

## OPS Campout April 25<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> 2019 Little Rock, AR.

Ozark Prairie Sooners had their first campout for 2019 in Little Rock, Ar. Our hosts were Stan and Lisa Summers and did a fantastic job planning our week-end. Here are some of the highlights.

### LITTLE ROCK CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

In the fall of 1957, when students were returning to the all-white Little Rock Central High School, nine new African-American faces were to be among them. But Gov. Orval Faubus, in a direct challenge to the federal desegregation law, called in the state National Guard to block the way. Gov. Faubus was ordered to back down, but when the Little Rock Nine arrived on campus, more than 1,000 angry white protesters flocked to the scene. President Dwight D. Eisenhower responded resolutely by sending in federal troops for backup. On September 25, the troops escorted the Little Rock Nine to class and then remained on guard through the year.



As our group toured this Historic Site that is still in session today. Learning about the Little Rock 9. I think we all sat in awe of what these teenagers had to endure.

This was so interesting. If you are in the Little Rock area this is a must see.



### Arkansas State Capitol

Designed in the Neo-classical style, the Arkansas State Capitol building was built over a century ago as a replica of the US Capitol and has been used in many movies as a stand in. The



Arkansas State Capitol building features Arkansas granite and six bronze doors and three chandeliers crafted by Tiffany's of New York. The dome has a 24-karat gold plated cupola.



### ***State Capitol Treasury***

Getting to hold a Hundred Thousand each! Some of us Got to hold Half a Million !!



### ***Metro Street Car***

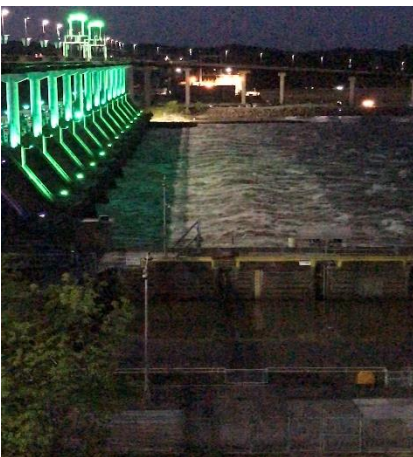
Was the perfect transportation along with informative drivers to tell us about the cities.

Sure, saved us a lot of walking and no parking issues.



### ***The Big Dam Bridge***

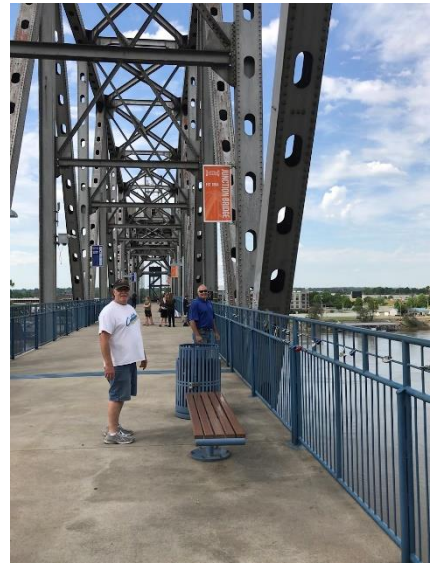
Originally intended to be called **Murray Bridge**, the **Big Dam Bridge** in Arkansas spans the Arkansas River and Murray Lock and Dam between Little Rock and North Little Rock and is open only to [pedestrian](#) and [bicycle](#) traffic. At 4,226 feet (1288 m) in length it is the longest pedestrian/bicycle bridge in North America that has never been used by trains or motor vehicles.



An evening walk after dinner was enjoyable and a site to behold.



## ***Junction Bridge***



## ***Brave New Restaurant***

Just one of the great restaurants we ate at.

The food was delicious and the owner gave us some background on himself and his dream.



## ***Historic Arkansas Museum***



Even while touring the historic homes, Hotel and Tavern you couldn't keep Bob and Leonard out of liquor.

