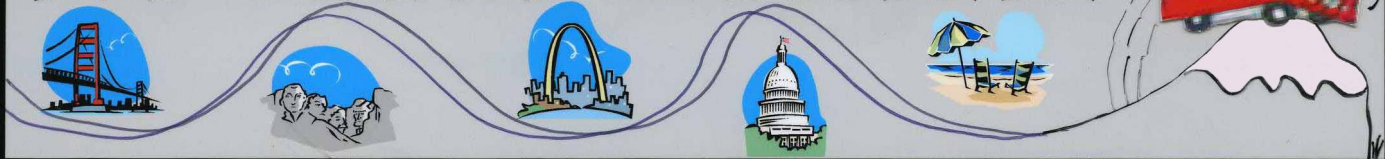


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Give Thanks
**ENJOY THIS
 WONDERFUL SEASON**



NOVEMBER OUTING WAS RELAXING

.... and prepared us for the bustling holidays just around the bend. The weather was constantly changing from fog, to rain, thunderstorms, cold, wind and sunshine. But the weather did not dampen our spirit

with the bright lodge, so appropriately decorated for November, to gather in for games and exchanging stories.

By Friday, we had twelve coaches. The early arrivals on Wednesday decided to have a restful evening and did not venture out. Thursday was a fun day doing whatever and then we carpoled to Cracker Barrel for Thursday dinner. Friday, some of us went to the Pink Petal/Pink House? Anyway, the name isn't important, but as one of our group said "if you can't find it there, you really don't need it". Some of the gang completed the Pell City Tour by checking out two Antique Malls.

The hosts had done their homework and we carpoled Friday night to the Golden Rule Bar-B-Q and Grill and enjoyed the food and service. We were off to a great start Saturday morning with biscuits, gravy, sausage, cereal and coffee.



Our hosts: (L-R) Denny and Nancy Sloan, Rick and Mary Ann Spilman and Henry (our chaplain and joker) and Shelby Good.

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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.**

December 12-14, 2008 - Pine Mountain Campground, Pine Mountain, GA, 706-663-4329. Hosted by Tom and Betty McHaney, Gwin and Charlene Brewton and James and Christel Cason. Register with the campground and notify the McHaney's or Brewton's. Refer to the Officers in the left upper corner for e-mail address or phone numbers.

Bring toy(s) for Toys for Tots and each attendee bring a gift to exchange. No gender specific or gag gifts. Gifts should be \$10.00 or under.

Fantasy In Lights at Callaway Gardens - it was decided in Pell City for each couple to be responsible for their own tickets. It seemed most preferred Thursday night which is a general admission night. Many are making reservations for Thursday night. To purchase tickets call

1-800-225-5292 or go to website www.callawaygardens.com.

Friday Dinner-Caravan to local restaurant.

Saturday Breakfast-8:30 a.m.- Pancakes, sausage and coffee.

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Business Meeting-10:00 a.m

Saturday Lunch and Afternoon-on your own.

Saturday Dinner-6:00 p.m.-Ham and turkey. Please bring a side dish or dessert.

Sunday Breakfast 8:30 a.m.-Sweet rolls and coffee.

Devotion-follows breakfast.

Bring plates, utensils, cups and drinks.

*Merry Christmas
Wishing You Safe Travels*

2009

January 16-18-Georgia Winnie Rebels State Meeting, Twin Oaks RV Park, Elko, GA, 478-987-9361. Host chapter is the Sta-Goners. Contact Tom and Ronnie Padgett, 478-971-4017, to let them know you are coming.

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After breakfast, the Business Meeting followed with lunch and the afternoon free.

Dinner at 5:30 p.m. found everyone back in the lodge enjoying lasagna, salad and French bread. Desserts brought to share were yummy.

If you were not there, you missed a miracle when some of our favorites, Barbara Bell, Betty McHaney and Mariana Moosa, appeared for Sunday breakfast. They made our day!

After a very timely devotion for the times by our chaplain, we departed and you heard safe travels until we see you in Pine Mountain, and also happy trails until 2009 when we will see some next.

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 roster current. If you change your mailing address, home or cell phone numbers or e-mail address, please notify your secretary, Charlene Brewton, charbrewton@bellsouth.net.

A NOTE FROM OUR TREASURER

Betty McHaney asked that you be reminded that if your 2009 Gone With the Winnies chapter and state dues are not already paid they are now delinquent.

VIEW OUR WEBSITES

By Fred Tomsett



Have you checked the Postcards from the Road lately on the State website? We have had some postcards arrive from summer vacation. Please remember to look at the State website <http://gawit.com> as well as the GWTW site. Check out <http://rally.gawit.com> for the latest information on the 2009 State Rally. If you have any suggestions for the Georgia websites, please e-mail me at fred@gawit.com. Thanks, Fred

LIVING BY GOD'S WORD

By
Chaplain
Henry Good



We say: "I'm not smart enough." God says: "I give you wisdom." "For the Lord gives wisdom, and from his mouth comes knowledge and understanding." Proverbs 2:6 NIV "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally ... and it shall be given him." James 1:5 KJV

TECH TIPS

By Rickey Heath



... for the fuse panel for the 7 post trailer or car connections. The connections are located on driver side behind rear wheel in compartment. Remove three screws and metal panel will come out. Two fuse panels are inside. There is a fuse for each trailer wire.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- Rick Spilman, December 1
- Eric Hargus, December 5
- Linda Tomsett, December 9
- Bonnie Rounds, December 12
- Kent Fredrick, December 13
- Ollie Payne, December 14
- Gwin Brewton, December 17
- Harry Treadaway, December 18
- Bobby Breffle, December 19
- Carolyn Shari, December 23
- Debbie Whitmire, December 25
- Bobby Eubanks, December 28

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- W. C. and Esther Stanley
December 21, 1947
- Bill and Annette Whitmire
December 17, 1954
- Gwin and Charlene Brewton
December 22, 1956
- Dennis and Nancy Sloan
December 20, 1958
- Al and Gladys Cain
December 21, 1964
- Jim and Carolyn Shari
December 29, 1967



RECIPE OF THE MONTH

By Betty Werner

ZUCCHINI CARROT MUFFINS

- 1 (18.5 oz.) pkg. carrott cake mix
- 1 egg
- 1/2 cup applesauce
- 1/4 cup vegetable oil
- 1 1/2 cups shredded zucchini
- 1/2 cup raisins
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans

In mixing bowl, combine the cake mix, egg, applesauce and oil and mix well. Stir in the zucchini, raisins and pecans. Fill greased or paper lined muffin cups three-fourths full. Bake at 350 degrees for 25-30 minutes or until muffins test done. Can serve with cream cheese.

FAMOUS QUOTE

"Nobody grows old by merely living a number of years. People grow old only by deserting their ideals. Years may wrinkle the skin, but to give up interest wrinkles the soul."

---Douglas MacArthur

THE LA TRIP

LOUISIANA STATE WINNEBAGO RALLY, OCTOBER 23-26

by Dan Rankin, State President, Georgia Winnie Rebels

Twelve coaches from the Georgia Winnie Rebels rolled into Rayne, LA, to attend the Louisiana State Winnebago Rally. Two coaches went in advance of the main group and ten coaches caravanned into the rally grounds Tuesday afternoon.

Those attending were: Hubert and JoAn Blankenship, James and Rene Boatfield, Milt and Paula Burtch, George and Barbara DeMatteis, Rickey and Patricia Heath, Franklin and Margaret Jackson, Tom and Betty McHaney, Ernest and Mariana Moosa, Dan and Margie Rankin, Ken and Judy Seifert, Roy and Sarah Sowers, and David and Myra Stainback.

The caravan spent two nights on the road getting there, first stop was Greenville, AL and the second was the LA State Park in Mandeville, LA. Both parks were very nice. There was a cookout the first night and the second night we all dined at a restaurant on the banks of Lake Pontchartrain. The next morning, we packed up and headed to a rest area right at the Henderson Swamp. Then 33 miles down the road to the Rayne Civic Center. Once the coaches were parked and hooked up, some of the folks started exploring the area.

Wednesday morning, a caravan of Winnebago/Itasca owners joined up and headed to Crowley for the first tour. It started at the Wright Rice Farm with a guided tour of the plantation house and a garage full of antique automobiles owned by the Wright family. From there, the tour took us to the center of Crowley for a museum tour and a visit to a recently restored opera house. Lunch was served at a farm where our Cajun chef told the group stories of the area and about his life growing rice and crawdads.

Thursday's tour went to the Henderson Swamp for a boat ride around the swamp and listening to folklore from the captain of the swamp boat. Lunch was served at a restaurant near the boat slip. Some of the group went on to the hot sauce factory and others returned to the rally grounds.

The official opening of the Rally began on Friday morning. There was plenty of food being served the entire weekend along with games, door prizes for everyone, live entertainment, seminars and vendors displaying their wares. Ken and Judy Seifert won first prize in the tractor pulling contest. The final evening a Cajun comedian had us all laughing with his Cajun jokes. One evening, Madam Marie Cush was seen walking around reading palms and showing off her spiders, rats and snakes. She said she lived in the Henderson Swamp and after seeing us on the boat ride had to come to the rally for a visit.

The rally was a tremendous amount of fun and we all had a great time. Arriving as caravan was also very enjoyable. The Louisiana Winnebago Club holds their rally every other year. The next one will be in 2010 for anyone interested in attending.

As we departed, since I was Caravan Host as we traveled to the rally, I reminded everyone that they were on their own. If they took I-10 east they would arrive in Jacksonville, FL and if they took I-10 west they would arrive in Los Angeles, CA. Some of us headed to Wales West Train and Garden Lovers RV Resort near Fairhope, AL, while some headed to Houston, TX and other destinations.



*Caravan Hosts
Margie and Dan
Rankin*

*Photo courtesy of
Myra Stainback*



FUN CORNER

By Mary Ann Spilman



KID STUFF

Out bicycling with my granddaughter, eight years old, I got a little wistful. I said "in ten years, you will want to be with your friends and you will not go walking, biking and swimming with me as you do now. She shrugged, "In ten years you will be too old to do all those things anyway."

On the way back from a Cub Scout meeting, my grandson asked my son the question. "Dad, I know that babies come from mommies' tummies, but how do they get there in the first place?" he asked innocently. After my son hemmed and hawed, my grandson spoke up in disgust. "You do not have to make something up, Dad. It is okay if you don't know the answer."

On a brutally humid day, I walked past a miniature golf course and saw a dad following three small children from hole to hole. "Who is winning?" I shouted. "I am" said one kid. "Me" said another. "No, me" yelled the third. Sweat dripping from Dad's face, he gasped, "Their mother is."

My last name is a mouthful, so when my three year old niece learned to spell it, I was thrilled until my cousin burst my bubble. He said "you can spell Sczygelzki any way you like, who is going to know if it is wrong".

By Judy Seifert



DID YOU KNOW. . .

....you can make easy deviled eggs by putting the egg yolks in a zip lock bag. Seal, mash until they are all broken up. Add remaining ingredients, reseal, keep mashing to mix thoroughly. Cut the tip of the bag and squeeze mixture into egg. Throw bag away - easy clean up.

....you can make scrambled eggs or omlets really rich by adding a couple of spoonfuls of sour cream, cream cheese or heavy cream into the eggs and beat to mix well.