Good morning, Travelers,

We want to wish each of you a great Labor Day. I often remember my first paying job. I had a Saturday job at the local barber shop shining shoes. At the end of the day, I also got a dollar for moping the floor. Sometimes I would make over 6 dollars. I learned to study really fast. I was 13 years old.

We had a great rally which was held at the River Vista campground. Seems all the lots are being sold and now the campground will be an owner campground.



We had three of our new members to join us for the rally. It was good just to sit around and visit, play card ,games, explore and chat with each other.

We did find a new (to us) restaurant in Clayton.

We had breakfast at the Clayton Café and Bakery. The home-made goodies were a hit with us.



We have had 7 new members join our club this year. My hat is off to Eleanor and Jane for their work on the mailouts.

The Palmetto Cove rally is fast approaching and you should make your camping reservations directly with the campground. Rally dates are Oct. 5-8.

https://palmettocove.com/

Jerry, Sandy, Rose and Daryl are going to be the hosts for the rally. They will be sending out more info in a few days.

We have had an offer to post a Facebook page for our club. I would like for that discussion to be an agenda item for our business meeting on Saturday morning, Oct. 7th. Facebook post can be a positive way to reach out to folks. It can also have a negative side if nobody posts on our page.

Eleanor has lined up a train ride on the Polar Express. The train ride will be on Nov. 15. Patt and I are going up on the 13th and staying at the KOA campground in Cherokee. I think there are tickets left for the train ride.

Contact Eleanor for more information. 225-803-7553

https://www.gsmr.com/the-great-polar-express-train-ride/

It looks like a great train ride in the mountains and maybe the foliage will be just right.

Also, Harrod's Casino is close by and might have some good entertainment.

Y'all stay safe and remember to always be mindful of others!.

Larry

This week in American History.

September 7



1813

The United States gets its nickname, Uncle Sam. The name is linked to Samuel Wilson, a meat packer from Troy, New York, who supplied barrels of beef to the US Army during the War of 1812. Wilson stamped the barrels with "U.S." for United States, but soldiers began referring to the grub as "Uncle Sam's." In the late 1860s and 1870s, political cartoonist Thomas Nast began popularizing the image of Uncle Sam. Nast continued to evolve the image, eventually giving Sam the white beard and stars-and-stripes suit that are associated with the character today. The most famous image of Uncle Sam was created by artist James Montgomery Flagg. In Flagg's version, Uncle Sam is pointing straight ahead at the viewer. During WWI, this portrait of Sam with the words "I Want You for The U.S. Army" was used as a recruiting poster.