

**From the June 2016 Trestle Board of Bonneville Lodge No 31 Free and Accepted Masons,
143 West 1000 North, Bountiful, Utah.**

The Wasatch Wanderers, a newly formed chapter of National Camping Travelers, met at the KOA campground in Ely, Nevada over the weekend of the 19th thru the 22nd of May. WB Brent Tomlin, Bro. Mike Mitchell, WB David Klamm and lady Tracy, Bro. Gerald (GI) Olsen and lady Diane, WB Hall Blankenship and lady Anne were joined by WB Gene (District 9 Director & 3rd National Vice President elect) and lady Karen Boesch, WB Bert and lady Jodi Frey and WB Brad and Robbin Carlos, all from California and WB Leroy and lady Levon Ball (past National President) from Colorado. WB Gene presented WB Klamm with the Wasatch Wanderers charter at a ceremony during a pot luck dinner on Saturday evening. Ours is the first new U. S. charter in many years. Most of the group began the weekend by meeting at a local restaurant on Thursday evening where friends were quickly made over an excellent meal. The group traveled to Baker, NV to tour Lehman Caves on Friday. It was a VERY cool, cloudy and blustery day but the caves gave great shelter and a very interesting tour by a National Park Service interpretative ranger.

The high winds encouraged us to cancel the planned hamburger fry and move instead to another local restaurant for more good conversation enjoyed over another good meal.

Saturday afternoon we all met at the Nevada Northern Railway for a very entertaining afternoon train ride to the copper mine that dates back to the early 1900's. An open air western themed skit provided great entertainment near the mine site. The actors were all local volunteers as are most of the railroad staff.

Sunday morning we said our goodbyes, broke camp and traveled home.

The National Camping Travelers is an international camping organization whose membership is composed of Blue Lodge Masons and their immediate families. The Wasatch Wanderers Chapter is open to all Utah Masons interested in camping and fellowship.