

THE MOUNTAINEER



Newsletter of the Georgia Mountaineers Chapter of FMCA

June 13-17, 2012
Leisure Acres RV Park
Cleveland, Georgia
Hosts: Chris and Jack White and Sandra and John Long



Members camping: Abbotts, Armstrongs, Barretts, Bielemeiers, Callas, Carpenters, Chris Christopher, Franklins, Gallaghers, Hardisons, Huffmans, Longs, Mathis, Porters, Smiths, Whites, Jack & Chris

Second Time Visitors

Dan & Cindy Garner Gainesville GA Attended Dillard in May
Bob & Mary Ann Rose Norcross GA Attended Dillard in May

Bob-Tailing

Haines came on Wednesday.

Leisure Acres is south of Cleveland, Georgia. It is an older park with a lake, good club house, swimming pool and playground.

Members who arrived early enjoyed visiting sightseeing and eating at local restaurants.

Wednesday: The first official rally event was a Welcome Party with ice cream floats. The hosts also



provided cake, cheese and crackers, fruit and snack crackers. The refreshments were delicious! The Haines bob-tailed in that afternoon. We went to Rib Country for dinner. Ribs, pulled pork, and brisket were enjoyed. That evening there were two tables of Hand and Foot.



Thursday: Several folks went to Wendell's for a great country breakfast. Others went out for lunch or ate in. In the afternoon Dave and Mary Kobos from Apalachee RV Center came to speak to us. Dave answered RV repair questions and talked about RV technical issues. He gave much valuable information. He also gave gifts...note pads, pens, and key clasps. They also provided ice cream. Later that afternoon we went to The Cottage for dinner. It was very good country cooking. We had lots of fun visiting.



That evening there were two tables of cards. Others gathered at the Armstrongs' RV for a campfire. Chis White was the life of the party. We had huge marshmallows to roast and we also had s'mores.

Friday: A large group went to Wendell's for breakfast. It was very good. We had a great time telling stories. In the afternoon we went to the

White County Courthouse and Museum. The building was built in the 1800's. Members from The White County Historical Society told history of White County and stories about the area. We asked questions and then toured the museum. A large collection of information is available for genealogists and historians. After the tour we were free for shopping, sightseeing and resting until dinner. We met at the Western Sizzler. The food was very good. Several folks really enjoyed the fried catfish. After dinner there were three tables of cards. Others joined the Armstrongs for a campfire, storytelling and visiting.



Saturday: There was a business meeting in the morning. President Carl Abbott called the meeting to order. John Huffman gave the invocation. Jack White, Ted Barrett, and John Huffman were elected to be the nominating committee to select nominees for next years' officers. Ted Barrett stated a need for guidelines to be written for National Director. A committee will be appointed to write these and present them at a later meeting. Ted agreed to chair the committee. Connie Gallagher, Chairman of the SEA FMCA Nominating Committee, has openings for a



Regional SEA secretary, a Regional SEA area Treasurer (two year terms), and a regional Vice President from Georgia(four year term.) Karen Mathis gave the Sunshine Report. The following have health issues and need our continued prayers: Bill & Pat Denny, Joe Gallagher, Freida Stutz, Chris White, Diane Franklin, Barbara Rowe, Jerry Eaves and LaVerne Abbott. She reported two deaths since our last business meeting, Luke Callas and Bill Longmuir (Karen's father). After the meeting some members went to El Sombrero in Cornelia for lunch. Folks were on their own for dinner. The evening was spent playing cards, relaxing, or visiting around the campfire at the Armstrongs.

Sunday: We met for pastries and coffee. John Long did the devotional on fathers and families. President Abbott thanked the Longs and Whites for a great rally and introduced our new members, Dan and Cindy Garner and Mary Ann and Bob Rose.



ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Armstrongs are hosting the November Rally and need co-hosts.

At the October Rally we will be going to a play, "Smoke on the Mountain", at the Smoky Mountain Performing Arts Center. Tickets will be \$12.75 each. Please let Carl and LaVerne Abbott know by September 15 if you will be going. Send a check for the tickets made out to Carl Abbott by September 15.

UPCOMING RALLYS:

July: 18th thru 21st Mountain View RV Resort. Blairsville GA. Reser Req. 706-835-1111.

Directions: 136 Mountain Creek Road. <http://www.georgiamtnviewrvresort.com>

Hosts: Barretts, Carpenters, & Greulichs

August: 15th thru 18th Peace Valley KOA. Murphy NC. Reser Req. 828-837-6223.

Directions:

From Murphy go north on US-19 about 4 ½ to 5 miles, just past MM-24 going north. Turn right onto Happy Valley

Road. Need to make a wide turn. <http://www.peacevalleycampground.com>

Hosts: Silvers and McDonalds

September: 19th thru 22nd River Bend Campground. Hiawassee GA. Reser Req. 706-896-1415.

Directions: From Hiawassee, jct of US-76 & GA-17/75 go south on GA-17/75 to Streak Hill Rd., go left on

Streak Hill Road to campground on right. From Helen, Ga., Go North on GA-17/75 about 16 miles to Streak

Hill Road; go right on Streak Hill Road to Campground on right.

<http://www.riverbendcamping.com>

Hosts: Alexanders and Crumps

LaVerne Abbott

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