

Good morning, Sammies! It's cold outside but the sun is shining and last night's Wolf Moon was beautiful. I try to view the full moon every month. It nourishes my spirit.

Sixteen attended our January luncheon. The minutes are attached. I'm also attaching an updated schedule for 2025. Thank you to those who have offered to serve as Trail Bosses for these outings.

Our next get-together is breakfast at 9 a.m. February 13 at Rosita's in Bella Vista. Please let me know if you plan to attend. We are still collecting donations of food items for the VA pantry. Thank you to everyone who has contributed. The need is great. We are also still collected soda and beer can tabs for Ronald McDonald House.

We will be adding an October camping trip and will have a campout for our November clean-up at Devil's Den. Watch for more news on both of these activities. Remember, if you have suggestions for places to consider in 2026, please let John Parsons know. 719.649.9492. joparsons2@yahoo.com

Arkansas State Rally in April is a time when Good Sam groups from around the state plus visitors from Texas, Louisiana, Missouri and Oklahoma come together. It is held at the Tri-State Fairgrounds in Texarkana, AR. The evening entertainments are always great and door prizes are given out every night. There is also an auction of items, some donated from Camping World, and various vendors have items for sale. I am planning a special outing for Thursday of the Rally. We will carpool spending 4-5 hours and will make stops in Louisiana (for lunch); stop at the tri-state marker where Arkansas, Texas and Louisiana intersect; check out Wright-Patman Lake in Texas and end with the Texarkana City Hall which sits on the border between AR and TX and houses city offices of both. The trip is a total of 165 miles. If you have never attended Rally or if it has been a long time since you did, consider coming this year. I think this outing will be fun. The registration form for the Rally is on the arkansasgoodsams.org website.

Until we meet again . . .

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jean'.

Jean Fitch Justice, President
Bella Vista Traveling Sams