

WEST VIRGINIA PIONEER TRAVELERS #200

JULY 2019 NEWSLETTER



Hello fellow campers: Our club campout for July was held in Parsons, WV at the '5 River Campground'. Arriving on Thursday the 11th were the Cvechko's, Aylestock's, and our guests the Groah's: Mike and LeaAnn. The campground was buzzing with RV'ers arriving for the weeklong annual blue grass festival.

After getting set-up we ventured up town to find some lunch. Settling for the local Sub-Way we ate our lunch. During lunch, the sky opened and dumped over 2 1/2-inches of water in less than an hour. The owner of the establishment suggested we stay inside until after the storm. He even gave us drink cups and told us to have a soda 'on the house'. A very nice clean and friendly restaurant. The subs were also very good. We'll be back.

When we returned to the campground, we found the lower spots were filled with water from the torrential rain fall. In fact, there was a large lake behind our campers. Management told us not to swim because there were no lifeguards on duty. Next morning, the lake was gone.

Friday saw the arrival of the Vassar's and Mearns. Larry and Mike made fried bologna sandwiches on the Black Stone Griddle. During the evening meal, we enjoyed 'sloppy joes', corn on the cob and desserts prepared by the ladies. Some of us visited the

campground store which was a new addition to the campground since the last time we camped there. A campfire was also enjoyed by all. Especially the 'deer flies' that enjoyed feasting on our legs and ankles. The GREAT outdoors, such things must be expected.

Saturday was a lazy day for the most part. We set around and visited. Shane, Jo and Chesley took a little trip to Blackwater Falls State Park which is the vicinity. By midafternoon, Larry and Connie Gregory drove in for the potluck and club meeting. When Shane returned from his adventure, he made 'homemade' ice cream. Again, the ladies out did themselves and prepared a delicious meal. As usual, we could have fed a dozen more people. Shane's homemade ice cream was a real hit for dessert.

After dinner, we had our club meeting. PNP Larry Aylestock installed our new MOT John Cvechko. We all thanked John for taking the position and giving Larry Gregory a break. PNP Larry reported on the 5th District WV/PA Rally held in Centre Hall, PA. The Aylestock's, Mearns, and Vassars' represented WV. The rig count was 16 for the rally. Larry also mentioned that he and Janet planned to attend the National Rally to be held at the Amana Colonies in Iowa. When the meeting was over, we all enjoyed a campfire.

Our next campout will be on August 8-11 at 5 River campground in Parsons, WV.

Dues are past due. \$38 per year.

Secretary, Janet Aylestock



