

GEORGIA MOUNTAINEERS - MARCH, 2006 FAIR HARBOR CAMPGROUND - PERRY, GA

What a wonderful way to spend several days: camping with our friends!

Wednesday, 14 rigs arrived: Elinor & Herbie Wilson and Anne & Cecil Etheridge (cohosts) plus Luke & Linda Callas, John & June Huffman, Sue & Willard Swanson, Lois & Don Hardison, Verlon & Sue Southerland, Clay & Margaret Doty, Vance & Phyllis Boring, Marga & Klaus Beier, Joe & Dot Carpenter, Warren Swanson & Joyce Vance. Also attending were guests: Jack & Chris White of Stockbridge, and Leo & Evelyn Moore of Clarkesville. Virginia Jackson drove down for Friday and Saturday and Ray & Vicki Hubbard came for the day on Saturday and brought Mitch, Kady and her friend Maritza, and Vicki's mother, Sue. Welcome to all the guests.

Wednesday night, after much yakking while sitting in the sun, we grilled out and ate together then played games.

Thursday afternoon, Clay Doty conducted the first session of the AARP Safe Driving course with 18 attendees. We ate at Yoder's in Montezuma. YUMMMM. More games, of course.

Friday morning, Clay held the second session of the course AND WE ALL PASSED! THANKS, CLAY. We ate lunch at Cheddar's in Warner Robins and some did a little shopping. Cheddar's serves large portions so many preferred to take an afternoon nap (instead of shopping) and be ready for our Munchies that night. Anne hosted an "Oldywed Game" with selected players: Sue & Willard, Marga & Klaus, and Phyllis & Vance. Their answers to the 6 questions were great fun and their "tie" at 100% was inspiring. Congratulations. Also, Elinor had asked us to keep track of our scores, men vs. women, to see who actually was the best. The women won by over 7,000 points for the 3-night totals.

Saturday was a free day until potluck and most of us ate too much as usual. SUDDENLY, during potluck, the power went off. There was enough light for us to finish dinner then, with the addition of a couple of lanterns, the planned talent show began. Elinor read a story, Cecil played his harmonica, Kady sang a song, and then we all sang a song. Without electricity, Kady and Mitch couldn't perform the rest of their talent but we all enjoyed those that did. Thanks to all. Just as we decided to play card games anyway, the power came back on.

Fair Harbor offers pancakes and coffee Tues. through Sat. so many of us ate breakfast together daily.

Herbie asked that each of you review the 2006 schedule and let him know when you can be a host. Reminder of the next 3 rallies: April 19 - 22 in Tybee Island (just a month away). May 17 - 20 at Rio Vista in Dillard. June 14 - 17 in Chattanooga is set for hosting the grandkids this year. **Have you made reservations for these? Can you be a host?**

Another reminder is for the "Friendship" Rally May 4 - 7 at the Gwinnett County Fair Grounds in Lawrenceville, GA. There will be fun, fellowship, entertainment, seminars, vendors and more. Volunteers are needed and can arrive a couple of days early. Willard Swanson is organizing for our chapter. If you can help and/or have questions, contact him. I'll email a copy of the flyer that was passed out in Perry as a separate email. I know some of you can't open attachments so I won't try to include it with this email.

Lois Hardison Corresponding Secretary