



Good Sam Club

SOONER NEWS

April 2015

Dear Oklahoma Good Sam Club Chapter Members,

Here's hoping that everyone is enjoying springtime in Oklahoma. I know it is a welcome sight for those of you who braved the winter. For those snowbirds and winter Texans, we're glad you're back home. For the first time ever, Roy and I spent most of the winter in Arizona instead of South TX. While in Arizona, we attended the Camping World/Good Sam Rally in Phoenix, AZ. One event that was held at the Rally was the Meet & Greet for all 9 regions. There came a time when some assistance was needed and in true Okie form, Robert & Cynthia Timberlake, Oklahoma Veterans Sams and David & Debbie Miller, former Will Rogers Sams, immediately stepped in to help, each volunteering their time to fill a shift at the South Region table. We thank these two couples for donating their time to help us out.

CHAPTER OF THE YEAR

Please join me in congratulating the Will Rogers Sams for winning chapter of the year at the national level of the Good Sam Club. In addition to monetary rewards received by the chapter and state, the chapter will also be recognized in Chapter Chat, the June issue of the Cybersam eNewsletter and the July Issue of Highways magazine. It all starts with your chapter's scrapbook entry at the state level and I encourage your chapter to participate in this competition. If you are just thinking about getting started with a chapter scrapbook or want a little guidance, please attend the Good Sam scrapbook seminar which will be held at the Samboree in Oct. Again, congratulations to the **Will Rogers Sams, Good Sam Club Chapter of the Year**, for a job well done.

SAMBOREE CIRCUIT

We just returned from the Spring Samboree circuit in Texas, Louisiana and Arkansas. I am so pleased to announce that Oklahoma was well represented and won the most out of state rigs at both Texas and Arkansas Samborees. I also saw the Good Sam spirit prominently displayed throughout the circuit. The Will Rogers Sams set up a Chapter of the Year computer voting table at each state Samboree to assist South Region voters. It was a huge undertaking to keep the table manned but as usual the Oklahoma Good Sammers stepped up to help. Thanks to the Will Rogers Sams members, Jack & Ginger Baker, David & Mary Lou Stroup, Larry & Sue Foster, Jerry & Janice Ogden, John & Shirley Steward, and to Bruce & Stephanie Fraker, Scissortail Sams, Ed & Karen McCoy, On The Road Again Sams, Dale & Roberta Webster, Western Prairie Sams/Oklahoma Veterans Sams and Dennis & Sandy Wishon, Oklahoma Veterans Sams for volunteering your time to help with this effort.

STATE TREASURER ELECTION

Gary Tidball, our State Treasurer, has informed me that he will be seeking reelection to this position for the term of 2016-2017. If someone from your chapter is also interested in running for this position, please submit his/her name to me before June 30th.

OKLAHOMA GOOD SAM CLUB WEBSITE

Please check out our new website at www.oklahomagoodsams.com. Our State Webmaster, David Stroup, has been busy adding new features. Registration forms and Vendor Forms can be downloaded from the site and you may also browse pictures from the Oct. 2014 Samboree as well as previous Samborees to see how much fun we have.

FRIENDSHIP MINI RALLIES

It is nearly time to begin the area Friendship Mini rallies. If you haven't already, you will be getting details from your area ASDs soon about your Friendship Mini Rally. There is one rally in May--- Northeast area, one rally in June--the combined Southeast/Southwest, and the last two in September--the Metro and North Central. Your ASD will be touching base with you to let you know the schedule of events. Please watch for the information and place these dates on your calendar of things to do. The friendship mini rallies are an excellent opportunity to interface with other chapter members and of course, everyone is always welcome to attend. Please encourage any potential chapter members to attend as well.

COMPLEMENTARY GOOD SAM CLUB MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

By now, you all have your complementary Good Sam Club Membership forms. Remember, these are only to be given to people who are not a Good Sam Club member but have shown an interest in the RVing lifestyle, not for renewals of Good Sam memberships. This is a great way to introduce potential members to the Good Sam Club, and of course, we hope they will subsequently join your chapter. Remember, these are to be given only to people who are not Good Sam Club members. Forms are to be filled out and returned to me for signature and forwarding to Good Sam Club administration. Please use my mail service address of 201 Rainbow Dr. 10194, Livingston, TX 77399.

As the camping season begins, lots of good times are in store for those who attend chapter campouts and mini rallies. We look forward to seeing you this summer at the mini rallies. Be safe and enjoy the camaraderie that being a member of a Good Sam chapter brings.

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