

# The Three Rivers Chapter Chatter



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The Three Rivers June campout was held at the Cape Camping and RV Park June 26th - 28th, 2015 and was hosted by Jim and Renate Ehrhard.

Memberships in attendance were: Brinkman, Ehrhard, Ford, Hunter, Stanton, Tschannen, and Weeks. Also stopping by for visits were Fred and Janet Basse, Bob and Jan Stiern, and Bob and Sharon Burhorn.

Friday afternoon a tour of the Cape Girardeau facility of VIP Industries was available to our group. VIP Industries is one of the largest sheltered workshops in Missouri and employs over 175 individuals with developmental disabilities. All who attended we impressed with the operation and the people who work there.

Saturday it was off to exploring the area, hunting junk and ancient treasures. Checking the height of the Mississippi downtown, and lunching at the many small restaurants in old Cape Girardeau seemed to use up the day. Dinner was at Delmonico's in Jackson where all were able to get their fill from the outstanding buffet offered there. Games were available after an appropriate period to recover from our meal.

Sunday started with the usual potluck breakfast and was followed by what must have been one of the shortest business meetings on record, about 10 minutes.

## THE BUSINESS MEETING

President Carolyn Brinkman called the meeting to order at 9:37 A.M. She then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Carolyn asked those present to acknowledge a June birthday or anniversary. We congratulated Phyllis and Jim Stanton on their 52 years of marriage.

Minutes of the May 2015 meeting were read. Minutes were approved with an additional correction to the April and May minutes. Recorded balances should have been \$459.14.

Treasure Renate Ehrhard reported the current balance in the Chapter's account is \$473.14 and it was approved as read.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Wagonmaster Linda Hunter reported on the forthcoming campouts. Details will be in the Newsletter.

Jim and Renate Ehrhard reminded everyone that any additional monetary contributions to Dogs for the Deaf should reach them as soon as possible.

**President**  
Carolyn Brinkman  
**Vice President**  
Jim Stanton  
**Secretary**  
Irv Charpiot  
**Treasurer**  
Renate Ehrhard  
**Wagon Master**  
Linda Hunter  
**Newsletter**  
Jim Stanton  
**Webmaster**  
Don Ford  
**Scrapbooker**  
Sue Sheehan

## NEW BUSINESS:

Don Ford advised everyone of the FMCA Rally, "Family Reunion" scheduled for the last weekend of July.

## FOR THE GOOD OF THE CHAPTER:

Carolyn reported that Irv seems to be doing well and that his problems with the rig have been narrowed down to the control computer rather than a whole new engine.

Thanks to Jim and Renate for an enjoyable weekend!

A motion to adjourn was made by Joan Weeks and seconded by Phyllis Stanton. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 9:48 A.M.

## **50/50 was won by Dale Hunter**

## **FUTURE MEETINGS**

### **July 17th - 19th**

Campout hosted by Bob and Jan Stiern at Camp Lakewood, 1217 W. Rickelman, Effingham, IL 62401 (Phone 1-800-961-1198 or 217-342-6233) Having made your own reservations with the campground by now and notified Bob or Jan of your intent to attend you can view campground information at:

[www.camplakewoodcampground.com](http://www.camplakewoodcampground.com)

COST: \$35 per night, full hookups less 10% for Good Samers.

DIRECTIONS: I-57/70 going east, exit at 162. Turn right, onto US Rte. 45 go to traffic light at PILOT truck stop. Turn left on Rickelman Ave go 2 miles, just beyond the mobile home park. Turn left into Camp Lakewood.

No adjustments to these directions have been reported

SPECIAL INFO: They have cottages for rent \$83 per night or \$75 per night for two nights.

### **August 14th - 16th**

Campout hosted by Don and Betty Ford at Lazy Days Camp Ground, 214 Hwy J, Danville, MO 63361 (Phone 573-564-2949) Please make your own reservations with the campground by **August 1st** and notify Bob or Jan of your intent to attend by **August 5th**.

COST: \$27.00 per night

DIRECTIONS: I-70 west to exit 170, turn left on Highway J, the campground is 1.4 miles on the left

### ACTIVITIES:

Friday: 1:00 pm, Tour Callaway nuclear power plant. A 2 hour walking tour with stairs through un-air-conditioned spaces.

Saturday: Possible tour of the Churchill Museum in Fulton.

**SEPTEMBER 11th - 13th Note: This is the 2nd weekend of September**

Campout hosted by Phyllis and Jim Stanton at Cozy C RV Campground, 16733 US Hwy 54, Bowling Green, MO 63334 (Phone 573-324-3055 or <mailto:cozycamp@wildblue.net>) Please make your own reservations with the campground by **September 1st** and notify Jim or Phyllis (314-368-6978 or 636-561-2323) of your intent to attend by **September 1st**.

COST: \$29.50 per night

DIRECTIONS: US Hwy 61 North to US Hwy 54 at Bowling Green; East on Hwy 54 for 2.5 miles to Campground on the right.

ACTIVITIES: Currently a work in progress

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: View the Campground at <http://www.cozyccampground.com>

**THE 2015 MEETING SCHEDULE BEYOND SEPTEMBER IS SHOWN BELOW**

**Note: the trade shown below in red**

<u>Month</u>	<u>Host</u>	<u>Location</u>
<b>9/24-9/27 MO STATE SAMBOREE, SEDALIA MO</b>		
October	Luzynski	Big Creek RV Park
November	Weeks	TBD
December	<b>Tschannen</b>	TBD

Please remember to notify Linda Hunter at: 636-337-7925 or at <mailto:bdhunter40@hotmail.com> when you have made your selected your location.

**I don't know whether to laugh or cry...**

For you, who worry about Democrats versus Republicans – relax, here is our real problem.

In a Purdue University classroom, they were discussing the qualifications to be President of the United States. It is pretty simple. The candidate must be a natural born citizen of at least 35 years of age.

However, one girl in the class immediately started in on how unfair was the requirement to be a natural born citizen. In short, her opinion was that this requirement prevented many capable individuals from becoming president.

The class was taking it all in and letting her rant, but not that many seemed surprised when she wrapped up her argument by stating:

"What makes a natural born citizen any more qualified to lead this country than one born by C-section?"

Yep, these are the same kinds of 18-year-olds that are now voting in our elections! They breed, and they walk among US... Lord -- we need more help than we thought we did!