



### Dear Metro Members:

Well, here we are at the end of December, where has this year gone?

Brenda and I hope you and your families had a Merry Christmas and are looking forward to a good 2007.

Attached to this Newsletter are: 2007 Metro Outing Schedule; Metro Roster and the summary of the Christmas Party.

Reflecting on 2006, Metro Winnies has had some great times during the year. We started off the year with the Squires hosting us in Dillard. Do you remember the home made soup or the snow flurries? Then, of course, Burch's had us go to River Forks on Lake Lanier. Bright, crisp days and cool nights. Bert Cuba kept the campfire going. In June Lockhart's hosted us in Ellijay. What a great time cooking our dinners all on the same grill. Susie & John Hamilton invited our group to the FMCA outing in Hiwassee. I don't think I'll ever forget the weekend hosted by Jim & Christine Coile in Tennessee. What an extravaganza! Metro hosted the September State Meeting in Thomasville that included seeing a plantation, old cars, dancing and great food. Then there were hot dogs at the Cartersville KOA hosted by the Ralston's & Stroud's. Metro helped in a big way with the first ever SE Regional Rally and capped the year off with a terrific Christmas Party held at the McKinnon's home.

We also had said times in 2006. Never before have we had two active members pass away, but this year saw both Bert Cuba and Jim Lockhart do just that. They will always live in our memories and our prayers continue for their families.

Just as we have lost some members, we have also had a great year of attracting new members. Joining us during 2006 were: Bob & Jan Koptis; Eric & Terry Oswood; Roy & Sarah Sowers; Barry & Joy Vlad. James & Christel Cason have just received their WIT number and will be joining as soon as we receive their application. Including the Cason's, we have 28 coach members. We started 2006 with 27 coaches, including the Ripley's, Lockhart's and Thomas'. Ripley's will meet with the GWTW, Connie Lockhart has decided to get out of motor homing and Steve and Pat Thomas purchased Some Other Brand (SOB).

Looking toward 2007, I see a lot happening for Metro. First, we have a new slate of officers taking over the leadership of the club. I'm sure everyone will support Dan Rankin and his team as we march into the new year. We have host for all weekend outings except for August. Just call Dan to volunteer for that month. Also, while folks are at GNR, for those unable to make the trip in July, we need someone to pull us together for a "mini" outing.

In closing, I must say I've enjoyed serving as Metro's President for the last 2 1/2 years. I've learned so much from each of you and I'm sure I've taken away from the club more than I'd ever be able to give. Thanks to everyone for your support and to each of the officers, I say thank you.

I look forward to seeing everyone in January and let's make 2007 the best year ever!

Doug

A terrific time was had by everyone at the 2006 Metro Christmas Party held on Saturday, December 16th in the home of Jim & Martha McKinnon. Twelve member coaches were represented at the party. We also had James & Christel Cason visit as our guests. They have had a Horizon since 2002 and plan to join our club just as soon as they receive their WIT number.

Mrs. Santa (Linda Tomsett) greeted everyone as they arrived. Everyone brought finger food to share and the dining room table was soon filled with all kinds of goodies to eat. Jim McKinnon's smoked salmon was a real hit and so were Babs Walz's lemon squares (or was it Dick Walz that really fixed them?).

The day was sunny and warm, a perfect day for Roy & Sarah Sowers to arrive in their '34 Chevy Sedan! The weather also drew folks out on the large screened porch to sit. Santa (Fred Tomsett) called everyone into the living room where he took a presents out of his bag for everyone there. Then, Linda handed out the gifts everyone brought for an exchange. It was a lot of fun trying to guess who brought which gift (the gift had to begin with your 1st initial of your name). Once all the presents were unwrapped, John Cowan led everyone in the signing of Christmas Carols. Jeff Squires and Jim McKinnon manned the electronics so we could sing along with the words flashing on the big TV screen. That really helps those of us who can't remember all the words and have a hard time reading small print! Not

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