



Fall, 2021: TEL-A-SAM

Have a Good Trip.

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FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

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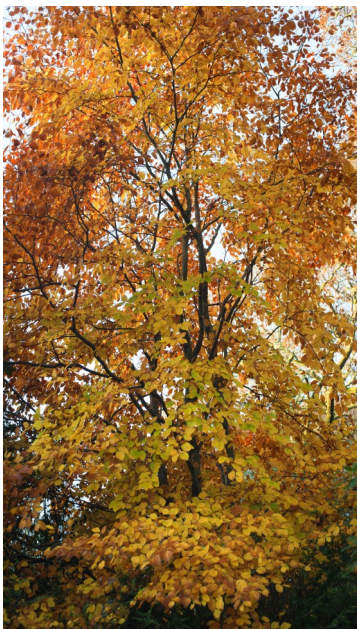
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Hello fellow campers,

I hope everyone is doing as well as can be expected as we finally move out of this crazy heat wave and into some much-needed, cooler weather. Just a couple of things. I wanted to touch base with you as to where we are with the Rally. Everything is full speed ahead and we're looking like by the time the rally gets here in April, the nation should have a better handle on this Delta variant and large group gatherings should be back to normal. (Keeping our fingers crossed) We can always use help from anyone interested in working with the Rally. There's plenty to do and the sooner I get volunteers for this the better. so please don't hesitate to contact my wife Gina who will oversee organizing the volunteers. The Itinerary for the Rally will be pretty much the same as it was in 2019 with just a couple of changes to it.

Over the past year we have lost a lot of members in our chapters either to aging out, unable to travel with rigs anymore, or sadly they have passed away. These members are family to us and it's sad to see them go, so please keep track of the ones who have passed on and let us know who they are so we can include them in our memorial service at the Rally. Dave Tomlinson has graciously agreed to continue running the memorial service for us at the Rally. You can reach him through the NorCal web site as he will be added to our staff. Another member joining our staff comes from the San Jose Black Jacks. Doug Kreitz has accepted the position of NorCal Historian/Photographer. He has some great ideas to help with our web page by adding videos (testimonials) and pictures to name a few. Hopefully you will see these changes before the end of the year. He will be working with our current web master Wayne Wall to bring about a better experience for anyone visiting our web page.

As I mentioned earlier, we are losing members and the only way to get new members is to advertise your chapters. A lot of people do not know that Good Sam has chapters and so when you're out and about camping in your rig, talk with other campers and tell them what we do as chapters. Even walking through your neighborhood, you may see RVs in your neighbor's driveway. If they're outside, talk to them about who we are. We all have the same thing in common and it's our rigs. So that's a good Ice breaker to start the conversation. There is a Web site www.goodsam.com/club that lists all the chapters in each of our states and Canada. Check it out. It's a good tool to have ready to



From the Director's Desk, (continued)



Have a Good Trip.

to help anyone interested in joining Good Sam and any of the chapters.

Don't forget to have your elections for officers for the 2022 term. If a chapter is to survive it must have officers to lead the way. I know people are hesitant to step up and volunteer for these positions, but the more you're involved in the business of your chapter then the more you can take part in helping to make change possible. If you're not happy with the way things are going with your chapter, rather than sit in the back of the room complaining and bad mouthing your chapter or NorCal, I say to you "Step up to the plate and make a difference." Run for office and get involved even at the state level for NorCal. I welcome you to join our staff. You can't always have the same members stepping up as they will experience a burn-out and this benefits no one. For those who are always there for their chapters as well as members of our state staff, you are to be commended for all that you do. I salute you. THANK YOU for your service to NorCal.

My wife Gina and I have had some great experiences visiting and meeting up with other chapters at their camp outs this past summer. I'm so glad we get to do this because (one) We meet new friends and (two) It gives us a chance to see how other chapters get together for fun activities and meals. We have been members of the "Lucky Ones" for 6 years now and have loved the connection we have shared with each other on our camp outs. And it's always nice to see how other chapters camp together and conduct their business. So, Gina and I would like to thank those chapters for their hospitality. (San Jose Black Jacks, Tuleburg Sams and Gold Nugget Sams).

We also had a very successful "Chapter Rendezvous" at Casa de Fruta September 9-12, 2021. This was our first attempt at getting chapters together other than the Rally. We could just hang out and play games, share meals together and sit around and talk about how things work or don't work with our chapters, or RVing stuff in general. There is a lot to learn from our senior RV'ers in our chapters who have been doing this for years and their knowledge is priceless. (Some even started out with a covered wagon as their first RV!) I'm just joking guys.

I would like to thank those chapters who took the time to come and made the Rendezvous successful... The San Jose Blackjacks, The Gold Nugget Sams, The Lucky Ones, The Lazy Daisy Sams, and The El Dorado Sams.

I hope to do this event every year in Sept/Oct, if possible. I think it's easier for chapters to do this and we can choose different RV parks to meet up at also. We chose Casa de Fruta because we already had spaces reserved for the Rally which was postponed once again due to Covid.

One final note... I would like to thank all our military service members serving near and abroad and to all the Veterans who have served this great nation of ours. We enjoy the freedoms we have today because of their sacrifice.

GOD BLESS AMERICA

Well, I think I've rambled on enough for now so please be safe out there and don't forget, along with your Flu shots, to get your Covid shots. They save lives. The proof is in the science.

Hope to see you down the road.

Mike Ward

State Director

NorCal Good Sam

From the Director's Desk, (continued)



Have a Good Trip.

Scenes from The Chapter Rendezvous

Held at Casa de Fruta RV Park

September 9-12, 2021

"Campers just wanna have fun!"



Happy Hour for campers



Mike welcomes everyone



New director Mike with old director Wayne



Just a dance between friends!



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NORTHERN CALIFORNIA GOOD SAM ASSOCIATION

NORCAL STAFF MEETING MINUTES

(Zoom Meeting 4-24-2021)

The last State Committee Meeting was held on April 24, 2021 and the minutes were previously published in the summer edition of the Tel-A-Sam.

Punny Humor!

If you have to wear both mask and glasses, you may be entitled to some condensation

When you teach a wolf to meditate, he becomes a ware wolf

Water is heavier than butane because butane is a lighter fluid

My son wants to study rodents-I told him to gopher it

I'm reading a book called "Quick Money for Dummies" by Robin Banks

Nothing tops a plain pizza!

Be careful when you eat at Sam & Ella's Diner!

I pulled a muscle digging for gold-just a miner injury

I never finish anything...I have a black belt in Partial Arts

Ghosts like to ride in elevators because it lifts their spirits

Fungi puns are my yeast favorite-there's too mushroom for error

I'm going to start collecting highlighters-mark my words!

Lego store opens after lockdown! Folks lined up for blocks!



Your Invitation to a Party
2022 - Good Sam Club
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA ANNUAL STATE RALLY
Theme – ‘Salute to America the Beautiful’

When: Festivities begins Thursday, April 28 through May 1, 2022.
Where: Casa de Fruta RV Resort, Hollister, CA
Why: A time for all NorCal chapters, and friends, to come together and join in fun activities, make new friends, but more importantly, it's a time when staff can say, "thank you", to the members of each chapter for supporting NorCal Good Sam Club.
Note: Earlybird Special, Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday-\$42.00 per night
 Late fee for registrations postmarked after 4/15/2022 of \$20.00

ACTIVITIES: Member Arts & Crafts Show and Sale, Seminars, Commercial Vendors, Theme & Pet Parade, Indoor and Outdoor Games, Catered Dinner, Food Court, Bingo, Bocce Ball, Professional Entertainment, & More!
FACILITIES: Total of 128 sites, 66 full hook-up, pull-through sites, 30 amps. 13 full hook-up, 50 amp., back-in sites, (reserved for special needs attendees.) Approx. 24 full hook-up, back-in sites on lawn area. A popular premium area further from the clubhouse and near the creek, on grass, 30 amp., no sewer hook-up. There are 2 level sewer stations available on site.

PARKING: Rigs parked on assigned basis. Chapter group parking can be arranged on a limited availability. No rigs will be parked after 4:00 pm. Late arrivals park in holding area until 8:00 am the next day.

REGISTRATION: Wednesday, (Helper/volunteer & early –birds) – 1:00 to 4:00 pm. Thurs. 9:00 – Noon, 1:00 - 4:00 pm, Fri. 9:00 –Noon, 1:00 – 2:30 pm. Sat. 11:00 am to Noon. (Early arrivals on Mon., Tues., & Wed., are okay).

COMMERCIAL: Contact Gina Ward Email: frogma2262@yahoo.com Phone: 559-314-4461

VOLUNTEER HELPERS: Volunteer/helpers are needed and encouraged!!! If you are interested and want to help and be a volunteer, please indicate in the space(s) on the back of this registration form. Volunteer confirmation letters will be mailed after April 12, 2022. Additional fees for extra day camping (See below).

Name #1: _____

Name #2: _____
 (Please Print)

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____ 1stTime

Attendee? Yes: _____ No: _____

Good Sam Member? Yes: _____ No: _____ Chapter Member? Yes: _____ No: _____ Chapter

Name: _____

State Officer? Yes: _____ No: _____ Indicate State: _____ Position: _____

RALLY REGISTRATION: Rate is \$47.00 per rig, per night.

1 or 2 People Per Rig, 2 Nights, Thurs & Fri, or Fri. & Sat., Full Hook-Ups.....\$94.00.....(\$104.00 after 8-20-21)

1 or 2 People Per Rig, 3 Nights, Thurs., Fri. & Sat, Full Hook-Ups.....\$141.00.....(\$ 151.00 after 8-20-21)

Family Rate-3 or More People per Rig, 2 Nights, Full Hook-Ups.....\$104.00.....(\$ 114.00 after 8-20-21)

Family Rate-3 or More People per Rig, 3 Nights, Full Hook-Ups.....\$151.00.....(\$ 161.00 after 8-20-21)

Early Birds & Helper/Volunteer Extra Nights.....\$42.00 per Night X () Nites = \$ _____ (Total)

Ladies ‘American Woman’ Luncheon & Entertainment..\$15.00 Per Person X () = \$ _____.

Saturday Night Catered Dinner.....\$22.00 per Person..X () People = \$ _____ (Total)

Walk-In, per day, \$5.00 Carload.....\$ _____.

TOTAL PAID.....\$ _____.

(REGISTRATION MUST BE POSTMARKED BY APRIL 15, 2022 TO BE PROCESSED ON TIME.)

Rig type: Make: _____ Class: _____ Length: _____ # of Slides: _____

Please indicate your anticipated date of arrival: _____

Handicap Parking: Yes: _____ No: _____ DMV Handicap Number: _____

Wheelchair: Yes: _____ No: _____ Breathing Equipment: Yes: _____ No: _____ Other: _____

Questions: Contact: Al Quint, Registrar: 916-765-3688, email: al5quint@surewest.net

Please make checks payable to: “NORCAL GOOD SAM ASSOCIATION”

Mail to: Al Quint, Registrar, 6001 Myrtlewood Ct., Citrus Heights, CA 95621

(Please Complete Reverse Side)

*****NORCAL RALLY VOLUNTEER/HELPER REGISTRATION FORM*****

VOLUNTEER/HELPERS ARE URGENTLY NEEDED.

If you would like to participate in this year's Rally by being a helper/volunteer, please indicate your preference of where you would like to help in the area provided below: If you sign up as a helper/volunteer, you must be checked in at the Rally on Wednesday to receive your assignment for the following day(s).

We cannot assume that a task that your Chapter does, will done by all the chapter members attending. Nor can we assume that both husband and wife, or significant other, are working every year. Please indicate additional choices in case your 1st choice is full. In this case we may ask you to help in the area of your 2nd choice. Thank you.

1st Helper/Volunteer: Name: _____ 1st Choice # _____ 2nd Choice # _____

2nd Helper/Volunteer: Name: _____ 1st Choice # _____ 2nd Choice # _____

Please pick from the list below which area where you would like to help/volunteer, and indicate by placing the corresponding number in 'Choice', (by your name), above.

- Choices:** #1 – Registration #2 – Check-in #3 – People Mover #4 – Security #5 – Games
#6 – Arts & Crafts #7 – Misc. Help #8 – Stage and Luncheon Decoration
#9 --Volunteer's Dinner - Help Prep and Serve

EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION INFORMATION

We require this information so that proper notification can be made in the event of an accident or other emergency.

Person to be Notified:

Name: _____ (Please Print)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home Phone: () _____ Cell or Work Phone: () _____

Relationship: _____

Please list Additional Family members, (COMING IN YOUR RIG), Their age and relationship

Name: _____ Age: _____

Relation: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____

Relation: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____

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Name: _____ Age: _____

Relation: _____

CHAPTER GROUP PARKING

Chapter group parking will be accomplished by early notification, three weeks in advance. After that time it will on a first come, first served basis. We will make every effort to park chapter rigs together, however configuration of the resort has limitations. Please advise of chapter name, number of rigs, rig type and size, ASAP, when making notification. If you have not asked to be parked as a chapter, and you wish to park together, we suggest that you have your chapter gather together outside the resort area, and then enter the resort in a caravan style.



A Salute to our Vets



Have a **Good Trip.**

Dear Fellow Good Sam Members,

At our 2022 NorCal Rally, with a theme of 'A Salute to America the Beautiful', we would like this opportunity to honor our veterans of America. Over our history these men and women have given their time, loyalty, love and, all too often, their very lives in service to all of us. To help show our appreciation for their service, we will have a "Wall of Honor" for all at our 2022 Rally. Please bring a photograph with you to the rally of your favorite family or friend veteran(s). Yes, you may have more than one in your family or friends

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who is worthy of this honor wall. When you arrive at the rally, register and come to the Tel-A-Sam workstation (for the Daily Grapevine). It will be lo-
the same area as registration. There will be a short form for you to fill out to
your picture(s) and then they will be placed on the Wall of Honor in the
Room, where the majority of events will take place. **After closing cere-**
on Saturday night,
retrieve your pic-
from the wall and
them back home

with you. Here are
a couple of sample
pictures and forms.
If you have a sug-
gestion or concern
about the form,
please email me
with them at nor-

caltelasam@gmail.com. The pictures should be no
larger than 8" by 10", so we will have room for all of
the honorees.

Thank you all for your participation in this activity!

Sharon Murray

Tel-A-SAM Editor



NorCal Veterans
Name: <u>Walter Weight</u>
Area of Service: <u>Air Force</u>
Service Years: <u>1959-1979</u>
Place(s) Served: <u>U.S., Japan, Turkey</u> <u>England</u>
Job Title: <u>Logistics Inventory</u> <u>Management Supervisor</u>

Nor Cal Veteran
Name: <u>Thomas "Mike" Murray</u>
Service Branch: <u>U.S. Army</u>
Service Years: <u>1968-1970</u>
Place(s) Served: <u>Vietnam</u>
Rank/Job(s): <u>Corporal</u>
V Chapter: <u>Gold Nugget Sams</u>



Charity Report

Good Sam Organization

NorCal Good Sam

Charity Report

By

Shirley Harms

NorCal Good Sam Chapters have donated the following for the past quarter:

El Dorado Sams \$4005

Gold Nugget Sams \$4525

Lucky Ones \$500

Quarter Total: \$9030

2021 Total: \$25,698

In donations and volunteer hours!

Congratulations, NorCal Chapters





Chapter Chatter

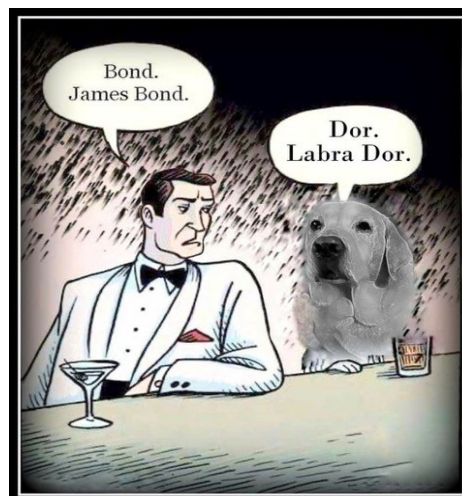
Durham Good Sam Travel Nuts

DURHAM GOOD SAM TAVEL NUTS – have been busy traveling as much as possible. In May we traveled to The Lewiston Bridge RV Park in Lewiston, CA -a very clean and nice park. June was canceled due to fires in our area. July, we went to Klamath River RV Park in Klamath, CA on the coast of California. What a nice place and fun time by all. The owners of the RV park were more than accommodating. August was also cancelled due to fires. September our club was supposed to go to Hat Creek Rancheria but another problem with fires. But the host was able to call around and get the Parkway RV Park in Orland. They were so nice to accommodate us on a very last-minute basis. October, we went to Mountain Gate RV Park in Redding. Something our club has discovered that during the COVID most of the clubhouses are not open, so we have rented an extra space and set up - pop ups and tables and chairs and made our own clubhouse outdoors. Not sure this will work out in the winter but we have had fun with it during the summer months. We will finish out the year in November at the Feather Falls KOA in Oroville, CA and then we will have a Christmas Luncheon in Oroville, CA. Hope you have all had a nice season and look forward to seeing what everyone has been doing.

Durham Good Sam's Secretary - Judy Warren

Something to Smile About!

Being a little older, I am very fortunate to have someone call and check on me everyday. He is from India and is very concerned about my car warranty.



**Laughter is the best medicine.
Or wine.
It might be wine.**



Chapter Chatter

Lazy Daisy Sams– East Bay

The Lazy Daisy Sams are slowly getting back into the camping routine. In July we celebrated the Chapters 43rd Anniversary at Flag City RV Park in Lodi. (Established 7/10/1978) We had 6 rigs in attendance and one guest. It was a fun filled time with puzzles, card games, and a bean bag baseball game where the gals beat the guys 42-7.



Our August Outing to Santa Cruz Redwoods RV Park had to be cancelled because of poor turnout. The September NorCal Group Campout at Casa de Fruta had the same problem but Homer and Barbara attended and represented the Lazy Daisy Sams.



Chapter Chatter

Lazy Daisy Sams– East Bay

September 30 – October 4 brought The Lazy Daisies to Heritage RV Park in Corning. We had not been there in several years and we were impressed with the changes made to the group facilities. We did the usual puzzle, card games, and exploration of the area including a few trips to the Rolling Hills Casino. Fun times were had by all. Thanks to Mike and Linda Granko for hosting.





Chapter Chatter

Lazy Daisy Sams– East Bay

Upcoming Lazy Daisy Sam Outing Schedule:

January 6-13, 2022	Duck Island, Rio Vista
February 10-14, 2022	Gilroy Garlic USA RV Park, Gilroy
March 20-24, 2022	Oroville/Feather Falls Casino, Oroville
April 28-May1, 2022	Nor Cal State Rally, Casa de Fruta, Hollister

We would like to extend an invitation to anyone interested in joining us at one of our campouts. We are also interested in share camping with other groups in order to meet minimum requirements of the parks.

If you would like more information about our Chapter please visit www.norcalgoodsam.org and look for **Lazy Daisy Sams Chapter**

Contacts:

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President, Homer Hoglund (Barbara) at bjhoglund@sbcglobal.net 510-223-8847





Chapter Chatter

GOLD NUGGET SAMS

Gold Nugget Sam's first camp out of 2021 was held at Feather Falls in mid-August. With Mike and Sharon Murray hosting, we started with nine rigs, but health problems and other obligations reduced us down to only 6 rigs attending. We were a small, yet mighty group of campers determined to have a fun time. Campers came from Gold Nugget Sams, Sunrise Sams and a possible new member who was visiting.

Beyond a wide array of wonderful food, new GNS member Delia Garcia led a jewelry making class, helping us to create earrings, bracelets, and necklaces. We also had movie night with the classic "Clue" as our movie choice. Walter and Cricket Weight, retired Assistant State Director and his wife, stopped by to visit with us for a day.

We also had an opportunity to employ the "Good Samaritan" aspect of our organization. On the last night of our camp out a family arrived late to the campground. Upon meeting them they explained they lived in Oregon and a few days earlier had started their vacation. Due to the wildfires, they had been evacuated out of two Oregon campgrounds and then went through Susanville towards Reno, when they were turned around and sent toward Tahoe. Lake Tahoe had been their original destination; however, the smoke was so bad, and with 2 small immune-compromised children, they continued further into California and finally ended up at Feather Falls late in the evening. They discovered that the office was closed and had no idea how or where to find food for their hungry family. At this point, we all jumped in and served them large portions of our potluck foods, including desserts! Mom took it all back to their rig and everyone was happy!

We all had warm, fuzzy feelings from helping others; and a deserving family went to bed well fed and full.

The next day we ended our camp out with a group luncheon at Feather Falls Casino. It was a relaxing, yet fun-filled week for everyone!



Food, fun, friends!

What a great RV life!





Chapter Chatter

GOLD NUGGET SAMS

Flag City

October 3-7, 2021

A small, but excited group of campers met up in early October at Flag City RV Park in Lodi. Members from clubs Sunrise Sams and Blackjack Sams clubs, along with a friend of Shirley Harms and a long time RV'er, Bobbie Warn, of Yuma, AZ., joined host club Gold Nugget Sams for several days of Halloween fun and games. Hosts Mike and Sharon Murray began the events with a BBQ hot dog and chili cookout with everyone, followed by "The Addams Family" movie at their rig. Activities included crafts of Halloween milk cartons and pumpkin faces. One of the nights had the members all finding Halloween words that began from A-Z. The activities ended with everyone participating in the "Pumpkin Prance Race" (think of horse races with pumpkins!). Lots of fun and laughter ensued with the hilarious antics from several participants. Our last night concluded with a dinner out at one of our favorite restaurants, Habanero Hots, in Lodi.



Creation Time!



Our Finished Products



Spooky Results!



Pumpkins for prancing



Another finished project.



Sherri and Jody: Our A-Z Winners!



Chapter Chatter

GOLD NUGGET SAMS

After all of this preparation, It was finally time to get the prancing pumpkins ready to prance!
After a hearty potluck, our racers lined up in two heats and were then ready for the official signal.



MC Mike Murray



Let the races begin!



Prancers ready to race!



Hot Prancers Racing!



Prancing Winners: Wayne, Jerry and Bernie

**YOU KNOW YOU'RE
GETTING OLD
WHEN A RECLINER
AND A HEATING
PAD IS YOUR IDEA
OF A HOT DATE**

Husband and I
went grocery
shopping with
masks, got home,
took off masks,
brought home
wrong husband!
Stay alert people!

The adult version of
"head, shoulders,
knees and toes" is
"wallet, glasses,
keys and phone."



Chapter Chatter

Tuleburg Sams, Stockton, CA

June 2021

Tuleburg Sams landed in Angel's Camp RV Park; 2 months since the last meet. Some members arrived Thursday while the rest of the group came Friday. It was very hot, a scorcher.



Thursday evening members went out for pizza and the pool at the park was available. Friday members gathered under the kitchen pavilion for appetizers. It was a bit cooler under the structure. Mistifiers were brought out too. Everyone was glad to be together again.



The pool was in use. Grandkids joined in on this outing. The kids had a water balloon playtime, while members watched under pop-ups and mistifiers. The highlight of the weekend was seeing each other again. Even though it was hot there were smiles on everyone's faces. Left Right Center was the game of the evening after the potluck dinner on Saturday. The game consists of putting in \$1 and receiving 10 beans. Three dice are used to determine what happens to one's beans; either in a cup (center) or to one's right or left. The one with the last bean wins the pot. This game went on for about an hour, since there were so many playing. The dinner was a wonderful gathering consisting of members bringing their own meat, with corn, watermelon, salads, scallop potatoes and desserts- cup cakes and individual cheese cakes. When it was near dark and cooler the group gathered to visit under the stars.



Chapter Chatter

Tuleburg Sams, Stockton, CA (Continued)

Thank you Sherri and Stuart for hosting this outing and serving a wonderful breakfast of pancakes, syrups with whip topping, sausage and fruit. *See you next time!* 🦆



July 2021

The group made their trek to Laguna Seca as usual in July. It was a smaller crowd this year, but the group had lots of fun and enjoyed each other. The race track was alive with the sound of fast engines whizzing around the track. The temperature was in the 60's and 70's with fog in the mornings and rolling in during the evenings.

The group started off by meeting at Gino's for lunch. Karen and Ron came as guests and the group got to know them as well as each other. The Italian food was delicious along with cannolis for dessert. Before meeting for lunch some of the group went to the gun range to target practice. It was a lot of fun. The targets were brought home to keep. That evening members gathered to share appetizers and spend time catching up on the latest news. Tacos, meatballs, pasta bowl salad and cup cakes showed up on the table. Trailbosses Tom and Trina presented a game they created named:

Tuleburg Travels. The object was to get your rig to Stockton before else. Everyone had to travel player drew; hazards and moved backward or forward. as rainstorm, flat tire, earth-tions category had light traf-in 10 miles of Stockton to game. Their prize was a hang-it. The evening ended with a



was to get anyone 150 miles to Stockton. Depending on what card a good weather conditions, would determined if they In the hazards category there were situations such quake, and being lost. The good weather condi-fic, shorter route, drive on New Year's Day get with-name a few. The guests, Ron and Karen won the ing wood decoration of a jug that read summer on propane campfire listening to stories.



Chapter Chatter

Tuleburg Sams, Stockton, CA (Continued)

The next morning the trail bosses provided a fulfilling delicious breakfast. Scrambled eggs, sausage, mixed fruit, blueberry loaf and orange juice was served. When everyone's bellies were full, a game was presented. Finding a word that is spelled forward and backwards in the same sentence that belongs on the two blanks was the first part of the game. The second part was finding the career that matched the word. Ricki received the most correct answers and she received a calendar with numbers. Audrey was the least correct and she won a coloring note pad. Some members headed out to watch the races while others went to the beach. Dogs were walked up and down the hills throughout the weekend.

Everyone couldn't wait to gather together for the last evening meal, because smoked baby back ribs had been cooking all day. Members brought salads baked beans and a birthday cake for Audrey. Everyone talked about their day and enjoyed laughs.

Before the wood fire, members played Family Feud. The men conquered in the face off rounds of the game, but the women came out on top in the final round. The final round was worth triple points.

Everyone was glad to be together again. Thank you trail bosses. See you next time!





Chapter Chatter

Tuleburg Sams, Stockton, CA (Continued)

The next two outings were joined with the San Jose Blackjacks-

Jackson Rancheria RV Park July 8-11 –2021

Tuleburg Sams joined the Blackjacks and the Gold Nugget Sams also joined in this camp out.

It was very hot but we all made the best of it. On Friday we had heavy appetizers and played a game of Bingo using decks of playing cards. It was fun learning a new way to play Bingo. Afterwards we gathered in groups around a couple of the rigs and talked.

Saturday morning was a shared by the Blackjacks' meeting. Later others to the casino, and some went crafts. We decorated a solar light base.



(potluck) breakfast, followed some of us went to the pool, wine tasting. At 2:00 we had with a painted clay pot for the

Dinner was teriyaki chicken, and to share. Afterwards we played baseball using a type of corn hole board. We played girls against boys and the boys beat us girls by 2 runs.



members brought a side dish

Sunday morning everyone packed up and headed for home early in an effort to beat the heat.

Black Oak RV Park Aug. 5-8 –2021

The Tuleburg Sams were at Black Oak RV Park with the San Jose Blackjacks. Everyone had a wonderful time getting to know each other and finding out how each club operates. Black Oak is always a nice place to stay and the staff is great and easy to work with. There was plenty of room in the clubhouse for both chapters. There was lots of smoke in the air from fires, sadly. Some people with asthma and other breathing problems were a bit bothered by it, but the clubhouse was the place to be. The theme for the outing was





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Tuleburg Sams, Stockton, CA (Continued)

Hot August Nights.

Nancy, a member of the Blackjacks, showed off her new RV to start off the weekend. Appetizers and social time was in the clubhouse on Friday evening. Gail and Courtney were the trailbosses for this outing. Mike Ward, NorCal Good Sam Director and a few members of the Lucky Ones chapter were also present. After everyone had a bite to eat, which was just about anything you can imagine to pick-up with fingers or a toothpick, members then gathered in a circle for a car racing game. The hosts would roll dice and the first die represented the car number and the next represented how many moves the car would make. People would pick a car, hoping it would win for them. There were two rounds of this game. It was a wonderful ice breaker to get to know people. The evening ended with a few people hanging out in groups in front of their rigs.



Saturday morning the groups met for breakfast which Gail and Courtney provided. The menu consisted of eggs, bacon, yogurt, mixed fruit, cereal and muffins. After the meetings were completed members could go for a swim, go into town, which some of the ladies did, and a small group hung out in the clubhouse where it was




cool and smoke free playing cards. Everyone met back at 3 pm to prepare for the races. There was a car wash and wax station to get the cars ready. Registration took place after that, which the cars were weighted and assigned to a division: guys and gals. Each division had three heats. The winners of the heats faced off in the finale. The president of the Tuleburg Sams, Tom won first place in the finale, Sherry a visitor staying at the park was curious about our groups and happenings, was invited to join us and she entered the races and came in 2nd place, and the third place winner was Ron who was a guest from Tuleburgs.

After the races dinner took place. Bring your own meat was the rule along with sides and desserts to share. Medals were presented by the trailbosses with a trophy. First place winner, Tom received a bbq utensil set. The last item from the trailbosses, icing on the cake if you will, was everyone received a highball glass with everyone's first name and last initial. The glasses were hidden under the center pieces on the tables. Everyone was instructed to take the center pieces apart and was delighted to find them.

Thank you trailbosses Gail and Courtney for the wonderful weekend.

And thank you Blackjacks for inviting us.

Memories were created. See you next time. 





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Tuleburg Sams, Stockton, CA (Continued)

September 2021



The Tuleburgs landed at Rancho Seco Recreational Area off of highway 104. The park was a beautiful setting; the reservoir water was full along with geese and ducks. There is a hiking trail along the bank and a few rabbits in amongst the tall brush. The temperature was end. Thursday night was thunder and dry lightning along the night. The group set up pop-ups to gather under be-



petizers started off the weekend. This outing was attended hadn't happened in a while. Everyone had a lot of catching trail bosses, had a corn-few played before it got ing everyone brought a fast. An abundance of browns, eggs, muffins, ready to eat. In the early morning the park had a triathlon event. One could watch bicycles, runners of adults and kids. Swimming was not allowed at this event because of the bacteria in the water. After the



in the mid 90's all week-with light rain throughout tween the camp sites. Ap-by a big size group, which up to do. Pat and Jim, the hole game set up. Quite a too dark. Saturday morn-dish to share for break-sausage, bacon, hash pastry rolls, and fruit were

meeting, everyone grabbed a bite to eat and had free time until dinner. Some members got together to play cards under the pop-ups.



Dinner, was potluck again, and bring your own meat and plate setting was the rule. Marissa made an outstanding cheese cake with walnuts and Vicki made a wonderful game of corn hole as it was get-again. Thank you trail bosses Pat See you next time.



peach cobbler. The night ended with a ting dark. It was good to be together and Jim McCutchan for a nice outing!





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Tuleburg Sams, Stockton, CA (Continued)

Tahoe Excursion

Some of the members joined up at Lake Tahoe. There were a few cancellations, because the Caldor fire was headed in that direction. The group stayed August 18-23. Thursday and Friday the weather was great. Saturday and Sunday the air quality turned very poor and the group had to stay inside most of the time. They played games and still had fun. When the group was outside, there were hikes and bike rides.



Don't YOU forget to set your clock back for Daylight Standard time on November 7, 2021!





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EL DORADO SAMS

10/12/2021

Greetings from the El Dorado Sams, We are still in a slow mode getting back into the swing of camping! We had our first campout in Lodi in August at Flag City. We had 11 rigs and 7 members came for the meeting without rigs. That was our first gathering in 18 months. We did have a few Zoom chats during this time. One was a Valentines Quiz and chat. It was fun seeing so many friendly faces, but the real thing is the BEST. At the Lodi campout one of the the fun things we did, besides chat, eat, cards and puzzles was playing Left, Right, Center. It's a game that even us oldies can remember the rules. The winner is always happy to receive a big chunk of change!

Three rigs joined the outing at Casa de Fruta in September and we had a great time. We did have an emergency when one of our members had chest pain and was transported to Kaiser Hospital in San Jose. He is doing well and we are thankful for that.

This month on October 17 we will head to Corning at Heritage RV Park. Lovely old park that has been updated. We're looking forward to going for the first time in about 15 years. At our November campout, we have our Thanksgiving Feast. We have an auction of wonderful items and that money goes to our charities. The last several years we've made and donated over \$700.00 each year. We also have our Turkey and fixins' catered dinner. It's definitely a special campout.

We have decided to change our Chapter shirts and it has been a struggle with Covid delays and now with MANY ships at anchor at major ports. We're hoping we will have them when we have our first campout in March 2022.

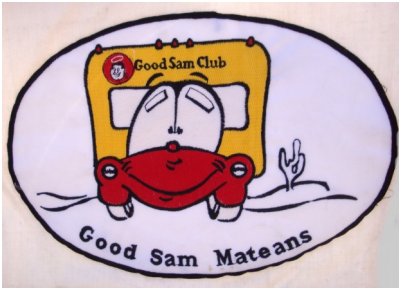
Judy Fitzpatrick, our Volunteer Hours chairperson has been very excited by the number of hours collected the last few months. Mike Ward gave our chapter the list of what can and cannot be counted. And, our members are adding them up and sending to Judy. We are proud of our members and thank them for all they do for the community!

Mike suggested as a way to advertise Good Sam and our chapter, that we get a Realtors box and put it up at our campouts. (like the ones that advertise homes for sale in front yards). Ken Brown is in charge of his project. He's doing his job so well, he got not one, but 2! We are going to have a contest asking members to design the flier. They will get the pertinent info and then off they go with their ideas. We have so many members with talents its unbelievable. There will be a gift card to Camping World for the winner!

We wish all of you a Happy and Healthy Fall and Holiday Season!!!!

Rosemary Heier

El Dorado Sams



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GOOD SAM MATEANS

Editors's Note: The following is from The Good Sam Mateans latest newsletter.

President's Corner

A Message from the President

Terry Augustine



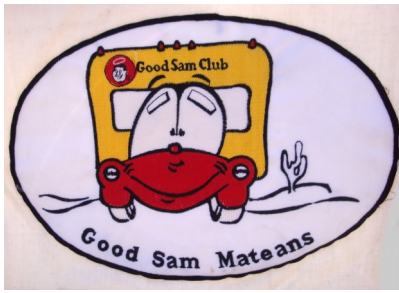
Happy October to all of you,

Angels Camp was a great outing. We got our fall colors, our outdoor campfires, our s'mores and falling leaves all in one place. Many went on a wine tour over in Murphy's at the Ironstone Winery and enjoyed it very much. We had 7 rigs make the journey this time. I hope we can get 8 next month. We will be going to Gilroy Garlic in Gilroy. In January we are going to be doing something a little different. We are going Quartzsite Sports, Vacation & RV Show in Quartzsite, Arizona from January 22 to January 30th. Check out the website <https://www.quartzsitervshow.com/>. **There will be lots of exhibitors and vendors for you to check out. I am looking for a canopy for my RV. There is free camping on BLM land but it is "dry" camping. There is an RV campsite across the street with hook ups, please contact Cam-elot. We will not have an outing in February since this will take us pretty close to the end of January. Hope everyone has a great Halloween.**

Terry



9/30-10/3/21 Angels Camp



Chapter Chatter

GOOD SAM MATEANS

Editors's Note: The following is also from The Good Sam Mateans latest newsletter. Thank you for smiles!

Just sayin'

- ◆ A wise man told his wife ... nothing, because he was a very wise man.
- ◆ Did you know that water is the most essential element of life? Obviously, because without water you can't make coffee.
- ◆ If you wear your jeans 5 days in a row, they get all baggy and it looks like you're losing weight. Follow me for life pro tips.
- ◆ I had a salad for dinner. Actually a fruit salad. Well, mostly grapes. Okay, all grapes. Fermented grapes ... wine. I had wine for dinner.
- ◆ Dear Arizona, Thank you for the free trial. We are not interested in your weather at this time. Please cancel our subscription.
- ◆ How to fold a fitted sheet. Step 1: Stop caring about folding fitted sheets; no one cares.
Step 2: Roll it into a ball and chuck it into a closet. Follow me for more life hacks.
- ◆ We all get heavier as we get older because there is a lot more information in our heads. So I am not fat. I'm just really intelligent and my head couldn't hold any more so it started filling the rest of me. That's my story and I'm sticking to it.
- ◆ Apparently, it's appropriate to say "look at you! You've gotten so big!" to children. Adults tend to get offended.
- ◆ Chocolate is vital for our survival. Dinosaurs didn't have chocolate and look what happened to them.
- ◆ If only we could live in a world where mosquitoes sucked out fat instead of my blood.
- ◆ I see people my age out there climbing mountains and zip lining and here I am feeling good about myself because I got my leg through my underwear without losing my balance.
- ◆ If anyone finds my motivation wandering around, could you please send it back? I have tons of things to do.
- ◆ "Just cleared out some space in the freezer" sounds so much more productive than "I just polished off another pint of ice cream."
- ◆ Don't stress about your eyesight failing you as you get older. It's nature's way of protecting you from shock as you walk past the mirror.
- ◆ My mind thinks I'm 25. My body thinks my mind is an idiot.
- ◆ Maybe if we underpaid politicians and overpaid teachers, there would be smarter people and less stupid laws.
- ◆ Doctor talking over patient in surgery: "We have to relieve the pressure in his skull, so I'm going in and take out about two dozen passwords."
- ◆ Customer in front of bakery display: "What do you have with no fat and no sugar?" Clerk's response: "Napkins"
- ◆ Recipes are like dating sites. They never quite turn out like the photo!
- ◆ The truth is still the truth, even if no one believes it. A lie is still a lie even if everyone believes it.
- ◆ I've lost my mind, so if you see it wandering around, just wave Hi and pass on by; poor little thing needs a break, bless it's heart...



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