

Lone Star Scouts

Newsletter

October 2007

Our 7th Anniversary

CAMPOUT AT OLD FORT CLARK SPRINGS

Thursday morning dawned bright and sunny, bringing with it our early arrivals: Gabriel's, Kreger's, Bowen's and the Carlisle's. Afternoon came bringing the Klosterman's, Stephen's, Shadrock's, Sellar's and guest Charles and Marie Hodges; they are from Alvin, Texas.

The park is like an oasis in the desert with many big pecan trees for shade and sparkling streams with lots of green grass surrounding the area. Most of us chose to stay under the big pecan tree and catch up on all the news. Time passed quickly and soon the grills came out to cook some dinner. We then gathered in the club house for a good game of Texas Hold-em and some of the ladies played train. Early evening brought the Webb's, Roden's and San Miguel's so now our little group was complete.

Friday came in with a lovely cool breeze and most of us sat outside and just enjoyed the weather. Jack and Denny went off to play golf. Don Stephens developed transmission trouble on the trip so he left bright and early for DelRio and the Ford dealer. He returned a little later with good and bad news; good news was it

could be fixed by the next day, bad news it really was the transmission.

Two o'clock and one of the two wagon rides was ready to start. Mr. Phil Coburn, president of the local historical society was conducting the tour. He and his partner, Wiley Simmons, proved to be fountains of knowledge in the history of Fort Clark Springs and the surrounding area. Three stops were made to view several of the restored buildings. At four o'clock the second group left on the tour. Friday was also spent by doing some local sight seeing.

Seven o'clock came quickly and we all trooped in the club house for wonderful Margaritas, courtesy of the Sellars. This was followed by our pot-luck dinner, a change from the usual Saturday. Also a nice change the main course of spaghetti and all the trimmings was provided by our hosts the Roden's and San Miguel's. After dinner birthdays were announced: Our lovely Arline was presented with a card and cake, cards were also given to Denny San Miguel, Steve Webb and our always "smiling and laughing" Tom Bowen. Not present was Terry Harrelson and Edie and Finis Collins who celebrated an anniversary. Marie and Charles Hodges were introduced to the club. Guests of the Roden's was their daughter Katherine and her children Ronin and Madison. Ronin, by the way, took an immediate liking to Carlton and even offered him his sister! I think there was some serious male bonding going on.

By ten o'clock on Saturday everyone was ready to caravan into DelRio to the Val Verde Winery. After a bit of tasting and a lot of buying we broke for lunch. We were on our own for the rest of the day to go sight seeing, shopping or even back to camp for a nap. That evening everyone gathered at the club house for left over

desserts coffee and games. Sunday morning came with a nice continental breakfast and many goodbyes until next time.

Remember November campout at Johnson Creek RV Resort is the First weekend, 2nd – 4th. Saturday Potluck will be Dutch Oven Pork Chops with rice and broccoli prepared by Ted Kennett and sponsored by Marshall's Traveland. Please bring either salad or desserts and you can email Carlton.

Our Election of officers will take place at this rally, which is a general meeting for the club. I will be emailing out the nominees and ballots later this week.

The Arnoldy's and Wolfe's will be our hosts.

*Respectfully submitted,
Kathy Gabriel, wagon master*