

Three Rivers Chapter Chatter



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THANKS TO DON FORD FOR PROVIDING THE OCTOBER WRITE-UP BELOW.

The October 3 Rivers outing was held at [Boomland RV Park & Campground](#) in Charleston, MO. It was attended by the Fords and Hunters. No business meeting was held do the low attendance.

We went into Charleston and spoke at length with the Chamber of Commerce. The woman there told us a lot of the history of the area. She pointed out that Charleston is the home of Governor Warren Hearnes and that his wife Betty still lives and is as sharp as ever. The Hearnes museum will be open during the festival.

We had a great time exploring Boomland, Charleston and the surrounding area. Boomtown was started 60 years ago as fireworks stand and has been expanding ever since. There are 3 locations, but Charleston is by far the biggest. We met Wallace Reeves the owner sitting just inside the main entrance one morning on our way to breakfast in Wally's Cafeteria. He talked our ears off and gave each of us an addition game on the back of his business cards – we all failed the quiz!

The Boomland RV Park just upped their rates from \$12/night all the way up to \$15 on September 1st. The sites are all pull throughs with many 50amp sites. We paid with credit cards at the Boomland store counter. Boomland itself is a HUGE store where you can find all sort of souvenirs, supplies and adornments but they don't carry any liquor or beer. At one end is a HUGE fireworks store about the same size as the main store. Gas was selling for \$2.29⁹ outside the store.

We took a side trip across the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers and ended up in Wickliffe, KY. From there, we drove through Cairo, IL before heading back across another bridge toward Charleston. We missed stopping at a couple of museums but plan on taking them in during our next visit. We saw the confluence of the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers from the bridges. The Mississippi turns the cleaner Ohio muddy in a big hurry.

The next day, we drove down to New Madrid using the county roads and toured the museum there. As a bonus, we managed to find a thrift shop there in downtown New Madrid before returning to the campground.

No trip to Charleston would be complete with a trip to Sikeston and Lambert's Café and some "threwed rolls! Yum!

We made reservations for the campground for 5 spaces for April 16-19 during Charleston's Dogwood & Azalea Festival and hope everyone will be able to make Three River's first campout of the new year. They don't normally take reservation except for holidays and the festival. Mark your calendars! We had a great time and saw a lot but there's still a lot more to take in – there's never enough time! Keep Bette and I up to date on your plans to attend and we'll deal with the park.

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Future Events:

November 17th, 1:30 p.m. A luncheon meeting hosted by the Stantons at Mimi's Café, 17240 Chesterfield Airport Rd., Chesterfield, MO 63005, phone 636-530-4510. Please notify Jim if you plan to attend at 314-368-6978 or stantonjw@centurytel.net by **November 10th**.

COST: Ordering from their menu.

DIRECTIONS: From I-64, exit at "Boone's Crossing" in Chesterfield Valley (exit #17), proceed South, cross Chesterfield Airport Road and turn left on THF Blvd. Mimi's is the 4th building on the left with the European style tile roof. (You will be unable to access Mimi's directly from Chesterfield Airport Road)

NOTE: CHANGE OF DATE FOR DECEMBER'S LUNCHEON

December 15th, 1:30 p.m. A luncheon meeting hosted by the Hunters at Frankie Gianino's Grill & Bar, 1209 Main St. Imperial, MO, 636-461-2020. Please notify Dale or Linda (636-337-7925) by **December 1st** if you are planning to attend.

COST: Ordering from the menu.

DIRECTIONS: Take I-55 to Exit 186, turn West on Main St. Either the 1st or 2nd right, past the W. Outer road will put you in the parking lot that serves the restaurant.

January 18th or 19th, 2020: To be determined

THE SCHEDULE FOR 2020 IS SHOWN BELOW:

Changes reflect the projected loss of active members.

<u>Month</u>	<u>Host</u>	<u>Location</u>
===== 2020 =====		
January**	Sheehan	TBD
February**	Burhorn	TBD
March**	Weber	TBD
April	Ford	Charleston, MO
May	Stanton	TBD
June	Hunter	TBD
July	Sheehan	TBD
August	Burhorn	TBD
September	STATE RALLY	Sedalia, MO
October**	Weber	TBD
November**	Ford	TBD
December**	Stanton	TBD

Please notify Linda Hunter at: 636-337-7925 or at <mailto:bdhunter40@hotmail.com> when you have selected your location so we can avoid duplication of venues. **Also, please keep her advised of any trades or substitutions.**

**** If you will be traveling away from the St. Louis area at during your month to host, please make a reservation in advance and ask one of the officers to be your substitute contact person for the venue and for those attending.**