

Winter State Committee Meeting
December 01, 2012
Organ Loft, Salt Lake City, Utah

With 100 % of the chapters attending and the State Staff, except for Martin and Susen Zobel, we had an excellent turn out for our state winter meeting. We were welcomed by our State Directors, Harold and Rosalie Jacklin. They thanked everyone for their vote of confidence to serve another two year term as State Directors. Phil Wheeler opened our meeting with prayer and Jay Deuel led us in the pledge of allegiance. Minutes from our chapter presidents and state committee meeting for September 7, 2012 at Delta Utah were approved.

New chapter presidents were recognized; Northern Utah Golden Spikers, Robert Langford; Olympus Seagulls, Connie Theobold; Over the Hill Sams, Robert Seele; Red Cliff Chiefs, Doralee Carter; Squaw Peak Sams, Ray Snow; Timp Moonshiners, Jay Hanson; Utah Trail Blazers, Tom Ellery; and Weber Waffies, Jan Ressler. Congratulations to these new presidents.

Boyd Bowman assisted the chapter presidents in drawing arrival times for the Samboree. Ed and Sherrie Greiner were released from being Quarter Masters on the State Staff. Ed is being treated for throat cancer and Sherrie is recovering from an illness. What a great job they both did. They will be greatly missed. Paul and Arlene Hales from the Peach City Sams were sworn in to the office as Quarter Masters on the Utah State Staff by State Director, Harold Jacklin.

Samboree Account was reported by Glen Carroll:

Samboree:

Beginning balance: \$4,492.00
Total Income: \$16,631.89
Total Expenses: \$11,918.46
Net Difference: \$4,713.43
Fall Tag: Registrations \$2,099.72
Expenses: \$2,410.81
Net Difference: -\$311.09
Other Expenses: \$1,362.21
Closing bank balance \$7,532.13
Total Charity \$2,329.19
Proposed donations:
Timpanogos Intermediate School: \$200.00
Nephi Ambulance: \$200.00
Dogs for the Deaf: \$500.00
Make a Wish: \$500.00
Christmas Box: \$500.00
PJ's for Forgotten Kids: \$500.00

Total: \$2,400.00
Bank balance less Charity Donations: \$5,132.13

A motion by Merrill Rowley was given to approve the Samboree account with the adjustment of a \$200.00 error. This was approved by the Chapter Presidents.

Utah State Good Sams Account was reported by Joan Lee:

Beginning balance: \$9,948.16
Income: \$1,495.48 (includes \$1,160 in membership dues from chapters)
Expenses paid: \$2,008.58
Ending balance as of 12/1/2012: \$9,435.06

\$1,500 from National Good Sams for Samboree expenses and \$5,000 from National for having International Chapter of the year have not been received yet. It was approved by the chapter presidents that part of the reimbursement monies be retained in the Samboree account for 2013, this will help keep the registration fee low and avoid any registration fee increases this year.

Merchandise Booth Account was reported by Cliff Stubbs:

Beginning Balance: \$740.00

Samboree Earnings: \$380.00

Fall Tag Earnings: \$230.00

Purchase of New Products: \$753.65

Balance as of December 1, 2012 \$597.28

Inventory is close to \$3,000.00

Activities for 2013:

Albuquerque, NM Rally, April 11-14 **** See note at the end of the minutes.**

Syracuse NY Rally, June 13-16

Spring State Committee Meeting: Saturday, April 27, Timpanogos Intermediate School, Heber, Utah. (Chapter Presidents & Wagon Masters). There will not be any workshops this year; they will be held every other year.

Utah Samboree, June 5-8 Juab County Fair Grounds, Summer State Committee Meeting.

Fall Tag: Fall State Committee meeting, Sept. 5-7 during Peach City Days or 12-14

We are looking for places to park with at least enough power for 20 people in Brigham City; also looking into Richfield, and Fillmore. Everyone was encouraged to look for a place other than Delta to hold the Fall Tag.

More details will be given out and discussed at the Spring State Committee Meeting.

Winter State Committee Meeting: Saturday, December 7, 2013, Organ Loft, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Chapter Samboree assignments were discussed. P.P. & P.S.O. have volunteered to help man the Merchandise Booth during the Samboree and Fall Tag. We appreciate their help with this assignment. Chapter assignments will be reviewed during our Spring State Committee Meeting. If anyone has a question regarding your assignment please consult with the state staff member assigned to your chapter. Some assignments will carry over into the Fall Tag. We appreciate everyone helping each other as needed.

Rules for Bocce Ball were given to each president. These rules are as close to other states as we could get them. A new version of the Utah Good Sams games rule book is being prepared; we anticipate having it ready by the Spring State Committee Meeting.

State Director, Harold Jacklin encouraged chapters to submit names of at least two members each year to receive the Golden Beehive Award. These members must be in good standing with National Good Sams. They must be a member of Good Sams for ten or more years. There are four members being considered for this year.

Good Sam Activity Flag will be given at our Samboree each year. Points will be awarded for:

Attendance at State Committee Meetings, percentage of chapter members attending the Samboree, percentage of chapter members participating in the Samboree activities, chapter growth (new members), sending in chapter rosters and dues on time, percentage of chapter members attending Fall Tag, submitting quarterly Salty Sam information, submitting a Chapter of the Year booklet.

This year we have lost seventy four members and have gained sixteen new members. We are losing Chapter members due to age, illness, special circumstance, etc. We need to attract younger members. Are there rules or practices in our Chapters which tends to exclude people? Could we or should we include children at our Samboree? How can we attract younger people into a Chapter? Suggestions were made that as a chapter an ad should be placed in the local newspapers inviting people to join a Good Sams Chapter. Put a flyer on rigs as you are camping at various campgrounds. Marcus from National is working on a video clip to be shown at the Rally's to introduce chapters and chapter activities. National will also send out information about Good Sams

Chapters and how to join a chapter when someone joins Good Sams. Chapters were encouraged to come up with ideas on how to build their memberships in their chapters.

When a chapter places a member on "Honorary" status, the individual is invited to participate in chapter activities and to maintain social contact; however, they are not entitled to vote and must maintain their membership in National Good Sams. Chapter presidents were asked to encourage their members to remain as members. Let's save the honorary status for those whose health doesn't permit them to participate like they use to. Our goal is to build Utah Good Sams, let's all remain members as long as we can and build our chapters memberships.

It was noted by State Director Harold Jacklin that State dues are used primarily for the Salty Sams and for the upkeep of the State Web site. It is expected that these State dues would be paid by all members as stated in the Utah State Good Sam Constitution, Article 11, Section 1 & 2, "Dues for State membership will be levied by the State Committee. This fee is to be paid by all Chapter members and State Members-at-large and will be placed in the State Treasury. Annual dues of \$5.00 per year must be paid to the State Treasurer. Chapter members should submit their State dues to the Chapter Treasurer who will remit payment of all dues, along with an updated Chapter roster, to the State Director on or before November 30th of each year. There shall be no prorating of dues for a partial year."

Ute Salt Shakers President, Leona Killen, was given a certificate from Utah Good Sams for Ute Salt Shakers being the number one chapter organized in Good Sams for 45 years. What a great accomplishment. We will honor them and celebrate this wonderful achievement at the Samboree.

Chapter of the Year was unique this year as we had two chapters earning this wonderful honor. Yes, it was a tie. Gary Pyne of Squaw Peak Sams and Gary Houston of Utah Deer Sams were given certificates for being Chapter of the Year for Utah Good Sams. The out of state judges were impressed by both of these chapters and felt they were both deserving of this honor. Congratulations to these wonderful chapters for a job well done. We will honor them at the Samboree also. We had four chapters turn in applications for Chapter of the Year this year. What a great job was done by all of them.

State Director, Rosalie Jacklin asked that each President take a decoration of the three trees on the tables as a gift from the State Staff. She thanked everyone for their support and is looking forward to working with everyone. State Director, Harold Jacklin, thanked everyone for a job well done this year.

Meeting was adjourned and everyone enjoyed a wonderful dinner of Swiss steak or stuffed pork chops along with the beautiful Christmas music played by the organist.

State Secretary
Jean North

Handouts:
Rosters to each President
Utah Good Sam's State Staff Meeting Schedule Information
Bocce Ball Rules
Chapter Samboree Assignments for 2013
Chapter Presidents for 2013
Samboree Account
Samboree/ Fall Tag Activity Details

**** As of December 03, 2013, it was announced that Marcus Lemonis has cancelled the Albuquerque, NM Rally and is being replaced by a Rally in Atlanta, GA. No reasons were given.**

Memo to: State Staff & Chapter Presidents
December 17, 2012
From: Harold & Rosalie Jacklin

We mentioned at the recent State Committee meeting that there were some changes coming to the Good Sam organization. As some of you know, I was invited to attend a Good Sam planning meeting during October in Chicago. At that time Marcus Lemonis (CEO of Good Sam's & Camping World) told of his vision for "growing" the Good Sam organization and strengthening chapters. A number of recommendations were made and some were agreed upon and Marcus asked us not to share any details of that meeting and that there would be one or two more meetings on this subject.

I was invited to another Good Sam meeting on December 3-6, in Nashville. Since October Marcus had finalized in his mind where he wanted things to move. Most of the recommendations from the Chicago meeting were altered or changed. It was decided in Chicago that there would no longer be any Sambassadors and that has not changed. It was decided in Chicago that there would be nine regions instead of five, with a Regional Vice President over each of the nine regions. This was changed by Marcus and Mike Seamons.

At the present time there are nine regions, and there are nine Regional Directors appointed to work with these regions. Originally Utah was in the West Region, that was changed and Utah is now in the Central Plains Region along with Wyoming, Colorado, Nebraska, and Iowa. Also, the National Good Sam Constitution and by-laws is to be the Constitution for the States and the Chapters. However, the States and the Chapters will be allowed to create their own "Operational Procedures". These procedures must not in any way be discriminatory. Marcus has announced that the States will get \$1,500.00 (reimbursable) to build the Chapters for the year, 2013. Beginning in 2014, there will be a plan to allow States to earn monies through some sales at Camping World to help finance the State activities.

Rosalie and I have been appointed as the Central Plains Regional Directors and have been advised that we will need to give up being the Utah State Director. National will be appointing a "Temporary Acting State Director". After consulting with Joan & Marv Lee, we determined that the choice of the Chapters should be foremost in selecting a new State Director and new elections should be conducted as soon as possible. With the pressure of time in getting information from National and getting the Samboree put together, National has appointed Jean & Brent North as the "Acting State Directors" until new elections can be held. Jean & Brent are most familiar with what has been done and what needs to be done in preparing for the Samboree. We trust that you will give them your support as we move through this transition.

Rosalie and I express our sincere gratitude to each of you for your support. We anticipate this new assignment will take us away from our beloved Utah some, but we are anxious to be of service where ever we can. We have made many new friends and cherish those associations. We compliment each of you for all you do and for making activities in Good Sam's so much fun. Thank you, we are most appreciative.