GEORGIA MOUNTAINEERS NEWSLETTER

April 2004

Happy Holiday Campground, Cherokee NC

Our rally was held at Happy Holiday Campground in Cherokee, North Carolina. Our hosts were Herbie and Elinor Wilson.

Those in attendance were: Charles & Rachel Bargainnier, Vance & Phyllis Boring, Luke & Linda Callas, Chuck & Allene Conner, Don & Lois Hardison, John & June Huffman, James & Sara Ivy, Paul & Betty Ivy, Dave & Karen Reetz, Willard & Sue Swanson, Herbie & Elinor Wilson, and our guests Stanley & Pat Gunter.

There was SNOW on the mountains Wednesday morning. It was a pretty sight. The snow melted off rather quickly though temps stayed cool. It called for heaters in the Rally room as we played Hand and Foot.

Thursday brought a lot of welcome sunshine that stayed with us the remainder of the week. We had dinner at Grannies and returned to the rally room for games. Friday proved to be even warmer than Thursday, and the sun bathers were out. Lunch was at the Hungry Bear Restaurant, after which many enjoyed looking around the area, and some tried their luck at Harrah's. We lost power at the campground, but did not let it stop the games. Flashlights and gas lanterns were the order of the day. Power was returned at about 2 AM.

We were advised that we would be without water after 9 Saturday morning due to a ruptured line in the camp. It took most of the day. We enjoyed breakfast at the Pancake House. After which James Ivy had a lot of help changing a flat tire on his car. We scattered to do shopping at the flea markets and antique stores. Some returned to supervise the work in the ditch at the campground. Even though Luke was fired from his position as head ditch watcher, the job was finally finished by mid afternoon. By six o'clock we were in HOG HEAVEN as the ladies set the table with their afternoon's labor. A short informational meeting followed led by President, John Huffman. Games followed well into the night.

Sunday morning Devotions were led by Elinor Wilson. We said our goodbyes and started packing and departing. ONE OF OUR GROUP WAS PROUD OF HOW LONG HIS POWER CORD WAS AND DECIDED TO TRY TO MAKE IT BACK TO LAWRENCEVILLE WITHOUT UNPLUGGING. IT WAS JUST A TAD SHORT.

DRIVE SAFE! Chuck

P.S. " SUBJECT: STONE MOUNTAIN CAMPOUT: THE SCHEDULE WILL BE AS FOLLOWS -----THURSDAY NIGHT-EAT OUT

FRIDAY LUNCH AT THE GOLF CLUB ON THE LAKE (BEAUTIFUL VIEW OF LAKE AND MOUNTAIN.)

SATURDAY NIGHT-- COVERED DISH IN THE PAVILION AND THEN THE LASER SHOW AT 9:30 (WEATHER PERMITING)

AT THE CAMPGROUND OFFICE WE CAN BUY 2 DAY TICKETS FOR \$19:00 THIS IS SUPPOSED TO COVER ADMISSION TO EVERYTHING IN THE PARK, I UNDERSTAND. IF BOUGHT ANYWHERE EXCEPT AT THE CAMPGROUND THEY ARE \$19:00 PER DAY.

THE CROSSROADS ATTRACTION (1870 VILLAGE) WILL BE OPEN ALREADY. WE WERE TOLD LAST FALL THAT IT WOULD NOT OPEN UNTIL JUNE."