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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings everyone — Who would have ever dreamed that one week we are enjoying a campout in Hillsboro, and BAM! Two weeks later we are basically confined to our homes, wondering what will happen next!'

All though we had a small group at the March campout in Hillsboro, we had a great time. It was good to welcome the Valley Group back to North Texas and listen to everyone's stories of Holiday Cheer and Winter Mis-happenings! A special thanks to Linda and Al Jenkins and Jackie and Mike Rhines for hosting the event. Snacks were great and plentiful, and I think everyone enjoyed the "old fashioned" pot luck supper!

As you know from previous correspondence, all Good Sam activities have been paused for the indefinite future. As of this writing, we have not received any further direction from the State Director. As a result of this pause, we have cancelled the May and June campouts. The July campout in Durant is still scheduled, but we will continue to monitor "this new world." We (the Board) will make a decision by mid-May so keep your calendars open!

Everyone be safe out there! Keep the Sunshine folks informed of "what's happening" in your lives and we hope to get together soon!

By Larry Walker, President



Hosts: Mike Rhines, Jackie Rhines, Linda Jenkins, Al Jenkins, and President Larry Walker



MARCH MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Minutes of the DFW Sams Meeting
March 14, 2020

The meeting was called to order by Larry Walker, President, at the North Texas Airstream Community (NTAC) in Hillsboro. Larry also led the prayer.

Tom, President of the NTAC, introduced himself and asked if our chapter was happy with the meeting room and if there was anything NTAC could do to improve the facilities. He also mentioned the possibility of an additional dog park. Discussion of lighting issues followed. We told Tom that we are extremely pleased with the park because of its cleanliness and kitchen facilities and hoped to continue with a long-term relationship with them.

The minutes had been previously posted. A motion by Marjorie Lawrence with a second by Billy Speaks was made to accept the minutes. The motion passed.

Shirley O'Dell reported no changes to the previous Treasurer's Report. A motion by Chuck Hayes with a second by Linda Jenkins was made to accept the Treasurer's report. The motion passed.

Cecil Lawrence reported 8 rigs on the ground and three drive-ins. (Note: Nola Schrum, prospective member, arrived later.)

Shirley O'Dell read the birthdays and anniversaries for March and provided the Sunshine Report.

Pennie Nichols reported changes to the host schedule.

Marjorie Lawrence, the newsletter editor, thanked Fran for all her help with the transition from Fran to Marjorie.

Larry Walker reported he attended the business meeting for chapter presidents for the mini-rally. He provided us information from that meeting, including inability to use the Civic Center's kitchen, no "jail time" for canned goods, and he brought up changing the "tournament" schedule to avoid scheduling Joker and Beanbag Baseball at the same time. As of this date, the mini-rally is still on the schedule.

Larry Walker reported receiving an email and flyer from Marcus Lemois, CEO of Camping World. A copy of the flyer will be attached with the minutes. There was discussion about what Camping World could do to promote the local chapters and urge new Good Sam members to join a local chapter.

Larry Walker asked how many were planning to attend the week-long campout at Marble Falls in May. Cecil reported 12 rigs are needed to be able to use the room. Five families who were at this meeting reported plans to attend.

Larry Walker reported the American RV Park in Corsicana is again an option, as they have opened their large hall for use by rallies.

There was no free-night-of-camping drawing because of the low rig count. There was discussion regarding suspending this drawing until the rig count increased. A motion was made by Mike Rhines to do the free-night-of-camping drawing with a ticket price of \$5.00 when the rig count was 15 or more. Pennie Walker seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Larry Walker announced he received a letter from Bedrock in Grand Saline, which is where our April campout will be held. Due to the corona virus concerns, if campers do not feel comfortable going out to eat, it would be possible, with advance notice, to get meals delivered to the rally room. Discussion regarding this information followed.

A motion to adjourn was made by Pennie Walker with a second by Norman Lambert..

NOTE: Ron Boullion, State Director for Texas Good Sam, sent an email stating that the State Rally scheduled to be held at the Canton Civic Center in April, has been CANCELLED. He noted that after discussion with Jay and Gloria Delmar, they agreed to allow the State Rally to be held at the same time as the mini-rally currently being held in September.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Kathy Austin says she still has a lot of pain in her left arm and probably needs some physical therapy. Melvin Mann is fine and the two of them recently spent a week in Corpus Christi.

Shirley O'Dell is up, walking, and getting around well. She still has problems with falling out of chairs.

Dick Fletcher is doing well. He goes for cardio rehab on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday so they are getting out of the house a few days a week. They are both well.

Jimmy McDonald has received good news. His treatment is working and the doctors are impressed.. Both he and Judy are doing well.

Don Hafer is feeling much better and has recovered from his falls.

Tommy and Barbara Michaels' medical problems are improving.

Please remember to call Shirley O'Dell when you are having problems and feel the need for healing prayers.

ANNIVERSARIES

May, 2020

Jim & Judy McDonald May 21 55 years
Barry & Joyce Kibbe May 28 55 years

JUNE, 2020

Michael & Jacklyn Rhines June 20 56 years
Cecil & Marjorie Lawrence June 21 35 years



BIRTHDAYS

MAY, 2020

Dick Fletcher May 28

JUNE, 2020

Billy Fuller June 18

MAY OUTING

CANCELLED

Minutes of the DFW Sams Board Meeting
March 27, 2020

The meeting convened via telephone conference on March 27, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. Present by telephone were Larry Walker, Ben Crabtree, Shirley O'Dell, Pennie Nichols, Cecil Lawrence and Chuck Hayes.

Larry Walker discussed the email he received from Ron Boullion regarding Good Sam's recommendations about cancelling campouts due to the Corona virus. As a result, the Texas State Rally that was originally scheduled for April and then moved to September has now been cancelled. Also, there will be no state officer elections for Texas Good Sam.

Larry Walker further stated that DFW Sams' April, May, and June campouts have been cancelled for this year. July's campout will remain on the schedule until the end of April. At that time, Larry will decide if it needs to be cancelled or can continue as scheduled. All officers agreed with his recommendations.

Larry stated that he spoke with Rene and/or Tony at Bedrock, and they were unaware of the Good Sam recommendation to "pause" all campouts until further notice.

Marjorie Lawrence, Newsletter Editor, asked if she was to continue publishing the newsletter, and Larry said, "Yes."

The meeting ended at 2:20 p.m.

JUNE OUTING

CANCELLED

Picture 1: Ray Spinner, Melvin Mann, Kathy Austin, and Sharon Lambert at March meeting

Picture 2: Marjorie Lawrence, Cecil Lawrence, Pennie Nichols, Joan Speaks, and Billy Speaks

