

GEORGIA FUNSEEKERS

The President Says

August, 2009

Well hi folks. Since we didn't have a rally this month here in Georgia, I hope anyone who went to Kentucky will fill us in. I don't have a great deal on which to comment but I do know that all of the ballots for officers haven't come in. Please get those to Joan if you haven't already sent yours in.

We already have twelve couples signed up for Dillard so it looks like it is going to be a good rally. I spoke to the folks up there and at this point we are the only rally scheduled then so we will have the clubhouse to ourselves. Yea!

As I mentioned earlier, we will have a short business meeting Saturday morning so please think of any issues you may want raised. I wanted to remind folks that we kind of have an unwritten rule here in the Funseekers. We try not to get into any big discussions about religion or politics. There is too much of a chance for hurt feelings or arguments.

I am enclosing another sheet about the Dillard rally. Please try to come and bring your bathing suits. Hope to see you all there – Margie

Wanda and I were the only Funseekers at the rally at Renfro Valley. It was a very good get together. We had 11 motorhomes by the end of the week, several stopped by on their way home from other trips and several more of us were continuing on to other places after the Renfro Rally. We had a wonderful few days with our Chicago portion of the family the next week at Mammoth. Susie Hamilton recently wrote up the rally for the Peachstate Travelers. Most of you will recognize some of the characters named in the write up. As usual, with Susie, I take a certain amount of abuse. I'll include the write up. – Wayne



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Sept. 25-27 -- River Vista Campground,
Dillard

Oct. 16-18 -- Outdoor Resort
Campground, Franklin, NC

ATTENTION! ALL GEORGIA FUNSEEKERS - - - PAST AND PRESENT!

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO THE
CELEBRATION OF OUR 20th YEAR REUNION

DECEMBER 6, 2009

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL
481 FLINT RIVER ROAD, JONESBORO, GEORGIA.

GET ACQUAINTED HOUR	2:00 p.m.
CATERED LUNCHEON	3:00 p.m.
CELEBRATION PROGRAM	4:00 p.m.

COST \$20.00 per person - please RSVP by November 1, 2009, by mailing check to

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Phone Number: 828-349-0412

October 23, 24, and 25th

Hosts are: Floyd and Joan Rush, Ellen and Bill Guettler and Howard and Dorris Tucker

Friday - 5:00 PM

Happy hour- Bring what you want to drink. Snacks will be provided.

6:00PM – Cook out

Bring what you want to grill and something to share. Bring plates, and eating utensils.
Play games in the club house afterwards.

Saturday 9:00 AM

Breakfast in the club house. Bring Plates and eating utensils.
Menu: Egg Casserole, Biscuits, Orange Juice, and Coffee

1:30PM

Come to make a “neat looking” pop-top necklace with Jane Bouland (save as many pop-tops as you can.
We will also have extras.)

Saturday 5:00 PM

Happy Hour-Bring what you want to drink – snacks will be provided

6:00PM -Dinner

Menu: Pork BBQ with all the fixings.
Play the world premier of the “**Wack the Question**” game. You will be divided into teams.

Sunday 9:00 AM

Continental Breakfast followed by an inspiring devotional given by our own “Sister Ellen”.

Directions:

It is located five miles North of Franklin, take 23/441 North By-pass around Franklin. Take a left onto Echo Valley Road. Take the next immediate right on to Thumper Trail. GPS: 35-13-954-N, 83 20.854-W

Send \$30.00 to: Floyd Rush,
 330 Spindle Court
 Atlanta, Ga. 30350
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August at Renfro Valley

The McCoys are familiar with “camping” as they have had pull-behinds parked at Lake Allatoona; but they recently purchased their Bouncer motor home. They joined our Peach State Travelers chapter on Saturday. Doug comes from a military/law enforcement background and Carol is a retired elementary school teacher. Please be sure to welcome Doug and Carol and their beautiful, sweet little dog, Brandy.

On Tuesday the Hollenbecks joined the group. Wanda is walking like she never had a problem with her hip; however, Wayne arrived with a limp. It could have just been a ploy for sympathy since Wanda had been getting all the attention! We’re just kidding, Wayne. We all know the knees are the first things on which Father Time works his magic! Myra and David were our Activities Directors. Several couples toured the shops in Berea and visited the Kentucky Artisan Center. They arranged for us to go into Berea for lunch at Boone’s Tavern. It had a varied sandwich and salad fare, some of which were rather interesting.

Tuesday evening several of us went across the highway to the Red Barn to listen to a visiting bluegrass group. Either they weren’t very good or their sound system needed work. Myra enjoyed a bowl of pinto beans and cornbread with onions so the evening wasn’t a total loss.

Wednesday lunch found us at the Artisan Center. Their cafeteria had a meat and two special or you could have sandwiches and salads. Wednesday evening several of us waited for Jeff Watson as there was a wreck on I-75 that delayed him thirty minutes. He had an amazingly talented eleven-year-old girl who performed with him. She played the guitar and sang with a strong voice to be so young.

Myra and David arranged a trip to Tater Knob Pottery. The potter demonstrated three types of clay vessels on her wheel. We were served herbal tea, hand-ground coffee, or her mother’s raspberry punch recipe along with sweet breads. The shop was fascinating as they specialize in usable clayware. The most popular item is a spoon bread pan which comes with a spoon bread mix. While we were there a strong wind and rain storm came. The sky was black and it was raining hard. On the way back to the campground we had to make several detours due to trees down on the roadway. Thankfully, there was no damage at Renfro.

On Thursday the Hardys and Carlyles arrived. Boyd and Terry had Boyd’s sister-in-law from Knoxville with them. Most of the group had gone to the Shaker Village in Pleasant Hill, KY. It was an interesting place as it has been mostly refurbished and re-enactors serve as guides in the buildings. They explain the way of life of the Shakers and how they made their living and fed the members. It was a socialistic type of society with everyone working and sharing in the wealth of the village. Men and women lived as “brothers” and “sisters” on different sides of the communal houses. One house had over 80 people living in it. In order for the society to grow the Shakers had to recruit new members. That may explain why there is only one active village of Shakers today!

Thursday evening we had a group dinner at the Lodge and most went to see and hear “Front Porch Pickin’.” After that a hardy crew (Carlyle, Hamilton, Hollenbeck, Hughes and Stainback) took off for Cumberland Falls State Park. The waterfall is one of only two in the world that can produce a “Moon Bow” on a clear night with a full moon. We have been three times now to see the bow, but alas, again it was not to be. The gorge where the falls are located was filled with fog and mist. We waited around until after midnight (positive thinkers we were) but the fog didn’t lift. How many people can say they sat for three hours on hard rocks, watching the sky, and hoping to see the moon?

Friday morning John furnished a pancake and sausage breakfast with expert help from his “flippers,” David and Wayne. Later Friday we were joined by the Hutchinses and Repps. They came in from Indiana where they had attended a Newmar Rally. Wayne, Mike, Doug, Judy and Carol were in the midst of a spirited Holey Board tournament planned by the campground. There were other men from among the campers involved. Wayne was the eventual winner; winning two tickets to any of the music programs. He will have his name in the local “Renfro Valley Bulletin.” We know a STAR!

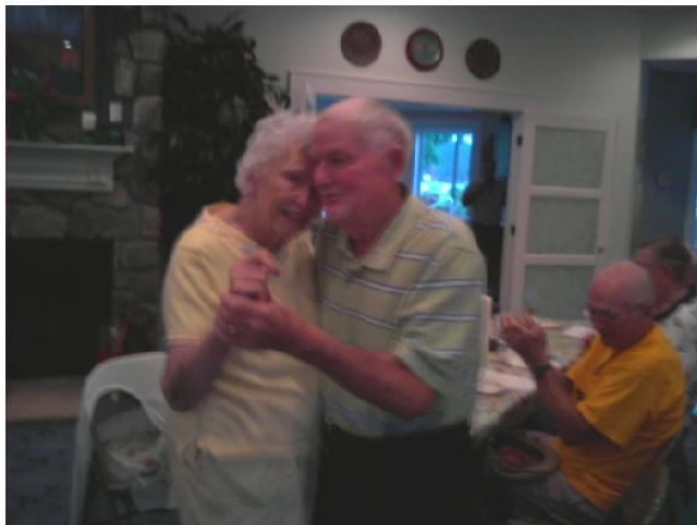
Saturday was a laid back day for many of us who had been there all week, but the Hardys braved the crowds at the Shaker Village which was having a large crafts fair over the weekend. Rufus wasn’t impressed with the village buildings. He told Susan, “Let’s go. I’ve seen old buildings before!” Obviously, Rufus is only interested in recent history...

Some of us enjoyed the afternoon shows; Sounds of Bluegrass performed by members of the ensemble at the theater and the Gospel Jubilee. We heard some of the most beautiful Acapella singing by the Renfro Valley Quartet.

We went to the Lodge for a Boarding House Dinner and most took in the two shows that evening. The Hutchinses and Carlyles saw the Ray Stephens show.

Sunday morning found many motor homes pulling out early for the drive back home. The Hollenbecks were leaving for Mammoth Cave to meet their family. The Stainbacks, Strouds, Hughes and Rankins went to Boling Green to tour the Corvette assembly plant and museum. From there they were headed to Nashville, TN for more music!

Hope to see more of you in Gadsden in September.



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