



# Bordertown Sams

El Paso Texas Good Sams Chapter

February 2015 Newsletter

Here's to another month of traveling, adventure and friendship.

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**Texas Good Sam Chapter Standard Operating Procedure: Article I** - It is the purpose of the TEXAS GOOD SAM CHAPTERS to promote the use and enjoyment of recreational vehicles and outdoor fellowship among its members through trips and group activities. The State Organization shall maintain an attitude which is strictly non-sectarian, non-partisan, non-sectional, non-racial, non-denominational and non-discriminatory, and shall be dedicated to bringing together people interested in the ideals and principals of the Good Sam Club.

★ **HAPPY** ★  
**BIRTHDAY!**

Feb 11 Dan  
Feb 12 Dolores  
Feb 19 Barbara  
Feb 22 Edgar F.



Happy  
Anniversary

Feb 10 Wilson & Dolores

Bordertown Sams Minutes  
January 14, 2015

Meeting called to order: 7:05 p.m.

Members present: Dan & Kyoko Brott; Tim & Ginny Beaulieu; Greg Mackey; Jay Franklin; Edgar & Susanna Beck; Merle & Linda Parman; Charlie & Ceci Westbrook; Henry & Barbara Mattingly; Dean Burton; Jerry, Maggie & Dalena Lopez; Victor & Melinda Lopez; Jerry Campos; Willie Jones

Visitors: Alicia, Bruce & Sherie Gramlich

January birthdays: Barbara, Catherine, Dean, Henry, Randy, Judy, Melinda

January Anniversaries: None

Recognitions (Thank yous):

- Barbara – Christmas stockings
- Jay – Southern style Christmas buffet

November minutes read, motioned to accept minutes as read; seconded; motion carried

Information/News:

- National meeting next month; state director will be in El Paso next month
- Area 11 will be represented at Samboree
- Christmas gift donations were delivered at Child Crisis Center – we received a letter of gratitude
- This is Dan's last year as President of Bordertown Sams. Nominations by November meeting
- Ceci will perform Sunshine duties
- Directory:
- Linda will get member updates to Jay to get to Dolores

Wagonmaster: please sign book to attend outings

- January 16-19 – Tucson, AZ (Horizon's RV Park) – 5 rigs attending; meet at truck stop, Vado @ 8:30
- February 26-March 1 – Phoenix, AZ (rally) – 6 rigs signed up (Cotton Lane RV Resort, Alvindale, AZ 888-907-7223 – if you want to stay there the night before arriving at the rally)
- February 13-16 (alternate) – Carlsbad, NM (Carlsbad RV Park - 575-885-6333)
- March 20-22 – Elephant Butte (575-744-5996 (Liz) – call and make reservations as soon as possible)
- Think about it, and we will vote on next month's meeting if we are going to visit the VA home in Truth or Consequences
- April 17-19 – Silver City, NM
- May 22-25 – Eagle's Next, NM (Golden Eagle - 800-388-6188)
- June – 12-14 Ruidoso, NM
- July -3-7 – Fredericksburg (Ingram), TX (Johnson Creek RV Resort - 830-367-3300)
- August – Timburon (Blues Fest weekend) – July 25
- September 4-7 Albuquerque, NM
- October 9-12 – to be determined in January
- November 13-15 – Las Cruces, NM
- December 4-6 – Las Cruces, NM (Charlie will check into Elephant Butte for December 2015)

Historian:

- Flyers? What happened to them? Answer: Greg is getting a flyer made
- If we have any extra pictures for 2014, please submit them so we can close out the 2014 year.
- Need a copy of the newsletters for the records

Vice-President: How are we going to make the form for the medical history to be kept in our rigs?

Answer: need someone to create the form. Ceci has a draft form. Barbara will bring a sample. We will revisit this in February.

Treasurer's Report: see attached (always brings expenses if anyone wants to see where money is going). Motion made to accept. Motion seconded. Motion carried.

Member input:

Motion to adjourn meeting: adjourned @ 8:08 p.m. Next meeting: February 11 @ 7:00 p.m. (dinner at 6:00)

# January Outing

## Far Horizons Tucson Village RV Resort 2015

*What a Spectacular Evening !*



Far Horizons Tucson Village RV Resort 2015



*A Couple of the Pay off Game Winners*



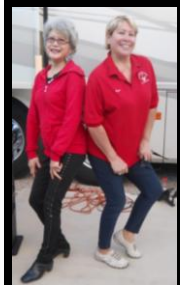
*Arizona Blue Sky*



*Charlie's Son Came to Visit*



*Linda & Merle Parman*



*Breakfast at Denny's*



There were 5 rigs that showed up for this outing. They were the Brotts, Parmans, Westbrooks, Becks, and Jay and Greg. We arrived on Friday afternoon at the Far Horizons RV Resort. There was some difficulty in getting the rigs parked, as the spaces were a bit cramped. The park is more for retirees, as there were lots of permanent mobile homes. The park did have a lot of amenities and the staff were very helpful. We decided to go eat that evening at Casino Del Sol. They had an excellent buffet which everyone enjoyed. Dan and Kiyoko did not come with us, as she wasn't feeling well.

On Saturday morning, we went to breakfast at a Waffle House at the suggestion of Charlie Westbrook. Afterwards, some of us went to the flea market, which was a little bit of a disappointment. However, Dan and Susanna were able to pick up some Korean blankets at a reasonable price. That evening we got together for a pot luck at Ceci's rig. We had an enjoyable evening as the weather was very nice. Greg set up an Electric Fire Pit to keep us all warm.

Sunday morning, we went to Lazy Days to get a part for Merle. Later on, the Parmans, the Becks, and the Brotts ate lunch at the In and Out Burger Joint. I still think What-a-Burger is better. We then went back to the rigs to prepare for the play offs. Susanna suggested that we make up a football pool for each game. Everyone contributed a total of \$5.00 which covered both pools. There was a payout in each quarter and a final one at the end. Everyone won something except the Becks. Susanna did come close to winning some of the quarters. Dan, Kiyoko and Greg were the biggest winners, as you can see from one of the pictures Susie sent. We were never able to get the games on the outside of the rig, so we watched a lot of them in Charlie's rig. In the meantime, Ceci entertained us with a very nice Bar-B- Q style buffet. She was happy that the New England Patriots had won.

Monday morning, every one packed up and formed a caravan to go home. After we fueled up at the Flying J gas station in Lordsburg, we ate breakfast at Denny's. All in all everyone agreed that we had a wonderful time on this trip.

# 2015 Outings

<b>JANUARY</b>	16, 17, 18, 19	<b>Tucson, AZ – 310 miles</b> - Rock & Gem Show, vineyards, Old Tucson, Colossal Cave Park, Pima Air & Space Museum, Sonora Desert Museum, Biosphere 2, numerous museums.
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	26, 27, 28, 1 March	<b>Good SAMS Rally - Phoenix, AZ</b>
<b>FEBRUARY ALTERNATE</b>	13, 14, 15, 16	<b>Carlsbad, NM - 151 miles</b> - come enjoy a unique holiday experience, "Christmas on the Pecos", named a 2010 top "must see" experience. Carlsbad Caverns National Park, Guadalupe Mountains National Park, and the Living Desert Zoo and Gardens State Park.
<b>MARCH</b>	20, 21, 22	<b>Elephant Butte, NM – 125 miles</b> - The Caballo Mountains serve as a majestic backdrop for the Lake. The park's claim to fame are the majestic Bald and Golden Eagles that migrate through the area.
<b>APRIL</b>	17, 18, 19	<b>Silver City, NM - 154 miles –</b>
<b>MAY</b>	22, 23, 24, 25	<b>Fredericksburg RV Park - 498 miles</b> - Experience the Texas Hill Country's beauty and charm, the park is centrally located in the beautiful Hill County community of historic Fredericksburg, Texas. The prime location is only a few blocks south of the famous Main Street.
<b>JUNE</b>	12, 13, 14	<b>Ruidoso, NM - 138 miles</b> - Babbling creeks, whispering pines, mountain vistas, horse racing, casino gambling dinner theaters, hiking, Billy the Kid Museum, Allen Theater, Inn of the Mountain Gods Resort & Casino, shopping.
<b>JULY</b>	3, 4, 5, 6, 7	<b>Eagles Nest, NM – 400 miles</b> Train Ride, Wine Festivals, Arts & Craft Festivals. Enjoy the beauty of nature, memorable times with family and friends, a slower pace, and four seasons of fantastic outdoor adventure.
<b>AUGUST</b>	Exact date to be determined	<b>Timberon, NM - 136 miles</b> - Blues Festival
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	4, 5, 6, 7	<b>Albuquerque, NM – 270 miles</b> - hot air balloon capital of the world, zoo, aquarium, wineries, Old Town, museums, Sandia Peak Aerial Tramway, train ride to Santa Fe.
<b>OCTOBER</b>	9, 10, 11, 12	To be determined -
<b>NOVEMBER</b>		<b>Las Cruces, NM</b> Dates To be determined - Veterans Day is on a Wednesday
<b>DECEMBER</b>	4, 5, 6	<b>Las Cruces, NM</b>