



D/FW CHAPTER

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### D/FW Sams Chapter Officers 2019

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Can you believe it(?). Summer has almost passed us by! I know all of us have stories to share about the season and it will be fun to hear those Stories at our September and October gatherings. Just to show how busy we can be as a Group: the Walkers were sitting in Branson, Mo. Having just missed the Spinners, talking with the Parkers who were to arrive in Branson the day we were leaving for Milwaukee. That same day, we talked to the Lawrences in California, and with the Schnepfs who had just returned to Texas from Minnesota> WOW do we get around!

If you missed the July Campout in Durant, you missed a really great weekend! The weather was tolerable and the Compan6y was outstanding. Thanks to everyone who attended the August Luncheon. We had a great turnout and a good meal. I do wish that more of the Associate members had attended. This makes a good opportunity to “catch up” on what is going on in our lives.

A quick THANK you to Pennie Nichols and Pennie Walker. In Durant they went through the Red boxes and consolidated everything into one Box. Now we have a manageable Supply Box for the Hosts/Hostesses to use. GOOD WORK! Also, do not forget that we are have a Group Garage Sale at the Mini-Rally. So go through your Rigs and get rid of those items you have not used for years

So far we have thirteen(13) Rigs registered for the Mini-Rally in Canton, Sept. 18-22. Most of the Group will meet in Terrell and convoy to Canton on Monday the 16th. It is not too late to Register so check your Calendar and try to make plans to attend. Great Entertainment this year, and with a “Beach Party” theme, it should be a Fun Week!

October will be the Election of Officers. The Campout will be at Lake Athens Marina RV Park, Athens, October 10 thru 13. Please contact James Parker if you are interested in holding an Office. We are really needing a true worker to volunteer for Wagon Master.

Keep those members of our Group who are “under the weather” in your thoughts and prayers so they will be able to rejoin us soon!

Drive Safely, see ya in Canton!

Larry Walker,  
President



**JULY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

The meeting was called to order by our President, Larry Walker. Our wagon master, Mike Rhines reported 9 rigs on the ground, 1 drive in and 1 “fly in”. (Mike & Jackie Rhines flew into the local regional airport) just for our meeting. Mike reported that he visited Mineola civic Center as a possible site for a campout next year and also Sunset Point as a possible week long May 4 through the 10th.

Fran Spinner announced that she only has two newsletters left this year, as she is retiring permanently as newsletter editor. She also announced that no one has volunteered to take over the newsletter.

Larry Walker reported that our two red boxes had been whittled down to one box, and that the left overs would be put in our garage at the Mini Rally. If anyone has anything to put in our garage sale, please bring it to the Mini Rally.

*By Pennie, Nichols, Secretary*

**AUGUST LUNCHON HIGHLIGHTS**

The meeting was called to order by our President, Larry Walker. There were 23 member and 3 associates present. Mike Rhines, our wagon-master reminded everyone of our Mini-Rally and October outing. If you haven't yet registered for the Mini Rally, please register now so they can get a tentative count.

Larry Walker reported on trying to get a class for our group to learn CPR so that we might purchase a AED for our chapter. Shirley is looking into it. She stated that we should consider a more heavy-duty unit since it would be kept in someone’s RV. She is still researching models and pricing.

Fran Spinner introduced our new Editor for next year—Marjorie Lawrence. She will make a great editor.

Chuck Hayes requested that everyone send him pictures for the web site.

*By Pennie Nichols, Secretary*

**MEET OUR NEW NEWSLETTER EDITOR**



*Our new Newsletter Editor is going to be Marjorie Lawrence and I didn't even have to twist her arm. Thank you Cecil! She was so nice to volunteer for it. I know she will be an excellent Newsletter Editor and I feel so happy that she will take the job. 26 years is just enough. Please do me a favor and work with her in any way that you can and send her articles., etc. She will need help from all of you. Thank you.*

*Fran & Ray Spinner*

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**ELECTION OF 2020 OFFICERS**

We will have the election of our 2020 officers at our October outing at Athens, TX. So far the slate is as follow:

- President.....Larry Walker
- Vice President.....Ben Crabtree
- Secretary..... Pennie Nichols
- Treasurer..... Shirley O'Dell
- Wagon Master..... ???????
- Ass't Wagon Master. Jimmy McDonald

***We need a Wagon Master.*** Please Step Up and volunteer. Also nominations for all positions are still open. Call James Parker, Cecil Lawrence or Pat Schnepf, who are on the nominating committee, to volunteer.

**IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS**

We pray for all our members and their families, especially for Peggy Gainer, who went to heaven on June 23, 2019. We also pray for Joan Speaks, Melvin, Barbara Michaels, Judy Rawson, Joyce Martin , Dawn Hayes, Ben Crabtree and any of our members who are having health problems.

**NORTH CENTRAL-EAST TEXAS  
MINI-RALLY  
SEPTEMBER 16-22. 2019  
BEACH PARTY THEME**

We are in charge of parking again on Tuesday, so Our D/FW Sams can enter the rally on Monday, Sept. 16. We will meet at Tangier Mall and leave promptly at **1:00 SHARP** . Or if you want to have lunch there, arrive earlier, but be sure you are ready to leave at 1:00s when we start caravanning to Canton. If you cannot leave on Monday, you can join the rally anytime, but you may not be able to park with our Chapter. Please let Mike know if you plan to attend and if you will meet the group at Tanger Mall as he needs a head count.

Each rig is to bring a NEW \$15.00 gift for the auction and 1 dozen cookies (preferably home made), ship, nuts or crackers Please label if they are sugar free.

Be sure to bring your VESTS, NAME TAGS AND RADIOS. Be sure the radios are fully charged.

Our Chapter is responsible to Parking on Tuesday and helping Garland Sams with parking later in the week.

Don't forget to bring items for our Chapters garage at the Mini-Rally

**ANNIVERSARIES**

**SEPTEMBER, 2019**

*No Anniversaries in September*

**OCTOBER, 2019**

|                          |         |          |
|--------------------------|---------|----------|
| K R & Joyce Martin       | Oct. 11 | 66 years |
| Tommy & Barbara Michaels | Oct. 12 | 62 years |



**BIRTHDAYS**

**SEPTEMBER, 2019**

|                |          |
|----------------|----------|
| Fran Spinner   | Sept. 1  |
| Mike Nichols   | Sept. 10 |
| Marsha Marino  | Sept. 11 |
| Jill Schnepf   | Sept. 16 |
| Larry Walker   | Sept.16  |
| Rosetta Parker | Sept. 16 |
| Lester Kimble  | Sept. 19 |
| Kathy Austin   | Sept. 25 |
| Dawn Hayes     | Sept. 25 |

**OCTOBER, 2019**

|                  |         |
|------------------|---------|
| Mike Mather      | Oct. 7  |
| Barbara Michaels | Oct. 7  |
| Verna Eubank     | Oct. 16 |
| Maria Mather     | Oct. 19 |
| Cecil Lawrence   | Oct. 21 |



**SEPTEMBER MINI RALLY  
BEACH PARTY THEME**

Date: .September 16-22, 2019

Place Canton Civic Center  
Fleas Market Road  
Canton, TX  
Emergency Phone—903 567-1067

**DIRECTIONS:**

From I-20 toward Canton, take Exit 523. Turn right at the stop sign to get onto Hwy. 64 and drive 4 miles to Canton. Go through the light and turn left on Flea Market Road at the Canton Civic Center Marque.

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 Mini Rally and if you plan to meet the group at Tanger Mall.

Menu—Be sure you bring something for a POT LUCK DINNER, as we usually have a get together.

All parking is \$22.00 per day and the Registration Fee is \$10.00 per person. These fees are payable at the registration table at the rally. Please do not mail in early. Lets have a good turn out at the Mini-Rally. It's going to be a lot of fun. Good entertainment, games, food, etc.

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*Marjorie & Cecil Larwrence visited the tide pools at Point Loma, Cabrillo National Monument, San Diego, California Isn't it beautiful???*

**OCTOBER OUTING**

Date: October 10-13, 2019

Place: Lake Athens Marina  
5401 Marina Drive  
Athens, TX 75752  
903-675-7275

**YOU NEED TO MAKE YOUR OWN RESERVATIONS. THE COST IS \$40.00 PER NIGHT**

**DIRECTIONS:**

From I-20, take Texas State Highway 175 Southeast to Athens. Take Loop 7 East around Athens to FM 2495, turn left and drive approximately 5 miles to Lake Athens Marina. (It is next door to the Texas Freshwater Hatchery).

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: Al & Linda Jenkins  
Mike & Jackie Rhines

Menu: Thursday—On your own

Friday: 5:30 PM The hosts will furnish Ham and Lasagna. Each rig is to provide Vegetables sides, salads and a little less Desserts.

Saturday We can have lunch with the left Overs and continue to enjoy games.

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**DUES ARE DUE BY THE  
OCTOBER CAMPOUT**

Our dues for our members are \$20.00 and \$5.00 for Associates. You need to put your Good Sam number and expiration date on your check

. If you pay your Associate dues, you will still receive the newsletter.



*Peggy Gainer*  
*Oct. 1, 19937—June 23, 2019*

Peggy Jo Gainer, age 81, died on June 23, 2-19, at her home in Coppell, Texas. Peggy was born on October 1, 1937 in Fontana, Kansas to Beatrice Leota (Holloman) and Jewell Eugene Smith. She graduated from Osawatomie High School . Peggy moved to Virginia Beach and lived with her family there for 23 years. She then moved to the Dallas area and worked at Commercial Metals until she retired in 2001.

Peggy married John Gainer and they resided in Coppell, Texas. She enjoyed fishing, hunting and sewing. Peggy was an active member of the Episcopal Church of the Redeemer in Irving, Texas for many years.

Peggy is preceded in death by her parents, husband John gainer, daughter Colene Gryder, and grandson, John Gryder Jr. Left to cherish her memories are her children, Michael E. Williams and wife Maureen, James A Williams and wife Kirsten, grandchildren Timothy Williams, Alyssa Williams, Johnathan Williams, April Broadway and husband Sam, Avalon Williams and Starr Adams; great grandchild, Kimber Broadway, as well as many other extended family members and loving friends

Peggy and her husband, John Gainer were very active in our D/FW Sams Chapter until John passed away. They attended almost every campout and served our chapter in may ways. She was especially active in making the chapter vests for our new members. Peggy also served on the staff of our Texas State Good Sams.

On behalf of both the D/FW Sams Chapter and the State Good Sam organizations, we offer our deepest condolences to Peggy's entire family.

Peggy has now joined John and we feel certain they are camping and fishing together in heaven.

By Ray Spinner, Editor