

The Adventures of Ozarks Prairie Sooners

Columbia, MO Aug. 15-18th 2019



Our adventures this month began in Columbia, MO at Cottonwoods RV Park. Our hosts were Billy and Larry Oth and Leonard and Peggy Francis. This park has to be the busiest park, hands down, that we have ever been to. They have between 20-30 turn overs every night. The weather was amazingly cool for August with temperatures in the 80's!

The people and the park were very nice and easy to work with.

On Friday some of us carpoled to Les Bourgeois Winery for a little wine tasting, and if you're not that into wine, just some shopping and visiting.

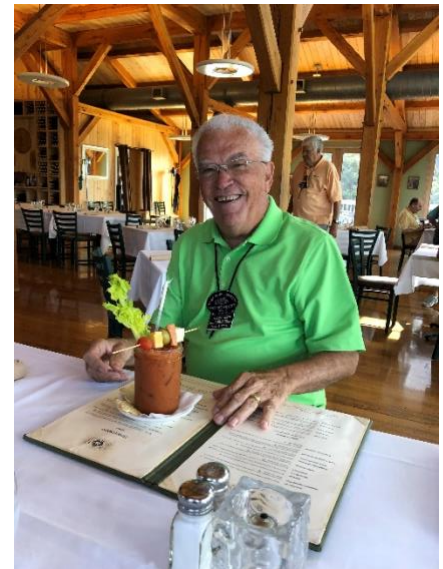


Bob was happy they also had beer 😊



The rest of the group met up at Les Bourgeois Bistro for lunch.

The food and drinks were a work of art as well as delicious.



Wonderful views looking out to the Missouri River.
Our adventures did not end here.



We then went to the Warm Springs Ranch where they breed, raise and train the Clydesdales horses for Budweiser Beer.



So glad to see some members who haven't been able to join us for a while - Gary & Concha Trippensee and Keith & Anita Pennington.



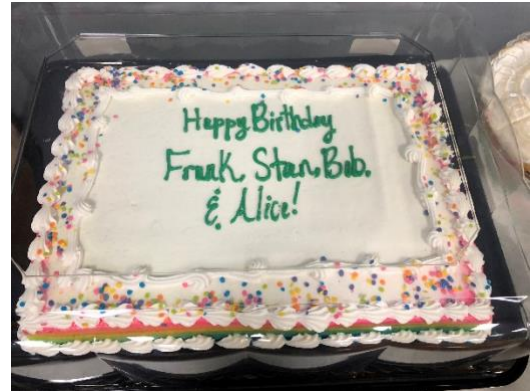
We ended the day with games and an hors d'oeuvre party. The clubhouse was large enough to play corn hole indoors. As a matter of fact, several of our men were so into the game I think some of our dishes were cold by the time they got their plates 😊

There was also a game or two of Mexican train going as well. Those who start the game may not be the ones who finish - we always have someone willing to step in for those who get tired or side tracked (Larry Bob!).



Since we had 4 Birthdays coming up, Alice brought a birthday cake for her hors d'oeuvre. Can't believe we ate the whole thing (it did take 2 nights)!!

Saturday morning at 8:00 (oh so early), we met at Golden Corral for breakfast and our meeting. The highlight of the meeting was when our president, Larry, told a story of trying to find a single bullet for our newly elected Sheriff, Bob (now known as Barney Bob Kooy). All I can say is watch out - he's earned his new name.



All in good fun, of course, he's collected \$8.00 for the beverage slush fund for the recruitment party at next year's Six State. Frank was walking his dogs at night without his badge, and Barney caught him and slapped a fine of 50 cents. Frank added another 50 cents for a prepayment of a future violation. LOL

Also, as a warning, Sheriff Barney has added OPS flags to his patrol items, so be sure to display your OPS Flag where it can be seen or it's a \$1.00 fine. Barney takes his duties very seriously!

After several seemed to buy out the Amish Community, we met back at the clubhouse for more game time and left-over appetizers from the previous evening. Dinner was at El Jimador's (love Mexican food).

Our host on Sunday morning had a fantastic good bye breakfast for us in the clubhouse. Although the weather had been really nice each day, some of us got rained on as we packed up to leave on Sunday morning.

August's adventure was another wonderful OPS campout with a lot of laughing, companionship, and good conversations. We missed those of you who could not attend and hope you can join us in Tulsa during October. Remember, September is the rolling rally to Washington D.C., Philadelphia, and New York, so there will not be a regular OPS campout.

Until next time, may God's Blessings be abundant,

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