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OUR 2013 OUTINGS

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

November 8-10, 2013 - At River Bend RV Park in Hiawassee, GA (706-896-1415). Hosts will be Jim and Barbara Bell (706-779-2647 or bandjbell@windstream.net) assisted by Margaret and Franklin Jackson.

December 13-15, 2013 - To be held at the River Country Campground in Gadsden, AL (256) 543-7111. Hosts will be Linda and Fred Tomsett (770) 438-1921/tomcatt1@bellsouth.net, assisted by Jesse & Theda Chambless jessetheda@etcm.com. (706)636-5212.

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January 17-19, 2014 - To be held at Pine Mountain RV Resort at Pine Mountain, GA (706-663-4329). This will be a State outing with the Stagers as hosts.

If you have had a change of address, telephone number, etc, please let Theda Chambless know so she can keep your membership roster current at jessetheda@etcm.com.

LEAVES ALREADY TURNING

Even though the leaves in and around Leisure Acres RV Park in Cleveland, GA were not at their peak, it was still beautiful. Our October 11-14, 2013 outing was attended by twelve members with three guests present.

As usual, many of us came early just to enjoy the casual, unstructured relaxation of an extra day in the mountains. Thursday and Friday gave us time to investigate the surrounding areas. Many went to Helen while others to the Sautee-Nacoochee Valley area. We went to the White County Museum in the old County Courthouse and found it extremely interesting (*We're museum nuts! Did you know the largest gold nugget found east of the Mississippi River was found in White County near Cleveland, Georgia?*).



Our hosts were Milton & Melva Dalton and Bobby & Wanda Eubanks. They were originally referred to as the Homer Bunch, as there were then five couples in our chapter. There are now only two, so I have changed their name to "The Fabulous Four," as every job they undertake always turns out fabulous.

The outing was kicked off Friday evening with a barbecue dinner at Rib Country. Their baby back ribs make my mouth water just to think about them. After dinner there was a lot of visiting going on as no one felt like games after that huge meal.

Saturday morning our hosts served us a huge country breakfast: bacon, eggs, grits, biscuits, orange juice and coffee. Mmmmm, delicious!



Bobby Eubanks washes dishes after breakfast as Milton Dalton supervises.

Immediately following breakfast we had our monthly chapter business meeting, then were on our own until the evening meal.

The Saturday evening meal was home-made chili made by our hosts, along with salads and desserts to finish it off.

Visiting and conversation filled Saturday evening, plus an impromptu keyboard serenade along with singing by the group. We even sang a few early Christmas songs.



Leah Eubanks, Melva Dalton, JoAn Blankenship, Theda Chambless and Margaret Jackson join in singing old favorites and hymns.

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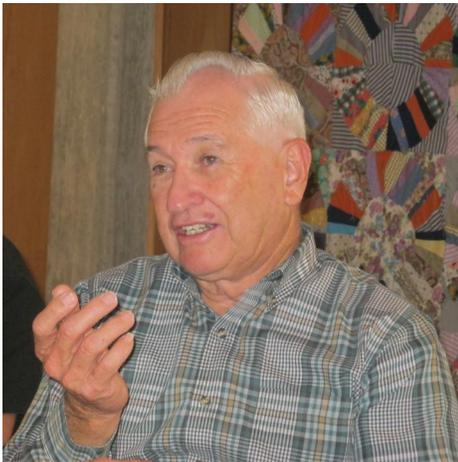
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For Sunday morning breakfast we had quite an array of selections: biscuits and gravy, cheese toast, grits, cinnamon crumb cake to name a few.



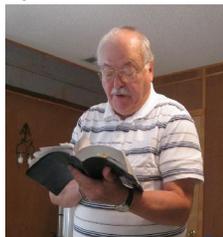
Tommy McHaney sure liked the biscuits

After breakfast we had a brainstorming session around the table. Lots of suggestions were made on how to acquire new members, and also to encourage the present members to attend our monthly outings.



Franklin Jackson shared some of the expertise he acquired through selling and driving motor homes for many, many years. Margaret said they have been to the Grand National Rally in Forest City, IA twenty-one times.

After our brainstorming session, Chaplain Jesse Chambless led us in devotions. We then said our goodbyes until our next outing at Riverbend RV Park in Hiawassee, Georgia in November. Everyone was looking forward to it.



More Pictures of Interest

OUR CANINE CAMPERS



Campers "Squirt" Blankenship and "Zeke" Dalton relax on their servants' laps.

OUR GUESTS



Brian, Leah and Amy Eubanks, lovely family of Wanda and Bobby Eubanks, joined us Saturday and Sunday.

THE BOBSEY TWINS



Melva Dalton and JoAn Blankenship dressed in their red Gone with the Winnie shirts.



Hubert teasing Leah

The White County Court House/Museum From your Museum "Nuts" Jesse & Theda



Jesse liked their arrowhead display

THE GREAT DISCOVERY

This statue was just unveiled and dedicated on October 12th, 2013 to commemorate the finding of the largest gold nugget east of the Mississippi River.



The old court room was left upstairs. You could almost imagine the judge pounding his gavel and yelling, "Order in the court."

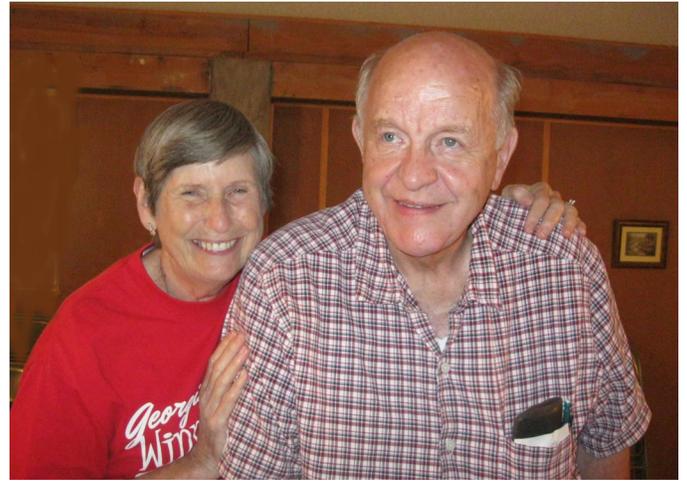


Volunteer Norma Coleman displays a loom

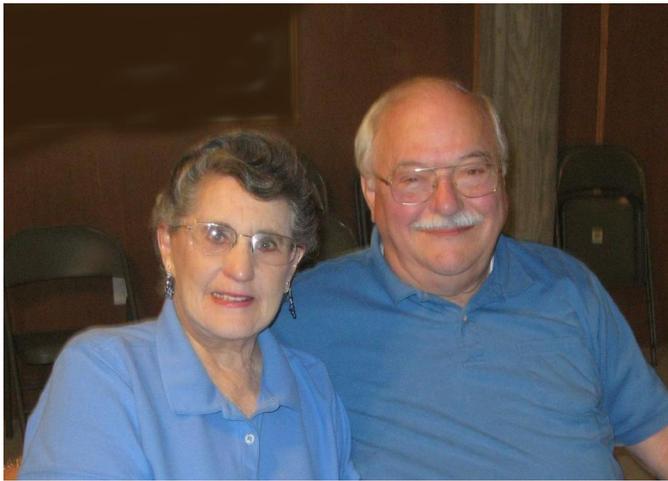
OUR GONE WITH THE WINNIES ALBUM OF ATTENDEES - OCTOBER, 2013 OUTING



Milton and Melva Dalton



JoAn and Hubert Blankenship



Theda and Jesse Chambless



Wanda and Bobby Eubanks



Margaret and Franklin Jackson



Betty and Tommy McHaney