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Utah State Director's Message

We hope you all had a great Hawaiian Holiday in June. From the moment we entered the welcome area, to the spectacular stage decorations, we knew we were in for a great four day "cruise" and it was. Just like the islands there was tons of delicious food, weather can be hot, hot, hot and rain, rain, rain . . . so it was a typical "cruise". It didn't dampen our parade however!!!

All assignments were carried out in the Utah state "Good Sam" fashion. Some additional assignments were made a few weeks before the event. Those who so willingly took up added responsibilities were carried out with such graciousness.

It is so great to belong to such a super group of hard working, energetic, fun loving people as are the Utah "Good Sams". We thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

It will be good to meet and gather again at the Fall Tag in Delta, September 15-17. The big "car show" will be in town at the same time.

The Fall Tag is much more "laid back" than the Rally (Samboree), leaving more time for us to get out and explore the area (just be back in time for dinner and entertainment). We got a new copy of the Millard County travel guide, and it is really amazing to note the many attractions that are in the area. Of course it is also time to come, relax and enjoy each others company. Can't have a "Fall Tag" without an abundance of the favorite games, food and entertainment to help us enjoy the experience.

"The Adaptable Apple" will be the focus this year. There will be a contest for you to write down the many uses of an apple. In case of a tie, numbers will be drawn to determine the winner. Also you can bring items you make, such as candied apples etc. to be displayed. And if you want to share a treat that would be "a hit". Recipes are always welcome. Lets make these tables a beautiful example of what can be done with the "Adaptable Apple".

The new state directors will be introduced.

We wish the best for each of you and your families.

See you in Delta!!!
Stan and Jerry Griffin
Utah State Directors

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CHAPTER NEWS

COLOR COUNTRY

APRIL

Our club traveled to Cathedral Gorge State Park in Nevada, a beautiful and interesting area for hiking and sight seeing – for 3 fun days, hosted by Darrell and Connie Jones. A nice group attended the entire campout, and in addition, three couples from our club who have been experiencing health issues drove over for the Friday potluck and chapter meeting.

Wayne Hadley announced that he and Mavis have started collecting plastic lids of all types for a charity, and asked that the group start saving them. Hal Jones also reminded everyone to continue saving the aluminum pull tabs which the club will continue to turn over to the Ronald McDonald House. Wayne and Mavis will be camp hosts in Torrey, Utah for the summer.

MAY

Our club returned to the Four Seasons RV Park in Littlefield, AZ for our May gathering, hosted by Bob and Elverna Botts. We were happy to have Darrell and Margaret Miller, former members, join us as guests for the 3-day gathering. We enjoyed evening gatherings around the fire – and of course, there was lots of good food.

JUNE

Of course, this brought us to the wonderful Rally. We had a great time enjoying all the games and activities with the rest of our friends in the state.

Sharon Holwager

DEER SAMS

MAY

Wow! What a great way to start our camping for this year. Our chapter started the month of May, by heading to the Zion River Resort RV Campground next to Zions Canyon. Our hosts- The Johnsons – Jacklin's and Olson's made sure we

had plenty to do while enjoying this awesome place from lots of food and many activities, a trip through Zions and a yummy potluck.

Our chapter loves to do service projects to help others. So one day we all drove into St. George to help a man there who runs a second-hand store. He was overwhelmed with so many donations that he couldn't get put out on the shelves as he was alone. So our chapter volunteered to all help him get his things priced and put on the shelves for a few hours and we had such a fun time helping someone in need. Then we enjoyed lunch together at Artic Circle. With so many fun things to do together we decided this was one of our many awesome campouts. One we were glad we didn't miss!

JUNE

As all of you know, this month found us in Nephi at the Hawaiian Holiday Rally. Our chapter was so proud to have 16 couples join us. Our hosts, the Gammons and the Goodmans, took us to Lisa's Kitchen, in town for a wonderful dinner.

As usual- the State Directors and their staff put on a great time for everyone to enjoy! Thanks to each one of them for all their work. The games, food and entertainment was so awesome.

Our chapter was so proud and honored at the program when our Regional Director, Harold Jacklin, announced that our chapter was chosen "International Chapter Of the Year". This also included us as State and Regional winners. What a great accomplishment for our chapter, especially since this is our third time to receive this award. As I mentioned earlier, our chapter delights in serving and helping others.

JULY

Since the weather has been so hot our chapter was excited to go above Midway, Utah this month so we could cool off a little. Believe me, our hosts, the Storys, the Houstons and the Peays, had plenty planned for us to have a great time. Some of the games kept us laughing a lot. We all visited the cemetery in Heber and learned a lot of history about it. Hobo dinners and s'mores were enjoyed by all that night. The next day we drove to Wallsburg for their celebration and enjoyed a pig roast for dinner and some country music. The next day some of us tied baby quilts for the hospital in Provo. Some of us made ski caps for the homeless and the Provo Mission home for the winter. We also found many treasures at the garage sales in Heber.

At our meeting and potluck, our President, Rulon Gammon, reminded us that it is now time to send our applications and money in for our fun Tag-along in September at Delta. Hope to see you all there!

~Phyllis Deuel

Northern Utah Golden Spikers

APRIL

Janet Vickers Smith, 78, beloved wife, mother and grandmother, passed away on Monday April 4, 2016, surrounded by her loving family at McKay-Dee Hospital. She was a good member of the Good Sam Club. She enjoyed camping and traveling with her husband, J.P. They were married for 59 years. They had 4 children and eight grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Vern. She will be missed by our club members and our condolences to J.P. and their family. Also, check out our website NUGS or Northern Utah Golden Spikers.

Leslie and Bob Lansford made arrangement at the Beez Café at 5410 S. 1900 W. in Roy, Utah for the club's get together. Everyone had a good time and the food was good, too. Thanks goes out to the Lansfords and for all that participated in the raffles that took place that evening. Cindy Burlison, President, called for a Rally meeting on May 3rd at 6:00 pm at her home to finish up any last details with those who will be going to the Rally. Also, information was given to those who were planning to attend the Mountain Valley RV Resort in May.

MAY

The club headed out to Heber, Utah and stayed at the Mountain Valley RV Resort from May 6-8. The resort was nice and clean with lots of room to park your RV and the people there were very accommodating. The club members provided delicious potlucks/meals for everyone to enjoy. Checking out Heber City was a blast! You got to stop and eat at the Hub for breakfast, too. This excursion was a highlight for the club members.

As get together at the Golden Corral in Ogden was hosted by the Folsoms, Jim and Ella and the Spendloves, Wayne and Deyon. Kudos to you for making the arrangements. This is a buffet so everyone was on his/her own for choices to make on what to eat. It was nice to talk with everyone about the recent trip to Heber and to share more feedback from everyone's experiences.

JUNE

From June 8-12 was the Rally in Nephi. The theme being Hawaiian was easy and fun to come up with ideas for our assignments; one of which was being the greeters as everyone arrived. Our "hut" and "pool" were totally original and the water bottles (came complete with grass skirts and tops) took forever to make. We hope that everyone got a lei, too. We all dressed up and tried to do our part in making the Rally successful. We even had our very own Hawaiian Princess, Miss Page, daughter of Jan and Gary Hyde, waving to the people from her throne on the gloat as she made her way down the parade route being pulled by her mother and escorted by our club members. Check out the website for pictures and more about the Rally and our chapter.

The food was super good and the activities were awesome! Our own club enjoyed planned meals such as pulled pork with coleslaw and cookies, tacos with green salad and cake that someone won at the cake walk, and a baked potato bar. Then there was

the local cuisine of the city, such as the One Man Band restaurant, and the on Drive-in place that has tons of fries... Oh, checking out the Nebo canyon was a must when on needed to escape the heat. Speaking of heat, thank you so much Jolyn and Cliff McMullin for those Hawaiian slushes you made that everyone loved; and Jack Toll and Kevin Burlison for the ice cream bars. They all sure hit the spot when fighting the heat.

One last think.. it's sure nice to know that you can count on people to help you in time of need. Our president's husband had to switch vehicles with a family member when they discovered they had truck trouble. But, hold on, there's more! They get about 5-10 miles away from Nephi and that truck breaks down as well. So, who do you call? Your chapter Sam's Club members. While some members were in constant phone communication others were off to the rescue in bringing our member's rig to Nephi and then back home again. It's good to have people that you can count on!

Our get together on June 16th was held at Lucky China in Roy and was hosted by Kevin and Cindy Burlison. The food was delicious and everyone had a nice time. Club members talked about the Rally and shared their experiences. Thanks Burlison's for making the arrangements.

JULY

From July 8-10 the club was invited to spend time at Ber Mezenen's beautiful place in Morgan. The club met at the Spring Chicken Inn in Morgan for dinner and breakfast. Lawn games, fishing and lounging around was at Bert's lovely ranch. A potluck/BBQ was hosted by Bert and his daughter. It was a time to relax, socialize and take in the peaceful beauty of his place and was very much appreciated.

AUGUST

The NUGS stayed at the Village of Tress RV Resort in Delco, Idaho. The place is very accommodating, clan and very nice and the best thing was that we didn't have to pay in advance. The members were assigned meals to eat. We like to do as much as we can at home and then just heat it up while camping. The food was awesome.

~Larry Slade

OLYMPUS SEAGULLS

MAY

Our first campout this season was to the Springville KOA which was hosted by Bill and Mary Jo Bohmholdt. We had an exciting start to the day when I pushed the button to put the jacks down and a battery blew up. Fortunately, the batteries were covered with a metal top and the only mishap was Bill being sprayed with battery fluid ruining a good pair of jeans.

After we were settled, we played games for a while and then went to Denny's for dinner. Our ice cream social topped off the say.

We had a pancake breakfast made special by Cloyd & Connie Theobald with eggs provided by Gwen McPhie. After a day of games, we went to Cracker Barrel for dinner. We also shopped at Stauffers to fill the freezer.

On Friday, we relaxed, played games, and had a potluck dinner. Our business meeting concluded the day.

JUNE

The Rally in Nephi was fun but sooo hot. Some of the club members stayed at the RV park up the mountain where it was cool. We decided to have dinner there with the McPhie's hosting. We enjoyed the Rally, the food, the games and especially the Sambo that we were in charge of. We were nervous about hosting the event but it went better than we planned. The Parade on Saturday was cool and rainy but enjoyable.

JULY

We had a great campout in Mantua hosted by Bruce & Janet Bird with lots of trees and a lake nearby. We had a little drama because of the uninformed staff. We had 3 days reserved and they only had us down for 2. Because of this we had to move the whole camp on the last day to a large backyard of grass. Anyway, we went to Logan for shopping. We also went to the Tabernacle for a wonderful performance. Afterwards, we had dinner at the Blue Bird. We also had dinner at Maddox on Friday. On Saturday, before we left, we watched the local parade in Mantua and collected a lot of candy that was thrown during the parade. It was a fun campout.

Over the Hill Sams

MAY

Monday we arrived at South Fork Campground. Steady, cold wind and a rain storm did not deter us from fulfilling our commitment to clean it up. We forged ahead with our shovels, rakes, brooms and leaf blowers. We worked and worked and by Tuesday afternoon it was ready to greet summer campers. The days were cold and windy and by evening we were decked out in our winter coats, gloves, and hats. Needless to say the homemade ice cream that was planned for a treat was postponed until our Jackson trip. A couple of mornings Mike and Sally battled the cold to grill delicious hot breakfasts for everyone. What troopers! Tuesday afternoon we gathered in their RV to make huge multicolored tissue paper flowers to use on our float in the Rally parade. After our pot luck luncheon on Wednesday, Dar held our business meeting. All the upcoming events, trips, and service projects were discussed. We had a good time in spite of the weather and are glad we could be of service.

Another service opportunity came along on the 18th. Our chapter, along with another Good Sam chapter, plated for 1440 guests at the Best of Utah Banquet being held at the Salt Palace. We enjoy working together and earning money to fund

our service projects.

JUNE

We arrived at the Rally Wednesday morning. After all of us settled in, we attended the programs arranged for the men and the women. While the women were being entertained at their tea, the men were treated to a talk given by our on Dar Brimhall who spoke on the history of Browning rifles. He even brought some rifles from his private collection. Word was that he did a fabulous job. Way to go, Dar! One of the ways to keep a little cooler was to sit in the shade of the big cotton wood trees. So, if we weren't playing games, visiting the vendors or moving tables and chairs, we could usually be found there. Most evenings after the entertainment we gathered outside the Brimhall's Rv to talk, sing a song or two and be entertained by Dar and his new specialty outdoor lights. Our chapter meeting was in combination with our pizza supper. We held it in the building under the bleachers. It was much more enjoyable than being held outdoors. Members of our chapter did us proud in the games arena. Ron and Diana took first place in the Crazy Golf tournament. When it came to playing Bean Bag Baseball, we had more than enough to fill a team. The Out of Staters were short a couple of players so Bob and Gerry offered to join their team. Wouldn't you know they took second place. Good things continued for us Saturday morning. Our float was awarded "Most Creative". Thanks for everyone's help. Special "Atta Boys" go to Mike and Sally for all their bright ideas, decorations, and time devoted to making the float. Ron and Diana deserve "Atta Boys" also for furnishing their Razor and trailer for the float. Thanks to everyone for pitching in to set up the tables and chairs for all the events held during the Rally. That was a big job. Saturday night most of us stayed to put all the tables and chairs away and sweep the floor. Since it was rather late we spent the night and went home Sunday morning.

JULY

On June 19th we began our trip to Jackson. Several routes were taken with the goal of meeting up Sunday night at the Star Valley Ranch Resort in Thayne, WY. Ray and Karen decided to drive all the way to Gros Ventre since they were told Star Valley Ranch was full. There were a few hiccups along the way for a couple of our group. Paul and Marilyn were merrily tooling down the road in their new (to them) motor home when they had a flat tire while on an uphill curve on a two lane road. The spare tire was also flat. So, they called for help. Ron and Diana and Dar and Pam stayed with them 'til the tow truck arrived. That was three hours in the hot sun with no shade to be found. Paul and Marilyn were very appreciative of the help and support. True friends stick together. Maurice and Janet took a wrong road and ended up in Big Piney, WY. After finding their mistake and getting directions from Dave they made it to our campground before dark.

Gros Ventre (gro vont) meaning big belly was the name given to an Indian tribe by the French trappers. Since Gros Ventre does not take reservations, we left early Monday morning in hopes of getting sites close together. Ray and Karen let us know their site number so we were able to ask if there were open sites nearby. The friendly park rangers were very accom-

modating and worked quickly to pull all the sites in the loop that were near them. We all took our time nestling in among the cottonwood trees (which by the way showered us with fluff all week). Hot winds and no electricity made it more comfortable to be outside than to be in the even hotter RVs. Much to the delight of everyone, Paul and Marilyn joined us by early afternoon. After a few hours around camp many of us took off to find Mormon Row. We saw some of the old houses in the settlement and took pictures of the barn that is featured in lots of paintings and photos. Monday evening Paddy and Terry treated us to sloppy Joes. With everyone contributing side dishes, we had quite the feast. After supper we had a fireless campfire gathering. Dave talked to us about the history of the area and, then, treated us to homemade ice cream to go on our brownies. The evening's official activities ended with the sighting of a moose munching grass in the Gros Ventre River near our camp sites. A few brave souls lingered to play card games 'til the mosquitoes and darkness won out.

Tuesday we were off and running to be at the Jenny Lake parking lot by 9 A.M. Parking is very limited there. We rode the ferry shuttle across the lake. This saved us a 2.5 mile hike. As we climbed the path to the waterfalls we stopped to take beautiful pictures from the bridges and among the trees. A few of us decided to venture farther up the path to Inspiration Point. It was quite the climb on a rocky path. Although we stopped before reaching the very top, we were high enough to get a pretty view of Jenny Lake. The afternoon was filled with a variety of activities. Some went back to their RVs to snooze or read. Others headed to Colter Bay. A few visited the Lawrence S. Rockefeller Preserve and the Grand Teton National Park Visitors Center. After supper we talked for a little while. Dar reminded us that our spouse is the most important thing we have and he led us in singing the Everly Brothers big hit "Let It Be Me". Our sore feet and aching backs won out and we called it a night about 8 P.M.

Wednesday

We started the day with delicious pork burritos thanks to Mike and Sally. Just as most of us were finishing breakfast a bison was spotted in the meadow across the road. So we ventured a little closer and watched as he munched and roamed the area. After a leisurely morning we ambled into Jackson. Shopping and people watching filled our time until we met at the Bar J Ranch at 3 P. M. Even though the wait was long, it was worth it. We had seats on the second and third rows—close to enjoy the Wranglers' facial expressions. They put on a great show. I think we all left with smiles on our faces and happy memories. Thanks, Dave, for making all the arrangements and getting us such fabulous seats.

Being spoiled by Mike and Sally was becoming the norm. Pancakes were the featured item for breakfast. With full stomachs and the need to venture a few more places, we all took off to parts known and unknown. As we were headed to US 89 a bison crossed the road in front of us. He was close enough to see a branch stuck in his fur. He moseyed into the sage brush, we snapped a few shots and were on our way.

Some of us drove to Colter Bay. The porch at the general store was a wonderful place to relax and take in the beautiful view of the Bay. It was so picturesque—brightly colored kayaks resting on the shoreline and a few being paddled, boats bobbing up and down in their slips and, in the background, the gorgeous, majestic Tetons. What a way to spend a few precious moments! After leaving the marina, we dined at the restaurant to fill our stomachs, then, emptied our wallets in the gift shop. On our way backed to the campground we visited the Jackson Lake Lodge and the Menors Ferry District. That evening several couples drove into Jackson and had a roaring good time at the dinner theater featuring Cat Ballou. The rest of us attended the Park Ranger Program about the pronghorns. Friday

A couple of moose were grazing among the trees near the ranger station. I guess they wanted to wish us safe travels. What a great trip. Thanks to everyone for all the good times! July 25-28th was our stay at Blacksmith Fork. I don't know the particulars as we were in Montana. I'm sure everyone had a great time. There is where we like to really relax, play games, and eat.

~Carolyn Gedris



MAY

Hyrum State Park was the place for our first campout of the year. May is the month for Good Sams to do a clean-up service project, and we had the opportunity to clean up the park between rain showers.

The hosts for this campout were: Bob & Cathi Anderson and Frederick & Paula Kluss. We had an excellent Italian dinner Saturday night with Italian music and several more group meals which we all contributed to.

JUNE

Our Chapter was in charge of the Memorial Service and Memorial Table at the Utah RV Rally. Many outstanding comments were received on the Memorial Service. Bagpipers from a local high school led the group onto the field which was impressive. Dodi Carter and Gary Taylor sang a beautiful duet, "One More Day."

The memorial table had matching frames, all pictures the same size and write-up for each deceased person made everyone equal. A large beautiful back drop picture of a sunset was hung behind the display table.

We were pleased to receive the Judges Choice Award for our float in the parade which was a Hawaiian Grass Shack shaped like a camping trailer.

Paul & Arlene Hales received their Century Patch and Walt & Shirley Summers received the Golden Beehive Award.

Hosts for June were: Boyd & Doris Giles, Ivy Gilchrist, and Brad & Sandra Farnsworth.

JULY

We had a picnic in the backyard of Boyd & Doris Giles' home and invited our former members to join us. We were pleased that eleven former members were able to attend. Two new couples, Roger & Rose Ann Falk and Neil & Dale Poulsen attended and have paid their dues to become members of Peach City Good Sams.

~Shirley Summers

Squaw Peak Sams

MAY

Our first campout of the year was held at Birch Creek near Fountain Green. We celebrated the "Blast From the Past" because it is the Squaw Peak Sams 30th anniversary party! After the Thursday dinner pot luck there was a delightful DVD shown of the exploits of the group for the past 30 years and a copy of it was given to each couple. A beautiful cake with the club logo was served with ice cream and a cup cake candle was given to each couple. Bruce Ashton gave a great thought about all the people who made a difference in our life. We had a great turnout and wonderful time thanks to our hosts: Gary and LaFae Pyne, Jim and Linda Burrell and Wally Ekland.

JUNE

We had a fun time at the Nephi Rally in June. All loved the Hawaiian Holiday theme and our parade float had a beautiful Hawaiian princess named Elly Saxey-John and Linda Saxey's granddaughter. We enjoyed doing the obstacle course and those who participated. Gloria Despain's brother, Cliff and wife Jill were guests at our meeting. They are from Colorado and had come over for the Rally and to visit his sister. Our hosts were Chuck and Jeanie Brewer.

JULY

'Red, White, and Blue' was the theme for July in Ferron, Utah. Our hosts were Neil and Donna Price, Dan and DeeAnn Dodge and Gerri and Boyd Bowman. DeeAnn Dodge helped us paint wooden flags. John Saxey and Bob Ekblad brought the tools to make pens. Some of the group went to the Castle Dale Pageant on Thursday and others on Saturday night. Friday nearly all members to the drive to Roy, Utah to Darrell Hunt's funeral. Darrell is a beloved member of the Squaw Peak Sams. The potato tacos were fabulous!

~ Joyce Snow

Sundowner Sams

MAY

For the month of May we were at our usual place, BEAVER CREEK NUDIST camp above Kamas Utah. As usual clothing is

optional, and of course depends on the mosquito population. And with lower temperatures at that elevation, we find a bit of shrinkage going on.

Don and Charlotte Beebe and Tim Noyce was our hosts for this outing. We had 26 in attendance. The weather was a bit windy this year and made for a cool outing, especially at night. We played table games when we were not eating or sitting around just chatting. Then on Saturday, The Hosts introduced us to our very own OLYMPICS "THE BEAVER CREEK NATIONALS." We had a shooting range, (water pistols) golfing in the rough, (golf ball and club in the weeds) discus throw, (hula hoops) Bocce ball toss, We all had fun with this activity. We all were invited by President Heitman to come and help make decoration for the Rally in Nephi in June, and Wagonmaster Higgins discussed the upcoming trip this fall before The tag-a long in the fall. Sunday when we went to leave some of us could not get our rigs out cause it rained the night before, and made the mountain soil like axle grease.

Congratulations to Leon and Ramona Higgins 54 years of Marriage. Happy anniversary and Happy Birthday was sung to all Well enough for this one.

JUNE

June brought us to the Rally for the Utah Good Sams annual gathering in Nephi. We had nine rigs attend and David and Mary Jager were our Hosts. The Chapter arrived a few days before to decorate the stage area with the theme of HAWAIIAN HOLIDAY and the area of the Chinese auction. We ate out most meals and our chapter members participated in many of the games and hosted our chapter assignments. Thanks to those that helped make this a success. Happy anniversary and happy birthday was sung to all.

JULY

July we went to Camping world's new Retraillia, (new name) at Starvation Reservoir. Hosted by Ralph and Shirley Mortensen. These parks are nice to go to when possible. We had 13 rigs with two visitors looking to join our chapter total of 15 rigs. we played games of different categories, on Saturday we went to Roosevelt to their car show. They had a good showing for their smallish park as there were over 700 vehicles. Some very nice entries for this part of the state.

Happy Anniversary and Happy Birthday was sung to the members.

We had one of our members move to Texas, we wish them success and happiness in the new home.

For this month tips, these are reminders as to what RV owners should watch for.

Check your trailers shackles on your suspensions for wear. The bolts will wear elongated and change your alignment, the tires will wear.

Check the water in your batteries and add distilled water when needed a couple times a year.

To help empty the holding tanks, treat them with the "Murphy Solution" Mix one cup water softener (King or Calgon) - King is cheaper- one cup low sudsing laundry, or dish washing detergent, mix/dissolve in one/two gallon pail and dump in to holding tanks. Makes the tank surfaces slippery, stuff is released easily. (All ways add a couple gallons water to BLACK tank along

with your treatment) before use.

~Marvin Lee

Timp Moonshiners

MAY

We only had 3 members and one new couple. Jay, his son Boyd, and Brent, all had brought their 4 wheelers. The first night we went out to dinner. On Saturday night's Pot-Luck, Brent and Ilene cooked ribs and Dutch oven potatoes, for the main course. The weather was really windy so we didn't get to visit outside as much as we would have liked.

JUNE

We had six rigs come to the rally this year. We were in charge of the door prizes, and the Chinese auction. Our group really comes together as a team to accomplish these assignments. We had quite the system going for the auction, as it only took one hour and twenty minutes to complete. Two years in a row for that task is more than enough. Tim and Leslie hosted our pot-luck dinner of Spaghetti and Meatballs.

The key to enjoying this event is to be involved, sign up for the games etc.

About 5 different chapters showed up to serve at the Salt Palace. I think we helped dish up about 3,500 meals of Chicken, Salmon, rice, and asparagus. This was for the Young Living Essential Oils Convention.

JULY

Hosts: Gary, LaDean, Allen, and Beverly Hancock. Seven rigs came to this outing. Saturday Al slaved over a hot camp-chef to slow cook shredded beef for fantastic Taco's. Beans and Rice, salads and much more for a great pot-luck feast. The rest of us spent our time sightseeing the beautiful cliffs of red rock, and castle like formations. One of my particular favorite sights was that of a slot canyon towering a thousand feet straight up, and barely wide enough to walk up into, all in majestic red rock.

~ LaDean Hancock

Utah Trail Dusters

MAY

The Trail Dusters went to Little Mill campground in American Fork Canyon. The weather is always a little unpredictable this month. It was our first campout for the year. Since many of our rigs hadn't been used for awhile, several had problems that needed attention after arriving at the camp. Two members had to take their rigs down for repair. We had some much wanted sun; however, it rained a good part of the time. We did find time to do some bags for the Christmas Box. Before our outing was

over, we went to the Salt Palace to help with a catering opportunity we like to do. The funds we earn helps us be able to give to more charities. We came back to camp afterwards. The outing took the place of going out to dinner with our friends. Another of the group had car troubles, but all made it home happy and glad that we had made the effort to go have fun with our Good Sam friends!

JUNE

We headed to Nephi for the annual Rally. We loved the Hawaiian theme. We came equipped with our leis and muu muus. I am not sure of the spelling but you get the picture. Our friends all enjoyed the games and food and the companionship of our extended friends. Building the floats and having the parade was a real challenge because of the weather. We had all kinds of weather from hot, hot to windy, windy, to rainy, rainy. It was challenging to build the floats. Many people were needed to construct the floats. Prayers were also offered that the floats would hold together long enough to be in the parade. We did get an award; however, I am not sure what it was. The entertainment at the Ladies Tea was wonderful. The islander performers were wonderful. Much of the time was hot, but we still had fun with all the activities planned. We loved the dinner put on by the people that we provide service for at various catered events. It was so good!

JULY

On the 24th of July we had a big picnic at the Andrew's home. Many of our group were there, some at such a great sacrifice. Lila Hutchings was not at all well, but she wanted to come anyway. We also had four guests. What a wonderful way to celebrate the 24th. The weather was nice and we had a fun activity together.

Ute Salt Shakers

JUNE

12 members attended the Rally in Nephi. Richard and Darlene Baer were awarded the coveted and much deserved Utah State Bee Hive Award. Congratulations. Bonnie Grippen was awarded the Outstanding Service Award which was also very much deserved. We always participate in all the activities. Visitors Ron and Renee Boulton, Assistant State Directors from Texas joined us at our pot luck and root bear float. We enjoyed visiting with them.

JULY

We spent our July campout at Evanston, Wyoming. We visited the Fort Bridger Historic Site and the huge railroad museum. Who knew Evanston had such a huge and beautiful railroad and Chinese museum. The Chinese built the railroad. The museum was very interesting and very well done. We took a beautiful River Walk. Dorothy and George Parker's son paid us a visit and presented a wonderful musical program. Thank you Johnny Parker. 29 members and two guests attended.

AUGUST

Our journey took us to Boise. We had a tour of the Bird Refuge and we visited the Air Force Museum and had a tour through the Old Prison. The weather was wonderful and we really enjoyed Boise.

Our new officers for 2017 are Mike Wims, President, Curt Haviland, Vice President, Pam Wims, Secretary, Bill Burke, Wagon Master. A vote was taken ratifying the new officers. 28 members and 1 guest were in attendance.

We hope to see everyone at the Tag-a-Long Rally.



MAY

Our meeting was held at Perception Park Camp Ground. We cleaned up the leaves and fallen branches from the roads, trails and camp sites. We are able to camp here for a few days. It is still a little cool for camping but we had a good time. In the late afternoon we roasted hot dogs over the camp fire and had salad and chips. Tuesday was our meeting and potluck, always a lot of fun and good food. Jeanne Cogdill, a longtime member passed away on May 14, 2016. Jeanne and Ben have not been able to attend our meetings for some time because of her health. Our condolences to Ben and his family. Our next meeting will be at Nephi.

JUNE

At the Samboree we spent most of our time at the booth. We had three quilts and a box of decorations to raffle off. We ate most of the time out. No use cooking when it's so hot. The Parade turned out great. Boyd Ressler was the Master of Ceremonies. Jan Ressler lined up the parade participants in their places. Each group was very creative. The Jamboree food was great, the games were fun and the prizes were good.

JULY

Our July meeting was at Blacksmith Fork, a favorite place to go. Monday afternoon we went to Chuck-A-Rama Buffet for good food. We were glad Bellinghams were able to join us for dinner. Tuesday we had our pot luck dinner and meeting. The meeting was

conducted by our President Jan Ressler. We were happy to have Larry and Shirley Petersen join us. We played the washer toss game, Men against the women. Will not report how that turned out. Everyone had a good time and enjoyed visiting. Our next outing will be at the Village of Trees in Declo, Idaho.

~Vivian Jensen

Recreational Vehicle Camping Tips and Ideas

- Use Checklists!!!!!! No matter how many times you move your RV, you can forget to do something! Roof vents and TV antennas are the biggest offenders for most folks, but basement storage bins being left unlocked can make you lose some good stuff!

Learn about the many places you can go RV camping. Private RV parks are popular and easy to find, but there are many RV camping locations off the beaten path. Public lands are available in every state for camping, and a quick way to find your states public land management resources is by using the [RV Camping Map](#).

- Check tire pressure before every trip!!!!!! I do, and still had a double dual blowout on I-10 last December. I figure that I caught a nail or something that caused one tire to go low pressure, and all that it took was time to heat up the other tire and take them both out!

- Speaking of on the road problems...if you can't change your own tires like we can't, or you do break down, roadside assistance is worth every penny! Our double blowout cost us \$385. That was the cost of 2 tires and tax. Service call, labor, mounting and balance was covered by the road service. We also picked up a nail in a front tire and just needed the spare put on...No additional charge!

Staying in RV parks alot??? There are several discount camping clubs that might work for you and where you need to travel. Check them out carefully as no club is right for everyone. We don't stay in RV parks more than a night or two a month, so we don't belong to a discount program. Our [Discount Camping Section](#) has a list of several discount camping clubs.