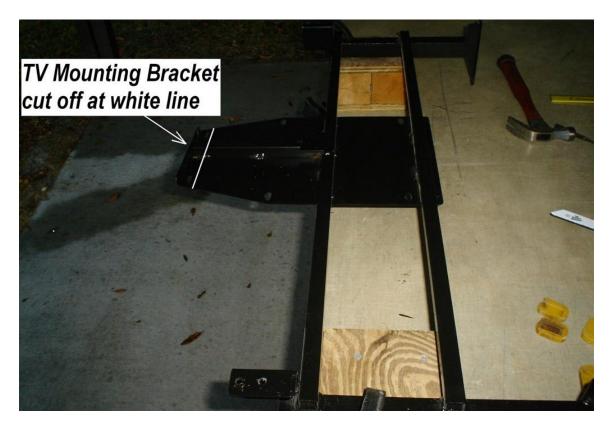


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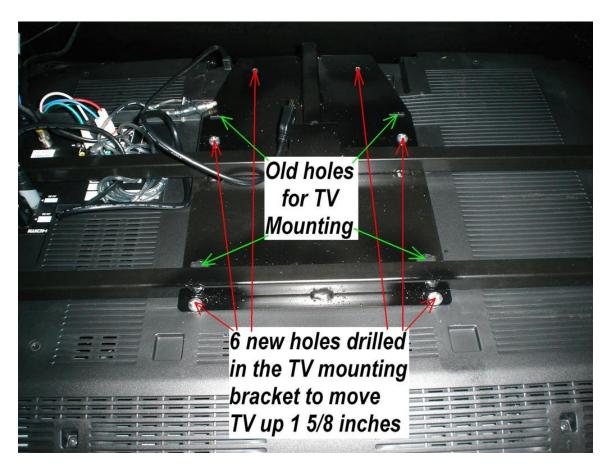
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THIRTY-NINTH - coach modification - **INSTALLING A PANASONIC SOUND BAR FOR THE SLIDE TV.** There are times when trying to listen to the outside TV is almost impossible. The ambient noise usually found outside is one of those times for me, the outside noise is usually TOO loud to enjoy the slide mounted TV.

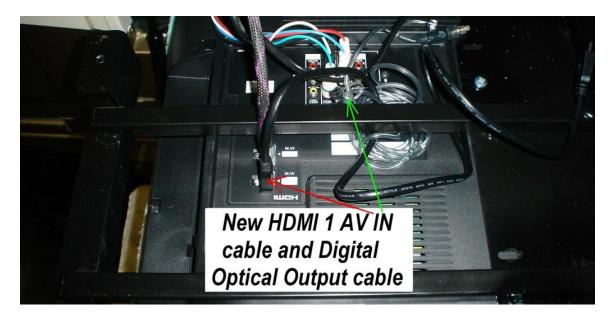
Fortunately, as least one prior TRVN member took it on himself to install a Panasonic SC-HTB10 Sound Bar in the outside slide TV compartment. The first item to remove is the TV from the slide compartment. This requires removing at least one air spring, removing six self-drilling screws then carefully wiggled the TV and its mounting bracket out of the hole it was in. On my TV mount I needed to move the TV up on the bracket 1 5/8 inches that would put the TV almost touching the top of the TV compartment. After removing the mounting bracket from the back of the TV, six new holes were marked and center punched 1 5/8 inches UP on the bracket after which the holes were drilled. Tiffin, in recent years installs a taller box (2 or 3") for the slide TV compartment making the sound bar installation much easier.



As seen in the above photo, the bottom 1 5/8 inches of the TV mounting bracket HAS to be cut off in order for the sound bar to have room to fit under the TV.



The above photo shows the old and new holes for the TV mounting. Note the two top holes (bottom of photo) are drilled almost at the top edge of the mounting bracket, fortunately the TV could not move further UP because the top two screws of the TV bracket are screwed into the top of the compartment. The sides of the mounting bracket are held in place by two screws on each side of the TV screwed into the back of the compartment. This modification required two new cables, one HDMI cable connected to HDMI AV 1 IN and a digital optical cable installed in its port connection. I know other members tell me I should be able to use just the HDMI cable without needing the digital optical cable yet no-one has been able to tell me HOW TO MAKE <u>JUST</u> THE ONE HDMI CABLE SEND AUDIO TO HE SOUND BAR.



Below is a photo of my TV and its new Panasonic SC-HTB10 Sound Bar.



Now, I can listen to my outside TV, even with a high ambient noise level, I just use the TV's remote control and INCREASE the sound level.