



Oklahoma Chapter

Coalition of Historical Trekkers

Newsletter



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Greetings to All and Happy Independence Day,

Well what happened to all our wind or at least some decent air flow, can't even buy a breeze now a days. Summer is definitely upon us with a vengeance, can't remember the humidity level still being this high in early July, usually dried out and hot by now but then with everything completely saturated we get what we got. Western part of the State is burnt up looking for serious draught relief with the Eastern part exporting water as fast as it can. Heard a report the other day concerning the volume in cubic feet of water that has went down the Arkansas and tributaries so far this year, don't have room for that large of a number but my United Ark stock has sure risen in value.

We sure don't have anything to complain about as our neighbors to the North on the upper Mississippi drainage have had it really bad with storms and the severe flooding. Having roamed much of the effected area in my younger years very familiar with many of the places having to deal with so much water and it's aftermath, wish all up that way the very best in clean up and recovery.

WHAT'S GOING ON, with the high heat and humidity the combined heat index will probably keep many from as much outdoor activity as normal which is probably a good idea as heat stroke can hit before you know it.

As all are aware the price of fuel and the economy in general has a definite bearing on everyone with just about everything they do in today's world. It's a very good time to reflect on just what gives each of us our own sense of enjoyment, adventure, learning and

worthwhile satisfaction in life.

Remember, Revere and hold in your Hearts those sincerely brave souls who on this date in 1776 set the foundation for this Great Nation.

A Great Nation built from sacrifice, dedication, honest hard work and most certainly an incredible amount of bloodshed.

Presently things might not seem to be going as well as hoped for a lot of folks. Please remember you have a voice, a vote and the Freedom to express your views as defined by our Constitution, exercise these rights honestly without malice.

Thus in closing today's sermon, determine what is important in your life, your family and your friends, work towards the goal of enjoying and appreciating life the best possible way you can and leave room for our wonderful hobby.

NATIONAL NEWS, well it seems many of the bugs have been worked out on some of the COHT email problems. Presently things are working reasonably well from this end. If you don't receive a reply from me give it a day or two as some of my testing found some addresses go thru great others hang up for a few days, don't you just love these fancy boxes! Some of the state rep forms used under new construction, hopefully available before long. I hope everyone got their latest copy of our National Quarterly, the TTG, mine arrived in fine shape on about the 20th of last month. If anyone has not received their copy please let me know asap and we'll get that one solved. From my most recent roster from Wart, July / 08, appreciate seeing so many renewals and new memberships not only here in Oklahoma but also the other South Central Territory states. Big Thanks to Tater, Tracy, Ken, Marty and Bryant.

ADVERTISEMENT, with folks sticking closer to home and working on projects, research or modifying gear send me even a brief note on what you've been up to, will include the info in our newsletter, happy to do so.

Now a business plug for Mark "Rooster" Roster, with my severely bad feet and trying many types of primitive footwear available I now have very happy feet. It was a bit

of a hassle but Rooster took the special time, went above and beyond to provide a properly fitted, comfortable, extremely durable pair of mocs that I'm very proud to wear, in the market for the best check with Rooster.

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES, will update more on this one as info flows in, as of now the ODWC Wildlife Expo is September 26 - 28, 2008 at the Lazy E Arena in Edmond, hours are 8am - 6pm all three days.

BOOK REVIEW, finished Mr. Eckert's "Gateway to Empire" which I enjoyed very much, not much to add from last edition other than read it. Well into his sixth volume of the series "Twilight to Empire" yet again various groups of heroes and scoundrels depicted honestly from history. This volume is a bit different for me as I've lived, traveled and very familiar with the area involved. A friend offered info on a new book titled "The 4th of July and the Founding of America by Peter de Bolla, King's College, Cambridge. Kind of an interesting volume let you more on this one.

In closing I'd like to forward our best wishes and speedy recovery to our dear friend Tammy White who has been under the weather, also to all the other members having dealt with health hardships as of late.

My extra thoughts, hopes and prayers sent to special friends in Colorado, wish you the very best.

Take / Give Care,

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