

The DRIFTER

Oregon Good Sam Club Newsletter



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WE ARE LOOKING FOR A TRUMPET PLAYER



It will be hard, but we are looking for a trumpet player to fill Tom Shaver's shoes. If you have a trumpet laying around in the attic, we would like to encourage you to dig

it out and give it another life. Give me a call if you find one we can use. Thank you!!! Karen

NEW CHAPTER MEMBERS

Grande Ronde Wheelers – 2

Roger & Mary Cloutier
Robert & Carla Ullan

Ready Roamers – 2

Bud & Lisa Jones
Richard & Joanne DeBus

Polk About Sams – 1

Jerry & Shirley Spadorcio

Portland Single Sams – 1

Gloria Braunschwig

Cascade Cruisers – 2

Tom & Sue Eisele
Mina McDaniel

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DATES TO REMEMBER

- *April 14-17, 2016 Westerners-North Coast Annual Roundup at Wapiti RV Park in Lincoln City (ALMOST FULL)
- May 13-15, 2016 May Mini-Rally at Polk County Fairgrounds in Rickreall Do not need to pre-register
- *May 19-22, 2016 Country Cuzzins Rendezvous at Umatilla County Fairgrounds in Hermiston
- *June 22-26, 2016 State Rally (Samboree) at Douglas County Fairgrounds in Roseburg
- *July 29-31, 2016 Good Sam Northwest Event at 23rd Annual JAMBoree in Sweet Home
- *August 5-7, 2016 Wy-East Pioneers Pow Wow at Hood River Fairgrounds in Odell
- TBA October Mini-Rally at TBA

Where starred, you can print out the registration forms on our website,

www.oregongoodsam.com

Remember our website is under construction.
Check in every once in a while to see what's new.

Due to planning difficulties, it was decided not to continue planning the King Neptune Stud Race. Next year, there will be a bigger and better contest to raise funds for DOGS FOR THE DEAF using next year's theme.....



What theme, you ask?
Well, it will be a secret until the end of the Samboree. Keep watching, you will like it.

One thing I am looking for are people who are willing to be **Greeters** at the Samboree.

A **Greeter** is someone who can say, "Hi, welcome to our Samboree" to each person who comes in to register for the Rally. You will be the **first smile** they see and they will not only remember you but remember the Samboree as something great. I would like to have at least 15 **Greeters**.

If you are interested, please let me know. I have 8 so far. I can be contacted by phone (503-910-2329) or email oregon@goodsamfamily.org or snail mail me at 3080 Jefferson-Scio Dr. SE, Jefferson, OR 97352

BE A GREETER

Memorial Scroll

Robert Feldman

Spouse: Kay

Chapter: Trail Dusters

Born: December 29, 1932

Died: February 22, 2016

Pearl Wilson

Spouse: Bill

Chapter: Rollin' Roamers

Born: October 24, 1927

Died: March 7, 2016

Gordon (Gordie) Phillips

Spouse: Deceased

Chapter: Good Sam Beaver Dam #1

Born: September 27, 1918

Died: February 7, 2016

Good Sam Chapter Anniversaries

APRIL 2016

Westside Wanderers 46 years

Rollin' Roamers 39 years

Eugene Sojourners 38 years

Grande Ronde Wheelers 38 years

Meadowlark Sams 38 years

79ers 37 years

Milton Freewater -

Apple Blossom Sams -31 years

Santiam Sams 28 years

Portland Single Sams 27 years

Bridgetown Campers 10 years

Teams involve more people, thus affording more resources, ideas, and energy than would an individual.

Teams can simply do more than an individual.



*For the second time
we are featuring a special class taught by Wally Jensen
called:*



Women Only RV Walkaround

Welcome Ladies to our second "Women Only RV Walkaround" at the June Samboree. I know a few guys showed up last time. That's okay.

We will spend approximately an hour going over things you should know for happy RVing. This will be a question and answer type session – no repairs on vehicles.

If there is something you would like discussed, please contact me prior to the Samboree. My email is wallyjensen1017@yahoo.com or leave a message at 503-930-3213.



Wally Jensen





KAREN'S CHAT

It's April already, over a fourth of the way through 2016. Hard to believe! But the best is before us. **I am excited** about our upcoming Samboree. It will be bigger and better than ever before.

We just learned Oregon Good Sam is "Top of the Top" where donations for Dogs for the Deaf is concerned. We gave over \$18,101 in 2015. The second best, our neighbor to the north gave \$9,780.

We had four OGS chapters win awards in their giving to DFD.

Oregon Single Sams and **Rogue River Rooster Sams** became "Canine Friends"
That meant they donated over \$500 to DFD.

Trail Dusters became "Pick of the Litter"
That meant they donated over \$1,000 to DFD.

Clackamas Campers became "Top Dog"
That meant they were the top chapter in the nation. They gave \$7,500 to DFD.

Congratulations to all our winners.

I must admit, being the Director of Oregon Good Sam is quite a job. If it wasn't for Ann Springer, it would be a whole lot harder. I am trying to glean as much as I can from her brain waves. And then there are all the volunteers out there who are so willing to say "yes" when I ask them to help me. Wow! Love you guys!

Larry and I are having so much fun meeting all the people we have never met before. So far we have visited with nine chapters at their campouts and meetings. In April we have 6 more campouts to visit, 3 in May, 1 more in June, 4 in August, 3 in September and 3 in October. That totals 29. Only 13 more to schedule a visit. If you are one of the 13, please send us your campout schedule right away so we can fit you in.

One thing I am finding is I spend a lot of time sitting in front of a computer screen. My doctor tells me I am not getting enough exercise. So I bought myself a pedometer so I can count my steps. Yikes! I used to walk a lot, even was a bicycler 20 years ago, riding over 1,000 miles a summer. Have given that up because I don't think a 75 year old lady should be out on the road all by herself. I have now put my bicycle on a special rack so I can ride it - - - in my basement play room. Now I just have to figure out how to find time to go down the stairs.

When we come to visit you, please give me jobs to make me walk, skip and run....not just eat, play games and eat some more.

Karen

REPORT FROM THE MARCH MINI-RALLY IN RICKREALL

- ◇ We had 17 first-timers present on Saturday. Most we've ever had at a Mini-Rally.
- ◇ Two new Assistant Directors were appointed:
 - Eileen & Rich Sanders from Roseburg for Umpqua Land
 - Connie and Howard Morrill from Estacada for the Wy-East Region
- ◇ New State Treasurer, Joyce Burt from Klamath Falls, was elected to replace our wonderful Merrill and Jane Cook who needed to step down because of age, time and distance problems. Merrill got a standing ovation that brought a lot of tears to watching eyes.
- ◇ Experienced an Open Forum where we all gathered together to discuss, ask questions and look for answers concerning our Mini-Rally formats and possible places to hold the next one.
- ◇ We received a \$500 donation from Willard Robinson of Good Sam Klamath Kampers to help cover some of the cost of a very large banner that will hang on the back of the fairgrounds grandstand structure facing the freeway. It can be easily seen from I-5.
- ◇ Winners of the Wii Bowling Tournament were: Lloyd Komlofske 1st and Rich Sanders 2nd.
- ◇ Many of our ladies brought their sewing machines to make pot holders. The money received will be donated to Relay for Life.
- ◇ The Potluck was delicious and filling. No one went away hungry.
- ◇ We watched "Finding Nemo" on the big screen on Saturday evening.

Our next Mini-Rally will be held on May 13-15, 2016 in Rickreall. It will probably be our last time to use the Polk County Fairgrounds. Already scheduled, besides the business meetings, will be some real fun times:

A special tour of the Historical Museum on the grounds with a special program and an organized Good Sam Clean-Up Day that happens that same day. **Bring your chapter vests for a big group photo** to remember our last days at that venue. Please put this weekend on your calendar right away. It will never happen again. Don't miss it!



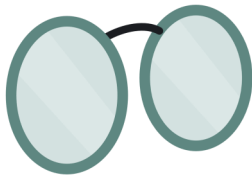
Welcome to 'Good Sam Fun Golf'



There will be a nine-hole 'Fun Golf' at our Samboree, Wednesday, June 22, 2016 at Stewart Park Golf Course.

No matter your age, sex or golf ability we are going to have fun. If you are interested, it will greatly help if you contact Wally so he can send you more information.

Wally Jensen - 1446 S Funriver Dr. - Lincoln City, OR 97367
503-930-3213 wallyjensen1017@yahoo.com



GETTING A GLIMSE OF WHAT IS IN STORE AT OUR SAMBOREE

CONTESTS

- ◇ Top Park Award – each Chapter to enter their favorite RV Park—winner will receive one year of advertising on our website
- ◇ Photo Contest – display your “Under the Sea” photo(s)
- ◇ Chapter Newsletter Contest – bring two samples of your chapter newsletters 1-16 thru 6-19-16
- ◇ Talisman Match - find your match
- ◇ Pull Tab Collection (goes to help kidney dialysis patients)
- ◇ Chapter New Members Contest
- ◇ Site Decorations (new name for Water Jug Contest)
- ◇ A special Award, yet unnamed, for unsuspecting recipients
- ◇ And a whole lot more.....

VENDORS

- ◇ Sutherlin Woofstock Festival – everything for the dogs
- ◇ SkyMed – help when we need it
- ◇ Steve Arndt – author of “Roads Less Traveled”, book signing and sales
- ◇ Princess Cruises Land Based Alaska – seasonal job openings
- ◇ T.O.P.S. - weight loss and healthy eating
- ◇ Mod Eugene – RV modification/cabinetry
- ◇ Camper Corner – RV products
- ◇ Badges R Us – monogrammed badges, patches and more
- ◇ Dogs for the Deaf
- ◇ Blood Pressure booth - Free, check as often as you wish
- ◇ Saga Brothers – special bamboo sheets and pillowcases
- ◇ Oregon Coach Crafters (RV repairs) – invited
- ◇ Umpqua Valley Fire Service – fire extinguishers – invited
- ◇ Local Vineyards and Wineries – wine tasting – invited
- ◇ Lydia’s Quilt & Craft Studio - quilting and hobby items
- ◇ OGS Chapter Sales – room for quite a few
- ◇ Quick & Brite – “green” shower cleaner and more
- ◇ Junipers Reservoir RV Resort in Lakeview – giving us a free 3-day stay at their resort for a door prize drawn on Sunday at the Closing Ceremony **[must be there to win]**
- ◇ Seven Feathers Casino RV Park - giving us a free 2-day stay at their resort for a door prize drawn on Sunday at the Closing Ceremony **[must be there to win]**
- ◇ More still signing up.....



**ONLY 3 MORE MONTHS TO SIGN UP NEW MEMBERS AND TRY
TO WIN THE 2016 NEW MEMBER CONTEST**



23rd Annual Oregon Jamboree in Sweet Home has Good Sam Club Event

When you go into good-samclub.com website you will find all kinds of exciting stuff. One of the pages is called Good Sam Events & State Rallies (Samborees). There are 24 different Good Sam Events listed, including one from Oregon. It is the **23rd Annual Oregon Jamboree held in Sweet Home, OR on July 29-31, 2016.**

23rd Annual Oregon JAMboree Music Festival in Sweet Home

Thousands of fans gather from across the nation to attend The Oregon JAMboree- the Northwest's premier three-day country music and camping festival. Nestled between the Cascade Mountains and the Santiam River, the picturesque beauty of Sweet Home sets a stunning backdrop for the star studded weekend. Join us for a weekend of family fun and music. Plus, Good Sam members enjoy a special member's only rate. [Join the fun today!](#)

- What is it: A music festival, a three-day weekend event in Sweet Home, Oregon. A special camping location and ticket prices for Good Sam Club members.
- Where: Dry camping located in the Sweet Home area with shuttle service to the venue. Directions provided with your tickets.
- When: July 29-31, 2016
- Who: Open to All Good Sam Members with a 20% price reduction
- Contact: Reservations can be made by clicking on this webpage: <https://www.festivalticketing.com/boxoffice/?cref=623CB17F-99BE-4744-99A1-4524BC99D478>
Use the password **GoodSam2016** to reserve your tickets.

You choose between two special packages offered with 20% reduction in price to Good Sam members! You choose:

RESERVED Seating Camping Package and receive tickets to the event plus main stage seating for two, (chairs provided) in a specially set up Reserved Seating Area far enough back from the speakers to be enjoyable at a package cost of \$550! OR

PREMIER General Admission Camping Package and receive tickets to the event plus main stage seating for two (chairs **not** provided) in the General Admission area behind reserved seating at the main stage at a package cost of \$360!

In both cases, your Zelkova Street camp site (20' x 50') is a dry camp (dumping/water services available by phone at your expense) in a new and beautifully rustic setting with shuttle service to the venue in downtown Sweet Home (driving directions provided with tickets).

Additional information about the Oregon JAMboree is available at www.oregonjamboree.com. To date, Carrie Underwood, Toby Keith, Old Dominion, Chase Bryant, and Randy Houser have confirmed their appearance.



I'm looking for a videographer. What is that? I looked up the description and it said he/she is part director, part sound person and part editor. You are in charge of the images the public sees. You work in studios and in remote locations. In OGS you would be in control of filming what people do during the Samboree, picking up the sounds and then editing what you saw. Have you ever dreamed of working in the movies or TV? Well, here's your chance.

SITE DECORATION CONTEST aka the Water Jug Contest

Since we left the Jefferson County Fairgrounds in Madras, we have not had a need for the water jugs that were so important to the safety of us all during the Samboree. In Madras we parked our RVs on dried grass so we had to be constantly aware of fire danger. In Roseburg, most of us park on black top.

We want to continue to show our creativity and pride by displaying our water jugs and/or other items, designing our display to fit the theme of the year, "**Under the Sea**". These displays will be built next to or on our parked RV's, being aware of size restraints. More information will be available in the May Drifter. They will be judged.



A big, big thank you to Oregon Good Sams for surprising me with all of your cards, emails and wishes for a 'Happy 90th Birthday'. It has been a fun and great two weeks of celebrating. You are my 'second family' and I love you dearly.

FROM ANN

CLASSIFIED ADS AND PERSONALS

A NOTE FROM DYANN SHAVER.....

Dyann has a 2003 Alfa 36' motorhome – Cat Diesel – all the extras – 70,000 miles - \$59,995 – firm

Dyann is looking for a Class C – cheap - \$10,000 or under – older in good condition – must have good engine

Dyann wants to know if anyone has a RV she could rent for the Samboree. It would only be used for changing and sleeping – NO COOKING

*****Dyann Shaver, 727 NE Loucks Rd, Madras, OR 97741, 541-325-1080, tdshaver179@aol.com *****

**34th Annual Eastern Oregon
Country Cuzzins Rendezvous
2016**

- Date** May 19, 20, 21, & 22, 2016
Theme Good Old Days
Place Umatilla County Fairgrounds, 425 W. Orchard Ave, Hermiston, Oregon
Directions East and West bound on I-84 take exit 182 and proceed North. At the first traffic light, Highland Ave, turn right, continue to traffic light at Hwy-395, turn left. At the next traffic light, turn left onto Orchard Ave. The Fairgrounds is on the left (about two blocks).
Fee \$60.00 per rig. Pre-Registration must be received before May 1, 2016. After this date, add \$5.00 late registration fee. This fee covers, 3 nights parking, Fri & Sat Morning: pancakes; Fri: Cake & Ice cream; Sun Morning: coffee & donuts. Walk-ins pay \$5.00 per day each person. For those who use the full hook-up sites, there will be a \$5.00 per night fee which will be personally collected by Ed Teall.
Parking Rendezvous PARKING begins at 10:00am Wed. There is a \$5.00 early bird parking fee on Wed. Anyone arriving before Wed will pay \$14.00 per day directly to the Fairgrounds office.
Registration Thurs. 10:00am - 2:00pm; Fri. & Sat. 10:00am - 12:00 noon
Refunds If you are Pre-registered & unable to attend, a \$5.00 charge will be deducted from your requested refund. Refund request must be made by June 15, 2016.
Meals Thursday Night: POTLUCK.
 Friday Night: POTLUCK
 Saturday Night: POTLUCK
Activities Bingo, Card Games, Chapter Stores, Brown Bag Auction (For this each rig provide a brown bag containing something of value not less than \$10 or more than \$20. No food items.) Each rig to provide one door prize. Church Service Sunday.
Food Drive Please supply at least one (1) non-perishable food item per person. Food will be provided to Agape House-Hermiston in co-operation with the Oregon Food Bank.
NOTICE This is a DRY CAMP. Don't forget your water jugs to place by your RV. If you wish to park as a group, please wait until all group members are present, then enter the park area as a group.

DETACH AND MAIL PRE-REGISTRATION FORM BELOW

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Mail to Wanda Gundlach Make Checks Payable to **COUNTRY CUZZINS**
 2600 SW Goodwin #28
 Pendleton, OR 97801
 541-240-0829, or Shirley Pulley 541-276-4893

Number for Senior Center Lunch on Thurs. _____

Please print or type both names of couples:
 Names _____ Chapter _____ GS# _____
 Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone# _____

Early Bird Parking Wed. \$5.00 Amt. Wed. Parking... \$ _____.
 Registration \$60.00 per rig Amt. Reg. Fee..... \$ _____.
 Late Registration Fee \$5.00 per rig Late Reg. Fee..... \$ _____.
 Walk-in Fee \$5.00 per day per person Walk-in Reg. Fee.....\$ _____.
 Total Amt. Enclosed \$ _____.

Teams provide multiple perspectives on how to meet a need or reach a goal, thus devising several alternatives for each situation. Individual insight is seldom as broad and deep as a group's when it takes on a problem.

...John Maxwell



GOOD SAM CLUB CLEAN-UP DAY

The 21st annual Good Sam Club Cleanup Day will be May 14-15, 2016. Good Sam Club members across North America will get together to do their bit for the environment, just as they have since 1996.

Nowhere is the club's original Good Samaritan mission more evident than at Cleanup Days. Members head out in force, not only to pick up trash, but also to prune branches, paint fences, restore hiking trails and whatever else needs to be done.

HISTORY OF "CHAPTER OF THE YEAR" IN OREGON

In 1999, Santiam Sams became *Chapter of the Year*, not only in Oregon but in the nation.

In 2014, Blue Mountain Sams became *Chapter of the Year* in the State of Oregon.

Karen, our State OGS Director, is encouraging us to do it again. We have a lot of chapters that help clean up public spaces, donate clothing and needed items to our Veterans, make baby items and blankets for hospitals, make quilts for hospice facilities and serve food in homeless shelters. We collect food for our food banks each year. "We can do it again. Making a difference in someone's life is why we are here."

McKenzie River Drifters ready to serve us hot dogs.



Playing 13 Pennies

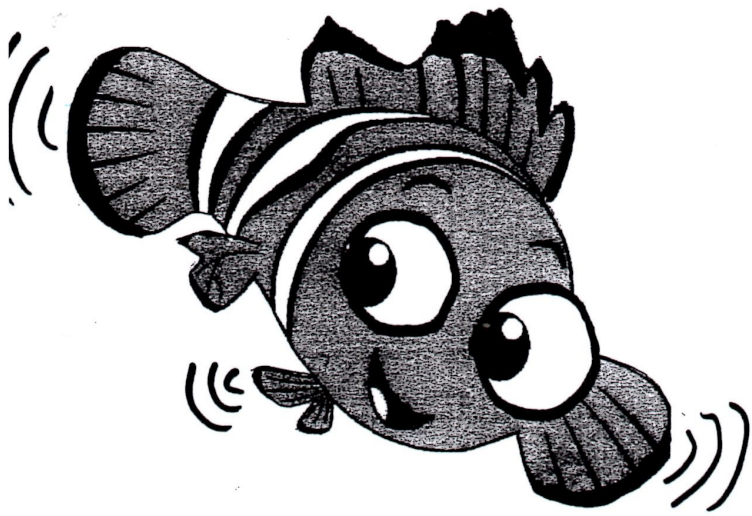


In Oregon Cleanup Days fall on the same days as our May Mini-Rally in Rickreall. During that meeting we will take time out to help clean up areas in the Polk County Fairgrounds and Museum grounds. We will spend two hours picking up trash, maybe planting flowers, painting a fence and other projects that need to be done. If you can't physically do it, you can be our cheering section.

Then we will gather (all wearing our chapter vests) for a photo shoot to document our activity, sending it in to Good Sam Club.

For members who are not attending the Mini-Rally that weekend we encourage you to do some cleanup projects in your own communities.



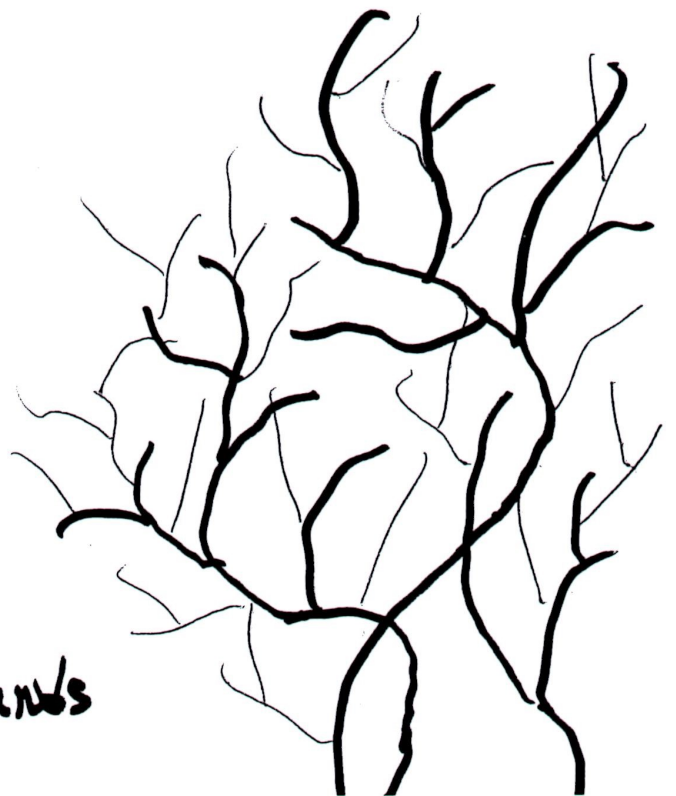


Finding Nemo

Tennis Golf?
Driver Training
Senior Olympics
Saxan ball?
Silent Auction
Corn Hole?
Potato Peeling Contest

Berry Surprise
Building A Salad?
Organization?

Pow-Wow
Aug 5 - Aug 7
Hood River Fairgrounds



**2016 PowWow – Finding Nemo
A Gathering for ALL Good Sam Members
Sponsored by the Wy-East Pioneers Chapters**

Where: Hood River Fairgrounds, Odell, Oregon
When: Friday, August 5, Saturday, August 6, Sunday Morning, August 7, 2016 (optional early arrival Wednesday, August 3 and/or Thursday, August 4, 2016.)
Directions: Interstate 84 to Hood River Exit 64, South on Hwy 35 to Odell cut off, turn right and follow the road signs to the fairgrounds.
Cost: \$23.00 per night camping fee includes basic electric, water, use of dump station upon departure and use of fairground buildings Friday through Sunday morning. Early bird camping will be \$16.00 per night.
 A separate registration fee listed below entitles you to the Early Bird Berry Surprise, three breakfasts and two dinners.
 Day passes for those not camping on the fairgrounds are \$7.00 per day per person (does NOT include meals).

The registration fees are payable by mail when sending in the registration form below.
 We are changing things up again this year so start watching your Drifter newsletter for PowWow updates.

Detach and mail registration form with registration fees

Please make checks payable to Wy-East PowWow and MAIL by July 26, 2016 to:

Lenore Marino
 PowWow Registration
 15224 SE Kelly St.
 Portland, OR 97236
 503/680-4126

As a courtesy to the planning committee please register as early as possible!

Name: _____ Chapter: _____
 Address: _____ City/State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Upon arrival let the parking crew know if you require handicap parking and they will do their best to assist you.

Camping Fees: Friday and Saturday = \$46.00 Total	Enclosed:	\$ _____
Early Bird Wednesday & Thursday = \$32.00 Total		\$ _____
Early Bird Thursday only = \$16.00 Total		\$ _____
Day Pass (\$7 per day per adult): # of days _____ X # of adults _____ =		\$ _____
Meal Fees:		
Adults 16 & up : # _____ X _____	\$20.00 ea =	\$ _____
Children 5 to 15: # _____ X _____	\$15.00 ea =	\$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____



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