



# Good Sam Club

## SOONER NEWS

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Dear Oklahoma Good Sam Club Chapter Members,

Here's hoping everyone has escaped damage from the springtime weather in Oklahoma and are beginning to enjoy the camping season again.

### **FRIENDSHIP MINI RALLIES**

It is nearly time to begin the area Friendship Mini rallies. If they haven't already, your ASD will be touching base with you to let you know the schedule of events for their mini rally. There are two rallies in June –the Northeast area and the Metro area, one rally in July -the combined Southeast/Southwest, and the last one in September—the North Central. Please watch for the information from your ASD 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.

### **CHAPTER SCRAPBOOKS (NEW Guidelines)**

The following new guidelines have been received from our Regional Director regarding scrapbook submission and criteria. Following are the verbatim instructions that I received:

*Judges will score/rank each submission on a points scale from 1 to 9 (or however many submissions there are).*

*1 = the least*

*9 = the best*

*The submissions will be scored based on:*

- *Creativity*
- o *Next year we ask that Chapters do not submit their scrapbooks. They can take pictures or scan the pages and email them to Morgan but please do not send scrapbooks.*
- o *Pictures of the activities will work just as well as the scrapbook pages.*
- *# of Volunteer Hours*
- *# of Donations*
- o *This includes monetary and handmade donations, etc.*
- *# of Charities Supported*
- *Exhibited the most Good Samaritan Spirit*

I spoke to Don Woodard, the Regional Director, to further clarify. He stated that scrapbooks can still be submitted at the state level for judging but the winning scrapbook will not be physically sent forward. He also stated that starting this year, a synopsis of the activities noted in the guidelines should be placed in the front of the scrapbook to facilitate judging and as an avenue to send forward for the winning scrapbook. Also note that there is no specific timeframe indicated for when the activities occur. If you have any questions, please let me know and I'll make every effort to make sure they are addressed.

## **OKLAHOMA 2016 GOOD SAM RVer OF THE YEAR NOMINATION**

Each year, Good Sam holds an international competition for RVer of the Year, which is based on outstanding community service. I am pleased to share with you Oklahoma's nominee, Jerry and Janice Ogden. All submissions will be reviewed by the International Good Sam Club and a specific number of nominees will be selected in July. Voting by Good Sam members on those candidates will run from August 15<sup>th</sup> – September 15<sup>th</sup> (one vote per membership). The winner will be announced in October. I have attached separately the nomination that I submitted for Oklahoma. Please take time to read it. I'm certain you will find them most deserving of this nomination. I will keep you apprised of all events as they occur.

## **OKLAHOMA GOOD SAM CLUB STATE RV RALLY**

Our Good Sam State RV Rally will be October 6<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> in Shawnee. Early parking will begin on Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Registration forms are now available now on the website ([oklahomagoodsams.com](http://oklahomagoodsams.com)) and a our tentative program will be available on the website in early September.

Our theme this year is "Senior Prom" and we invite you to participate in our prom night on Friday evening prior to entertainment. The state staff will be escorting you to the prom for your prom pictures. Prom clothing is optional but we invite you to join the staff who will be dressed in their finest prom attire.

Our State Committee Meeting will be held on Saturday morning, October 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. If you have any items that you would like to place on the agenda for the committee meeting, please mail or email to me by July 31st. The agenda will be send to your chapter in August.

We are again requesting your chapter's support for the rally in the form of monetary door prizes and 2 cakes for the cakewalk.

If you would like to schedule a room for your chapter meeting during the rally, please contact me by August 15<sup>th</sup> so it can be placed in the program.

We could really use your help this year in manning the registration table and Chinese auction. If your chapter would like to volunteer to help at the registration table, please contact me. To help with the Chinese auction, please contact Mary Lou Stroup at (918) 224-2787. If you can help, it will be greatly appreciated.

Roy and I look forward to seeing you this summer at the mini rallies. Wishing you safe travels and a tail wind wherever you may roam.

*Susan*

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