



## The Chatter--May 2018

Newsletter - Clackamas Campers, Chapter of Oregon Good Sam  
**2017 Good Sam Miracle Makers Happy Tails Award**

President- Dan McGivern, 971-570-9788; Vice President- Art Hanson; Secretary-Teresa McGivern  
Treasurer-Burt DeGraw; Wagonmaster-Bill Shearer; Membership- Dave Paulson, 503-786-4869  
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### Dan's \$.02 May 2018 (Written April 23, 2018):

Would you believe that last month when writing these \$.02 it was snowing, and this month it's in the 80's? What a difference a month makes! Hoping that our May campout will bring us out of the Campout downpours. April wind and rain in the Warrenton and Astoria area didn't slow down the Clackamas Campers' spirit though. We greeted the USS Portland in Astoria; the rain greeted us all; baked potatoes were a hit (thanks Carol and Burt DeGraw for expertly roasting the potatoes and Carol McLaughlin for coordinating the potato potluck). Looking forward to seeing you all at the May campout.

Dan



### 2018 CLACKMAS CAMPERS MINUTES-Kampers West, Warrenton Oregon

The April 14, 2018 meeting of the monthly Good Sam Clackamas Campers chapter was called to order by Pres., Dan McGivern. All officers were in attendance: Pres., Dan McGivern; Vice Pres., Art Hanson; Sec., Teresa McGivern; Treas. Burt DeGraw, Wagon Master, Bill Shearer; Chatter Newsletter Editor, Carol McLaughlin. He advised that a quorum was present and thanked the hosts the McLaughlins and McGiverns.

Those in attendance include: Joan and Ray Borgen, Carol and Burt DeGraw, Sue and Gary Graham, Dee and Art Hanson, Teresa and Dan McGivern, Carol and Howard McLaughlin, Dave Paulson, Kathy and Bob Schuckman and Bill Shearer.

**Minutes:** There was no meeting at the March campout. It was moved by Burt Degraw and seconded and motion carried that the February minutes be approved as printed in the February Chatter newsletter.

**Treasurer's Report:** An error was listed in the March Chatter of \$80 for the DFD (now Dogs for Better Lives) March raffle instead of the actual amount of \$60 plus \$2.25 in nametag fines—the proper amount of \$62.25 was listed in the March treasurers report. It was moved by Gary Graham and seconded and motion carried to accept the February and March Treasurers Reports as listed in the February and March Chatter newsletters.

A motion was made by Carol McLaughlin and seconded by Howard McLaughlin and motion carried to reimburse Treasurer Burt DeGraw for his personal \$100 deposit used to open the new Clackamas Camper account when moving to Chase bank from On Point Community Credit Union.

(Burt has graciously donated his \$100 deposit reimbursement to the DFBL.)

**Wagon Master Report:** – Bill Shearer:

**The DFD November dessert (AKA pie) auction committee** (10 attendees) met on Friday April 13, 2018 at 3:30 PM during the April campout, to discuss the coordination of the annual fund-raising event. The Sunnyside Grange has been confirmed; the hosts, Ridlons and DeGraws, will be responsible to decide if or how the dinner shall be organized (the baked potato dinner potluck was successful at this campout, for example); Bill Shearer will be responsible for the auction process. Ideas discussed by the committee were: have a one-time drawing at the beginning of the auction where everyone buys a ticket or tickets, and the one winner selects the dessert of their choice; cut up some pies and sell them individually at one price per piece determined by the auctioneer; advertise and bring visitors and market the fund-raiser-worthy cause; RSVP visitors also in order to determine amounts of food needed.

Bill asked everyone to save the date of the May campout to **discuss the calendar for the year 2020 campouts**. Bring ideas for places you would like to visit and if you are unable to attend please email or phone those places to Bill Shearer 503-718-7447.

**May 9-11 (NOTE Wed.-Fri. nites due to Mom's day Sunday)** Hi-Way Haven RV Pk., 609 Fort Mckay Rd, Sutherlin, OR 97479 Phone: 541-459-4557, Hosts: Jordans and Ridlons.(You need to **call before April 26<sup>th</sup>** to pay for first night). There will be wine tasting and cheese and butter making class in clubhouse and a Kentucky Derby theme with your fanciest derby hats. Thursday night is a seafood buffet at a casino. We are not planning to caravan.

**June 7-9** – Old Stone Village, 4155 NE Three Mile Lane, McMinnville, OR 97128. Hosts: Pendergrafts/Rileys. Phone: 503-472-4315 or 877-472-4315. Please **Call before May 7** to reserve a site.

**July 12-14** – Silver Cove RV Resort, Phone: 360-967-2057; Hosts Grahams and Schuckmans; 351 Hall Road Silver Lake, Washington 98645; 7 miles east of Castle Rock; **Call prior to deadline of May 1<sup>st</sup>** to pay first night deposit of \$43.21. <https://highwaywestvacations.com/properties/silvercove>

**September 11-15, 2018 (Tues.-Fri. nites)** – Icicle River RV--Leavenworth WA. Hosts: Grahams and Schuckmans. 7305 Icicle Rd, Leavenworth, WA 98826. <http://www.icicleriverrv.com/>  
Gary says to stay tuned: **the fewer rigs we have, the higher the cost of the rec hall, so please sign up!**

If you have a change of plans with any of these campouts be sure that you let the Host know ASAP.

**Membership:** Dave Paulson reports that he might have visitors at next meeting. The Clackamas Campers brochure is being updated. Dave has passed out brochures and Good Sam information at B Young RVs and Curtis RV sales and neighborhood blogs, and has received leads, but no new members yet.

**Chatter Newsletter:** as always send campout pictures to Carol.

**Correspondence:** read again letter from Dogs for Better Lives (formerly Dogs for the Deaf), congratulating Clackamas Campers for donating \$2,942.75 and receiving the Miracle Makers Award of “Happy Tails” for 2017 (third place nationally), patches for each member and a Miracle Makers Award flag to be presented in the future.

### **Old Business**

Access The Chatter on the secure State Good Sam chapter web site: [www.oregongoodsam.com](http://www.oregongoodsam.com)  
go to “Login” (on Left menu)  
go to “Clackamas Campers”  
enter Username and Password as follows:  
Username: thechatter  
Password: happytail\$

### **New Business:**

Dan McGivern invited volunteers to attend the June 19-23 State Good Sam rally at the Douglas County fairgrounds in Roseburg.

Carol McLaughlin reminded everyone who hasn't, to renew your expired Good Sam membership and report the new expiration date to the secretary.

Ray Borgen reported that the new date and time for the Christmas Dinner is Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 2 PM at **Elmer's Restaurant – Clackamas**, 16087 SE 82nd Dr. Clackamas, OR 97015

Bob Schuckman reported that the 2019 March campout will be at Woodburn.

Carol McLaughlin reported the **DFBL raffle** of: \$60.

Bill Shearer reported **No Name Tag Fines**

**May Campout DFBL raffle volunteers:** Ridlons, Grahams, Paulson, McGuire

Respectfully submitted, Teresa McGivern, Secretary

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**Happy Birthdays:** Chuck Riley, May 31<sup>st</sup>. **Happy Anniversary** to Burt & Carol DeGraw on May 31<sup>st</sup>.

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**Wagon Master's Report—Bill Shearer – Included in Minutes above.**

