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President's Message

Summer has really been a hot one in our Region this year. More rain than usual so the humidity has been a real problem. Oh well, life goes on.....

We are so proud of Region 8 at Gillette. Our Region 8 breakfast was well attended with 96 members. We were pleased to have the International President Tom Collier and First Lady Norma and International 1st VP (now President) Norm Beu and Lady Linda, International 2nd VP, Barry Heckenswiler and Lady Leslie and John Boutwell, International 3rd VP nominee. Several other Past International Presidents and Officers, Past Region 8 Presidents and five of the Unit Presidents in attendance. Dennis Toews, Tom Mesko and Richard Keith, Unit Presidents were unable to attend.

We had many of our members serving as Committee Chairman, also Committee Members and participants in the activities this year.

The Committee Chairmen recognized were: Caravan: Chuck Kiple, Field Service Canteen: Chuck & Doris Jean Cabalka, Registration: Dale & Joan Lafrentz, Medical: Julie Hunt, Purchasing: Glen Waters, Copy Center: Sharon Waters, Bulletin Boards: Don Sutton, Round Dancing: Ray & Marcella Winger, Bicycle Rides: Paul Lloyd, Parking: Paul Ryan, Rally Promotions: Leonard Sullivan, Ethics & Grievance: Betty Sullivan, Seminars and 2020 Committee: Darrel Waters, July 4th Dinner Tickets: Ed Knerschild, Future Rally Site: Ewart Phillips. Committee members of all the committees were also asked to stand to be recognized.

The winners of \$20.00 Gift Certificates were: John & Betty Sutton, Chuck and Sandy Kiple, Betty Sullivan, Tom and Norma Collier, Warren and Diane Shreve. The Big winner was Bob & Fran Olson who received the gift from Winegard Corp.

Betty Sullivan, Chairman of the Nominating Committee is asking for your help to find a candidate for 2nd Vice President for Region 8.

Please let her know if you are willing to serve. This is my last year and I have really enjoyed visiting all the Units and making so many new friends. It is a great opportunity for you if you want "Fun, Fellowship and Adventure." Time does go fast.....

The International Rally has so many good things to see and do. We also have a wonderful group of people who think of others and this is what good things we do.

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Community Service Projects

- 140 Personal Toiletries to GARF (Women's abuse shelter)
- 110 Socks for Children under 10
- 65 Pajamas
- 426 Gently used books
- 8 Puzzles
- 421 Blankets & Lap robes
- 19+ bags Clothes, shoes & blankets to Salvation Army
- 32 Pints of Blood to Rapid City Bloodmobile
- 1576 knit hats, every style, color and size from preemie-adult
- 100 lbs Bags/Cans cat & dog food +2 bottles of Clorox + Many stuffed animals.
- 22 Gloves
- 23 Scarves
- 2000 +lbs Food drive
- 800+ Stuffed Animals.

Family & Youth Project

- \$ 8,038.00 Collected for Jordyn Bybee & Family
- 2330 lbs Tabs
- \$ 1,052.00 Proceeds to Hospice Hospitality House at Gillette Hospital.

Keep up the good work. We will do this again next year.

We are very lucky to have Richard Jirus keeping up on the important articles that are important to the campers and travelers in the United States. This is from Richard.

"Just came across this information, and it may be of interest to members

In the June region newsletter I discussed the new laws permitting gun owners to take fire arms into National Parks and Forests. I emphasized that the gun owners are responsible to know and obey the state laws for fire arms in the state where the National park is located. In the May issue of Highways, a Good Sam publication, I saw an advertisement for a book that is a "Traveler's Guide to the firearm laws of the fifty states." The cost is \$13.95 and includes Shipping and Handling. More information is available on their web site; www.gunlawguide.com. I don't own a gun, so I have not checked this web site.

Richard Jirus Region 8 legislative chair

Thanks Richard. I am sure some of us will be checking into this before we start a trip.

Time is marching on and we are now thinking about our Installation rallies. Yes, the Region Officers don't have to install the new officers but this is our way of visiting our Units and their members. We don't get to see some of you unless it is at your Installation Rallies.

Fred Steurer, Pat Shaw and I will be going to different Units to install the new officers.

Our Schedule is:

Sept 16-19 MO Delta Unit at MO State Rally by Fred
Sept 23-26 Kansas City MO Unit – June

Oct 7-10 North Iowa Unit – Pat
Oct 7-10 Nebraska Unit – June

Oct 14-17 St Louis MO Unit – Fred
Oct 14-17 Iowa Unit – Pat
Oct 14-17 MO Greater Ozark – June

Oct 21-24 Greater Wichita Unit – Fred

Congratulations to all the new officers and we hope you have a great year in 2010-2011.



Kind of big equipment, huh?



Did you go on the coal mine tour in Gillette?