
❖ Kentucky Camper News ❖

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Kentucky Colonels News

Our January, February and March meeting were held at the Ryan's Steakhouse on Preston Hwy. Most of our camping families were in attendance but some were still in Florida.

We did have a campout in March, but a few (very few) brave Colonel families ventured out to camp at Butler State Park the weekend of March 19-21. They were: Margaret Baugh and Barbara Thomas, the Jerry Walkers and the Ron Walkers. When the Jerry Walkers reached Butler they learned that the campground was closed for maintenance work. They waited for two hours for the Ron Walkers and tried to reach Margaret and Barbara. Having no success, Jerry called Doris Dolle to try to reach them. They had apparently already left but upon arriving at Butler contacted Doris and she gave the info that the campers had gone on to Oak Creek Campground. Barbara and Margaret had a run of bad luck, in the Margaret's cell phone had died and Barbara was having car problems. Jerry was able to get Barbara car running and it seems everyone made Oak Creek and had a good time. They went out to eat fish on Friday night and had a potluck supper in Ron and Judie's new camper on Saturday. The campers voted that the April campout will be at Taylorsville Lake on April 16 - 18.

CAMPING COLONELS

Kentucky Chapter Of The Campers And Hikers Association
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President.....Jerry & Billie Walker
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Treasurer.....Barbara Thomas

Derby City Campers

The January meeting was held at Ryan's Steakhouse. We had six families present. We still had members like James and Glady, Willis Evens, Mary Reese, R. Gholston, Hazel and John Gunn that are still in. We are praying for all to get well soon. We came up with new campsites this year. Hope all can attend.

February we had four families. It was small but we had a very good time. Nice lunch at Ryan's. Sometimes it happen when nobody shows up, but you still have a good time. We stayed fifteen minutes over.

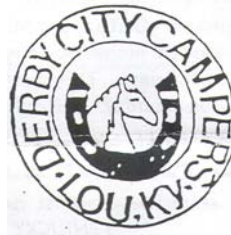
March we still had a small crowd. This is our last close in meeting. Our first camp out is the last of April. All Derby City Campers if you are reading this get up and get together. Let's go, we need you.

Love,
E. W. Reid, reporter

A FRIENDLY HELLO FROM THE.....

President.....Fred & Mary Shelton
Vice President...Earl Robinson
Secretary.....Emogene Reid
Treasurer.....Sam Merrell

Campout 4th weekend each month



The Touch of Mother's Hands

My mother's hands—how gentle
Their touch upon my hair,
As she smoothed it from my brow
And pressed her soft lips there—
Oft soothing childish trouble
Or easing hurt and pain.

Oh, that I might recall the years
And her hands'touch again,
Not soft, nor white and shapely,
And not so very small.
Perhaps an artist's fancy
Would not picture them at all.
Yet, to me, a treasured memory,
Which from childhood days outstands:
When ailing, I sought comfort
In the touch of Mother's hands.

Madge Downs

Rolling Wigwams

WE'RE BACK!!

We had a volunteer to submit our news, but I thought a “ghost writer” could be a little more interesting. Phyllis agreed, and now, here I am—Casper, the Rolling Wigwam.

We had an excellent turn out for our October Halloween campout. Otter Creek was filled to capacity with every goblin that could endure the great outdoors. We had trick-or-treat for the kids. There was can good bingo for all who wished to participate, costume judging for all ages, hospitality night with music and home made pumpkin pies, flea market, and just good old good time for the family. The whole park resembled New Orleans at Mardi Gras, for all the units and sites were decorated and lite at night. \we are already planning next year’s events, and looking forward to our favorite, the ghost walk.

November found us doing our favorite thing—eating. We had a wonderful dinner at Chris Robinson’s home. \we appreciate her housing and feeding us all. In fact, we returned to Chris’ in December to have our annual Christmas dinner and Yankee gift swap. The food was wonderful, the fellowship even better. \we saw angels fly (especially if that’s the thing you wanted, and so did someone else!!!), and tools were trading places left and right (how were the candles????)

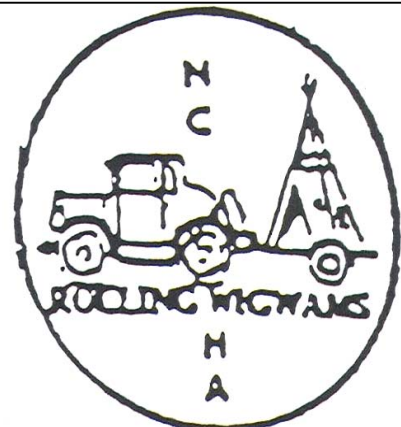
January and February months find it hard for us to all gather due to “Mother Nature”, so we decided to respect Her, and meet in March. March found us doing our favorite thing again, eating. We met at Home Buffet and held our meeting after everyone was ready to pop from so much great food. We will be meeting again in April, hopefully the third weekend at Otter Creek. **WORDS OF WISDOM:** Remember guys, don’t blame the discs for a bad game at the disc golf course. And ladies, draw your own dominoes if you aren’t fond of what Mary Jane hands you.

Respectfully submitted,
Casper, the Rolling Wigwam Ghost

KENTUCKY ROLLING WIGWAMS

- President Don & Lynn Hillebrandt
- Vice President Jeff & Amy Hillebrandt
- Secretary Donna Newcomb
- Treasurer Angie Allen

Meeting third weekend of each month



Sponsor of the Halloween Campout

*Kentucky State Association
Spring Campout
Walnut Meadow Campground
Berea, Kentucky
May 21-23, 2004
hosted by the State Association*

It's time to get your camper really for the camping season if you haven't all really done so. Join us in beautiful historic Berea. Many places to visits, flea markets, antique shops, Boone Tavern, Berea College, Walmart and Renfo Valley.


The Big Sandy Roadrunners News
April 16, 2004

The February meeting of The Big Sandy Roadrunners was held in May Lodge, Jenny Wiley Park. We all enjoyed a delicious buffet luncheon. We had present four families: Tommy and Cheryl Bowling, Sam and Sue Hatcher, Helen Ratliff and L.G. Bevins, Racine and Patia Ratliff. Tommy Bowling reported that on the way to the meeting he passed Johnny and Juanita Stone on their way to Florida. Jack and Zelma McDowell are still in Yuma, Arizona. Thomas and Jean Epling had planned to come but Thomas called this morning and said Jean did not feel like coming. In the past it has meant so much for Jean to attend our meetings. Our March meeting is to be at May Lodge. Sam and Sue are wagon masters for April and we will be camping at Paintsville Lake State Park.

The March meeting was held at May Lodge, Jenny Wiley State Park on March 13, 2004. In the absence of our President, Sam Hatcher, the meeting was called to order by L.G. Bevins, Vice President. We all enjoyed the usual good buffet luncheon. One of our most faithful members, Jean Epling, passed away on March 7th with a very long struggle with cancer. She liked camping so much. Everyone always enjoyed hearing her play the guitar and sing. She will be long remembered by our group. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Thomas and Crystal. We had four families present: Sue Hatcher, Charles and Donna Castle, Helen Ratliff and L.G. Bevins, Racine and Patia Ratliff. Johnny and Juanita Stone are still in Florida and Jack and Zelma McDowell are still in Yuma, Arizona. Racine and Patia will be wagon masters for the month of May and we will be camping at the Horse Park.

The planned campout for the month of April at Paintsville Lake State Park did not materialize. Johnny and Juanita were still in Florida, Jack and Zelma were still in Arizona, Patia and Racine were in Houston, Texas for Patia's family reunion, Tommy and Cheryl had to attend a wedding, Charles and Donna had other commitments, and also Sam and Sue could not go. Tommy and Cheryl Bowling have been missed and we found out that they found their way to Florida and report they had a good time visiting with friends. Our May campout will be at the Horse Park. Our recent contacts have indicated we will have a good attendance. The contacts were made at Hillybilly Days in downtown Pikeville. If you want to see anyone just go to Hillbilly Days.

Patia Ratliff, Publicity

	MEETING SECOND WEEKEND OF EACH MONTH
	President...Sam & Sue Hatcher Vice President...L.G. Bevins Secretary...Patia Ratliff Treasurer...Racine Ratliff
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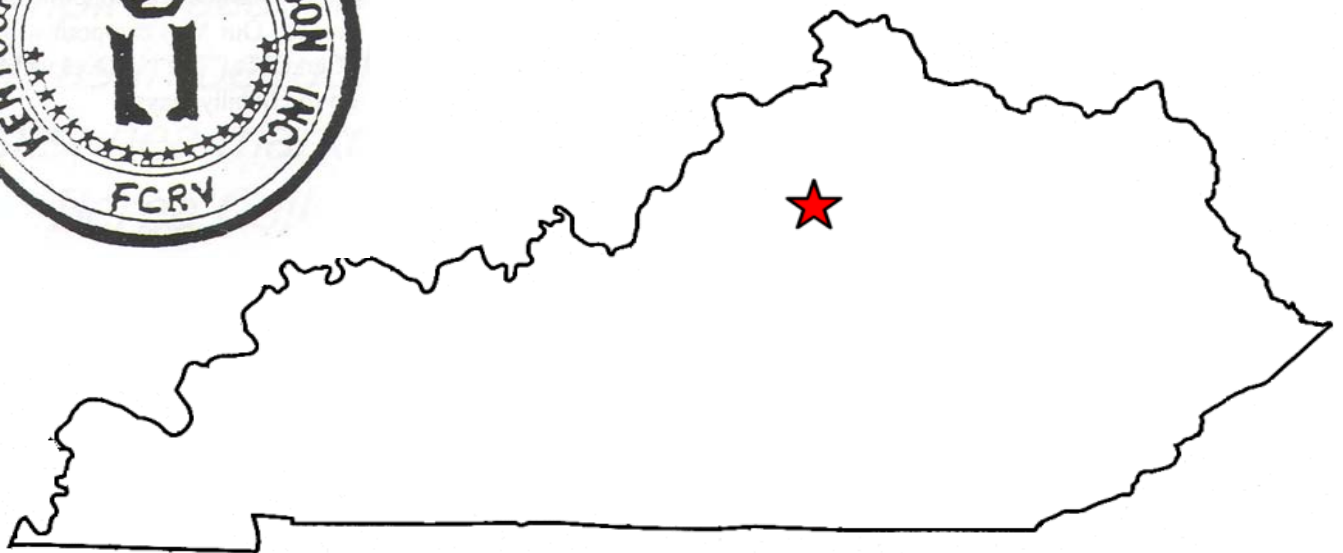
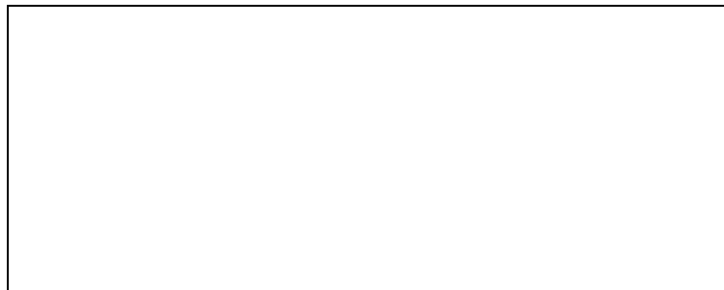
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DATES TO REMEMBER

July 9-16	National Campvention Berrien Springs, Michigan
Sept. 17-19	State Fall Campout - Holt's Campground Bardstown Ky.

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