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OCTOBER Outing

A BEAUTIFUL WEEKEND IN OCTOBER

The motor home was all packed and ready to roll on Tuesday October 10 that the Hughes Home on Tyus Road in Carrollton, GA. The Spillmans and Whitmires were scheduled to meet them on Wednesday and roll on up 400 to the beautiful North Georgia Mountains of White County at a place called LEISURE ACRES CAMPGROUND in CLEVELAND, GEORGIA.

The same scene was taking place in Lavonia, Chatsworth, Sautee, Toccoa, Ellijay, Winston, Cumming, Dacula, Athens, Homer, Warner Robbins, Bowdon, and Adairsville, as the members of The Gone With The Winnies all prepared for a wonderful weekend of camping "RV STYLE"!!!

Some of the members had a good distance to travel such as the Padgetts from Warner Robbins, and places South, while the LUCKY HOMER BUNCH and the NORTH GA CROWD from Lavonia, Ellijay, Adairsville, and Toccoa had only a short peaceful drive without the "hassle" of the experience of driving through Atlanta.

The destination was the same and the goal was a beautiful weekend in October. The hosts were the Whitmires and the McHaney's and they had all of the bases covered from Wednesday through Sunday. Betty and Tom had recovered from surgery and were ready to get back into the mainstream of camping and being with their friends, while Bill and Annette were more than happy to assist them. Grant and Kathy had been on other RV trips as had Jim and Barbara, Mona and Kent, Sandy and Jack, Jimmy and Zana, and George and Barbara, but they were now home and ready to spend time with the GWTW Club of GA.

Quite a few of the RV-ers were recovering from some health problem, but none was in the same boat as was Wanda Eubanks. She literally Got up from her hospital bed, put her clothes on, and got into the car with Bobby, and drove to the campsite!!! Such determination is to be admired in camping circles everywhere.

It seems that the crowd once they all arrived at their campsite, had food on their minds, and their hosts knew exactly where to go in order to make everyone happy. This was a restaurant known as "WEST" where the food was absolutely delicious. (Of course one overlooked such matters of a plate being dropped on the way to the table and an order not even being prepared.) I can honestly tell you that the country fried steak that I enjoyed was the best that I had ever eaten, (other than my mother's), but I can't say the same for the Thurs. night meal. You see, we ate there THREE NIGHTS IN A ROW!!!

We all went back to our lodge for coffee and dessert and a lot of just plain old fashioned good company. The twenty coaches added up to approximately forty folks, and the room was full of happy voices. No one even thought about playing cards because so many folks were there who had not been in a while, and we all had "catching up" to do. It was so much fun to find out that several of us were going to have little additions in our families, and many of us had new coaches, and were planning long trips all over America. Almost every coach was planning to be in PERRY, GA in November, however, and everyone was going to remember to pack their bikes because it's a wonderful place to ride.

On Saturday we all sat around the campground, in the sunshine, and visited with each other. (With the exception of Hal Pierce and Jim Bell who simply had to watch the GA game, and Ricky Heath who for some reason or another, kept sliding down the hill!!!!) Oh yes, I almost forgot, some of the ladies decided to visit the Antique Mall which was right around the corner. Some lucky ladies like Shelby and Mona were driven around by their husbands to local events. IN any event, we were all ready for our "POT LUCK" supper hosted by the Whitmires and McHaney's when six o'clock rolled around. The food was delicious and we were all ready for a few games of CHASE THE ACE before going back to our coaches.

We were very saddened to learn about the birth and death of the little great grandchild of Jim and Zana Palmer Friday night. Jim and Zana were keeping up with the progress of the little baby all day on Friday, but the little fellow did not breathe when he was born. We all grieve with them in this time of sorrow.
Peggy and John Hughes

Thanks to Peggy Hughes for writing the October outing happenings and to Rick Spilman for writing the minutes of the meeting.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY (November)

Grant Baldwin, 11-2, James Bell, 11-2, Joyce Berens, 11-10, Hubert Blankenship, 11-24, Rene Boatfield, 11-10, Lucille Brodeur 11-11, George DeMatteis, 11-29, Melva Martin, 11-25, Dan Rankin, 11-1, Dorothy Ripley, 11-17, StuLynn Simpson, 11-26, Bill Whitmire, 11-14
Grant & Kathy Baldwin, 11-10, 49years, Jerry & Joyce Berens, 11-11, 45 years, Gene & Melva Martin, 11-27, 38 years, Doug & Dorothy Ripley, 11-25, 40 years, Dick & Babs Walz, 11-22, 48 years

UPCOMING EVENTS

Hosts should provide information to the Editor at least two months in advance. Campouts that are 'TBA' in the WIT Magazine are NOT covered by insurance. It is the responsibility of chapter members to notify the hosts after making their reservations so that the hosts can plan meals etc. Please let your hosts know your plans!

NOVEMBER 9 - 12, 2006 South East Regional Rally, Agri-Center, Perry, GA *Details are in the WIT Magazine. Visit the web site, <http://serally.gawit.com>*

DECEMBER 8-10, 2006 River Country RV Park, Gadsden, AL, hosted by the Hill's and Raider's

JANUARY 19-21, 2007 State Meeting at Eagles Roost / Lake Park, GA, I-75 exit 5

Make reservations 229-559-5192 or online camp@eaglesroostresort.com. Then contact Jim Simpson at 229-559-0922 or wsim0922@bellsouth.net. For information go to www.EaglesRoostResort.com.

February 9 - 11, 2007 Location TBA, host James & Rene Boatfield

March 9 - 10, 2007 Leisure Acres, Cleveland, GA, hosted by the Homer Bunch

April 19 - 22, 2007 Georgia State Rally, Georgia Agri. Center, Perry, GA.

The theme is Western Round-Up, Friday nights entertainment will be Ray Shaw. The club will be the entertainment for Saturday night, if you wish to be part of the entertainment call Myra Stainback at 770-591-1852

May 18 - 20, 2007 State Meeting, River Country RV Park, Gadsden, AL, hosted by Gone with the Winnies.

June 8 - 10, 2007 TBA

July 15 - 20, 2007 GNR, Forest City, IA

August 10 - 12, 2007 TBA

September 14 - 15, 2007, State Meeting, Location TBA, hosted by Atlanta Metro Winnies

October 12 - 14, 2007, Location TBA, hosted by the Pierce's and Whitmire's

November 9 - 11, 2007, Lakeside Landing RV Park, Pell City, AL, hosted by the Carrollton Crew

December 14 - 16, 2007, Location TBA, hosted by the Boatfield's and Heath's

HATS & SHIRTS

If you would like a GWTW hat or shirt please contact our new volunteer Christine Coile. You can contact Christine at (706) 783-4142 or by email at jtcoile@earthlink.net.

GWTW WEB PAGE

Our Webmaster, Fred Tomsett continues to maintain and update our web site. It can be found at <http://gwtw.gawit.com>. From there you can find links to the state club and the other chapters. The site is continually updated with the latest photos taken at our many outings. You can help Fred if you can send him any pictures that you took of any meeting. If you know anyone who is looking to become a member or you want to show them what we are about, direct them to the web site. There they will find our schedule of events and copies of our newsletter.

MY FAVORITE CAMPGROUND

If you have a favorite campground or some experiences that you would like to share with everyone please send me the information and I will put it in the next newsletter. You can send it by email to jerryjoyce61@bellsouth.net or Joyce Berens 2231 Tourney Dr, Marietta, GA 30062.

TECH TIPS

We had the Safe-T-Plus Steering Control put on our RV a few years ago at the Perry rally. Bought it as insurance, hoping we would never need it. Coming back from Fla. the end of April this year our front right tire blew on I-75 around Venice, FL. We were in the right lane and with fuel costs so high, Ken was keeping it down around 60-65. From the horrendous noise, we knew a tire had blown, but the steering control worked so good, Ken wasn't sure which tire until he pulled off and got out and looked! He couldn't feel any tug in the wheel at all and easily steered off the road. We've heard some horror stories from people without this aid and now we know how terrific it is. We highly recommend the product.

Ken and Judy Seifert

NEED YOUR PRAYERS

I want to call your attention to the sad but important fact that several members of our chapter are still very much in need of your thoughts and prayers. Please remember the other chapter members who are still under the weather, Mac & Pat McAlister, Jane Hett (Max Parker's sister), Ernest Moosa, Don Blair, Tom McHaney, Jimmy Palmer & Jerry Berens.

DECEMBER OUTING

These are the plans we have for the December meeting. December 8-10, 2006 @ River Country campground Gadsden, Ala. All functions will be on Georgia time.

Friday December 8th eat out on your own. Dessert and games afterwards @ clubhouse .

Saturday December 9th Breakfast casserole, grits, fruit cup, juice and coffee, 9:00AM, Meeting immediately following breakfast. Afternoon free time, on your own for lunch.

Dinner Saturday, 6:30 PM, night will be ham, everyone please bring a covered dish, salad, veggies or dessert. After dinner we will exchange gifts.

Sunday morning muffins, biscuits, juice and coffee, afterwards we will have a devotional.

Each coach is asked to bring an unwrapped gift to be given to underprivileged children, Toys for Tots, as we have done in the past. Each person is asked to bring a wrapped gift which we will exchange not to exceed \$10.00.

Please call David or Julie Raider @ 770-438-8314 or 404-402-6099 to let them know if you can attend. Call James @ River Country , in Gadsden, Ala 256-543-7111 for campground reservations. If you can't reach Julie or David call Jerry or Wanda Hill @ 770-974-6375.

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