Crater Lake RV Rally August 14-18, 2025

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The ORVW Crater Lake Rally was held August 14 through 18, 2025 with 32 members attending. We met at Crater Lake RV in Prospect, OR. The park is owned by one of our members, Pam Lee. The park offers 57 large campsites nestled in mature trees. Pam made her brand-new clubhouse available to ORVW, and it served us well!

Members gathered in the clubhouse on Thursday evening for games and fellowship while we awaited others to arrive on Friday.

Members and camp guests gathered on Friday at noon for a presentation by SkyMed. This gave our members the chance to consider membership and enroll as they saw fit. Friday night, 12 members carpooled to Ashland, OR to enjoy the musical *Guys and Dolls*. It was a community-based presentation that was well received with members enjoying the creative dancing and amazing singing. The rest of the group stayed in Prospect to play games and get reacquainted.

Our sunny weather dissipated overnight in Prospect just in time for the 75th annual Prospect's Annual Jamboree and Timber Carnival in beautiful downtown Prospect. We awoke to rain/drizzle that was pretty persistent until late morning. But ORVW members marched despite the rain and displayed our banner proudly! We joined Michelle Pelkey in making our presence known, handing out Mardi gras beads along the route to youngsters.

After the parade, we disbanded and scattered, some to participate in the Prospect Timber Carnival, some to shop for homemade treasures and gifts at the Jamboree, some to enjoy typical carnival fare, others to watch the loggers perform. Many members wandered back to the campground to socialize and/or nap.

ORVW members gathered at 7 PM around the campfire for an evening of song and hot dogs. Crater Lake RV offers this Saturday night event every week for campers at the park from Memorial Day through Labor Day. Live music is usually included and the star attraction on this particular Saturday was our own B Gail Hilyer. She and her sister sang many old favorites and campfire songs, and a few of our members joined them on stage for a bit. The menu included hot dogs over the fire, beans, and of course s'mores. Yum! After the campfire, we headed back to the clubhouse for more games and fun.



The head "clown" of the group



member Pam Lee with Big Foot



On the march!



Back of Crater Lake RV float



Leading the charge with our national, President Michelle



A good time was had by all!

Sunday morning saw sunshine again. Members headed out to various activities. Some traveled to Crater Lake for the day, others explored Diamond Lake and had lunch there, others ventured to Flounce Rock and other natural sites,or enjoyed a quiet day in the campground with friends.

We christened two rigs and welcomed them to ORVW.

Tami, Paulette and Mo getting ready to board the Trolley at Crater Lake.







Dee Dee, Helen and Emogene enjoying a hike.

Singing at the weenie roast.



Conquering a s'more.



End of a great weekend!