

# THE MOUNTAINEER



Newsletter of the Georgia Mountaineers chapter of FMCA

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**April 19 – 22, 2007**

**River's End Campground - Tybee Island, GA**

**Hosts: Huffmans and Whites**

The rally started off with some windy and chilly weather but turned into a beautiful week; of course, any week that is spent with your friends at a campground is great, right? We did miss all those that couldn't attend and hope you will be at the rest of the rallies this year.

By Tue., arrivals were John & June Huffman, Jack & Chris White, Ted & Martha Barrett, Vance & Phyllis Boring, Jerry & Dot Carpenter, Don & Lois Hardison, and Russ & Maria Powell. Also arriving were guests, Howard & Suzanne (Suzi) Rogers. Dinner was at Spanky's and Outback Café (Powells arrived later and the campground manager recommended Outback Café).

On Wed., new arrivals today were Willard & Sue Swanson, Truett & Elaine Swanson, and Cecil & Anne Etheridge. Also arriving were guests Jack & Millie O'Donovan. For lunch, 12 ate at the Flying Fish. They had good food at this fairly new restaurant. Afterwards, several went grocery shopping in preparation for tonight's salad dinner at the rec room.

Thu., breakfast at the Sunrise Café was enjoyed by all those that was willing to rise early enough to go. More arrivals were James & Sara Ivy, and our guests, John & Sandra Long, making a total of 28. Dinner was at Uncle Bubba's, where a few ate the char-grilled oysters appetizer before dinner and some had Paula's Banana Pudding after dinner.

Fri., after a very stormy night of lightening, thunder, rain, and hail, we went on the Oglethorpe Trolley Tours in Savannah then spent a couple of hours wandering around City Market, downtown Savannah, and River Front before going to The Lady and Sons for lunch buffet. Today was Cecil's birthday so he was treated to a piece of birthday cake and a waiter sang Happy Birthday to him then a lady cook came out and told him she wanted to sing it like it should be done. Wow, Cecil, two songs! Can't beat that. Afternoon was spent visiting under the trees, then our dinner was finger foods and almost everyone ate even after such a big lunch. Someone suggested that we need to change our name to the GA Eatin'eers or Mountaineaters.

Sat., breakfast for some was again at Sunrise Café while others slept in. Then we had the business meeting.

Special notes from the meeting: If you haven't made your reservations for future rallies, you need to do so now; be sure to check the cancellation policy when you call so you won't get any surprises if you need to cancel. Asheville in October is definitely one to make now...or you may not get in. Also, a reminder that the Christmas luncheon is on Thursday, not Friday, this year, so mark it on your calendar and try to attend. It's always fun.

The rest of Sat. was spent visiting, sightseeing, shopping, walking the beach, climbing the lighthouse, etc., and eating dinner at various restaurants such as Outback Café, Spanky's, and Mexican.

Each night, there were several tables of 6 playing Hand and Foot and, judging by the laughter, all had lots of fun.

Sun., coffee and sweet rolls followed by devotional by John Huffman

NOTE FOR PERRY RALLY IN MAY: The campground person says they're not taking reservations because they have plenty of space, therefore, if you plan to go, please notify Jerry Carpenter and Ted Barrett so they can keep a count of attendees.

SPECIAL PLANS FOR AUGUST RALLY: At River Vista in Dillard, the hosts, Borings and Etheridges, announced they plan to have a talent show. So, get out your guitar, harmonica, do a skit, or whatever your special talent is and get to practicing, if needed. They will send out an email, probably in July, asking you to confirm your participation.

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