

We had a great time at our Spring Campout at Spring Lake RV Resort in Crossville on the weekend of April 29 with six couples attending. Spring Lake is a beautiful park with good spacing between sites, lots of grass and a lake with a fountain. The lakeside sites have a concrete patio, round table with two chairs and a swing. Throughout the park are swings, benches and pergolas for relaxing. The clubhouse included a rest room, full kitchen, dining room with tables and chairs plus a covered outdoor deck.

On Wednesday evening we had a delicious meal at The Cottage at Fairfield which was a busy and upscale restaurant.

On Friday and Saturday mornings, the guys cooked pancakes, scrambled eggs and sausage. Each couple donated \$10 for the groceries which Joe Moore had purchased. We had a great Tech Talk on Friday morning and found Gary Swaim to be a very knowledgeable techie guy. For lunch some of us went to Express Lunch in Crossville for sandwiches.

Several of us shopped at the Country Cupboard (food & deli) and the Crossville Garden Center, which are both operated by Mennonites. It was difficult to resist the temptation to purchase cookies and whoopee pies at the Country Cupboard.

Friday afternoon was our guided 1-1/2 hour walking tour of the Plateau Discovery Gardens in Crossville where we learned about all kinds of plants. Our pot luck dinner that evening at the clubhouse included delicious foods such as pork roast and corn salad.

Gail Tate taught us how to play several games on Thursday and Friday nights and my favorite one was Catch Phrase in which you describe a word or phrase. She also taught us how to make greeting cards on Saturday afternoon.

Our Winnies business meeting was on Saturday morning and those minutes are posted on separate link. We reviewed upcoming events and the "simplified club structure" that WIT is working on.

On Saturday evening, we all had dinner at Crossville's La Costa Mexican in their dining area for groups. After dinner we sat around a fire at a Spring Lake community fire pit. It was fun joining in to the "There Was a Bear" sing-along which I had learned in Brownies.

The group agreed that the campground was very nice and suited our needs so I booked it for April 27 – 30, 2023. I do not know of a campground with similar amenities that is centrally located.

Our Winnies Fall Campout will be Thursday, October 27 – Sunday, October 30 at the Ward Agricultural Center in Lebanon TN. The cost for campsites with electric and water will be \$20.00 per night. We are looking for volunteers to be Wagon Masters to plan this event.

Happy trails and safe travels,

Linda Rogers, Secretary