



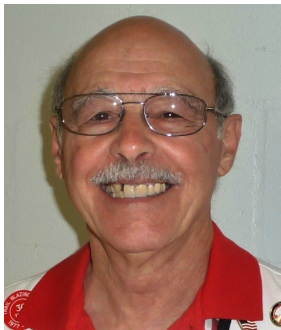
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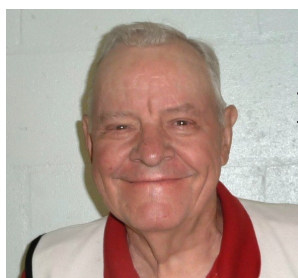
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## CONGRATULATIONS ON A JOB WELL DONE

Thanks to our outgoing President Bill Conway and the other retiring officers. Through their leadership TBS has continued to be one of the top Chapters in Good Sams of Florida.

## Committees

ASD	Liz Abrams
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## OUR MOST RECENT CAMPOUT



Our December campout was held at Paradise Oaks RV Resort in Bushnell, Fl., On December 11-13<sup>th</sup>. We had 13 member rigs, 1 drivein and 2 guests. Our



*John & Joan Russano*

Host and Hostess, John and Joan Russano provided us a fun filled weekend. John and Joan had our dinners catered by Ron-Don Catering Service. The food was delicious and the service was great. Saturday morning before our business meeting, the Russano's treated to a pancake and sausage breakfast. Following breakfast our business meeting was conducted by our new President. Being Christmas time and with so many other activities going on everyone was pleased that the meeting was short. January's meeting will take a little more time since there are important issues to take care of.



The fun-part of the weekend included a trip to Russell Stover's Candy factory/store. A place where none of us really needed to go to but most everyone was glad they did. All were seen leaving the premises with bags of sweets and goodies.



## JINGLE "BALLS" JINGLE "BALLS" JINGLE ALL THE WAY

Saturday afternoon under the direction of John Perry and his elves we had a fun contest called "Jingle Balls". Everyone, guys and girls alike rolled 4 Bocci Balls (Jingle Balls) at a target some forty (40) feet away. The three closest men and women each received scratch tickets which potentially could have been worth thousands. As it turned out some lucky person actually did win a \$1.00. But it was worth a lot more in fun.....







## More games.... more fun....



Special thanks to Frank Ciampaglia Jr for bringing his dad, Frank Sr. to our campout, It was really great to see him. They stayed for a good part of the afternoon and both father and son participated in our Jingle Ball contest. Hope to see them again real soon.

Frank Ciampaglia Sr. (Look at the form...)

### THE HORSES ARE AT THE GATES

It wasn't the Kentucky Derby, matter of fact, nothing even close but we did have a derby. The horses were well rested and spirited but some of the regular Jockeys didn't show up so we had to solicit volunteers from the spectators. Jockey Turner, Murray and Keller either fell off their mounts or mounted their horses backwards and completely lost sight of the finish line. It soon became obvious that there was little betting on # 2, 3 or 4. Lots of laughs and yelling but we did have fun.



#### The Jockeys

*From right to left*

*No.1 Serge Frechette*

*No.2 Mike Keller*

*No. 3 Ray Turner*

*No.4 Robin Murray*

*No. 5 Bill Carter*

*No.6 John Perry*



We don't stop playing because we grow old; we grow old because we stop playing.



### Gifts for Kids and Members



Jill Perry our Charitable Chairperson coordinated this year's event for the kids .Each member brought two gifts (toys or gift cards) one for boy and one for girl. These were given to the Salvation Army's Children Christmas Fund.

In addition we brought a gift for a man and a woman., Joan Russano did a game for the exchange of gifts. Jill did a fantastic job for the kids and Joan as well for us older kids (members)

### A look back

#### **EUSTIS FALL SAMBOREE A HUGE SUCCESS**

Thanks to our State Staff and all the Chapters who volunteered at this years Fall Samboree, it has to be rated as one of the best. TBS committed over 293 hours in running the indoor games and Bocci Ball contest. In addition we sold water at all the events, participated in the Flea market, Crafts display and the Country Fair. A lot of work for us but also a lot of fun. A successful Samboree depends upon Chapters giving of their time and talents. Under the direction of our State Director Joe and Debbie Weston along with the State Staff, Good Sams of Florida is an exciting and fun organization to be part of.

#### **HOLEY CRAP NOT YOUR ORDINARY OUT HOUSE**

Take your best shot and win a prize. Win or lose everybody got the same prize, A bag of crap (tootsie rolls) wrapped in a doggie poop bag. What fun it was for the contestants as well as our member workers. Our Chapter brought in over \$52.00 which converts to 208 tickets. Can you imagine spending \$.25 for a bag of crap. The whole Country Fair was done very well with lots of booths and a lot of fun. Next year's event promises to be another fun time.



#### **Our Next Samboree**

2015 Spring Samboree will be held at KOA Okeechobee, 4276 US Hwy 441 South.Okeechobee, Fl., on April 15<sup>th</sup> thru 19<sup>th</sup>. A very popular Samboree so get your applications in now  
If you plan to go: **Theme of the Samboree is "MADHATTERS"**



Our next campout will be January 23rd-25th , 2015 at Winter Quarters RV Resort, 21632 SR 54, Lutz, Florida. Tel. no: (877) 570-2267.  
Our Host and Hostess will be Chuck & Jeannie Potter.  
For future campouts during 2015 and 2016 please visit our web site – [tbsams.weebly.com](http://tbsams.weebly.com)

### ***Prayers and Thoughts***

As you know Jill Perry had an unfortunate accident. She broke her ankle and is in a cast. We wish her a speedy recovery.

We also know that John Henning had an operation for skin cancer on his shoulder.

Upon returning from our Christmas Campout Cereese went to the Doctor and it was discovered that she had a broken collar bone. She is now in a brace.

Let's not forget Harold and Caroline Johnson who are not only recovering from disabling physical conditions but are still struggling with issues having to do with their condo.



Golden Triangle Sams for winning Good Sams of Florida Chapter of the Year. A very deserving tribute to a hard working Chapter who adds very much to the success of Samborees.

We hope everybody had a  
**MERRY CHRISTMAS** and we wish you all  
the best for this coming  
**NEW YEAR**

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