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2008 GEORGIA STATE RALLY HAWAIIAN LUAU



*The Rally is almost here, April 17-20. Have you sent in your application? We will have lots of fun stuff going on. James Boatfield will be running the games and the catch and release fishing. You can get your picture taken with a seven foot tall Tiki. You can learn to hula dance. You can even watch cows get milked. This year the jam sessions are with D D D & E our own music makers. Don't forget you can replace that old worn out motor home with a new one. We should have lots of fun. See you there! Fred Tomsett
 P.S. I'll be the one in the Hawaiian shirt!*



HAPPY EASTER



MARCH OUTING

FILLED WITH MIXED EMOTIONS

The early arrivals enjoyed beautiful weather, but Friday was rainy and Saturday brought us heavier rain. With tornado watches all around, what a break we had not to have a storm. Nineteen coaches including David and Jo Ann MacLellan with Texas license plates and guests Jim and Kaye Baskin from Marietta, Ga were at Leisure Acres.

St. Patrick's decorations were abundant from the table cloths to gold coins (chocolate) and green fortune cookies, centerpieces a.k.a. hair "accessories" as modeled by Gladys Cain:



Friday night, members furnished a variety of soups, crackers and desserts. Sampling everything was fun and oh so tasty.

Saturday started with a breakfast casserole, biscuits and gravy prepared by our hosts. The March Business Meeting followed. Saturday evening our hosts served us corned beef, cabbage, potatoes and carrots. Members
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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.

April 17-20, 2008 - Georgia State Rally, Georgia Agri-Center, Perry, GA. The theme is a *Hawaiian Luau*. Early arrivals are welcome on April 15. Come enjoy the fun and fellowship. Activities include an ice cream social, hot dogs, breakfast served each morning, evening meals Friday and Saturday with entertainment, Winnebago Industries dealer display, vendors and more. Saturday night is a real *Luau with Dancers*. See Column One, this page, for additional information on the Rally.

May 16-18, 2008 - State Outing. Hosted by GWTW at River Vista Mountain Village in Dillard, GA, 888-850-7275.

June 13-15, 2008 - Hosted by Grant and Kathy Baldwin and Bill and Jo Hood, Holiday Trav-L.Park, Chattanooga, TN, 800-693-2877.

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, Hiawasse, Ga, 706-896-8896.

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

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October 10-12, 2008 - Hosted by Ernest & 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 McHaney's, Pierces, Brewtons and Casons, Pine Mountain Campground, Pine Mountain, GA, 706-663-4329.

(March Outing Cont'd. from Page 1) added side dishes - what a spread! The comment "this is the best corned beef I have ever eaten" was heard over and over. Thanks to our hosts - George and Betty Werner and Fred and Linda Tomsett.



George, Linda, Fred and Betty

Sunday breakfast consisted of Danish, more breakfast casserole, juice and coffee. Sunday morning was quiet as we reflected on the good times enjoyed with our good friend, Alex Sprayberry, who suffered a fatal heart attack upon returning to his motor home after his usual fun in the Club House Saturday night.

We left going our separate ways until our trails cross again. For many, that will be in Perry, GA at the Georgia State Rally.

By Judy Seifert

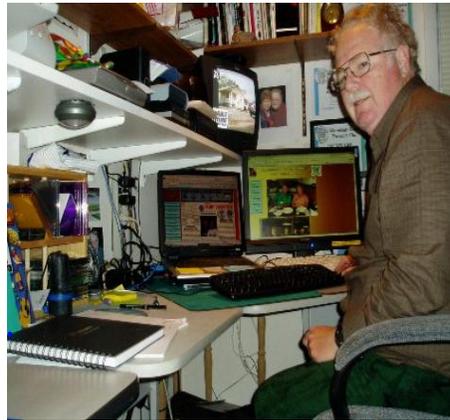


DID YOU KNOW

If you peel a banana from the bottom that you will not have to pick the little "stringy things" off of it. If you place a dryer sheet in your pocket, it will keep the mosquitoes away.

VIEW OUR WEBSITES

By Fred Tomsett



After you view the GWTW site, take a look at the State site. We have a page with all the video clips from the 2007 rally till now.

There is also a **Postcards from the Road** page with pictures sent in from members out on trips. If you go some where, please send back a picture for the **Postcards from the Road** page.

Check our websites at:
<http://gawit.com>
<http://gwtw.gawit.com>
<http://atlantawinnies.gawit.com>
 Thanks, Fred Tomsett, 404-626-3696 or fred@gawit.com

(The March Outing pictures are courtesy of Fred Tomsett. Editor thanks Fred.)



Betty and Alex Sprayberry

Betty and Alex having fun at Leisure Acres. A family member said "Alex was doing what he enjoyed most, camping with Betty". We will all have many fond and fun memories of Alex.

"The Lord is my shepherd. I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures..... Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever." 23rd Psalm

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- Tom McHaney, April 2
- Ronnie Padgett, April 4
- W. C. Stanley, April 5
- Bert Treadaway, April 7
- Al Cain, April 11
- Don Stroud, April 11
- Russ Peters, April 14

ANNIVERSARIES

- Henry and Shelby Good
April 17, 1960
- Bobby and Kathy Breffle
April 26, 1998

RECIPE

OF THE MONTH

By Betty Werner



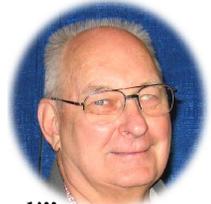
EGG DROP SOUP

- 1 1/2 quarts chicken broth or clear soup stock
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch mixed in 1/4 cup of cold water
- 2 eggs, slightly beaten with a fork
- 2 scallions, chopped, including green ends

Bring soup stock to a boil. Slowly pour in the cornstarch mixture while stirring the stock, until the stock thickens. Reduce heat so stock just simmers. Pour in the eggs slowly while stirring the soup. As soon as the last bit of egg is in, shut off heat at once. Serve with the chopped scallions on top. Ready in 30 minutes.

LIVING BY GOD'S WORD

By
 Chaplain
 Henry Good



We say: "I'm too tired!"
 God says, "I will give you rest."
 "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."
 Matthew 11:12-30 NIV

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.



FLORIDA TRIP WITH THE BELL FAMILY

By Jim and Barbara Bell

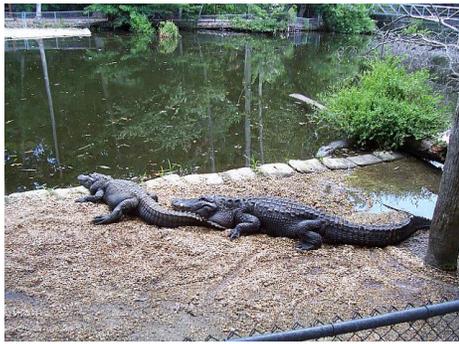


After dropping our son and daughter-in-law off in Tampa for a short cruise, we headed to Homosassa with our grandchildren, Craig who is 17 and Brandi who is 13.

John and Peggy Hughes recommended a campground, Camp and Water Resort. What a great place to stay. The guys had fishing and golf and the girls enjoyed the pool and just relaxed.

The guys played golf one day (Craig beat granddad by one stroke). The next day we chartered a boat and had a great day catching Red Fish. Again, granddad didn't catch the big one, Craig did.

We took a short trip to Crystal River where we were entertained at the Nature Center watching giant Manatees being fed, and toured the wild life preserve to see pink flamingos, alligators, eagles, owls and bobcats.



After four days of fun and lots of good food, it was back to Tampa to pick up two very happy and relaxed parents. The grandparents were "SO READY" to take the whole crew home so we could go to "HOME SWEET HOME" to recover.

HAVE YOU ACTUALLY SEEN THIS BRIDGE?

This bridge is not in FL but in keeping with waterfronts the editor chose this landmark bridge. The waterfront here is the center of activities, and seafaring ships are seen in the harbor carrying flags of countries from around the world. Let me know if you have been by and seen the bridge. I do not mean having read about it.



FUN CORNER

By Mary Ann Spilman

HUMEROUS ANECDOTES

A father was approached by his small son who told him proudly, "I know what the Bible means!" His father smiled and replied, "What do you mean, you 'know' what the Bible means?" The son replied, "I do know!" "Okay", said his father. "What does the Bible mean?" "That's easy, Daddy...." the young boy replied excitedly, "It stands for Basic Information Before Leaving Earth."

There was a very gracious lady who was mailing an old family Bible to her brother in another part of the country. "Is there anything breakable in here?" asked the postal clerk. "Only the Ten Commandments", answered the lady.

A Sunday School Teacher began her lesson with a question, "Boys and girls, what do we know about God?" A hand shot up in the air. "He is an artist." said the kindergarten boy. "Really? How do you know?" the teacher asked. "You know - Our Father, who does art in Heaven"

WE WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Bobby and Kathy Breffle, 470 Benson Street, Hartwell, GA 30643. Telephone 706-377-4973 and e-mail address bbreffle@hartwellmarina.com. They could not be at our March Outing but plan to meet us at the Rally. Let's give them a warm **W E L C O M E !!**

TECH TIPS

By Rickey Heath

It is a good idea to place a door key outside your coach. One day you may need it. Oh! remember where you put it.



FILL THE BASKETS

Remember we have **TWO** baskets for the Rally. If we make big bucks, you must get your goodies ready:

- 1) GA products - get to Rene Boatfield.
- 2) Hawaiian products - get to Theda Chambless. We need to FILL THE BASKETS to sell lots of tickets to make lots of money for the State Treasury.