

"As a member of Good Sam Club, I pledge to give aid to others, respect nature and the environment, give back to the community and those less fortunate, treat others with dignity and respect and wear a smile (like Good Sam and Good Samantha's) and promote the pledge of the Good Sam Club to others."

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NOTICE NOTICE NOTICE NOTICE

Due to scheduling conflicts that are adversely causing attendance problems, the October Friendship for Area 5 has been scheduled to May 26, 2015 at Hope.

Bernie and Judy Bauer Area 5 ASD







INFO REGARDING AREA 6 2015 FRIENDSHIP CAMPOUT May 14–16, 2015 (leave May 17th)

I was so glad to see the ones that came out for the Friendship this year. Just sending everyone an update for our 2015 Friendship. It will be held at Riverfront Park, NLR May 14-16 leaving on the 17th. Call Girtie for a site number (sites are going fast!) before making reservations. We cannot go in until the 14th due to another rally being there though the May 13. We will have an ice cream social one night and also a tour of Hasting Museum on Friday morning. The Museum requests donations instead of an entry fee which are then given to charity. Will be having BBQ sandwiches Thursday so bring a side dish. And there will be a lot of games and prizes so come and join us. Oh yes: the price will be \$25.64 which includes tax. It is a first-come, first-served basis; so call soon to get a spot. The cut-off date is May 1, 2015 (that is when the spots go back to the park). I will not be able to reserve a spot for you after that date. Hope to see everyone there!

Girtie & Tom VanHoveln Area 6 ASD's FROM THE DIRECTORS



We've had a relaxed down time in Branson with our Spa City Chapter after leaving the Area 2 Friendship in Mt. View. We also got to have a short visit with the Whispering Pines Chapter in Cotter. Now it's Samboree time for Missouri. Kansas and Oklahoma; we'll leave Tuesday for Sedalia.

Just a short note to anyone looking for entertainment in Branson: We previewed one of the best shows we have seen in a long time -- "Hamner Unbelievable Variety." It's an awesome show with all kinds of acts. If you don't like at least one segment, you might not know what you are looking for. The lighting and sound effects are great and they also have a wonderful Sunday church service there as well.

PLEASE remember to send our AR State Treasurer Ann Scott your new, up-to-date chapter roster and the names of your 2015 elected chapter officers along with your 2015 chapter dues. All are due November 1. A copy should also be mailed to Paulette Smith, our AR State Secretary.

There's not much additional news at this time. Plans are going great for our 2015 Samboree. All our Friendships are over; and, after the Fall Samborees, we'll be attending the October "Beanfest" in Mt. View. Come join us as we are promoting Good Sams Membership and Chapter growth.

See ya soon, be safe,

Bill and Dee Nery

Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, be strong. Let all that you do be done with love. 1 Corinthians 16: 13-14

URGENTLY NEEDED A CHAPTER TO DECORATE THE STAGE FOR THE 2016 SAMBOREE. WHY SO EARLY YOU ASK? The registration forms for the 2016 Samboree must be printed and ready at the 2015 Samboree. The stage decorators usually set the theme. However, we would like for the theme to be musically oriented if at all possible? We're hoping with all the talent in Arkansas Good Sam a chapter will step forward and fill this need. PLEASE! Call Bill and Dee if you're willing to do this.

SUGAR LOAF SAMS

On August 27th our meeting was called to order by Vice President Rich Kellison. Bob Carr opened with prayer and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Grover Holifield. We had 24 members attending. The meeting was held at the "LaRosellas" Restaurant in Greers Ferry. After a delicious lunch we continued on with the meeting. Minutes were read of the last meeting by Secretary Pat Smith and approved by Bob Carr and Pat Kelli-

Correspondence was read with a letter from the October Fest to be held in Heber Springs on Oct 3-4-5th. Last year we had a booth at the Park with information about joining Good Sam and then was in the parade. There was no interest this year.

Treasurer's report was given by Paul Beaton. Cash for 50/50 was deposited along with a \$1.00 fine for not having name tag on.

A Memorial for Bruce Plummer was sent to his charity "Cleburne County Cares." He had been a faithful volunteer since 1996. Bruce will be greatly missed.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, September 24th at Rustic Inn in Heber Springs for breakfast. Brown Bag Card Night will be the next day, Thursday the 25th at Lake & River Inn from 4pm to? Bring a sandwich and drink and your cards.

The next campout will be at Petit Jean Park in Morrrilton on October 14-17. Phone number to make reservation: 501-727-5441.

A nominating committee was appointed for next year's slate of officers. They are: Paul Smith, Bonni Galewski, and Sharon Carr. The new officers will be voted on at the September meeting. Betty Paterek was the winner of the 50/50 raffle. Meeting was closed by prayer by Bob Carr. Meeting Adjourned.

Pat Smith, Secretary



Our Iowa volunteering is coming to an end. We have committed to return next year and help again. We love being here, the Board's of the various events that happen on the Fairgrounds during the summer are exceptionally gracious to us, and the community is welcoming. Our park hosting is a big part of our lives, and we encourage you to help your individual communities in any way you can. It is very rewarding.

We will be returning to Arkansas sometime around the first week in October. However, your articles for the October issue of the newsletter should still be sent to General Delivery, Britt, IA 50423 as we will still be in Britt on the 25th of September. Please note the change in our Arkansas address when you contact us by postal service after the first of October.

We will be headed to Texas after a few weeks in Arkansas. We will again be park hosting at Caddo Lake State Park near Marshall, TX. We enjoyed several visits from Arkansas Good Sam chapter members and would be happy to see everyone again if you're passing our way!

After October 1 and for the November 2014 issue, please address your articles to me at General Delivery, Lowell, AR 72745 or write your article as the body of an email and send it to me at

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Deadline each month is the 25th.

You can reach me at 479-644-7461 if I can help you in any way. And I'm always glad to hear from you.

Paulette

WHISPERING PINES TRAVELERS

Whispering Pines Travelers campout was held at Denton Ferry, Cotter, AR. The meeting was called to order by Tom VanHoveln then who then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance. We had a total of 12 rigs at the meeting.

Old business: we asked for officers' committee. Richard, Tom and Girtie are on the committee. Richard is running for VP and Peggy is going to be Historian. If anyone would like to be an officer please call one of these people. We still need President, Secretary and Wagon Master. It was also brought up that everyone should write down 3 places that they would like to camp and email to Girtie or bring it to November camping and we will vote on it. Also suggest what month you would like to camp there.

October 23-26 campout since we had some members that made their reservations at the Diamond Mine, no one want to cancel that camp out. It will remain as our monthly camp out.

And the people who were not at this meeting please mail in your dues to Girtie. They have to be into the State Treasurer by 1 November. The dues are \$20.00 and, if you have any changes to address, phone number, or email, please email those changes to Girtie. If you have any volunteer hours, please send those also.

New Business: Brother Ben said the Christmas party is Dec 6 at 6:00 pm and eat at 6:30. The cost is \$15.00 and at Taylor Farms. He would like the people that will be there to call him before the first of December. The GPS address for Taylor is 4430 Graham Rd., Cabot, AR.

Sorry we could not be at the campout due to Tom falling over a rock at Mt View and breaking his wrist. He felt like going down for the meeting on Saturday. I still don't want him to drive for a few more weeks.

The ones that were there on Tuesday ate at Nimes Pizza. The ones that were there on Wednesday ate at 178 Club in Bull Shoals. It was a 5-star restaurant. They played cards and other games. The ones that were there on Thursday ate at Gaston's White River Resort. Friday afternoon they toured the Ranger Boat Factory where they took some pictures. Friday night they built a camp fire and made S'mores and told tall tales. I heard that Jerry and Buzzy was in rare form.

The meeting was held on Saturday after breakfast.

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

We had 6 rigs and 1 guest attending our gathering at Old Davidsonville State Park. It was really good to have Charles Bogan be able to join us.

Frank Kirby won the prize for getting chigger bit without even going near the woods! He had to put up with the nickname "chigger legs" for the duration of the outing.

The first couple of days were so hot we had to stop playing cards because of the perspiration running down our faces. Then it turned cool enough for us to enjoy a nice fire. As usual we had plenty of good food to enjoy.

Our next campout will be @ Lake Charles State Park on October 6-10, and we hope to have more potential members joining

BELLE POINT SAMS

Belle Point Sam Chapter Members met at the Shoal Bay RV Park to Campout.

Once everyone was set-up we gathered around the Boone's rig for our meeting followed by a delicious fish fry supper with sides and deserts. The heat, humidity and hungry insects sent everyone to their rigs shortly after the cleanup. Some members came several days earlier and have been fishing most every day; lots of fish stories, not a lot of fish.

Wednesday morning we gathered around the Boone's rig and at 10:00 a.m. 19 members loaded up and headed to the Subiaco Academy for a tour. Edward & Bettye Franz's son Pat conducted us on the 1 ½ hour tour and he did an awesome job. The Academy even provided us with a delicious full meal lunch. Some of our members drove over the ridge south of the Academy to see the 3 lakes that provide water for the Academy.

Wednesday afternoon at 5:00 p.m. we gathered up and went to the Dinner Bucket for supper. We all had a good meal and good fellowship. We learned we have a member who has a Black Belt in Tai Kwon Do and taught it for over 20 years. We came back to our rigs to batten down the hatches for a big storm which thankfully was not as bad as expected.

Thursday morning several members packed up and headed home. Those who wanted spent the rest of the morning in the Martin's rig crafting covered toothpick holders. After supper we gathered at the Martin's rig for Blueberry Cobbler cooked by John in his Dutch oven with charcoal; and we all gathered around swapping more stories until bedtime.

Friday morning several more members packed up and headed home until the next campout, and some continued camping with plans to go to the Hanes Outlet Store.

Safe Travels, Ann Martin, Secretary

AREA 2 FRIENDSHIP CAMPOUT

Our theme for the Area 2 Friendship was "Anchored Together." We had 20 rigs registered, plus 2 rooms rented in the cabins. Several Good Sam members came in and enjoyed a day or two.

The 1st evening we enjoyed Paul's Famous Hamburgers and Curly Fries. Thanks to Junior Watters for cutting the potatoes, Rich Kellison for standing patiently over the fryer, and Paul Smith cooking the hamburgers on his flat grill. That evening we played a fun game of bean bag baseball. Betty Paterek was our referee, but because of crowded conditions she had to put her wheel -chair on the side of the board. Therefore, she only saw bags flying past her. The girls were hot and beat the socks off of those guys.

The next morning we enjoyed specialty pancakes made by Felix Paterek. We had a choice of toppings including whipped cream. That morning we had a sand bag tournament with Felix Paterek and Douglas. That afternoon we had a Pegs & Jokers Tournament, and Felix and Doug ended up partners and winning again. We had Dave Casewell and his wife Julie as our guests. It had cooled down enough so we could enjoy the outside. That evening we had a "cash bingo" game with nickels and dimes.

The last full day we had a delicious breakfast of sausage and biscuits served by the Roadrunners. That afternoon we enjoyed a Chinese Auction. I think Joe T Rodgers ended up with 2/3 of the items. Unfortunately Jenni and Joe T left early and asked Betty and Felix to bring home what they won. It filled their car! After the cake walk, we ate at "Cody's" in the town of 56. After dinner we gave out door prizes. We had enough so everyone received one. Thanks to Camping World for donations. The two large prizes were raffled off. The Mar-garita Chair was won by Rich and Pat Kellison and the Blue Lounge Chair was won by Joe and Bonni Galewski. Bob Carr, our chaplain, presented a short devotion on Friday morning.

Be thinking of a bigger meeting room for next year's Friendship--we have run out of space (especially with the heat).

P.S. Many of us enjoyed a new card game "7 from Hell"

GOOD SAM MALLARDS

Both the August and September campouts for the Mallards were held at Mississippi River SP. The fishing was great both trips, as Danny Hutchison and Dave Murray caught fish over 16" both weekends. We were blessed with cool weather both trips, and we all enjoyed some spirited games and great food!

In August, all 6 rigs were present. Friday, a mouth-watering dinner of fish and hush puppies was followed by a 'Retriever Show' from Danny and his black lab Naig. Watching a good hunting dog working was quite interesting –even for the other three dogs in attendance! Saturday was game time. That afternoon we had fresh peach ice cream furnished by the Hoffpauirs. We then dined on Sherry's delicious Cajun chicken followed by Martha Hosto's lemon zest cake with fresh lemons--close to gold- to surprise Lenora and Dave Murray, on their 50th wedding anniversary.

At the business meeting, President Danny Hutchison was to appoint a committee to select 2015 officers. Instead, we voted unanimously that our current officers should be reinstated.

The September Mallards campout had 5 rigs present, as the Hoffpauirs were off on a Caribbean cruise. We were all glad Dave had his EZ Up around our picnic table, as the sides of the EZ up kept the game pieces from flying away during our Crazy Games weekend. Friday, after a dinner of spiral ham and au gratin potatoes by our hosts the Murray's, we had a brief chapter meeting on Sept. 12. In old business, Shirley read a Thank You letter from the Dogs For the Deaf. Pat Havlik's plans for the "Mallard Monster Bash" at Pine Bluff Regional Park October 9-11 will be detailed later. The Blackwells will host the November campout at Tar Camp Nov. 13-15.

Saturday, our pancake and sausage breakfast was enhanced by real Vermont maple syrup from Martha Hosto, with Dave Murray as the chief cook and coffee maker. Later, our crazy games weekend continued with Yahtzee, Sequence, Skip-Bo, and hand and foot.

Sunday morning's devotional was followed by a light breakfast with Dave's ever-present coffee. Then, the final tally of the weekend's 7 different games was announced: Tommy Blackwell won the 3rd place trophy, Pat Havlik 2nd, and Martha Hosto 1st, in spite of never even getting to her foot in four hands of Hand and Foot. Way to go Martha-- dominoes must be your game! Then, reluctantly, we all packed up and headed home. Thank You from Dave and Lenora Murray to all the chapter members who helped Dave take down the EZ Up in very short order! We have been so blessed with our campouts happening during the unusually cool weather this whole season.

Lenora Murray, Secretary

SPA CITY SAMS

Our September campout was at Treasure Lake Resort in Branson, MO. There was a total of 6 rigs and 4 guests:

Monday we went shopping. The men went one way and the women went another way, and we all met at the A&W Root Beer in Tanger Mall for lunch. At 5:00 p.m., we had our hot dog cook-out at the Gazebo in the park. Afterward we had our monthly meeting. The annual dues of \$15.00 will need to be paid by the October meeting. Also your volunteer hours will need to be turned into Doug Tinkle before January 1st.

Tuesday we went different places. Some went to Bass Pro in Springfield, MO and on the way back ate at Lamberts (Home of the "throwed rolls"). Lots of great food and we came back to the campers with food. Some went geocaching to get the oldest geocache in Arkansas at Mountain Home. In the evening we met at Ron & Sue Bugg's rig for coffee and cake.

Wednesday most everyone spent a wonderful day at Silver Dollar City. Even though it came a hard rain in the afternoon it did not dampen our spirits. Thank you Doug & Helen Tinkle for our free tickets.

Thursday it was raining when we got up but it soon stopped. We went shopping again. At 3:30 we met at Golden Corral for dinner.

Friday we all went different places. College of the Ozarks was a very unique, interesting place. Three couples went to the 7:30 showing of Jonah at the Sight & Sound Theater. It was a wonderful show.

Saturday some of us ate breakfast at the Lodge. Again, everyone went their own way. In the evening we all sat around and visited.

We had a wonderful campout. Thank you Doug & Helen Tinkle for setting everything up and having us as your guest. You did an outstanding job.

Up Coming Events:.

October 12th -17th - Lake Catherine State Park for our Adopt-a-park clean up. Call Charles Shearer if going at 501-655-3583 for your site number. He will let them know you're arriving.

November 9^{th} – 14^{th} – Crater of Diamonds State Park at Murfreesboro, AR. Make reservations at 870-285-3113.

December 11th at 11:00 am - Smokin' in Style, Hot Springs, AR

2014-2015 SAMBOREE SCHEDULE

Oklahoma (Shawnee) Fall Samboree

Theme: Wish Upon a Star

Texas (Waco)

Louisiana (Shreveport)

Arkansas (Texarkana)

Date: Oct 9-12, 2014

April 2-5, 2015

April 9-12, 2015

April 16-19, 2015



....meet \$NOOPER \$AM!

Snooper Sam wished he had been able to go the staff campout at Cloud Nine in Hot Springs last month. He heard that all they did was eat! There was enough food at Dolly's birthday party to have leftovers for several days.

...and he saw those ladies who were so loud at the Friendship campout at Mountain View. Seems they were so excited about their card game that someone had to remind them to use their "indoor voices."

Everyone who is a member of the Good Sam Facebook group knows that Tom VanHoveln fell and broke his wrist because he was trying to get away when James Niblett was bringing in his slide and water from the topper was headed straight for Tom. Tom had to have surgery on his wrist and Girtie had to learn quickly to drive their rig to the Missouri Samboree. Way to go Girtie! Snooper doesn't like to hear when people get hurt, and knows James has had plenty of teasing about being in the right place at the wrong time.

Pictures from the Missouri Samboree looked like there was a big group of Arkansas members having a great time at a pot luck and meal that started out with 18 people and ended up with 37! Some were even from Louisiana!

Snooper is headed out to see if he can catch up with that Samboree chasing bunch 'cause he knows there are tales to be told from Kansas and Oklahoma, too. He hopes he can meet some guy named Don. He's heard a lot about things he's done that definitely need to be told.

If you have tidbits or tales of foolishness and nonsense from your chapter or area that Snooper would like tell to everyone else, send the stories to your state secretary/newsletter editor with your monthly news.

ROCK CITY SAMS

Rock City Sams held their September campout and meeting in Hot Springs, AR at Leisure Landing RV Park on September 11th – 14th. Most everyone went to supper at Smokin Hot BBQ. We sure missed all our other members who could not make the campout. Everyone enjoyed their meal. I'm sure it will be one place we will return to for Smokin Hot BBQ. Several of us played games after supper making it an enjoyable day.

Friday morning, after everyone finished breakfast, the ladies met in the recreation room to work on the quilt for raffle at the Samboree. The men gathered around one rig to solve the problems of the world. They might still be there had they not decided there were too many to deal with. The ladies laid out the blocks selecting the order they would appear in the quilt. When we started putting on the sashing we decided the fabric we were trying to use would not work. So you know what that meant; a trip to the fabric shop. Thanks to Roger Robbins for the ride to Hancock's. When the selection was made we returned to the RV park. We worked on the quilt adding the black and red sashing down the sides of the blocks. It is looking good. We worked until it was time for supper. We all went to On the Border for some Mexican food. The food and drinks were very good; in fact the drinks were so good someone, when leaving for the park, almost walked right into a post. It must have jumped right out in front of her. Guess who? When we returned to the park, several of us ended the evening by playing Hand and Foot.

Saturday morning, after a delicious breakfast of biscuits and gravy, provided by the hosts Stewart and Risa, we had our monthly meeting, at which time officers for 2015 were elected. Congratulations to President Bob Scott, Vice President Pamela Harrell, Treasurer Linda Robbins, Secretary Donna Brown and Wagonmaster Steve Brown. When the meeting was over the ladies worked on the quilt again, adding the red sashing between the blocks. The quilt is now ready for the black sashing connecting each row of blocks together. Saturday night we all enjoyed a delicious can cooker supper provided by the hosts Stewart and Risa, with side dishes added by the other members of the group. We always have such good food with all the good cooks in our chapter. After supper we played hand and foot and pegs and jokers. It was a fun filled day. Everyone agreed it was a good campout.

Our next outing will be our week long trip. This year it will be to Pigeon Forge, TN October 6th-12th.

Hope everyone has loads of fun. Hope to see all our Chapter members there and anyone else who wishes to join us at our campouts. You are always welcome to join us wherever we go.





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JOLLY ROGERS SAMS

For September our chapter ventured to Denton Ferry RV Park in Cotter AR with a total of 16 rigs camping. This was a new RV park for us, very nice right on the White River and yes several of us went Trout fishing with good success. The only setback was keeping Russ Bieker upright in the water; not sure if a trout or the wind knocked him over!

Our membership grew this month with the addition of Leroy & Norma Bolinger; and we had the pleasure of guests Elmer & Barbara Stimac and Mike & Patsy Bedford. Former members Ed & Connie Patterson (now living in Yellville) came for the meeting & coordinated potluck. Thursday some of us took the guided tour at the Ranger Boat Factory in Flippin (sorry, no samples were given but quite interesting).

I have to report that the women have taken the lead in dominoes, but the guys are prepared to come back next month

On September 26th on KNWA TV news the Veterans salute was to Lt Col. Mickey Woods USAF for 22 years of service. Mickey is a member of Jolly Rogers. We salute you as well and Thank You for your service.

Next Meeting: Friday, October 10th, 3:00 pm at Lakeside RV Park, Branson MO.

Secretary, Gary Hearron.



Do you know your Quilter's Acronyms?

FART—Fabric Acquisition Road Trip (made a few of these)

PIGS—Projects in Grocery Sacks (Uh, Huh!)

SABLE—Stash Accumulated Beyond Life Expectancy

STASH—Special Treasures All Secretly Hidden (of course)

WHIMM—Work Hidden in My Mind (where else?)



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ARKANSAS ONE

Arkansas One met on September 20 at Smokin' in Style restaurant in Hot Springs for a lunch meeting. After plenty of really good BBQ, we had a short business meeting. Dues are due and will be paid at the November meeting at Lake Catherine. Also it's time to collect \$\$ for our annual Angel Project. Brenda has handed off the shopping to us "girls" in Hot Springs this year. Ark I has sent 3 rigs (Hairs, Nibletts, Balfours) to represent us at Samborees in Missouri, Kansas, and Oklahoma, so our next meeting will be at Lake Catherine. Weavers will join in Oklahoma and maybe Ark I will get together there. Kirk Flanakin made a special presentation to James Niblett. He appointed him "Chief Cook of Arkansas I", thus passing on a long time Ark I tradition established by John Floyd and his beans, Joe Pracht 's fried chicken (the only fried chicken that was as good as my mama's!), and before that Bill Mize's big iron pot that we stirred with a boat paddle over a campfire!

Remember to tally your volunteer hours and give to Bud.

LAKE CATHERINE STATE PARK
"Adopt A Park" Work Week
November 2-6, 2014
(Sunday night thru Thurs. night)

Bud Wright has made reservations for us in Section A. It looks like we have a good group planning to attend. Contact Bud (h -753-5753, c-590-8715) if you have questions. Don't forget your work clothes for work during the day. On Thursday we usually fix a pot luck meal for the park staff. At Smokin' in Style we decided to let our new "Chief Cook" fry some of his famous fish. Linda has a big skillet for potatoes, and the ladies can all help peel. She will also fix beans and hushpuppies. Donita will make cole slaw and the rest of us can bring desserts or something else. We sometimes eat together at night, usually a one pot meal, like soup, beans or....so be prepared. (and Linda and James are doing so much Thursday, that others of us can come up with things for the rest of the week.) Dolly talked to Bud today, and the chapter will pay for meat for other night meals, too. Dolly and I will coordinate. (So far, pork loin and chicken taco soup...maybe).

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Samboree attendees made good use of the expertise brought to them by the associates attending the Samboree:

Store Phone Number: 501-219-4420

David Parker Retail Store Manager Extension 1101
Marty Stansbery RV Sales Extension 1209
Robert Minnick Customer Service Extension 1121

Blake Overturff Mechanical Tech
Emily Overturff Retail Sales Register

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