



# JUST RAMBLING

## MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



**April 2015**

The Heart of Dixie Ramblers held its April monthly campout in conjunction with the Alabama Good Sam Samboree from April 16-19 at the National Peanut Festival Fairgrounds in Dothan, Alabama. Carolyn arrived on Sunday and Spencers led a caravan for those who wanted to arrive together on Wednesday.

The meet and greet was held on Wednesday evening and we all enjoyed some really great snacks. Most of us stayed for card bingo after the meet and greet.

The weather did not cooperate, as it was a very rainy and wet weekend. However we managed to look on the bright side in spite of the weather.

We met early Thursday morning (in the pouring rain) to set up for our hot dog sale. Coffee and donuts were served by Cheaha Sams and the Parade of Flags and Opening Ceremonies were held on Thursday morning at 9:00 a.m. After Opening Ceremonies, we started lighting the grills and cooking hot dogs to be ready by 11:30. It rained most of the time during the sale but thanks to all the Good Sam People that braved the bad weather, we were able to make some money for our charities. Just before 1:00 p.m., things started to slow down but Robbie became the Town Crier and rounded up some last minute buyers for the last surge. Thursday evening was Vender Appreciation Night and Pizza was served by Mobile Roadrunners. The Blue Harvest Band provided the entertainment and Carolyn ended the evening with "Good Moon."

The Heart of Dixie Ramblers did very well in games and prizes. Helen took 1<sup>st</sup> place in Skip-bo, Betty took 1<sup>st</sup> place in Mexican Dominos, Emily took 2<sup>nd</sup> place in Mexican Dominos and Jack was on the 2<sup>nd</sup> place team in Bean Bag Baseball. Also most everyone in our chapter won either a door prize or chapter prize.

Friday morning the Alabama Veterans cooked and served a pancake breakfast and Friday evening Cross Creek Junction Band provided some great entertainment.

Saturday morning the Heart of Dixie Ramblers served coffee and donuts. We then all participated in the Cake Walk and as usual ended up with a huge variety of cakes. We enjoyed cake and ice cream for lunch.

Chapter meetings were held on Saturday afternoon followed by Closing Ceremonies.

Magnolia Farms RV Resort sponsored a cookout on Saturday and entertainment was provided by the Singing Deacons Quartet on Saturday evening.

Wiregrass Sams served coffee and donuts on Sunday morning and worship service was held, after which most everyone headed for home.

All in all, in spite of the weather, it was a great Samboree.

### **Future Campouts**

Spencers will be hosting our next campout at Pine Lakes Campground, 6404 Garrett Road, Columbus, Ga. 31820. Tel. 706-561-9675. Please call for reservations.

### **Birthdays and Anniversaries**

Ed Rutledge – 4/27 There were no anniversaries.

We sang Happy Birthday to Ed.

### **Wagon Master/Hosts**

May 7-9	Spencers	Lake Pines Campground, Columbus. Ga.
June 11-13	Jefferson	Deer Run Campground, Troy, Al.
July 9-11	Finns	Pine Mountain RV Resort, Pine Mtn., Ga.
Aug, 14-16	Reids	The Gathering Place, Repton, Al.
Sept. 11-13	Gibbs	Deer Run Campground, Troy, Al.

*“The Road to a friend’s house is never long”*  
Danish Proverb

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