



# Arkansas One ...Arkansas's first chapter, since 1970

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## Good Sam

### JUNE NEWS....

The Arkansas One campout for June was scheduled for Treasure Isle at Branson, but information about the campout was elusive....no one seemed to know anything. Linda, James, and family were headed to Florida and a cruise, so James was out of the loop. So your secretary decided the issue was a wash?

Mike and Mary Hancock had asked at Lake Catherine if anyone was going, but I didn't know. They said they were going there after they left Lake Catherine and park host duties. Next thing I know, I get a text message from them and the Turleys at Treasure Lake, having a good time. So lets call it a campout, and y'all send me information about your adventures. Carolyn sent me the following:

"The weather was absolutely stunning, with low humidity, making it the perfect week for camping. Treasure Lake is beautifully manicured, freshly mowed and the flowers have never looked better. During our time at Treasure Lake, we distributed 2026 Good Sam Rally flyers and ensured that the bulletin boards were filled with information."

"We had a fantastic time enjoying fellowship with friends Cath and Russell Adams from the Jolly Rogers chapter. Our neighbors from Mississippi, Mary and Lonnie brought out their instruments most every night and jam sessions would fill the air. And, of course, not forgetting our very own legendary Mike Hancock, always ready to share a song or infinite wisdom with his presence. The energy was electric. Mike mentioned everyone could catch him in the upcoming edition of Clay Cooper magazine which will be an exciting read."

"While we were there my friends and I booked a matinee at the Sight and Sound Theatre. David is a must see experience. We concluded our adventure with some exceptional shopping at Tanger Mall, Dicks Five and Dime, and astly hitting local consignment shops. Overall, it was a fantastic week filled with fun, and memorable moments."

....and afterwards, I learned that the Welborns were at Treasure Lake, too. Ooops!!

Wayne and Lorie Thomas, our new state directors, recently went to the Iowa Good Sam Rally with Jack and Joy Godwin. The theme was "an Irish Hooley" which means party. There were 38 rigs, and they all had a good time with games and good food, They made new friends and some said they would come to the Arkansas Rally next year. They also found some potential new vendors. One day they toured Amana, a German town with lots of shops and good food....and a chocolate shop!

### JULY CAMPOUT

**July 10-12 Old Post Park**

**Russellville**

James & Linda in Section B

[www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov)

### AUGUST CAMPOUT

**Lake Catherine State Park**

**August 25-29 (Mon.-Thurs.)**

James and Linda Niblett will be at Lake Catherine as park hosts and we will join them.

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### SEPTEMBER CAMPOUT

**September 8-12**

**Toad Suck Park, Conway**

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### OCTOBER CAMPOUT

**October 26- Nov. 2**

**Maumelle Park, Little Rock**

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