

THE MOUNTAINEER



Newsletter of the Georgia Mountaineers Chapter of FMCA

November 14 - 18, 2018
Coastal Georgia RV Resort
Brunswick GA
Hosts: Birts and Cannons



The Coastal Georgia RV Resort is a wonderful place to hold a rally. This was our eighth rally here and most everyone seems to really enjoy the area, especially the islands. Mr. Perry, the owner, has begun construction on an addition to the resort. He is expanding and adding another section south of the pavilion. This new area is suppose to serve as a rally center, complete with an air conditioned and heated clubhouse. This is a nice, clean, beautiful resort, so if you are ever in the area, Coastal Georgia is just off I-95 Exit-29.

Members Camping: Raymond and Donna Birt, Eldridge and Bobbie Cannon, Frank and Frances Brown, Paul and Nancy Carrier, Dorris and Ethel Carpenter, Ed and Patricia Durrence, Jerry and Laura Eaves, Doug and Terry Gibbs, Jim and Janice Hamby, Larry and Carole Hilliard, Nancy and David Jones, Nick and Darlene Knowlton, Jim and Karen Mathis, Wayne and Anne Mickey, Mike and Kathie Newton, Roy and Kathy Perry, Scott and April Phillips, Sam and Dottie Reese, Jack White, Greg and Rose Zaic.

Visitors Camping: First time visitors were Fred and Delynn Kelly from Richmond Hill, GA, Tom and Joy Moore from Tybee Island, GA, Richard and Beverly from Pooler, GA, Tony and Brenda Rentz from Waycross,GA, and Jim and Joanne Mason from Dunwoody, GA.

Early arrivers were the Carriers (Thursday) and Phillips (Saturday) and Birts (Sunday) The Birts, Phillips, and Cannons enjoyed dinner at Cinco De Mayo.

Monday: The Carpenters, Knowltons, Jack White and Zaics. After we all got set up, the Birts, Cannons, Carpenters, Phillips, White, and Zaics enjoyed dinner at JinRights..

Tuesday: The Cannons, Durrences, Reeses, Gibbs, Mathises, Perrys, and Jones. They arrived on a beautiful sunny day with the temperature going to 83. Some of the group-- Rose and Greg, Jack, and Raymond enjoyed B & J's for lunch. The Phillips, Carpenters,

Durrences, Knowltons, and Reeses enjoyed dinner at B&J's. Shrimp was the big hit with most of the crowd.

Wednesday: Another beautiful morning with sunshine and cool weather. About 9:30 the clouds moved in and the winds picked up. Looking forward to seeing the Alexanders, Eaves, Hambys, Miceys, Newtons, Kellys, Moores, Rentzs, and Masons come in today. At 2:30 we met for Meet and Greet where light refreshments were served. Our visitors were introduced. The agenda for the week was discussed. Donna took up baby pictures from those who remembered to bring them. At our Saturday night dinner we will have a contest to see how many we can recognize. After Meet and Greet the auditing committee made up of Dorris and Ethel Carpenter and Dottie Reese audited the books for the year 2018. Darlene had done an outstanding job with the records and the committee recommended them to be filed. At 4:45 the group left for the Marshside Grill for dinner. Food and fellowship were enjoyed by all. After we returned to the RV park, games of fast track and hand and foot were enjoyed by several members while others enjoyed a roaring fire. Since the weather was rainy and cold, the fire was a welcome sight compliments of Jack.

Thursday: Woke up to a cloudy, windy morning but no rain. Plans for the day are to tour the Cannon's Dry Cleaning facility and stop at JinRights for lunch. Our last campers to arrive were the Hilliards, Browns and Holbrooks. At 10:30 we met at Cannon's Dry Cleaners facility for grand tour. Eldridge explained all the stations that are involve in the dry cleaning business. His business is very up to date with the equipment that it takes to run a successful business. Thank you Eldridge for the tour and our garment lint roller. After the tour we met at JinRights for lunch where everyone enjoyed soup to seafood. The rest of the afternoon was met with naps and staying warm. When the time came for dinner, several groups went to B&J's while several went to Grandys and Cracker Barrel. Back at the park again was the big fire enjoyed by a big group. Fast track and hand and foot were enjoy also.

Friday: Woke up with the temperature at 38 and sunny and windy. Going up to high 60's and be a beautiful sunny day. At 10:30 several of the ladies met and under Donna's instructions made pine cone Christmas trees. Way to go ladies! We really have some talented ladies! The men entertained themselves. Received the good news that Ted is cancer free! Way to go Ted!! The group of 35 went to dinner at 5:00 to the Ole Times Country Buffet. The buffet had a good variety of meats and vegetables that were enjoyed by all. Back at the park we found a roaring fire compliments of Jack. Games were also going.

Saturday: Another beautiful sunny day for us to enjoy. We will be having a business meeting at 10:00 this morning and looking forward to pot luck dinner tonight. The business meeting was called to order by Ed. The minutes and treasurer's reports were accepted as read. Ed Durrence installed the new offices and Raymond Birt, the new president, installed Ed into his new position. Ken Alexander stood up and announced that this would be their last RV trip with the Mountaineers. He stated that it was time for them to stop and that they would miss us on the road. We will definitely miss them dearly and definitely miss those famous Alexander jokes! Several couples went out to lunch at the

Village on St. Simons. Others enjoyed Jekyll Island and others stayed in to get ready for dinner. Dinner was very good as usual since we have great cooks. We had chicken plus all the trimmings. After dinner we had the contest of matching baby pictures to the adults. Darlene matched 7 out of 13 and Ethel and Ann matched 6. Then we had the contest to see if the husbands could pick out which pine cone Christmas tree that was made by their wives. Some husbands did a good job while others missed. After that event, Donna handed out lollipops and those who had a black spot on the bottom of the lollipop stick were awarded a prize. A good time was had by all. Again a roaring fire and the fast track players enjoyed teaching Brenda Rentz how to play.

Sunday: Woke up to another beautiful sunny day. Several coaches left early since their travel time was several hours long. The rest of us met for sausage biscuits and goodies. Wayne gave our devotion and we said our good byes and off we went.

See you at the Christmas party December 6 at 12:00 at the Smith House in Dahlonega with Christmas gifts for the kids that the Community Helping Place is sponsoring.

Ethel Carpenter
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