



Salty Sam News

Utah State Director's Message

Today is a beautiful sun shiny new day. The air is filled with Spring time, and it's time to get our rigs out of storage and shine and clean them up ready for service at the upcoming Chapter Camping and State Camping activities. Where will you explore this year? Will you stay within Utah or will you try new places outside the state?

Utah is a State of great diversity in landscape and things to do. Will you take a River Rafting Cruise or hike a mountain, or play in the Sand Dunes, or explore the valleys', Rivers, lakes and streams?

Everywhere you go there are museums of every size and kind. Maybe it is the Dinosaurs you like or the Hieroglyphics on the rock formations. Or, maybe you are more interested in going four wheeling up the many dirt roads. Maybe you're the more quiet type and would prefer sitting in a boat or on the shore of a lake, fishing. Perhaps you like being in the many mountains with good friends, picnicking and playing games. Or maybe you're like me and enjoy sitting around an evening campfire, visiting with good friends.

Whatever it is that you enjoy, Good Sam has something for you. We hope you have enjoyed the winter, eating at a restaurant each month and visiting with your Chapter. We hope you are filled with excitement and eager to go camping.

The Utah State staff and Utah State Chapters have spent many hours planning and working on their assignments to get ready for a very exciting Rally. It will again be held in Nephi, June 6th through the 9th. Mark your calendars as this will be an event you won't want to miss. There's an exciting variety of Seminars, Games, Food, Entertainment, Parade, Vendors, Cake Walk, Chinese Auction and much more to keep you just as occupied as you desire to get. If you don't want to get involved in all the activities, just come and read a good book under the huge trees.

Remember, it is you, the participants, that make the events exciting. Print your registration forms from the Utah Good Sam Web site. Register now so we know how many Rigs to plan for.

We want to thank Bob Anderson for doing an outstanding job of keeping the Web Site up to date and full of great information. Refer to it often.

Al & Linda Andrew

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Color Country

No Submission for this edition. We hope to hear from you next time!

Deer Sams

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Happy Hobos

It has been a great few months with our Happy Hobos group. We have had fun with our winter luncheons and the new officers conducting: Mike Johnson, Becky Meredith, carol and Dale Wallace and Pink Carter. In January Don and Mirriam Gibbons were the hosts; March was a St. Patrick's Day theme with Ron and Eileen Gonzales as hosts and in April we went to the Brick Oven in Provo for a great luncheon with Richard and Marie as the hosts.

We held our business meetings including celebrating birthdays and planning for the June Rally.

We lost a wonderful member of our club. Gwen Unthank passed away on March 14, 2018. She will be greatly missed.

Submitted by, Eileen Gonzales

A BIG THANK YOU TO MARTY & SUSEN!!

Susen Zobel has been an outstanding editor of the Utah Good Sam Club for many years and has now retired. Her enthusiasm and energy have been the life blood of the paper and have kept members informed in everything about the Utah State Chapters, Rallies and Tags. She has been relentless in getting Chapters to send her information and pictures of upcoming and past events of their chapters.

Few people know the many hours of service involved in such a time consuming responsibility. Susen has put great effort, time and energy into making the Salty Sam Newspaper exciting to read. As the current State Directors of the Utah Good Sam, we are deeply appreciative of the wonderful work and service she has rendered. And, we think we can speak for the previous Directors to join with us in expressing a **BIG THANKS**, Susen, for your expertise and willingness to do such a great job.

Also, not to be out done, is Marty who has given great service with the organization of the games and activities over many years. Thank you, Marty, for all the energy and hard work you have given. Without the games running smoothly, the Rallies and Tags would not have been near as much fun. The games provide opportunities for members to get acquainted with new people and make new friends. Your service has been greatly appreciated!



MARTY & SUSEN ZOBEL
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STATE STAFF





Northern Utah Golden Spikers "NUGS"

January—Wingers in Clearfield was the place to be. Who knew there is a banquet room available for everyone to come and enjoy the food and company. Norma Zocchi and Julie/Ron Thomas were the hosts for making the arrangements and supplying the favors for the evening. Raffle tickets are under the direction of Ella Folsom. Monies generated from monthly activities go towards a charity selected by the club members.

February—Everyone gathered at Denny's on Riverdale Road for an evening of fun. Denny's is a newer restaurant in the area and provided a new banquet room for our club to get together. Pam and Jack Toll were the hosts. Dues were collected and reminders for the upcoming campout trips were presented. Two new members, Joel and Eileen Fredrickson, became the newest members of "NUGS" RV Club. We look forward to getting to know them, traveling around, and experiencing new adventures with them.

March—The "NUGS" rendezvoused at Chuck-A-Rama on 36th Street in Odgen. Cindy and Kevin Burlison were the hosts. The food is always delicious and everyone enjoyed each other's company. More details about upcoming trips were discussed. The club is getting excited about the upcoming camping trips planned for this year. The first campout is scheduled for May 18-20 at Willard Bay Cottonwood Campground.

Submitted by, Larry Slade

Olympus Seagulls

No Submission for this edition. We hope to hear from you next time!

Over The Hill Sams

Just Like Dusty Springfield, the Over the Hill Sam's spent early winter "wishin' and hopin' and thinkin' and prayin' and plannin' and dreamin' " for traveling weather to return. The winter weather brightened as we welcomed Laurie and Larry Foote as new Good Sam's.

The Over the Hills often braved the snow and dreary weather for good company at cook's night out. In January the OTH's enjoyed South of the border fare at Javier's and Chuck-A-Rama buffet. We told stories at Cracker Barrel Old Country Store in Layton during February. March saw us venturing exotic while enjoying each other's friendship at Zhang's Chopstix ending the month at Red Lobster.

Instead of cooking hot dogs around the campfire we made do by cooking hot dogs at RC Willey once a month during January, February, and March to raise funds for our charitable activities. Our Good Sam's chapter made donations to the Lantern House, Halfway House, Ronald McDonald House, Children's Justice Center, Your Community Connection, Family Connection Center, and Davis County Safe Harbor Crisis Center. We served dinner at the Lantern House homeless shelter in Ogden several times during the first quarter.

One of the highlights so far this year was receiving CPR training from Mike Andrus.

The Sam's had training after our monthly meeting in March. Mike gave an interesting explanation of methods followed by hands-on practice. After Mr. Andrus' training, we all felt the necessity of preparing for an emergency even though we hope an occasion will never arise.



As the grass turns green and the flowers bloom, we are looking forward to cleaning off our rigs and hitting the dusty trails.

Submitted by, John Sandberg

Peach City

January—We met at the Tremonton Senior Center for this month's dinner meeting. The hosts for this meeting were: Gary & Pat Smith and Walt & Shirley Summers. Our dinner menu was "Walking Tacos" which began with an individual bag of chips, then added items of your choice. Just eat out of the bag. No dishes or mess to clean up when camping.

Bill & Gwen Shoemaker paid their dues and were welcomed as our newest members. Out of 27 members, all were present except three couples and one single person because of sickness.

Our summer campouts were planned. Pony Express Campground in May, Utah State RV Rally in June, Rendezvous Beach at Bear Lake in July, Ririe Juniper Campground, Ririe, ID in August, Mathew's Camp near Hyrum UT end of August, Fall Tag-a-Long, Delta, UT in October.



February—The Tremonton Senior Center was the place for our February meeting. The hosts for this meeting were: Paul & Arlene Hales. The tables were decorated with a Valentine theme and nut cups for everyone. We were entertained with several musical numbers by Bill & Gwen Shoemaker and Ramona Davis. Gwen and Ramona play the accordion, Bill and Gwen sang love songs.

We are collecting tabs and cans. The tabs will be taken down to the RV Rally in June to add to the rest of the chapters. All present except six of our members who were sick.

March—Again, we met at the Tremonton Senior Center. The hosts for this meeting were: Ramona Davis and Jeanne & Fred Hunsaker. We enjoyed a pot luck dinner which turned out to be a well-balanced meal. The tables were beautifully decorated

to set the mood for St. Patrick's Day including gold foil covered chocolate coins. All but six members were present. Those absent were recovering from sickness. We are having our first 2018 campout in May at the Pony Express Campground near Salt Lake City. We are going to tour the Krishnan Temple, Mrs. Cavanaugh Candy Factory, and Tracy Aviary.

We are working on our Chapter Booth for the RV Rally in June. Scott, a son of one of our members was diagnosed with leukemia, so we are having "A Spin for Scott" to raise money to help Scott and his family of seven children. We have donated new items for four baskets to be given away plus a Camp Chef propane gas Fire Ring, quilt, and other wonderful items. Visit the Peach City Good Sams Booth at the Utah Good Sam RV Rally in June.

Submitted by, Shirley Summers

GET READY TO RALLY!

Hey, all you Wild, Wild Westerners, and wannabees, get your registration in for the Rally on June 6th-9th to have a blast! Challenge your friends to Crazy Golf or Bean Bag Baseball. Or, learn the art of Dutch Oven Cooking from Colleen Sloan.

You might want to keep your heirs friendly with each other after you are gone by learning how to make an equitable distribution that makes them all happy, presented by Ken Hansen. Oh, we know, you are going to spend it all before leaving, but listen to this just in case. (Al & Linda have already incorporated this plan in their estate planning.)

Or, if you are concerned about developing breast cancer, learn from Kelly Wobrook how to discover it years before a mammogram can detect it. How about learning how to square dance, taught by a professional caller!

Maybe you just like to eat without preparing the food by enjoying the catered meals, especially the dinner catered by the Utah Food Services. Or do you just like being entertained? This year we have a talented couple from Florida, presenting "One More Time."

If that's not enough, watch the Parade put on by eight different chapters. Or, better still, be in the parade! All this and more, including the usual activities you are accustomed to.

We'll see you there!

Red Cliff Chiefs

No Submission for this edition. We hope to hear from you next time!

Squaw Peak Sams

January -- Our meeting was held at the Pizza Pie Cafe in Orem. Gloria Despain was our host. The theme was Happy New Year, Gloria placed pink snowball cupcakes on the tables with a sign in them about "snowballs as pets." The thought was given by John Saxey "Chocolate is God's apology for broccoli." Linda handed out key chains



with the thought that "We are forever chained to those we do not forgive."

It was reported that Jack Hansen is not doing good. Wally Eklund had his birthday in December he is 94 years old and is still operating his own rig and always attends our meetings and camp outs.

February-- Our meeting was held at Jim's Family Restaurant in American Fork. Theme was Happy Valentine's Day. Heart place mats and candy sweet tarts, were at each table setting. Hosts were Wally Eklund and Lorraine Poulson. Meeting was conducted by John Saxey since our President and Vice President were with a group of our members in Arizona.

March -- We met at Chuck a Rama in Orem. Our hosts were Bruce and Helen Ashton. The theme was March Madness - chocolate truffles and kisses and a sheet of March facts were at each place setting. Meeting was conducted by Neil Price since the pres and vice pres are still traveling. Olive Stanley, a former member, has passed away.

April -- Meeting was held at the Sizzler in Orem. Hosts were Gary and Linda Bridges. Theme was Spring and Popcorn. We each had a bag of popcorn and fun facts about how old Loony Toon characters and how old they would be, example Bugs & Lola Bunny would be 77. John Saxey gave a thought about standing up for yourself. It was our alumni meeting and we had 7 guests. We welcomed new members to our chapter ArDean and Karen Paxman. Yea! With sadness we report one of our members passed away, Jack Hansen.

Anniversaries over 50 years. Don and Jeanine Greenhalgh 52 years. Neil and Donna Price 56 years. John and Linda Saxey 50 years. Bob and Barbara Ekblad 52 years. Gary and Linda Bridges 59 years.

Submitted by, Shar Lee Spencer

Sundowner Sams

February—Tom and Ethel Jeffs was our host and they took us to Famous Dave's Bar"B" Que. I love that place, as did everyone else in the chapter. We played a few games, that had us disturbing the dust in our brains causing us to think. We sang happy birthday to those few people, and we had no anniversaries this month.

March—We meet at Jim's in West Jordan with La Var and Sharon Burton as our host. After dinner we played games and done some brain teasers, again, (with all this they are trying to make us young again.) Then as our monthly trip, Took us to Lehi, we had dinner at Chuck O Rama, and then we went to the Bigalow Organ Factory, in American Fork. This was very interesting as they build the whole organ there. Their building was a ward house that was built in 1903, and has been converted to do this manufacturing of these instruments. With living quarters for the Bigalow's up stairs. We sang to those that turned over another leaf in there aging trauma of Happy Birthday, with No



anniversaries this month.

April—"Spring has sprung, the Grass has Rise, WHAT in the devil, that WHITE STUFF is". April showers. The chapter went to Jim's in West Jordan with Bruce and Luann Ellis as our host. I guess (I was not there) all who attended enjoyed them selves. We had a trip planed but it fizzled at the last moment. This month we did not have any Birthdays, but we did have an anniversary; Marvin and Joan Lee 59 years, even tho' they were not there we still sang to them.

NOW lets start camping!!!

Submitted by, Marvin Lee

Timp Moonshiners

January—Nothing to report.

February—Luncheon was held at 2 pm on the 17th at Siragusa's (4115 S Redwood Road, Taylorsville). We welcomed 4 new members: Stan & Robyn Snyder and John & Shauna Black.

March—Breakfast at Jim's Place, 10600 South. At 10 am about 22 of us piled into Jim's Place Restaurant. The staff there did an excellent job at trying to accommodate all of us. The meal was fantastic, and the socializing with friends even better!

Submitted by, Lynn & Sandy Hicks

Tooele Travlers

January—January 10, 2018, we met for dinner at Hunans Village Restaurant. 24 members were present.

February—February 15, 2018, we had our meeting at Casa Del Rey in Grantsville. 20 members were present.

March—March 14, 2018, we had our meeting at Demetris. 18 members were present.

April—Dinner was held at Denny's. 15 members were present.

Submitted by, David Herrera

Utah Trail Dusters

November—Was a busy month. The Utah Trail Duster held their November meeting at Sizzler in the evening. The food was good; however, it was rather noisy. We did hold elections for new officers. Our new president is Art Harding; vice president, Roy Kendall; Secretary, Karla Harding; Treasurer, Cleo Unsicker. Our former treasurer, Kathleen Halliday resigned. She and her husband are not active in the Trail Dusters at this time. We will miss the Hallidays greatly. They were a real asset to our Good Sams family. We enjoyed a wonderful dinner hosted by the Hallidays and the Wrights. Also



assisting them were the Unsickers. The tables were decorated beautifully by the hosts and helpers.

December—Is always a very busy month. We had our Christmas party very early in the month. It was hosted by Al and Linda Andrew. Linda always uses her fine china, crystal, and silverware. The food was delicious. Linda makes the main dish and the rest of the club brings dishes to go with it. We like to play the money game. Al hands out many \$2.00 bill, a couple of \$5.00 bills and one \$10.00 bill so that each person has at least one bill. Then he reads a story which requires us to pass the bills forward or backward the number of times he says. When the story is finished we all have something, but only three people have more than a \$2.00 bill. We also have a great time. Al also invited two guests for the evening. We also have a good turnout for this event each year.



January—Is usually a very cold month. We have received very little snow this winter. Our Good Sam's dinner was held at Denny's in Provo. The Thornock's and the Rasmussen's hosted the dinner. It was nice to have a quiet, warm room to have our meeting and dinner in. We now have new officers: Art Hardy is now the Trailduster's president; the secretary is Karla Harding, and the treasurer is Jerry Griffen. We look forward to future outings in the summer.

February—Dinner was held at Jim's Family Restaurant in American Fork. It was hosted by the Hardings and the Halls. We enjoyed having our meeting in their special room which required a \$50.00 refundable deposit. Many couples were present. We discussed our first outing to be held at Yuba Lake. This camping option was presented by Jerry Griffen last year. The group felt like our May outings at Little Mill in American Fork Canyon were way too cold! The whole group agreed. We are all looking forward to our Good Sam's rally in June 2018.

April—The winter months have been a lazy time for us. We have been pretty much confined to our warm cars and homes. We have had our monthly meetings during this downtime; however, we are now eager to go camping with our friends.

New and fairly new to our group are Phil and Kathy Hall. Beverly Refiner and Milo Smart have recently joined our group. They have been married less than a year, but they have been life long friends who both lost their spouses. Ruth Burkett was visiting and is a retired science teacher.

We enjoy being together to help whenever the food service calls us to assist them when they need help preparing for a banquet they are catering. The money helps us give to various charitable organizations we like to support. We also do a lot for the Christmas Box that helps children who are temporarily removed from their homes.

Currently, Lloyd Wright is suffering from cancer and we miss him and sweet wife, Eva. They have done so much for the Trail Dusters and have been with the group since its origins a long, long time ago. Our thoughts and prayers are with these delightful people.

We planned our May campout at Mountain View RV Park. We are also going to take a fun trip on the Heber Creeper. We expect a good turnout.

Submitted by, Sue Thornock

Ute Salt Shakers

January—We enjoyed gathering for our luncheon at the Golden Coral in Midvale which was hosted by the Whittakers and Smiths. We had 25 members and one past member present. We also celebrated five birthdays this month.

February—This month the Richardsons and the Rowlands hosted our luncheon at the Chuck-A-Rama in Draper. There were 28 members and one past member present and the Roberts' third anniversary.

March—Our luncheon this month was held at the Leatherby's Creamery in Taylorsville and hosted by the Havilands and Baers. Leatherby's had come wonderful ice-cream to choose from for those who still had some room after lunch. On March 15 we were again able to serve at the Salt Palace for the Utah Food Services. It is a good way to earn money for charities. We are looking forward to our first campout in April and we discussed the other campouts for this summer.

Submitted by, Pam Wims



Weber Waffies

January - We gathered at Layton Golden Corral for our monthly Cooks night out. Larry and Shirley Petersen hosted the January Cooks night out. We had a large turnout with 10 couples with 5 honorary in attendance.. We had our monthly meeting.

February—We gathered at Golden Corral in Layton for our monthly Cooks night out. The Dick and Janet Ballingham hosted the luncheon. We had our monthly meeting, There was 9 couples and two honorary in attendance.

March—We gathered at the Golden Corral in Layton for our monthly Cooks night out. Emmett and Judy Daugherty hosted the luncheon. We had our monthly meeting. There were 12 couples and three honorary in attendance.

April—We gathered at Orlando's in Kaysville for our monthly Cooks night out. Ron and Gwen Gowers and Frank and Leanna Profraziers hosted the luncheon. We had a large turnout with 8 couples with 2 honorary couples. We had our monthly meeting and talked about the upcoming Rally and our planned summer events. The Profraziers brought a new couple with them, Rick and Cheryl Havranek, and they decided to join our Chapter. Weber Waffies welcomed them and we are all looking forward to camping and fellowshipping with the new couple.

Submitted by, Brenda Ory

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REMINDERS and RECOMMENDATIONS

- De-winterize your rig and sanitize the fresh water system, Refer to your owners manual for this.
- Check all other systems to make sure they work well.
- Clean the spider webs from the water heater, they like the smell of LPG.
- If you have a diesel powered truck, do you carry a spare fuel filter with you? If you get a bad batch of fuel, you'll wish that you had that filter with you. Water and fuel DON'T MIX.

Keep and eye out for more Reminders and Recommendation in next edition!



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