

Walking Day #139...Saturday, January 19, 2013...moving day plus Louisiana to Mississippi walking day...NARROW!?!?!?

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Thursday was moving day from Pecan Grove RV Park in Lake Village, Arkansas to Springridge RV Park in Clinton, Mississippi. Prior to our departure I picked up my five pairs of new shoes, should be walking on a cloud from now til the end. Breaking them in will be a bit unpleasant, BUT the end result will be wayyyyyyy better shoes. Before we left Pecan Grove, Steve C (the new un-hired man!) gave us a tour of the premises and the cabins. Authentic early Arkansas accommodations from both sides of the socio-economic scale. History CAN be a great teacher if we just listen. Sometimes that listening MUST be accompanied by a rather tamed ego. If in doubt go see "Django: Unchained".

After we landed in Clinton



we dropped by the carwash to make sure the Jeep represented "The Walk" in fine fashion. At the cash wash we found a gentleman, Jeffery Adams, who rides with the motor cycle club, Buffalo Soldiers. His bike was UNBELIEVABLE!



Also was the fact that he had just retired after 31 years in the Army. I say he went in when he was two, he claims 17! Thank you, SIR for your service and thank you for the tour of your incredible bike. I trust you have or will show up in Daytona Beach or Sturgis. I chatted with another gentleman at the carwash. As it turns out "Bobby" is being treated for diabetes, best wishes to you.

Saturday, at the end of the day we had walked 21.7 miles (35 km's), using 43,922 steps, in brand new shoes and picking up \$0.32 of which \$0.22 was picked up on the bridge over the Mississippi, well beyond the half way point. Findings for the day: 1 book, "The Best Treatment", Isadore Rosenfeld, MD, 3 dimes and 2 pennies. Crossing the bridge across the Mississippi was an adventure. For about 3/4 of a mile the section I had to walk on was a very narrow three feet.



Most of the traffic was nice enough to move into the left lane, others however were ignorant of that protocol! A special thanks to



"Jessica" who stopped my driver, Valerie, to make a contribution. Thank you very much, Camp UTADA will put it to good use. Walking through Vicksburg was rather odd as everywhere there are statues honoring Confederate States war leaders and just cryptic information describing Union troops. At this point my chosen country is the United States of America, emphasis on the "United" part. I am appreciative of all those who have secured our freedoms and all those who

inspired us to rise above some short comings. As Monday is a day set aside to honor and celebrate the life of Martin Luther King, Jr I shall walk to honor his life and the peaceful change by which he lived. I cannot help being touched by the various stories I hear of people whose lives have been impacted by diabetes, people whose lives have been profoundly touched by cancer and by the stories I hear of regular people and the significant service they rendered to their country. Thank you for those who have served in the militaries of both Canada and the US. Bless you who are living with diabetes and cancer and remember all those who did not survive from the deceases or the service. Best wishes to all...CHEERS!!!

The numbers for the week ended Saturday, January 19, 2013:

113 miles (182.2581 km's)

228,575 steps

\$1.72 in loose change

Walk-to-Date numbers:

2,926.4 miles (4,720 km's)

5,710,721 steps

\$70.51 in loose change

Saturday ended The Walk about 4 miles south in Vicksburg on Old Highway 80. Sunday is a day off and the back at it on Monday. A few more steps south and east. A few more steps to honor wonderful people. A few more steps to doing something that is a wee bit out of the

ordinary. See ya'll down the road!!!

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