your "best" hobo outfit and win a blue ribbon for best hobo. Breakfast of biscuits and gravy with sausage on Saturday morning. Saturday night we will have a ham dinner with pot luck side dishes. Our winter meeting will also be your first opportunity to participate in TexasW's GNR Head of row decoration contest and the Texas float in the Puckerbrush Parade in Forest City. GNR is not far off and we need help and ideas to pull off another victory. Gary has set a high standard for winning – so let's get together and brainstorm some great ideas!

### **Winter Texas W Meeting**

January 20-22, 2017

Canton Civic Center  
Canton, Texas

### **Spring Texas W Meeting**

April 21-23, 2017

Lake Conroe KOA RV Park  
Montgomery, Texas

### **GNR 2017**

July 17-July 22

Forest City, Iowa

### **Fall 2017 Texas W Rally**

October 20-22, 2017

Mineola Civic Center  
Mineola, Texas

The Texas W Club invites all to embrace the lifestyle of the “Hobo” and gather around the campfires January 19 – 22, 2017 at the Canton Civic Center, 800 Flea Market Rd, Canton, TX. 75103

For early arrivals, the Civic Center is offering a \$16.00 per night parking fee and the use of the meeting hall beginning on Thursday. Plans are in the works for a movie and popcorn Thursday evening.

The meeting price of \$55.00 for 1 rig, 2 persons and \$45.00 for 1 rig, 1 person includes 2 nights camping and 2 meals. There is further information concerning parking fees on back page of the newsletter. Friday evening bring one can of water based soup per person for Texas W Hobo stew and come dressed for our “So, you think you’re a Hobo” contest. Saturday morning brings traditional biscuits and gravy with sausage. Saturday evening Texas W is providing ham as the main dish and we ask that you bring a side or dessert to share.

The Canton Civic Center allows campfires, so bring your campfire rings and wood for stargazing and “tall tales” by the fire. Even though this weekend does not coincide with First Monday weekend, there are still plenty of shopping opportunities in town as many stores remain open year round. You may also want to visit the Blackwell House Museum located in the oldest house in Canton, or take a day trip to historic Edom Texas for lunch and shopping. Canton is home to the Twin Lakes Golf Course which was voted Best Scenic Golf Course of Texas in 2015.

Agenda to follow but we need all of your creative minds to begin the process of gathering ideas for head of row decorations and for the Puckerbrush parade float at GNR 2017. The theme is WELCOME TO FABULOUS WINNEBAGO. There will be a time slot on the agenda for those interested in being part of this fun activity.



Are your books, dvds, puzzles, and games piling up? Well, gather your duplicate or already viewed dvds, previously read books and unused games or puzzles and bring them to the “exchange” in January.

Hope to see you there.

*Written and submitted by Celia Reid*

***The membership would like to thanks those who will so graciously give of their time to serve as an officer with Texas W Club for the coming year.***

**PRESIDENT**

**Mike Anderson**

**FIRST VP (Rallies and Meetings)**

**Anne Caywood**

**SECOND VP (Membership)**

**Debbie Sak**

**SECRETARY**

**Celia Reid**

**TREASURER**

**Tim Sak**

**Thanks**



**WIT CLUB****THEY ARE HERE FOR YOU**

The Owner Relations Department - Phone  
(800)537-1885

Let this department help you work it out!

Industries Owner Relations  
Winnebago, P.O. Box 152  
Forest City, IA 50436

The new WIT Club By-Laws are on the WIT website. You will also find the WIT membership benefits at this site.

[Witclub.com](http://Witclub.com)

*Having trouble getting a Part*

*Call- Lisa Cronkwright  
641-585-6519*

*or*

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*Thank You, Denise Hagen for the time you spent listening to members and sharing information about the changes at WIT and Winnebago.*



Grand Design Towable is the latest acquisition by Winnebago. It is a high end towable with an outstanding design team and production reliability to add to the Winnebago Team. Being on the road so much, I see a big market with the big towables and young active families. We will be told when they can be welcomed into the clubs.



Todd Bock Seminar  
from Ronnie Bock  
Dealership

Todd Bock represented his father's company at the October Texas W Club Rally in Kerrville. He gave a seminar about service, warranty work, and working with the new CEO of Winnebago, Mr. Michael J Happe, formally with Toro. Todd has attended industry meetings where the new CEO has also been in attendance and spoken. Todd has been very impressed with Mr. Happe and feels the change at Winnebago has been nothing but positive. Todd further stated Mr. Happe has listened to the dealers and he is beginning to establish changes that Todd is excited about. I think the audience enjoyed Todd's energy with positive and yet honest answers to their questions during the seminar. Todd, the club would like to thank you for the seminar and the time you spent after the seminar. You showed the meaning of service with your time spent, in discussion, with additional questions following the seminar.

*Denise Hagen announced that Janet and Patrick Wright will leave WIT as one of their awesome WIT REPS. We will miss Janet and Patrick and wish them well as they ease back into a slower paced travel schedule. Thanks, Janet and Patrick for all your dedication to the club.*

Thank You, Ronnie Bock Dealership, for bringing out four different gas units. The new wood look floors give a clean look with easy cleanup. Most interesting was the European swivel sink in the bathroom of the new View 24G model. Small in length but roomy.

Our Friends to the North, who have become regular visitors to the October Rally, would like to invite you to their state rally May 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>. Pre-Rally events will begin in Shawnee, Oklahoma at the Shawnee Expo Center on Wednesday the 3<sup>rd</sup>. For more information Darrel Carver would love to answer your questions or sign you up. 918-841-0291 or [dgcarver@aol.com](mailto:dgcarver@aol.com)

**OKIEBAGOS**



**TEXAS CLUB**



**WIT CLUB**

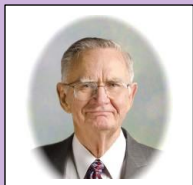


# A BIG WELCOME

THERE WERE SO MANY VISITORS AND FIRST TIME ATTENDEES, AS WELL AS NEW MEMBERS, AT THE OCTOBER RALLY IT TOOK TWO TRIES TO GET ALL IN A PICTURE. WE ENJOYED SEEING YOU ALL.



**PRAYERS AND GOOD THOUGHTS TO THOSE IN NEED OF OUR SUPPORT ESPECIALLY NELL REEVES. HER HUSBAND AARON PASSED ON OCTOBER 24. AARON WAS A WW II VET. THE NELL AND AARON HAVE BEEN LONG TIME MEMBERS OF THE HEART OF TEXAS.**



**Nell's  
Quilt  
made  
at the  
rally.**

**WE ALSO RECEIVED WORD OF JOHN HILL'S PASSING. PRAYERS FOR HIS FAMILY AS THEY CONTINUE TO DEAL WITH HIS LOSS.**

Mimi Phillips wanted to let us all know that there were 25 lap quilts ready to be sent from the October Rally. What a great way to meet and share time and talent with other members. You are giving to those dealing with medical or emotional



issues in their lives. If you don't sew but would like to press seams please find the ladies with their machines and be a part of something Mimi has started for Texas W Club.

Mimi will not be at the January meeting but hopefully someone will lead the effort.

### **Edited minutes from October 2016 Texas W Club Rally**

**Texas W celebrated 45 Years and received a Patch and a celebration cake. 80 rigs were on the ground at Kerrville and member rigs were 65 (We had a large group of visitors looking at the club and out of state rigs).**

**Report of future rallies and meeting venues were given and can be found on page one of newsletter.**

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> VP discussed the use of cards for encouraging new membership. This has not been the best way to get membership up. What has worked best is the face to face at GNR and Show and Tells at Dealerships.**

**There were 73 Texas rigs at GNR and 14 were on Texas row. All Texas rigs were invited to events at the Texas tent with several new members signed to the Texas W Club.**

The chart has the totals given to Wounded Warriors Project over the years. It was decided that the money collected from last spring and October will be held in an account because of WWP CEO issues. At the October Rally, there was discussion but a recipient of the money has not been resolved. Questions were raised about Center for the Intrepid as recipient. Gary is continuing conversation with the center and will report to membership at the Jan. meeting.

### **Wounded Warriors Project**



**6-year total  
\$9,604**

**Revised  
11/2016**

\$	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	
3,000								
2,000								
1,800								
1,500								
1,000								
600								
400								
200								

### **Totals at October Rally**

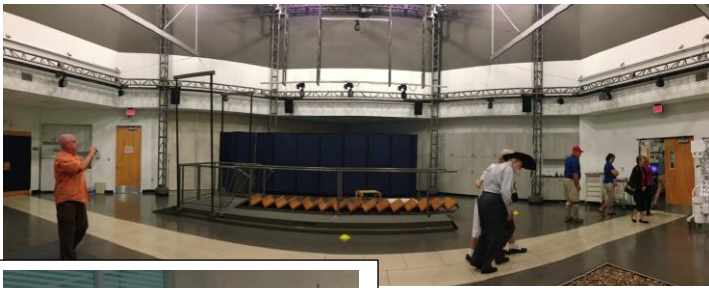
Silent Auction \$475

Lottery Raffle \$556.

You are a giving and generous  
group Texas W Club.



# PRE RALLY FUN AT LBJ RANCH and CENTER FOR THE INTREPID



THE CENTER FOR THE INTREPID WAS FUNDED BY OVER 600,000 AMERICANS.

THEIR GENEROSITY EXPRESSES THE PROFOUND APPRECIATION AMERICA HAS FOR ITS GALLANT SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN WHO DEFEND FREEDOM.

THIS CENTER IS DEDICATED TO OUR SEVERELY WOUNDED MILITARY HEROES, WHOSE SELFLESS SACRIFICES FOR OUR NATION ENTITLE THEM TO THE BEST REHABILITATIVE CARE.







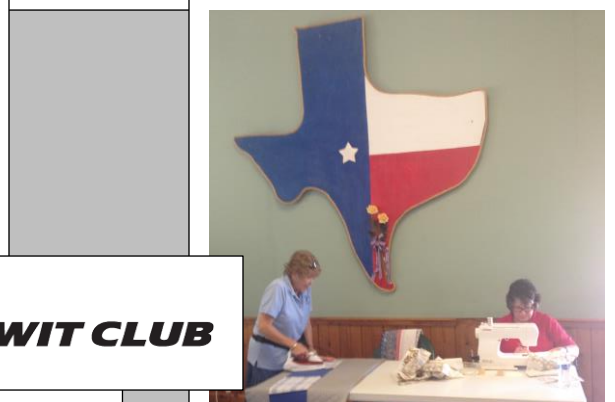
Patrick and Janet Wright say good bye as our reps after GNR 2017. With Brenda and Gary doing their last official rally. Denise you had four good local workers passing the baton.



Texas W a dancing bunch!







 **WIT CLUB**

**TEXAS CLUB**





FISH FRYING CREW and it was delicious!!!

It has been a delicious dinner two times and the cooks have got it! Thanks Guys.



Grilling and Dancing at the Cowboy Grill on Wed. Nights.



Great to see you Angel and Sue



Glad you could take a little time Kathleen to stop and visit your original RV buddies. Love your pictures.



**Texas "W" Club Meeting, January, 2017  
Canton Civic Center  
Canton, Texas  
January 19-22, 2017**

**REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES:**

Friday & Saturday camping with 1 breakfast and one ham dinner (potluck sides and desserts), coffee and pastries Sunday morning and hospitality table all weekend

Cost:	before Jan 1, 2017	after 1 Jan, 2017
1 unit, 2 people	\$55.00	\$65.00
1 unit, 1 person	\$45.00	\$55.00
*each additional person (meals)	\$15.00	\$20.00

**MEALS**

Thursday dinner	Pot Luck – bring an entrée, side or dessert to share
Friday dinner	Hobo soup – bring a can of water-based of soup <u>per person</u>
Saturday breakfast	Sausage, biscuits and gravy – bring your appetite!
Saturday dinner	Ham provided by TX W – bring sides or dessert to share
Sunday morning	Coffee and pastries – then, safe travels home!

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**REGISTRATION FORM**

WIT # \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you need handicap parking?      Yes   or   No      (Please circle one)

Length of your rig?: \_\_\_\_\_      How many slides?: \_\_\_\_\_

1 unit with \_\_\_\_\_ person(s)      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ additional people      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Early camping \$16.00 per night      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If not already paid, please pay dues, \$20.00      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total enclosed      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make check payable to the Texas W Club and mail it with this completed form to:  
Tim Sak, TX W Treasurer, P.O. Box 16, Magnolia, TX 77353**