



Newsletter of the Georgia Mountaineers chapter of FMCA

**BALD MOUNTAIN PARK, HIAWASSEE, GA  
AUGUST 16 – 20, 2006  
HOSTS: CALLAS AND HARDISON**

Campers: John & June Huffman, Ted & Martha Barrett, Herbie & Elinor Wilson and their Granddaughters, Katie & Andi, Virginia Jackson, Charles & Rachel Bargainnier, Don & Lois Hardison.

Bob-tailing in at various times: Chuck & Allene Conner, Dot Ament, Klaus & Marga Beier, George & Rachel Moyer, Verlon & Sue Southerland, Truett & Elaine Swanson, Jerry & Dot Carpenter, Dennis & Joyce Horcher, Ken & Dea Earley, and Earle Seaverns.

Wed. – An array of scrumptious salads were consumed while we caught up with friends we haven't seen for awhile. Linda provided a red velvet cake and a chocolate/peanut butter cake to top it off so we would have enough energy to play hand and foot.

Thu. – Lunch was Mexican for some and Donna's Restaurant (sandwiches this time) for others. Various trips were made during the day for shopping/antiquing, etc. Linda took 3 of us to their cabin (beautiful cabin and setting) where breakfast is planned for tomorrow morning. Dinner was at the Blazing Steak House. We tried not to get too full to play games again.

Fri. - A mid-morning breakfast was to be at the Callas cabin but the "hostess with the mostest" had been ill all night and morning so we moved the breakfast to the Baguley Building where we were having the other meals and games. Hardee's Sausage Biscuits and tater cakes, Ingles' muffins and cinnamon rolls, Elinor's fruit, and coffee were served. More sight-seeing, visiting, and napping preceded the mid-afternoon lunch/dinner at Donna's Restaurant where we had sandwiches or seafood baskets. Donna's was a special event since they had reserved for us at their closing time so we had the place to ourselves.

Games became a riot Fri. especially when Don got caught with his foot (4 **RED** 3's) and, between what was left in his hand plus his foot, he had 2,230 points against him. Later in the same game, he got caught again and, between what was left in his hand plus his foot, he had 10 wild cards. It just wasn't his night at all.

Sat. - We had muffins, etc., left over from yesterday's breakfast and decided that, instead of going to the café, we would eat more Hardee's and Ingles' food. Some thought it was even better re-heated. We all got plenty to eat. Dinner was Ingles' honey baked ham

with lots of sides and cakes, pies, and cookies for dessert. All was well. Games again tonight. NOTE: Linda got brave and came for a short visit tonight. June is now ill and stayed in their coach.

Sun. - Devotional was held in the small pavilion in the playground (thanks, Elinor) then we headed home.

A SPECIAL THANKS from Lois to all those than helped out with everything; I really appreciate all that you did.

**MEETING** notes/reminders:

Sep. 20-23 - Harmony Campground - Elberton, GA - no reservations needed but if you are to arrive before Sep 20, let Herbie know so he can have them open the gates and bathhouse.

Oct. 18-21 - Bear Creek Campground - Asheville, NC - Reservations are required, but can be cancelled later. 1-828-253-0798

Nov. 15-18 - River Country Campground Gadsden, AL Reservations required. 1-256-543-7111.

Dec. 8 - Christmas luncheon is at the Blue Willow (same as last year).

**SUNSHINE REPORT:**

A Get Well card was sent to Clay Doty following an eye operation and in return Clay has sent an email thanking us for thinking of him. He said he is doing ok but was not yet allowed to drive.

Cards were sent to Paul & Betty Ivey and James and Sara Ivey telling them we will miss them, asking them to keep in touch and telling them they are always welcome to visit with us during a rally.

Martha Barrett  
GA Mountaineers Sunshine Reporter

Lois, I hope you will copy & paste this message to your newsletter.

**Note from Linda: (Mon. 8/21 9:30 am)**

*Lois, you were invaluable to me and I am sure to the group at Bald Mountain Park. I sincerely appreciate you and your willingness to take care of all the matters I should have and could not handle in my unhealthy state. (For those who were not there, I got a stomach virus on Thurs and was not fit to save the whole time)*

*You and your elves, the gals and fellows at the rally, and others who drove in, did a superb job of taking care of all the details. Thanks again to you all.*

*I am feeling better and so is June, but Luke is now looking pale and staying near the bathroom. I hope we didn't spread it to any of you.*

*My brother, Howard, who had a severe stroke on Friday, is still very critical. He may be just slightly improved, in that the swelling around the brain is somewhat reduced and he is less agitated. It's just a "wait and see" condition. Thanks for your prayers for him and his family.*

Happy Camping and see you soon.

Lois Hardison

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