

American Coach Association South Central Chapter Rally

Lake Livingston KOA - Onalaska, TX - May 2018



Some coaches arrived early on Monday. It was really good to see each other. We went to Beard's Catfish King in Livingston together that night.

Tuesday was the start of the rally. The early arrivals were watching and waiting for our other members to arrive. It was so much fun seeing each one come down the drive.

After everyone got settled we all met at the rally room for a pot luck dinner. President, Allen Meek, conducted a short General Membership Meeting before our meal. As usual there was way too much food. It is always a treat because all the ladies can each come up with wonderfully delicious dishes!



On Wednesday we were treated to a complimentary continental breakfast provided by Kathy Pfeiffer with Sky Med. She presented a program on a Premier Emergency Travel Membership Service. We all met

at Jerry's Restaurant just down the highway from the RV Park for lunch around 11 o'clock. The food was very good and the service was excellent. With a private room just for our group, our time there was very enjoyable. The owners of Jerry's have been in the Onalaska area for five generations. This family has worn many hats. Farmers of the land which is now under Lake Livingston, General Store, Restaurant, Fire Chief of the Volunteer Fire Department, Mayor and Commissioner of Precinct 2 of Polk county. Jean Ann smith, fourth generation of the family was ex-mayor and now is the owner of the restaurant. She told us a short story of her family history that really was interesting. If you are ever in Onalaska, Texas, be sure to stop by Jerry's Restaurant. You will not be disappointed!



After such a wonderful lunch we had a free afternoon to take in the area and dinner on our own. A lot of us just enjoyed sitting under the pavilion visiting and catching up on each other's travels and watched the beautiful sunset.



Thursday the SCC provided breakfast and fruit with all the trimmings. Then at ten o'clock a representative from Naskila Gaming, which is owned by the Alabama Coushatta Indians, gave an informational presentation about their organization. The Alabama-Coushatta Tribe's reservation is just east of Livingston, Texas. Naskila Gaming is the 3rd largest employer in Polk County with 330 jobs. Thirty percent of the employees live on the reservation and the other 70% of their employees live off the reservation. Some in our group drove over to the Casino to check it out and lose some money after the presentation was over.

For dinner this evening we enjoyed an "all you can eat" buffet that was prepared and delivered by Farm House On The Lake. There was lots of delicious food.

After our meal we had a 50/50 raffle to raise money for our next service dog training fund. The winner was Denise Starzyk. She and her husband Richard graciously donated their winnings back to the dog fund. The total amount raised at this rally was \$800.00. We now have \$5,622.00 in our fund toward our goal of \$10,000.00 !!

Our group gathered outside by the lake. It was quite an adventure trying to get everyone situated, but I think we got a good picture.



Friday we said our good byes with big hugs and safe travel wishes for each other until we meet again.

Susan Gesford, Historian