OREGON RIVER RAMBLERS WOAHINK LAKE RV RESORT October 15-19, 2025

Attending were Keith and Cathy Bender, Dick and Janice Burke, Bob and Kathy Davis, George and Sally Doersch, Gary and Kathy Greenwell, Ron and Cindy Hoff, Elmer Ogborn and Sue Akre, Jim and Nancy Ogborn, Lyle and Linda Palmer, Ed Stutz, and Rich Torres and Faye Carter. Everyone was in place by Wednesday except the Hoffs and Torres/Carter who arrived on Thursday. The Greenwells and Hoffs were our hosts.

On Wednesday afternoon the discussion circle was already established in front of the Palmers' rig. That evening quite a few of us went to Chen's Chinese restaurant in Florence, where the service was very good, the food was delicious and the portions were huge. We even had our own room!

On Thursday morning we met in the garage/clubhouse for donuts and pastries. We sang Happy Birthday in honor of Keith's, Janice's, Sally's and Gary's October birthdays and then did it again on Friday for Ron Hoff's benefit. The weather was nice again and the conversation circle was quickly reestablished. Thursday evening's dinner was hamburgers with beans, chips, salads and desserts. Dinner was followed by card bingo with Bob once again agreeing to be our caller. The \$16 pot was won by Linda.

Keith Bender, a whiz on his 3-D printer, made us all really nice "Oktoberfest" cork-backed coasters with the park's name, ORR, and the date emblazoned on them. These mementos are very special and enjoyed by all. He also showed off a nifty light with changeable designs for the front.

On Friday morning we enjoyed breakfast burritos with everything they needed--eggs, potatoes, bacon, cheese, and sals--along with Kathy G's cheesy potatoes and juice. It was a great idea, and they were delicious. We had agreed the day before to sign up for the big dune buggy ride once again through Sandland Adventures (\$20 per person). I made the reservation, and 15 of us bundled up for the cold weather and enjoyed the ride. It seemed bumpier than I remembered but was still fun. Our driver, Rick, has been with the company for 19 years and had lots of interesting information to share as we traversed the dunes.

Dinner out that evening was on the Florence bayfront at the International C-Food Market. I always marvel at the efficiency of the servers who take care of our large group.

We agreed to reconvene at the clubhouse when we got back so we could share Thursday's plentiful leftover desserts.

Saturday was a nicer, sunnier day and would have been better for the dunes ride! We had biscuits with sausage gravy, scrambled eggs and a delicious fruit salad made by Kathy G.

Those who braved a trip to town on Saturday were met by hundreds of enthusiastic "No Kings" protestors lining the highway. Dinner was brats and buns, regular and German potato salads, a huge green salad and more delicious desserts. Our lively

Left/Right/Center game worked out perfectly with the square table arrangement, and Keith won the \$48 pot.

Our eternal thanks go to Linda Palmer for scrambling dozens of eggs this weekend! I don't know where we'd be without her and all of our "guys with grills" who do the bulk of the cooking. It is very much appreciated!

On Sunday morning we had the usual continental breakfast including leftover biscuits and gravy, cinnamon coffee cake and Sue's Morning Glory muffins. Cathy Bender had sold 50/50 tickets, and the winner of \$40 was George.

Everyone pitched in and made quick work of cleaning up the garage and putting the tables and chairs away. Our thanks go to the Greenwells and Hoffs for another fine, fine rally. It's a lot of work to make sure everything is on hand, and it doesn't go unnoticed.

Hope to see you next month at Hee Hee Illahee in Salem for our Thanksgiving and Christmas celebration!

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