

## OKLAHOMA CAMPERS ON MISSION

### FALL RALLY

#### SHAWNEE EXPOSITION CENTER

September 12-15, 2012

#### Wednesday, Sept. 12, 2012

Those who arrived on Wednesday gathered at Building A for supper. After the meal, a time was spent in sharing prayer needs and praying for those needs. Ken & Jan Hudson's daughter shared about the items of clothing the ladies had made that her daughter gave away when she was on a mission trip. The prayer time was followed by games and socializing.

#### Thursday, Sept. 13, 2012

Thursday morning the men went to the Pottawatomie Association Building to work on the building. The ladies gathered to work on various sewing projects.

The evening activities began with a prayer by Lee Carl. Our evening meal was catered by Regina's. Group singing was led by Bobby Burnett. The special music was a selection of songs by Debby Dennis. Our special speaker was Steven Dennis, pastor of First Baptist Church, Checotah. (He is the son of COM members Don and Arleta Dennis from Okay.) He spoke on how we need to worship God in all that we do. The meeting ended with prayer by Tom Goins.

#### Friday, Sept. 14, 2012

Friday morning was spent continuing with the projects started on Thursday.

Evening activities began with prayer by David Kirkegard followed by our meal catered by Regina's. The group singing was led by Bobby Burnett. Our special speaker was Mark Pointer, pastor of First Baptist Church, Wagoner. He talked about the importance of rest not only for our physical well-being but also for our spiritual well-being. We were dismissed with prayer by Tom Goins.

#### Saturday, Sept. 15, 2012

After prayer by Alan Adams, the group enjoyed the famous COM covered dish breakfast. The devotional was brought by Marvin Smith. Several projects were reported on. Jim Conley talked about the Wheelless project in June. Nine men worked on the project. Jim also told about Echota Baptist Church and work they did such as putting in wood floors, spray painting, etc.

Beth Conley told about the banner for the sanctuary that the ladies made for Echota church. They also made blankets, curtains for the kitchen and children's dresses. Glenda Davis gave a report on what was completed during this rally. Completed were: 18 cool ties for Union Association Disaster Relief trailer; 18 back packs for Master's Market; 104 Samaritan's Purse bags.

An upcoming project is at Cox City, OK beginning September 24. Jim mentioned that he has to turn in the project information to Ed Chappel who is supposed to make sure the church has all the necessary permits. This must occur before COM can do any work at the church.

After a discussion about the outdated and/or broken equipment on the COM trailer, Verlan Day made the motion that Jim Conley be given the responsibility to go through the equipment and throw out the junk and broken equipment and replace it. Glenda Davis seconded the motion. Motion carried. Jack Davis made the motion to use up to \$1,000 of COM funds to replace equipment. Alan Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The need for a COM web page was discussed. Paul Day is working toward getting one set up. He has investigated the cost of a domain name (\$10 annually), and BGCO is willing to act as the host. Paul made a motion to secure a domain name and host. The motion was seconded by Jack Davis. Motion carried. The goal is to have this ready by the Spring 2013 rally.

The possibility of sending rally notices by email for those with email addresses was discussed. This would cut down on mailing expenses as well as printing costs. Those without email addresses would continue to get notices through regular mail. Jack Davis made the motion that rally notices be sent by email with the provision that those without email addresses would get their notices by regular mail. Alan Adams seconded the motion. Motion carried. Delores Ireton suggested that rally minutes also be sent by email and that printed copies of the minutes be available at the next rally. Motion carried.

A question from the floor asked about how contributions to COM could be made. Tom is to check whether we can send memorials, etc. to BGCO and designate the money to COM. (Delores talked to Mary Stephens about this, and she said to make any checks out to BGO, and on the notation line at the bottom of the check, write "donation to COM.")

Jim Dudley requested pictures and/or stories about COM projects to be sent to him, and he will get them to BGCO with the goal of gaining more publicity about the work of COM.

Tom Goins announced that the National COM Rally will be held in Mineola, TX on June 19-21, 2013. He encouraged as many as are able to go so that our state will have a good representation. He also announced that dates for the 2013 OK COM rallies are: Spring – May 15-18, 2013. Fall – Sept. 11-14, 2013.

The meeting adjourned