

Lone Star Scouts

NEWSLETTER

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Klostermann Barbecue Highlights May Campout



The good folks at Klostermann Farms in Raymondville did a bang-up job preparing a delicious

Barbecue for the Lone Star Scouts at our May campout. Pictured above is Ruth Klostermann,

And Alida & Fred Klostermann. The Klostermann boys, who weren't able to be with us, skillfully prepared the brisket. Thanks go to Fred and Alida for their hospitality.

Ocean breezes off of Baffin Bay greeted the Lone Star Scouts as they pulled into Seawind RV Park for the May rally....which was highlighted by a fantastic barbecue lunch at Klostermann Farms in Raymondville. This fun barbecue was prepared by Fred and Alida Klostermann and their families.

Arriving on Thursday were the rigs of these owners: Bernert, Bratten, Clary, Carlisle, Gabriel, Harrelson, Klostermann, Primeaux, Shadrock and Wolfe. Friday found the Burns, Hardys and Kregers in camp. Oh yes, the Peeks and Colemans arrived on Wednesday.

Friday evening, those in camp feasted on seafood at the world renowned Kings Inn, which is just down the road from Seawind. Served family style, there were heaping platters of tomatoes, lettuce and avocados. Then followed platters of fried fish, fried shrimp, fried oysters, onion rings and fried potatoes. It was pretty darn good.

Saturday morning began with a seminar on holding tanks offered by Gary Baecker from Corpus Christi. He had some interesting things to say, furnished free donuts and gave out door prizes. Door Prize winners were Wanda Clary and Paul Primeaux.

The Klostermann barbecue was held at their house in Raymondville...and it was good. The brisket was prepared by their three sons, Jack, Dan and Russell. Russell's wife Ruth made the potato salad and beans. There were also sliced tomatoes and other condiments on the table. Ruth was there to help serve. Fred and Alida's house sits amid the cotton and grain fields that the Klostermann family farms. They farm 5000 acres. The drought has severely hampered their operation this year.

We had two guest rigs at the May campout: Bob & Lee Hardy from Mountain Home and Charlie & Janice Burns from Harlingen.

During the week end, some members went to tour the King Ranch and several others stopped in Sarita where the Mifflin Kenedy Museum held a historical festival.

Margaritas.....yes some good ones.... Don Clary cranked up his blender late Saturday afternoon and made some great frozen margaritas with his secret recipe. It helped provoke some good conversation for all the gang gathered over in the rally room.

A continental breakfast closed the rally on Sunday morning.

Fred and Alida had to return to Raymondville Thursday evening after getting a call notifying them that Fred's mother had been taken to the hospital. We were glad to learn Saturday that she was able to go home. Fred and Alida did not return to the campout. We appreciate their great effort on Saturday at their home. It was nice that they had received good news about Fred's mother.

As most of us know, Carl Kreger has struggled with a psoriasis problem with his feet. His dermatologist had placed him on a very strong drug....one used for chemotherapy. He was taken off of it after he suffered some severe reactions. Sunday morning he got very sick, had chills and was shaking. Carlton called an ambulance and Carl was taken to the hospital in Kingsville. He was stabilized and kept overnight on Sunday. We all trust that Carl will recover

quickly and be back on his feet soon. Was released on Monday evening and now at home.

May Birthdays & Anniversaries

Fred Klostermann and Frank Shadrock were the only birthday celebrants at the rally. Fred's daughter-in-law, Ruth, had made a delicious cake which was served at the Saturday barbecue. Happy birthday wishes also go to Eleanor Biggs, Edie Collins, Janey Cook, Don Stephens and Chuck & Inge Ruhl.

Celebrating their wedding anniversary in May were the Brattens, who were in attendance. This is also the anniversary month for the Arnoldys.

New Members

We have two new members.....the Burns and the Hardys.

Bob and Lee Hardy have recently moved to Mountain Home ...north of Kerrville. He is a retired radiologist. Bob and Lee lived previously in Galveston.

Charlie and Janice Burns are from Harlingen. He works in advertising for a TV station down in The Valley. Janice works in a bank in the area.

Welcome to the club!

Carlton Moves to Chevrolet.....Brattens opt for a Dodge Truck

This is a guy thing.....Carlton has switched truck brands. He traded in his 2005 Dodge Truck for a 2006 Chevrolet 3500 HD Duramax Diesel. There were some Dodge owners in the club who thought they were seeing things.....

On the Dodge side of the towing ledger, the Brattens appeared on Thursday with a new Dodge Ram 3500 Cummings Turbo Diesel.

News From Our Sponsor

Marshall Traveland's Matt Wilkerson reports they had a busy turnout for the Lot Sale last week end. We hope that Matt was able to write a few contracts...maybe on some Mobile Scouts.

...Aren't We Lucky...

Fred and Alida and the rest of the Klostermann family did a wonderful with the great barbecue dinner they prepared for us this month. It was a lot of work.

Thinking back....Norma and Eleanor Biggs surprised us last year when they had a catered barbecue dinner for the club at Top of the Hill Park in Boerne in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary. That was also wonderful.

And how about those three catfish dinners prepared for the Lone Star Scouts in the past several years by Curtis and Jo Cornell. Curtis caught all the fish and fried them for us. Curtis and Jo did a fantastic job for us.

There were club members representing 16 rigs who attended the 50th wedding anniversary celebration for Frank and Barbara Shadrock back in early April. We hear the food there was great! Frank says they appreciated the turnout.

As noted....aren't we lucky. We have some great people in this club...who have done some very nice things for us.! It is just like family.

Club Plans June Rally in Lampasas

Boone RV Park in Lampasas will be the site of our next campout on June 2 - 4. This will be the club's first visit to Lampasas. Boone RV is on 281 South right at the city limits. It's across from Hancock Park, a 109 acre municipal facility that includes Hancock Springs, source of water for public baths a century ago. The municipal park has picnic and playgrounds, swimming pool and a 28 hole golf course.

Deadline for sign-ups is May 19. The Kregers will be hosts for the rally.

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