

THE MOUNTAINEER



Newsletter of the Georgia Mountaineers chapter of FMCA

October 12 - 16, 2011
Holiday Travel-Park of Chattanooga, TN
Hosts: Bielemeiers and Silvers

Members camping: Bielemeiers, Silvers, Gills, Rollins, Hardisons, Mathis, Alexanders, Dennys, Huffmans, Armstrongs, and Whites.

Chris White was having health problems and had to stay in their coach but she was able to have us visit with her.

Unfortunately, Bill & Pat Denny had to leave on Thursday due to a death in their family.

Visitors camping: Carl & Freida Stutz of Chattanooga. They were second time visitors.

Wednesday The first scheduled event was an ice cream and cookies meet 'n' greet social at the clubhouse and, of course, was well attended. Lots of talking and "catching up" was happening. Anyone still needing something to eat for dinner scattered to their coaches in time to hurry back for games. We had two tables of cards and one of Dominoes with the men winning both games.



Thursday It rained before daylight but slacked off by the time we headed out for lunch at The Acropolis Restaurant. We feasted on a variety of very good Greek food. From there, some went to the International Towing and Recovery Museum, a few went riding around or shopping and several went back to camp so they could nap. Dinner was not planned but a few still sought out nearby restaurants. Later, we had one table of cards and one of Dominoes with the ladies winning both.



Friday The rain was gone and it was a beautiful day. Several went on a tour of Raccoon Mountain Caverns, while others hung around camp. The dinner buffet at nearby Wally's Restaurant was a hit. Joining us for dinner were Larry & Audrey Martin and their friends Buddy & Carol Mears and Bob. Carol serenaded us by singing "Blue Moon". Back at the campground, we had two tables of cards and one table of Dominoes. A bright moon followed us from the clubhouse back to the campsites.



Saturday Blue skies and warmer temperatures greeted us as we went to the Business Meeting. Van Armstrong presided over the meeting. The slate of nominations for 2012 Officers was read, voted on, and passed. They will be Installed in November in Gadsden.



Elected Offices and Executive Board for 20112

President --- Carl Abbott
First Vice-President --- Van Armstrong
Second Vice-President/Wagon Master --- Jack White
Corresponding Secretary/Newsletter Editor --- LaVerne Abbott
Recording Secretary --- Miriam Armstrong
Treasurer --- Diane Franklin
National Director --- Bill Denny
Alternate National Director --- BG Greulich

Volunteer Appointed Positions

Devotional Leader --- George Silver
Scrap Book Editor --- Laura & Jerry Eaves
Sheriff --- Bob Bielemeier
Sunshine Reporter --- Karen Mathis
Web Master --- Ted Barrett

Carl Stutz announced that he and Freida have enjoyed their visits with us and wanted to join the chapter – and they did. **Welcome to the Georgia Mountaineers, Carl and Freida.**

Jack White announced the rally schedule for next year and it is already on the web site. Please look at this schedule and see if there is a rally where you could host or co-host and notify Jack. Also, it is very important that you send your club dues of \$6.00 per person plus your Christmas luncheon payment of \$20.00 per person (if you are going) by November 1 to Diane Franklin, 1181 Lake Washington Dr., Lawrenceville, GA 30043. Please combine these into one check.

The rest of the day was on our own so lunch and dinner were eaten in various locations. One table of cards and one of Dominoes rounded out the night. Thanks to Miriam Armstrong for all those treats she provided for the games each night.

Sunday The day began with coffee and pastries and was followed with a devotional by George Silver.

A big thanks to the hosts for another great rally.

Lois Hardison, Filling in for LaVerne Abbott,
Corresponding Secretary – Newsletter Editor

RALLY REMINDERS:

November 16 thru 19 River Country Campground. Gadsden, AL.
Reservation Req. 256-543-7111. Directions: From junction of US-411 & US-278, go south on US-411 1.1 miles to River Road, go left 0.5 miles to campground. <http://www.rivercountrycampground.com>

Hosts: Mathis' & Greulichs

If you haven't already made reservations, you need to do it now; they may have several rallies at that time. As always, **when making reservations, be sure and tell the person taking the reservations that you are with the Georgia Mountaineers, and ask about any rally discount and their cancellation policy. When you make your reservation, please email Jack White that you have done so; this helps him keep track of how many will attend.**

December 9 Christmas Luncheon 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the Smith House, 84 South Chestatee Street, Dahlonega, GA. As stated above, the cost is \$20.00 per person, which includes the meal, drink, tax, and gratuity. Please send dues with your Christmas luncheon money to Diane Franklin by November 1st. Hosts: Truett & Elaine Swanson

ALSO, we are again donating toys to be given to children so please take an UNWRAPPED toy to the luncheon.