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LIST OF REMAINING 2012 OUTINGS

Mark these dates on your calendar and don't miss either one!

November 9-11, 2012 - Hosted by Hal and Bobbie Pierce (706) 356-4533 or hwp@windstream.net. To be held at the Leisure Acres Campground in Cleveland, GA (706) 865-6466.

You don't want to miss this one. The leaves should be at their peak in the mountains, and you can have a side trip to Helen, an interesting Bavarian village just waiting for your visit.

December 14-16, 2012 - Hosted by Christel and James Cason (770) 926-5825 assisted by Jim and Barbara Bell. To be held at the River Country Campground (256) 543-7111.

Don't miss this one either. River Country has fabulous Christmas decorations that reflect over the water for a special effect.

Don't forget your "Toys for Tots" contribution, or your "\$10.00 or less" non-gender gift for exchanging.

A NEW RV PARK

The beautiful weather the entire week-end of our October 12-14, 2012 outing kept us all out and going. There were eight coaches at the Oxford/Talladega Dandy RV KOA in Anniston, Alabama.



Our hosts, Patricia and Rickey Heath, found this new RV park for our outing. Not only was it new to us, but is a new RV Park. Everyone seemed pleased with it - the only problem was that the activity room was a little small for our group. The staff were courteous and helpful.



Rickey and Patricia Heath, assisted by Winky Parker, did an excellent job of hosting. Everything was planned perfectly and everyone there enjoyed the wonderful food and relaxed atmosphere.

Thursday evening, the early birds had dinner at the "Cracker Barrel" restaurant.



Left side: Tommy and Betty McHaney, Janice Whitehead, Winky and Max Parker, Franklin and Margaret Jackson. Right side: Bill and Annette Whitmire, Harry Whitehead, Jesse Chambless and Rickey and Patricia Heath.

We officially kicked the outing off with a tasty dinner of several kinds of home-made soups, thanks to Patricia and Winky, with several different breads and delicious desserts. It was such a nice evening that some of us decided to eat outside at the picnic tables.



Franklin and Margaret Jackson, Annette and Bill Whitmire and Betty McHaney.

After the luscious soup dinner, we had our monthly business meeting where we discussed several important items; some of which were tabled until our December outing in Gadsden, Alabama.

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Saturday morning we had a huge breakfast of breakfast casseroles, freshly baked muffins, juice and coffee. Patricia and Winky are great cooks. Ricky said he is the official "gopher," and, of course, that is a very important job.

Even though Anniston is a relatively small town, we were impressed by their offerings. Refer to page 3 under "Side Trips" for more information. Several of us took advantage of them Saturday until we met to go to a restaurant for our evening meal together.

Patricia had a unique way of choosing our restaurant. When we arrived, attached to our schedule of events was an envelope. Inside were strips listing local restaurants. Each couple could choose their favorite and drop that slip into a jack-o-lantern placed outside Patricia and Rickey's coach. Good idea, Patricia!



The "Top of the River" catfish restaurant was chosen, hands down. The food was good and the company was even better. They have one of their restaurants in Gadsden where we have eaten in the past. This one proved to be just as good.

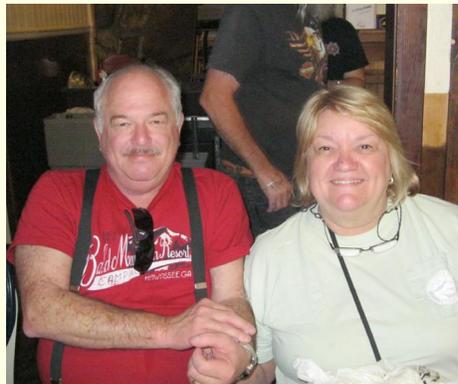
As the activity room was relatively small, we didn't have games in the evenings as we sometimes do, but had plenty of enjoyment just relaxing and visiting with each other.

Sunday morning breakfast consisted of fruit, cereal, rolls, juice and coffee.

It was a good outing and we are looking forward to the next one at Leisure Acres RV Park in Cleveland, Georgia where Hal and Bobbie Pierce will be hosting.

Hurry up and register, if you haven't already done so.

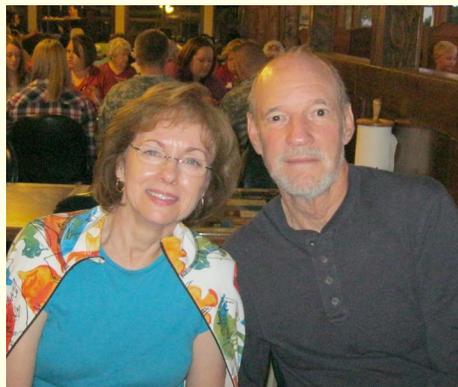
ALBUM OF OUTING ATTENDEES



Ray and Kris Yontz



Annette and Bill Whitmire



Janice and Harry Whitehead



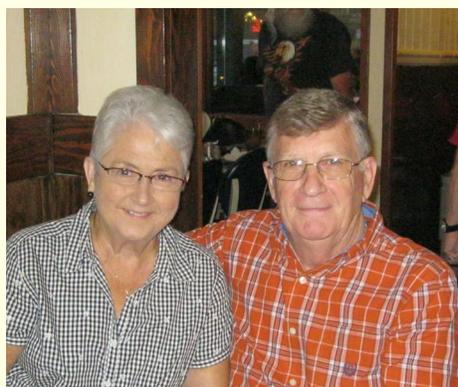
Max and Winky Parker



Tommy and Betty McHaney



Franklin and Margaret Jackson



Patricia and Rickey Heath



Theda and Jesse Chambless

UNEXPECTED SIDE TRIPS

I'm sure we missed several attractions, but following are three of the ones we and several others found very interesting, informative and educational.

BERMAN MUSEUM OF WORLD HISTORY



The Berman Museum of World History features more than 8,000 artifacts, including oil paintings, jade sculptures, ancient and recent military gear and numerous Remington bronzes.



"Coming Through The Rye," one of the many Remington bronzes in the museum.



Our own Janice Whitehead displays one of Hitler's spoons.

THE CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL



St. Michaels was consecrated in 1890 and many features show Norman influence of the churches in Cornwall, England.



This majestic 12-foot altar of white marble graces the front of the sanctuary.



This Madonna and Child is one of two Tiffany windows in St. Michael's.

MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY



This museum explores the wonders of the natural world - Africa, Egypt, North America and many others.



Stegosaurus Skeleton



Wolf attacks a bull elk



Pteranodon