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AREA 5 IS ALIVE FRIENDSHIP CAMPOUT

It is almost time for Area 5 Friendship!!! October 8,9,10 at the Fairgrounds in Hope, Arkansas is the time and place, and all that is missing is YOU.

Fun and fellowship will be the order of the day with good times and relaxation on the agenda. Be there and enjoy or miss it and only hear about the good times you missed! So plan on attending to get your share of the fun.

Ladies, you need to bring number 9 knitting needles. Betty Montgomery will provide instruction and supplies for making curly scarves.

Speaking of bringing, don't forget items for the Chinese Auction and cakes or sweets for the Cake Walk. We can't have too many because any that are not used will become door prizes.

We really need your support by your attendance. Many in our area are ill, and we have several important items to discuss about past events and future plans for the area and State.

We look forward to seeing our friends from outside Area 5. Your support in the past is appreciated, and we look forward to seeing our new and future friends.

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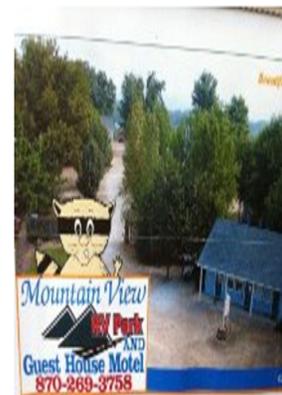
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Arrive Sunday Sept. 8(Optional) for
more fun. Please wear your name tag
at all times. A schedule for the 3 days
Sept. 9-12 will be in the Next
Newsletter.

Mark your Calendars

Paul and Pat Smith ASD AREA 2



See page 3 for
more info about
Area 2's
Friendship
Campout.



As all of you know, our goal was to visit as many chapters as we could each month. This month, we fell short. We did get to cook out with "Sugar Loaf Sam." Great fellowship and lots of planning for 2014 Samboree. We would like to apologize to the ones we didn't get to visit. Thanks to you, chapters, for understanding.

Our website is read by many people; it lets all know what's going on and how much fun we have at our get-togethers. Please list your campouts in each month's newsletter; we then can plan on who we can visit within that month. It makes for a good looking newsletter, too. Pictures from your last campout are an asset as well.

Bill and I are planning for a big September. Come join us and support our South Region Fall Samborees starting with Missouri September 26-29, Kansas October 3-6, and Oklahoma October 17-20.

Don't forget Area 5 Friendship October 8-10. Bernie and Judy do a terrific job and would like to see as many as possible in Hope.

A little twist for our "Christmas Staff Party is it's being held in September this year at Cloud Nine. It's a great opportunity to get all our staff together and have a relaxing time. I'm sure they know they will not get away without a lot of discussion and plans for our upcoming Spring Samboree. LOL.... But even that subject is a lot of fun for everyone.

Anyone interested in helping out at the Camping World Store in N. Little Rock or our new Camping World Store in Lowell, AR anytime between Oct 4 and Oct 13 please contact ASDs. What a great way to connect with new members. So many people who visit Camping World do not have information as to what Good Sams Chapters are. We have found people are very receptive and glad to talk to us about the possibility of joining a "Good Sams Chapter."

Signing off for this month, God Bless..... Bill and Dee Nery

Quote for the Month: Don't shine so others can see you. Shine so that, through you, others can see "HIM," our Lord Jesus Christ.

Important Information for you to do:

The *Highways* magazine will be replaced by 4 FREE issues of either *Trailer Life Magazine* or *Motorhome* magazine beginning February 2014. This information came out in the May-July, 2013 *Highways* magazine issue on pages 4-5 under article entitled "Progress Through Trust". Here is what you need to do to get the replacement magazine: If you already subscribe to *Trailer Life* or *Motorhome*, you won't need to do anything. If you currently DO NOT subscribe to *Trailer Life* or *Motorhome*, log on to GoodSamClub.com/magazine-preference or call **1-800-508-9755**. Simply let them know which magazine you prefer: *Trailer Life magazine* or *Motorhome magazine*.

QUEEN WILHELMINA GOOD SAMs

Fourteen members of the Queen Wilhelmina Good Sams traveled to Daisy State Park for their August campout.

Although it was extremely hot, several games of "31" were played. The Bergs went to Nashville to eat with their daughter, and others went to town to shop and eat lunch on Wednesday. The quilt shop in Kirby was also visited by several in the group.

The following officers were elected to serve in 2014. President: Billy Wood, Vice President: Ira Berg, Secretary: Pat Johnson, Treasurer: Carolyn Wood, and Wagon Master: Wingo Johnson. Bettie Montgomery will continue to serve as Chapter Historian.

Lots of food was enjoyed while camping, and the group traveled on Thursday evening to Glenwood to eat at the Fish Nest. This was really enjoyed due to it being air conditioned.

Notes: Wingo Johnson had contacted the State Highway Department about the mountain clean up, and he and Billy Wood helped organize and supervise the Boy Scouts as they assisted in the clean up.

Pat Johnson stated that she had contacted a local T shirt company about making camp shirts for those who would like to have one. A minimum order of 12 shirts is needed. The shirts will run about \$16 apiece. Anyone interested should contact Pat about these.

The site of the September campout has not yet been selected but we will travel to Hope in October for the Area 5 Friendship Campout.

Happy Trails,
Pat Johnson, Secretary



We're still in Britt, IA; but look out Arkansas because we'll be heading back later this month. Our last campground event of the year will be the Iowa Fur Trappers' Association (Arnie calls them the 'fur growers!') Must be the farmer in him coming out; what do you think!

It has been a truly unique past 3-1/2 months. The Labor Day weekend event was the Britt Draft Horse Show. Clydesdales, Percherons, and Belgians are the breeds shown. I can't tell you what an emotional experience it is to be around these giants and their beauty. The finale of the show is to have all 18 hitches of 6 horses each in the arena at one time. How the single judge determines the Best of Show is a credit to his experience and love of the animals.

Hobo Days in early August included a visit from our 6-year old granddaughter. Attending the parade and picking up at least 10# of candy thrown by the parade participants was definitely the highlight of her weekend!

I'm also very pleased to report that all the flowers we've taken such good care of this summer are still blooming heavily. We've had a lot of compliments from people visiting the area because by this time each summer the plants have spent their flowering energy. This year they're showing their appreciation of Miracle Gro and good old cool water!

For the **October and November 2013 issues**, please address your articles to me at **15554 Gann Ridge Road, Garfield, AR 72732** or write your article as the body of an email and send it to me at redhead.smith2002@gmail.com.

Deadline each month is the **25th**.

We truly regret that we're going to miss Bill & Dee's party in September. We are, however, looking forward to being 'home' and seeing our many friends. Thanks to many of you who have kept us informed about chapter meetings and camping plans.

See you soon, Paulette

Welcome to Area 2 Friendship Campout
September 9-12
Mountain View RV Park
870-269-3758
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Please wear your name tag at all times!
Pick up after your pet!

Area 2 Chapters
Sugarloaf Sams
Road Runners

<p>Monday, September 9 Arrive at the Campground Afternoon: GAMES-Skip-Bo-(Jackie) Hand & Foot; Dominoes; Pegs & Jokers (Mary) (Alma Lea) (Rich) 5:30 PM Paul's Famous Hamburgers Assistants: Connie & Rich & Becky & Jim Bring a dish to pass 7 PM: Bean Bag Baseball- Bob & Sharon Scorekeeper & Referee: Betty Paterek</p> <p>Wednesday, September 11 7AM Coffee- Bruce 8AM Biscuits & Gravy- Road Runners Jerry & Peggy, Alma Lea Snow 9:30AM Scooter Race -Referees Joe T & Jenny Rodgers 11AM Cake Walk Harold & June - Coordinators Frank & Rochelle</p> <p>Lunch 1PM Chinese Auction-Rochelle-Sandra Bruce & Diane-Coordinators Ticket Sales- Bill & Harriette 4:30PM Dine Out (place to be announced)</p> <p>Thursday, September 12 7AM- Coffee 8:30-AM - Devotions- Bob Carr Libby Roller</p> <p>Popcorn Popper- Paul Assistants: Don & Junior</p> <p>Paul & Pat Smith 4639 Wilburn Rd Wilburn, Ar 72179 Paul: 501-691-3600 Pat: 501-362-4151</p>	<p>Tuesday, September 10 7AM Coffee will be ready-Bruce 8 AM Pancakes Harold Roller-Flipper Cook- Felix Paterek 9:30 AM Sandbag Toss Reba & Glenn: Coordinators Merle & Helen</p> <p>Noon: Left-overs 1 PM Pegs & Jokers Rich & Pat Kellison- Coordinator 5 PM Potluck Supper</p>  <p>7PM Bingo- Coordinators Joe & Bonni Galewski Entertainment: 3 Coon-a----- And Games</p> <p>Bring: Dishes to pass for meals Items for Chinese Auction Cake-Cookies-Cupeakes Table Service for meals Ice Water - Coffee- Iced Tea (furnished) Design Card for Kay & Paul James McGinness-Artist</p> <p>Door Greeter: Grover Holifield</p>
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MAYFLOWER PILGRIMS

Mayflower Pilgrims August campout was at Toad Suck RV Park 22-24. The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Carole Hall. Old and new business was discussed and agreed upon. Plans are for September camping to be at Mountain View RV Park. The monthly get-together for eating will be at Smoking Buns September 11. These are always good, relaxing get-togethers.

DERRICK CITY SAMS

We held our August meeting at the Mt View RV Park on August 11-18. We had 5 rigs present and enjoyed beautiful fall-type weather. The facilities were great with a really nice view. We look forward to a return visit there. Each afternoon we enjoyed listening to Joy play and sing with others in the downtown park and, of course, the ice cream was good also. Several of us had to carry blankets to be comfortable.

One of our many activities was a tour of the bathrooms to observe the art work at the RV park. Oops! One of our members didn't respond when we asked, "Is anybody in there?" as we entered the ladies bathroom. Sorry about that.

Thursday morning Lawrence and JD Henley came by and visited with us. Jack did an excellent job cooking up some ribs to go with all the side dishes. We also enjoyed ice cream along with pie on Saturday night. Mt. View offered good shopping and entertainment for all. Thanks so much for the Godwins and Langhelds stepping up to host!



Our next campout will be at Lake Catherine (Sept 16 - 20) with Kees and Smiths hosting. Hope to see everyone there.

NORTHEAST ARKANSAS TRAVELERS (N.E.A.T.)

There were 9 rigs present for the meeting at Denton Ferry RV Park at Cotter, AR. Connie & Mary Gerg and Frank & Gladys Kirby were welcomed as new members.

Lavon appointed Charles Wiggs, Charles VanPelt, and Anita Caples as the 2014 new officers committee.

Volunteer hours accumulated January through December need to be submitted to Charles VanPelt. These should include travel time and mileage.

Chapter standard operating procedures are due at the state office. Lavon said that our chapter's committee will consist of the 2014 officers which will be elected at the September meeting. They will decide our procedures and present them to the chapter for approval.

Some of the ladies are nearing completion of the quilt that will be raffled next year to benefit Arkansas Children's Hospital. A booth will be at the 2014 Craighead County Fair to sell tickets. Melinda hopes the quilt will be finished by December. Joann VanPelt is making an afghan to raffle at the 2014 Samboree.

We all enjoyed Denton Ferry. Jerry Webb kept a fire going for us. Some of the ladies went to Mountain Home shopping. We all ate too much. Thursday we all went to Razorback BBQ in Yellville. Later that afternoon, Lavon and Inell made homemade vanilla ice cream and Linda Webb made peach dumplings.

Our next meeting will be September 11-13 at Lake Charles State Park (870-878-6595). The October meeting at Old Davidsonville State Park will be a week later because of the scheduled Ghosts of Old Davidsonville. The rescheduled dates are October 11-14.

Safe travels, Treasa

DORCHEAT SAMS

The Dorcheat Sams traveled to Lincoln Parish Park in Ruston, LA on August 12 -16. There were 5 rigs represented and a visitor rig. We were glad to have them join us for the week and hope in time that they will join our Chapter.

Monday evening we had hot dogs and watermelon and then played cards & dominoes. Tuesday we went to Whataburger for lunch; again after getting back to the campgrounds the games started. Wednesday was potluck for lunch and Bobby & Mary Beth Ware and Charlie & JoAnn Lewis came down to eat lunch and have our monthly business meeting. After lunch the games started.

We elected new officers for 2014; they are: President Doug Carter, Vice-President Otto Krouse, Secretary Judy Carter, Treasurer JoAnn Lewis, Wagonmaster James Elmore, Chaplain Dale Baxter, and Judy Carter is in charge of the food. Thursday we all went to Lander's to eat lunch, then the rest of the day we were on our own. The end came to another great campout and we all packed up and returned home safely.

Don't forget you will have to pay your dues next month. We will be going to Lake Catherine State Park on September 9th -13th. Bobby Ware wants to thank everyone for their prayers, phone calls and visits while he was in the hospital.

Mary Beth Ware, Secretary

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ARKANSAS ONE

September's campout will be at Arlie Moore Campground on DeGray Lake, Bismark, September 19-22, 2013.

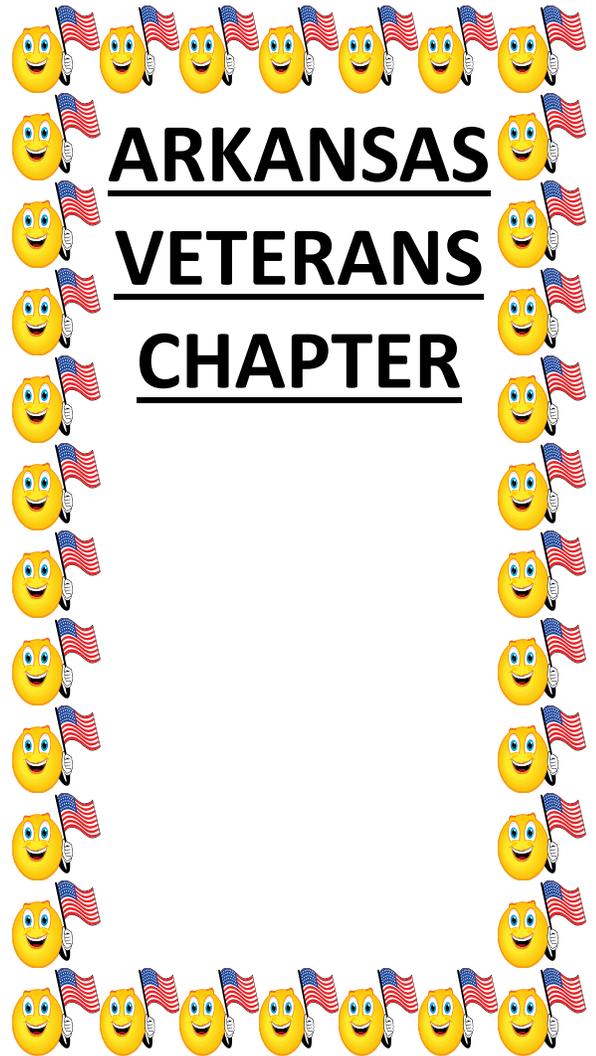
At the August campout we discussed Arlie Moore, and that we wanted to be in the center section, not near the busy boat ramp. At www.reserveamerica.com it shows that sites 19-22 and 37-41 can be reserved and sites 23-36 as first come in the area I think we want. (I googled "Arlie Moore" and found several places to make reservations, but reserveamerica was easiest to follow.) Phone 1-870-246-5501 for reservations. *(Let me know if you find out different info and I will pass it along...K.)* We will have our usual pot luck on Saturday, and decide when we get there if we want to do something on Friday.

October's campout is planned for Merrisach Lake Park, 1-877-444-6777 or www.recreation.gov. David and Brenda Miller are our hosts. Brenda gave me to We will be in the &9 are their sites).

Contact Bud Wright for details and reservations for the November work week at Lake Catherine



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COSSATOT SAMS

Cossatot Sams held the July campout and meeting at Pine Ridge on DeQueen Lake. The meeting was called to order by President Bob Kellums. Minutes were read and approved; the Treasurer's Report was given.

August's campout will be August 12-16 at Queen Wilhelmina State Park.

Meeting was adjourned after a motion was made and seconded.

BELLE POINT SAMS



On August 13 five rigs caravanned to Snake Creek Recreation Area on Lake Tenkiller, Oklahoma and 5 other rigs joined us.

Tuesday afternoon 5 more members joined us for the meeting. After the meeting everyone gathered at the Pavilion with their salads and/or crisps. Gayle Smith provided vanilla ice cream to go with the crisps, and after supper we sat around socializing until dark.

Wednesday morning we had a craft class in making Cinnamon Sugar Bottles. Wednesday afternoon, we went to Big Daddy's Restaurant for supper. Linda Howard had been shopping in Vian, and found a hat to match our new blue T-shirts. At Big Daddy's everyone enjoyed their respective supper and some shared Apple Dumplings then met up again at Gene & Sue's site for another evening of socializing.

Thursday morning some members had to leave and everyone else did their own thing during the day. Gene & Sue Boone, Gayle Smith and Ann Martin went into Vian and found the store with the blue hats and purchased all they had. Thursday afternoon members met up at Gene & Sue Boone's site for more socializing and later moved to John & Ann's site for John's cherry cobbler cooked in his Dutch oven. Gayle Smith again provided vanilla ice cream to go with the cobbler and then we socialized until dark.

Friday morning, regrettably, everyone packed up and headed home having had a wonderful campout and looking forward to the next one. Safe Travels.

Secretary, Ann Martin

JOLLY ROGERS SAMS

The Jolly Rogers Sams August campout was at the Wanderlust RV park in Eureka Springs the 14 - 17th. Eleven rigs participated. There were twenty one members and four guests present at the chapter meeting. The four guests were voted into the chapter as new members. They were Hoe Cha & Dalton Cornwell and Virginia & Frank Hamilton.

A final version of the chapter SOP was approved. Chapter dues were increased from \$10 to \$15 a year. The chapter pot luck was a low country boil with dessert. Friday morning breakfast was also a pot luck affair. Dining on Wednesday night was at Catfish Cabin and Friday night dining was at the Forest Hill restaurant.

The September campout will be at the Lakeside RV park in Branson Missouri on the 11th - 14th.

LA PETITE ROCHE



La Petite Roche has had a rough Spring and Summer. The good news is that Bernie is doing great. Finished his cardiac therapy and has lost 25 lbs. The bad news is that Cecil Kingrey had a stroke while in Florida and is now recovering at Sherwood Rehab.

Cecil is doing well but still has a long road ahead of him. He will be able to go home August 23rd. Please keep Cecil in your prayers. One of our oldest members Bill Kennedy was in a car wreck and broke his back. And, if that was not enough, his wife Marie Kennedy died July 14th. Marie had been in a nursing home for some time. La Petite members attended her funeral at Griffin Leggett Healey & Roth Funeral Home in Little Rock.

Although we don't have a campout scheduled for September, Bernie & I would love to have you join us in Hope for Area 5 Friendship October 7,8,9th at Fair Park RV Park. And we do have a campout planned for October at Woolly Hollow the 14-17th. Should be beautiful there that time of year...

Hope we all start feeling better soon. Judy



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Shirley and I were so sad the day we had to have our dog Shorty put to sleep. He had been part of our family for 14 years. He died May 14, the day before Shirley's birthday. Our vet advised us to immediately get a new dog; however, we thought we didn't want another dog. But, late in the day of May 15 we went to look at a 5-week old puppy. Of course, we brought him home. After much discussion about what to call him, we settled on Jim Dandy (Dandy for short). The words of the song Jim Dandy "to the rescue" was the only part we remembered, and he sure rescued us from the doldrums.

He is now 4-months old, very active & a real joy except when we leave him alone and he chews up sheets & a mattress pad!

We heard from many of our Good Sam friends when Shorty passed and, thus, want to introduce them to "Dandy."

Tommy Blackwell

2013 SAMBOREE SCHEDULE

Missouri
 Fall Samboree
 Theme: Meet us in Missouri

Date: Sep 26-29, 2013

Kansas
 Fall Samboree
 Theme: Let's Go to the Fair

Date: Oct 3-6, 2013

Oklahoma
 Fall Samboree
 Theme: Once Upon a Time

Date: Oct 17-20, 2013

Texas
 Spring Samboree
 Theme: Pirates of the Caribbean

Date: Apr 3-6, 2014

Louisiana
 Spring Samboree
 Theme:

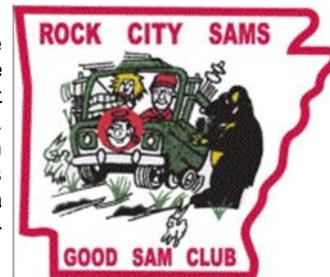
Date: Apr 10-13, 2014

Arkansas
 Spring Samboree
 Theme: Arkansas County Fair

Date: Apr 17-20, 2014

ROCK CITY SAMS

Rock City Sams journeyed to Mtn. View for their September campout. While the days were nice the nights turned to liquid each and every night, BUT we had fun anyway. We had 6 member rigs and one guest in attendance. Jim and Jennie Mauldin were our hosts, and they prepared a delicious breakfast casserole on Friday morning and a wonderful chicken casserole to lead the potluck on Saturday night. We also made a trip to JoJo's for catfish, the Rainbow Cafe for dinner one evening and the Soda Fountain for some ice cream. I almost forgot to mention the fierce competition between the boys and the girls playing Pegs and Jokers. We really got into the game Friday and Saturday nights. It was certainly a great deal of fun for the GIRLS but the guys gave us a run for the money... Got a feeling we will face a re-match in the near future...



Saturday the women gathered with their sewing machines and scissors to make 30 teaching dolls for Children's Hospital. We always have fun doing this because we can catch up on all the news and plan other activities. Anna Sanders is our Special Projects Chairperson and does an excellent job of keeping us active with our projects.

We will be heading to Cloud Nine in Hot Springs next month for our regular campout. If you haven't made your reservations there's still time.

(Picture #1- Sunset at Ozark RV Park, Mt. View and #2 Rock City enjoying the banana splits at the Soda Fountain.

We are making plans for our November campout in Branson. Our tour director, Dee Nery, has been busy securing group rates for us to attend the Dixie Stampede and the Baldknobbers. We will be contacting each of you in the very near future so that we can complete the plans. If you have friends who would like to join us, please let us know; and we can make arrangements to include them. The More the Merrier!

P.S. Jennie Mauldin fell while on our campout in Mt. View and has a chipped bone in her knee. Jennie we hope you are staying off the knee so it can heal quickly.

Till we meet again, Ann Scott



Enjoying banana splits at The Soda Fountain

SUGAR LOAF SAMS



Everyone is having a busy summer and more Dr. appointments than you can shake a stick at! We range in age from low 60's to mid 80's, BUT, even though we are getting older and need more care, we are all determined that we will go and do as long as we possibly can. We have those in our chapter who will sell their rigs and day camp/cabin/ camp out as they are able, but just love the friendship they share with all of us and want to stay in the chapter. They are active at the meetings and have so much experience to share with the newcomers, it would be a hardship to lose them.

So, to make Good Sams Club and all of its chapters the best they can be, be a good neighbor to your fellow club members. Our Friendship campout is Sept 9-11 at Mountain View RV Park with all kinds of activities planned by our area directors, Paul and Pat Smith. We will have a booth at the Ozark Trail Fest to be held on the historic court house grounds September 13-15 to let prospective members know what Good Sams is all about. Look for us in the parade on September 14, too!

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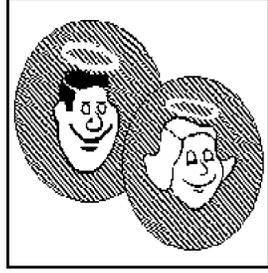
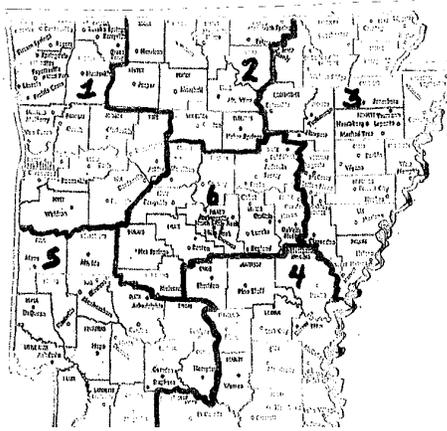
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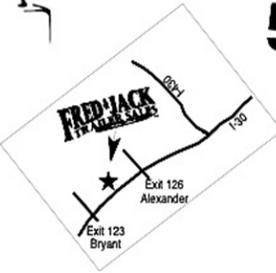
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