

# The DRIFTER

Oregon Good Sam Club Newsletter



November 2018, Issue 11



## Mark Your Calendar

### IMPORTANT 2019 DATES

★ April 25-28, 2019

**Round Up** at Wapiti

★ April 28-29, 2019

**Spring Gathering** at Wapiti

★ May 15-19, 2019

**Country Cousins** Rendezvous  
at Milton-Freewater

★ June 11-15, 2019

**OREGON GOOD SAM STATE  
RV RALLY** in Roseburg

★ August 1-4, 2019

**Pow Wow** in Odell

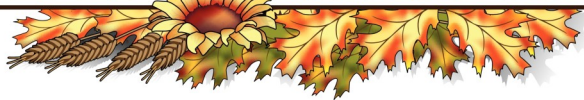
★ August 4-5, 2019

**Fall Gathering** in Odell

## November 2018



# THANKSGIVING



We have so much to be thankful for:

Family

Farmers

Ocean

Sunsets

Friends

Grace

Rainbows

Hope

America

Books

Health

Faith

Food

Mountains

Bible

A roof over our heads

Fresh running water

A good night's sleep

and God's unconditional love for us.



## DEE'S DESK

Dale and I are home from our wandering. We had a great time with both old and new Good Sam friends, saw many new places in our beautiful world and although we enjoyed everything we saw, once again we came to the conclusion that Oregon is a wonderful place to live.

Now it's time to get down to business. Plans for Oregon Good Sam events are in the works but those plans need to be firmed up. Lots of meetings and phone calls are on the horizon.

A big piece of Oregon Good Sam's pending business is our operating budget for 2019. Joyce Burt does a great job of organizing our budget. However, it's pretty hard to make financial plans if we don't know how much money will be received from the Oregon Chapters. Each Chapter owes \$5.00 per rig by the end of November. Please include an updated Chapter Roster with your check.

Good news for the 2019 State Rally/Samboree. Leilani Chartier will be organizing a sewing bee for charity quilts. Please make plans to bring your sewing machine and other supplies to the Rally. Where Good Sam is — Good Things Happen.

Have I bragged lately about the Oregon Good Sam Assistant Directors and Staff? They are the "bestest", hard working folks out there. They visit your Chapter, call you with reminders, count money, publisher The Drifter, keep track of scheduling, take minutes, keep lists, make plans for State and Regional events and are there to answer your questions and mine. When you are "Me" it's great to know they are there to hear my ideas (roll their eyes if needed), share their own ideas and in all ways lend a helping hand. Please remember to tell them "Thank You".

Did I tell you, for the first time, I saw a whale breach? It was so exciting, I don't have words. They are huge, beautiful, amazing



creatures.



### ONE MORE THING:

Please be sure to read *The Drifter*. It's the only way to know what is happening within Oregon Good Sam. One idea suggested by a Chapter President: Bring a copy of *The Drifter* to your Chapter's business meeting. Take a few minutes to share the highlights. Another idea: A Chapter Officer can print and bring a couple extra copies to meetings and share them with members who haven't taken time to print their own.

### SOME OF WHAT WE STILL NEED FOR RALLY:

1. Someone to tell me they will organize a golf tournament on the Monday or Tuesday of Rally week.
2. Lots of men and women to sign up to help with parking and shuttles
3. Someone to organize an electric car race.
4. Thinking about sharing a craft or skill? We need your help to keep our Rally attendees busy.

Do you have a skill (camera, computer, etc) to share. We have schedule time for you.

Take care, stay well.

Dee Veenendaal, State Director

Oregon Good Sam

# Recipes



While visiting a reenactment pioneer village during our latest adventure, we were served cinnamon rolls baked over an open fire in a cast iron pot. It's a simple recipe. Part of the fun is cooking over an open fire but I'll bet they will be just as good baked at 350 degrees in your oven for 25 minutes.

## CINNAMON ROLLS

3 CUPS FLOUR                      1/4 TEASPOON SALT                      1/2 CUP GRANULATED SUGAR  
2-1/4 TEASPOONS CREAM OF TARTAR                      1/2 CUP MILK                      3/4 TEASPOONS BAKING SODA  
2 BEATEN EGGS                      1/2 CUP MELTED BUTTER

**FILLING;** 1/2 BUTTER                      2 TEASPOONS CINNAMON                      1 CUP SUGAR

COMBINE MILK, EGGS AND MELTED BUTTER AND MIX WELL. ADD DRY INGREDIENTS AND MIX. PLACE DOUGH ON A FLOURED BOARD, NEED DOUGH A BIT. ROLL DOUGH INTO A RECTANGLE TO 1/4 INCH THICK.

SPREAD WITH BUTTER AND SPRINKLE WITH SUGAR AND CINNAMON. ROLL DOUGH. SLICE DOUGH INTO ONE INCH OR SO SLICES. PLACE IN A GREASED PAN AND BAKE FOR 25 MINUTES.

## ITALIAN CHICKEN IN THE CROCKPOT

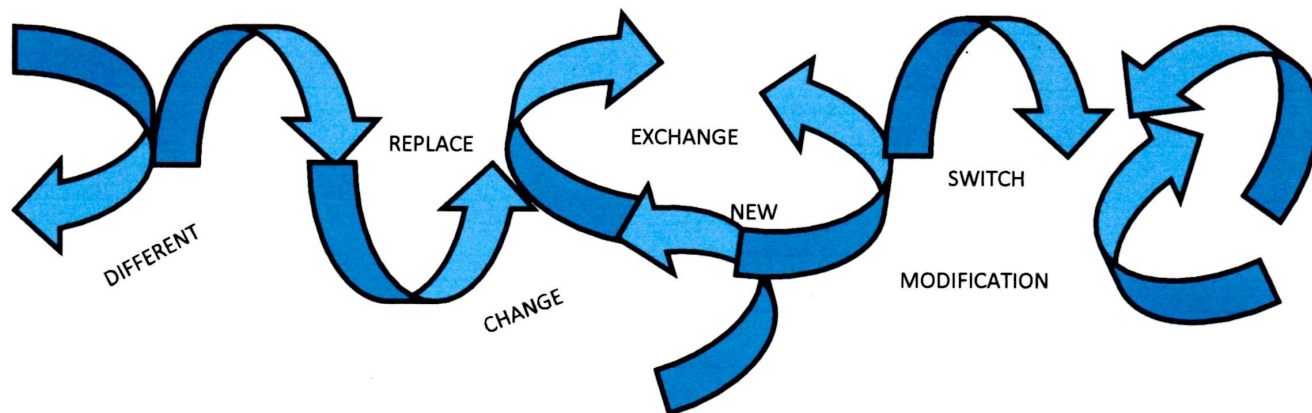
SUSAN COX POSTED THE FOLLOWING RECIPE ON HER FACEBOOK PAGE. SHE IS A HEALTH COACH AND FEELS THIS IS A HEALTHY, EASY, MAKE AHEAD CROCKPOT RECIPE

INGREDIENTS: 27 OZ RAW, BONELESS, SKINLESS CHICKEN BREAST. YEILDS 3 SIX OZ. SERVINGS

3/4 CUP KRAFT LIGHT DONE RIGHT ITALIAN DRESSING OR NEWMAN'S OWN LIGHT ITALIAN DRESSING. (If you don't eat all the sauce you will save on fat calories)

1/4 CUP GRATED PARMESAN CHEESE, 1/2 TEASPOON GARLIC POWDER OR 2 CLOVES GARLIC, MINCED.

DIRECTIONS: PLACE CHICKEN IN THE SLOW COOKER. POUR ITALIAN DRESSING, PARMESAN CHEESE AND GARLIC OVER CHICKEN. GENTLY TOSS CHICKEN WITH INGREDIENTS. COOK ON LOW 6 TO 8 HOURS. SUSAN COOKED HER CHICKEN 5 HOURS AND IT WAS DONE.



## CHANGE

Merriam Webster's dictionary describes the word "CHANGE" as a verb. A Verb is a word that shows action, occurrence or state of being. I would like to take a few minutes of your time and ask you to think seriously about change.

Change happens in many aspects of our lives. We change where we live, where we work, how we spend our retirement. Our health changes. Our families grow and change. Friends we have enjoyed for years move away. As a result of life changes we adapt and learn to do things differently.

Oregon Good Sam has seen many changes over the last 50 years. It started as a small group of friends, grew large with many Chapters and is now slipping in size to a smaller group of Chapters. The Chapters that are part of Oregon Good Sam are made up of people who enjoy having a good time with friends.

Change needs to happen in how we as Good Sam members support all activities within our organization. Attendance at our State and Regional activities drops a little each year. Diminishing attendance eventually results in a non-existent organization.

Are you saying to yourself that your Chapter is all that's important? Are you saying that you don't need State or Regional leaders or activities because your Chapter is a group of friends that will hang together no matter what? I'm going to disagree with you.

1. Regional and State activities allow us to meet new friends.
2. Regional and State activities allow us to go new and different places.
3. Regional and State activities create funds that keep our activities possible.
4. Where Good Sam is Good things happen. If we don't attend our Regional and State activities those good things happen on a very limited basis.
5. I feel this item is most important. The more people we know within the Oregon Good Sam organization the stronger our chapters will be. As we grow older and our numbers smaller, it will be great to join forces to make a campout more fun and successful. Two or three small chapters camping together "do a party make".

Put the State and Regional activities on your Chapter calendar of events. CHANGE HOW YOUR GROUP THINKS. Make these larger activities your monthly campout. If you have your campouts planned for the next year or two and you feel CHANGE isn't possible, add these larger activities to your calendar. Seriously though, CHANGE is almost always possible. You can rearrange and change your campout schedules. They are not written in stone.

I know I'm repeating myself but I am doing my best to impress upon each Oregon Good Sam member the importance of working together to keep our organization strong and viable.

CHANGE is not a bad word. CHANGE IN ATTITUDE AND ACTION is what we need if we are going to support each other and continue as a viable organization,

As a reminder, each month you will find the dates for the Westerner's Roundup, Country Cuzzins Rendezvous, WyEast Pow Wow and State Rally/Samboree in the Drifter.

Thank you for your support. I know I can count on each and every one of you.

Dee Veenendaal, Oregon Good Sam  
State Director

# Out & About



## ROUGE RIVER ROOSTERS SAMS

Dogs for Better Lives in Central Point, Oregon hosted a very special event to celebrate the GRAND OPENING of their second training facility on Friday, October 12, 2018. The Rogue River Rooster Sams received an invitation and attended on a beautiful day for the event which was held in the new parking lot. We met the CEO, Board of Directors, Staff Members and the Volunteers after we watched the RIBBON CUTTING to officially open the doors. A very large crowd then went on self guided tours of the facility and a Dog Demo with Trainer in one of two very large training rooms.

## READY ROAMERS

The Ready Roamers camped at Devil's Lake RV Park. Besides shopping at the Outlet Mall & walking the beach looking for glass floats, they visited the beautiful Connie Hansen Garden and ate out on the town.



### 2019 STATE DUES ARE DUE

**Attn: Chapter Presidents & Treasurers**

Please mail your Chapter's State dues (\$5 per rig) to Oregon Good Sam c/o

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## Memorial Scroll

<b>Name</b>	<b>Curtis George Walter</b>
Spouse	Barbara Walter
Chapter	Milton-Freewater Appleblossom Sams
Birth Date	September 24, 1936
Death Date	September 28, 2018



Curtis Walter was a longtime member of the Appleblossom Sams and was currently also a member of Blue Mt. Sams. Curtis was very active in all community events in Milton Freewater and in the local Good Sam community. If there was work to be done and no one else would pitch in, Curtis did. He never complained or talked much, but he sure did a lot of the work. He and Barbara were instrumental in the Six Chapter Campout, now called the Spring Time in the Blues, every April in Milton Freewater. He was the maintenance man at the Junior Show Grounds there and made sure it was available for this get together every year. He will certainly be missed around Milton Freewater and in our Good Sam Chapters in NE Oregon.



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- 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.
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