

Hello ORCA friends,

Well, wasn't that a fun January storm with all the snow and ice ... and power outages! We live in a heavily wooded area with many trees that fell. We were out of power for 5 days, and it was not fun. We immediately put the refrigerated foods (that we cared about saving) into a large cooler and set it outside. We have a small generator that gave us power for one lamp and one tv, at least, and had our propane fireplace running most of the time until the propane gave out. Unfortunately, without electricity, we couldn't run the fan on it, but it still put out a little heat. We stayed bundled under blankets and camped in front of the tv. Luckily, we could still get out to get meals at our local restaurants which gave us a chance to heat up a bit. I don't think our cats enjoyed it, either, as they were cold to the touch and lethargic. Not knowing what a winter storm we'd be experiencing, Bill had removed the batteries out of the motorhome and had the cover on it, or we could have just moved out there. But to prepare better for a "next time", we have now purchased a large generator that should pretty much run the entire household!

Roundup is just a couple months away, and the registration form is in this issue. Don't delay in mailing your check, as this one fills up quickly with just over 40 sites. We have also included the registration form and agenda for the Washington State Good Sam rally, May 1st to 5th, in Lynden, Washington, in case you are interested in attending. This year, Bill will be doing a Wolf program for them, so we'll be there for a couple of days. Looking forward to seeing most of you in Lincoln City at the Roundup!

Barb and Bill Taylor, State Directors

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Chapter Camp-Outs & Events for 2024

We will again be posting each chapter's 2024 camp-out/event schedules in the Drifter in the January and February issues. Please get your schedules in to orcadirector@outlook.com just as soon as possible. If you are interested in camping with other chapters, please contact them directly.

The Weekenders Tim Pierce 630-551-5029

January - Date to be determined - Spains' home at 3362 SE Willow St, Hillsboro. Their phone number is 503-693-8149. It will be on a Saturday.

February - Date to be determined - Joan Harrison's home. Valentines Day themed.

March 9, Saturday at 1:00 - Colescotts - Lum Yuens on 3190 Portland Rd in Salem

April 26,27,28 - Tim & Louis – Armitage Park. If you haven't made your reservations yet remember these sites go fast so we suggest you do it now at <u>lanecounty.org</u> or call 541-682-2000 and let Tim know. They are in site 27. Jacobson in site 30.

May 9-12, 3 nights. Jacobsons - Riverbend - Sweethome. We got the group sites. We had to pay a total of \$650 in full for the sites so if you want to go please let us know and mail us a check for \$109.00. There are only 2 sites left so the sooner you let us know you want a spot and send us your check the sooner you ensure you get a spot. Once the spots are all reserved you will need to try to get a spot on your own.

June 12 - 16. Tim & Louis - ORCA Rally - Polk County Fairgrounds, Rickreall. It would be nice if we could get a good turnout for our group to show we support ORCA. The theme is Coastal Craze. Watch the DRIFTER for the registration form and register as soon as you can.

July 18-21 Ellisons - Stargazers RV Resort - 800 E. Simcoe Drive, Goldendale, WA 98620. Make your own reservations under Ellison. Talk to Tony at stargazersrvresort@gmail.com Then let Ellisons know you made your reservation.

August - Jacobsons - TBA. We want to go to Silver Falls Park but cannot call for reservations until February. If we can't get Silver Falls Park we will try for Silver Spur.

September 5, 6,7,8. Pow Wow Hood River. If you want info for it you can contact the Jacobsons, or watch The Drifter.

September - 19-22 Plantengas - Elkton, if available.

October - Huillets - Maybe Tillamook Elks

November – Plantengas, TBA

December - President - Christmas Party

The 79ers Karl Kirchner 503-333-8936

January - TBD

February - TBD

March - First meeting

April 26 to 28 - The Westerners Round Up, Wapiti RV Park, Lincoln City, OR

May – Possible meeting. Would like to camp with another chapter

June 12 to 16 - ORCA Rally, Polk County Fairgrounds, Rickreall, OR

July - Bend/Sisters Garden RV Resort, Bend, OR

August - Would like to camp with another chapter

September 5 to 8 – Pow Wow, Hood River Fairgrounds, Odell, OR

October - Netarts Bay Garden RV Resort, Netarts, OR

November - TBD

December - Holiday dinner?

Spruce Runners Connie Morrill 503-913-2671

January 20 - Oswego Grill, Wilsonville

March 9 - To be determined

April 25 to 28 - The Westerners Round Up, Wapiti RV Park, Lincoln City, OR

June 13 to 16 - ORCA Rally, Polk County Fairgrounds, Rickreall, OR

July 14 - Haystack Reservoir

July 15 to 19 - Fish House Inn

July 19 Haystack Reservoir

August?

September 5 to 8 – Pow Wow, Hood River Fairgrounds, Odell, OR

September 12 - To be determined

November 9 - To be determined

Westside Wanderers David Herinckx 971-409-4721

April - 21-25 Hee Hee Illahee RV Resort - Salem, Or.

May - 19-23 Kampers West RV - Warrenton, Or.

June - 16-19 Heceta Beach RV - Florence, Or

July - 21-25 Timber Lake RV - Stevenson , Wa.

Aug - 18- 22 Kenanna RV Resort - Grayland, Wa.

Sept - 11- 15 Silver Spur, Silverton - Silverton, Or.

Oct - 13- 17 Old Mill on the Bay - Garibaldi, Or.

Nov - 17 - 21 Olde Stone Village - McMinnville Or.

Layovers Larr Chartier 503-307-4189

February 14 – Spaghetti Factory

March - TBA

April 26 to 28 – The Westerners Round Up, Wapiti RV Park, Lincoln City, OR

May -- TBA

June 12 to 16 - ORCA Rally, Polk County Fairgrounds, Rickreall, OR

July 25-29 - Crooked River Ranch

August - TBA

August 14-17 - FMCA Rally, Redmond, OR

September 5 to 8 – Pow Wow, Hood River Fairgrounds, Odell, OR

October - TBA

November / December – Holiday gathering

ORCA received a nice thank you card from the Lincoln City Food Pantry the other day:

From Nathalie F. Miller (Food Pantry Manager)

Amount: \$1655.00

"As we send out our end of the year receipts, we are reminded of the kindness and generosity of our donors. Thanks to gifts like yours, we are able to keep up with the heavy demand this winter. Our visitors go away with bags of "good stuff". We appreciate you! Happy New Year!"





Valentine's Day Love Song Match

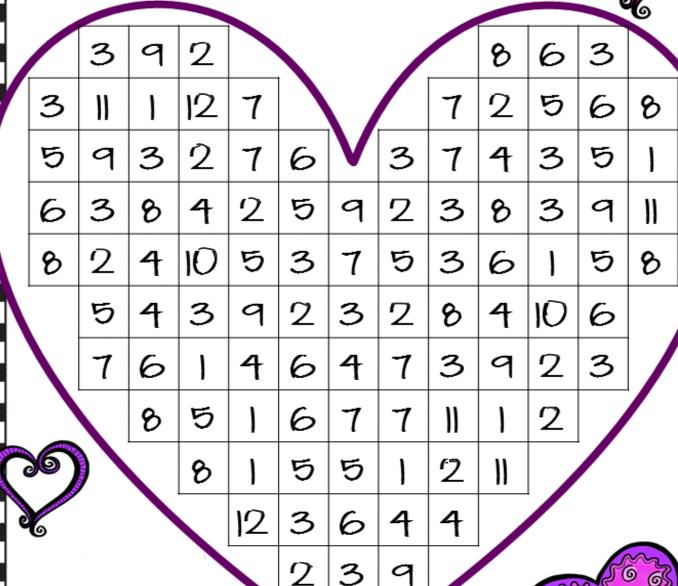
Match each love song with the correct musician or band.

1. The Power of Love	A. WHITNEY HOUSTON
2. Endless Love	B. THE JACKSON 5
3. I'll Make Love to You	C. MARIAH CAREY
4. I Will Always Love You	D. THE TEMPTATIONS
5. Can't Stop Lovin' You	E. BEYONCE FEAT. JAY-Z
6. Bleeding Love	F. ALAN JACKSON
7. Crazy Little Thing Called Love	G. TINA TURNER
8. It Must Be Love	H. THOMAS RHETT
9. Crazy in Love	I. HUEY LEWIS & THE
10. What's Love Got to Do With It	NEWS
11. Keep on Loving You	J. BILLY RAY CYRUS
12. (I Can't Help) Falling in Love with	K. BEN E. KING
You	L. DIANA ROSS & LIONEL
13. My Girl	RICHIE
14. I Just Called to Say I Love You	M. STEVIE WONDER
15. Forever and Ever, Amen	N. MAROON 5
16. Confessions Part II	O. CYNDI LAUPER
17. Stand by Me	P. REO SPEEDWAGON
21. 2010. TO 1. 10 0 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 1	Q. CELINE DION
18. My Heart Will Go On	R. VAN HALEN
19. Always Be My Baby	S. MARVIN GAYE
20. I'll Be There	T. BOYZ II MEN
21. Ain't No Mountain High Enough	U. LEONA LEWIS
22. Time After Time	V. QUEEN
23. She Will Be Loved	W. RANDY TRAVIS
24. Die A Happy Man	X. ELVIS PRESLEY
25. Achy Breaky Heart	Y. USHER

Answers on Page 15

Valentine's Day February 14

Valentine's Day is February 14. Find adjoining pairs or trios of numbers that add to 14. Circle each one that you find. Each pair or trio must be in a line vertically or horizontally. Once a number is used, it can't be used again.



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Greetings ORCA Campers!

My name is Andrew Brett, I am an Outfitter at Johnson RV in Sandy, Oregon. We offer a huge selection of premium pre-owned RV's that are hand-picked by our team of Buyer's. We also carry new brands like Winnebago, Jayco, Forest River, Leisure Travel, and many others. If you find yourself looking for a change and would like a great purchasing experience, please reach out to me. No matter where you are in the buying process, I am happy to be a resource for you. My cell phone number is 503-730-9653.

Enjoy your adventures!

All the best,

Andrew

Andrew Brett Johnson RV Sandy Professional RV Outfitter (503) 783-6311

Note from Barb and Bill Taylor:

We have been looking to upgrade our 2007 Jayco Greyhawk Class C motorhome for the past few months. We came to Andrew, as we trust Johnson RV and their staff is very helpful and knowledgeable. We recommend Andrew if you're looking for a change and you'll like how you're treated at Johnson RV. Mention Andrew to your friends, neighbors, and family, too!

It's time to take the RV out of hibernation. Steps to prepare for Spring.

Exterior

- Check the tires for proper air pressure and cracks in the sidewalls. Don't forget the spare.
- Check the unit for any damage. (Tree limbs that fell over the winter, rodents that may have entered the RV, etc.)
- Remove any protective covers, outside and inside.
- Check the outside components. (Cracked side vents, missing light covers, baggage door operation, turn signals, etc.)
- Check to make sure your license plate tabs are current.
- Check the water heater for any blockage.

Interior

- Open windows and roof vents to air it out and make sure all the windows and vents are in working order.
- Give the inside a thorough cleaning and check for unwanted visitors, such as bugs, mice, etc.
- Vacuum carpets, inside the cabinets, under the dinette seats and sleeping areas.
- Make sure you have an up-to-date and fully supplied first aid kit. Double check expiration dates.
- Check and replace towels and linens that may have been removed for the winter. (Bedding, blankets, pillows, washcloths, beach towels, etc.)

Operating systems

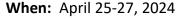
- De-winterize the unit and flush the freshwater system.
- Check the freshwater system for proper operation. Don't forget to check both the water pump and city water hook-up. Test all valves including faucets, outside shower, and toilet.
- Flush and fill the freshwater tank. (Fill it completely full at least once a year to check for leaks in the upper part of the tank, fill hose and vent tube.)
- Make sure the carbon monoxide detector, smoke alarm, LP detector, and fire extinguishers are all in working order. Install fresh batteries for those that aren't tied into the RV's electrical system.
- Check the battery. Make sure the water level is correct, it is fully charged, and terminals are tight.
- Check the water heater on gas and electric if so equipped. Make sure the gas burner tube is clean and nothing has nested in it during the winter. If equipped with bypass valves, be sure they are returned to the "summer" position. Note: Never operate the water heater on electric unless the tank is full of water.
- Take the propane tank(s) to be filled. Many states require the tanks be recertified after a
 set period of time. If your state is one of them, ask the filling attendant how much longer
 you have until your tanks are due for recertification and act accordingly.
- Check all appliances for proper operation. Wipe out the refrigerator and check operation on both gas and electric.
- Check and clean the air conditioning filter.

Westerners' Annual Roundup

Join Us At The Beach

Where: Wapiti RV Park, 2118 S. Drift Creek Road, Lincoln City, OR 97367;

(541) 996-2240 www.wapitirvpark.com





Directions: Travel Hwy 101 south of Lincoln City to milepost 119 (1/2 mile south of Schooner Creek). Left on South Drift Creek Road - 1 1/2 miles follow the signs, the park will be on your right. (Don't rely on your GPS!)

Costs: Camping fees: \$43 per rig per night; New this year: If you want to come early or stay late, reservations must be made directly through the park, be sure to tell them you are with the Westerners. Rally fees: \$35 per attendee. Meals included, Thursday evening ice cream social; breakfast on Friday and Saturday, donuts and coffee on Sunday, Dinner on Friday and Saturday. Meals will be prepared by chapter members/volunteers. Campers will be asked to provide salad or dessert - last names A-M for Friday and **N-Z for** Saturday dinners. Saturday lunch a potato bar will be available for \$2 each.

Please bring an item for the oral auction - all monies will be donate	ed to a local charity.
Activities: We will be having a Pinochle, Hand and Foot, and Cribbage tou forget your 10 quarters per participant. To help fund the Roundup, we wild drawings.	ll be having a Raffle and 50/50
————————Detach and mail registration and fees——	
Make checks payable and mail to: John Monahan, 21717 NE 22nd Ave, Rio Phone (360) 984-4620; Email: Jmonahan4620@gmail.com	dgefield, WA 98642-2500.
Name:Chapter:	
Address: City/State/Zip	
Phone () Email:	
Handicap: Y / N? We'll do our best to accommodate. All sites first come,	first serve.
Length of RV Trailer, Motor Home, 5th Wheel, Tent Trailer, ot	:her
All sites are 30 amp/water, no cable, wifi or TV reception. Two dump stati	ons on site.
Your canceled check will be your confirmation. All cancellations must be notify John Monahan. 360 984 2620	made by April 15 for refund,
Camping fees: \$43 per night. Thursday, Friday and Saturday (\$129)	\$
Rally fees: \$35 per attendee	\$
Circle day of arrival: Thursday, Friday or Saturday. Total amount	\$
Office Use: Date received:// Registration #	-

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ORCA Rallies 2024 ~ Please add to your calendar and keep watching upcoming Drifter newsletters for registration forms!

ORCA Rally – Polk County Fairgrounds, Rickreall, Oregon

June 12 through June 16, 2024

THEME: "Coastal Craze"



(early birds welcome sooner)

Wy'East PowWow – Hood River Fairgrounds, Odell, Oregon September 6 through September 8, 2024

THEME: "Sailing The Seas"

(early birds welcome sooner)





As a charitable organization, ORCA prides itself on supporting those in the communities where our rallies are held. The State Directors of ORCA have selected a new project to help those in need in Polk County. CASA of Polk County, Inc., works to recruit, train, guide, and support well-trained <u>volunteer</u> advocates to be a voice in court for abused and neglected children and youth in the judicial dependency system of Polk County, Oregon. These children have been removed from dangerous situations at home and are in foster care.

CASA holds a holiday toy drive for these children each year, and we feel this would be a worthwhile, heartwarming opportunity to support children in crisis. Nothing is better than seeing the joy and excitement on a child's face who otherwise may not receive a gift at Christmas. CASA is requesting new, <u>unwrapped</u> toys for the little ones and/or gift cards for their youth ... ages newborn to 18 years ... boys and girls.

We hope that our membership remembered to catch some holiday sales this past Christmas, as this charitable project will commence at our ORCA Rally in June 2024. We are confident that our ORCA membership will embrace this new project and have a lot of fun with it. Please watch the video at www.casaofpolk.com to learn more about CASA and to inspire you to want to make a difference in a child's life. If each one of our male members purchased a gift for a boy, and each female member purchased a gift for a girl, we'd have a tremendous number of gifts to donate, and a fairly even distribution of boy/girl gifts.



~ MEMORIAL NOTIFICATION FORM ~

NAME OF DECEASED:				
SPOUSE:				
CHAPTER:				
DATE OF BIRTH (if known):				
DATE OF DEATH:				
* We welcome a solo photo of the o	deceased and a short obituary for The Drifter			
SEND FORM TO: DEE VEENENDA	AAL, OREGON RV CAMPERS ASSOCIATION			
38452 JASPER-LOWELL RD., FALL CREEK, OR 97438 541-913-6994				
	CADirector@outlook.com			
	PTER MEMBER FORM ~			
CHAPTER:				
NEW MEMBER NAME(S):				
ADDRESS:				
CITY:	STATE ZIP CODE:			
HOME PHONE:	CELL (member 1):			
	CELL (member 2):			
REFERRED TO CHAPTER BY:				

SEND FORM TO: DEE VEENENDAAL, OREGON RV CAMPERS ASSOCIATION 38452 JASPER-LOWELL RD., FALL CREEK, OR 97438 541-913-6994

Or email: ORCADirector@outlook.com



2024 LYNDEN GOOD SAMS RALLY

Theme: "HAPPY HIPPY DAZE"

Wednesday May 1 - Sunday May 5, 2024 Northwest Washington Fair & Event Center 1775 Front Street, Lynden, WA.



Is this your first Lynden Good Sams Rally? If yes use \$25 First Timer (FT) discounted registration fee below. If NO All other members use \$35 registration fee.					
Last Name		First Name(s)			
Address		City		State/Zip	
E-Mail		you want firmation? Yes	Home Phone	Cell	
Do you need handi	cap parking? Yes	First come first	parked	Chapter(s)	Member at Large
Please display you	r handicap sign in	the windshield			at Large
The President & Re	egistrar ask you to	register 2 weeks p	rior start	of the campout or ASAP	Number of
Registration fee c	overs Wednesd	lay thru Saturday n	ights	Amount Due	People
1 RV and occupa	nts \$35 x 4 nig	ghts = \$140 (US Fun	ds) 🗪	\$	
(FT) Discounted I	Fee \$25 x 4 ni	e \$25 x 4 nights = \$100 (US Funds) \$		# of Pets	
# Extra night(s) you plan to attend x \$35 Per Night = \$					
Circle Monday Tuesday Total \$					
Make check payable to: Washington State Good Sams Mail registration & check to: Robin Leaden, WSGS Registrar, 17242 11th Ave. NE Shoreline, WA. 98155 Refund requests must be emailed to the State Registrar at: robinleaden@aim.com or sent to the registrar and postmarked with U.S. Mail no later than 5 days from the start of the event.					
I/we understand the Washington State Good Sams Club has taken reasonable safety precautions and I/we accept full responsibility for the welfare of our RVs and all persons in and around our RVs while attending the Washington State Lynden Good Sams Rally.					
Signature RequiredDate					
For Registrars	Date Received / C	heck # / Amount Due	1	Refund Date/ Amt./ Check #	
use only					
Cut & keep below INFO KEEP this information and follow below instructions					
No RVs are allowed to enter the Fairgrounds RV Park on or before Sunday April 28th due to fairgrounds event					

No RVs are allowed to enter the Fairgrounds RV Park on or before Sunday April 28th due to fairgrounds event

To enter the fairgrounds please use the KOK Road entrance, see MAP.

RV parking is from 8AM to 5PM, for exceptions contact State Wagon Master



Lynden Rally Hippy Dress Up Day Information

Friday we will have a Hippy Dress Up Day and we encourage you all to dress up as a hippy. There will be a Hippy costume parade Friday before the evening entertainment (trivia). Costumes will be judged. The winners will be announced Saturday night and will receive a cash prize.



Lynden Agenda

Wednesday, May 1		Friday, May 3 cont.		
8:00 - 5:00	Parking (Al & Craig)		Bean Bag Baseball for All	
10:00	Please help with table & chair setup		(Ed & Bill)	
11:00 - 12;00	Set up Games, Sign-up Sheets	5:00 - 6:45	Dinner on Your Own	
	Chapter Raffle & Silent Auction Setup	7:00	Announcements	
12:00	Lunch on your own		Hippy Dress Up Parade Judging	
1:00 - 2:30	Registration Table Open		Trivia for all (Dave & State Team)	
	Games Sign Up		Ice cream & berries	
3:00 - 4:00	Learn Line Dancing (Rosalie Fehr)		(Good Guy Sams serving)	
4:30	Dinner on your own	Saturday, Ma	,	
6:00 - 6:30	State Team Meeting	7:30 - 9:00	Donuts	
7:00	Card Bingo (Ed & Bill) (bring cards)		(Sams of Puget Sound serving)	
Thursday, Ma	ay 2		Bring your own Coffee	
7:30 - 9:00	Breakfast \$7 (Daffodil Ramblers)	9:00 - 10:00	General Meeting for All	
9:00 - 9:30	First Timers Meeting	10:30 - 12:00	"Howl In" Seminar	
10:00 - 12:00	Mexican Train Tournament (Dee)		(Bill Taylor of Wolf Haven)	
12:00	Lunch on your own	12:00 - 1:30	Lunch \$7.00 Pulled Pork, Hot dogs,	
1:00 - 2:00	Registration Table Open		Coleslaw, Cookies, Chips & Drink	
2:00 - 3:15	Pet Parade & Judging		What-Com's Sams)	
3:30 - 4:30	Games Challenge for All	2:00	Silent Auction Ends	
	(State Team)	3:00 - 5:00	Pinochle Tournament	
5:00	Complimentary Catered Dinner	5:00 - 6:45	Dinner on your own	
7:00	Opening Ceremony (Military Sams)	7:00	Announcements	
	Announcements - Entertainment		Bring your Buttons and raffle tickets	
	"The Illusion of Elvis" (Danny Vernon)		Donations / Raffles / Game Winners	
Friday, May 3	B Hippy Dress Up Day		Entertainment	
7:30 - 9:00	Donuts (State Team serving)		JP Falcon Grady & Band	
	Bring your own Coffee	Sunday, May	/ 5	
9:00 - 10:00	WA State Presidents Meeting	7:30 - 9:00	Donuts (What-Com's Sams serving)	
	Cribbage Tournament (bring boards)		Bring your own Coffee	
12:00 - 1:30	Lunch \$7.00 (What-Com's Sams)	9:15	Flag Closing - Military Sams	
	Pulled Pork, Hot dogs,		Fellowship (offering)	
	Coleslaw, Cookies, Chips & Drink		Door Prizes - bring ticket,	
1:00 - 2:00	Registration Table Open		Must be present to win.	
1:00 - 2:00	Craft Sale	Stage decora	ations by What-Com's Good Sams	

If there is anything your chapter would like to include in

The Drifter, our cut-off day each month is the 25th.

Articles/news/pictures received after this date will be included in the following months' newsletter. Thank you !!



ANSWERS TO PUZZLE ON PAGE 7

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