

State Meeting – September 15-17, 2006

Sugar Mill Plantation, Thomasville, GA

I hope everyone was able to return home or any other destination safely.

Our September State Meeting was hosted by the Metro Atlanta Winnies at the Sugar Mill Plantation Campground. 53 people attended the outing and based on the feedback I've heard, our hosts did a great job of making things run smoothly.

While several folks arrived earlier in the week, the weekend officially got going on Friday morning when we drove over to Cairo, GA and had lunch at Mr. Chick. Really good chicken was eaten, and then we were treated to a free tour of the Cairo Antique Museum. An impressive collection of old cars (including the black Cadillac used in the movie, Driving Miss Daisy) were on display. In addition, an extensive collection of antique dolls, dresses, farm equipment, motors, etc. where there to be observed. There were even 10-12 old Cushman motor scooters on display.

Friday afternoon was open for free time just so we could relax and be ready for the evening meal – at the Homecoming Restaurant, Thomasville, GA. We told the restaurant we would have 30 people, but upon taking a head count at the door, we had 45! No problem, we had our own room and enjoyed some of the best catfish, steak and all the trimmings! Everyone was full but hurried back to the campground, not wanting to miss the business meeting scheduled at 7:30. Well, maybe it wasn't the meeting everyone looked forward to, because there was desert and coffee served at the club house, too.

Everyone was greeted with a full breakfast of eggs, grits, homemade biscuits, sausage gravy and kielbasa sausage on Saturday morning cooked by the Metro kitchen crew. After breakfast, 35 members headed to the Thomasville Historical Museum and then on to Pebble Hill Plantation. We got back around 3:30pm, totally exhausted but full of excitement and stories about the day.

Later, we were treated to a wonderful pot luck dinner with the club providing baked ham. Just to be sure we could work off the extra pounds, a dance followed dinner with Bill Flowers, DJ presiding. We danced well into the night, with highlights being Fred Tomsett, Milt Burtch, and Barry Vlad on the dance floor. We also noticed that Peggy Hughes had two guys struggling for her attention. Nearly everyone found at least one song to dance to and everyone enjoyed the evening.

Sunday morning saw a large crowd having breakfast prior to hitching up to head home.























