



The World's Largest RV Owners Organization

THE GOOD SAM CLUB

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The Spring State Committee Meeting of the Wisconsin Good Sam Organization was called to order by Director Jean Goossen at 10:11 a.m. on Saturday, April 17, 2010, at the Hustler Community Hall in Hustler. Following the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence, roll call was taken. 19 of the 22 chapters (86%) responded. God's Country Campers, Paper Valley Breakaways, and Yahara Blackhawks did not have a representative at this meeting.

Ron Cater, from the Sawdust City Sams, made a motion to accept the minutes of the September 19, 2009 state meeting as mailed out. The motion was seconded by Bob Gerber, from S.O.V.E. The motion was approved with 17 yea votes, 0 nay votes.

Treasurer Sharon reported on the treasurer reports. Mary Braasch, from the Winnebago Wanderers, made a motion to place the treasurer's report on file for future audit. The motion was seconded by Marion Elliott, from the Kinnic Kampers. The motion was approved with 18 yea votes, 0 nay votes. The report showed a September 19, 2009 balance of \$34,827.30 and an April 17, 2010 balance of \$37,398.58. There is a balance of \$939.22 in the account for "Dogs for the Deaf". The Youth account has a balance of \$835.26.

Correspondence

Changes to staff at Good Sam Headquarters. Sue Bray is no longer the Executive Director. She has started her own marketing business but will continue to be involved with Good Sam as Membership Benefits Director. She will still be at "The Rally" in her official capacity. We have also lost our Chapter Activities Director, Tammy Worley.

Assistant Director's Reports

Rich Neuberger, Assistant Director SE. The SE Jumbo will be July 9-11 with early bird July 8 after 3:00 p.m., at the Walworth County Fairgrounds in Elkhorn. Hosts are the Bell Ringers. Friday evening is indoor games and campfire. Saturday morning is a pancake and sausage breakfast for \$4.00. Activities include outdoor games, time for chapter meetings and a Flea market. Saturday evening is a potluck. Bell Ringers will furnish

sandwiches. Please bring a dish to pass. This is followed by indoor games, Euchre Tournament and campfire. Sunday morning coffee. Registration is \$5.00. Camping is \$22.00 per night.

Cheryl Keene, Assistant Director SW. The SW Jumbo is August 20-22, 2010 at Wanna-Bee Campgrounds, Wisconsin Dells. There is no pre-registration. Only thing planned is a potluck followed by a campfire. This will be a relaxing get-together. Fee is \$27.20 per night. Check in time is noon on Friday. Check out is 11:00 a.m. on Sunday. Be sure to tell the campground you are with the Good Sam Jumbo.

Wayne Schuette, Assistant Director NE. The NE Jumbo will be August 13-15 with early bird on August 12 after 1:00 p.m. at the Keweenaw County fairgrounds in Luxemburg. Cost is \$15.00 pre-registration fee before August 1; \$18.00 after August 1. Camping fee with electric is \$20.00 per night. Parking is hobo style. Activities include outdoor games, card bingo, ice cream social, potluck supper and morning coffee and cookies. There will be a golf outing at Northbrook Country Club. Friday bus trip to Oneida Casino if there is enough wanting to go. Bay Sammers will serve a Saturday morning breakfast, fee to be determined later. Sunday morning church service followed by donuts and coffee.

Vera Budzinski, Assistant Director, NW. The NW Jumbo will be July 22 (after 3:00 p.m.) to July 25 at Taylor County Fairgrounds in Medford. The cost is \$25.00 for the entire weekend. Chapter assignments and arrival times are as follows:

Parking:	Marshlanders after 12:00 Thursday
Coffee	Top-O-Wisconsin after 1:00 Thursday
Host Chapter/Registration	Apple River Drifters after 2:00 Thursday
Everyone else	after 3:00 Thursday
Ice Cream & Bingo	Saw Dust City Sams
Pancake Breakfast	Black River Ramblers
Pot Luck Supper	Kinnic Kampers
Games	Wisingles

Enter the fairgrounds from Highway 13. The highway 64 entrance has been improved but is still steep for the larger rigs. Vera would like her chapters to send the schedule of their chapter campouts.

Elwood Elliott, Assistant Director NW. He indicated Vera has the Jumbo under control. He is looking for members and groups for the Wednesday night entertainment at the Samboree, so please volunteer to help entertain. He will be by the stage Wednesday night and let him know what you would like to do, a poem, a skit or whatever.

Jim Enneper, Samboree Coordinator. The Green Bay Convention and Visitors Bureau will do the welcome packets. He needs a firm count three weeks before the Samboree. He will pick up the packets around June 15. There will be two tours. One will be a tour of Lambeau Field and the Packer Hall of Fame. Cost is \$16.95 per person. The second tour will be to Heritage Hill State Park. There is a lot of walking. They do have a cart for handicapped. Allow 3-1/2 to 4 hours for the tour. Cost is \$5.00 per person. Each school bus will hold 40 adults. Saturday evening's meal is a fish boil. They will be set up for 220 people. They will be seating every 30 minutes. Please arrive 30 minutes before your

assigned seating time. This is because the fish boiler puts on a show. There is a large soccer field that can be used for overflow parking. As rigs are parked in overflow, Brown County will run electricity to them.

Entertainment: Thursday night is a sing-a-long. Friday night is the Baylanders Barbershop Chorus and Quartets. Saturday night is the Odd Couple.

Old Business

Director Jean congratulated everyone involved with the Samboree. Sambassador Patty Morgen told Director Jean, after last year's Samboree, she really enjoys Wisconsin Samborees because everyone helps each other, smiles and laughs a lot.

"The Rally" this year is in Louisville July 22-25, with early bird July 20-21. The building being used has doubled in size from the last time Good Sam was there and is all air conditioned. Director Jean has been told that all the parking is now paved. These dates conflict with the NW Jumbo. Next year's "The Rally" is at Redmond, Oregon.

The Samboree Task List was updated. There are still some slots to fill. If not filled by the time of the Samboree, volunteers will be sought or the task may be canceled

Chapters are reminded to bring door prizes. Each rig should bring 1 dozen regular cookies and 1 dozen sugar free cookies. Fruit may be substituted for the regular cookies. Chapters should contact their local vendors like RV Dealers, looking for donations or to bring rigs for display at the Samboree. This Samboree will be very expensive compared to previous Samborees.

Marion Elliott said Ron Miller is thinking about a patch for chapter flags for the can tabs that are turned in to Ronald McDonald House. Cheryl Keene suggested maybe we consider pins. Randi Owen would be able to make the pins, while a patch involves a minimum number to order. This will be further studied. Using the McDonalds Arches on a patch would require authorization from McDonalds.

Opening ceremonies will be on Thursday night. Chapter flags will be on Friday night.

Chapters are encouraged to apply for "Chapter of the Year". Turn in by Friday morning at the Samboree.

Director Jean presented the budget for 2010. The estimates for the Samboree are based on 250 rigs attending. Hopefully this is low. At the 250 level, the Samboree would have expenses exceeding revenue by about \$2,700.00. If the number attending is higher, the loss will be less or even make a profit. As of today, there are 40 pre-registrations. It was noted that we no longer receive interest on our accounts at the bank. The bank also does not charge us service fees. Tom Roundy, Wagonmaster, reported 4 new radios were purchased. These will be used for security watch.

Jean Aus, from the Apple River Drifters, reported that some rest areas have a brochure of Green Bay including a nice map.

Rich Neuberger reported on the Walworth County Fairgrounds as a possible Samboree site for 2013. Based on 200 rigs using 3 buildings. Cost would be about \$13,000.00 including camping with 30 amp electric and water. There are about 400 sites.

Director Jean reported we are committed to Tomah for 2011. 2014 at Tomah is still tentative, will be up to the next State Director to decide. A letter of intent has been signed with Polk County for 2012.

New Business

Director Jean reported on Sam-A-Gram distribution. The Sam-A-Gram editors now live in Alaska. They have offered to continue as editors and also maintain our Web site. Printing costs are almost double there, so the printing was done locally to avoid the higher costs including mailing of the Sam-A-Grams. Cheryl Keene picked these up from the printer and distributed them to the chapters attending this meeting. Copies were mailed out by Cheryl to the out of State Directors in the region. The remaining chapters (2) will receive theirs using the Post Office Flat Rate Envelopes at a cost of \$4.90 per envelope. Sam-A-Grams for the Members at Large (14) will be mailed at a postage cost of \$1.05 per Sam-A-Gram. Lori Reed, from the Rocky Rollers, made a motion to continue Sam-A-Gram distribution for future years the same as we did this year. Charlee Silbough, from the Bell Ringers, seconded the motion. The motion was approved with 14 yea votes, 0 nay votes.

Our Fall State Committee Meeting is scheduled for September 18, 2010, at the Hustler Community Hall. Director Jean would like the chapters to discuss if we should hold our state meetings during the week. Our Saturday meetings will always conflict with a few chapter campouts. The other side is that some of the chapter presidents still work. The Wisingles chapter camps during the week. This will be discussed at our Samboree State Committee meeting.

Those going from our Samboree to the Michigan Samboree have some options. They can travel to Escanaba on Sunday and camp at the Samboree for \$15.00 per night. They can also remain in Green bay for \$25.00 per night.

For the Good of the Organization:

After a Pause for Reflection, Director Jean adjourned the meeting at 12:45 p.m.

/s/ Jim Vetter
State Secretary