## **Historian Report for May 2019** American Coach Association National Rally

## Lake Conroe KOA in Montgomery, Texas.

Well the "Drop your Anchor" National Rally has come and gone. If you missed this rally, you missed one of the best! The Grand Ball Room was decorated in a nautical theme that went along with the Lake Conroe area.

The Rally started off with an opening ceremonies Honor Guard from the local Conroe High School then our ACA President Tony Ford welcomed everyone and gave a moving tribute to SCC President Allen Meek whom we lost in February.

Everyone enjoyed an East Texas meal of Chicken Fried Steak with all the fixings for dinner and had a chance to visit with longtime friends.

Sunday started with a great breakfast to give the ladies enough energy to go to line dancing instructions. (We were trying to be ready for George Strait Tribute on Wednesday)

We had food trucks almost every day at lunch which made it easy to eat, get to seminars, show coaches, and be around for any repairs, washing of coaches or lube work being done. This night we had true to Texas beef and chicken Fajitas. Yumm!!!

Monday, more line dancing, WHEW!!! Seminars and shopping. OH! I should have mentioned this at first. Ladies we had 14 vendors for ladies. Jewelry, clothes,

jams and jellies, flavored honey, pet products, Merle Norman make up, olive oils etc. Believe me we made the most of it ....\$\$\$\$. Hopefully our husbands don't find the receipts.

In the afternoon we had an Ice Cream Social with Blue Bell ice cream! With the Texas heat and humidity everyone really enjoyed that.







Had another good meal of Smoked Pork Tenderloin and grilled Chicken on Monday night.

After the great meal we danced the night away listing to The Royal Dukes Band. No leaving at 8:00 with this band. Everyone was jamming.



Tuesday was a busy day. More line dancing instruction, and we're getting good!

The guys had their golf outing. Ladies had a delicious luncheon and style show. The style show was a lot of fun with the ACA Ladies as models. Afterward we all did more shopping.

Then there was the tour of The Bunker. It would take too long to get into the details about it, but you can go on the internet site and read all about it. Very interesting.



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Wednesday: our last line dancing instruction. We are ready for the George Strait Tribute and band tonight!! Another fun thing in the afternoon was "Painting Away with Chardonnay". A large group laughed the afternoon away while painting a pretty ocean scene. Really a lot of fun seeing all the different paintings of one scene.

Dinner was good old Texas Barbeque with traditional sides.

Finally, last but not least, we get to line dance to The George Strait Tribute and Southern County Line.



What a night and what a great way to end THE BEST RALLY ever!!!

A Huge THANK YOU to everyone from the parking to the sweeping of floors and everything in between it would not have happened without you. Even if you just came, thank you as well your participation was a very important too.

More great news! The Veterans Assistance Dogs of Texas had a booth at the rally. At the end of last year in our SCC 3rd dog account we had \$4545.00. With what was donated at this rally, (\$5500.00) we now have the \$10,000.00 for sponsorship of our 3rd VA Dog with \$45.00 left over. YEA SCC!!!! How blessed we are to be able to help a veteran with this special gift. Plus rescue a dog from who knows what kind of life.

Please keep all our service men and women, our first responders and also our great country in your prayers.

As you travel have safe sailing to your next port o call.

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