

SUNFLOWER SAMS

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The January 11, 2020 meeting of the Sunflowers Sams Club was cancelled due to snowy bad weather. Several members decided to meet for lunch on January 18th at Fronteras Mexican restaurant in Gardner, KS. There were 15 members and one guest attending. The weather was not too bad, but it was cold!

The Sunflower Sams met February 8th at the Rodeo Mexican restaurant in Basehor, KS with 20 members and one guest attending to enjoy Rodeo's fine food. The guest and his wife have submitted their application for membership! Quilt blocks were handed out for member's signatures. A 50/50 raffle was held to pay for shelters during the camping season. Del Miller won the drawing. The January Anniversary was Dick and Donna Dehn's 56th!

Health and Welfare: Gary Pashman is stable and doing Jigsaw puzzles! Delbert Miller, Sr. is progressing slowly; his wife, Jo, is about the same. We are keeping these members in our prayers.

March 14, 2020 was the date set for the Sunflower Sams meeting at Jumpin' Catfish restaurant in Lee Summit, Missouri. Only seven members came to the luncheon; so many cancelled due to the Corona virus scare. No meeting was held.

The April 17-19, 2020 campout at Melvern Lake was cancelled because the US Corp of Engineers closed all the federal parks due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The May 1-3, 2020 campout scheduled for Michigan Valley was also cancelled because of the federal parks closing.

June 11-14, 2020 saw 9 rigs of unofficial Sunflower Sams campout at Blue Springs Lake, Lee's Summit, MO. There was no business due to the "Pause". Those attending were Amegos, Browns, Haneys, Hooblers, Kelseys, Morriss with 2 guests, Palmers, Roberts and Monroes. A.J. Hoyt and Cindy Dwiggins drove in for a visit. The Amegos campsite had the most shade so it ended up being the gathering place with each couple practicing social distancing at six feet apart from the next couple. There was no "Potluck Supper" and most did not eat out so most of us ate in our rigs. It was a good campout with visiting good to see everyone in good health!

Wallace State Park near Cameron MO. was the site for the unofficial Sunflower Sams July 9-12, 2020 campout. Again, there was no business meeting due to the fact that we were still "Paused". Those attending were: Browns, Dyers, Haneys, Hooblers, Hoyt & Dwiggins, Kelseys, Mainvilles, and Ron Morrison. Those 8 rigs enjoyed a shady spot near Hooblers campsite where we practiced social distancing for visiting and snacks furnished by the Haneys. No "Potluck Supper" was held and most ate their meals in their own rig.

Being that the Corp of Engineers have opened the federal parks, the August 7-9, 2020 campout for the Sunflower

Sams will be held at Cedar Ridge Park at Clinton Lake near Lawrence, KS. Hope to see you all there (practicing social distancing)! Wear a mask and be safe!