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GRAND NATIONAL RALLY

Forest City, Iowa

Everyone should go to the Grand National Rally (GNR) at least once. While you do not have full hookups in the State Rows as you can in a RV Park, you have the "honey wagons" at your disposal and the activity connecting everyone's water hoses to fill your fresh waer is different entertainment. Also, nowhere can you meet and establish as many new friendships and see as many friends from times past - everyone has a grand ole time.

Also, go for pre-rally week. The whole community puts their hearts into assuring that their Winnebago friends do not have a free moment. Some of the community activities that we did included a brats and hot dog meal, free watermelon feed, ice cream socials, pancake breakfasts, a variety show held at the Forest City High School followed by a barbeque dinner, the Puckerbrush Parade, chicken barbeque and fireworks.

The Pre-GNR tours are fun. Last year, we did the Forest City Tour. The Tour Guide was well versed in every place of interest making the whole tour extremely exciting and informative. One thing so impressive to us was everyone's interest in their city and the efforts to perserve historical places.

This year Grand National celebrates with Rock'n Reunion. There are entertainers during the day to enjoy when you need to stop for a rest, and maybe enjoy a "Walking Taco". Also, at night there are entertainers. There are seminars, craft classes and more.

How do you get around? The place is huge. The people movers and golf carts are the way to go. See you there this year.....Charlene Brewton



Traditional Georgia Ice Cream Social on row party day. Row parties are fun to visit.



Gone With the Winnies having a very tasty hamburger and all the trimmings cookout.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mark These Events On Your Calendar

Hosts should provide information to the editor at least two months in advance. Campouts that are 'TBA' in the WIT Club News are not covered by insurance. It is very important that chapter members notify the hosts after making their reservations so the hosts can plan meals accordingly.

July 20-25, 2008 - Grand National Rally, Forest City, IA.

August 8-10, 2008 - Hosted by James and Rene Boatfield, Bald Mountain Park Camping Resort, Hiawassee, Ga, 706-896-8896.

September 19-21, 2008 - State Outing hosted by Atlanta Metros, River Country Campground, Gadsden, AL, 256-543-7111.

October 10-12, 2008 - Hosted by Ernest and Mariana Moosa and Jesse and Theda Chambless, Cartersville KOA, Cartersville, GA, 800-562-2841, 770-382-7330.

November 14-16, 2008 - Hosted by Rick and Mary Ann Spilman and Henry and Shelby Good, Lakeside Landing RV Park, Pell City, AL. **Do not call the Park - call the Spilmans.**

December 12-14, 2008 - Hosted by the McHaneys, Pierces, Brewtons and Casons, Pine Mountain Campground, Pine Mountain, GA, 706-663-4329.

Reservations - Remember to make your reservations for the remainder of the year if you have not done so. Many of the RV parks have only one meeting room. Making our reservations now will help assure that we have a meeting room. Most parks allow cancellation ten days prior to arrival with no penalty.

**LIVING BY
GOD'S WORD**

By
Chaplain
Henry Good



We say: "I can't do it."
God says: You can do all things.
"I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do everything through him who gives me strength."
Philippians 4:13 NIV

TECH TIPS

By Rickey Heath



The outside mirrors will eventually fade if they are fiberglass or plastic. They are easily redone with a little work. Sand with "x fine grade" sandpaper. Protect area around mirror and paint. Rust-oleum has paint for both of these surfaces.

By Judy Seifert



DID YOU KNOW. . .

About these home remedies?

For burns: That Colgate Toothpaste makes an excellent salve.

For a rainy day cure for dog odor: When your dog comes in from the rain, simply wipe down the dog with Bounce or any dryer sheet, instantly making your pet smell springtime fresh.

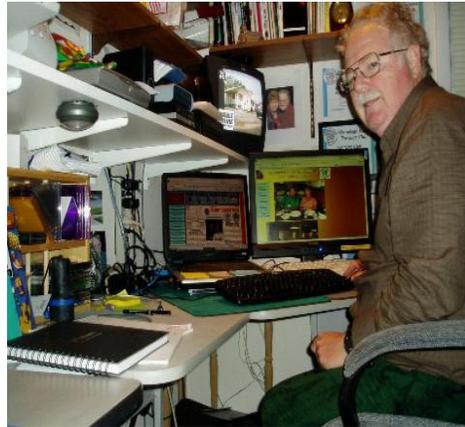
For sore throat: Just mix 1/4 cup of vinegar with 1/4 cup of honey and take 1 tablespoon 6 times a day. The vinegar kills the bacteria.

For broken blisters: to disinfect a broken blister, dab on a few drops of Listerine, a powerful antiseptic.

(Judy says, "I haven't tried these yet.")

VIEW OUR WEBSITES

By Fred Tomsett



Our website is evolving and growing. Last year I added the videos. This year the archive of newsletters will come up as PDF files that are easy to read or print. Membership applications and rally registration forms will also be PDF which will print with less problems than we had in the past. The traffic for the sites has been increasing. We have had the following number of visits to the sites. GAWIT State site had in 2007, 6,413 visits, in 2008, 7,708. GWTW site had in 2007, 2,785 visits, in 2008, 3,191. Metro site had in 2007, 2,820 visits, in 2008, 3,512.

Please visit our sites each month.
Thanks,
Fred



**WHAT IS THIS
AND
WHERE IS IT?**

Situated on the highest hill in the city. it offers a breathtaking view for those with the endurance to make it to the top. We did not get the view from the top.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER . . .

Max Parker who has a hematoma on his leg. Max is undergoing various tests for determining his treatment plan He is expecting a decision later this month.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

- Christel Cason, July 1
- Henry Good, July 2
- Theda Chambless, July 4
- Bill Hood, July 11
- George Werner, July 19
- Dick Walz, July 20
- Larry Wilkinson, July 26

ANNIVERSARIES

- Harry and Bert Treadaway
July 16, 1950
- Russ and Ellen Peters
July 12, 1969

**RECIPE
OF THE MONTH**

By Betty Werner



LOW SODIUM PASTA ITALIANO

- 1 pound small-shell pasta
- 1 1/2 pounds Italian sausage, mild or hot
- 1 large green bell pepper, seeded and chopped
- 1 pound sliced mushrooms
- 3 (14.5 ounces) cans diced tomatoes with basil, garlic and oregano (Note: I need only one large can.)

Prepare pasta according to package directions. Meanwhile, in large lightly oiled skillet over medium-high heat, saute sausage, breaking it up. When sausage is almost done, add pepper and saute for 3 minutes. Add mushrooms and cook another 2 to 3 minutes, or until almost softened. Add tomatoes, bring to a boil, reduce heat and simmer for 10 minutes. Toss mixture with pasta and serve.

GWTW SHIRTS AND HATS

If you would like a GWTW hat or shirt, please contact Betty Sprayberry at (706) 677-3972.

CHANGES

Help us keep our master list current. If you change your mailing address, home or cell phone numbers or e-mail address, please notify your secretary, Charlene Brewton, (770) 948-6950, or charbrewton@bellsouth.net.

THE WONDERS OF CRATER LAKE NATIONAL PARK

by Gwin and Charlene Brewton

In the summer of 2006, we journeyed to the West Coast to visit the Canadian provinces that border the United States, and also North Dakota, Washington and Oregon, the only three of the contiguous forty-eight states that we had not spent time in vacationing. Of course, we enjoyed the other states along the way.

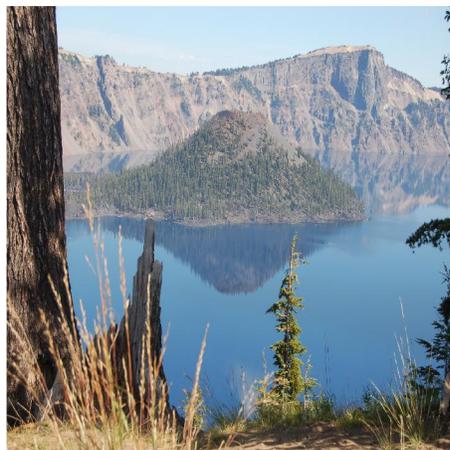
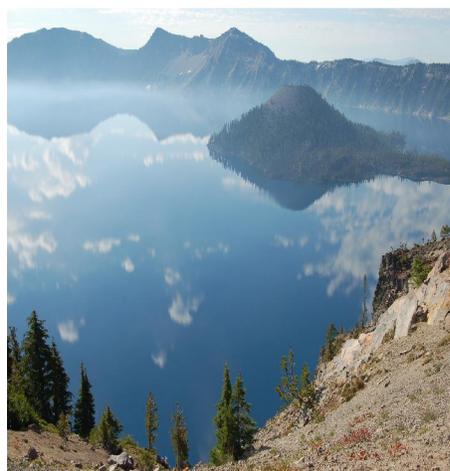
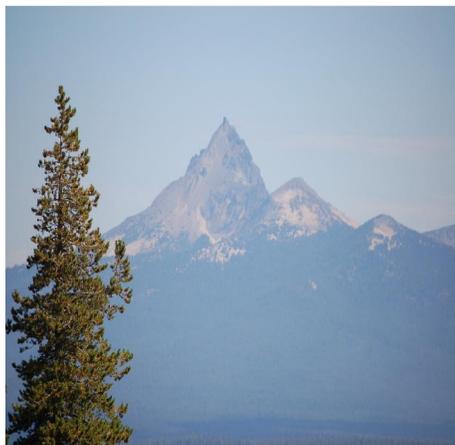
We had planned to drop down from British Columbia to Washington seeing many points of interest in Washington, then when we got to Oregon we would take in some of the Pacific Coast, Portland and follow the Columbia River Gorge and on down through Oregon to Twin Falls, Idaho.

Obviously, that route would by-pass Crater Lake National Park which we wanted to see but decided we just could not do both the gorge and Crater Lake. While we were in Portland, we decided what was time, therefore, we would do both. So, with revamping our planned itinerary we headed for Diamond Lake RV Park where we camped while visiting Crater Lake.

The picture to the left below is the mystery picture in the May Newsletter. We had one person, Jesse Chambless, e-mail and say that is Crater Lake. The picture to the right below was our first breathtaking view of the Lake - the bluest and deepest lake in the United States at 1,923 feet. We were there shortly after eight in the morning and the sky was reflecting in the Lake. That was an absolutely beautiful lake scene unlike any we had ever seen.



The picture to the right below is a similar view as above without the sky reflecting in the Lake. The picture to the left below is of Diamond Mountain that towers over the campground and Diamond Lake. What a beautiful area and to think we almost missed it!



FUN CORNER

By Mary Ann Spilman



KIDS VIEW OF RETIREMENT

After the holidays, a teacher asked her young pupils how they spent their holidays away from school. One child wrote the following:

“We always used to spend the holidays with Grandma and Grandpa. They used to live in a big brick house but Grandpa got retarded and they moved to Florida. Now they live in a tin box and have rocks painted green to look like grass.

They ride around on their bicycles and wear name tags because they don't know who they are anymore. They go to a building called a 'wrecked center', but they must have got it fixed because it is all okay now, and they do exercises there, but they don't do them very well. There is a swimming pool too, but in it, they all jump up and down with hats on. At their gate, there is a doll house with a little old man sitting in it. He watches all day so nobody can escape.

Sometimes they sneak out. They go cruising in their golf carts. Nobody there cooks, they just eat out. And they eat the same thing every night - early birds. Some of the people can't get out past the man in the doll house. The ones who do get out, bring food back to the 'wrecked center' for pot luck.

My Grandma says that Grandpa worked all his life to earn his retardment and says I should work hard so I can be retarded someday too. When I earn my retardment, I want to be the man in the doll house. Then I will let people out so they can visit their grandchildren.”

AGING . . .

And in the end it is not the years in your life that count. It is the life in your years.

--Abraham Lincoln