



D/FW CHAPTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE - -

Here we are middle of Winter with half the group basking in the Valley Sun, while the other half is trudging around North Texas living normal lives. Well March brings a reunion of the group in Hillsboro, then the Spring begins the camping season of new camp sites and hopefully good weather.

We have started the New Year's club business in an interesting way! First, in place of a campout, our January meeting was held with the Valley group hosted by Ben Crabtree. Eight (8) rigs attended

joined with a conference call of three individuals (wrapped in sweaters) in North Texas.

Despite the "clinking" of glasses it was a productive meeting. Then, in February, fifteen (15) brave souls ventured in the rain to Arlington for annual luncheon meeting. Good food and great company made this a successful event. I think everyone agrees it will be great when we all meet as one group in March!

Over the last few months I have been meeting with presidents of other area clubs. We have discussed membership, campsites, and attendance. It is interesting to hear what is happening in the region.

Have a meeting in late February to plan the September Mini-Rally. Will let you know in the next newsletter about anything new or interesting.

Drive Safe, Stay Healthy, and we will see you'll in March, in Hillsboro!

By Larry Walker, President



JANUARY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Vice President Ben Crabtree called the meeting to order at the Canyon Lake RV Park in Mission, Texas and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the previous meeting had been posted. A motion by Marjorie Lawrence with a second by Marsha Marino was made to accept the minutes. The motion passed.

The Treasurer's Report was previously posted. A motion by Pat Schnepf with a second by Diana Kimble was made to accept the Treasurer's Report. The motion passed.

Ben Crabtree reported 8 rigs in attendance, consisting of the Crabtrees, Speaks, Kimbles, Marino, Schnepfs, Lawrences, Spinners, and Nichols. Present by telephone conference were President Larry Walker, Treasurer Shirley O'Dell, and Chuck Hayes. Guests in attendance were Dale and Lollie Boyer and Jo Cummings.

Shirley O'Dell provided the Sunshine Report. Members present sang Happy Birthday to Shirley.

Pennie Nichols provided the hostess report. Volunteers are still needed for July and November. Pennie also announced an inquiry from Dale Alan Becker, to which she responded. There has been no further contact from this inquiry.

Marjorie Lawrence reported on her progress with the newsletter. She is the new editor. Fran has been helping with the transition.

Ben read the email from Gloria and Jay Delmar regarding issues with the Canton mini-rally and probable upcoming changes. Larry Walker asked if there was anything we wanted him to bring up at the upcoming planning meeting. We told Larry we didn't want Joker and Beanbag Baseball scheduled at the same time, because many wanted to do both. Larry said he would bring it up.

A motion by Lester Kimble with a second by Billy Speaks was made to adjourn. The motion passed.

By Pennie Nichols, Secretary



January meeting in the Valley

FEBRUARY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

The meeting was called to order by Larry Walker, President. It was held at the Candlelight Inn Restaurant at 1202 E. Division, Arlington, Texas 76011.

The minutes had been previously posted. A motion by Mike Mather with a second by Barry Kibbe was made to accept the minutes. The motion passed.

Shirley O'Dell reported no changes to the previous Treasurer's Report. No motion was required.

Larry Walker reported 12 members present.

Shirley O'Dell read the birthdays and anniversaries for January and February.

It was reported that one host each is needed for the months of July and November.

Larry Walker reported that the Garland Sams chapter changed their name to Traveling Sams.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mike Mather with a second by Barry Kibbe.

By Linda Jenkins, acting secretary



Jill and Pat Schnepf celebrate New Year's in the Valley.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Kathy Austin has recovered from her broken ribs. She says that Melvin is doing very well and has gains 20 pounds. He still goes for chemo every 2 weeks, but his cancer markers are down and the doctor just scratches his head at Melvin's recovery.

Shirley O'Dell says she went to the surgeon on the 10th and he said the bones are healed. He suggested it would be several more weeks before the ankle wanted to bend properly, but he was happy with the break itself. She says the ankle is swollen so that she had limited choices of shoes to wear, but anything is better than the Herman Munster boot. She looks forward to seeing everyone in Hillsboro. You Go Girl!

Dick Fletcher is doing well and gaining strength slowly. He saw the surgeon Thursday and they stopped several medications. A CT scan has been ordered as he may have cracked some ribs (which is not unusual when the sternum is cut and spread apart). They will know by 18th or 19th whether the ribs are cracked or not. We all wish Dick well and hope he makes a speedy recovery.

Jackie Rhines says she is doing well and the original pain is gone, but the surgical site pain remains. Doctors says it may be 6-8 weeks before it goes away.

Jimmy McDonald is undergoing treatment and doing well.

ANNIVERSARIES

MARCH, 2020

Orville & Marsha Barnhart March 17 9 years

APRIL, 2020

None

BIRTHDAYS

MARCH, 2020

<i>Don Hafer</i>	<i>March 13</i>
<i>Tommy Michaels</i>	<i>March 15</i>
<i>Linda Donihoo</i>	<i>March 22</i>
<i>Terri Fletcher</i>	<i>March 23</i>

APRIL, 2010

<i>Joyce Kibbe</i>	<i>April 2</i>
<i>Margie Duncan</i>	<i>April 9</i>
<i>Sharon Lambert</i>	<i>April 10</i>
<i>Al Jenkins</i>	<i>April 16</i>



MARCH OUTING

Date: March 12– 15, 2020

Place Airstream RV Community
200 Walnut Hill Ave., No. 1
Hillsboro, Texas 75140
254-582-5566

DIRECTIONS:

Go South in I-35W or I-35E 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: Cecil Lawrence

Please contact Cecil at 972-849-5453 or email him at cmlawr@tx.rr.com to advise whether you will or will not be attending the campout and when you plan to arrive and leave.

Hosts and Hostesses:

Al and Linda Jenkins
Billy and Joan Speaks
Mike and Jackie Rhines

Thursday: on your own
Friday: community meal
Saturday: on your own

Menu: True POT LUCK meal
Bring a meat, vegetable, salad, bread,
or dessert to share

APRIL OUTING

Date: April 9-12, 2020

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

REMINDER: Bedrock only accepts cash or checks, no credit cards)

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 Sonic), Turn left for 1-1/4 miles and make a hair pin turn right onto CR. 1802. Bedrock will be on you right. (there are signs before you get to 1803).

Wagon Master: Cecil Lawrence

Please contact Cecil 972-549-5453 or email him at cmlawr@tx.rr.com to advise whether you will or will not be attending the campout and when you plan to arrive and leave.

Hosts and Hostesses:

Shirley O'Dell
Kathy Austin
Marsha Marino

Thursday: on your own
Friday: on your own
Saturday: community meal

Menu: Hosts will provide baked ham.
Please bring a salad, vegetable, bread, or
dessert to share



Ray and Fran Spinner



Pat and Ben Crabtree

VALENTINE'S DAY DANCE IN THE VALLEY



Cecil and Marjorie Lawrence

