

KANSAS GOOD SAMS NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2018

December 2018, the last month of the year and seems to be the month with the most activities in our schedules. With the coming of Christmas many other things pop-up such as taxes, year end meetings, parties, school programs, basketball and what's left of football. We all try not to let this distract us from why we celebrate Christmas or Hanukah, the birth of Jesus.

As we close this year let us look back on last year. We have lost several members of our Good Sam Club who have contributed a lot in our Chapters. Our membership has not increased this past year, but we have been able to welcome some new members this year. Our Rally attendance was down some, but we also had a larger than normal group of first timers which was great.

The patch packer trailer has been sold and the new owner has picked it up. The patch packer materials were moved to the larger Historian trailer after shelving was installed. This will save on some taxes, storage and repairs. We have been able to maintain our State financial balance at the same level as in past years. Over all, I think we have had a good year and one we can be thankful for. I would like to thank those Chapters who continue to send me your Chapter minutes. They help keep me up- to- date with your many activities.

This month has been busy for Karen and me. It was beautiful for Thanksgiving Day and most travelers were able to get home safely, but the following Sunday we had what I would call a blizzard. We were doing hospitality that Sunday and when we left home the wind was blowing. Went to Walmart and got our donuts, and by the time people were coming to 1st service it had started snowing. Needless to say, they cancelled second service and we had a total of 45 that day-lots of donuts to put in the freezer. I believe the cold is here to stay for a spell.

On Monday, 12/3, we attended services for Duane Wyant in Wichita. He was a past KS State Director. He and Betty were affiliated with Area 4. We also just received word that a former member of our Serendipity Club, Jerry Adams, passed away. His service is this Friday, Dec 7.

Looking ahead, there are a few items for us to do yet this year

- You still have time to sell ads for the newspaper
- Send in Chapter and area news for the newspaper
- Volunteer to help with the RV Show in January

Ads for the Paper – You can find the Contract for this on the web site. It would be great if all Chapters submitted a news article for the paper. It does not have to be a long one. Surely you might have something to share. The dates for the Area Rally's that are set –

Area 1 – April 25, 26, 27 - Four Seasons RV Park

Area 2 – April 25, 26, 27 - McPherson RV Ranch/Horse Motel

Area 4 – April 24, 25 26, 27 - Winfield Fair Grounds

The Greater Kansas RV Show will be January 24-27, 2019. This is held at Century II in Wichita. Show times are: Thursday, Friday and Saturday 10 am to 8 pm; Sunday 12 pm to 5 pm. If you can spare a few hours to help, PLEASE let me know.

As I look back over this last year, I could not have done this job alone. It takes all of you to make this come together and keep the Club alive. I would like to Thank All for making this year feel good. Many of you help with your Chapters, many helps with the RV Rally and several help with special projects. The Staff, you do so much for the Rally it makes a difference. THANK YOU!

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR

Make Your Journey Count

Dean and Karen Stewart

