

THE REBEL YELL - July 2017

## The President's Letter

### Tri-State Rebels

July 19, 2017

As I was going through my therapeutic session earlier today I had an opportunity to reflect back on our last two campouts and Short Stay Famcamp visit. First I must clarify my therapeutic session. I don't want you to think I'm completely nuts even though my wife says that's not even debatable. My self-imposed therapy is going out to the shop and pitting with wood, or some other project. Today I'm cutting and planning down some cherry wood I got when my chain saw accidentally cut down my neighbor's cherry tree. Hope he doesn't miss it.

At Zooland RV Park in Asheboro, NC in May we had 9 members and spouses present with Honorary Members John and Yuko Hodgkin visiting. Our host and co-host were Cosi and Kathy Baccamo, Bob and Carol Crossett, Winston and Joyce Posey, and Cork Phillips helping out. We had food, food, and more food and ate like kings. Cosi made his special meatloaf and it was the best. We had so much food that on Thursday we decided to eat left overs instead of going out to dinner. Bob and I cooked the eggs and I learned from him that birds like crushed egg shell so he took some home with him. Bob made friends with a military family with kids and gave them some of our extra food, and another camper whose wife was in England and he was camping alone. Cosi had door prizes and almost everyone got something. Bob and Cosi cooked hamburgers outside at Cosi's camper on Sunday night and on Monday morning they cooked bacon and pancakes outside. As always it was a good campout.

During the last part of June and first of July a lot of our campers met for an unofficial camp out at Short Stay Famcamp in Moncks Corner, SC. On Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup> many members drove in for a day visit and a big covered dish dinner hosted by Jim and Royleen Gardner and Bill and Joyce Ward. We had 27 members and honorary members some of which we hadn't seen in quite a while. Some brought their personal families for a great visit and dinner. Keith Hardman, our Secretary made up the Honorary Member Certificates and Bill Cummings; and Bill and Joyce Ward were inducted into the Honorary Members Group. They will surely be missed in our normal campouts. At the close of the evening we were all full of good food and renewed stories of old times and camping trips. Below is a picture of the Short Stay group.



The middle of July we found our way to Spring Lake RV Resort in Crossville, TN. We had 9 rigs. Rich and Marge Trench brought guest Richard and Freda Parmenter and Freda's brother Pete. They are planning on joining SMART. Our host and co-host were Robyn Hamlington, Cork Phillips, Bob and Carol Crossett, Cosi and Kathy Baccamo. Robyn had the BBQ Spare Ribs, cold slaw, potato salad, baked beans and blackberry cobbler catered in. Such good eating we had all week.

As we all know the 50/50 member's portion is split three ways, but it slip my mind and I told the ticket sellers to split two ways. That was a mistake but no one questioned it until the end of the week when it was all over. As a new president you learn as you go so for me that won't happen again. A big thanks to Cosi for the 24 door prizes he brought, always a variety of good stuff. All except one couple got a door prize and several won multiple times.

Some of the women folk went on a shopping trip and came back with, 'found' fire wood. The campground owner also gave us fire wood and a fire pit so we had a flaming hot fire at Robyn and Cork's site every night. If you listen to other campers experiences you can learn a lot at camp fire chats. We also had social hour each day, sometimes

outside and other times on the back porch of the club house. Keith passed out the pull over shirts some folks ordered while in Zooland. A big thanks to Keith for the shirts and everything he does for the club. Bob noticed the US flag flying above the club house was torn and ragged. He and Cork went out and Bob bought a new flag for the campground. See the last picture.

On Thursday evening most of us went to Cumberland County Playhouse to see Beauty and the Beast. Robyn had previously purchased the tickets for us so we all set together as a group and was recognized by the Master of Ceremonies as The Tri-State Rebels. It was a beautiful play. After the play we met at Cumberland Mountain State Park Restaurant for a smorgasbord dinner.

Most people went shopping at one time or another or visited the local museums. Joyce and I went to the Military Museum full of memorabilia and artifacts of military history. If you would let your mind wonder back through the years of all the wars we've had, our great country is blessed with the many who have served in all our military branches. Let's remember what General Patton said about war, (maybe not the exact words), "You don't win wars by dying for your country, you win wars by making the other poor bastard die for his country."

I hope everyone had as good a time as I did and I'm looking forward to Galax. I personally want to THANK everyone for your help, comments, suggestions and anything you can do to help us "KEEP OUR CLUB GREAT". One recommendation I have, check the date stamped on your propane tank. If it is out of date, most suppliers won't sell you gas. I recently had that experience and had to get all my tanks recertified.

Winston Posey, President

PS: Just got a phone call from my neighbor, something about a Cherry Tree. I think he wants to help with my therapy.

**Tri-State Rebel Muster Meeting Minutes**  
Spring Lake RV Park, Crossville, TN  
Wednesday, July 12, 2017

**1. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 0900 hours by President Winston Posey.

**2. Invocation:** The invocation was given by Chaplin Robyn Hamlington.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance:** The membership saluted the flag and recited The Pledge of Allegiance

**4. Muster Attendance:** Members attending were Cosi and Kathy Baccomo, John and Dorothy Bradberry, Wayne and Diane Collier, Robert and Carol Crossett, Robyn Hamlington and Cork Phillips, Keith and Colleen Hardman, Joel and Camille Myers, Winston and Joyce Posey, Rich and Marge Trench. Future new members present were Rich and Freda Parmenter and Pete who are the guest of Rich and Marge Trench.

**5. Roll Call:** A quorum was announced. All officers were present except for Muster Master Barry Hanchett.

**6. Minutes:** The March 2017 Minutes was posted on the bulletin board. John Bradberry moved the minutes be approved as posted. It was seconded by Kathy Baccomo and approved by the membership present.

**7. Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's Report was posted on the bulletin board. Robyn Hamlington moved that the Treasurer's Report be approved as posted. It was seconded by Colleen Hardman and approved by the membership present.

**8. Downsizing of Equipment:** Vice President Bob Cossett will be doing an inventory of equipment that either we don't need any more or a more efficient size can be used. This will be decided by the club and not by individuals, and will be discussed in the November Muster.

**9. Sunshine Report:** The Sunshine Lady was not present and her report did not make it in time for the meeting. Colleen Hardman and Bob Crossett are having surgery on the 21<sup>st</sup> of this month.

**10. Muster Master Report:** Muster Master Barry Hanchett was absent. President Posey reported that the next muster will be at Cool Breeze in Galax, Va. November will be in Hoboken. January 2018 will be in Elko, GA at Twin Oaks. March will be at River Vista

in Dillard, Georgia. He has confirmed Palmetto Cove for next May 14-18. Barry is looking at Boone, NC for July.

**11. Nominating Committee:** No report.

**12. Sherriff:** Sherriff Colleen Hardman collected \$1.25 for not wearing the badges.

**13. Old Business:** An amended Treasurer report was made. Dorothy Bradberry moved to approve. Colleen Hardman seconded and the motion was approved.

**14. New Business:** Cosmo Baccamo has a cooler that can be used as a door prize at National Muster. The member ship approved and Cosi will send the cooler to Keith Hardman for transport to the muster.

**15. Correspondence:** None

**16. Announcements:** The Hosts reported there would be no muster fee.

September Muster is at Cool Breeze in Galax, VA. Host are Bob and Carol Crossett and Wayne and Diane Collier.

Web Master Joel Myer encouraged everyone to visit the web site and to also send any pictures from musters they may have.

President Posey thanked Host Robyn Hamlington, Cork Phillips, Cosi and Kathy Baccamo, Bob and Carol Crossett for the outstanding job they did.

President Posey thanked Cosmo Baccomo for door prizes.

He also thanked the officers for their support this year.

**17. Adjourn:** Keith Hardman moved and Diane Collier seconded the motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 0936 hours.

Keith Hardman  
Secretary