

**MEETING OF THE 3 RIVERS CHAPTER OF THE GOOD SAM CLUB**  
**5/18/2019**  
**AT MERAMEC SPRINGS COUNTRY STORE RV PARK**

The meeting was called to order by President Hunter at 4:17 pm. He then led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Memberships in attendance included: Burhorn (hosts for this month), Ford, Gassmann/Weber, Hunter and Stanton.

Two birthdays were celebrated, Don Ford and Don Gassmann. Carol Weber's and Don Gassmann's seventh anniversary was also recognized.

There were no April meeting minutes to be read.

Treasurer, Don Ford, reviewed the actions taken to close our checking account at Midwest Bank and opening both a checking and savings accounts at American Eagle Credit Union. The savings account is being used to hold the money that has been designated for "Dogs for Better Lives".

Don reported that after an initial charge of \$18.50 for checks, our current balances are:

Checking	\$210.85
Savings	\$61.00

Don reminded us that June is the month we send our contributions to Dogs for Better Lives and that he is accepting those donations now. If you want to make the checks payable to the Chapter and keep from giving your address to Dogs for Better Lives, he will pass those funds through our checking account. If you want your check to go directly to Dogs for Better Lives, make them the payee on your check.

Mail your checks to: Don Ford  
PO Box 83  
Eureka, MO 63025-0083

Wagon Master, Linda Hunter, reported the following information regarding future campouts:

**June 21 – 23:** A campout hosted by Carol Weber and Don Gassmann at the Archway RV Park, 4810 Broadway (Hwy 15), Mt. Vernon, IL 62864 (phone 618-244-0399)

<http://www.archwayrvpark.com/>.

**Please contact Carol** at 314-808-5959 **by June 15th** for reservations as the campground phone is not monitored at all times. Cost: \$34.00 /night.

**July 12 – 14: Note, this is the 2nd weekend of the month**

A campout hosted by Don and Bette Ford at Lazy Day Campground, 214 Hwy-J, Danville, MO 63361, (phone 573-564-2949) <http://www.lazydaycampground.com/>

More details to follow.

**August 23 – 25:** A campout hosted by Jack and Janette Tschannen at Cape Camping and RV Park 1900 N. Kings Highway, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701 (phone 573-332-8888 or 800-335-1178) More details to follow.

**September 26 – 29: Missouri State Rally** Visit <http://www.missourigoodsam.com/> for all the details, schedules and registration forms. **Please let Dale ASAP know if you are planning to attend.**

**October: Dates to be determined.** A campout at the Ozark Mountain Springs RV Park 5475 US-60, Mountain View, MO 65548. This campout is without a specific host, but Wagon Master Linda Hunter will be coordinating the early arrangements. To see the park, go to <http://www.ozarksrvpark.com/>. Stay tuned for more.

President Hunter quickly reviewed the May 4th State Committee Meeting:

Highlights regarding the State Rally were:

1. Rally Tours are sold out
2. Door prizes donated the Chapters are welcome but not required.
3. The Flea Market is no longer an event but interested individuals can get a free table for a day in the vendor area.
4. 3 Rivers will again host the Horseshoe and Washer Toss competitions

Good Sam membership has declined through-out our region resulting the Louisiana State Committee disbanding and the Mississippi organization is operating under suspension for low membership.

Dale opened a discussion with the question, "Does the Chapter want to sponsor an event at the State Rally, such as a 50/50 drawing, in order raise money to donate to Camp Hope?" After considerable discussion the group chose not to undertake such a project with so few people available to work on it.

Dale also opened the subject of our participation in an Area Six Rally which would bring together all the Chapters in Area 6. Everyone was interested in such a rally but, since our 2019 campout schedule is already set-up, it was suggested that Dale discuss such a plan with the other Chapters for 2020.

After thanking Bob and Sharon for a great weekend the meeting was adjourned at 4:58 pm.

Respectively submitted,

Jim Stanton Vice President