UTAH GOOD SAMS STATE COMMITTEE MEETING April 13, 2019

Springville, UT

Harold greeted everyone and thanked them for attending. He started out reading a very moving story titled "Ragged Old Flag".

The pledge was led by Marv Lee.

Reverence was offered by Mike Johnson.

Roll call by Arlene. All chapters were represented. We currently have ten active chapters. Utah Deer Sam's, Happy Hobo's, Over the Hill Sam's, Peach City Good Sam's, Red Cliff Chiefs, Squaw peak Sam's, Utah Sundowners, Tooele Travelers, Trail Dusters, Ute Salt Shakers, *PP & PSO and Beehive Roamers.

Invited guests, Al & Linda Andrew were presented with a gift, a whirly gig for their garden, in appreciation for their service as Good Sam Directors for the past two years.

Lee Gillman gave the financial report.

A review and discussion of the Rally Survey by Bob Anderson.

Items that were deleted from Rally schedule:

50-25-25

Door Prize Booth

Greeters

Golf Tournament

Obstacle Course

Parade

Chapter assignments were revised to accommodate the number of activities and chapters.

Utah Deer Sams - Memorial Service Breakfast cleanup

Happy Hobos Tables & Chairs

Over the Hill Sam's Crazy Golf

Peach City Sams Decorations, SAMGO Ladies Tea

Red Cliff Chiefs Coffee & Donuts Breakfast count

Squaw Peak Sam's Bean Bag Baseball Rat Trap Derby

Tooele Travelers Washer Toss

Utah Trail Dusters Charity Auction ticket sales Men's Gathering

And set up. State Staff will execute

distribution of entries.

Ute Salt Shakers Cake Walk

Utah Sundowner Sam's Ice Cream Social Merchandise Booth

Everyone is encouraged to decorate their rigs in a patriotic manner.

A review of the tentative Rally schedule was gone over and discussed. Changes were made as needed.

RALLY ACTIVITIES:

Discussions:

REGISTRATION: The Registration Booth will only be open at specific times to allow everyone to participate in the activities.

DOOR PRIZES: Two \$20 door prizes will be provided by each chapter. It was stressed that these gifts should be of good quality and worth at least \$20. Prizes will be drawn each evening.

GREETERS: We will no longer have a chapter decorate and be official greeters. A state staff member will greet each chapter upon arrival. They will give parking instructions/directions and pass out a flyer stating the rules for use of electricity.

ARRIVAL TIMES: Mary stressed that chapters must arrive at their prescribed times. If they arrive early they will be asked to pull off to the far side of the parking lot to await their assigned arrival time. Also, remember that there can be NO parking on the streets anywhere in town. Arrival times are as follows:

Peach City Good Sam's arrives on Tues. for decorating

- 9:30 Happy Hobos
- 10:00 Squaw Peak Sam's
- 10:20 Ute Salt Shakers
- 10:40 Tooele Travelers
- 11:00 Utah Deer Sam's
- 11:20 Utah Sundowners
- 11:40 Over the Hill Sam's
- 12:00 Utah Trail Dusters
- 12:20 Red Cliff Chiefs

MERCHANDISE BOOTH: Good Sam merchandise will be set up as part of the Registration Booth. Members will be assigned to help man the booth at preset hours only.

PARADE: It was decided to try something new. It is the "RAT TRAP DERBY". Each chapter will be given the same kit with very minimal instructions. Saturday morning, in place of the parade, a Derby will determine the winner and the chapter will receive a prize.

NEWSLETTER: It will no longer be published and distributed daily. It will be published only once with a complete summary of the whole Rally and will be handed out at the Catered Dinner on Saturday

CHINESE AUCTION: This has been changed to "CHARITY AUCTION". This better reflects the purpose of the auction, in hopes that participation will increase since we are no longer having the Charity Booth and the 50-25-25. It was stressed that Presidents need to make sure their members make an effort to bring good quality items. The chapter assigned this activity, Utah Trail Dusters, will set up the tables, set up the display, and sell the tickets at the designated times. The State Staff will execute the auctioning off of the items. It was also suggested that each chapter provide a lap/baby size quilt to auction at the Charity Auction.

GAMES: A State Staff member will be assigned to each particular game, will get all the equipment needed out of the trailer and assist in set up.

CAKE WALK: We are going to try a new system this year and see how it works. There will be a number in the circle corresponding with how many are in the circle. After each music break a number will be drawn, that number is picked up off the floor and the winner gets a cake. The music continues and

winners will be determined in this fashion. As in the past each chapter will be asked to provide two baked items.

MEMORIAL SERVICE: Harold expressed his desire to have a flag retiring ceremony at the end of the Memorial. He will pursue this activity and see if it can be done. It was also suggested to play "This Land Is My Land" at the conclusion of the services. Information for the Memorial Service should be sent to Jim Keller. His email is kellerizer@gmail.com

DECORATIONS: Our goal this year is to show that we can do nice decorations with minimal effort and cost. The Peach City Good Sams are spearheading this effort.

SAMGO: Again we are going to try something different. We will be playing CARD SAMGO. A lot of our members already know how to play this game and we think it will be a lot of fun.

OPENING CEREMONIES: Presidents and State Staff will line up on East side of building as usual. State Staff will be provided with a patriotic chest banner to wear. Cathi will provide the music. Ceremony will be short. After the ceremony Al and Jean Ewell will perform for 15 - 20 min. Then we will have the Ice Cream Social. (Paul will order and pickup the ice cream sandwiches)

MEN'S GATHERING/LADIES TEA: This year we have combined the two. We have a nice program planned. The ROTC group from BYU will be there to perform their drill and we will have an Honor Flight speaker.

SEMINARS: Renamed "FORUMS". Seminars indicate someone talks and you listen. A forum gives audience an opportunity to interact with speaker. We think this new format will be better received.

- * Idenity Theft Nephi Police Department
- * Active Shooter -
- * Dutch Oven Cooking by Colleen Sloan
- * Author Pat Carlsen talking about a book she has written about WWII

VENDORS: Four from Colorado have committed; still trying to locate Happy Feet. Under consideration is Greasgo and RV Accessories. It was stressed that we need to support vendors, food concessions and chapter booths.

ENTERTAINMENT: The Benson Sisters will perform their patriotic program Friday evening.

CATERED DINNER: Will be served at 2:30 on Saturday We hope this will keep people there for the dinner and final drawing and still allow them time to get home in a timely manner.

Everyone was reminded that the Salty Sam input is due to Jana by May 1. Please make sure the responsible person in your chapter gets your information to her in a timely manner.

State Staff members and Presidents were introduced.

An "All American" lunch was provided by "J Dawgs", which consisted of huge hotdogs with all the trimmings, chips, a drink and a cookie for dessert. It was a perfect ending to a really great and productive day.

Harold thanked everyone for their attendance and their willingness to serve and share their ideas.