

The DRIFTER

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Good Sam Club has announced some changes in the support of the Good Sam Club State/Provincial and Chapters organization. Effective, January 1, 2017, Dave & Patty Morgen will serve as our only point of contact with the GSC support team. Dave Morgen will now serve as National Director of Good Sam Field Operations. With this change comes the decision to cancel the role of all Regional Director positions in the organization. NW Regional Directors were Mary and Wayne Swanson.

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NOTE FROM KAREN AND LARRY:

Just want you all to know that Oregon Good Sam Club is alive and well. We welcome changes and new ideas with excitement. I encourage all of you to look forward to next year with anticipation and positivity. Together we can do it!! Spring Gathering—here we come!!

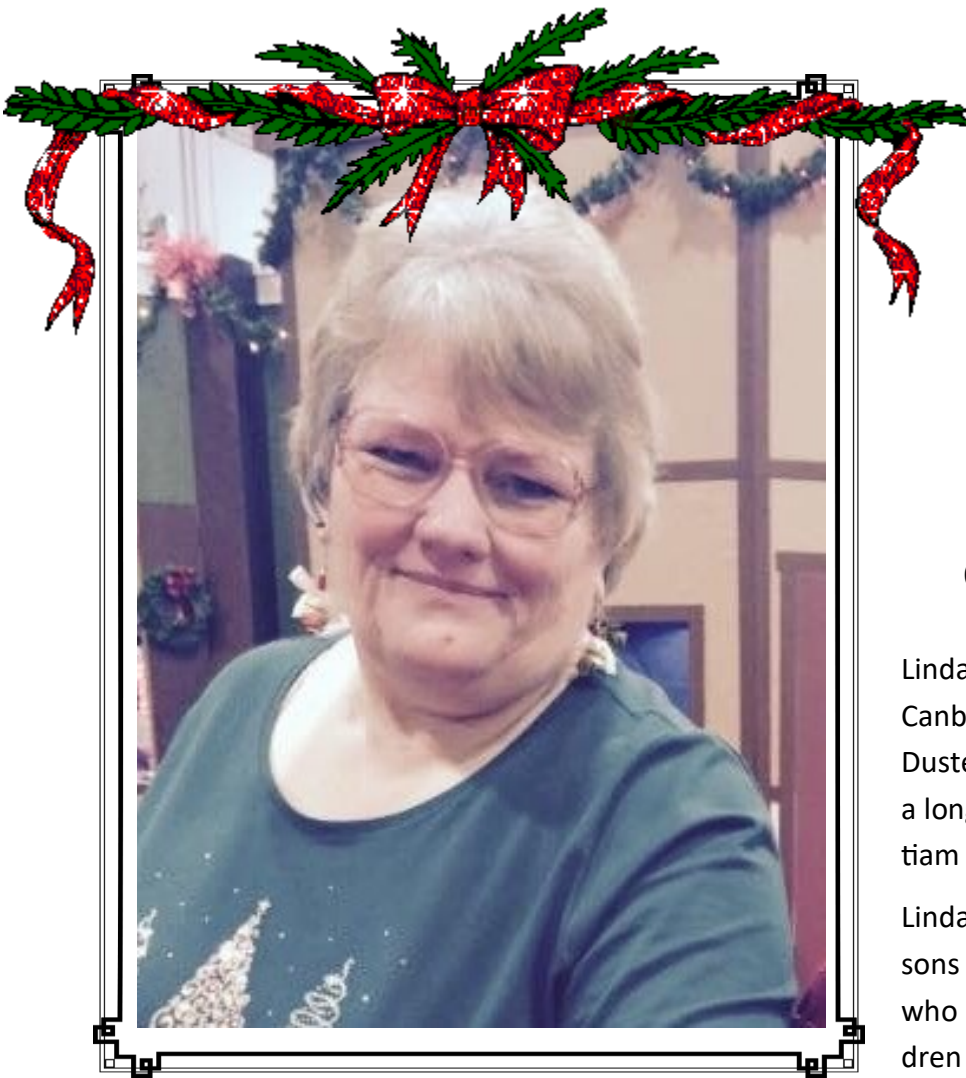
Oregon Good Sam will *discontinue* using the oregon@goodsamfamily.org and northwest@goodsamfamily.org e-mails at the end of December 2016. They are being deleted from the Good Sam Club organization.

Please use



oregongoodsamfamily@gmail.com

from now on. Thank you!



LINDA SMITH

Our New Oregon

Good Sam Club State Secretary

Linda and her husband, Dale, live in the Canby area. They are members of the Trail Dusters Chapter. Linda's father, Bill Sieg, is a long-time Good Sam member of the Santiam Sams.

Linda and Dale, married 45 years, have 3 sons and 3 wonderful daughters-in-laws who have blessed them with 6 grandchildren and 2 greatgrandchildren. They all live

near by. Linda is very active in retirement, belonging to 3 bunco groups, swimming every morning for exercise, loves movies, computer embroidery, cake decorating, stained glass, wet-on-wet oil painting, clam digging, crabbing, travel and sight seeing. Dale is an avid fisherman and has recently taken up knife making.

The things on her bucket list include seeing the remaining 25 states she hasn't been to yet, cruising the Panama Canal, and seeing Don Williams in concert (He's retired but I can't bring myself to cross him off my list").

She likes most shades of purple with a bit of pink and green thrown in; her favorite music is "Bear Tunes."

At this time she doesn't plan to do everything that Ann did; no one could fill Ann's shoes. We are so pleased to have Linda heading up our Secretarial Team.

Our Samboree Office Manager is Marion Gilkey, Polk About Sams, and our Assistant Secretary is Alice Ferrell, Good Sam Klamath Kampers. I still plan to add a few more to the team—that way no one person has to do it all.

Linda's contact information is:

1348 S Cedar Drive

Canby, OR 97013

Email: suprmaum@gmail.com

Phone: 503-209-8177



DO YOU LIVE IN WASHINGTON COUNTY?

Clean Water Services has offered free public RV waste disposal at its Hillsboro, Oregon, treatment facility for 26 years. The disposal station will be impacted due to the facility's expansion in 2017. We'd like to hear from you to help determine its future:

surveymonkey.com/r/RVsurveyCWS

Please go to this website and fill out this survey. We need to know what you want us to do.

Eli Bonilla | Public Affairs Specialist

Clean Water Services | Government & Public Affairs

2550 SW Hillsboro Hwy | Hillsboro OR 97123

503.681.4462 | cell 503.941.6520

FREE PARKS CANADA PASS FOR 2017

You can obtain a free pass for Parks Canada for all of 2017.

This would be in conjunction with Canada's 150th birthday and means that you can get into any Canadian National Park for free in 2017...but you need the pass.

The website is:

<http://www.commandesparcs-parksorders.ca/webapp/wcs/stores/servlet/en/parksb2c>

New Year's Resolutions



Just think think think
Of things you can do
To make yourself better
Before the year's through.

Resolutions can be tough,
Or simple as can be.
Making resolutions
Are great for you and me!

So what will you promise
To help yourself my dear
Through 2017?
Have a Happy New Year!

By Mrs. Khan



GOOD SAM KLAMATH KAMPERS



PORTLAND SINGLE SAMS

******* OREGON CHAPTER OF THE YEAR CONTEST - 2016 *******

TWO GREAT CHAPTERS ENTERED — BOTH CONSIDERED AWESOME

..... THE WINNER

**GOOD SAM
KLAMATH KAMPERS**

I have 20 of these GSC NW Region patches for sale at \$5 each. If you are interested let me know. It will be first come first served. When they are gone, they will be gone. They are very beautiful and will look great on your vest, jacket or hat.

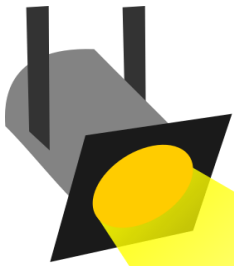


I will take cash or a check made out to Oregon Good Sam. Mail to me, Karen, at 3080 Jefferson-Scio Dr. SE, Jefferson, OR 97352. If they are all sold before I get your money, I will return it right away. **Karen**

We sold another OGS Cargo Trailer, the one we called our Coffee Trailer, to Albany Stoves, Inc.

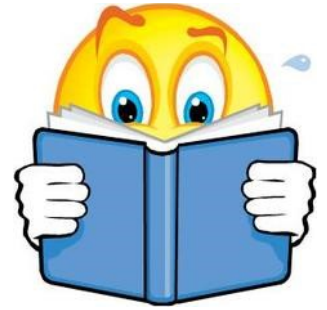


One more to go—the orange people mover. **See ad on page 6.**



2017 SATURDAY NIGHT SHOW

IDEAS



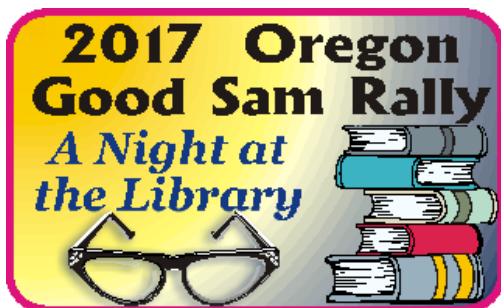
“A Night at the Library”

It's 2:00 am in the library and time for books and ideas to come to life! That's the premise this year for the Saturday Night Show at the OGS 2017 Rally in June in Roseburg. The following are a list of books that might spur your imagination for a skit, dance or a song in the show. You know the creative dreamers in your Chapter. Get them on board to be in the show this year.

The Lion, Witch, Wardrobe
 Little House on the Prairie
 The Secret Garden
 The Velveteen Rabbit
 Tortoise & the Hare
 Aesop's Fables
 Rocky & Bullwinkle
 The Hobbit
 Hansel & Gretel
 The Ugly Duckling
 Snow White
 Cinderella
 Raggedy Ann
 Blue Beard
 Tale of Peter Rabbit
 Charlie and the Chocolate Fcty
 The Cat in the Hat
 Where the Wild Things Are

Treasure Island
 Charlotte's Web
 The Hunger Games
 Heidi
 The Boy who cried Wolf
 The Lion and the Mouse
 Three Musketeers
 Hans Christian Anderson
 Jack and the Beanstalk
 Three Little Pigs
 Beauty and the Beast
 Pinocchio
 Sleeping Beauty
 James and the Giant Peach
 Alice in Wonderland
 Harry Potter
 Narnia
 Journey to the Center/Earth

I will send out some more titles next month. If you have an idea and want to reserve one of the ideas for your Chapter, please call me soon. We have 7 acts signed up right now. Get excited and think about June!
Call or email me: Terry Parman, Show Director, terlar02@aol.com, 503.663.5888



NOTE FROM TERRY PARMAN, SHOW DIRECTOR
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Memorial Scroll

NAME **Orville Waldo**
SPOUSE Leta Waldo
CHAPTER Good Sam Beaver Dam #1
BIRTH DATE January 7, 1935
DEATH DATE November 18, 2016

NAME **Bill Guest**
CHAPTER The 89ers
BIRTH DATE N/A
DEATH DATE November 29, 2016

New Chapter Members

WESTSIDE WANDERERS

James and Dianna Roedel

ROGUE RIVER ROOSTER SAMS

Gary Endicott and Judy Rupp

WEEKEND SAMS

David and Wanda Welch

GRAND RONDE WHEELERS

Debra and Elton Koller

JANUARY CHAPTER ANNIVERSARIES

Clackamas Campers	27 years
Weekend Sams	26 years
Good Sam Trav'l Nuts	20 years



Useful Links



www.goodsamclub.com

This link will take you to the Good Sam Club homepage

www.dogforthe deaf.org

This is one of Oregon Good Sam's favorite Charities

www.connectionspublications.com

Exceptional magazine featuring Oregon Good Sam RV parks, small towns and local activities

www.caseysrvpark.com

The RV Park chosen 'Top Park' by Oregon Good Sam Club in 2016

www.oregongoodsam.com

Our Oregon Good Sam Club website. Our webmaster is Gene Hancock, son of Sally Hancock, North Coast Assistant Director.

Classified Ads and Personals

FOR SALE: 8x16 WILSON UTILITY TRAILER - 1994

Dual axel, long tongue, metal frame, formerly used as OGS people mover and scenery trailer, great condition, could have top frame removed if not needed, always stored under cover.

Would work well as a parade float trailer, a people mover, or farm trailer. It could even be enclosed as a Tiny Home, storage trailer, covered cargo trailer or concession stand.

Cost: \$1,600 - a bargain when you compare to others advertised on-line.



If interested, contact Karen Wells at 503-910-2329 or oregongoodsamfamily@gmail.com. She can be reached anytime, day or night.

Note: no spare tire, registration expiration date 05/29/16, owner is Oregon Good Sam Club.



As a member of the Good Sam Club, I pledge to give aide to others in need, respect nature and the environment, give back to the community and those less fortunate, treat others with dignity and respect, wear a smile (like Good Sam & Good Samantha's) and promote the pledge of The Good Sam Club to others.



A Note from Larry Minor:

I visited Ann Springer in her new home. It looks very comfortable and she seems happy but you can easily tell she misses her old abode. She has almost all new furnishings and the apartment is quite well appointed. It is spacious with a very nice full kitchen, living room, bedroom and bath. I think Ann may be the first occupant in the apartment. It is close to the dining room where Ann has signed up for the daily breakfast and dinner meals and she provides her own lunch by choice. The menu for the week looked quite appetizing and she says the food is excellent. She does need a few cookies around.

Of course Ann was the perfect host and as usual had just brewed a fresh pot of coffee for my visit. So far she has not joined into any of the games and activities as she is still getting things put away and has spent time setting up new appointments. Her main concerns beyond the recent heart attack and her chronic back pain is water retention and oxygen dependence. She still has her beautiful smile and ability to see humor in her surroundings. I think she would enjoy short visits and of course phone calls are always appreciated. Her landline phone is 503-665-9216 and her cell phone is 503-970-8349....and yes, they are the same numbers she had before the move. If you call just let the phone ring away and she will eventually find one of several available to answer.

I will include her mailing address as I know she would love to receive Christmas Greetings from us all. If you visit and are traveling on 223rd the entrance is a right turn when traveling between Stark and Burnside, very near the Coutyard Fountains sign. There will be some covered carports on your right, just continue on until a street goes left into the center of the complex. It is quite large with many parking places. The main entry will be off to the left corner of the parking area with a check-in desk to the right after entering. Prepare to be impressed!

Ann Springer - 1545 SE 223rd Ave, Apt. #155 - Gresham, OR 97030

Interesting Facts about William Shakespeare:

1. Not much is known about Shakespeare's life before 1592 because of the lack of records that have survived.
2. He was his parents' third child, but the first to survive infancy.
3. Shakespeare invented thousands of words such as courtship, leapfrog, schoolboy, stillborn, and zany.
4. His plays have been translated into dozens of languages.
5. Hamlet is Shakespeare's longest play.
6. A compilation of his plays, The First Folio, was published in 1623. An original copy was sold in 2006 for nearly \$5 million.
7. The moons of Uranus were named after the characters in Shakespeare's plays.
8. There have been many variations in the spelling of Shakespeare's name. There are no records that show him spelling it the way we do today.
9. Shakespeare has no descendants. He had a granddaughter who died childless.



ATTENTION: ALL VETERANS

WE ARE GOING TO HONOR ALL OUR VETERANS AT THE RALLY IN ROSEBURG JUNE 21-25, 2017



WE ARE BUILDING A LIST OF OUR OREGON GOOD SAM VETERANS.

I AM ASKING ALL CHAPTER SECRETARIES TO PLEASE SEND ME A LIST OF THE VETERANS IN YOUR CHAPTER BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR.

ALSO IF WE KNEW WHERE THEY SERVED, WHICH WAR/THEATER AND WHEN, THAT WOULD BE HELPFUL. THANK YOU FOR HELPING ME.

Next Brainteaser

Let's say you're driving a bus. At the first stop 10 people board the bus; at the second stop three riders get off and seven more get on; at the third stop five more depart and two come aboard. Now, the question: What is the bus driver's name?



Here are some really great events happening in the next few months:

February 23-26, 2017 Good Sam RV Super Show at Phoenix International Raceway in Phoenix, AZ - an inaugural event - for complete details & to register online, visit www.GoodSamRVShow.com or call tollfree 866-838-5299 - see page 10

April 27-30, 2017 (arriving on April 27th) The Westerners Round-Up Regional Campout at Wapiti RV Park in Lincoln City.

May 1-2, 2017 (arriving on April 30th) Our Oregon Good Sam Spring Gathering at Wapiti RV Park in Lincoln City. This is a piggyback event with the Round-Up. (see next page)

May 18-21, 2017 (arriving on May 18th) The Country Cuzzins Rondezvous Regional Campout at Eastern Oregon Trade & Event Center (EOTEC) in Hermiston.

June 21-25, 2017 (arriving anytime between June 18th-20th) Our yearly Oregon Good Sam RV Rally (Samboree) at Douglas County Fairgrounds in Roseburg.

August 3-6, 2017 (arriving anytime between August 1st-3rd) The Wy-East Pow Wow Regional at the Hood River Fairgrounds in Odell.

August 7-8, 2017 (arriving on Sunday, August 6th) Our OGS Fall Gathering (used to be called a mini-rally) at Hood River Fairgrounds in Odell. This is a piggyback event with the Pow Wow.

Mark Your Calendar Now!

Note by Karen: One of my favorite books during my pre-teen years was "Little Women," written by Louisa May Alcott. I still have that book in my home library, along with all my Nancy Drew books.



Quotes by Louisa May Alcott (1832-1888)
American Novelist

"I am not afraid of storms for I am learning how to sail my ship."

"A faithful friend is a strong defense; And he that hath found him hath found a treasure."

"Far away there in the sunshine are my highest aspirations. I may not reach them, but I can look up and see their beauty, believe in them, and try to follow where they lead."

"He who believes is strong; he who doubts is weak. Strong convictions precede great actions."

MEMORIAL SCROLL NOTIFICATION FORM

This information will be included in next issue of The Drifter after received and at the following Rally (Samboree) Memorial Service.

Name _____

Send to Karen Wells

Spouse _____

3080 Jefferson-Scio Dr. SE

Chapter _____

Jefferson, OR 97352-9424

Date of Birth (if known) _____

503-910-2329

Date of Death _____

oregongoodsamfamily@gmail.com

NEW: We welcome a picture of the deceased and a short blurb to put in The Drifter.

We have been reformatting many of the forms that are used in our Oregon Good Sam organization. Above is the form our Chapter Secretaries will use to report the passing of Chapter members. The names sent to Karen, our OSC State Director, will be shown in the next Drifter and included in the following Samboree/Rally Memorial Service.

During our Spring Gathering, April 30-May 2, 2017 in Wapiti RV Park (Lincoln City), we will hand out a special Secretary's Workbook that **will include all the forms needed to keep our records organized** and everything working in a straight line. :-)

NOTE: The Spring and Fall Gatherings, are constitutional events where all chapter Presidents, the voting body of OGS, must attend or send someone in their place to vote on OGS business.

Karen's Chat - Since I shared my heart last month, I decided to just remind you to reread it, (especially the last paragraph), instead of me writing a whole lot more. I am so thankful for all of you! You make me so proud!

I want you to know that you can contact me at any time about any questions. I would be so happy to visit with you about any concerns, new ideas or thoughts you have. Love you all!

Karen



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If you don't want to receive this Drifter, you can opt out by letting Karen know your decision.

--- DID YOU KNOW---

- A black and white edition of The Drifter is sent out to about 25 Good Sam members who do not have a computer or access to the internet.
- Each printed paper Drifter copy now costs Oregon Good Sam \$2.00 (\$.68 for mailing and \$1.32 for b/w printing). \$2.00 X 12 times a year is \$24.00.
- We have raised the price for getting the paper Drifter sent to you to \$20.00/year. Thank you for understanding.

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