

Lone Star Scouts

NEWSLETTER

March 2006

Lone Star Scouts Return to Round Top

Thursday...yes Thursday...was the big day for arrivals at the Round Top RV Park for our March rally. Thirteen rigs arrived that day at this pretty little park in this pretty part of Texas.

The biggest surprise to greet arrivals was the sight of a new 2006-34 foot Mobile Scout fifth wheel. The Arnoldys decided they wanted to upgrade and after careful consideration chose the 34 foot rig. Tom and Maureen proudly took everyone through their new trailer. And, of course, it is a pretty one.

The Thursday early birds....besides the Arnoldys...were the Buckners, Carlises, Clarys, Collins, Gabriels, Klostermanns, Kregers, Peeks, Primeauxs, Sausmans, Shadrocks and Stephens. The Wolfes were our Friday arrival. Mack & Blanche Sessom from Austin had planned to arrive Friday with their rig as guests, but instead came over Saturday for a day visit after Blanche broke a bone in her foot. Ron and Caroline Sausman from Colorado were our other guests.

Don Clary, Al Buckner and Carlton Kreger had the park's big barbecue pit going Thursday night. Many people brought their own meat, grilled it and ate together in the rally hall. Some others went out for supper.

Friday found people heading out in many directions, such as Brenham, where the Bluebell Ice Cream plant is located. Our hosts for the campout, Al and Sharry Buckner had lots of literature on hand describing all of the fun things to see in this area.

Friday night, all 29 of us dined at Klumps Restaurant in downtown Round Top. We did spread out our arrival time to accommodate the restaurant staff. The fried catfish was very good. Others bragged about items they ordered.

Special event for Friday night: a very chocolate cake was served to celebrate Carl Kreger's 80th birthday. Very chocolate is a good way to describe the delicious cake we ate to honor Carl. Oh yes, we did sing happy birthday!

Stan and Nita Scates, who run the park, are talented people. Stan is a woodworker. He is a

master craftsman. He took the group through his shop Saturday and explained how he makes his rockers. His rocking chairs sell for \$3500 plus. No machinery and no glue are used in making them.. They are truly hand made. We also saw some beautiful tables he had built. Stan is a perfectionist.

And you should see what he and Stan and Nita have done to customize their Mobile Scout. He has made it into a "Texas Edition." It is full of clever that things that are definitely "Texas." It is unique. It was fun to see.

The Scates were very gracious hosts.

Saturday found lots of club members roaming through the shops in Round Top. It is a neat little town.

Saturday evening, we had another real good potluck dinner. Lots of good vegetable dishes, meats and some delicious desserts were on the table.

Carlton called on Frank Shadrock so that he could announce to the group that he and Barbara would be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary in April and that all club members would be invited to attend the celebration of that event. It will be held on April 8 in St. Hedwig, which is just out of San Antonio. Frank said that invitations are in the mail and will contain all of the details.

Our hosts.....Al and Sharry Buckner did a marvelous job at breakfast. Kolaches were the perfect thing to serve in his uniquely ethnic part of Texas!! Great job!!

Birthdays and Anniversaries

As mentioned, this was Carl's birthday. Also present to receive birthday greetings was Marlene Stephens. All were glad the Stephens joined us in Round Top this time. The last time the club came to Round Top, Don and Marlene had marked the wrong week end on their calendar....they missed that rally.

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Matt Wilkerson reports that the Mobile Scouts are still selling well at Marshall's. They have only a small number of them on the lot now, but more are on order. Current stock includes a 31 foot fifth wheel, a 41 foot toy hauler and a 30 FKS. There is also a 29 foot trailer that was a trade in and two '05's.

Matt says that their annual Lot Show will be held on May 4, 5 and 6.

April Rally

Our April rally will be held at Bluff Trails in Ingram. This pretty park is used only for club rallies and sits against a scenic bluff on Johnson Creek. Rally dates are March 31 - April 2. Jack and Sharon Roden will be hosts for the rally. Sign up deadline is March 17.

Caps and Shirts

Club members have been purchasing caps and shirts from *Sew What* in Kerrville. They have had a recent increase in prices. Rising shipping costs have caused the price increase.

Caps with the club logo now cost \$8.93 (that includes tax).

They will embroider the club logo on a shirt....furnished by you....for \$6.50 (and that also includes tax).

Pictures of caps and shirts can be found on our club web site.

If you want a cap and are coming to our next rally, which will be held at Bluff Trails, I can order one for you and will bring it to that rally. Let me know by March 21 if you want to be included in that order.

Sew What is located at 1204 Bandera Highway in Kerrville. You will need to take your shirts into their shop if you want shirts embroidered.

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