

New Site For 2012  
7290 Traffic Net Picnic  
April 21, 2012

As you all know we were in search of a new picnic site for next year's picnic due to the rental charge for the Smithville site increasing drastically. After several weeks of on line searching, countless phone calls, and several suggestions from Net members, I narrowed it down to six places. John and I went to check out the list of six, we eliminated two places and looked at four additional places. We narrowed it down to four possible places, Brenham area of Industry, Huntsville State Park, Taylor area of Byersville and Lake Whitney State Park near Hillsboro.

After all of this we, your net officers have decided that next year's picnic will be held at Byersville, TX at the SPJST Lodge hall (<http://www.spjst.org/history.html> for history on this organization) which is on FM 619 just out of Taylor Texas. We felt this site had most everything we needed for a successful picnic. We hope you will enjoy the new clean and air conditioned site. There will be very little set up required as the tables are already up and it has a large kitchen with two stoves, a refrigerator if anyone needs them and a long counter. Please see the pictures on the next two pages.

Even though we are having to pay \$300 for the site, it is far more worth it than the Smithville site. If any of members that live in the Taylor area are members of the SPJST we can get a reduced rate for the rental. Other suitable sites were in this price range or more. We will be able to use the same caterer, Elgin Meyers Smokehouse and have the date of April 21 confirmed with them.

Name	SPJST Lodge Hall #48 Byersville, TX
Location	Byersville, TX 5 miles SE of Taylor, TX on FM 619
Type Park	Private Property
Price	\$300
Deposit & entry fee	\$100 refundable deposit \$75 cleaning fee if wanted, no entry fee
Hours available	Pick up key Friday evening out on Saturday by midnight
Handicapped accessible	Yes
Seating capacity	150 easily
Pet friendly	Pets allowed outside but not inside except for service animals
Room for Antenna	Yes
Room for Tom	Yes
RV Hook-ups	Two camps in Taylor also fully contained RV will be allowed to park on property
Hotels	One in Taylor, others in Round Rock 17 miles and Hutto 8 miles
Ladies activities	Still checking but Ikea and outlet mall in Round Rock
Restaurant (Fri night)	Yes in Taylor
Catering (BBQ)	Yes we can still use Meyers Elgin Smokehouse
Easy to find	Yes
Congested area	No
Pros	Private property easy to work with, rural setting, clean large building & surroundings, best we looked at
Cons	Isolated in the middle of a corn field
Dates available	April 21, 2012 Refundable deposit sent to confirm
Notes	Has AC/Heat, kitchen, tables/chairs, covered patio plus garage for Tom's ice cream machine



Building from the front

Sign on FM 619  
Reads  
Byersville  
Lodge # 48



Patio Area  
With  
Pull through garage  
In back



Main Hall with front door in center



Main Hall looking toward kitchen area



Kitchen



Other end of kitchen



Kitchen  
Looking  
Into  
Main Hall