



SEPTEMBER 2023 NEWSLETTER



Cecilia August 11th

Bill September 18th

Linda October 13th

Sally October 25th



Bob and Alesia September 10th

The West Tennessee Fall Campout was held September 21st through the 24th 2023 at Natchez Trace State Park. River M was represented by Bill and Sally, Glenn and Linda, Ed and Cecilia, Bob and Alesia, and Jackie and Klancy. The Stahls were the first to arrive on Tuesday with everyone else coming in on Wednesday. Thursday morning was a quiet time with everyone pretty much on their own. Thursday afternoon was a time for dominoes outside by Bill and Sally's rig. It was very pleasant weather except we had to keep moving the table as the sun switched and we lost our shade.



Thursday evening was the first scheduled activity for the event with a meet and greet for everyone. It was originally scheduled for the shelter closer down by the lake. We were able to use our chapter's canopy for group activities and have it closer to where most of the rigs were located in the upper camp area. It was a nice visit for everyone with snacks provided and everyone bringing their own drink. It was announced that there were a total of 13 rigs attending from all across the state. We felt that we had a good representation with our 5 rigs. We learned that the state rally for 2024 would be May 2nd to the 5th at Loretta Lynn's Ranch with more information on it coming shortly. Next year's fall rally will be at Natchez Trace September 25th to the 29th.

Friday morning was breakfast on our own with coffee available under the canopy for anyone who wanted to visit. The morning offered free time for games and any sightseeing with lunch on their own. Thursday afternoon was time for the cornhole tournament. Several people tried to win but Bob and I ultimately won all of our games. There wasn't much of a trophy but we had a good time playing. We also had our picture at the evening meal with our fake trophy.



The Friday night seafood buffet at the lodge was great as usual and everyone had a good time visiting. The evening's activities centered around more time to visit and play some table games. Saturday morning was a potluck breakfast under the canopy and was another good meal and visiting time. The rest of the morning was pretty much everyone on their own with some going to the shooting range, heading in town, or just resting up and getting ready for the beanbag baseball game.



Saturday evening's potluck was enjoyed by all with a big spread. Everyone brought a dish to share and whatever meat they wanted to grill. After the potluck it was more time for games of dominoes and hand & foot cards. Sunday morning was a devotional time under the canopy that was led by Glenn.

The Christmas dinner for the chapter is scheduled for December 7th at 5:00pm at Perkins on Germantown Road. For the give exchange **each person** should bring a gift of approximately \$20.00 in value for the gift exchange. The gift should be appropriate for either a man or a woman.

Bill would like to have input regarding ideas for the camping schedule for 2024. He would like to have the schedule ready for the November campout at Trace State Park.

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



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

Klancy Site # 32; Bill Site # 34



Christmas Dinner

Perkins Dec. 7th 5:00pm

