

THE MOUNTAINEER



Newsletter of the Georgia Mountaineers Chapter of FMCA

December 9, 2011
Christmas Luncheon
Smith House, Dahlonega, Georgia
Hosts: Elaine and Truett Swanson

Members attending: Carl & LaVerne Abbott, Ken & Margie Alexander, Van & Miriam Armstrong, Ted & Martha Barrett, Bob & Eva Bielemeier, Sam & Margaret Broady, Linda Callas, Jerry & Dot Carpenter, Chris & Stella Christopher, Ken & Barbara Cook, Don & Peggy Crump, Bill & Pat Denny, Dea Early, John & Diane Franklin, B.G. & Irma Greulich, Lois Hardison, John Huffman, Virginia Jackson, John & Sandra Long, Larry & Audrey Martin, George & Dorothy Silver, Carl & Freida Stutz, Warren Swanson and Joyce Vance, Truett & Elaine Swanson, Willard & Sue Swanson, Jack & Chris White, and Liz Yarbrough

Second Time Visitors: Louie and Dee Voels from Lincolnnton, Georgia. Later this month they joined our Chapter – welcome to the Georgia Mountaineers.

President Carl Abbott welcomed everyone to the Christmas Luncheon. He thanked Truett and Elaine Swanson for hosting the luncheon. They provided cute flower pot favors for everyone. They thanked John Huffman for arranging for us to be at the Smith House. John Huffman said a blessing for the food. Everyone enjoyed the wonderful food provided by the Smith House. Food was served “family style” affording guests opportunity to visit and share with other members at their table. One of the highlights of the meal was their delicious Southern Fried Chicken. The service was very good as usual.



After the meal Ted Barrett installed Jack White as second vice-president and Diane Franklin as treasurer for 2012. Ted was thanked for doing an exceptional installation service.

Bill Denny was thanked for his service as President for 2011. He was presented with Georgia Mountaineers Past President emblem plates.



Jack White spoke of the need for hosts for rallies next year. Several rallies already have hosts. Please contact Jack to sign up to host a rally next year.

Door prizes were given next. Corporate donors were Peace Valley KOA in Murphy, NC, Leisure Acres Campground in Cleveland, GA, Brasstown Valley Resort & Spa, RV World

of Georgia, Applachee RV Center, and Camping World. The Armstrongs and the Dennys provided door prizes also.



President Abbott introduced Brenda Cronan, Coordinator of Family Connection in Dahlonega, who thanked the Mountaineers for their generous donations of toys brought to the luncheon by chapter members. They will be



given to needy families served by Family Connection. She also told us about their organization and their service to the community.

Several members who had planned to come were unable to come because of illness. They were missed.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Contact Jack White (jdckwhite@bellsouth.net or 770-474-8456) to host a rally for next year.

Contact Carl Abbott (cra2121@mindspring.com or 770-427-7500) if you are interested in attending the SEA Rally in Brooksville, FL in February. We will plan to meet and park together.

Contact Karen Mathis for Sunshine Reports.

UPCOMING RALLIES:

February: 1st thru 5th FMCA SEA Rally at Brooksville FL. No Host

March: 14th thru 17th Carrabelle Beach RV Resort. Carrabelle FL. Reser Req. 850-697-2638. Directions: West of town 1.5 miles on US-98 on the right.
<http://www.carrabellebeach.rvcoutdoors.com> **Hosts: Hicks & Rows**

April: 18th thru 21st Coastal Georgia RV Resort. Brunswick GA. Reser Req. 912-264-3869. Directions: From I-95, Exit-29 west on US-82/GA-17 go 0.5 mile to GA-17/Ocean Highway, go left on Ocean Highway 0.3 mile to Martin Palmer Drive on the left, 0.6 mile to RV Park at the end of the road.
<http://www.coastalgarvresort.com> **Hosts: Abbots & Franklins**

May: 16th thru 19th River Vista Mountain Village. Dillard GA Reser Req. 888-850-7275. Directions: From jct of US 441 and Sr 246. Go east .7 mi on GA-246. Enter on right. See <http://www.rvmountainvillage.com>. **Hosts:**

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