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STATE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

It is summer time and it is Hot, Hot, Hot; not only in weather but with all the good things going on within Texas Good Sam Chapters. We are so proud to be part of this exciting move into chapter growth and technology.

Texas Good Sam Chapters is moving ahead into the technology age with this very 1st on-line edition of The Texas State News. As you know, I've expressed on numerous occasions that the internet is our informational highway in today's world. By utilizing the internet, our Chapters have a broader audience and this broader audience, in turn, increases membership within our chapters. With this first on line edition, we are able to provide information regarding our Chapters and events to those people who otherwise would not receive the Texas State News; thereby increasing chapter exposure. This is a great opportunity for each Chapter to highlight what makes their chapter fun and exciting as well as unique.

There is a lot of good news when it comes to chapter growth. Our chapters are growing in size each and every month. No, not with all the good food that is shared during pot luck meals, but in the number of members. There have been some very creative ways implemented to increase membership in many of the chapters including, the creation of chapter web sites, the creation of membership flyers and brochures and, of course, one of the best methods, individual contact with prospective members; all in an effort to promote membership growth.

Another exciting use of the internet tool was implemented following our Fall Samboree. It was during our State Wagon Masters' meeting that a discussion was held concerning a method in which our wagon masters and wagon mistresses could communicate with each other regarding their experiences at various rv parks. With the use of the internet and our very talented State Webmaster, a chat forum was created. Many of our chapter wagon masters and wagon mistresses are using this chat forum when choosing which rv parks to book for their chapter meetings. If your chapter wagon master and/or wagon mistress has not yet had an opportunity to "chat" with others, please ask that they contact our state webmaster for instructions as to how to gain access to the chat forum.

The Fall Samboree is just around the corner. Please make plans to join your friends and chapter members, the Texas State Staff, and Dwayne and I in Abilene for our Bavarian Oktoberfest. While the official dates for our Samboree are October 21st - October 24th, please plan on arriving for early bird parking which begins on Monday, October 18th. For pre-registration and sign up, please go to the Samboree link on our web page, or you may e-mail our State Registrar at txgoodsam@aol.com. Our Fall Samboree will provide you with yet another opportunity for lots of fun, laughter and fellowship.

Pre Samboree events include a Tuesday afternoon ice cream float social. This is your chance to get to know the Texas State Staff and, of course, to socialize with your friends all while enjoying a free ice cream float.

Back by popular request and demand, we will again have the Texas Good Sam Chapters' Price is Right. You will want to be in the audience and bring your excitement, enthusiasm and a few signs. YOU may possibly hear your name to come to the stage to be a contestant and win prizes.

Also, back by request will be the Running of the Ponies. If you missed this one at the Spring Samboree, you won't want to miss it this time around. Everyone that participated had a good time and provided the audience with lots of laughter and of course, a chance to win some prizes. Be sure to be on time for the event; who knows, you might just be a jockey and win one of the covenant gold game badges.

As always, our official Opening Day is Thursday which is followed by two more full days on Friday and Saturday. There are a lot of events, games and seminars planned to fill your days. Remember, this is YOUR Samboree, so come prepared to enjoy yourself and participate in the games, fun and fellowship with your Texas Good Sam Family.

Saturday of course is Theme Day. Be sure to wear your best Bavarian/German outfit and have fun with it. Who knows, you might just be selected as the Best Bavarian/German outfit.

On behalf of TEXAS GOOD SAM CHAPTERS, we look forward to seeing everyone in Abilene.

With Texas Pride & Hospitality,

Karen and Dwayne McAbee
State Director - Texas Good Sam Chapters

Due to timing issues between Quarterly Reports and the publishing of this news letter anniversaries are one quarter late.



Happy 50 th Plus Wedding Anniversary! for ... JANUARY -FEBRUARY - MARCH 2010 (1 ST VOLUME)



1931 - 79 YEARS

Herb & Marie McDonald - E-Z Goin' Sams

1939 - 71 YEARS

Alva & Willie Mae Hayden - Cen Tex Sams
Wade & Carolyn Newton - Rice Belt Sams
Ross & Ernestine Van Winkle - Wichita Wagons

1940 - 70 YEARS

Vernon & Helen Donaghe - Cool Sams-E-Z Goin'
Samuel & Jane Sproull - Cool Sams

1941 - 69 YEARS

Charles & Nancy Hamilton - Luf-To-Go
Lois & Mary "Pete" Zachary - Rockin' Wheels

1942 - 68 YEARS

Ira & Thelma Inman - Lake Texoma
Edward & Alyce Kingcaid - Trinity Valley
Charlie & Ophelia Murphy - Plano Good Sams
Van & Ann Scott - Nortex Sams

1943 - 67 YEARS

Milton & Joan Blackshear - Comanche Peak Sams
Richard & Betty Klodginski - Go-Slow Sams
Jim & Peggy Rose - Cotton Palace Sams

1945 - 65 YEARS

Gordon & Frances Crossland - Tumbleweed Sams
Terrel & Martha Crumpler-Cool Sams & E-Z Goin'
Louis & Mary Beth Daugherty -Road Runners
Earl & Marge Lancaster - Weekend Travlin' Sams
Alfred & Thelma Mergele - Tumblewee Sams
Myers & Alta Ryder - Rockin' Wheels

1946 - 64 YEARS

Sam & Mary Griffin - Lufkin Sams
Lee & Patsy Gustafson - Santa Fe Sams
Frank & Marjorie Hatton - Orange Gator Sams
James & Estee Jeter - Abilene Sundowners Sams
Ray & Rita Lewis - Rose City Sams
Roy & Ealene McElwee - Sparkling City Sams
Barney & Theola Munson - W Tex Gad-A-Bouts
H.I. & Mrs. Munsons - Big Country Good Sams
Donald & Janelle Shaw - Dogwood Sams

1947 - 63 YEARS

Myrl & Lois Cox - Comanche Peak Sams
Ralph & Mary Jo Rogers - Rio Valley Funtimers
E.C. & Louise Suggs - BayWater Sams
Doyle & Pat Westergren - Bay Area Sams

1948 - 62 YEARS

Jim & Wanda Campbell - Cotton Palace
Claude & Louise Ellis - Chisholm Trails Sams
Tom & Jeannette Marr - Central Plains Sams
Bill & Ruth Neal - West Texas Gad-A- Bouts
Tommy & Jerry Schultz - Brazosport
Robert & Wanda Stevens - Big Country Sams
Bill & Joyce Williams - Cotton Palace Sams

1949- 61 YEARS

Bill & Dorothy Denton - Lone Star Sams
Bill & Mary Dippo - Go Lucky Sams
Bill & Mary Harris - Blue Jay Sams
Henry & Marjorie Knocke - Canyon Sams

1950 - 60 YEARS

Earl & Velma Borel - Pirate Sams
Jack & Gerry Duff - DFW Sams
Bill & Pat Fuller - D.F.W. Sams
Milo & Norma Hill - Frontier Sams
Lee & Sidney Jackson - Pali Duro Sams
John & Dot McElhannon - Amistad/ Tx Military Ret
John & Louise Moore - Tejas Traveler
Bob & Jerrye Parker - Ramblin' Sams
Charlie & Iva Rooth - Heavenly Sams
Henry & Sabie Russell - Whirlwind Sams

1951- 59 YEARS

Keith & Janice Collier - Big Country Good Sams
Maury & Jo Dobbs- Santa Fe Sams
Morris & Chris Driver - Palo Duro Sams
Mack & Blanche Fessom - Rigs A Mortis
Fred & Pat Gunter - Baywater Sams
Len & Marie Hilliard - Plano Good Sams
Jerry & Shirley McClure - Alibates Sams
Joe & Jean Richards - Rlwelt Raminl' Sams
Ray & Dee Sanders - Santa Fe Sams
Joe & Roberta Settle - Central Plains Sams
Art & Hilda Wiederhold - Rovin' Texans

1952 - 58 YEARS

Wallace & Betty Bennett - Rio Valley Funtimers
Charlie & Jeanell Harris - Lake Texoma Sams
Lindy & Norma Linderman - Big Country Gd Sams
Al & Margie Looney - Tejas Travelers
Charles & Wanda Martin - Central Plains Sams
George & Betty Miller - Whirlwind Sams
Jack & Billie Porter - Orange Gator Sams
Benny & Rena Price - Pleasant Sams
Richard & Shirley Sullivan - Comanche Peak Sams
Lester & Dorothy Sutherland - Pirate Sams
Elmer & Jean Young - Taj Mahal & Canyon Sams

1953 - 57 YEARS

H.B. & Dovie Brown - Santa Fe Sams
Jim & Betty Burkhead - Chisholm Trail Sams
Paul & Betty Cason - Rose City Sams
Oscar & Peggy Cuncan -Cool Sams
George & Nettie Green - Cotton Palace Sams
Art & Roma Heath - Highland Lakes Good Sams
John & Rheba Kluth - Dogwood Sams
Jack & Helen Loftin - Pirate Sams
Ed & Margaret McClinton - Lumberjack Sams
Aubry & Jodie Myrick - Ramblin' Sams
K.K. & Jan Smith - Santa Fe Sams

1954 - 56 YEARS

Roger & Ernestine Bennett - Rice Belt Sams
A.C. & Pat Hervey - Chisholm Trail
J & Norva Kuper - Yellow Rose Sams
Ben & Bertha Mieth - Santa Fe Sams
David & Carolyn Miley - Weekend Travlin' Sams
Tom & Joy Pophin - Bosque River Sams
John & Jean Sutherland - Armadillo Sams

1955 - 55 YEARS

Jim & Mavis Buchanan - Pleasant Sams
Arthur & Martha Gage - Trinity Valley Sams
Mary Ellen & Bob Huskerson - Collin County Trav
Forrest & Jo Jefferson - Highland Lakes Sams
Bo & Mildred Rickett - Rovin' Texans
Julius & Jayme Roemisch - Big Country Sams
Merwin & Virginia Turner - Rockin' Wheels

1956 - 54 YEARS

Wayman & Sharon Bradley - Rovin' Texans
Larry & Claudia Cowley - Tumbleweed Sams
Joe & Mrs Culps- Big Country Good Sams
Clarence & Mary Ann Eller - Tejas Travelers
Wayne & Dell Goodman - Simple Sams
C.W. & Mae - Lake Pat Sams
Gene & Barbara Hewett - Golden Rollers
John & Robbie Ladd - Rovin' Texans
Keith & Dorothy Miller - Rio Valley Funtimers
Jerry & Barbara Niles - Trinity Valley Sams
Perry & Pat Smith - Cotton Palace Sams
Edwin & Naomi Spicer - Bay Area Sams
Jim & Donna Stockwell - Collin County Travelers
Arty & Marie Wyatt - Lobolly Sams

1957 - 53 YEARS

Charles & Linda Bednarz - Good Sams Roadrunners
Mere & Linda Block - Lumberjack Sams
Jim & Golda - Chisholm Trail Sams
Frank & Lamanda - Chisholm Trail Sams
James & Hope Jones - Good Sams Roadrunners
Del & Barbara La Dou - High Flyinf Sams
Bobby & Clarice Mangum - Cactus Campers
Travis & Kitten McCormick - Chuck Wagon Sams
McLoy & Martha Medlock - 8th Wonder Wheelers
Clifford & Helen Reed - Sand Dollar Sams
Ust & Gwen Whitman - Yellow Roae Sams

1958 - 52 YEARS

Delbert & JoAnn Ashcraft - Rovin' Texans
Paul & Sylvia Becker - Three Rivers Sams
Bobby & Janice Blackwood - Armadillo Sams
John & Nancy Childers - Brazon Bend Sams
Don & Glenda Dolberry- Rockin' Wheels
Herb & Marilyn Durham - Heavenly Sams
Sydney & Carolyn Ferrell - Trinity Valley
James & Geri Gause - Slow Poke Sams
Boyce & Kate Harold - Abilene Sundowners
Pat & John Harris - Oil City Sams
Don & Edna Hemmingway - Weekend Travlin' Sams



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Don & Judy Hudson - Go Lucky Sams
John & Carol Lloyd - Metro-Tex Sams
Don & Helen Woodard - Sambassadors

1959 - 51 YEARS

Wayne & Lou Brush - Garland Sams
Ed & Charleve Egelarid - Blue Jay Sams

1959 - 51 YEARS (CONTINUED)

Larry & Faye Hartwick - Metro-Tex Sams
Howard & Leta Hatch - Central Planes Sams
JR & Judy Honea - Lumberjack Sams
Walter & Thelma Hudson - Oil City Sams
Bill & Sue Martin - Metro-tex Sams
Ken & Judy McPherson - Lufkin Sams

1959 - 51 YEARS (CONTINUED)

Max & June Perry - Arlington Sams
Lloyd & Nelda Seiver - Pirate Sams
Vernon & Paula Volaw - Heavenly Sams

1960 - 50 YEARS

Don & Debbie Lafitte - Weekend Traveling Sams
Ken & Betty Wood - Lumberjack Sams

IF YOUR 50TH OR MORE WEDDING ANNIVERSARY FOR THE 3TH QUARTER IS NOT LISTED OR IF ANY INFORMATION IS INCORRECT,
PLEASE LET THE STARRITT'S KNOW, BILLY CAN BE REACHED AT 214-536-3653 OR E-MAIL HIM AT bstarritt@sbcglobal.net
OR ANITA at anitastarritt@live.com OR MAIL CORRECTIONS TO US AT 1907 Walter Smith RD. Azle, Tx. 76020

Happy
Anniversary

TEXAS GOOD SAM SPRING SAMBOREE

APRIL 2010

SAND BAG BASEBALL

1ST. PLACE-41
RED JACKS
Dan Raper
Bob Townsend
Carole Townsend
Richard Spore
Jerri Brown
John Perrine
Bobby Sharp
Dianne Cox
Zona Thurman

2ND. PLACE -32
BLACK JACKS
Fran Tucker
Carolyn Parker
Charlene Dyess
Arlene Miessler
Yvonne Robertson
Barbara Niles
Bill Mc Quade
Carol Spainhower
Earl Holtschneider

GOLF

1ST. PLACE-74
Bob Townsend
Ron Jackson
Scott Billington

2ND. PLACE-80
Bob Miller
Bob Johnson
Winston Nickel

BEAN BAG TOSS
SINGLES

MEN
1ST. PLACE-37
Bill Garner
2ND. PLACE-30
Ray Cornelson

WOMEN
1ST. PLACE-20
Peggy Galindo
2ND. PLACE-19
Edel Minter

BEAN BAG TOSS
DOUBLES

MEN
1ST. PLACE-54
Bill Garner
Dan Raper
2ND. PLACE-45
Don Richardson
David Stroup

WOMEN
1ST. PLACE-35
Fay Earls
Charlene Dyess
2ND. PLACE-34
Linda Richardson
Edel Minter

TEXAS GOOD SAM SPRING SAMBOREE

APRIL 2010

BULL TOSS
SINGLES

MEN
1ST. PLACE-15
Jim Minter
2ND. PLACE-11
Scott Billington

WOMEN
1ST. PLACE-8
Denise Frohling
2ND. PLACE-5
Charlene Dyess

BULL TOSS
DOUBLES

MEN
1ST. PLACE-21
Charles Delaney
Jerry Huffman
2ND. PLACE-16
Jim Minter
Frank Miller

WOMEN
1ST. PLACE-12
Mary Lou Stroup
Edel Minter
2ND. PLACE-10
Peggy Galindo
Charlene Dyess

HORSESHOES
SINGLES

MEN
1ST. PLACE-19
Julian Galindo
2ND. PLACE-18
Jim Minter

WOMEN
1ST. PLACE-9
Mary Lou Stroup
2ND. PLACE-7
Denise Frohling

HORSESHOES
DOUBLES

MEN
1ST. PLACE-28
Scott Billington
Julian Galindo
2ND. PLACE-27
Ron Moore
Charles Delaney

WOMES
1ST. PLACE-23
Peggy Galindo
Mary Lou Stroup
2ND. PLACE-13
Denise Frohling
Charlene Dyess

TEXAS GOOD SAM SPRING SAMBOREE

APRIL 2010

WASHER TOSS
SINGLES

MEN
1ST. PLACE-21
Jerry Huffman
2ND. PLACE-21
Jim Minter

WOMEN
1ST. PLACE-13
Angela Doepping
2ND. PLACE-12
Edel Minter

WASHER TOSS
DOUBLES

MEN
1ST. PLACE-49
Marvin Wessels
Jim Minter
2ND. PLACE-41
Roger Winlsek
Edwin Calvert

WOMEN
1ST. PLACE-26
Charlene Dyess
Peggy Galindo
2ND. PLACE-15
Carolyn Ferrell
Edel Minter

GOLF CART RODEO

1ST PLACE-TIME-0:47:78
Carolyn & Chuck Parker

2ND PLACE TIME-0:52:65
Ron & Brenda Moore

BRIDGE

1ST. PLACE-3100
Vernon Chenaworth

2ND. PLACE-2770
Lon Hodge

CHICKEN FOOT

1ST. PLACE
Kathy Jennings

2ND. PLACE
Cal Jennings

DOMINOES DOUBLES

1ST. PLACE
Don Deweese
Marvin Wessels

2ND. PLACE
Eddie Leinweber
George Shuemaker

"42" DOMINOES

1ST. PLACE
Tony Hill
Ralph Wilkerson

2ND. PLACE
Winston Nickel
George Shuemaker

TEXAS GOOD SAM SPRING SAMBOREE

APRIL 2010

HAND & FOOT

1ST. PLACE-6295
Marlene Schwartz
Rod Widrig

2ND. PLACE-6245
Nora Buckner
Janice Tackett

JOKERS

1ST. PLACE
Ann Jackson
George Shuemaker

2ND. PLACE
Barbara Synder
Winston Nickel

SKIP-BO

1ST. PLACE
Carolyn Parker
Jim Barnum

2ND. PLACE
Donna Hill
Carol Spainhower

PET PARADE & CONTEST

CUTEST (WITH OUT COSTUME)

1ST. PLACE
Allie with Marie Hopson

2ND. PLACE
Skipper-with Larry Reich

BEST DRESSED (WITH COSTUME)

1ST. PLACE
Candy Bell with Katherine Page

2^{NS}. PLACE
Bridget with Dodie Schmidt

BEST TRAINED

1ST. PLACE
Sissy with "Grumpy" Smith

2ND. PLACE
Dixie with Jerri Brown

COSTUME PARADE & CONTEST

SINGLES

1ST. PLACE
Janice Ellisor

2ND. PLACE
Sandra Leone

DOUBLES

1ST. PLACE
Sonny & Janice Ellisor

2ND. PLACE
Bill & Yvonne Robertson

GROUPS

1ST. PLACE
Slow Poke Sam's Chapter

2ND. PLACE
None

AREA 1**AUTUMN TRAILS**

No reports

LAKE COUNTRY RV TRAVELERS

The chapter met in **March** at Lazy L RV Park in Sherman with 11 member rigs and 1 drive-in. Jimmie Young was chosen queen at the St. Patrick's Day festivities.

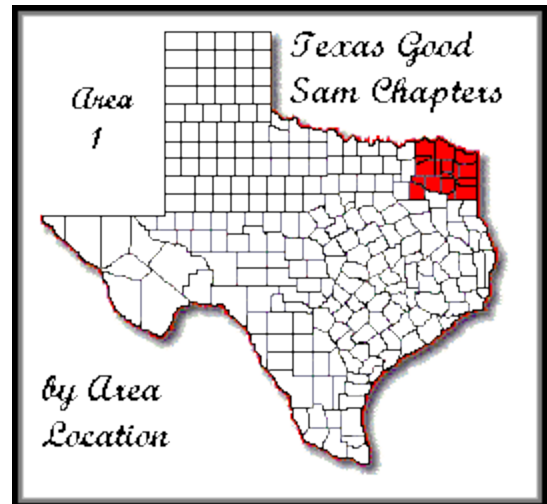
Following a delicious supper served by Jewel McGraw, there was a hat contest won by Dorothy Arrington and Garland Mabe. Eleven member rigs and 1 drive-in came to Lake Ridge RV Park in Gun Barrel City in **April**. Lots of bargains were found at garage sales, Lowes, antique stores, and the Mennonite Bakery in Kemp. Everyone had a good time playing card bingo with white elephant items as prizes. The **May** camp out was at Camp Tonkawa Springs in Garrison with 8 member rigs present. The Arringtons and Cryers prepared a great fish fry on Friday night. The group picked up trash on Saturday for the annual Good Sam trash pickup. Mel Kidd took 47 canned goods to the Lindale Methodist Church pantry. Staway Ranch in Murchison was the location for the **June** camp out. Eight member rigs and 1 guest rig attended. Lots of good food, game playing and going to garage sales and antique shops were enjoyed by everyone. The Sunday morning devotional was a tribute to fathers given by Jewel McGraw.

LOBLOLLY SAMs

The camp out for **May** was at Salmon Lake in Grapeland. There was a fish fry on Friday night hosted by the Halls and Tindles.

PLEASANT SAMs

The **March** meeting was held at Alley Creek with 6 rigs. The Neals, Dalbys, and Ted and Nancy attended the Samboree in Waco. Recognition of donations for Special Olympics and Dogs for the Deaf was given by Jan Dalby. Rocky Point was the site of the **April** camp out with 9 rigs. Only 3 rigs went to Hawkins for the **May** meeting. There were a lot of people on the disabled list. The **June** meeting was held at Watts RV with 4 rigs. Nancy Owsley read a letter from the Carneys and Neals about the Sept. mini-rally in Canton. Everyone is encouraged to attend and enjoy the fun and fellowship.

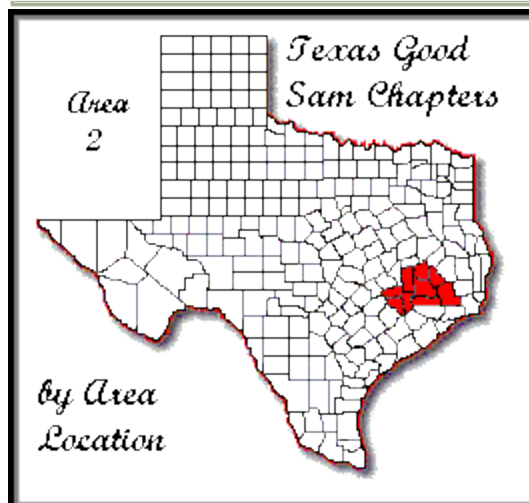


AREA 2

COOL SAMS

The **MARCH** campout was held at Coushatta Recreation Ranch at Bellville and members stayed for the Mini Rally with fifteen member rigs and we needed everyone there to help with the spaghetti dinner to be sold as a fundraiser for the chapter and manning the registration table for the Area 2-12-15 Mini Rally. A total of 131 tickets were sold for the dinner. Members agreed to donate left over packages of uncooked spaghetti to the Ronald McDonald House. Almost everyone in the chapter won during the silent auction, door prizes or Lucky 13 game. The chapter voted to donate two \$15.00 door prizes at the Samboree and to donate \$500.00 to Special Olympics at the Samboree. The **APRIL** campout was held at the Spring Samboree in Waco with twenty-one members, twelve rigs. Rita Hopkins made jockey hats for everyone to go along with the theme of the Samboree. She cut the bills smaller and covered the hats with black and white sparkly material. We got so many compliments when we wore them on Saturday with our black and white penguin shirts. Members had a table at the flea market on Saturday, only two small boxes of leftovers went to Goodwill at the end of the sale. Golden Corral was the place to eat and have an informal meeting. Alice Vickers played "Easter Bunny" and gave everyone an Easter treat. Jennifer and Jeff Hoemberg took time out of their busy schedules to join us for the meal. Terry Zimmerman was a big winner during the "Price is Right" game. Al and Marilyn Eisenberg, Carol Sloan and Rita & Marc Hopkins became jockeys riding their stick horses during the horse race game. Several members also won door prizes. The place to be in **MAY** was at Jellystone R V Park at Canyon Lake with twenty-six members. Jennifer and Jeff Hoemberg drove in on Saturday to visit. Nick and Lois Samuel's son Sammy came to visit. Jack and Martha Shields son, Robert, grandson and great granddaughter had a nice visit with them. One day members went to Gruene and had lunch at the Grist Mill Restaurant. Then we walked around visiting several antique shops. It is really a neat town and has been restored beautifully. Several members went on a walk to the Canyon Lake Gorge and heard an informative talk about the geological finds and fossils there. Some took a walk along the river. Some of the ladies went to the outlet mall. On Saturday night all attended a very good show with Cowboys (brothers) singing and who also served us a delicious barbeque brisket dinner. The meeting for **JUNE** was at Sonny's R V Park at Lexington with nine members. Sam Samuel made everyone Blue Bell strawberry ice cream cones. Friday night everyone went to eat at Elm Creek Café. Saturday the group went on a tour of some historic cabins in town. Saturday morning David Stroud made pancakes and Don Boldman cooked bacon.

LONE STAR SAMS



AREA 2 (continued)

The **Lone Star Sam's** chapter was chartered on **April 29, 1980**.

Members went to Primrose Lane R V Park at Bryan/Collage Station in **FEBRUARY**. Tuesday all went out to the Texas A & M College of Veterinary Medicine. Dr. Guy Sheppard gave an in-depth tour of all aspects of animal medicine starting with the first year of study to all the specializations in both small and large animals. After two hours everyone was pleasingly surprised and tired. Wednesday after a great dinner, we went to the Messina-Hof Winery for a visit. We had an education in the proper way to taste wines. Ann & Ira Atkinson and Mary & Gene Ward were the hosts. Members went to Coushatta Recreation Ranch at Bellville for the meeting and the Area 2-12-15 Mini Rally in **MARCH** with ten rigs plus Lois. Bill Parmley and Bob Johnson were on the 1st place team in the Golf tournament. Ron Jackson, Jack Calvert and Les Covington were on the 2nd place team in the Golf tournament. Thursday at the Lucky 13 game Shirley Covington and Bill Denton both won a \$40 pot. Friday the chapter members sold Frito Pie and cookie bars at the rally for the chapter fundraiser and they send thanks for everyone that helped. Saturday at the silent auction drawing several were winners. What a great job members did helping to serve the evening meal to about 240 people. In **APRIL** six member rigs rolled in for the Texas Spring Samboree to be honored for their chapters 30 years award presentation. One Wednesday a trip to the Homestead Heritage Village was enjoyed. We took their tour and ate one great lunch. Every rig won a door prize at the Samboree everything from dinners, tools, and cash. At the last 5 minutes on Saturday night Bob Townsend won money in a 50/50 pot drawing. Ann Jackson won 1st place in Jokers, Ron Jackson & Bob Townsend was on the 1st place team in Golf, Bob Johnson was on the 2nd place team in Golf, Carole & Bob Townsend was on the 1st place team in Sandbag Baseball, Arlene Miessler was on the 2nd place team, Arlene & Tom Miessler set a record in the Blind Golf Cart Rodeo, Bob & Lori Johnson's "Abby was in the Pet Parade & Contest. The **May** campout was at Watersedge R V Park at Rockport with nine rigs. Bill & Dorothy Denton and Bertie & Ned Davidson were hosts. Northshore R V Park in **JUNE** was where members went for the fun and fellowship. There were eight rigs. Tom & Mary Terry and Charlie & Emma Nell Hirschfield were the hosts.

PIONEERS

The **Pioneers** chapter was chartered on **April 26, 1980**.

SLOW POKE SAMS

The campout in **MARCH** was at Coushatta Recreation Ranch before the Mini Rally Nita Bruemmer and Mary Whitmire was the hostess. There were eleven rigs and one walk-up. A badly needed repair to our Memorial Wishing Well at Coushatta Ranch was done by the men. Thanks for a job well done. A good time was had by everyone at the Area 2-12-15 Mini Rally. Lloyd Feaks won 1st place in the domino competition, Carroll Harris was on the 1st place team in the Golf Tournament and Jay Black placed 2nd in Horseshoes. The chapter sold Sloppy Joe's and Cobbler and Ice Cream and our \$50 Shirt was a big success. Thanks to all! Artesian R V Park was the campout place in **APRIL** with Bubba & Duke Hanna and Weldon & Marti Mumma as hosts for ten member rigs.

AREA 2 (continued)

On Tuesday the lunch at Volare's was the place to be. A good time was had by all who attended the Samboree in Waco. Our Texas Derby skit was a lot of fun and we even won 1st place metals. The campout in **MAY** was at Columbus R V Park with "The Men" as hosts with eleven member rigs and one guest rig. At the campout we made 50 dolls for the preemies in the Herman Hospital Neonatal Center. We collected food and clothing and delivered them to the Focusing Families, also collected and mailed a care package to our service man and women. The men cooked and served the ladies a wonderful Mother's Day brunch. Members went to Northshore R V Park for the **JUNE** meeting with Carroll & Gloria Harris and Leonard & Kathy Mitchan as hosts.

TRINITY VALLEY SAMS

The meeting in **FEBRUARY** was at Camp Tonkawa Springs near Garrison with ten member rigs and the hosts were Fran & Don Goettee and Patsy & Joe Wallace. The door prize was won by Sonny & Glenda Roberts, it was one of Martha Gages wind chimes that she makes. The meeting was held in **MARCH** at the Mini Rally at Coushatta Ranch at Bellville with eight member rigs and four guests. The door prize was won by Jerry & Barbara Niles, a clock with time and the day of the week. This was given by Sonny & Glenda Roberts. The chapter members sold bottle water and soft drinks for our charities at the Mini Rally, the money will be divided between Special Olympics and Dogs for the Deaf, along with our regular donations. The members donated \$15 cash for a Mini Rally Door Prize. Jo Nell Lacku was a winner of a door prize. Everyone except three members was Silent Auction winners. The Silent Auction is the main money raiser for the Mini Rally's expenses. There were 146 rigs at the Mini Rally. Game winners for our chapter are: Don Goettee, 1st place in 42, Sidney Ferrell 1st place in Single Dominoes and on the 2nd place team in the Sandbag Baseball, Fay Earls and Glenda Roberts were on the 1st place team in Sandbag Baseball game. Magnolia Lake R V Park was the place of choice for the **APRIL** campout with eleven rigs and 1 drive-in. A thank you was given to the hosts Barbara & Jerry Niles and Fay & Fred Earls. Jerry and Fred did great on the barbequed brisket and chicken. Those members attending "The Texas Derby" at the Texas Spring Samboree in Waco had lots of winners in games, drawing and door prizes. They are: Barbara Niles on the 2nd place team in Sandbag Baseball and "The Price is Right" game as a contestant she won an Electric inverter and on the pricing of grocery game won a \$25 Wal-Mart Gift Card, Carolyn Ferrell won 2nd place in Washers Doubles, James & Sylvia Morgan won a \$20 Gift Card from Casa Ole, Fay Earls won 1st place in women's Bean Bag Doubles, and in the receipt drawing won a Pet Directory and Metric Deep Sockets Set, and a coffee mug as a door prize, and as a contestant on TPIR won a plastic cutting sheet and as a First Timer at the Samboree won one year free Good Sam membership. Bill & Yvonne Robertson won 2nd place in the "Costume Contest", Bill won 1st place as a jockey in the horse races and Yvonne was on the 2nd place team in the Sandbag Baseball game, they won an R V Repair book and a Road Atlas in the door Prize drawing, Sonny Roberts won money in a 50/50 drawing from one of the chapter raffle. We all had a good time. Karen Mc Abee and Dwayne are doing a great job as Texas Good Sam Directors. Everything is kept on schedule and a lot of new fun activities are in

AREA 2 (continued)

the program. If a suggestion or problem comes up Karen is right on it, trying to solve or correct it. The Texas Fall Samboree will be in Abilene on October 21-24, 2010 with the theme of "Bavarian Oktoberfest". If you want information on Good Sam activities on your computer go to texasgoodsam.com, this takes you to the home page which is self explanatory. Al Hoffman, Chaplain, would like to know about illnesses or hospitalizations of members or friends so he can visit or call them. Jerry & Barbara Niles brought Wind Chimes for the Door Prize which was won by Karl & Lauren Yust. The campout in **MAY** was at Whispering Creek at Newton with ten rigs. Roma & Ed Krejei and Fran & Don Goettee were the hosts, and were given a big thank you. Al & Ann Hoffman won the door prize, a heated foot massager given by Karl & Lauren Yust, Darrell Wheeler owner of Magnolia Lake R V Park at Goodrich had a stroke in May he received medical attention fast enough that he is doing OK and was to go home. Carolyn & Sidney Ferrell and Glenda & Sonny Roberts were the hosts at Country Place R V Park at Cut-N-Shoot in **JUNE**. The hosts will furnish fish and hushpuppies for a Fish Fry and the others will furnish the fixing's to go along with them.

WEEKEND TRAVLING SAMS

A warm welcome was given to the new member Andy Barazie. Members went to Coushatta Ranch for the campout and Mini Rally in **MARCH**. The members sold Red Beans & Rice on Thursday at noon for a chapter fundraiser, also was in charge of the Bull Toss game on Friday. All had a good time at the Mini Rally. Our team cooked up 30 lbs of red beans with sausage and 30 lbs of rice. We cooked for around 150 people. Everything turned out great! Saturday afternoon was the Silent Auction that everyone looks forward to. As always Julie Raley was one of the big winners. We were so proud of her. Linda & Rex Moore and Don & Debbye LaFitte got their names called for a door prize, but they were not there to collect their prize. Howard Nelius and Crew cooked a great meal for Saturday night. Evenly Ramsey helped cook and serve the dinner, as she always does. Don LaFitte also helped with preparing the food and serving. Joe & Carolyn Lake came and joined us for dinner. the chapter members and the **Bay Area Sams** campout was at Artesia R V Park in **APRIL**. After a short get acquainted time we went for Mexican food at El Charro's. When we got back to camp we met in the rec room and played games and visited. Saturday most of us went into Burton for the "Cotton Gin Festival". The parade started off the festival at 10:00 am, afterwards each went their on way to wander through the food booths, crafts, music, petting zoo and to the tractor pull. There was something for all. Saturday night everyone met at the rec room for potluck, after supper the two chapters had their business meetings and after that more games and visiting. Joceil Southward had been in the "Mrs. Alvin" contest on Friday and won Runner-Up. She performed her song while accompanying herself on the guitar for our enjoyment. Linda Moore, Debbye LaFitte, Gerry Lynch and Edna Hemmingway taught the Bay Areas Sams girls how to play "Five Crowns" card game. We had a great time teaching them the game. On Sunday we met for an inspiring devotional given by Hazel Hance, member of the Bay Areas Sams, and they also served a delicious breakfast for everyone. For the meeting and campout in **MAY** was at Bayside R V Park at Palacios with both chapters going together for the fun and fellowship. Pizza

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was ordered for supper on Friday and then getting ready for some game playing. Saturday night was potluck. Dutch Denwiddie was outside cooking a peach cobbler in his Dutch oven on the tailgate of his truck, he gets the prize for the biggest peach cobbler. Boy was it good! He also made some delicious bread. Rex Moore cooked all afternoon long making Sausage & Chicken Jambalaya. Wesley Lynch made a great roast. And Peggy Fulton fixed a delicious pork loin. We had Taco's, all kinds of salads, to many casseroles to list and the dessert table was about to fall down with all the goodies. After supper the chapters had their business meetings. Don LaFitte reported on the Mini Rally in **MARCH 2011**. The theme will "Be Searching for Spring". Men and women are asked to join in the Hat Contest to be held at the Mini Rally. On Sunday we met in the rec room for breakfast and Peggy Fulton, our host for the weekend, gave an inspiring talk. A big fishing trip was planned and enjoyed when the members went to Garcita's Creek R V Park at Inez in **JUNE**. Rex Moore made arrangements for the group to go fishing at a Catfish farm in Inez Saturday morning. Instead of pot luck Saturday night a fish fry was planned. Rex and Linda Moore's daughter Debbie, son-in-law Mike and granddaughter Lauren, Gerry Lynch son Robert and wife Jennifer and grandson Tray came to camp with us. The Lynn Moore family came to fish with us, so we had quite a caravan going out to the fishing hole. At first we were pulling in small fish and then the big one's started biting. In all we caught over 200+ lbs of catfish. A big thanks to Rex for planning the trip to fish and to Wesley Lynch for frying the catfish and hushpuppies for supper. Sunday morning we all met in the rec room for a Blueberry pancake and sausage breakfast provided by Rex and Linda Moore.

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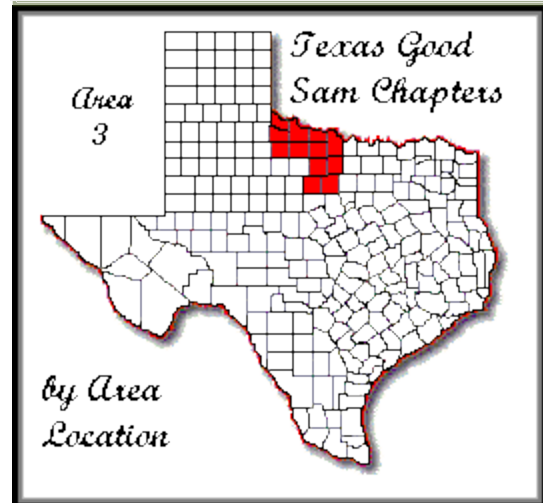
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CRACKERTOWN SAM

Red Willow RV Park in Chico was the site for the **March** meeting; there were 10 rigs, 1 member in a cabin, and 1 drive-in. Final plans were made for the April mini-rally. Orders were taken for new chapter shirts by Nancy Thomas. The **April** meeting was held at the mini-rally in Chico with 14 rigs present and 1 drive-in. A discussion was held on finding some new locations for the camp outs next year and to find another location for Nov. since Sanger has closed. Everyone was enjoying making new friends, playing games, and working to make the mini-rally a success. There were 41 rigs registered from the 3 chapters in the area. Fifteen rigs attended the **May** camp out in Thackerville, OK. Nancy Thomas gave out the new shirts and everyone was really pleased with them. Karen McAbee and Dean Ritchey are candidates for State Director and the chapter will be voting in July. Wichita Falls RV Park was the site of the **June** camp out with 12 rigs attending. Larry Dorman was voted in as vice-president to fill that vacancy. The Smiths and Sharps did a great job hosting. There was lots of visiting and game playing since it was so hot to be outdoors. The men did another great job fixing the Sunday breakfast for everyone.



MESQUITE-ERS

There were 14 rigs at the **April** mini-rally in Chico. Everyone had a good time and enjoyed the pleasant weather. There was enough wind for John and Glenn to get their kites out, but of course, the wind vanished when they were ready to fly them. Norma and Emit Davis have gotten a new trailer and joined us again. Blackie Sanders was remembered at the Sunday devotional. Jenna and Russell Bradley won the Oldie Wed game, just beating out Bob and Marcella Watson, owners of the campground. The **May** camp out at Trader's Village was cancelled due to lack of participation. The Bradleys invited everyone to their home on May 15th for the meeting, lunch, and game playing. Thirteen rigs went to Duncan, OK for the **June** camp out. The Chisholm Trail Heritage Center is a great museum. Everyone had a good time playing games. The Bradleys will be hosting a shrimp boil at their home on Lake Nocona on July 4th for all that can come.

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ROCKIN' WHEELS

The **March** camp out was in Duncan, OK, hosted by Janet Fillmore and the Zacharys. Plans were finalized for the meal that the chapter is in charge of for the mini-rally and other responsibilities. The mini-rally was the site of the **April** meeting in Chico. The meal was a

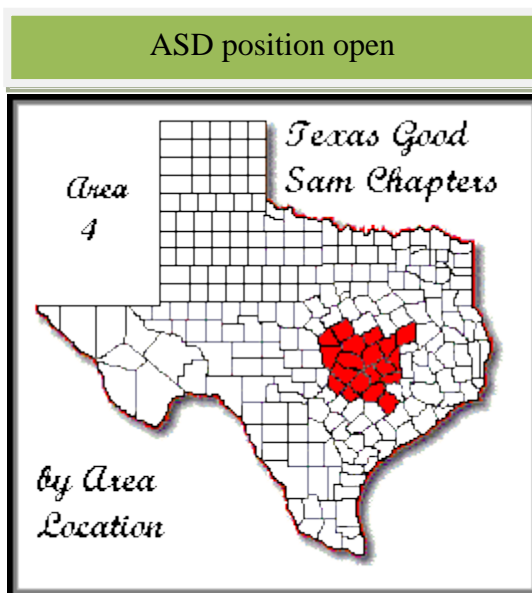
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rousing success and everyone did a great job pitching in and helping. Peggy and Skip Hill were voted in as new members. Many of our members won awards in the games that were played. The **May** meeting was in Elk City, OK. There was some stormy weather, but everyone had a great time playing games and enjoying the wonderful food. There were 11 rigs and 2 drive- ins at the **June** camp out at Red Willow RV Park in Chico. Lots of good food and fellowship made a perfect outing.

Area 4

Armadillo Sams - In **April**, the Armadillo Sams met at Lake Falling star RV park in McMahan, Texas. A wonderful time was had by all members. With all the fun and fellowship this chapter experiences, each time a member attends a camp out, a member and/or guest leaves with such a feeling of warmth. In **May**, the destination of the group was Lake Falling Star RV Resort.

The weather was a bit windy, but was lovely and very pleasant in the shade. The lake was full and picturesque. In **June**, the chapter met at Miller Creek RV Park. Early bird arrivals were Billie Rusk, the Evans and Al Miller. Joining everyone on Friday were the Broddricks, Byron's Arvie Heron, the Johns, the Sutherlands, the Swails and Don Williams. Friday's activities included games of Mexican Train, Skip-Bo, Pinochle and Racho. Saturday morning included Texas waffles prepared and served by the park owners. In June, the chapter members lost one of their own, Ruth Young, who will sorely missed by all. For information on this chapter please visit their website at www.armadillo.texasgoodsam.com



Blue Jay Sams - In **April**, the Blue Jay Sams met during the Texas Spring Samboree. A tailgate party was held the first evening and everyone had a great time enjoying the company of their fellow chapter members. John Perrine and Jerri Brown were on the 1st place beanbag baseball team. Carolyn Parker was on the 2nd place team. Also winning games badges during the Samboree were Vern Chenoweth for 1st place in Bridge and the Parkers won 1st place in Golf Cart Rodeo. Door prizes were also won by the Browns, Parkers & Perrines. In **May**, the Blue Jays met for another great camp out where the Chenoweths and Broadstreets served as hosts. There was, as always, lots of eating, game playing, fellowship and a bit of shopping. In **June**, the chapter met at Coushatte RV Ranch in Bellville. The rustic campground provided a wonderful opportunity to sit around all of the natural elements of the park and enjoy lots of chit chat among the members, as well as lots of time to play games.

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Cen-Tex Sams - The **April** camp out for the Cen-Tex Sams was held during the Texas Spring Samboree where four (4) rigs attended. The Area 4 flag was carried by President Andrea Villareal. The Chapter proudly made their pledge to Dogs for the Deaf. Members Georgia, Mary Jane and Terry enjoyed all of the line dancing opportunities. Also, in April, the members of this chapter lost a friend of the chapter, Carols Grote. In **May**, the chapter met at Johnson Creek RV Park in Ingram. A good time was had by all that attended.

Chisholm Trail Good Sams - In **April**, the chapter met at Lake Whitney RV Community on Lake Whitney. There were twelve (12) member rigs in attendance. The Chapter made a memorial donation in the name of Merlin Griffin to the West Texas Rehab Center in Abilene and a memorial donation in the name of Ed and June Volkmer to Dogs for the Deaf. In **May**, the Chisholm Trail members met at Dixieland RV Park in Carmine with the Boyds and Cantrells hosting. Thirteen (13) members answered roll call for this camp out. The weather although a bit windy was very nice all three (3) days. Bill Hayes presented an interesting and inspirational devotional. All members had a great time and enjoyed all of the fun and company of their fellow members. In **June**, the chapter met at Sonny's RV Park in Lexington where there were fourteen (14) member rigs in attendance. You may find more information on this chapter at their website www.ctgs.texasgoodsam.com

Heart-O-Texas Sams - In **April**, the chapter members met and enjoyed all the fun and activities. The hosts, Ron and Gayle did an outstanding job and provided the members a little "different" opportunity to experience an outdoor devotional, under the trees, on Saturday evening. On Sunday morning, the hosts prepared a wonderful breakfast consisting of Belgian waffles, scrambled eggs, ham, juice and coffee. Needless to say, no one left hungry. In **May**, the group meet at Salmon Lake RV Park in Grapeland and Ed and Jean served as hosts. Ed fell ill and Mary W. Stepped up and completed the breakfast. There were nine (9) member rigs and two (2) guests rigs in attendance. Since the Gospel/Bluegrass Festival was scheduled to start on Friday evening, the chapter decided to hold their camp out on Wednesday and Thursday. Several of the members went sightseeing, went to yard sales and, of course, played games. In **June**, the chapter met at Colorado Landing in LaGrange. The hosts, Del and Marie provided an excellent breakfast on Saturday morning. Despite the heat, everyone enjoyed getting together for the camp out. Guests included John and Barbara Perrine and their daughter, Emily as well as Al's daughter, Margie and her husband John Lawhorn. For information on this chapter please visit their website at www.hot@texasgoodsam.com

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Highland Lakes Good Sams - In **March**, the chapter met at Bandera's Skyline RV Park with fourteen (14) rigs present. A celebration of the March birthdays was conducted by the signing of Happy Birthday to Daryl Edwards, Benny Locklear, Sam Stubblefield, Otis Moore, Wanda Raby, Jack and Barbara Collinsworth. In April, the chapter meet at Bastrop RV Park. There were fourteen (14) rigs present. There was only one birthday to celebrate so everyone sang the birthday song (or, at least attempted to since Jerry wasn't there to lead) to birthday boy Don Roberts. Following a bit of laughter, Don thanked everyone for the song. In **April**, several of the members went to the Texas Spring Samboree. During the Samboree, the Chapter received their thirty-five (35) year Anniversary Certificate. George entered the Jokers and the 42 competition, taking 1st place in jokers and 2nd place in dominoes and 42. George also entered his pet in the cutest dog contest. In **May**, the Highland Lakes Good Sams met at Qual Springs RV Park in Uvalde. Jerry Nelson led the chapter in prayer and Scott West led them in the pledge of allegiance to the U.S. and Texas flags. There were seventeen (17) rigs present. Another great turn out by the chapter members. In **June**, the group met at Peach Country RV Park in Stonewall. The hosts, Daryl and Melba Edwards and Elton and Bobbie Jean Brigham, did an outstanding job. There were fifteen (15) rigs present to enjoy the fun and fellowship of their friends. Jerry was back to lead the signing of Happy Birthday to Marilyn Moore, Waymon Davis, Sharron Locklear and Melba Edwards.

Lone Star Travelers - In **March**, the chapter met at Sonny's RV Park in Lexington with seven (7) rigs answering roll call. The members snacked a little, played games and enjoyed the company of their fellow members. During the Samboree in **April**, there were three (3) rigs present. Door prizes were won by all in attendance from the chapter and game winners included Jim Barnum for Skip-Bo and President Carl Vertrees took home a winning place in the Texas Derby Pony Races. In **May**, the chapter met at American RV Park in Corsicana where they enjoyed a lasagna dinner on Friday evening. The members of this chapter also participate in a Chapter men's breakfast every Tuesday morning at a local restaurant and the ladies participate in a Ladies' Luncheon on the second Tuesday of each month, also at a local restaurant. Although the chapter did not meet for a camp out during the month of **June**, the members met at Cove House to present them with six (6) fans for the needling.

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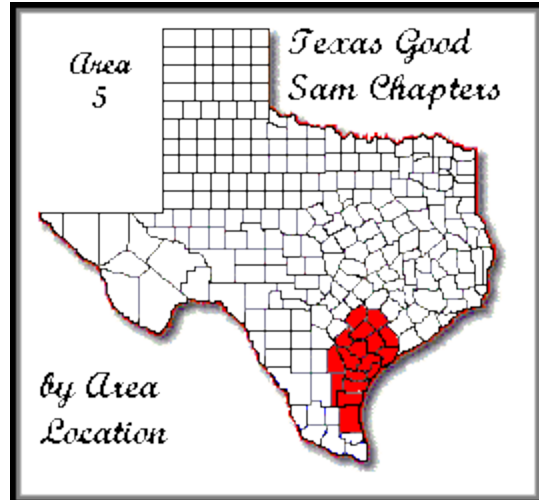
Rigs-a-Mortis - In **April**, the chapter met at Bluff Trails RV near Ingram. There were twelve (12) member rigs and one (1) guest rig in attendance. Newest members, Georgette and Jerry Whitworth were voted in. As always, there was lots of fun, games and fellowship at the camp out. Also in April, the chapter attended the Samboree. President Joane was a contestant on The Texas Price is Right. Although Joane didn't make it to the final game, she had a great time participating and experienced a 1st Place win in the Texas Derby Hat Contest and proudly wears her winning pin. In **May**, the chapter met at LakeFalling Star RV Park. There were eighteen (18) member rigs present and one (1) guest rig. The lake was at full capacity with lots of birds visting the waters. Although the weather was warm during the weekend, it was not overwhelming and everyone had a great time. The hosts decided to have a hot dog cookout and pot luck on Friday evening rather than everyone driving to a local restaurant. The cook out was followed by a game of bean-bag baseball. For information on this chapter, please visit their website at www.rigs-a-mortis.texasgoodsam.com.

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BLUFF STUFF SAMS

The **Bluff Stuff Sams** chapter was chartered in **May, 1980**.

In **April** members enjoyed the campout at Seawind R V Park at Riviera with sixteen members enjoying the time together with the hosts John and Pat Groom. Friday night everyone went out to eat. Saturday most of the women went shopping at Kingsville and enjoying the soda fountain at an old time Drug store. The men had their own errands and ideas of taking it easy. The barbeque and sausage meal with delicious sides was great. The place to be in **May** was at Pioneer R V Park in Port Aransas with Jim & Mary Falwells as hosts. The **June** campout was hosted by L. A. and Susie Zdanskys at the Wilderness R V Park in Mathis. This campout was a celebration of 30 years of **Bluff Stuff Sams** members having fun and fellowship through the years. A plaque was given to honor Jerry and Carolyn, who are the owners of Wilderness, as honorary members of the chapter. They have been very accommodating, helpful, and good friends to members over the years.



RICE BELT SAMS

Flatonia R V Ranch was where the members went for the meeting in **March** with thirteen rigs two drive-ins and one guest. June and Jimmy Farmer were thanked for being the host. In **April** members went to Wildness Lakes R V Park at Mathis with Vivian and Leon Bennett as hosts.

SPARKLING CITY GOOD SAMS

The last of **December** and the first of **January** members went to River Shade R V Park at Seguin. In **February** the campout was at Stone Creek R V Park at Schertz. The weather was cold and dreary during the campout, but Barbara Middleton came through with her homemade stew to warm all of us up. Barbara also brought 2 delicious cakes. Everyone forget about the cold and rainy weather. Genell & Mel Schoech and Bernice & J. A. Wiederanders were hosts. The place to be in **March** was at River Shade R V Park in Seguin with Reba Wells and Earl & Ruby Nesloney serving as hosts with ten rigs rolling in for the campout. On Friday members went to have lunch at Clear Springs. Jane & Ed Kronke were visitors at this campout. The **April** meeting was at The Lagoons in Rockport with hosts Leon & Edith Harris, Raymon & Betty Watkins and Bob &

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Nickey Sanning. In **May** members went to Quail Springs R V Park in Uvalde. Reba & Bill Staff and Clara & Marvin Aduddell were thanked for being the hosts. There were thirteen member rigs plus one couple stayed in a motel. The campout in **June** was at Dad's R V Park in Victoria. A total of fourteen rigs rolled in for the campout with the hosts Martha & Jerell Fromme and Bo & Joe Coufal.

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RIO VALLEY FUNTIMERS

The **Rio Valley Funtimers** was chartered in **June, 1986**.

Members went to Wilderness Lake R V Park in **April**. Fourteen people enjoyed Wally Bennett's spaghetti. The campout in **May** was at Sea Wind R V Resort near Rivera with thirteen people. Bob and Shirley Whalen fixed a great breakfast of fruit and biscuits and gravy. Friday evening Pee Wee Prather baked Lemon Pepper Salmon, there were no left over from either meal. One evening members drove to Joe Cotton's BBQ in Robstown. Sea Breeze R V Park in Portland was place that the members went in **June** with nine members and guest Ron Hammer and Pat Suhling. Our guests served us breakfast one morning. On Thursday a drive to Rockport to eat at the Big Fisherman was enjoyed. The Corpus Christi area was checked out on Friday.

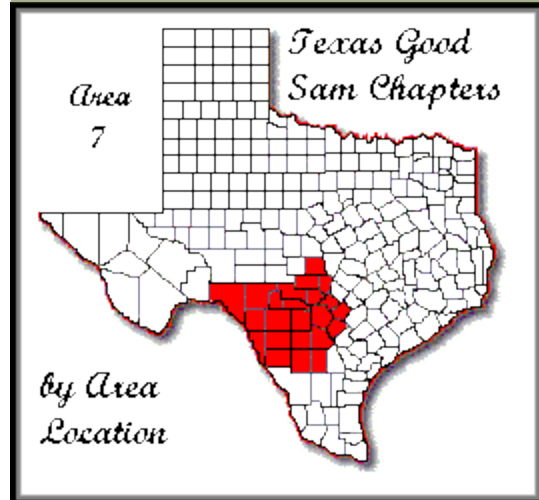


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AMISTAD SAMS held a Chapter dinner/meeting in **May**. Members voted on the two candidates for State Director. Also, a motion was made that their Chapter would not have formal meetings during the months of June, July and August. The members present voted on this motion and motion carried. The **Amistad's** editor and husband, Tina and Wilson Tyler, will be traveling in June to

South Carolina and will not be back in Texas until the middle of July. They were sorry that they could not make the Spring Samboree but are looking forward to perhaps attending the Fall Samboree. Hope the **Amistad Sams** have a good summer!



BLUEBONNET GOOD SAMS held their **April** Campout at Canyon Trail Resort in San Marcos on April 11th, 12th and 13th. Members present were: Eddie and LaVelle Leinweber, Al and Lucille Stremmel and Bob Kunesh and Lorraine Abfalter. Jerry Mathis drove in on Tuesday the 12th. Al and Lucille Stremmel's son, who lives in close proximity to the RV Park, visited them on a couple of occasions. The normal business meeting was held on Tuesday the 12th. There were no "other than normal" items discussed. Al and Marguerite Meinhardt observed an anniversary during the Month of April. They held their **May** Campout at Road Runner RV Park in Johnson City on May 3rd, 4th and 5th. Members present were: Al and Lucille Stremmel, Bob Kunesh and Lorraine Abfalter and Al and Rita Ennis. There were no drive-ins. Due to limited number of attendees no business meeting was held on Tuesday. Although no official meeting was held, there was discussion concerning the June Campout. At the present time it does not appear there will be but two rigs (depending on Eddie Leinweber's health), so the June Campout might be cancelled. There will be no newsletter for the months of June and July since the **Bluebonnet's** editor and wife, Al and Rita Ennis will be visiting the Western Part of the USA during those months. Hope they have a wonderful trip!

The **CACTUS CAMPERS** celebrated 35 YEARS in **APRIL!** How cool is that? Yep, their Chapter is 35 years old and still going strong. Not many Good Sam Chapters in Texas have been around longer than this Chapter. They were recognized for this accomplishment at the Spring Samboree in Waco the 1st weekend of **April**. Representing the Chapter to receive the 35th Year Certificate were Chapter President, Bob Elder, and wife, Bonnie. Also attending were Bob and Clarice Mangum. A look of panic flashed across State Directors, Karen and Dwayne McAbee, faces as they looked down at the table holding the certificates

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and realized they did not have a certificate for **CACTUS CAMPERS**. They quickly recovered and went forward with the presentation. Guess someone went out to General Dollar and bought another certificate (Ha!Ha!) as the correct certificate was soon given to Bob and was proudly displayed at the Chapter rally held the 2nd weekend of **April** at Johnson Creek in Ingram. On Friday, they held a luncheon at Mamacita's Restaurant in Kerrville. It was an especially festive event as many previous Chapter members attended as well. There were many stories shared by all. The **CACTUS CAMPTERS** held their **May** rally at Watersedge RV Park in Rockport. They ate many pounds of boiled shrimp! Image that?! In Rockport no less!?! Everybody enjoyed a good time...except the shrimp. Unfortunately, Bob and Bonnie Elder's guest got on one of the side streets coming into Watersedge RV Park and hit both A/Cs on a tree. Ouch!! Unable to get a repairman out to the park, they couldn't stay without A/C. With much regret, they headed back home. Bummer! Those #!*? trees in Rockport have gotten several A/Cs over the years. The **June** rally was cancelled due to lack of interest. There are no scheduled rallies for July, August and September. Their Newsletter Editor, Bob Mangum, does a very interesting newsletter but way too much information for us to re-type. (Ha!Ha!) With pictures as well. Maybe he should post their newsletter on their website on the **TEXAS GOOD SAMS** website. What do you think Bob? We know you'll do a great job!

The **CANYON SAMS** held their **April** adventure (campout) at the Ransom Road RV Park in Aransas Pass. It is with great sadness that their friend and Chapter member Wayne Jaeger went to be with the Lord on April 19th. He will be greatly missed. They held their **May** adventure at Quail Springs RV Park in Uvalde. Their **June** adventure was held at the Texas 281 RV Park in Bulverde. Their Newsletter Editor, George Wangerow, does a very interesting newsletter but way too much information for us to re-type. (Ha!Ha!) With pictures as well. Maybe he should post their newsletter on their website on the **TEXAS GOOD SAMS** website. What do you think George? We know you'll do a great job! We want to welcome their new members, Monty and Vicki Stanley, who joined last quarter. They were asked to chair their recruiting committee. WELCOME!! And a good job they are going since they have new members this quarter as well. We want to welcome their newest members, Clifton and Merle Kaderli. WELCOME!!

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GO LUCKY SAMS held their **April** Campout at Oakwood R.V. Resort in Fredericksburg. Wagon Masters were Jim and Dixie Carter. They did an outstanding job. Entertainment included the Trades Days, Rockbox, Wild Seed Farm, and Wild Flower Festival in Johnson City. A wild flower drive tour was also available. Everyone enjoyed a lot of rain, food and table games. There were 13 Rigs and 1 drive-in. Members attending were Jim and Dixie Carter, Earl and Carolyn Crawford, Dave and Glenna Croft, Marcus and Jan Frazier, Ken and Bernice Hanson, Don and Judy Hudson, Frank and Barbara Isom, Tom and Rita Roach, Edgar and Theresa Smith, Hugh and Diane Tuttle, H.L. and Judy Warren. Their guest attending was Edgar and Marianne James and Richard and Grace Van Klaveren. Their **May** Campout was held at Artesian R.V. Park in Brenham. Wagon Masters were Judy and Don Hudson, who had provided a delicious meal of baked chicken, potato salad, borracho beans and a scrumptious dessert with ice cream. Side dishes were contributed by the other members present. Don served Mango slush's for Happy Hour on Saturday. There were 7 rigs present including one guest. Members attending were Tom and Rita Roach, Marcus and Jan Frazier, Don and Judy Hudson, Hugh and Diane Tuttle, Edgar and Theresa Smith, and John and Barbara Singleton. This was the third visit for guests Edgar and Marianne James. However, there was not a quorum present for voting on accepting them as members, but ballots were passed out to those present to vote and the rest of the membership will be polled by Tom Roach, Chapter President. Ron and Jeanette will remain on the membership list, but will not have Wagon Master's duties due to health issues. There was a discussion about the rules concerning making a donation to the Sequin Pregnancy Center. The matter will be tabled until they hear from the Texas Good Sam and National. Everyone enjoyed the May Festival and a trip to Blue Bell Ice Cream Factory. Richard and Grace Van Klaveren were voted into the club as members. Welcome Richard and Grace! They will be Wagon Masters for November. Yeah! The **June** Campout was held at Canyon Trail R.V. in San Marcos. Wagon Master was Ron Edwards. There were 11 rigs present, including one guest and two drive-ins, Bill and Mary Dippo and Don and Judy Hudson. Their guests were Juan and Marilyn Hernandez. Ron Edwards was the Wagon Master, because of illness he could not attend. Everyone pitched in for finger foods and deserts. It was announced that Dean Richley and Karen McAbee will be running for State director and member needed to decide which one the Chapter will vote for at time of election. Tom will ask members at their next meeting. It was announced that Good Sam National approved of the Chapter donating to the Sequin Pregnancy Center. Everyone went to Shobels Restaurant in New Braunfels on Saturday evening. Everyone was reminded how important it is to notify the Wagon Master whether or not you are going to attend. They are planning a **July** Campout at Lake Medina R.V. Resort. Bring your boat if you have one! A small town rodeo is scheduled for Saturday evening. Wagon Masters will be Dave and Glenna Croft. Please let your Wagon Master know you are going to attend!

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The **GOOD SAM ROAD RUNNERS** held their **April** campout at Bastrop River RV Park in Bastrop. The weather this year was very nice. Wagon Master Stan Dolle reported 14 rigs in attendance. Even Sandy and Johnnie Zoboroski made it this month although Sunday morning they overslept...must have been a fun night for them (?!!?). Friday evening after Happy Hour weekend hosts, Agnes and Jay Jarrett and Linda and Charlie Bednarz, prepared a very good ham dinner with other members providing side dishes and desserts for a really great meal. After dinner the card games started up again ending a very pleasant evening. Saturday morning, weekend hosts greeted us with eggs, sausage and biscuits with several flavors of jelly and jam and coffee and juice for breakfast. After breakfast they held their business meeting after which quite a few members headed into town. Bastrop was having a Street Faire as well as a Farmers Market going on that weekend. Saturday evening everyone went to Cartwright's BBQ for dinner. They have a senior special for \$5.00 that includes brisket, chicken, or sausage with 2 sides and a drink, which is a very good deal! Then back to the club house for dessert and finish up and or start the card games and also finish a game of Mexican Train which had started in the afternoon. Sunday morning biscuits and leftover ham and sausage were served with juice and coffee. The **GOOD SAM ROAD RUNNERS** held their May campout at the Watersedge RV Park in Rockport. Several of their Chapter members arrived a day or two early to enjoy a bit more time along the Gulf Coast. Wagon Master Stan reported 10 rigs and 1 guest in attendance. Their guests were Anna Marie and Edgar Schievelbein. It is always a pleasure to have them join the **GOOD SAM ROAD RUNNERS**. Friday evening weekend hosts, Ann and Stan Dolle and Jody and Lee Roy Schievelbein did an outstanding job in preparing the Shrimp Boil and all the goodies that go with it. Saturday morning weekend hosts provided warm biscuits and gravy with sausage and coffee and juice. Mother Nature got everyone moving with her Light Show and Thunder and some very heavy rain to go with it. Saturday evening everyone went down a couple of blocks to Charlotte Plummer's for dinner. The City had the street all torn up so everyone had to go around back and walk around to the front to get in. Oh well! The food was worth it! Sunday morning before everyone had to leave, member had a typical law enforcement breakfast ... fresh donuts, coffee and juice. (Ha!Ha!) Their **June** campout was held at Millers Creek RV Park near Johnson City. This was their first time at this Park. It turned out to be very enjoyable! The park bent over backwards to make sure everyone had everything they needed. A great deal of work has been done to make the park attractive and very pleasurable to camp. Wagon Master Stan reported 9 rigs in attendance. Even with it being a little smaller group than usual, they all had a good time. For breakfast Saturday morning weekend hosts, Sue and Chuck Powell and Jim and Hope Jones, had pancakes and sausage with coffee and juice. Their business meeting was held immediately following breakfast. Saturday evening members brought there favorite casseroles and/or desserts for all to sample. The meal was great and everyone enjoyed the different dishes. Sunday morning before everyone had to leave, pastries, banana nut bread, and blueberry bread was served with coffee and juice.

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The **TUMBLEWEED SAMS** are just fine! They still have a very small group of only 6 rigs, but they usually average about 4 rigs per campout and it seems to work out well for them. They don't camp in **July** or **August** because of summer vacations and the extreme heat. They have decided to change their camping weekends to the 2nd weekend instead of the 3rd, since it seemed there were too many conflicts on the 3rd weekends. They are doing this on a trial basis for September - November, to see how it goes. They hope to have 2 new couples camping with them in September! Yeah!

Happy RVing,
Sue & Chuck Powell
ASDs Area 7

Area 8

Three River Sams

April campout was at San Angelo State Park for Earth Day April 22. They met at the park in the afternoon and then had their meeting that evening and camped and worked the next day. They also held a garage sale on April 10. In **May** the chapter traveled to Bandera and camped at the Pioneer River Resort. They had a pool, meeting room on the river with places to stay for those without campers.

In **June** Hord's Creek was the setting for the three day campout. The chapter paid \$110 for the camping which included all the sites. The chapter would like anyone in the San Angelo area to contact them. They are a great working club, volunteering in San Angelo soup kitchen, and trash pick up, but with less than ten rigs, would sure like to see some new faces join them. That is why they decided to have an in town one day come and go on July 13th at Baptist Memorial. They have put up several posters around town. They are planning on selling popcorn, water and ice cream at the Abilene Samboree in October. Stop by their booth and get to know these hard workers. **JULY 13th** (Tuesday) is their camp in at Baptist Memorial at 11:30 a.m. Hostess is Jo Hoover. They are going to have a MEET AND GREET OPEN HOUSE FOR PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS. PLEASE BRING GUESTS WHO MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN JOINING US!!! The Chapter put up posters at businesses all over San Angelo hoping to reach anyone interested in camping with the Good Sams.

The chapter has a web site now www.3River.texasgoodsam.com

Big Country Sams

In **April**, the chapter traveled to Loop 289 RV Park in Lubbock. They decided instead of cooking they would try a new restaurant every day. Now Lubbock has a lot of dining. Of course the Red Hat ladies enjoyed an afternoon out to lunch. In **May**, 377 RV Park in Granbury was their campsite. Granbury square is always a favorite for many chapters. In **June** the chapter met at a favorite park, Cottonwood in Roby. The park will close in Jan. of 2011. The chapter would like for someone to buy it, as many chapters camp and enjoy the facilities. They played 88 and they played 88.

Big Country Sams has a web site now www.BCS.texasgoodsam.com



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Abilene Sundowners

April 14-19 the theme was Treasure Hunt for the wet campout at Ole Town Cotton Gin RV Park in Goodlett. The group enjoyed a chili dog supper and dessert furnished by the hosts on Wednesday evening. Breakfast was furnished by the park every morning and everyone caravanned to Dutch's for one evening. The chapter played lots of games indoors as seven inches of rain fell . the hosts led the group in A Minute to Win It games one night and a treasure hunt from rig to rig, with umbrellas in tote. One couple found all articles on the list.

In **May** the Sundowners camped at a new park for them, Coffee Creek, near Mineral Wells. They had a hat style show of homemade hats for a Mother's Day theme.

They had a good time at this very nice comfortable park. In **June** they camped at Boone Rv Park, which is not new to them, as they have camped their for twenty five years almost always in June. The Kisers hosted a Beach Party theme with water balloon toss, sandbag baseball, and a circle of friendship.

The Sundowners has a new web site. www.absundowners.texasgoodsam.com

A Rally for the Area 8 is tentatively set for March 2011 at Abilene State Park. More info coming on Texas Good Sam Rally page and also the chapters websites.

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AREA 10

Central Plains Sams April 2010, Mike and Brenda Carthel traveled to Arizona to get away from the cold and snow. They said they felt bad for us for a few minutes, but got over it.

The chapter is getting ready to come to the Spring Samboree in Waco; I hope several rigs can make the trip.

The next trip was to Quanah Texas to the Ole Cotton Gin RV Park. This has become a favorite for a lot of Chapters.

The chapter lost one of their members, Torchie Curry. May our prayers be with Clifford and the family?

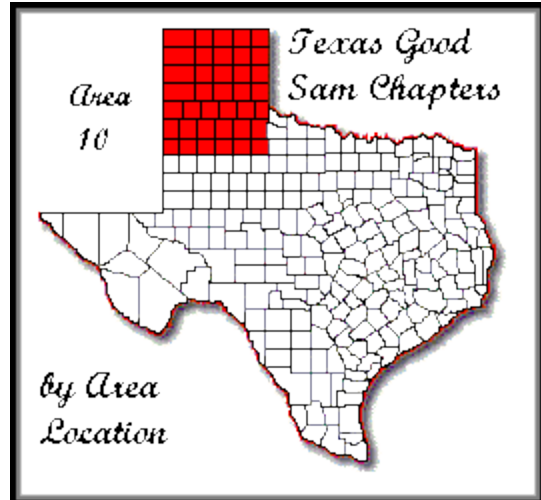
May, Every one that went to the Ole Cotton Gin had a wonderful time despite the wind. Well, it is spring time in West Texas so they are use to it.

The Chapter is getting ready for the Area 10 Mini Rally to be held at the Ollie Liner Center in Plainview Texas. The Central Plains are the host for the Mini Rally and they have put in many hours getting ready. Some one told me the Soggy Bottom Boys will be back for the second year in a row to entertain all the folks, the theme this year is HEE Haw Family Reunion.

June, The Area 10 Mini Rally was a great success and had some 70 Rigs come for all the fun and fellowship. Many thanks to Glenn McDonald for making cd's of the skits and selling them and donating the money to the Relay for Life.

Speaking of the Relay for Life, the chapter sponsored the Relay for Life and raised over \$1300.00. One man asks us if this group ever stop doing things, I told him no way will they stop, they are having too much fun.

Well, this is all until we hear about the oblong the wagons trip. More about the oblong of the wagons trip at a later date.



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Chaparral Sams April , You talk about die hard campers, wait till you here this. The chaparral Sams met at the Ole Cotton Gin RV Park with a know storm going on, they had three rigs make the trip. They had sixteen members for the meeting on Saturday in the snow storm. Now this is a chapter that loves get together. They even had a hamburger cookout with all the trimmings with homemade pies. There are chapters that would not meet on a bright sunny day. The park let them use the office area for their meeting and games because it was warmer and they gave \$50.00 in appreciation for the room.

May, The Chaparral Sams traveled to Boys Ranch West of Amarillo Texas for their meeting. They cannot get out of the wet weather, if you remember last month they were in a snow storm. But if you live in West Texas you will take any kind of moisture and be thankful for it. They had eight rigs present. The chapter donated \$50.00 dollars to the Ranch and each rig donated to their choosing.

Several of their chapter members attended the spring Samboree in Waco Texas and had a wonderful time. They wrote a report to the chapter about the Samboree and all the things they would see and here. The Entertainment was great and they enjoyed the Running of the Ponies. Larry and Eva entered their dog Skipper in the dog contest and won second. Congrats to Skipper. They said that Karen and Dwayne and the Texas Staff did an outstanding job. Some of their members made the circuit and had a report on each Samboree. They reported that Karen and Dwayne accepted the award for Txas having the most out of State rigs on the ground. They also stated that Karen and Dwayne were exceptional in their care and concern for the chapter members of Texas. (Well, let me tell you, she does care about Texas Good Sams and all the membership.)

June, The Chaparral Sams traveled to Amarillo to Fort Amarillo for their next campout. The high winds blew but it did not dampen their spirit. Thet had a good turn out.

They voted to have their monthly meeting at the Area 10 Mini Rally in 2011. They have asked Cary Don Neely to be their technology director. They will have a web site for new prospects to look at if they are looking for a chapter to join.

Thanks Chaparral Sams for really good newsletters, it does help. (Jim and June)

Cotton Pickin Sams , Cotton Pickin Sams has not sent me a newsletter. But I want you to know that Charley and Patsy Carroll are keeping this chapter busy. They came to the Area 10 Mini Rally in Plainview and helped every way they could. Many thanks for their help.

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Palo Duro Sams May and June, When Paula Hayes writes a newsletter you better get ready for some good stuff to write about.

In April they did not have a meeting because they were at the Samboree and boy did they have a great time. Paula is in charge of early registration for the next Samboree. You can just see her arm twisting people to sign up early. She does a great job, thanks Paula. Bobby is Jim Odom's first assistant for inside coordinator. And he works very hard at it, thanks Bobby.

The Palo Duro Sams came to the Area 10 Mini Rally in Plainview Texas and had a great time. Paula sole tickets for the catered meal, Dot Huckaby sold the tickets for the brown bag raffle. She sold more tickets than has ever been sold before. Way to go Dot. Bobby was in charge of the presidents games. The game was you had to put an egg in a circle starting some 10 feet away. Our State Director Karen McAbee had watched some of the other President's and knew how to do it. She was in first place until Mike Carthel from the Central Plains Sams beat her by one second. All I can say about the Palo Duro Sams is ask them to do a job and get out of the way because it will be done and done well.

West Texas Sams April The West Texas Sams are very loyal to have a meeting and plenty of fellowship each month. They have plans to go to Wellington for a campout. They also discussed the trip to Oasis RV Park in Amarillo Texas for a campout.

Several of their members attended the Area 10 Mini Rally in Plainview Texas. This chapter are hard workers; they got up early every morning and had the coffee on and the breakfast sweets on the table at the Mini Rally. (Many thanks)

Whirlwind Sams April, The Whirlwind Sams came to the Area 10 Mini Rally and took care of the brown bag raffle. They set everything up and tagged each bag and stayed there the whole time to make sure it was done right. Then on Saturday at the drawing they took care of the distribution of the prizes. There were about 90 prizes and it took less than twenty minutes to give them to the winners. I had allotted one and half hours. Thanks very much for a job well done Whirlwinds.

The Whirlwinds are planning a trip to Post Texas to Lake Allen Henry and take in a play at the Ragtown Gospel Theater. They will see Peter the Rock, if you have not seen this Play you need to make a trip to Post.

The chapter made the trip to Post to see Peter the Rock and all thought it was a great Play. The Whirlwind Sams have wonderful place to meet, it is at the Lighthouse Electric meeting room. They plan to go to chapter president Herb Wallace place for July 4th.

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Yellow Rose Sams, April The chapter had to cancel the first campout of the year at Ft Amarillo because of impending spring snow storm. This was a good call, we got several inches. Our next campout will be at Hemphill County Recreational Complex at Canadian.

A lot of campouts followed, May, Area 10 (yea), June to be decided later, July will be at the KC Campground, August Oasis Resort in Amarillo, September, city of Pampa Camp ground, October, Wayland Jennings RV Park in Littlefield Texas. This is a good lineup hope all can attend.

President Carl Ackerman called the meeting to order and introduced visitors, Janye & Gary Mayfield also Chuck & Louise Light, Chandlers visited of Friday and played games. Carl reported their will be another person running for State Director, Dean Ritchie. We will vote on this later.

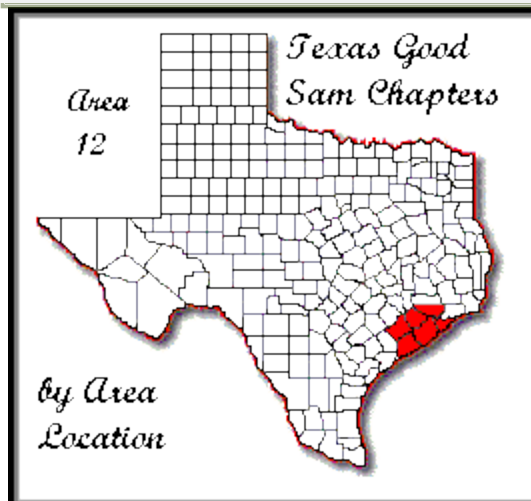
Happy Camping,

Jim and June Odom ASD Area 10

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BAY AREA SAMS

A warm welcome goes to Joceil & Jerry Southward as new members. The campout in **MARCH** was at the Area 2-12-15 Mini Rally at Coushatta Recreation Ranch at Bellville. Members did a great job helping take care of the Silent Auction, setting up tables, taking in the gifts putting on numbers, setting them on tables and selling tickets, on Saturday drawing names of winners and handing out the items to the winners. They and members from the Rovin' Texans did a wonderful job in doing everything that needed to be done.



BRAZOS BEND SAMS

Members welcomed Marvin & Donna Wessels, Larry & Evelyn Ramsey and Loyd & Glee Sturdivant to the chapter as new members. The campout in **MARCH** was combined with the Mini Rally at Coushatta Recreation Ranch at Bellville. There were eight rigs, two guests. The members that could not come were greatly missed. Everyone had a good time at the Mini Rally, there was lots of food and a delicious meal on Saturday night. The band was good and we all had a good time dancing. Two members hit the jackpot at the Lucky 13 game. For the chapters fundraiser members sold tickets for a 50/50 drawing. The **APRIL** meeting was held at the Samboree in Waco. There were eight rigs. There were only a few tables with items to purchase tickets to win, but we did our 50/50 and Sonny Roberts had the winning ticket. There was good entertainment at night with lots of dancing and singing and really good door prizes. Our campout in **MAY** was at Colorado Landing R V Park at LaGrange with twelve rigs, two were guest and two drive-ins.. Mary Jo & Al Litton and Lucille & Frank Drabek were the hosts. The campout in **JUNE** was at the Artesian R V Park at Brenham with nine rigs and the host's was Evelyn & Larry Ramsey and Sue & Jim Wheeler. Orville Glassmann informed us of a group, Bluebonnet Opry, County Western singers would be performing at the Silver Wings Ballroom at Brenham. We all really enjoyed the entertainment. On Friday we pooled our bread, mayo, bacon, lettuce and home grown Tomatoes that JoNell Glaesmann brought to share with everyone, and we had a great lunch. Friday night members went to Purcell's Cafeteria. When we returned to camp we played Sandbag Baseball the men won one game and the ladies won one game. Saturday morning Evelyn Ramsey made homemade cinnamon rolls, along with pancakes and sausage.

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GO-SLOW SAMS

In **MARCH** members had their meeting before the Mini Rally and then joining the Rally. Barbara & Harry Robbins were the hosts. Lowell Able, Claude Schluens and Harry Robbins were in charge of the Dominoes games. The meeting in **APRIL** was at Columbus R V Park. A contribution to Special Olympics for \$50.00 was approved. The members went in **MAY** to Red Oaks R V Park. The next meeting was at Coushatte Ranch with Mary Schluens and Carol Schuknecht being the hostess. They served salads on Tuesday night.

HEAVENLY SAMS

Everyone had a wonderful time at Coushatte Ranch for the campout and Mini Rally in **MARCH** there was nine rigs and sixteen present for the meeting. The Mini Rally that followed was a huge success. We had a great visit with Maureen & Bob Lopes. The winners at the rally were: Linda Carter took 2nd place in Skip-Bo and 2nd place in Bull Toss, Hazel Lovelady won 1st place in Singles Dominoes, Vernon Votaw won 2nd place in Dominoes Doubles and Paula Votaw was on the 1st place team in Sandbag Baseball. Paula & Vernon Votaw won one night free camping at Coushatte Ranch, Hazel Lovelady won a clock. A good time was had a Country Place R V Park at Cut-N-Shoot in **APRIL** with eighteen people and ten rigs. Herb & Marilyn Durham came by for a visit. Maureen & Bob Lopes came to visit also. Vernon's brother Harold & his wife Bobby joined us on Wednesday afternoon. Jean Whitfield brought her great granddaughter. Angela Doepping won 1st place in the Washer toss game at the Samboree in Waco. Heartland R V Park at Riverside was the place to be in **MAY**. In **JUNE** members went to Magnolia Lake R V Park at Goodrich.

ROVIN' TEXANS

In **MARCH** members went to the Area 2-12-15 Mini Rally at Coushatte Ranch and was in charge of the Silent Auction with the help from the **Bay Area Sam's** members the event was not only a learning experience for us, but it also brought the two camping chapters closer as friends. The campout in **MARCH** was also at Coushatte Ranch with fourteen member rigs and two drive-ins. Don Eiland presented a brief safety topic on Carbon monoxide poisoning. Many thanks go to Jeanette & Bill Kingsley, Harry & Barbara Robbins and Calvin & Olga Waits for the plentiful Friday evening Sloppy Joes and all the other tasty St. Patrick Day snacks. Jeanette Kingsley presented the devotional Sunday morning. Olga Waits loves the Lucky 13 game as she won the last game at the Mini Rally. The place for the campout in **APRIL** was at Rayford Crossing R V Resort at Spring with eleven members rigs, two visitor rigs and one drive-in. Visiting guests were Connie & Bill Busch and Arlene & John Courtney from Spring, guests of Olga & Calvin Waits. Lola & Olan Halbert's granddaughter, Mallory Lambert also came to visit. Wendell Craig finished the devotional plaque to memorialize deceased Rovin' Texans

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chapter members. He did an outstanding job on it. Plans are to hang the plaque in the Savannah House at Coushatta Ranch. A big thank you goes to Wendell and all of the folks that helped research the deceased names and dates. There were volumes of the Chapter Records that had to be opened and read to achieve this honorable memorial. The hostess was Barbara Craig, Sally Graig and Nell Giroux. Wendell Graig gave the devotional Sunday morning. Members received a message that Helen Muyres passed away, she will be greatly missed. Bill & Marilyn Kelly, Lola & Olan Halbert and Barbara & Harry Robbins were the hosts for the campout in **MAY** at Heartland R V Park at Riverside with fourteen member rigs and two drive-ins. Artesian R V Park was where the members went in **JUNE** for the meeting. The hosts were Betty & Dennis Bunchell and Magdalene & Arnold Knuppel. There were ten member rigs and three drive-ins.

SAN JAC WHEELERS

The Coushatta Ranch at Bellville was where members went for the Mini Rally and their meeting in **MARCH** with the hosts Buddy & Claudine Bender and Floyd & Terry Hurry and with the theme for St. Patrick's Day, there were twenty rigs going for the fun and fellowship at the campout. We had eighteen member rigs and one associate rig (Bryan & Alice Barnett are Assistant State Directors). John Plemons brought his Golf Cart and shuttled the **Wheelers** to and from the main Recreation Hall at every opportunity he could find. Janiece and Sonny Ellisor had the people dancing throughout the Rally- good thing too-they had to work off all that food they were eating. Bernice Powell placed 2nd in the Skip-Bo tournament. Several members won items in the Silent Auction. The big winner was Ray Balusek who won the same wooden chicken in the Auction, what are the odds of winning that chicken two years in a row? Everyone was happy to see Ray with his chicken again. I am sure we haven't seen the last of that chicken yet. Milton Powell wasn't so lucky to win his "Rembrandt" back, the painting went to another. Several members went back to their rigs early before the drawing for the door prizes, so you know what that means, they were door prize winners. You shouldn't leave early people. The members enjoyed visiting with other Good Sam members and listening to the live entertainment in the evening, a great time was had by all. The meeting in **APRIL** was at Magnolia Lake R V Park at Goodrich with the hosts C. B. & Bobbie Creel and Alton & Annette Doucette and the theme was "Spring Fling". Everyone enjoyed the campout, the weather was wonderful, wild flowers and Azaleas were in full bloom. We had lots of cakes. A big thank you to the ladies who baked several to help us out, also thanks to Wes Frosch who baked a couple too. There were sixteen member rigs and three visitors. It was good to see former members Eddie & Sandra Going, also Shirley Middleton drove up to Texas Pepper to share a meal and to play games afterward. The men enjoyed pitching washers and just sitting under the awning visiting. A good time was had by all. The last of **APRIL** and first of **MAY** members went to Canyon Trails R V Resort at San Marcos, can you guess what the theme was? "We're Shopping". The hosts were Billy & Peggy Diehl and Kenneth & Lois Smith. The ladies took advantage of the shopping at

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the San Marcos Outlets Malls. They didn't mention what they spent but bragged about their savings. There were plenty to keep the shoppers nourished, thanks to Billy & Peggy Diehl for cooking a great brisket. There were twelve rigs. The meal at Clear Springs was enjoyed. In **JUNE** early birds went to Ladybird Johnson R V Park at Fredericksburg for a few days before the official campout at Skyline Ranch R V Park at Bandera with hosts Sonny & Janiece Ellisor and Fred & Cynthia Huey, the theme was "Texas Round Up".

SAND DOLLAR SAMS

The **Sand Dollar Sams** chapter was chartered on **May 05, 1980**.

In **MARCH** members went to Coushatta Ranch for the Area 2-12-15 Mini Rally. The purpose of the Mini Rally each year is to be able to meet other Good Sam members, have fun and to do good deeds for others. **Sand Dollar Sams** main purpose this year was to have a raffle and donate all the money to two foundations, Make a Wish Foundation and the Candle Lighters for Children. We also had a sausage on a stick sale as a fundraiser to help with the cost of postage and other mailing items we need. We also donated part of this money each year to the Special Olympics. Our goal is to be able to do more for others. We sold \$100.00 in Raffle tickets, \$50.00 will go to the Candle Lighters for Children and \$50.00 will go to the Make a Wish Foundation. Ronald Bodine as Chief Cook and all his Staff did a wonderful job on cooking the sausage for the sell on Thursday afternoon. Thursday morning was the beginning of the inside games, while some sold raffle tickets, some played Skip-Bo, Dominoes and 42 Dominoes, Jo Ann Truman was a 2nd place Dominoes winner. Wanda Phinney won 2nd place in 42 Dominoes. Friday was the outside games. The Sandbag Baseball games teams were done differently this year in order for everyone to meet and mix with other people. On the 1st place Sandbag Baseball team was Wanda Phinney, Keith Bailey and Wayne Maxwell. On the 2nd place Sandbag Baseball team was Anne Bailey and Jo Ann Truman. Jo Ann Truman won 1st place in the Washer Toss, Anne Bailey won 2nd place in the Bean Bag Toss. In the Bull Toss game Jo Ann Truman won 1st place. In Horseshoes Helen Reed won 1st place and Wanda Phinney won 2nd place. We also won door prizes and a lot of Silent Auction items. June Thomas won a gift certificate from Wal Mart in the Door Prize drawing. Our members ran away with a lot of Silent Auction items which means we really supported the Mini Rally and helped someone else. That's what it is all about, having a good time and helping someone else at the same time. **APRIL'S** campout was at Heartland R V Park at Riverside with eight rigs. In **MAY** there were three rigs that went to Coushatta in Louisiana. The campout in **JUNE** was at Columbus R V Park with LaVerne Freudensrung and Alice Robinson as hostess. They furnished ham and bread and everyone else was to bring a salad, since the weather is too hot for cooking in the rigs. This is a good month to have homemade ice cream. LaVerne made a cake to go with the ice cream.

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SHIFTLESS SAMs

Our camping family lost a special friend, Gaylon Tatum, in early March due to Heart problems. The **MARCH** campout was at Hidden Ponds in Sulphur, La. For the campout and meeting in **APRIL** members went to Coushatta Ranch at Bellville with seventeen rigs. Lupe & Lynn Satinas, Alex & Mabel Pratt and Donny & Clara Jean Riley were hosts and were thanked for the breakfast. The chapter has cook books to sell. On Friday night some went to Repka's Restaurant as it was "Crawfish Night". The story goes that Gail Hynds and Sharon Huggins are right up there with the pros when it comes to eating the Crawfish. Some of the novices enjoyed the other items such as the catfish too. On Saturday a few ventured out to the Bluebonnet Festival in Chappell Hill. Most of the ladies went shopping at the Brookwood Community Center in Brookshire. Ameal & Carolyn Mentzel went to Camping World to invest in a portable automatic satellite dome. Paul Hill, Don Hynds and Billy Cannard escaped on their motorcycles for a ride through the countryside. John Yount and Ameal Mentzel went to the Golf course at Monaville. In **MAY** the campout was at Pecan R V Park in San Marcos. Being so close to the Outlet Malls can be blessing and a curse, depending on whether you're talking to the ladies or their spouses. Gail Hynds, Karen Zeigler, Judy Wade and Tracy Biasioll endured at the malls until the heat and parking became a hindrance. Cooler temperatures and welcome breezes made for perfect weather ordered up for the lazy weekend by the hosts Missey & Tally Rogers, Tracy & Rick Biasioll and Judy & Gene Wade. There was lots of visiting under the old trees until time for a Mexican potluck. Mabel Pratt thanked the hosts for a delicious breakfast of pigs-in-blanket, donuts, fruit and juice and coffee. There were eight rigs, with one drive-in. The choice for the **JUNE** meeting was at Lake Falling Star R V Resort at McMahan. Shirley & Charlie Bartiett and Karen & Gene Zeigler were the hosts with eight rigs and one guest rig. Full membership was given to Fred & Tanya Gernarnd, Welcome.

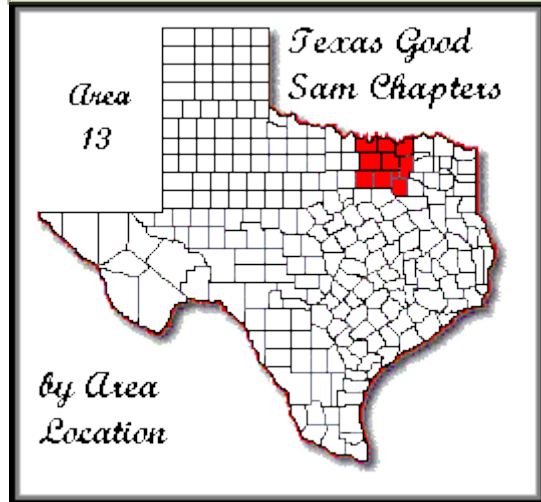
SOLO SAMs

Members welcomed Larry to the chapter. The campout in **MARCH** was at the Mini Rally at Coushatta Ranch. There were two members and three visitors. Later in **MARCH** the place to be was at Joe's Crab Shack for dinner and visiting. In **MAY** the campout was at Thousand Trails Resort at Wills. Barbara Spade was the host. Earlier in **MAY** the dinner was at Saltgrass Steakhouse on I45. We went to Wolf Creek R V Park at Coldsprings in **JUNE** and camped with Camping Friends chapter.

Happy Camping and Fellowship to All
Alice and Bryan Barnett, ASD'S

AREA 13

MARCH 2010 brought 2 new couples to join **ARLINGTON SAMS** at Whispering Pines, they were Rodney & Gayle Hudson & Thurman & Joyce Maples. Gayle Giles & Nellie Pennington was also visiting. In **APRIL** they camped at Brazos River RV in Gholson prior to going to Waco for the Samboree where they had 7 rigs. It was in Waco that David & Janet Mitchell received the 4 Star Century awarded for attending 50



Samborees, Robert & Ann Posey received the Golden Shoe Award for providing a place to stay while David Wordell recovered from his back surgery since Veda & David are full timers. Jerry Hayes reported 230 hits on the website since December. In **MAY** they camped at Lakeridge RV in Gun Barrel City with 10 rigs, Don & Shirl Prater were able to stop & stay one night on their way to Gladewater. The June campout will be at Cowtown RV in Aledo. Their web site is located at <http://arlington.texasgoodsam.com/>

COWTOWN SAMS camped at Eagle Ridge RV in Grandview in **MARCH** with 8 rigs, 5 member rigs & the 3 visitors were David & Janet Mitchell, Dick & Charli Durham & Jerry Hayes. On Friday some of them went to Cleburne to golf & others went to The Outlet Mall in Hillsboro where the guys enjoyed the Black & Decker store. Friday evening was at Beaumont Ranch for dining & dancing. In **APRIL** they camped at Lazy L in Sherman with 7 rigs which included their new members the Durham's. Friday brought the guys to Woodlawn Country Club to Golf, later lunch was at MG's a 50's type restaurant with gambling followed at the Choctaw Casino. **MAY** was a first time at Red Willow in Chico with 7 rigs, the rain was okay as we were sitting on the porch & it was quite pleasant. Dining was in Decatur at the Stephens Street Café. After the meeting on Saturday the group went into Chico to antique shop then lunch at the vintage drug store for a Hot Dog lunch. The June campout will be at Lake Athens RV. Their web site is located at <http://cowtown.texasgoodsam.com/>

DFW SAMS newest members in **MARCH** were Dick & Terri Fletcher at Lake Athens RV. There was 20 rigs & 1 drive-in to vote the new members in. Bill Duncan won the free campout & Kathy Austin won the 50/50. The **APRIL** campout was for a week at Mill Creek Ranch in Canton with 20 rigs & 3 guest rigs. They had a Scavenger Hunt, Bingo, Tours to Museums in Kilgore, Tyler & Grand Saline where they found Peanut Butter ice cream. The **MAY** campout was at RV Station (Sherrard RV) in Colbert, OK with 19 rigs, 3 guest rigs & 1 drive-in. The guests were Carl & Bonnie Breneman, Wilton & Evelyn Edington, Eve Schroeder & Robert Cooke, Weston & Lisa Shelby & Kelsey Viola. The **JUNE** campout was at I-35 RV in Waco with 20 rigs & the Edington rig was the guest for the 2nd time. Bill Fuller's daughter Sandy drove in for the day. They had a tour on June 2nd to the Bureau of Printing & Engraving in Ft Worth. Their web site is located at <http://geusnet.com/~kibbeb/>

AREA 13 (continued)

FRONTIER camped at Cowtown in **MARCH** with guests Jim & Mickey Helmick & Donnie & Bernie Young joining the chapter along with the 11 rigs, the Johnston's drove in for the day. Mickey won the 50/50, next month they'll be at Coffee Creek RV in Santo, TX. In **APRIL** the campout was at the Spring Samboree, where they met a guest camper from New York who had been traveling in Texas for 3 months & she fit right in with the chapter during the rest of the week. The **MAY** campout at Coffee Creek was a very nice place, but on a sad note they lost Larry Steinle, a member that had health problems for a long while. The Leuschke's & Yates had A/C problems, the Embry's lost an antenna & the Hollars had a water leak, while Jeannie Hill fell & got a few scratches. They went to a place called "Notty Flats" which had good food where they also found a wooden tub. Bo Dobson won the 50/50. Several couples were at the campout that hadn't been there for a long time, the Krommes, Marshall's, Casten's, Hill's & Johnston's. Their web site is located at <http://www.frontiersams.texasgoodsam.com/>

GOOD NEIGHBOR SAMS camped at Red Willow in Chico in **MARCH** with 8 rigs. **APRIL** brought them to Whispering Pines. Ruby Coble had pneumonia but is home & doing a lot better. A very rewarding letter was presented to this chapter by Dogs for the Deaf being that they won the states "TOP DOG" award in Texas & 10th in the United States. Congrats Good Neighbor and keep up the good work. This month brought out sunburns, rain & lots of snow. Bingo was a game of choice on Saturday with the winnings going back into the general fund. **MAY** found them at Riverview RV in Waco with 12 rigs and the MacKinnon's visiting on their way to New York for the summer but will return next fall. Barbara & Debbie are on vacation in New Mexico and Arizona for 6-8 weeks & will visit the Eaton's in AZ. Bad news is that Don Woodard's stint is 100% blocked. The **JUNE** campout will be at Antique Capital in Gladewater which is a new RV park for them. Their web site is located at <http://gns.texasgoodsam.com/>

LONE STAR SINGLE SAMS was at Red Willow in **MARCH** with 11 member rigs & 1 guest. They played the usual games of 42, Mexican Train, Hand & Foot. **APRIL** brought them to Evening Shadows in Tool with 12 member rigs & 1 guest & the usual games being played. In **MAY** they camped at Lake Whitney Community RV with 12 members. In **JUNE** they were at I-35 RV in Elm Mott. Their web site is located at <http://www.lonestarsinglesams.com/>

RAMBLIN SAMS camped at Bluebonnet Ridge RV in Terrell in **MARCH** while **APRIL** brought them to Lazy L in Sherman. Bob Parker & Louise Roberts are much better after their stays in hospitals. Betty Smith has rejoined the chapter, a big **WELCOME** to her. The **MAY** campout was at NTAC Airstream Park in Hillsboro with 10 rigs & 2 drive-ins where Betty Smith won the 50/50. The **JUNE** campout will be at Eagle Ridge in Grandview.

AREA 13 (continued)

ROLLING SAMS OF KAUFMAN in **MARCH** met at 1st United Methodist Church to work on their Service Project called “Shawl Ministry” to knit or crochet items for use in hospitals, nursing homes, oncology depts. Birthing, Health & School kits was other ideas that came up. Then they had a Dress Your Banana contest & played Jokers also. In **APRIL** they camped at I-20 RV park with 5 rigs, then they worked on the upcoming 30th Anniversary of the chapter for June. The **MAY** campout brought them to Watts RV in Gilmer with 6 rigs & 1 drive-in. **JUNE** was busy for them with the 30th anniversary party & the Moore’s & Holder’s are talking about getting a rig & start camping with them again. The campout was at American RV in Corsicana with 6 rigs & 1 drive-in, the ladies went shopping & then played Jokers & Rummikub. Their web site is located at <http://rollingsamssofkaufman.parks.officelive.com/default.aspx>

The Rolling Sams of Kaufman celebrated their 30 year anniversary in June at the Assembly of God fellowship hall in Kaufman. All were there to welcome the past members that came to wish us well. Clarence Fabuan a charter member was there to help celebrate and tell of the good old days. Everyone was glad to see him. Don and Shirl Prater also visited with us that day. Punch and cookies was served as everyone enjoyed visiting and looking at the old photo albums. We have had real good turnouts for our camping trips this year and look forward to the Mini Rally in Canton in September

Submitted by Phyllis Corder

TEX-SUNS SAMS met at Mineral Wells State Park in **MARCH** with 4 rigs & 1 guest for their Fish Fry. The next campout is at The Vineyards in Grapevine. No **APRIL** news received. The **MAY** campout was attended by 2 rigs at Inks Lake State Park. The Hill’s Kayaked to Devil’s Waterhole, in this park, & took a trip to Perdinales State Park. The June campout will be at Lake Tawakoni State Park. Six rigs were able to make it to the **JUNE** campout, guests present were Don & Lee Betson & Jim & Rebecca Thomas. Richard got into kayaking & fishing while others enjoyed walks & resting in the shade. Chapter members, the Dinsmores, will be moving to Reno, Nevada. The next campout will be a Corp park at Lake Whitney McCowan Valley. Their web site is located at <http://www.freewebs.com/tex-suns/>

AREA 14

Bosque River Sams

This chapter was forced to decharter due to attrition of membership. Several members have joined other chapters.

Chuck Wagon Sams

Newsletter Editor Marilyn Jackson

Mini Rally Report

The weather was much better this year for the Mini-Rally in Corsicana. Ed Hall and his team did a bangup job of parking. They received many kudos for a job well done. All of our baseball practice (ha!) paid off. Our illustrious team (Lee Ray Chollett, Louise Chollett, Hazel Chasak, Allen Chasak, Ed Hall, Donna Hall, Marilyn Jackson, Victor Jackson & Tregg Towery) took first place with 30 runs. Can you believe that? The second place team had 21 runs. We started play with two six-run innings. This is the best we have ever done. Boy was it fun! Hazel Chasak & Louise Chollett took first place in Skipbo while Marilyn Jackson and Ralph Wilkerson (Sante Fe Sams) took second place. Ed Hall took a resounding first place in the Bean Bag Toss with 27 points. Louise Chollett took first place in Lemon Golf with six points.

The Green's from Live Oak Sams did an exceptional job with the coffee & donuts. They even had hot water for tea or hot chocolate.

Entertainment Friday was Chuck Willoughby with 50's and 60's music. Many enjoyed dancing to his music, even some jitterbugging. Saturday night Heaven's Harbour entertained us with gospel quartet music.

May Campout

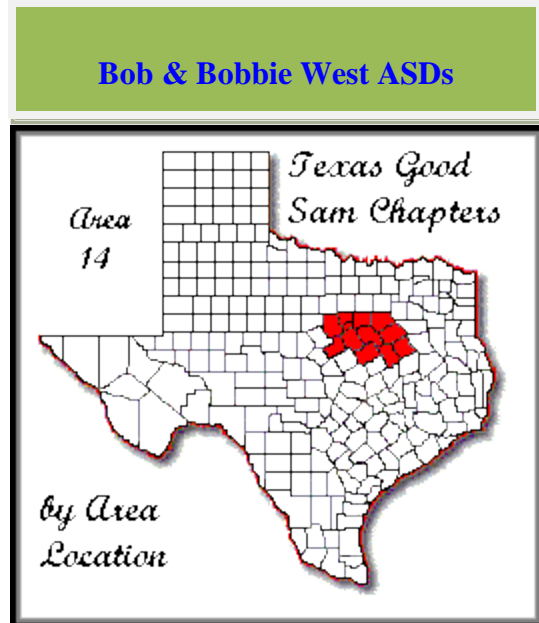
We had 12 rigs arrive Friday night with a light drizzle but everyone was able to set up without any difficulty except for Eugene Kokes who had a problem with his water filter breaking. The water pressure at Marino Road RV Park was high.

After everyone went to bed, the rain started and it was a gully washer. It rained until noon and then the sun came out and the rest of our time there was sunny.

Dinner Saturday evening at Sodolak's was good but we had many from A&M graduation at the restaurant along with us.

At Donna Hall's suggestion, we tried a Hand & Foot tournament Saturday night with the winner's from four tables playing each other and the loser's playing the losers. We drew for tables and it really mixed everyone up for the night. I think everyone enjoyed the evening.

June Campout



AREA 14 (continued)

At our June campout we had 11 rigs plus Dean Decker drove in for Friday night. Susan was at a ladies retreat but Dean just had to see us. We also had guests, Ellison & Norma Burns. They are friends of Curtis & Norma Pogue and came in spite of the fact that Curtis & Norma were not there. Dinner Saturday evening at Clem Mikeska's was good with choices from barbecue to catfish. His new restaurant is really nice and offers much more variety. Once again, we played a Hand & Foot tournament on Saturday night and the winners from the first round were the men. Since there were four tables playing, we did not get to completely finish the tournament and so we do not have a final team as winner. We did find out that there is a "tiger" in the Kitten. Boy did she play a mean game of Hand & Foot Saturday night. Of course, that was in the loser round for the women.

Comanche Peak Sams

Newsletter Editor Judi Jensen

April Campout

The April Campout was at North Texas Airstream R.V. Park
We had 10 rigs but 1 left after the 1st day, due to illness and 2 visitors, Norm & Lana Weaver. We had a good time time playing games and eating Mexican food. On Ladies day out we went to Willie Nelson's place It is on 35 going toward Dallas, in Carls Corner. It was fun to see with all the Willie memorabilia. The Food was really good and the service was great.
He has a stage there where they have concerts

May Campout

Coffee Creek R.V. Resort Santo TX. We had a good turnout and a great time.
We had 13 members with rigs. Two guests with rigs attended: Donald Ray and Bobbie Gauntt, Mike and Marsha Weaver and Donald Ray and Bobbie Gauntt, were voted on, and welcomed as new members.
Bobbie Gauntt led us in some fun games and a lot of laughter.
We will sponsor a new soldier, Navy Corpsman Carlton Wilkinson, grandson of Bob & Dottie Wilkinson. More pictures will be posted on the website.

AREA 14 (continued)

Cotton Palace Sams

Newsletter Editor Shirlene Lands

April Campout

The April campout was at Salmon Lake in Grapeland, TX. Hosts were the Hines, Bells and Geers. On Thursday, we enjoyed Hot Dogs, Sausages with Chili, cheese and kraut, yum.

On Friday, Chicken Spaghetti with all the trimmings and on Saturday smoked pork loin. We ate very well.

Everyone brought a "white elephant" gift for Bingo and enjoyed it very much.

Lake Pat Sams

Newsletter Editor Randy Grinnell

Samboree Report

Lake Pat was well represented at the Texas Spring Samboree in Waco with 13 rigs and one drive-in. A big thank you to all that manned the popcorn and soda stand at the Samboree. You provided a good service to all as well as brought in a little cash to our chapter cash kitty.

May Campout

A great bunch met at Mitchell RV for our May camp-out. 16 rigs and 2 drive-ins. A long time since we had that many together at one time, hope it can happen again. The fish fry dinner turned out well with plenty to eat for everyone. A big THANK YOU to Jerry and Joyce Payne (friends of the West) for supplying the fish.

June Campout

14 rigs attended the June camp-out at Red Willow RV Park in Chico this year. This included visitors Dave and Brenda Spears and John and Linda Haggard. There were also two drive-ins, Harold and Jean Williams and Curtis and Wenda Goen. As this was not Dave and Brenda's first visit, they were voted in as new Lake Pat members. We are glad they decided to join us. Guess we didn't scare them to bad when they came to visit. Hope John and Linda will give us another visit. We'll try to be on good behavior.

AREA 14 (continued)

Santa Fe Sams

Newsletter Editor Cynthia Moates

Mini Rally Report

Hosts were Santa Fe Sams

The mini rally was a tremendous success due to all the hard work and planning done by the chairpersons, Don and Carrie Thompson and the heads of the committees as well as all those who came and helped. What a wonderful group of people working together to accomplish common goals. (Don't we wish our government ran like that!) A huge thank you to all who were involved. Not only did the group work hard to make things run smoothly but they had a great time participating. Our own Chuck Willoughby provided entertainment Friday night and he was spectacular. Saturday's entertainment was provided by Heaven's Harbor which was also top notch.

We had several winners in the indoor and outdoor games as well as the silent auction.

Winners in the indoor games were as follows:

Dominos-1st-K.K. Smith 42-1st-Galen Pugh

Jokers-1st Ellen Willoughby and Annie Edmonds 2nd-Frank Moates and Carrie Thompson

Winners in the outdoor games are:

Bean Bag Toss- 1st Dee Sanders 2nd Clara Billings

Bean Bag Toss- 2nd Darell Gowens

Bean Bag Baseball-2nd -Team 2 consisting of Don and Carrie Thompson, Dee and Ray Sanders, Clara and Harold Billings, K.K. and Jan Smith and Cecilia Bruton. Santa Fe Sams fielded 4 teams in baseball and all made outstanding showings. Congratulations to all the winners and participants..

Santa Fe Sams had 18 rigs and 1 drive in at the mini rally. During the business meeting held on Saturday morning an announcement was made about the Spring Samboree in Waco and because it is on Easter weekend none from our chapter is attending. At this time also our mini rally chairpersons presented each member attending with symbolic gifts of appreciation. What a pair! Our entire group appreciates them for the hard work and organization that they did all year long to make this event a success.

April Campout

The campout at Lake Whitney RV Community was well attended with 14 rigs and 9 driveins. The men did an excellent job of grilling steaks managed to stay out of the rain while doing it. Of Course, the women outdid themselves with all the side dishes and desserts. Lee and Patsy Gustafson provided entertainment with an exciting game of Sliding Aces.

During business meeting Don and Carrie gave a final report on the Mini rally. Through the generosity and excellent planning of our members our chapter was able to return \$366+ to the fund for the next year. A great big thank you to Don and Carrie and their wonderful leadership and for all the time and effort of our members. Word is that this was one of the best mini rallies around.

AREA 14 (continued)

May Campout

We had a great attendance at the May campout at Gholson with 16 rigs and 6 drive ins. The trip to Branson in September was discussed. The dates are September 12-18 with camping at the Treasure Lake Park. Eighteen rigs have indicated they would attend. Our president, Linda Johnson, was presented a certificate authorizing her to drive her new class C Jamboree which has officially been named "Jammy". Congratulations, Linda.

Ladies will be making soda pop pull tab lanyards to be given as Bingo prizes at the next mini-rally.

The date for the Christmas party is December 4 at a restaurant in Acton.

We were privileged to have a guest minister for our Sunday Service. Thank you, Darell, for a wonderful message.

Entertainment was led by Don and Carrie Thompson who taught the group the game of Knock

Tejas Travelers

Newsletter Editor Janet Schuetz

March Campout

Regular campout was at the Mini Rally.

April Campout

10 rigs went to the Samboree in Waco.

We sold BBQ sandwiches on Saturday. All had a great time.

Barbara Snyder won 2nd place in Jokers.

May Campout

We were at Brazos River RV park in Gholson.

Snacks on Friday night and Turkey and dressing for lunch on Saturday.

Kathryn Wilde spoke to us on Saturday concerning Medicare.

We had pancakes and sausage on Sunday morning furnished by the chapter.

Pictures from the Area 14 Mini Rally



Santa Fe Sams fellowshiping



The Greens taking care of the coffee

Pictures from the Area 14 Mini Rally



Comanche Peak Sams at a game of "88"



The Kitchen Staff from Santa Fe Sams "Wearing the Green"

Pictures from the Area 14 Mini Rally



Chuck Willoughby entertaining us with 50's & 60's music



Don & Helen Woodard

Pictures from the Area 14 Mini Rally



Our hosts, Santa Fe Sams enjoying the music



Ray & Sanjo Koen

Ray passed away on June 29th and he will certainly be missed

Pictures from the Area 14 Mini Rally



Dancing to Chuck Willoughby's music

Pictures from the Area 14 Mini Rally

Winners from the Indoor & Outdoor Games



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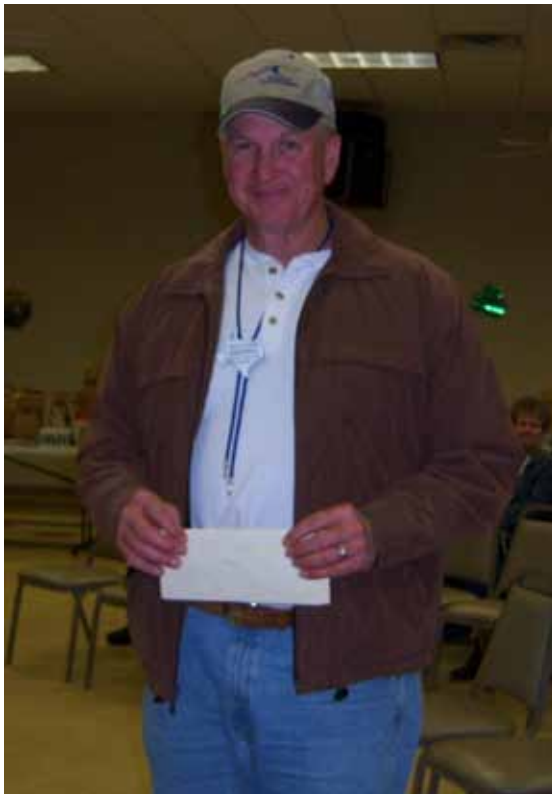


2nd Place Sand Bag Baseball Santa Fe Sams

Pictures from the Area 14 Mini Rally



1st Place Sand Bag Baseball Chuck Wagon Sams



Bill Kirkpatrick won 50/50 Raffle



**Ray Koen guessed the number of
M&M's in the jar**

Pictures from the Area 14 Mini Rally



Chuck Wagon Sams at a serious game of Hand & Foot



Registration Ladies from Comanche Peak Sams

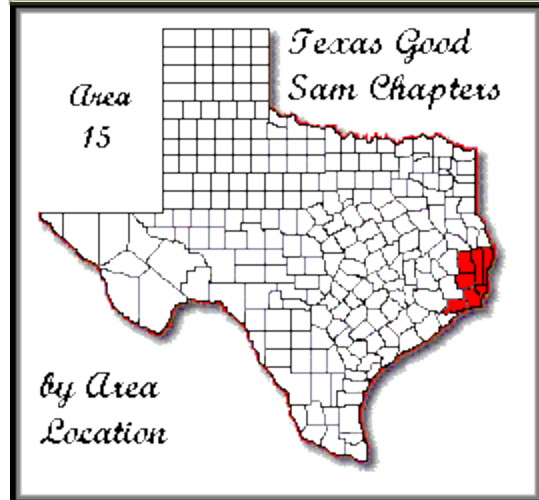
AREA 15

ORANGE GATOR SAMS

Members that went to the Area 2-12-15 Mini Rally at Coushatta Recreation Ranch at Bellville in **March** enjoyed the rally.

Everyone had a great time at the campout in **May** at Tyler with thirteen members. Some went to the Zoo, Museums, Rose Garden and some stayed at the R V Park and worked on

our craft project. On Friday we all gathered under the awning of Bob and Doneane Frazier's MH and Bob made hamburgers on his grill and Doneane stirred up some delicious homemade ice cream. A warm welcome was given to Pat and Debbie Sonnier as new chapter members.



PIRATE SAMS

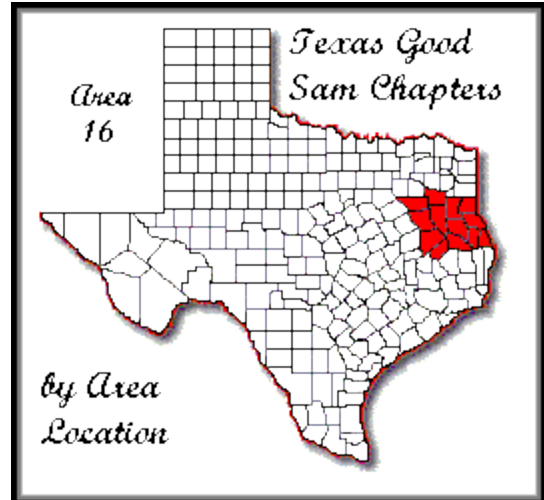
The people that went to the Area 2-12-15 Mini Rally in **March** at Coushatta Recreation Ranch at Bellville had a good time and enjoyed the rally. The campout in **March** was at A & M Campground at Kaplan La. with eleven member rigs on the ground, two of which were visitors, Larry & Karen Reed and Tom & Marilyn Mulner. The meeting in **April** was at Northshore R V Park at Onalaska with twenty rigs, two of which were visitors, Willie & Gloria Noel and Pete Yannet. Mary Yannet could not attend the meeting because of the birth of a new grandchild. County Place R V Park at Cut-N-Shoot was the park for the campout in **May** with twenty-two members attending. The chapter members gave a warm welcome to Pete & Mary Yannet, Willie & Gloria Noel and Kenneth & Faye Babin as new members. No campout in **June**, members eat out and have a meeting instead.

Happy Camping and Fellowship to All
Alice and Bryan Barnett, ASD'S

AREA 16

DOGWOOD SAMs

There were 27 people present in **January** at the Beijing Restaurant for the meeting. Everyone is looking forward to the first camp out next month. The **February** camp out at Staway Ranch had 10 rigs and 1 guest rig and 3 drive-ins. R.W. and Shirley Coon rejoined the chapter. The 3 inches of snow was beautiful, and everyone had a good time. Twelve rigs came to Mineola for the **March** camp out and 1 drive-in. Darrell and Wanda Underwood were voted in as new members. Six rigs went to the Samboree in Waco. Gene Page was a contestant on The Price is Right game show and won some nice prizes. Tony Hill won 1st in 42 and Donna Hill was 2nd in Skip Bo. Candy Belle won 1st in the best-dressed dog category. Five ladies attended the Red Hat Tea Party. Everyone had a great time making new friends, playing games, and enjoying the entertainment. The **April** camp out was in Gun Barrel City with 11 member rigs and 2 guest rigs. The game tables were buzzing, pot luck at lunch was delicious, and Mary's soup for supper disappeared in 15 minutes. Eleven member rigs and 1 guest rig came to Staway Ranch in **May**. Game playing and food were in great abundance.



GOLDEN ROLLERS

The **April** camp out was held at Watts RV Park with 6 rigs present. The fishing wasn't any good, but the meals were delicious. Four rigs attended the **May** camp out at Whispering Pines. Rose City Sams were there with 4 rigs, so we joined forces. Everyone had a great time, especially the men who drove to Longview to go to Harbor Freight on Saturday morning. The **June** camp out was at Antique Capital RV Park with 7 members and 3 visitors. Jerry Alvis caught the most fish and James Haile spent most of his time getting his line untangled.

LUFKIN SAMs

There were 9 rigs present for the **March** camp out. The weather was beautiful, there was plenty of delicious food, and lots of fun and fellowship. The **April** meeting in Fredericksburg had 5 rigs. There were 11 rigs at the **May** camp out at Lakeside RV Resort in Onalaska.

AREA 16 (continued)

LUF TO GO SAMS

The **February** camp out was at Magnolia RV Park in Goodrich with 6 member rigs, 1 guest rig, and 1 honorary member rig present. The food was great and Mexican Train was lots of fun. Some went shopping at the factory outlet and some just relaxed and did whatever they felt like doing. Heartland RV Park at Riverside was the site of the **March** camp out with 7 member rigs and 1 guest rig. The week-end was very restful, but busy. The **April** meeting was at Hidden Ponds RV Park in Sulphur, LA with 7 rigs present. Lots of game playing, naps, eating, and shopping at the Dollar Store kept everyone busy. Four member rigs went to the Richardsons in Latexo for the **June** camp out. Arthur and Charlene Freeze had their granddaughter, Samantha Sullivan with them. Lots of good food was enjoyed, and the "Wild Red" sherbet was really a hit.

LUMBERJACK SAMS

Ten member rigs and 1 guest rig were at North Shore RV Park in Onalaska in **February**. Lamar and Pat Lynch were voted in as new members. The **March** camp out was at the Rusk KOA. Friday was a nice sunny day, Saturday was a downpour, requiring a tent to prepare a fish fry, and Sunday there was snow - all in a week-end for the rugged Lumberjacks. Nine member rigs and 2 guest rigs went to Shallow Creek RV Park near Kilgore in **April**. The **May** camp out was in Schulenburg with 9 member rigs and 4 guest rigs. Besides the usual game playing and eating, there were trips to the painted churches in the area, a model aircraft factory museum, and the Schinerbock Factory.

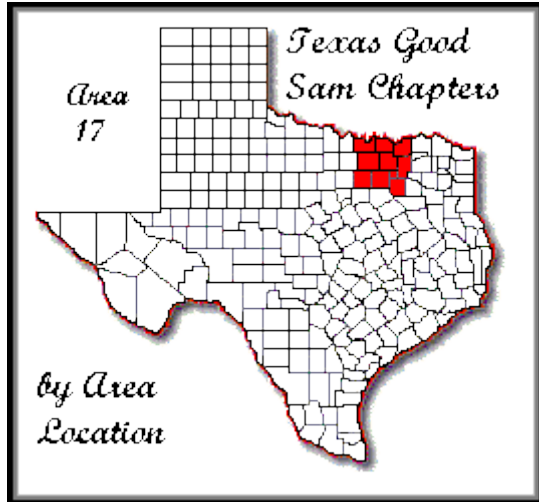
ROSE CITY SAMS

The **February** camp out was cancelled, but eleven hardy rigs went to Corsicana in **March** in the cold and snow. Some drove in and spent the days, which turned out to be beautiful. Lots of game playing, eating, and visiting were enjoyed. There were 11 rigs present with 3 drive-ins at the **April** camp out at Blue Bonnet RV Park in Terrell. A few ladies made a trip to the outlet mall, and everyone always enjoys going to Braum's. The sing along on Tuesday night was quite enjoyable and everyone was glad to meet Shirley, Vernon Ellison's new wife. Ten member rigs and 1 guest rig went to Staway Ranch in Murchison in **May**. Everyone enjoyed an Italian dinner on Monday night with lots of game playing afterwards. The Loblolly Sams invited all of the chapters in Areas 1 and 16 to a camp out in Mineola June 11-13. Dean Ritchey and his wife Carolyn, who are running for State Director, will be there. The camp out in **June** was at the NTAC RV Park in Hillsboro with 14 rigs. Several ladies visited the outlet mall and the breakfast that was prepared for Tuesday morning was wonderful. It was voted to change the July meeting from Sulphur, LA to the Civic Center at Mineola.

AREA 17

In **MARCH, COLLIN COUNTY**

TRAVELERS camped at Shady Creek RV in Aubrey. Their guests were Larry & Teresa McGilvray along with the 14 member rigs. Next campout will be at American RV in Corsicana with a potluck breakfast & Brown Bag supper. **APRIL** campout at American RV was lots of rain, the McGilvray's visited for the 2nd time. The chapter donated another 168 boxes of Mac & Cheese for their charity. They had 7 rigs & 1 guest rig. **MAY** brought 14 member rigs & the 1 guest rig was the McGilvray's who now became members at Bluebonnet Ridge. **CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CHAPTER FOR THEIR NEW MEMBERS.** The 440 boxes of Mac & Cheese filled up the back seat & trunk of the car this month, that was a bunch of boxes, **WOW!!** The **JUNE** campout will be at Cowtown RV in Aledo. Their web site is located at <http://www.collincountytravelers.com/>



In **MARCH, GARLAND SAMS**

camped at NTAC in Hillsboro with 14 rigs & 1 drive-in. The 50/50 was won by Ed Dolby. In **APRIL** they was at Whispering Pines with 12 member rigs, 1 visitor & 1 couple in a cabin. Wayne Brush won the 50/50. **MAY** was at Bluebonnet with 12 member rigs, 1 visitor rig & 2 couples drove in. The visitors were George & Lorraine Fox, George won the 50/50. The Bothwell's grandson Lucas was able to also visit. In **JUNE** they were at Staway Ranch with 14 rigs & the guest rig was Chris & Vivian Bailey who is the daughter & son-in-law of the Delmar's. In leaving the park the Gilmore's had a flat tire & 2 nice young men came along & changed it & then followed them to Wal-Mart to buy a new tire. There is some very nice young folks in this world. Since Mable Gilmore won the 50/50, we know where her money went. The Brush's left early to go to their granddaughter's graduation on Saturday & on Sunday she earned her Gold Award from the Girl Scouts. Their web site is located at <http://www.judsonconnection.com/goodsam.html>

AREA 17 (continued)

In **MARCH**, the **JOLLY GOOD SAMS** camped with 13 member rigs at Antique Capital in Gladewater. In **APRIL** they camped at Lakeridge RV in Gun Barrel City with 10 member rigs. Sylvia won the 50/50 & the Lohre's visited again & joined. CONGRATULATIONS TO JGS. **MAY** brought them to Staway Ranch with 15 rigs present. They made 76 Baby Caps that will be donated to hospitals for preemies. Irene won the 50/50.

In **MARCH** the **LAKE TEXOMA SAMS** camped at Shallow Creek RV in Gladewater. The girls went shopping & some of the guys played golf. They had 9 rigs & the Lloyd's decided to join CONGRAT-ULATIONS to Lake Texoma for their new members. Their visitors were Butch & Ann Vores. Upon departing the Kauffman's & Vores headed for Lake of the Pines & the Tucker's went on to the Arkansas Spring Samboree. The Tucker's have 2 new great grandsons, one is 9 months old in Fort Polk & the other is 4 months & lives close by to the great grandparents in Sherman. In **APRIL** 6 rigs headed to Shawnee, Oklahoma for the Spring Samboree & the monthly campout. A new addition to the chapter is Susie Kauffman, who is part poodle & Schnauzer, she was adopted from the Gainesville Shelter. The **MAY** campout was in Gilmer at Watts RV. Phyllis Heflin had her knee surgery & hope that she is doing great. There were 12 member rigs present, Peggie Lloyd had back surgery due to Spinal Stenosis. At this time they donated \$100 to each 3 charities they support, them being Meals on Wheels, Home Hospice & Key Care Missions. **JUNE** brought them to Mineola with 7 rigs, the visitor rig was the Bruce's. The Nominating Committee presented the slate of new officers which was accepted by acclamation.

In **MARCH**, **METRO-TEX SAMS** met at Lazy L in Sherman with 16 rigs present that included 2 visitor rigs, the Moore's and the Raley's, then the Moore's joined, CONGRATULATIONS METRO-TEX. In **APRIL** they camped at Bluebonnet Ridge with 14 rigs that included former members Ray & Helen McCarty. They also learned a new game that you put an Oreo cookie on your forehead & get it into your mouth. No newsletter received for May or June. Their web site is located at <http://sites.google.com/site/metrotexsams/>

In **MARCH**, **PLANO GOOD SAMS** met at Whispering Pines with 5 member & 1 visitor rig was the Bells who are 2nd time visitors. The **APRIL** campout was at West Burns Run State Park. They collect disposable diapers for Capt. Hope's Kids. They had 9 rigs & the Richardson's were guests along with members of the Warren clan. The **MAY** campout was at Red Willow in Chico, activities were shopping, a Wal-Mart run & Marcella took the girls to find cactus. The **JUNE** campout will be at Antique Capital RV, no campouts for **JULY or AUGUST**. Their web site is located at <http://www.planogoodsams.com/>

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ROWLETT RAMBLIN SAMS – see Rolling Sams of Kaufman in Area 13.

TAG-A-LONG SAMS in process of dechartering.

TEXAS NORTH STAR SAMS camped at Watts RV in Gilmer with 9 rigs in **MARCH**. The **APRIL** campout was at Bluebonnet Ridge RV in Terrell with 8 rigs & Stacie & Darren Nix were the visitors. The **MAY** campout was at Red Willow in Chico with 12 member rigs. The **JUNE** campout will be at Winstar Casino RV. The Bailey's are going on a trip to Mexico. Their web site is located at <http://www.northstarsams.org/>