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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to the year 2019. I am sure that everyone had a great Holiday Season, wherever you were, and have lots of stories and pictures to share at our next meeting in Hillsboro! A few brave "Campers" made it to Mitchell's RV Park for their New Year's Celebration. We had our own Meeting Room ate, played games and enjoyed the company. The Park threw a Party on the Saturday before New Year's Day. The Party has a great band and we enjoyed line dancing and just watching all the people. However it was "kinda" confusing to bring in the New Year on a Saturday then again on New Year's Eve!

Since our December Meeting we have had to say goof-bye to two of our Long Standing Members and Friends:

Dan Ralston
Jack Duff

We will all miss them so much.

Several of our members have had some health issues and surgeries, but are recovering nicely as of this writing. Please keep our Group in your prayers so we can get ready for the Spring Camping Season healthy and ready to enjoy the upcoming Season.

We had thirteen members at our February Luncheon! My thanks to our Wagonmaster Mike Rhines for taking charge of the meeting. A good time was had by all. By the way, we have twelve rigs or 50% of our membership in the Valley this month, must be some kind of a record!

Later this Month, State Webmaster, Chuck Hayes, and I will be attending a District Meeting to help plan the September Mini-Rally. We will report any real information to the membership in March. Speaking of Rally's, the State Rally will be held in Waco, March 29 thru April 1. I realize most of you will just be getting back from the Valley, but please give this Rally some thought. It would be nice to have a good Group from our Club for Bill Boullion's first State Rally! Everyone drive carefully, and let's have a great regathering in Hillsboro, March 7 thru 10. SEE YA THERE!

Larry Walker,

President



JANUARY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Our January outing was held at Mitchell RV in Perrin, Texas. Since there were only 6 couples attending the outing, we did not have a meeting. We did however have a good time, especially at the dance that the owners of the park had planned for everyone camping at the park. They had a band, free drinks and everyone took a snack to share. That was on Saturday night and then we had our own New Year's Eve Party on New Year's Eve.

We had a good time.



FEBRUARY LUNCHEON

The meeting was called to order by our Wagon Master, Mike Rhines at the Spring Creek Barbeque in Bedford, Texas. Larry Walker was unable to attend the meeting as he just got out of the hospital. He is doing fine. There were only 13 members attending the luncheon since most of the members were in the Valley.

They discussed the September 2019 Mini Rally, which will be in Canton again this year. D/FW Sams will offer to officiate Chicken Foot,. Skip Bo and 42.

Larry Walker had asked Mike to let everyone know that we need additional people to volunteer to be on our committees.



Would anyone like to take a guess who this fine young lady is? The picture was taken from her high school annual.



The above quilt was started by Cheryl Norman at Canyon Lake RV Park. Marjorie Lawrence finished the quilt when Cheryl passed away last year. Her husband Bob is going to raffle off the quilt in Cheryl's name for the Quilters Fund this year. Cheryl and Bob were long time residence here at the park.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

We pray for all our members and their families, especially for Jack Duff, who went to heaven on January 22nd, and Majorie Lawrenc's sister, Harriet Bellmyer, who also went to heaven on January 28th.

We also pray for Joan Speaks, James Parker and Larry Walker.



The above picture is taken from the Ropa Fashion Show that was here at the RV hall in the Valley. All of the clothes that were worn were bought at the Ropa clothing Store. Ropa is so unique because you buy the clothes by the pound from large piles of mixed clothing you climb on to find what you want to buy. Most of the outfits were \$2.00 or less. It is something else. You have to visit this store at least once when you are in the Valley.

ANNIVERSARIES

MARCH, 2019

Orville & Marsha Barnhart March 17 8 years

APRIL, 2019

NO ANNIVERSARIES



BIRTHDAYS

MARCH, 2019

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| Don Hafer | March 13 |
| Tommy Michaels | March 15 |
| Terri Fletcher | March 23 |

APRIL, 2019

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| Joyce Kibbe | April 2 |
| Margie Duncan | April 9 |
| Sharon Lambert | April 10 |
| Al Jenkins | April 16 |

MARCH OUTING

Date: March 7-10, 2019

Place: N. Texas Airstream Community
200 Walnut Hill Ave., No. 1
Hillsboro, TX 76645
254-582-5566

DIRECTIONS:

South on I-35W or I-35 E to Hillsboro State Highway 22. East on State Highway 22 approximately 1/4 mile. Turn right on Walnut Hill Ave. to the Park.

Wagon Master: Mike Rhines.. Please contact Mike at 972-775-2690 or e-mail him at wagonmaster@dfwsams.texasgoodsam.com to advise whether you will or will not be attending the campout and when you plan to arrive and leave.

Hosts & Hostesses: Marjorie & Cecil Lawrence
Maria & Mike Mather

MENU: Thursday—Own your own

Friday: _ On your own or go out
as a group

Saturday: Your hosts will provide
**CHICHEN RANCH
CASSEROLE**
Each rig is to bring
a vegetable, salad, bread
or a dessert.

APRIL OUTING

Date: April 11-13, 2019

Place: Bedrock R V Park
1995 Co. Road 1803
Grand Saline, TX 75140
903-372-1451

DIRECTIONS;

Go East on I-20 to Hwy 19 (exit 527). Take a left (North) for approximately 8 miles. Turn right on Hwy. 80 for 6 miles to Grand Saline. At the first light (by the Sonic) turn left for 1 1/4 miles and make a hair pin turn turning right on 1803. Bedrock will be on your right. (There are signs before you get to 1803.)

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Hosts & Hostesses: Fran & Ray Spinner
Joyce & Barry Kibbe
Don Hafer

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Friday—On your own or go out
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IN MEMORY
JACK GALEN DUFF
January 13, 1924—January 22, 2019

Jack Galen Duff was born on January 13, 1924 and went to heaven on January 22, 2019. Jack, a charter member of The Greatest Generation, was raised in Topeka, Kan. He enlisted and served in the U.S. Navy during World War II where he proudly served for three years. As a radioman on a C-54, he crossed the Atlantic 60 times delivering priority cargo to Morocco, Tunisia, Scotland, France, the Azores and more, logging hundreds of hours of flight time. Cargo included many items including munitions and paravanes, used to clear mines from the English Channel before D-Day.

After the war, while living in Tulsa, Okla., he met the love of his life and wife of 65 years, Gerry. They settled in Fort Worth in the late 50s where Jack worked as an air traffic controller and retired after 30 years with the FAA. Jack "n" Gerry (often said as one word) loved to dance and traveled extensively in their motor home, visited all 50 states, and made several trips to Europe with family and friends.

While traveling in their moter home, Jack & Gerry joined our D/FW Sams Chapter and rarely missed a campout or Rally. In fact, Jack got his club nickname of "Hot Lips" when at a Rally, he tried a Hot Pepper too hot for his likings. All he could say was "My lips are burning" and Judy McDonald called him "Hot Lips". The name stuck with him. Even after Gerry went to be with God, Jack attended meetings and functions when he could.

Jack was a longtime member and Elder at Ridglea Presbyterian Church and served the Lord with great love. He was also a member of the Masonic Lodge AF & AM, Ponca City, Okla. and McAlester Scottish Rite where he was 33rd Degree, one of the highest honors of the Masonic Lodge, and where he served as Director of Stage scenery for all 32 Degrees for 40 years.

Papa Jack, as he was known by many, was admired for his infectious spirit, energy and joie de vivre, and was loved by all who knew him. Jack never met a stranger, never forgot a name or face, and greeted all he met with an enthusiastic smile.

Survivors: He is survived by those he loved, and spoke fondly of them to all who would listen. Daughter and son-in-law, Susan and Juan Quindara of Hurst; son and daughter-in-law, Jim and Claudia Duff of Fort Worth; grandchildren, Maile Quindara, Michelle Brosi (Heath), Sarah Sutton (Jimmy) and Siobhan Beaty (Andrew); and seven great-grandchildren.



Jack and his wife Gerry were a model couple and they are now together forever in heaven.