

THE MOUNTAINEER



Newsletter of the Georgia Mountaineers chapter of FMCA

April 23 - 27, 2008
Holiday Trav-L-Park – Chattanooga TN
Host: Huffmans

Members camping: Barretts, Birts, Broadys, Callases, Carpenters, Fritsches, and Huffmans.

Guests camping: First time visitors John and Carol Dubac from Ellijay, Brent & Phyllis Danneman from Gainesville, and second time visitors Bill & Teri Simpson from Cumming. Plus we had a special visit from our previous Charter Members, Herbie and Elinor Wilson, who stayed in a nearby Motel.

Ted and Martha arrived on Saturday on their way back from Alabama and spent two restful days before others came to bother them. They even got a head start on Sticky Fingers.

Tuesday the Huffmans arrived and the four of us checked out "Jenkins Country Buffet" as a possible eating place - it passed. The Carpenters got in after lunch and wondered why we didn't call them about going out to lunch. We had tried but their phone was out of service. Jerry and Dot had some enlightening discussions with AT&T about no service. The Fritsches got in too late and were too tired to help check out "STICKY FINGERS" for dinner -- the ribs were great.

Wednesday morning Joan and Lowell went to view Rock City and Ruby Falls, Dot and Jerry went to Walmart, Jim and Karen arrived and several of us went for a "fix" at "AMIGOS Mexican Restaurant". After lunch we were joined by Margaret and Sam and first time visitors John and Carol Dubac. Plus a local couple Carl and Freida Stutz came to visit and check us out. We enjoyed their visit, but Carl and Freida could not stay for dinner due to prior family commitments. For dinner, about 16 of us went to "Jenkins Country Buffet" just to prove the quality of the food -- It passed again. After dinner 12 of us played cards and had a good time in the recreation room.

Thursday the Barretts and Carpenters went to "Wallys" for breakfast, Jim and Lowell went to ride the Inclined Railroad and the rest of us loafed. After lunch some went shopping, some toured Chattanooga, some napped, and the rest sat and talked until the Callases arrived and set up camp in a cottage. It wasn't long before the Wilsons came in from their motel at Ringgold. We all had a good time catching up on all the news on the ones we had not seen in a while. For dinner, 17 of us went to "STICKY FINGERS" and did the usual thing - PIG OUT. Bill and Teri Simpson arrived too late for dinner but were part of the card players, two tables of six.

Friday we sat around and told tall tales until lunch, when five of us went to "Bea's Restaurant" for a good meal. In the afternoon Brent and Phyllis Danneman (the Carpenters friends from Gainesville) and Dianne and Paul (Sam Broady's sister and husband from Cordele) came to visit.

Ted grilled delicious ribs and others brought all the other veggies and deserts for an outstanding meal at dinner. Afterwards we played cards, as usual, with predictable results -- the men got skunked at one table and pulled a win out by 110 points at the other table.

Saturday started with Biscuits and sausage gravy, OJ, pastries and coffee. The rest of the day was left to visit families, sightseeing, talking, or just resting. The Simpsons joined our Chapter and now can be harassed like the rest of us. More of Sam and Margaret's family came in for a visit on their way to a family reunion the next day. For dinner, 22 went to "Wallys" for another good meal followed by the usual card games. One good note we heard was that Klaus Beier was getting better and they wanted to thank us all for our Prayers and good wishes. But on the sad side, it looks like they will have to give up motorhoming due to health problems. If this is the case, we will really miss them.

Sunday we had coffee and pastries followed by a very good Devotional by Joan Fritsche.

All in all we had a very good Rally. We enjoyed our guests and visitors and hope they will return to be with us again. We also picked up the Simpsons as our newest members.

Next month is Berea, Ky. It is easier to cancel a reservation than get one at the last minute, so hurry and call 859-986-1150. There is no deposit requirement, so you have nothing to lose.

John Huffman filling in for Lois

RALLY REMINDER:

May 21 - 24 Berea KY OH! Kentucky Campground Phone: 859-986-1150. Directions: From I-75 take Exit 76, go west about ½ mile, CG is on the right. Renfro Valley is only 15 miles south. Renfro Valley doesn't publish their schedule until the first of the year for their top named performers, but starting the first of May, they have their own shows Monday thru Saturday, with Friday and Saturday their big show nights. Horse farms in Paris, KY give free tours. See <http://www.ohkentuckycampground.com> and <http://www.renfrovalley.com>. Rec room not available Sunday due to church services at 9AM. **Hosts: Fritsches and Barretts**

June 18 - 21 Cleveland GA Leisure Acres Campground. Phone: 888-748-6344. Directions: S-bnd from Cleveland, From jct of US 129 and SR 115 S 3.8 miles to Westmoreland Rd, west 0.5 mi (L). Or N bnd From Clermont N on US 129 to jct of US 129 and Westmoreland Rd. (2.8 mi N of Jct of US 129 and Sr 254) W 0.5 mi on Westmoreland Rd. (L). A Low Country Boil is planned. See <http://www.leisureacrescampground.com>. **Hosts: Carpenters and Barretts**