

Tel-A-Sam: Winter-Spring, 2022



Have a **Good Trip**.

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FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK

Hello everyone I hope this finds you well and in good spirits.

I'm sending out this notice to remind everyone once again about the event taking the place of the Rally. We have cancelled the Rally for this year due to the many restrictions surrounding Covid and safety matters. But we kept some spaces open for anybody wanting to still camp at Casa de Fruta during the same time we were having the Rally, April 28th thru May 1st. We won't have the use of the buildings and anything we do will be held outside.

We're planning on having a happy hour type event Friday afternoon where everyone brings an appetizer and their favorite drink. We will be playing bocce ball as well as corn hole games at the outdoor tent pavilion area.

We did this back in September of last year and it seemed to be a success.

COME OUT AND MEET YOUR STATE STAFF

On Saturday your NorCal staff and I will be hosting a hamburger/ hotdog cook out. We will provide the meat. There will be more on this event next month as we get closer to the dates and a sign up sheet will be posted for sides and condiments.

We will also be taking pictures and taking testimonials on why you are part of Good Sam and share some your experiences to be posted on our NorCal webpage (with your permission of course).

This will be done by our State photographer Doug Kreitz, We hope you will join us.

Please reserve your spot before March 28 2022.

The reservations are under my name or NorCal roundup. Hope to see you there.

Also, don't forget that the next **State Committee Meeting is planned for Saturday, April 23, at 3:00 p.m. via Zoom**. All presidents are required to attend or send a representative to reflect their club's interests. The NorCal





State Staff members cannot represent their chapters at the meetings because of possible conflicts of interest. A chapter representative must be selected for the meeting by the president if he or she cannot attend. Your attendance ensures that everyone is represented.

Please mark your calendars! Zoom Meeting, April 23, 2022, 3:00 p.m.

Details will be forthcoming.

As we head into our new year of many camping adventure with our chapters, or just out on our own, I'm asking everyone to be safe out there while having loads of fun.

Gina and I will be out and about visiting chapters and we hope to get around to visiting with each and everyone of you.

Thank you for your time and we hope to see you down the road.

Sincerely,

Mike Ward

NorCal State Director

Good Sam Club



Dear paranoid people who check behind their shower curtains for murderers ... if you do find one, what's your plan?

The more I get to know people, the more I realize why Noah only let animals on the boat.

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NORTHERN CALIFORNIA GOOD SAM ASSOCIATION

NORCAL STAFF MEETING

Zoom Meeting Minutes, 10-3-21

NORCAL STAFF MEETING

Zoom Meeting

10-30-21

The NCGS State Committee meeting was called to order by Director Mike Ward at 3:03pm on October 30, 2021.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance lead by Director Mike Ward.

The following NorCal State Staff was present: Mike Ward, NorCal State Director, Ken Brown, NorCal State Treasurer; Wayne Wall, Webmaster; Wally Luihn, NorCal State Assistant Director; Gina Ward, Commercial Chairperson; Sharon Murray, NorCal State Editor/Tel-A-Sam; Al Quint, Rally Registration; and Audrey Johnson, NorCal State Secretary.

Roll call was then carried out with eight (8) Chapters being represented at this NCGS State Committee at the last Staff meeting for this year, 2021. Those chapters present were: Camp Far West, El Dorado Sams, Gold Nugget Sams, Lazy Daisy Sams, Lucky Ones, San Jose Blackjacks, Sunrise Sams, and the Tuleburg Sams.

Minutes: The minutes were presented as published in the packets.

Motion made to accept as amended:

Motion: Rosemary Heier

Second: Al Quint

Vote: Approved

Motion carried

Treasurer's Report: Treasures Report was approved. Discussion made regarding the change to Chase Bank. No bills and expenses were presented at the meeting. Rally account discussed.

Motion made to accept:

Motion: Tom Zarzana

Second: Homer Hoglund

Motion carried

Correspondence: None received



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(Minutes, Continued)

Committee reports:

Tel-A-Sam Report:

Sharon Murray, Editor, just put out the last Tel-A-Sam Report and was posted on the website last weekend. Next report goes out in February. Please start thinking about articles and photos for the next report.

Charity Report:

Shirley Harms, Charity Chairperson, via Mike, gave the last 3 quarter and yearly donation amounts. Personal donations, such as your fire department or personal charities, count toward the chapter total. Keep your chapter treasurer or secretary posted with the amount.

Vendor Reports:

Gina Ward will have more information after next weekend.

Al Quint has talked to Fred Bradberry Sr. who would like to do a seminar called Let's Talk RVing during the rally. He also would like a table. Al Quint will get the information to Gina Ward.

Rally Report:

Al Quint discussed the pricing for the camping rate at the rally as Casa de Fruita is raising the rates. Mike Ward to discuss this with Casa de Fruita to get the exact pricing amount.

The form in the Tel-A-Sam is incorrect. A revised version will go out before the end of December 2021.

Rally meetings will be monthly starting in November 2021. Presidents of each chapter are invited.

Entertainment:

Audrey Johnson and Gina Ward will have more next month.

Elvis will be here again for the lady's luncheon. He will be bringing his trailer which is set up as an Elvis Museum.

In 2019, several chapters mailed in donations for the 2020 rally. These funds will go towards the 2022 rally.



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(Minutes, Continued)

Mike Ward would like each chapter to make their own basket for donation. The funds made will go back to the chapter (i.e., BBQ basket, Italian basket, chocolate basket).

Mike Ward also discussed the artwork (display and for sale), where the funds made will go back to the chapter.

The theme will be the same as what we hoped to have for the 2021 rally (Salute to America). Honor the veterans in the chapters with a photo and history of the person.

Discussed the age of some of the chapters. Maybe we can display this at the Rally.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Discussed the few chapters that have negative people who are causing dissention in the ranks. Suggested that we send the Good Sam Pledge to all charters as a reminder.

The Good Sam trailer needs to be moved from Casa de Fruita. Dave Tomlinson may be able to store the trailer in San Martin. He is working on it.

[Doug Kreitz \(San Jose Blackjacks\) would like to volunteer as the new NCGS State Historian/Photographer.](#) He wants to add video (2-minute movies) and photos to get more information out there. We discussed adding this to the NCGS website.

Anyone can put an article in the Good Sam Magazine. The link is on the NCGS website.

Wally Luihn would like to get more of the chapters to come to the State Committee Meetings.

Should the next State Committee Meeting that is normally at the rally be moved to Zoom before the rally and use this time to add more fun things at the rally to do (for example April 23, 2022). We could do it a week before (Zoom), or in person the day before or the last day of the event.

We are waiving the \$5 fee for NCGS for 2022. We still need the chapter roster sent in to NCGS.

There will be certificates handed out Good Attendance for the NCGS meetings.

The winner of the door prize (\$30 Camping World) is George Hatfield of the Camp Far West chapter.

Announcements: None

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Audrey Johnson, Secretary



NORTHERN CALIFORNIA GOOD SAM ASSOCIATION

(Minutes, Continued)

NORCAL STAFF 2022 RALLY MEETING 01/10/22

The NCGS 2022 Rally meeting was called to order by Director Mike Ward at 07:00pm on January 10, 2022. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance lead by Director Mike Ward and then Reflections given by David Tomlinson.

The following NorCal State Staff were present via Zoom: Mike Ward, NorCal State Director, Ken Brown, NorCal State Treasurer; Wally Luihn, NorCal State Assistant Director; Gina Ward, Commercial Chairperson; Sharon Murray, NorCal State Editor/Tel-A-Sam; Mike Murray, Chief of Security (in and out); Al Quint, Rally Registration; Rosemary Heir, Rally staff member; Shirley Harms, Charities Chairperson, and Audrey Johnson, NorCal State Secretary and Webmaster.

Audrey did a rundown on the website:

Audrey wants to make a map that shows the locations of all the chapters so people can get a basic idea of which chapters are in their area.

All logos have been tweaked so they look a little cleaner.

The rally schedule is going to be updated to another page (3 pages) to make the print larger.

The breakdown between NorCal and SoCal is Chowchilla to Los Banos.

Some chapters still have not given information to Audrey to fill out the Welcome paragraph, board members, and campouts.

Please give ideas for what you'd like to see on the website. Covid is really ramping up and will get worse in the next few days from New Years Parties. At the end of January, Mike will decide once and for all if we are going to have a rally this year.

Audrey made a QR code that goes directly to the NorCal page. Some people did not get the QR code so Audrey will send it out again.

Mike mentioned that SoCal has a Facebook page. Do we want one? We will think about it and bring it back to the table. How would we keep it internal?

We are still going to have the staff campout on February 7 thru 10 at Casa de Fruita to move the trailer to San Martin. We will also inventory the trailer at that time.

Next Meeting will be on January 24 at 7:57pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Audrey Johnson, Secretary



NORTHERN CALIFORNIA GOOD SAM ASSOCIATION

(Minutes, Continued)

NORCAL STAFF 2022 RALLY MEETING 02/07/22

The NCGS 2022 Rally meeting was called to order by Director Mike Ward at 07:00pm on February 07, 2022. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance lead by Director Mike Ward and then Reflections given by David Tomlinson.

The following NorCal State Staff were present via Zoom: Mike Ward, NorCal State Director, Ken Brown, NorCal State Treasurer; Wally Luihn, NorCal State Assistant Director; Gina Ward, Commercial Chairperson; Sharon Murray, NorCal State Editor/Tel-A-Sam; Mike Murray, Chief of Security (in and out); Al Quint, Rally Registration; David Tomlinson, Memorial Chair; Shirley Harms, Charities Chairperson, Doug Kreitz, Historian and Photographer; and Audrey Johnson, NorCal State Secretary and Webmaster.

The 2022 Rally has been officially cancelled due to the San Benito County restrictions – Buildings closed, negative tests, proof of vaccination, masks, etc. Sponsors have been notified. We had two reservations and we will be sending them their money back. Website has been updated. The 2023 Rally will be from April 27 thru 30, 2023.

There are 50 spaces at Casa de Fruita for the NorCal Roundup during the old 2022 Rally dates (April 28 thru May 1, 2022). Need reservations by March 28, 2022. This would be a good time for Doug to get some videos. This would help NorCal as well as the chapters as they could use it to get new members.

For new nametags, do we want STAFF or the actual position? Or we can do Director, Asst Director, Secretary, and Treasurer. We could do one nametag with everything or two separate tags with the position on a smaller magnet. This is tabled until the next meeting.

All the rally items should be kept at the Wards' home since the NorCal trailer is not climate controlled or secured. The trailer will be moved from Casa de Fruta to David's son's home in San Martin. Mike would like NorCal to make a contribution to David's sons church as a thank you.

There are many people in various chapters that do not believe in the charitable donations from NorCal. This is something you can do ONLY if you want to. The information doesn't go higher than NorCal. Mike suggests we change it so that only donations and time WITH the chapter is counted. This originally was a point system and written by the father of Wally Luihn. Wally is sending the original proposal to Mike to take to the next Good Sam Meeting.

Mike has received letters from Dogs for Better Lives asking for donations. In the past they had a place at the Rally and some of chapters donate.



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(Minutes, Continued)

Sharon is looking to get a Tel-E-Sam out with a deadline for 02/22/22. Sharon will send out an email requesting for information for it.

Volunteer of the year certificates for the last three years should be sent out now. Wally will take them to a campout to personally hand out and then we can announce them at the next Rally.

The February Staff Blog was put on the website at the end of the month.

Next State Committee Meeting will be on Saturday, April 23, from 3pm to 5pm, or on Monday, April 25, in the evening.

Either date will be on Zoom.

Respectfully submitted

Audrey Johnson, Secretary



DRINK WINE!
IT ISN'T GOOD TO KEEP THINGS
BOTTLED UP!





Chapter Chatter

San Jose Blackjacks

The Blackjacks Chapter has held campouts monthly since the last report. In fact, our campouts are already scheduled into 2023! Often, the Wagon Masters hosting a campout have a theme—often a holiday in that month or reflecting a planned event. For example, a campout in San Juan Bautista included a “Vertigo” movie night and a tour of the Spanish mission featured in the film. Recently, the Wagon Masters hosted a delightful tour of the historical Air Museum near San Martin. We also try to help others. Our Christmas campout always includes wrapping presents and food donations for a family we adopt.

We have had one family resign due to moving for an out-of-state job and another family join. We actively encourage new members—and visitors and guests are always invited to help themselves first at our delicious Saturday morning brunches and Saturday potluck dinners! If you are interested in visiting us, please contact Jeff Sheldon at jeffsmatco@aol.com.

San Jose Blackjacks Campouts : 2022

- 1/6/2022 1/9/2022 Flag City RV Resort 6120 W Banner St, Lodi, CA 95242
- 2/3/2022 2/6/2022 Gilroy Garlic USA RV Park 650 Holloway Rd, Gilroy, CA 95020
- 3/10/2022 3/13/2022 Jackson Rancheria RV Park 12222 New York Ranch Rd, Jackson, CA 95642
- 3/31/2022 4/3/2022 Bodega Bay RV Resort 2001 Hwy 1, Bodega Bay, CA 94923
- 4/28/2022 5/1/2022 Casa de Fruta RV Park 10031 Pacheco Pass Hwy, Hollister, CA 95023
- 6/2/2022 6/5/2022 Angels Camp RV Resort 3069 Hwy 49 South, Angels Camp, CA 95222
- 7/7/2022 7/10/2022 Smithwoods RV Park 4770 Highway 9, Felton, CA 95018
- 8/4/2022 8/7/2022 Casa de Fruta RV Park 10031 Pacheco Pass Hwy, Hollister, CA 95023
- 9/8/2022 9/11/2022 The Yanks RV Resort 40399 Livingston Rd, Greenfield, CA 93927
- 10/13/2022 10/16/2022 Wine Country RV Park 2500 Airport Rd, Paso Robles, CA 93446
- 11/3/2022 11/6/2022 Sugar Barge RV Resort 1440 Sugar Barge Rd, Bethel Island, CA 94511
- 12/1/2022 12/4/2022 Betabel RV Park 9664 Betabel Rd, San Juan Bautista, CA 95045



Chapter Chatter

Durham Good Sams

At this writing our group of Durham Good Sam Travel Nuts has finally gotten off to a good start. After hunkering down and trying to stay healthy it looks like 2022 will be a pretty good year. We have a full list of campouts scheduled for this year and we are all anxious to start getting out again. Our complete list of campouts for 2022 can be seen on the Nor Cal Website.

We ended last year with our Christmas Party Luncheon at Tabletop Restaurant in Oroville. We had a great time visiting and had a wonderful lunch. We installed our new officers for 2022 and took pictures of the group. I have attached just a few of them.

We didn't have an outing in January but we just got back from our February outing to Feather Falls KOA in Oroville. If you have never been there you are missing a treat. They love to work with Clubs and groups. The campground is clean and has a nice Clubhouse for us to use. Their rates are good and they are one of our favorite tried and true campgrounds to go to. Chris and Lexy Glover put on a fabulous Clam "Chowdah" dinner one night and the next night we ate at the Feather Falls Casino Brewery. We played Bingo and other games and basically had a great weekend.

Because of the Covid we have been unable to do so many of the things we normally do. We are looking forward to several fundraisers and will be helping and donating to several charities this coming year. We love to go to local events and most of them have been cancelled over the last couple of years. This year we will be going up to McCloud in June for their 50th Annual Flea Market which is something that the whole town gets behind. We will going to the 30th Annual Fortuna Redwood AutoXpo in Fortuna in July and will be spending a whole week in Fortuna.

We are always looking for new members so if you or someone you know is interested please do not hesitate to call our President, Don Leforce at 530-990-6922.

Thanks,
Doris Shryne
Webmaster



The group at our Christmas Party



Men reading "Night Before Christmas"



Chapter Chatter

Tuleburg Sams, Stockton, CA

October 2021

The Tuleburgs landed at the Sugar Barge RV Resort Oct 7-10th. It was beautiful weather. Friday night everyone gathered in one of the two clubhouses. Everyone brought appetizers and news to



share.

The rigs were backed up to a long grassy area. Everyone used the area to gather and chat. Saturday afternoon the area was used for a game of corn hole baseball. It was the guys against the gals. Everyone had a super doper time. The morning breakfast was a potluck, something the club hasn't done in a long time; usually the trail boss provides the breakfast. Then after the meeting the club did a clean-up day around the park. The park was pretty clean to begin with. The park appreciated our effort and we really enjoyed doing it. The members wore their work shirts.

The evening came with a dinner potluck to close out the weekend. Everyone enjoyed each other's company! Thank you trail bosses Dave and Melanie!

November 2021

The Tuleburgs landed at Black Oak RV Park. The staff is always so welcoming. The weather was nice, cool in the evenings and chilly in the mornings. Friday evening started off with shared appetizers. Everyone gathered in the spacious clubhouse. The theme for the evening was *Casino Night* with a flare of the 1920's and 30's. Members had a blast dressing up with make-up, jewelry, hats and cigarette holders to name a few items. When everyone's bellies were full and caught up on the latest news, the casino opened. With \$5 in hand, one could play Black Jack or Poker. Each member that dressed up received a ticket for a raffle, which the drawing happened at the end of the evening.





Chapter Chatter

Tuleburg Sams (Stockton, CA)



Some members gathered for a craft time, one item was decorating jars with ribbon and material and putting a tea light in the center, and the other item was a small Christmas tree from fabrics that were folded and trimmed, then tied to cinnamon sticks. These times are special for our members because they get to talk and spend time with each other.



In the evening members gathered to talk about their day before the catered Thanksgiving dinner. Marisa made a carrot cake to die for. There were other delicious desserts as well.

Sunday was a gorgeous day to pack up and travel safely home. A big thank you to our trailbosses: Wally & Kelly and Chris & Carrie! It was a memorable outing. See you next time!





Chapter Chatter

Tuleburg Sams (Stockton, CA)

December 2021

Tuleburgs landed in 49erRV Park in Plymouth on Dec. 9-12. Weather was chilly, but the sun was out. This is a well attended outing and favorite, and this year was no exception. The trailbosses decorated the clubhouse which looked very festive and Darci made gingerbread men and candy sticks that hung in the windows. Friday night the members were encouraged to wear their ugly Christmas sweater. Members who participated were put in a drawing. Everyone brought appetizers to share. Lots of dips, along with fruit, pretzels, vegetables and meatballs and little smokies were served. After eating and catching up on the latest news it was time for games presented by the trailbosses. Games included using oven mittens to open Hersey Kisses in a certain time. Another game was involved picking up mini marshmallows with chop sticks. The last game was a teammate would wear a blown up antlers and the other teammate would toss rings to make them land on the antlers. Everyone that participated received a ticket for the raffle at the end. The drawing of the raffle prizes closed out the evening.



Saturday morning started off with breakfast by the trailbosses. Gravy & biscuits and eggs & bacon were served. After the meeting, which installed new officers, the members got together to decorate Oreo cookies on a stick by dipping in chocolate and then adding all kinds of sprinkles. The decorated treats went to the foster kids and elders of Calaveras County, and the members also donated gifts and monetary donations to them. The sun came out just in time for the birthday party that Courtney and Gail gave for their 2 little dogs that turned one. There was birthday cake for the dogs that came and they were given treat bags.





Chapter Chatter

Tuleburg Sams (Stockton, CA)

In the early evening members gathered for hot cider and coco before dinner. Everyone got their picture taken around Santa Claus. The Christmas dinner was catered. It was very good. The trail bosses made the desserts. All kinds of chocolate, such as chocolate with peanut butter inside, were on the dessert table. After dinner was the famous white elephant gift game. Everyone drew a bell with a number on it. And then the numbers were randomly called. One could pick a wrapped gift or steal from someone.

The white elephant was found by our new president, Dave. Everyone had a wonderful time. As always the entire group helped cleanup. Thank you trail bosses: Marisa & Jason and Vanessa and Hank for a wonderful outing! See you next year!





Chapter Chatter

GOLD NUGGET SAMS, TUOLUMNE COUNTY

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 joined host club Gold Nugget Sam 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!). Lost 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!



Mini Pumpkins for prancing



Another finished project.



Sherri and Jody-Our A-z Winners!



Chapter Chatter

GOLD NUGGET SAMS, CONTINUED

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



Cereal Puzzle Fun!



Chapter Chatter

GOLD NUGGET SAMS, CONTINUED

Duck Island Camp Out

November 6-12, 2021

Duck Island has traditionally been our major camp out of the year. It's held in early November and has a Thanksgiving theme. This year, due to Covid restrictions, smaller number of rigs, and a variety of other situations, our numbers were down from previous years, so Gold Nugget Sams invited Sunrise Sams for a joint camp out. During the week there was lots of food, lots of games and lots of visiting. The weather was beautiful, and everyone had a great time! We visited the Rio Vista Museum, followed by a great lunch at Foster's Big Horn Restaurant.

One of the major focus areas was a discussion on the future of Gold Nugget Sams. The members decided by consensus to join with Sunrise Sams to plan our outings for next year and get enough campers to use the various clubhouses when possible. We will still retain our autonomy and charter. It was further decided that each rig will be responsible for arranging a camp out next year. A sign-up sheet was sent around, and everyone in attendance signed up for a month. Each host is responsible for contacting the campground and setting the dates for the camp out, getting financial information, then letting the club know time and place, cost, schedule of events, and meals. Co-hosts are encouraged. Sharon Murray and Shirley Harms are happy to give any advice or help upon request. We are all hoping that 2022 will be a better year for camp outs for everyone!

Pictures from Rio Vista Museum:





Chapter Chatter

GOLD NUGGET SAMS, CONTINUED



Game Winners:



Left, Right, Center with Bernie, Sherri, Al, and Shirley



Thanksgiving Word Scramble Winner
Sherri Quint

I never make the same mistake twice. I do it like, five or six times, you know, to make sure.

If you see someone buying candy, popcorn and a soda at the movies, they are a drug dealer. There's no other explanation for that type of income.

I still have a full deck, I just shuffle slower.



Chapter Chatter

Lazy Daisy Sams– East Bay

LAZY DAISY SAMS – East Bay

Greetings fellow campers. Our chapter has started 2022 with tiny steps forward, working within the Covid mandates. Our formal outing to Duck Island RV Park in January was cancelled due to low turn out but six members decided to carry on and camp together for the weekend. We had beautiful weather and lucky fishing. Bob Lillard caught his first “keeper” ever at Duck Island!!





Chapter Chatter

Lazy Daisy Sams– East Bay

February 10-14, 2022

Gilroy Garlic USA RO Park

Our first official outing for 2022 brought 12 members together for a fun filled time with a Valentine theme. Good to be back!!



Barbara & Homer Trail bosses



Nice glasses ladies!



Janice showed Yonne her new assignment



Bob and Mike taking the Tri Tips from the smoker. They were delish!!



Puzzle Mania in action





Chapter Chatter

Lazy Daisy Sams– East Bay

Campout Schedule 2022

January 6-10	Duck Island, Rio Vista	Cancelled
Feb. 10-14	Gilroy Garlic USA, Gilroy	Hoglund
March 17-21	Gilroy Garlic USA, Gilroy	Collins
April 29-May 1	NorCal State Rally	Cancelled
May 26-29	Betabel RV Park, San Juan Batista	Kaehms
June 12-16	Duck Island, Rio Vista	Stearns
July 14-18	Flag City RV Resort, Lodi	Lillard
August	TBD	Evans
Sept 22-26	Sugar Barge, Bethel Island	Granko
October	TBD	Creegan
November	TBD	Cowan
December	**No Outing**	

We always welcome new members and look forward to inviting you to join us at an outing to get acquainted. We also welcome Share Camping with other groups. If you would like more information about our chapter please visit www.norcalgoodsam.org and look for

Lazy Daisy Sams Chapter

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Chapter Chatter

El Dorado Sams

Greetings from the El Dorado Sams,

The El Dorado Sams have had a fun fall and winter. Since our last newsletter, we have had the following events:

In November we camped at the Heritage RV Park in Corning where we held our annual Thanksgiving Feast and our Charity raffle. We enjoyed a wonderful catered Tgiving dinner. The food was delish, but the caterer did not bring the stuffing! Can you believe T'giving dinner without stuffing? Well, we all survived and stuffed ourselves with all the other goodies.

We used to have a White Elephant auction, but a number of years age we changed it to "bring something that you would like to buy". Well, as we all have toooo much stuff, that was a no brainer. Our tables were laden with wonderful goodies. We had home made things, heirloom items to kitchen, bath, outside and RV related items. Our Total for charities was over \$800.00. We will pick our charities at the March campout in Jackson.

We had our annual Holiday Party at the Cattlemen's Restaurant, mid- December. Almost everyone in the chapter was able to attend and we had great food and a great Holiday party. To this event we each bring a toy or gift card for children. This year we chose a church from Grizzly Flats. This was the town that was wiped out during the fall fires. Since the majority of the kids are pre teen and teen, most of the gifts were gift cards. The total for all the gifts was a whopping \$830.00! Then add \$425.00 worth of canned and dry goods donated for the El Dorado County Food Bank. Our members are the most wonderful, giving people you'd ever want to camp with!!!

February 10, we had a very red heart decorated Valentine's Party at La Cascada Restaurant. There were 30 members and guests. The food was delish and conversations were everywhere.

One of our members volunteers at a facility called "The Upper Room". This facility feeds and clothes the homeless and people in need in the Placerville area. They were in need of closed toe shoes and boots.



Chapter Chatter

El Dorado Sams

Our Members rallied around and brought 10 pair of boots and 31 pair of shoes! Like I said, our members are awesome!!!

Our campouts this season are at Jackson Rancheria March 20, April 24 at The Vineyard, Vacaville; May 15 at Duck Island, Rio Vista; June 19 at Heritage RV, Corning.

If any of these campouts sound interesting to you, give us a call at 415-819-1846. We'd love to have you join us.

After I reread this note, it appears that ALL we do in our chapter is eat and party and eat and party some more! We also talk a lot, play games, visit wineries, go shopping and eat some more!

We wish you all a Great Spring of Camping!

Rosemary Heier
El Dorado Sams

Every box of raisins is a tragic tale of grapes that could have been wine.

Theme parks can snap a crystal clear picture of you on a roller coaster going 70 mph, but bank cameras can't get a clear shot of a robber standing still.

Facial recognition software can pick a person out of a crowd but the vending machine at work can't recognize a dollar bill with a bent corner.

When all this pandemic stuff is over, I still plan to wear a mask. It hides the perpetual look of annoyance I have for some people.

My train of thought derailed. There were no survivors.

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