he Three Rivers Chapter Chatter

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The September campout of the Three Rivers Good Sam Chapter was held in conjunction with the MO State Samboree, September 24th - 28th, 2014 at the MO State Fairgrounds Campground in Sedalia MO. Chapter activities were hosted by Linda and Dale Hunter.

Members attending were: Brinkman, Charpiot, Haynes, Hunter, Luzynski, Sheehan, Stanton and Tschannen.

Visitors this month were Don Gassmann and Carol Weber.

The group assembled on Tuesday at the Countryside Seniors RV Park. After dinner at "Dickie Doo's Bar-B-Que", we settled in for the night.

Bright and early (8am) on Wednesday morning we formed up behind Irv and caravanned to the State Fairgrounds. We made it without a break in the procession and were quickly directed to our sites. When hook-ups were completed the members registered and then began to enjoy the activities that were available.

Late Wednesday afternoon we gathered back at our campsites for a potluck dinner that was followed by a short business meeting.

The evening's entertainment was an interesting journey thru the world of fashion from the Victorian period through the eighties and nineties.

Thursday the Chapter hosted the Washer-toss competition, which seemed to go over well with the other campers. Later in the day Carolyn Brinkman won a second place badge in the Sandbag Baseball game.

Friday we were back in the pits hosting the Horseshoe contest. When the open competition was complete our Larry Brinkman threw against the reigning champion for the MO state championship. While Larry did well (first toss was a ringer), the Champ is still Champ!

Linda, Janette and Joanne each won a cake during the "Cake Walk" which they kindly shared with us all at the Ice Cream Social. Carolyn and Jim represented the Chapter in the Parade of Flags at the evening Ceremonies but the highlight of the evening for us was when Don Gassmann got himself involved with the on-stage performer at the evening entertainment.

Saturday was more games. We had contestants in the Rolling-pin Toss and the Turtle Race; Dorothy Charpiot won twice at "Samgo" (Bingo) and Carol Weber's dog "Diamond" placed first in the Dog Parade. Dinner was at Bandana's which was followed by the Closing Ceremonies and the entertaining couple from Branson MO, "Gordy and Debbie, a Tribute to George Strait".

Sunday morning it was pack up and hit the trail for home. It seemed that everyone enjoyed the time in Sedalia and most everyone had an attendance prize to carry back home with them.

BUSINESS MEETING:

The regular meeting of the Three Rivers Good Sam RV Chapter was held on September 24th, 2014 at the Missouri State Fair Grounds during the Samboree, Sedalia, Missouri hosted by Linda and Dale Hunter.

President Brinkman called the meeting to order at 5:19 P.M. She led us in the Pledge Of Allegiance.

Minutes of the August 2014 meeting were read and approved.

Janette Tschannen presented the Treasurer's report for Treasurer Renate Ehrhard with a balance of \$332.29.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Wagonmaster Linda Hunter reported on the forthcoming campouts. Details are below.

Irv Charpiot reported that coupons totaling \$3435.90 were mailed to Japan 9/18/2014. The total for the nine months of 2014 totaled \$21,969.38. This surpassed the total shipped in 2013. The mailing cost was \$12.65.

Renate and Jim Ehrhard sent a note thanking everyone for their support of the Dogs For The Deaf program.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE CHAPTER:

Fred Basse is recovering from hip replacement surgery and Jim Ehrhard is at home waiting for results of recent health tests. Please include them in your prayers

A motion to adjourn was made by Dorothy Charpiot and seconded by Phyllis Stanton. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 P.M..

FUTURE MEETINGS:

October 17th -- 19th Campout hosted by Jim and Phyllis Stanton at Big Creek RV Park, 47247 State Hwy. 49, Annapolis, MO 63620. Phone: 573-598-1064; or mailto:bigcreekrvpark@gmail.com. Please Make your own reservations with Big Creek and notify Jim or Phyllis of your intent to attend by October 1st.

DIRECTIONS: I-55 South to US 67 Exit; South on 67 to Hwy 221; Right on 221 (7 miles). Stay on 221 to Hwy 21, South 9 Miles to Hwy 49. Stay on 49 About 4 miles to RV Park on the left.

COST: \$30.00 per day

ACTIVITIES:

Friday evening, Saturday and Sunday, The Arcadia Valley Mountain Music Fall Festival will be in full swing in Ironton once again. Also The Ozark Heritage Festival will be going-on in Piedmont Saturday and Sunday. Schedules for both should be available soon but are expected to be similar to last year. Big Creek will include both activities in the info packet they prepare.

Friday: Dinner: **Chili Dump**, Each couple should bring enough canned chili for the two of you and late Friday afternoon we'll combine them all in one or two big pots to heat the mixture. The Hosts will provide the chopped onion, shredded cheese, oyster crackers and Fritos. There will be a bottle of HOT sauce should you find the mix too tame for your taste and green salad with assorted dressings will also be available.

Saturday: Dinner at "The Abby". (http://www.arcadiavalleyacademy.com). Sunday: Potluck breakfast, chapter meeting following breakfast.

November 15th @ 1:00 pm A Saturday luncheon meeting hosted by Larry and Carolyn Brinkman at The Creek Grill & Sports Bar, 2000 Phoenix Center Drive, Washington, MO 63090 (636-390-9393). Lunch will be a private buffet with two meats, two vegetables, salad, rolls and unlimited tea, soft drinks or coffee. The hosts will furnish dessert. If you plan to attend, please make your reservations with Larry or Carolyn at 314-972-2414 or mailto:ckbrink52@gmail.com, by **November 8th**.

DIRECTIONS: Take I44 West to Exit 251 – turn right on MO-100 West toward Washington – go approximately 10 miles - turn left onto Rabbit Trail Drive (which is third stoplight - movie theatre will be on the left) and then immediately turn left onto Phoenix Center Drive – take first right turn into shopping center lot - The Creek is the first building on the right. After going through the front door, the meeting room is on the left.

COST: \$12.95 per person + tax and 18% gratuity.

SPECIAL INFORMATION: Washington has an interesting downtown historic area if you want to come early or stay late.

<u>December 20th @ 1:00 pm</u> A Saturday luncheon meeting hosted by Ron and Joanne Haynes at Cafe Palermo, 250 Lamar Parkway, Suite 101 - 103, Pacific, MO 63069. (phone: 636-257-3305). Please notify Ron or Joanne, by **December 13th** if you plan to attend. You can reach Ron at 636-575-0202 and Joanne at 636-257-3305.

DIRECTIONS: West on Highway I-44, Take exit 257 towards Pacific from I-44. Take W. Osage St to Lamar Parkway (.6 mile) Turn left on Viaduct (322 feet) Take first right onto W. Osage St (.5 mile) Turn left onto Lamar Parkway. Restaurant is on the left.

AND MEETINGS BEYOND:

The planned meeting locations beyond November are listed below: Note a trade shown in red (*)

Month	Host	Location	
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January	*Hunter	TBD	
February	Sheehan	TBD	
March	Burhorn	TBD	
April	Brickson	TBD	
May	Picraux	TBD	
June	Charpiot	TBD	
April May	Brickson Picraux	TBD TBD	

Please remember to notify Linda at: 636-337-7925 or at mailto:bdhunter40@hotmail.com when you have made your selection.