



# RIVER M

## May 2023 NEWSLETTER



Jackie on the 27<sup>th</sup>



Glenn and Linda on May 6<sup>th</sup>

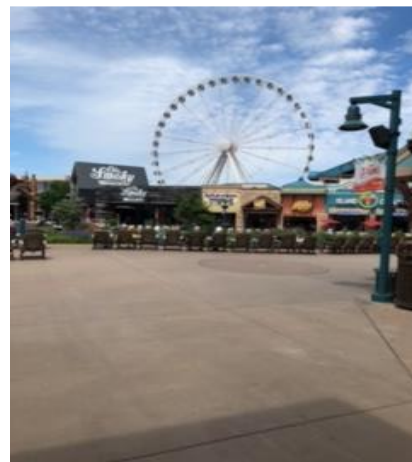
The spring rally for Tennessee Good Sam 2023 chapters was held at the King's Holly Haven RV Park in Pigeon Forge, TN. There were 73 rigs in attendance with 30 coming from Florida. River M had four rigs with the Stahls, Thiels, Bakers, and Woods along with Chris in attendance. It was a nice RV park but the sites are a little tight for some. Everyone that attended from our chapter took their time with staying overnight on the way to the rally. Bob and Alesia arrived on Tuesday in the mid-afternoon and took it easy after getting set up. Ed and Cecelia arrived on Tuesday also. The Bakers and Woods got in on Wednesday.

Wednesday night was a meet and greet time along with Samgo. No one from River M was lucky enough to win. The schedule for the week also provided ample time for everyone to explore the area and do some activities on their own. The Wood family toured the Motor Trail behind Gatlinburg with beautiful scenery and seeing where the fire had burned the mountain. Thursday evening was set up with a band called Sunday Drive for entertainment. A drawing for door prizes was held after the entertainment. Bob and Alesia spent part of their free time exploring the National Park around Elkmont Campground. There are several houses there built prior to the formation of the National Park in 1934 that can be visited. They also spent part of their time doing some hiking. Ed and Cecilia spent some time in Gatlinburg during the week and especially enjoyed their trip to the ice cream shop which was unique and delicious. They enjoyed their time at the Grist Mill and playing dominoes time as part of the Rally schedule. Glenn and Linda were busy during the week with staff duties and Glenn brought the Sunday morning message. He also read the names of those who had passed away this past year as part of the memorial. They celebrated their wedding anniversary at 5 Oaks Farm Kitchen on Saturday May 6<sup>th</sup>.

The chapter as individuals ate at many of the local restaurants, such as the Old Mill and Mel's Diner. The chapter as a group ate at the Apple Barn on Friday. It was very good food and more than most could eat. Several went out with a lot of to-go boxes. There was no entertainment that evening so most stayed in their rigs and rested.

Bill, Sally, and Chris enjoyed touring the Island on Saturday with its many shops and carnival rides. They especially enjoyed the large pond and water fountain display with the fountains coordinated with music. Saturday evening was a time for another band for entertainment. Not everyone was pleased with them. Door prizes were drawn later with River M having donated two \$25 Walgreen gift cards for the door prizes. Ed and Cecilia had to leave Saturday from the rally to be home for Sunday commitments. Everyone else broke camp on Sunday to go home. Those leaving on Sunday had an overnight stay on their trip home either at Nashville KOA or Natchez Trace State Park.

I would like to give a big thank you to everyone who helped me with this newsletter by providing me with their information and also pictures. We wish we could have been there with everyone but there are only so many vacation days available with Jackie still working. We did stay very busy during that week with two of her aunts coming in from Minneapolis and Michigan for the week.







**Current Camping Schedule Reservations Made (please email or text me as additional reservations are made.)**



June 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> 501-262-1996

Ed #013; Klancy # 011; Bill #010; and Glenn #007



July 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>. Loretta Lynn RV Park. 931-296-7700. Bill has made a reservation.



AUGUST 10, 11, 12 – Green Acres RV Pk., Savannah, 731-926-1928

SEPT 21, 22, 23 - WEST TN RALLY NATCHEZ TRACE STATE PARK

Res. Call 1-731-968-3742 Bill #18; Klancy #44; Glenn # 46; Ed #56

OCT 12, 13, 14 – Persimmon Hill, Enid Reservoir, Recreation.gov

NOV 9, 10, 11 – Trace State Pk. 662-489-2958

DEC 9 - CHAPTER CHRISTMAS DINNER (TBD)

Note – Pay attention to the dates. Not all are on the second weekend. Let me know if there are any other reservations made that I need to include.

