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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



MAY 13, 2015

MAY CAMPOUT

The May campout was held at Lake Pines RV Park, Midland (Columbus), Georgia, May 7-9, and was hosted by Waldo and Betty Spencer. The hosts and other members all arrived on Wednesday, with a total of six memberships present. We missed the Finns and Rutledges who had conflicting plans. After arrival, we were all treated to an "open house" of the Reid's new 31' Class C Coachman RV. It is indeed lovely with many exclusive upgrades. On Wednesday evening, the hosts treated us to delicious vegetable soup and crackers with cake for dessert. On Thursday and Friday mornings, we were also treated with home-baked nut bread and pastries to go with the coffee. The hosts planned an outing on Thursday afternoon to the Coca-Cola Space Science Center, in Columbus. Because of the uncertainty of arrival times of possible visitors, the ladies stayed behind and the men went to the center. They came back to the campground with glowing reports. Maybe we all will plan to go to the center at a later date. Our covered dish dinner (followed by the business meeting) was held on Thursday evening. The tables were beautifully decorated with pastel table cloths with matching napkins and bouquets of pink roses. As always, the food was delicious and the fellowship enjoyable. On Friday, we traveled to the Farmhouse Restaurant for lunch. The great food and delicious desserts were as enjoyable as ever. And we were treated to tasty snacks throughout the campout, which we all enjoyed and extend thanks to the Spencers. The hosts also tested our mental recall with a game called "70's TV Show Trivia," and we found out how poor our memories were or maybe we didn't watch a lot of TV in the 70s!

Prior to the campout, we learned that the East Alabama Goodtimers Good Sam Chapter had turned in their charter so we contacted those still able to camp and invited them to visit with us, especially since most of them live within about 40 or less miles of Lake Pines. Several thought they may be able to visit us at Lake Pines and some already had other plans but all of them appreciated our invitation to visit. Bill and Helen Wood made reservations at Lake Pines, but he got sick the day before and canceled. We very much enjoyed Gloria Coker camping with us from Thursday to Saturday; her husband, Larry, was working. On Friday afternoon, the former president of that chapter and her husband, Linda and Bob Hemmings visited. We enjoyed their company as well, and all of them joined in playing Mexican Train Dominoes and/or Skip-Bo. Several games of Mexican Train Dominoes and Skip-Bo were enjoyed throughout the campout, with some almost too close to call.

ABOUT OUR MEMBERS:

We regretted to learn that the 99 year old mother of a former member, Bobby Griggs, was killed in an automobile accident last week, and Bobby's and Diana's daughter, who was driving the car, was severely injured. A sympathy card was sent from the members of Heart of Dixie Ramblers. Thursa reported that she had family illness. A niece was severely burned in a pressure cooker explosion. She is making slow progress. And Thursa's brother was in critical condition but on Thursday morning had awakened from an 8-day coma and was talking with family members.

Please remember these families in your prayers.

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JUNE CAMPOUT:

The June campout will be June 11-13, at Deer Run RV Park, 25629 US Highway 231, Troy, AL 36081. Telephone: (334) 566-6517 or 800-552-3036. Rates are \$27.67. Driving directions: Travel south on U.S. Highway 231 and just past Deer Run on the right, turn right onto County Road 1124; the entrance to the campground is on the right.

The campground requests that each member call and make his/her own reservation. They do not require a deposit, but need to know when you are arriving and the size of your rig. Also please let the host, Ralph Jefferson (277-2811), know if you cannot attend; if you plan to drive in; and/or if you are bringing visitors.

BIRTHDAYS:

June: None

ANNIVERSARIES:

June: None

2015 WAGON MASTERS/HOSTS:

June 11-13	Jefferson	Deer Run RV Park, Troy, AL
July 09-11	Finns	Pine Mountain RV Park, GA
Aug. 13-15	Reids	The Gathering Place, Repton, AL
Sept. 10-12	Gibbs	Spring-Villa RV Park, Opelika, AL)
Oct. 05-11	Alabama Area Campout	N. AL State Fairgrounds, Muscle Shoals AL
Nov. 8-10	Brown	Owassa RV Park, Evergreen, AL
Dec 03	Christmas Luncheon	Arrowhead Country Club, Montgomery, AL

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