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3 Rivers May campout was held May 19th – 21st at the Okaw Valley Kampground in Brownstown, IL; hosted by Kevin and Sue Sheehan.

On Friday the weekend began with dinner of fried chicken provided by Kevin and Sue with salads and desserts contributed by the other campers.

Overnight rains threatened to interfere with Saturday activities, but with it clearing up in the late morning, off we went to visit the Effingham County Antique Mall and other sights in Brownstown. Next was a trip to the Altmont Flea Market for more treasure hunting and lunch. The afternoon was topped off with a final shopping trip to the Vandalia Rural King and a drive by the "Dragon" for those who had not seen it.

Dinner was held at the Vandalia Ponderosa where you would have thought it was our last meal. The business meeting was held upon our return to the campground

On Sunday, breakfast of biscuits, gravy and egg casserole was prepared by the owner.

The regular meeting of the Three Rivers Good Sam RV Chapter was held on May 20, 2017 at the Okaw Valley Kampground.

The meeting was called to order at 7:13 PM by President Hunter. He then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Memberships represented included: Ford, Hunter, Picraux, Sheehan, Stanton and Tschannen.

We celebrated birthdays of Don Ford, Larry Picraux and Jack Tschannen. There were no anniversaries this month.

The Minutes of the April 2017 were read and approved.

The Treasures' was given by Linda Hunter. The balance was 443.04 including the monies pledged to Dogs for the Deaf.

Wagon Master Linda Hunter gave details of the upcoming outings. Details are below.

Correspondence: None to report

Committees:

Coupons; Sue Sheehan reported there is a package ready to go. Several members have coupons to add to the package. A package of coupons has also been received from Irv Charpiot.

Dogs for the Deaf; our annual contribution will be made in June.

President Dale Hunter Vice President Jim Stanton Secretary Sue Sheehan Treasurer Joan Weeks Wagon Master Linda Hunter Newsletter Jim Stanton Webmaste r Don Ford

Old Business:

Don Ford referred to the new "Procedures and Guidelines" referring to members who have been with the club for five years and no longer own an RV can elect to become honorary members without paying dues. He would like to strike that to read; "members who no longer own an RV may elect to become an honorary member", thus, eliminating the five-year membership requirement. He then made a motion to that effect which was seconded and passed with one opposed.

New members are badly needed. President Hunter would like to get a brochure made up to pass out to RV dealerships. Don will make up the brochure and members will help distribute.

New Business:

President Hunter got a phone call from Debbie from Dogs for the Deaf who will be attending the Samboree

President Hunter encourages everyone to attend the Samboree. Registration is due by 9/8/2017. See the Registration Form that accompanies this Newsletter.

For the Good of the Chapter:

Jim Ehrhard had an incident causing an injury that won't heal. He seems to sleep a lot also but is seeing the doctor.

Jane Johnson had surgery and is doing ok. Joan Weeks is having good days and bad. Joann is doing ok

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

50/50 was won by Kevin Sheehan who donated it to the Dogs for the Deaf.

FUTURE MEETINGS:

June 23rd - **24th** Note: This is the 4th weekend in June, the weekend **<u>after</u>** Father's Day.

Remember to bring your cash and/or checks for donation to Dogs for the Deaf If you are unable to attend this meeting please send your contribution to: Jerry Weeks, 5938 Shortleaf Ct., St. Louis, MO 63128

A campout, hosted by Bob and Sharon Burhorn at Meramec Springs Country Store RV, 20458 MO-Highway 8, St. James, Missouri, 65559. phone (573)-265-3796. Please make your reservations with the campground by **June 5th** <u>and</u> notify Bob (636-208-4419) or Sharon (636-208-7130) of your intent to attend.

Information is available at their website at: http://www.meramecspringscountrystore.com/4622.html

The "word" is that Miss Carol may also be there this weekend

COST: From their website: \$24 for 30-amp service \$26 for 50-amp service Not all sites have 50-amp service, has pull-thru and back-ins, all have full hookups.

DIRECTIONS: From junction of I-44 and MO Hwy 8 (exit 195): go east thru town of St. James, 5.4 mi on MO Hwy 8, campground entrance is on the right at top of the hill.

ACTIVITIES: Business Meeting: Time & Place TBD Friday: _____Select Location of Saturday Dinner Saturday: ____Chapter Dinner, Time & Place TBD Sunday: _____Potluck Breakfast, Time: TBD

June 23rd - 24th (contd.)

See accompanying file "3RiversJune2017.pdf" for an extensive list of available activities and possible restaurants

JULY 14th - 16th

A Campout hosted by Dale and Linda Hunter at the Ozarks Mountain Springs RV Park, 5475 US Hwy 60, Mountain View, MO 65548. Phone: 417-469-3351 (<u>http://www.ozarksrvpark.com/jacksfork-currentriver-rvcampsites.html</u>. Make your reservations with the campground and notify Dale or Linda at 636-337-7925 that you are planning to attend by **June 15th**.

DIRECTIONS: Follow I-44 West to US-63 South (exit 186) at Rolla. Then South on US-63 to US-60/63 left thru Willow Springs staying left on US-60. Campground is 4 miles on the left.

COST: \$25 if we have 10 rigs.

ACTIVITIES:

Friday evening (7:00 pm.) the Campground Barbeques at a reasonable price. Please bring side dishes

Local Entertainment: "Pickin' Parlor"

AUGUST 18th - 20th:

A Campout hosted by Dale & Linda Hunter at Perryville RV Park 300 Lake Dr, Perryville, MO 63775, phone (573) 547-8303.

On Monday August 21st, the campground will be in a peak area for viewing the TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE! So, you may want to extend your stay through Monday.

Make your reservations early (like **ASAP but not later than July 1st)** with the campground it's sure to fill up fast because this is the place to be for this once in a lifetime eclipse.

Be sure to notify Dale or Linda at 636-337-7925 that you are planning to attend by July 15th.

DIRECTIONS: South on I-55 to the Perryville exit, at the end of the ramp turn right and immediately turn right on the frontage road, in about 1.5 miles the Campground will be found on the left.

COST: +/- \$30 yet to be confirmed

ACTIVITIES:

Friday dinner: Main dish provided by the hosts, please bring sides. Saturday dinner: Eat out, maybe Reid's in Chester IL Sunday morning: Breakfast and Business Meeting.

The City of Perryville will be having numerous events relating to the solar eclipse. The eclipse starts on Monday at 11:51:06 and will last for 2 minutes, 34 seconds. For more details check out ... Eclipse2017.org

THE REMAINING 2017 SCHEDULE IS SHOWN BELOW: Red indicates the result of various trades and substitutions

Month	Host	Location
September	Weber	MO Samboree
October	Picraux	Happy Trails RV Park
November	Stiern	TBD
December	Ford	TBD
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<u>Please notify Linda Hunter</u> at: 636-337-7925 or at <u>mailto:bdhunter40@hotmail.com</u> when you have selected your location so we can avoid duplication of venues.



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