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## Utah State Director's Message

Well, we can't believe our two year appointment as Directors of the Utah State Good Sam Organization is about to end.

In thinking back on these two years, we find they have been some of the most exciting, inspirational, and frustratingly great times. I just wish my health had been a little better so I could have entered into more of the activities, but I was always with you in thought and spirit and thank goodness for Jerry in carrying the bulk of the load.

Our first item of business was to select a State Staff. This we did with no problem. Those who were invited to serve stepped up to the plate with no hesitation of fear or trembling. That was probably the most reassuring to us.

Next item was to attend the "Regional Directors Meeting" in SLC. We got acquainted with 4 other seasoned State Directors who gave us much needed encouragement and ideas. The Regional Director Harold and Rosalie Jacklin were always our biggest champions with information and all the help we ever needed. Thank you Harold and Rosalie.

Then it was to the April State Committee Meeting held at the "Fox Hollow Golf Club" in American Fork. We met for the first time with the Chapter Presidents and State Staff members. This was an eye-opening experience to see exactly how the State functioned. Such great Chapter Presidents and staff! Our hats go off to you for putting up and training us. Thank you!

June Samboree-- theme "Boot Camp". Everyone got into the spirit and it was a super great time. Even the "Military Ball" had its doubts, but turned out to be a highlight, all dressed in formal and military attire or best dress. So elegant! Not even too many complaints of the early morning flag raising ceremony.

Next was Fall Tag. We had a "Back to School Days" theme. Was good to be mixed into different "grades" and meet with other chapter members. Yes, the "Good Old Days" were remembered and new things taught in the classes.

At the December Committee Meeting the State Treasurer (Lynn Koyle) was reelected for another 2 years. The "Organ Loft" SLC was decorated and food served. Door Prizes and favors given. New Chapter Presidents Introduced.

Then on to year two. Same schedule - January, the three day Directors Meeting in SLC with other State Directors. (Can you believe we forgot to take our suitcase with our clothes in?) So a hurried midnight trip back to AF for the Suitcase.

April Committee Meeting - Senior Citizen Center in American Fork. Another mix up- Agendas were printed wrong, same items on the back of the page as were on the front. (Oh, will we ever learn?) (But corrected agendas were sent out.)

June Samboree now called "Rally (Samboree) "Hawaiian Holiday" was the theme. Was just like in Hawaii, hot, hot, rain, rain, but things went on as scheduled. Theme carried out to perfection. So much work, time and effort. Great job!!

September Fall Tag in Delta, We changed a few things, made it a little more "laid back" and time to explore the area and relax. Of course same games, food and fun. The next year's State Directors, Al and Linda Andrew, were introduced.

And time again for the December Meeting, this year to be held at the "5<sup>th</sup> East Hall" in American Fork.

So we wish the best for each of you in the coming years, and remember to have a great day and "SMILE at the PEOPLE"! You will be in good hands with the Andrews. They will have your best interests at heart.

Thank you everyone for your support, encouragement, compliments, suggestions, comments and all that you are. There probably never has been such a great group of people in the entire world as are in the Utah State Good Sam Organization.

Stan and Jerry Griffin  
Utah State Directors

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## *“In Memoriam”*

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## *Anniversaries*

Leon & Ramona Higgins....Sundowners .. 54 yrs

Bob & Judy Richardson...Ute Salt Shakers.....57 yrs

Jerry & Leona Killen.....Ute Salt Shakers.....54 yrs

George and Dorothy Parker .....Ute Salt Shakers .....50 yrs

John and Mickey Godfrey.....Ute Salt Shakers .....55 yrs

Bill and Charleen Burke....Ute Salt Shakers....52 yrs

Richard & Darlene Baer....Ute Salt Shakers.....56 yrs

Stephen & Barbara Rowland ...Ute Salt Shakers....56 yrs

Steven & Viola Blomquist...Ute Salt Shakers....54 yrs

Curtis & Lorraine Haviland...Ute Salt Shakers....50 yrs.

Bruce & Janet Bird...Olympus Seagulls...57 yrs

Don & Gwen McPhie....Olympus Seagulls...56 ys

Jerry & Marilyn Rasmussen...Olympus Seagulls...63 yrs.

Gerri & Boyd Bowman..... Squaw Peak...54 yrs

Jim & Linda Burrell —Squaw Peak....54 yrs

Marv & Joan Lee ...Sundowner Sams....67 yrs

LaVar & Sharon Burton...Sundowner Sams...58 yrs

Jay & Dorothy Hansen...Timp Moonshiners...55 yrs



## *New Members*

Vance Nye—Beehive Roamers

HelenRae Frank —Beehive Roamers

Ipo Kahaialii—Happy Hobos

Dale & Carol Wallace—Happy Hobos

Tom & Karin Glen—Happy Hobos

Roger & Rose Ann Falk—Peach City

Neil & Dael Poulsen—Peach City

Orson & Jeannette Poulsen—Peach City

Dr. Ruth Burkett —Sundowner Sams

## CHAPTER NEWS

### Beehive Roamers

#### AUGUST

We went to Retrailia RV Resort (formerly Camperworld) at Echo Island. We had our usual pot luck dinners, went to Taggerts for dinner and had lots of visiting. Thanks to our hosts Carol and Merrill Rowley. We are sorry to report the lost of two of our members. Vance Nye and HelenRae Frank who past away this month.

#### SEPTEMBER

We went to Star Valley RV Resort for our week long camp. Our hosts were The Finches. We had an Ice Cream social, played Games, and had a pot luck sloppy joe Dinner. We took a trip into Afton to the CallAir Museum which was very interesting. On Sunday we all attended Church in Afton followed by afternoon naps and later played games. The next day we went in town and had lunch at Tooties Pizza and on the way home we stopped and had ice cream. Several of our group also golfed on the golf course at the Resort. On the 6th we all went to Bar J Wranglers by Jackson Hole for a dinner and program.....An excellent show and dinner. Thanks to our hosts

#### OCTOBER

October found us at our usual fall camp at Springville KOA. We finished 15 quilts which will be donated to a refugee group. We also donated \$500 to the Food Bank, \$500 to Quarters for Christmas, and \$125 to the Ronald McDonald house. We had pot luck and played our usual games. we also planed camps for next year and had elections. Our host were Jay and Millie Frances.

Deanna Grimsrud

### Color Country

#### JULY & AUGUST

Our group again spent our gatherings during both July and August at Lutherwood Campground. It is a beautiful little valley on Cedar Mountain – at a cool 7500 ft. elevation, (great break from the heat in St. George) where the deer (and chipmunks) run freely. The deer have become comfortable enough (and feel safe enough) that they come in frequently during the day, but especially evening, to see what kind of treats might be available. A couple even were brave enough to take a treat from someone's hand. Chuck and Joanne

Walrath hosted the group in July, and Bob and Joyce Clarke hosted in August. The group enjoyed exploring the area, playing games, and as usual a lot of good food.

#### SEPTEMBER

Since the outdoor temperatures are still very warm in St. George in September, we planned our outing at the Bryce Canyon Pines – again high on the mountain, just outside of Bryce Canyon National Park. Although it really was still pretty warm in St. George, the weather at the Pines was not good – cold, rainy, and even a little snow! Although a few ventured into the Park, they found it completely fogged in part of the time – and still rainy and chilly at other times. Overall, we did really enjoy ourselves though – enjoyed a couple of restaurant meals as a group, and had a variation of a progressive dinner our last day, dividing ourselves into 2 groups, setting up half of the meal at one RV, and the other half at another RV – with the groups switching places midway. It worked out well.

#### OCTOBER

Our October outing was enjoyed at the Four Seasons RV Park in Littlefield, AZ, with Grant and Linda Larsen hosting. The outing was initially planned for Zion National Park, but we found it nearly impossible to get campground reservations there, even with calling 6 months in advance. Although we love it at Zion, we decided that it would probably not be an option for us in the future, because of the difficulty getting reservations. Two couples joined us as guests, and hopefully one of the couples will decide to join our chapter. We will be losing two of our couples at the end of the year due to health issues. At Four Seasons, we had to forego the evening campfires because the Park had just planted new grass, but the group gathered for games a couple of times each day – and of course, we enjoyed a lot of good food. It was the time of year when dues were collected, and we were asked to consider suggestions for our charitable donations for the year, which will be decided upon next month. Linda did an exceptional job of decorating the clubhouse for our gatherings there, even including menus—she prepared a delicious salmon with dill sauces for our Thursday meal.

Sharon Holwager

### Deer Sams

#### AUGUST

If your chapter has never been camping at “The Pinnacles” near Roosevelt, believe me you have missed a very private and beautiful experience. Our chapter chose to go there for our August campout, away from the city noise and just a very private place. We had time to play games together, have a

great breakfast together in the sunshine and a really delicious pot luck with Dutch oven meat.

On Thursday afternoon we all got in our tucks and rode into a small town about 10 miles from Roosevelt for old fashioned hamburgers and root beer floats. Our hosts this month really out did themselves to make this an awesome time.

### SEPTEMBER

Our numbers were few this month at the Tag-a-long in Delta, but those of us that were able to go had such a great time. Our chapter rally appreciated all the work the State Directors and their staff does to make it such a fun time for everyone.

Our chapter had an awesome potluck together which our presidency organized for us. We all loved the prizes we won in the drawing that was held. We were so lucky to have such beautiful fall weather to enjoy while at Delta.

### OCTOBER

This month our hosts treated us to another awesome campout at the KOA in Springville. We met on Thursday and were treated to a very interested tour of the first printing shop museum in Provo. We learned a lot and had a great time and then went to Sizzler for dinner. Then back to the campground where some of us watched a movie while others were treated to a class on making a beautiful basket to take home.

Our hosts organized a delicious spaghetti dinner for all with Halloween decorations all over the hall. We played some new games and old ones too, told stories and finished up lots of quilts we furnished to the Red Cross and Head Start school in Provo.

Saturday we all met at Dennys and had a fun and noisy breakfast. It was so much fun to have a big crowd in their private room "upstairs". Thanks to our hosts for a well-planned and happy campout.

~Phyllis Deuel

## Happy Hobos

For the past several months the Happy Hobos have been involved in several service projects raising funds to help needy families in our area. We are excited to be able to help others. We had a very successful estate sale where we earned a substantial amount of funds which will go to helping others. We want to thank the Johnson family for their generosity in donating the items for this sale.

The Hobos have had a great summer with camp outs to Strawberry reservoir and to the city of Ferrin. The group had lots of fun exploring the surrounding areas and of course the guys got their fishing in.

We are excited to welcome Ipo Kahaialii, Dale and Carol Wallace and Tom and Karin Glen to our Happy Hobos chapter. We want to congratulate all those who have had anniversaries in the past several months!

As the camping season is wrapping up, we camped at the

Eastbay RV Park. We had a great time playing games, golfing, target shooting, cutting out pj's, material for quilts and enjoying good food. We are making plans for the Rally in June. There is nothing like being with our Good Sam Group, and enjoying the wonderful friendships.

~ Eileen Gonzales

## Northern Utah Golden Spikers

### AUGUST

The NUGS traveled to the Village of Trees RV Resort in Delco, Idaho where grass, river, and shade welcomed us. The place is very accommodating, clean and nice; but the best thing was the reasonable cost for our stay and that we didn't have to pay in advance. The members were assigned to meals and preparations before leaving home so it made preparation at meal time easier while camping. The food was awesome! The surrounding area offers sight-seeing, small towns, restaurants and water falls. Fishing, golfing and water activities are also available. The resort also offers good and reasonable priced menus and delivery to your rig as well. Crafts, exploring, and enjoying each other's company made this trip a highlight and we would highly recommend this place to anyone.

### SEPTEMBER

Some of the members attended the Tag-A-Long at Delta and enjoyed it very much. When you see Jack Toll, ask him to share his Delta golfing story. See our Blog (NUGS) for more fun sharing experiences. Ron and Julie Thomas were in charge of the monthly dinner. The Pizzeria, located in Ogden was very spacious and nice. The food was affordable. Thanks to both for making the arrangements and favors. Over 30 people with 2 visitors attended the event. Discussions over the upcoming office elections were presented.

### OCTOBER

Everyone enjoyed eating a Beez Café in Roy. Linda and Larry Slade made the arrangements and provided the Halloween favors and prizes (homemade goodies, compliments to the Slade's apple trees) for the raffle winners; which the money goes towards charity. The food was delicious, reasonably priced, very accommodating and the service was super! Twenty-eight were in attendance. Again, discussions of upcoming office elections were presented.

~Larry Slade

## Olympus Seagulls

### AUGUST

We stayed at the beautiful Mountain Valley RV Park in Heber City, Utah. We had a great time visiting, playing games, swimming and eating. Our hosts were Timmer and Donna McKendrick. We began our stay with an ice cream social. At our business meeting, a letter was read from Primary Children's Hospital thanking our club for the gift of blocks and rattles that were made by our members and presented to the hospital. **Bruce & Janet Bird celebrated their 57th wedding anniversary. Don & Gwen McPhie celebrated their 56<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary this month also.**

### SEPTEMBER

We started off in September attending the Tag-Along in Delta. Our hosts were Cloyd & Connie Theobald. We had a great time even though it was HOT. Parking on concrete radiates the heat and we felt it. We had a fun time playing games, eating good food (prepared by the staff & catered). The entertainment was excellent and we had a fun time singing and dancing to great tunes.

After the Tag-Along, we left for St. George with are club for more fun and entertainment. Our hosts were Don & Gwen McPhie. We stayed at the Temple View RV Resort. We visited the Wild Life Museum, Jacob Hamblin home, and Brigham Young's home. We also had plenty of wonderful restaurants to choose from. Our best activity was seeing "The Hunchback of Notre Dame". There are no words to describe the play other than it was excellent. The day started off with torrential rains and flooding in the streets, but everything was perfect that night for the program. The musical was worth every minute we spent there. **Jerry & Marilyn Rasmussen celebrated their 63<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary.**

### OCTOBER

Fall begins the time for our dinner meetings. Our club had dinner at Johnny Carino's at Jordan Landing. It was a fun time having our club together including the dinner group. We miss them in the summer since they can't camp with us anymore.

Mary Jo Bohmholdt

## Over the Hill Sams

This summer and fall have been very busy times for all of us. We enjoyed our days at Blacksmith Fork. A few of us were able to venture to Delta for the Fall Tag a Long. Most of our efforts have been concentrated of our service projects -- serving meals under the direction of Utah Food Services, serving meals at the Lantern House, and making welcome kits for St. Anne's Shelter residents, hygiene kits, and comfort kits for women undergoing breast cancer treatment.

My thanks and appreciation go out to Diana Sewell, Gerry Seele, and Sharon Wheeler for writing about the service projects. They are the ones who have headed these projects and put in hours of service in helping everything go forward. Bill

and I were gone the last three months and I don't have the specifics so they have generously agreed to write about them for me.

While camping at Blacksmith Fork in Aug 2016 our chapter put together 6 kits that went to St. Anne's Shelter for a welcome gift. Items in them were 4 bath towels, 2 hand towels, 2 wash clothes, 2 bars of soap, family size shampoo and conditioner, family size toothpaste, 4 tooth brushes, 4 plastic refillable, reusable water bottles, a bag, chap stick, 2 rolls toilet tissue, 3 pair of stockings, and a family size bottle of hand lotion. We also put together 50 hygiene kits. In each kit there was a nice bag to put items in, a towel, washcloth, bar of soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, comb, razor, and deodorant.

We also put together 105 kits for women undergoing treatment for breast cancer. It consisted of a cute bag to put all items in, a soft fleece blanket, notebook, 2 pencils, crossword puzzle book, healthy snack and hand made hats and neck warmers. The second Tuesday and Wednesday of the month we serve dinner to the residents of The Lantern House. We also donate 4 - #10 cans of fruit or vegetables. We assembled gifts of clothing for boys and girls. There were socks, underwear, and sweats in three different sizes. These were taken to four elementary schools--Birch Creek, Washington Terrace, Roy and Odyssey.

On three occasions we dished up meals for the Utah Food Services. All were at the Salt Palace--August 16, September 14, and October 1.

Thanks to everyone for making this such a productive and rewarding summer and fall.

Hints from the October 2014 Blue Beret magazine: strap a head lamp around a gallon jug of water to use as ambient light when there is no electricity.

Add bundles of sage to an open fire to keep mosquitoes away.

Carolyn Gedris

## Peach City

We are pleased to announce that we have three new couples who have joined our Chapter during the last three months: Roger and Rose Ann Falk, Neil and Dael Poulsen, and Orson and Jeannette Poulsen.

### AUGUST

We visited Yellowstone National Park camping at Valley View RV Park in Island Park, ID. We had 5 rigs and 11 of our members attend this fun campout.

Walt & Shirley Summers were the hosts. We enjoyed a group dinner after arrival on Monday night and a short chapter meeting after. Each morning we had several kinds of hot chocolate provided by the Giles. After which we had a group breakfast before we went sight-seeing during the day.

We saw a lot of geysers including Old Faithful. The Beehive Geyser near Old Faithful was very impressive. It happened to go off while we were there which was fortunate for us because

it only goes off once or twice a week and is unpredictable. We saw several waterfalls including Mesa Falls, Upper and Lower falls of the Grand Canyon. We went on a tour of Johnny Sack's cabin in Big Springs, Island Park, ID. Drove to the North Rim to see Mammoth Hot Springs, the Tower and the petrified tree. We saw some Elk, Moose, and Buffalo. No bears.

Wednesday afternoon we had dinner at a Chinese restaurant, then enjoyed an evening at The Playmill Theatre in West Yellowstone watching, "Singin' In The Rain."

Our second campout in August was at Matthew's Camp near Hyrum, UT. Our hosts were: Bob and Cathi Anderson and Paul and Arlene Hales. We had seven rigs attend and another couple came for the potluck dinner. We enjoyed hearing some of Orson Poulsen's mountain man stories. We played Bean Bag Baseball, a game called, "How Well Do You Follow Instructions," and Bloomers. Cathi was the lucky winner that got to wear the Bloomers.

#### SEPTEMBER

We had four rigs at the Tag-a-Long in Delta. Our Chapter was in charge of the Bean Bag Baseball, and because of our practice times at previous campouts, we felt we were prepared and the game went very smoothly.

#### OCTOBER

Our hosts for the October dinner meeting were Fred & Jeanne Hunsaker. We met at JC Diner in Elwood, UT. The tables were decorated with cute pumpkins. Our hosts gave each of us a nice bag of candy to take home. Eighteen of our members were present. Nominations for Chapter Officers were discussed. Voting will take place at the November meeting and the new officers will be installed in December.

Shirley Summers

### Squaw Peak Sams

#### AUGUST

Our August campout was at the Middle Bowery in Weber Canyon. Our hosts were Rex and Fawn Christensen, Bob and Barbara Ekblad, and Ray and Joyce Snow. The Theme was 'Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star'. A galaxy enthusiast, Roger Fry came with his large telescope and helped us pick out stars and planets in the night sky. He gave a very interesting talk about our galaxy. We also took a day trip to Ogden Union Station Museum. We enjoyed a 'Share Fair' after dinner on Friday where everyone got a Milky Way candy bar. We had a nice campout and enjoyed the fine weather. A beloved member of our club, Doris Brown passed away earlier this month.

#### SEPTEMBER

The Fall Tag-along in Delta, Utah was where we had our meeting in September. The Salty Sam newsletter was dis-

cussed. We are in the process of updating our roster. The Geneva Nitrogen Plant is closing and effecting three of the families in our group.

#### OCTOBER

The Bauer's Canyon Ranch RV Park in Glendale, Utah is a great place for a campout. With the great weather and lots to do, we had a good time. Our hosts were Don and Janine Greenhalgh, Scott and SharLee Spencer, John and Linda Saxey, and Allen and Helen Perry. We took day trips to Zions National Park, Coral Pink Sand dunes, Johnson's Canyon, and Kanab. Bean bag baseball was played with the Blue team winning large candy bars. Jim Burrell gave out election ballots and we'll know the result after he contacts our missing members. A fun time was had at the Blind Auction. The monies raised will go to charity. During our visit Don Greenhalgh had a detached retina and had to go home to have eye surgery. Our host did a really great job planning and made for a great campout.

~ Joyce Snow

### Sundowner Sams

#### AUGUST

Middle of the summer and Marvin and Joan lee are the host for August. We went to the BIG MOUNTAIN camp ground up Nephi canyon, that used to be the old Camping-world camp ground. This is run by the Oakey family again. Its so nice and quit there its hard to get a reservation there. We had 10 rigs show. We played games and did a craft, A little trailer display decorated as you seen fit. We rode the Nephi Loop road, and had planed to attend the Nephi county fair but that didn't happen. We were enlightened by Wagon master Higgins of the up coming trip to take place the week before the Tag-A- Long in September and the number of days and stops that would take place, and end up at the Tag for that get-together. August is our Anniversary of the beginning of the Sundowners Chapter. Thirty Five years, and with just three couples that have been there the longest, the rest are pretty new. We added a new member and her two dogs, Ruth Burkett in August and we welcome her with open arms. We also had a change in the Presidency, Vice president Burton has decided to step down and give up this position, Evelyn Powell has volunteered to fill this position. We wish to thank Mr. Burton for his services in the chapter. Happy Birthday and happy anniversary was sang to all that qualified.

#### SEPTEMBER

Was the tag-A- long and all that went on the trip arrived safe and sound, Glad to hit the ground once a again for few days. This year the Tag was really laid back, and most made the best of it. Some went Rock-hounding, some seen the sights, again, The new Museums are very good if you have not done them in Delta. But for the most part everyone had a

good time getting together. We had good weather for a change.

## OCTOBER

We meet at the BEAVER CREEK NUDEST RESORT in Samak Ut. What away to end the year. It was cold enough that wearing nothing was optional, no mosquitoes to worry about ether.

We had as our hosts Jana and Greg Johansen and a good job they did. Jana did all the meals, Greg was delayed because of his job. Those that wanted to rode the side-by-side into the hills, with Mr. Higgins at the wheel We played many games, went out to eat, But most of all Jana had a surprise for us, she did a MYSTERY dinner. We found out about some of our trusted member they lead a shady life and one is a murder and one is quit the ladies man. We might exerciser them from the chapter, we don't know yet, but time will tell. Outside of this, we just kicked back and enjoyed the last camp-out for the year. We had 8 rigs which was a good turn out this time of year. We sang happy Anniversary and happy Birthday to all.

Marvin Lee

Hints:

Time to put the trailer away and store it for the winter. (unless your a snow bird) Remove all freezable, use RV anti-freeze. blow out all the water, and then fill with the RV anti-freeze, to chase out the remaining water. I read once that you could use VODKA, (it won't freeze) Cover your tires and cover the rig if you have a cover. This might be a little late, hope you have already done it right. DON'T FOR GET THE OUTSIDE SHOWER!! Washer/dryer if you have one.

Come on Spring and Camping!!

President Heitman gave out some reminders on various things we need to be reminded of, like the age of the tires on our R.V.'s. It is recommended to change them out every five to seven years. Inspect them every trip for any deterioration like cracks, nails, weather checks, and bulging, and wear differences. Most important is AIR PRESSURE. This will kill a tire very quickly. So maintain full COLD pressure. Your tires will run cooler and be happier.

~Marvin Lee

**Timp Moonshiners**

## AUGUST

BBQ and Swim party at Hicks House. 20 of our group got together for an informal afternoon of smoked baby back ribs, and pot luck picnic. There was also Crazy Golf, and the Bean Bag Toss game. About the only drawback to the afternoon was a "Too close for comfort wasp nest", and of course the smell of food brought the flies coming from miles around. Thank you to Jim and Cathy Bean, and the Hicks' for a fun afternoon.

An extra outing was scheduled this month at Lynn and Sandy Hicks home. The Moonshiner's filled their pool, and lounged

around in the gazebo visiting. The tables flowed with salads and appetizers, but the Master Chefs skills of the Hicks and Beans made us all come running at the dinner bell. They BBQ Chicken, and spent two days preparing mouth-watering Ribs. Nothing says summer better than good food, a swimming pool, and friends. A special thanks goes to Jim and Cathy Bean for helping the Hicks. The Timp-Moonshiner's rolled on down the road to Marysville Ut. And stayed at the South Forty RV Park. We really enjoy the park, it has large pull thought sites and the hosts are very accommodating to our large group. Our favorite reason for going to the South Forty is the ability to ride the 4wheelers and side-by-sides straight out of the park on to the Paiute trail. The "Highest Miles Road Award" goes to Boyd for logging over 150 miles on the Paiute trail in one weekend. The site seeing and shopping group took in Marysville, Big Rock Candy Mt., Monroe and Joseph. The "Shopping Award," went to Gary for his great finds in Richfield. Moonshiner's nightly gatherings make the trip a lot of fun. Hosted by Boyd and Carma Christensen. We celebrated Jay and Dorothy Hansen, 55 years Anniversary.

## SEPTEMBER

Five couples headed to Echo reservoir to camp at Echo Island Ranch, hosted by Rick and Missy Rhodes. Pot-luck dinner Friday evening of pulled pork, salads, and fruit. Each night we had a roaring campfire, complete with roasted marshmallows. Saturday a few of us drove fifteen minutes down Interstate 84 to Taggart, and had a great dinner. Then we went 40 miles up I-80 to Evanston Why. And bought Lotto tickets.

## OCTOBER

Our group had the privilege of serving with Utah Food Services twice in the last month to earn funds for our club. We gathered at Carol Jean Carroll's home October 14<sup>th</sup> for a nice dinner of Soup, Salads, Appetizers and a plethora of deserts. Some came dressed in their Halloween

~Lynn Hicks and Jim Bean



## APRIL

We met at Casa Del Rey restaurant in Grantsville, and the campers in our club are ready for the season to start. We have 10 campers planning on joining us at Millsite State Park in May. We are happy that our newest members, Paula and Larry Kramer will be joining us for their first Good Sam camping experience. It is so much easier to get to know the group in a camp setting. We planned a yard sale in May and of course our annual Smelter Road cleanup. As charity begins at home, we decided that our proceeds from the yard sale will be donated to the family of Dave and Arlene's great grandson, who is awaiting a heart transplant. The fund is called "**A Heart for Gage**". The medical expenses will be extensive even with insurance, so our club will do what we can to help!! This young man is quite a guy! His parents were told by the doctors, that he would not survive birth. Then they said he would not survive his toddler years. Next, they did not think he would make it to school. And they definitely did not feel he should try to play baseball. Gage proved them all wrong in each instance, and we are all praying this gutsy guy will get a good match and enjoy good health and a long life.

## MAY

We all agreed that Millsite is a great campground. The camp is right on the reservoir, so is very green and lovely. It was very scenic and quiet, with lots of fun side trips available. The golfers tried the course close by, and all agreed it was one of the most scenic and toughest courses they had ever played. Some of us did an interesting hike to see the Rochester Creek Rock Art. A driving trip to see the natural art of Goblin Valley was also organized.

We conducted a very successful yard sale with the help of our membership and the community of Tooele. As Main Street Tooele is still undergoing extensive road work, Dave and Arlene Herrera had the Yard Sale at their residence. We had to scurry when a storm blew up, but with lots of help, we got it done! I am enclosing a picture of our club members and Gage with his family.

The last Saturday of the month, with very short notice, we were able to get enough members together to complete our Smelter Road cleanup on a day that was not too cold and wet. May was a busy month for the Tooele Travelers.

## JUNE

What a great time we had at our State Rally! The Tooele Travelers team took 1st place in the Bean-bag Baseball and Linda Perkins and Dave Herrera won first place in the Washer Toss. The golf scramble saw teams with Jane Gillis and Bob Perkins in a tie for first place and Matt Gillis's team taking second. Jane Gillis then won the Obstacle Course with Bob Perkins taking second. We were also recognized for the number of prizes our club members won AND the most members participating in the parade. As always, we had a great time decorating for the parade. Sharon Cook is our idea/design guru for our float each year. Bob Driscoll pulled the float with his Geiko Pearl Green Jeep - a suitable color for our Hawaiian theme, As we do every year, our whole club gets enthused about our float and have a great time putting it together.

We also want to thank all of the Good Sam members who helped us increase the medical expense fund for "A Heart for Gage". We sold bracelets and some really fantastic Good Samaritans donated their 50/25/25 winnings. The Tooele travelers could easily be recognized as we wore our "A Heart for Gage" t-shirts to the opening ceremony and during the Rally. Special thanks to the State Committee for all of their time and effort to ensure we could all have a great time.

## JULY

We had a great time at Palisade Park this month. We had a good turn out with 9 rigs meeting at one of our favorite camp sites. The golf course there is such a beautiful mountain course, even if you are not a golfer. Jane and Matt Gillis hosted and served a wonderful cookout. The weather was great and walks around the lake kept us in shape.

## AUGUST

We ventured up to Village of Trees RV Resort in Declo, Idaho for this camp-out and found another Utah Good Sam group also enjoying this beautiful camp. There was lots to do and beautiful horses next to the campground for viewing. Again we had a great turnout and played lots of games. There was also a local golf course for our golfers, which was much enjoyed. Dave and Arlene Herrera hosted and we all enjoyed a pizza party at the camp meeting.

## SEPTEMBER

Beautiful weather. We had a small turn out but those who attended reported having a good time. Bob Perkins was a winner at the golf outing.

~Robert Driscoll

Utah Trail Dusters

## AUGUST

We had a sad start to the month. Lila Hutchings passed away. Several of our chapter members were able to support Von Hutchings at this most difficult time. The chapter did send flowers and went to the viewing and the funeral. The Trail Dusters took their rigs to the very scenic, fun "Over the Hill" campground in Hanna. Last year we had very windy weather, but this year it was delightful. Generally, we go out to dinner one of the nights there, but this time we had a wonderful Dutch oven dinner hosted by Jean and Al Ewell and Lloyd and Eva Wright. The food was delicious and all enjoyed being together. We played games, and helped finish utility bags by threading string to cinch the tops of the bags together. These bags were to be donated to the Christmas Box House. Al and Jean Ewell entertained us in the evening singing around the campfire. Al and Jean are gifted with the ability to entertain with Al on the guitar and Jean on the spoons. We love singing with them. Al brought a projector which illuminated the surrounding trees with laser lights. It was amazing to see how beautiful the

trees were. We toasted marshmallows and made s'mores. We enjoyed associating with each other. We missed Lila Hutchings, who died early in the month. Her husband Von and Al and Linda Andrew came up for one day to spend with us. The Andrew's motor home was being repaired. A good time was had by everyone who was able to come. The facility had a wonderful new kitchen which we were able to use.

## SEPTEMBER

Those who could went to Delta for the Fall Tag. We especially enjoy the not so busy outing. The ladies of the Trail Dusters worked on finishing five baby quilts to be donated later on. We played games. We also had fun working and finishing a couple of puzzles. The dinner that was served was delicious and the entertainment was wonderful. We loved the band music. We learned during this outing that Al and Linda Andrew were the new Utah State Directors for the coming year. I am sure that Al and Linda were surprised. They are both very capable. We certainly will support them. We have a friend, Donna Stevens (who is in her 90's) sewing quilt tops and bags for us. She is an amazing lady. Roy and Arlene's daughter also helped in making two quilts to be donated. Both of these choice ladies donated many hours to make these quilts and bags to be donated to the Christmas Box House. We enjoyed this outing with the Good Sammers.

## OCTOBER

We stayed home this month. We did have a meeting at Mimi's for our monthly dinner. The meal was delicious and many were there. We were supportive of our new leaders who will be taking Stan and Jerry Griffin's place as the Utah State Directors for the next year. Al and Linda are very capable leaders. Of course, all the other officers are important to make the organization successful. We also had our own chapter elections. Val Rasmussen is the new president, and Arthur Sipes is the new Vice President. Several other officers stayed in their positions. We have enjoyed the time that Jerry Griffin was President. She did a super job and was always very positive. We made a big donation to the Christmas Box House, an agency to help children who are temporarily removed from their homes. Our group donated 15 baby quilts, 2 twin med quilts, and 100 small bags for tools (toothbrushes, shampoo etc.) and 70 larger laundry bags. This donation was the result of many hours of donated service made by our members. We also enjoyed the opportunities to help the Utah Food Service in Salt Lake. This service has given us funds that we can contribute to the various charities we want to support. Doing this service is something we all enjoy. We also presented the man in charge a plaque as a token of gratitude from the State Chapters.

~Sue Thornock

## Ute Salt Shakers

## JULY

Richard and Darlene Baer received the Utah State Bee Hive Award. Congratulations for a well deserved recognition. Our trip took us to Idaho Falls Idaho.

## AUGUST

Bonnie Grippen was awarded the Outstanding Service Award. Congratulations for another well deserved recognition. Our Aug. trip took us to Boise where we enjoyed our camp-out. We toured the old prison and the Air Force Museum and the Bird of Prey Museum. New officers are Mike Wims, Pres., Curt Haviland, Vice President. Pam Wims, Secretary, and Bill Burke, Wagon Master. A vote was taken ratifying all officers.

## SEPTEMBER

7 rigs and 13 members were present at the Tag-a-long in Delta where everything was APPLES. From there we traveled to St. George where we attended the shows at Tuacahn. First was Tarzan, Second was Peter Pan and third was Hunch Back. The weather did not cooperate for Hunch Back. We were very disappointed.

~VonaMae Dunn

## Weber Waffles

## AUGUST

We spent the week at Village of the Trees in Declo Idaho. Our president, Jan Ressler, called the meeting to order. Our meeting and a potluck was held Tuesday. Al Watson was our host for the week. Cooks Night Out was at Perkins at Burley Idaho. Members took turns cooking breakfast for everyone. The last day we feasted on leftovers. We played several games and spent a lot of time visiting and catching up. .

## SEPTEMBER

State Tag a Long, Delta Utah Regretfully, no members attended.

Blacksmith Fork Campout.

We spent Cooks Night Out at Chuck o Rama in Logan and Tuesday we had a pot luck dinner hosted by Roger and Brenda Ory. Meeting was called to order by our President Jan Ressler. We voted on new officers. We had three couples turn out for camping trip and 5 couples attended our potluck and meeting. Our camping trip was cut short due to rain, but when it wasn't raining, we spent time playing games and catching up. We celebrated one birthday in September and Jan Ressler informed us that one member Judy Daugherty was ill and that Arlen Jensen was recovering from surgery.

## OCTOBER

Cooks Night Out and meeting took place at Golden Corral in Layton, Utah. Our host was Arlen and Vivian Jensen. 8 members and 5 honorary members attended.

Our president, Jan Ressler, opened the meeting. She reported that Judy Daugherty was still ill. Our president, Jan Ressler will be having knee replacement this month.. Our club wishes both Jan and Judy a safe and speedy recovery.

Stan and Jerry Griffin, state directors and state advisors installed the new officers for next year.

President/Secretary - Jan Ressler

Vice President – Emmett Daugherty

Wagon Master – Larry Petersen

Treasurer – Janet Ballingham

Historian – Shirley Petersen

Reporter – Brenda Ory

Our chapter donated \$100 to America First Credit Union to go towards Warm the Soles.

2017 dues collected and will be sent to State treasurer.

Brenda Ory