

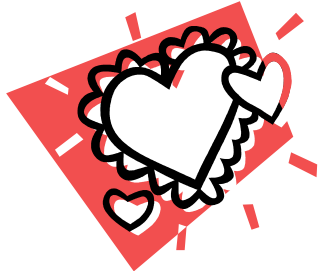


# Newsletter

February, 2011

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## February Campout Notes

Time to cuddle up with your sweetie!  
Valentine's Day is almost here! Now if the weather would just warm up, we'd feel like we lived in Florida!

It was back to Paradise Oaks for the February campout. Thirteen campers and two drive-ins on Saturday rounded out the group. A good many arrived for early bird on Thursday, enjoying Happy Hour, eating out, and playing games in the evening. The rest of the group arrived on Friday, and after happy Hour caravanned to The Speckled Butterbean for dinner. There was so much going on around the campground that it was tough to find places to play games!

### Happy March Birthdays to:

Susan Turo	March 4
Howard Schunk	March 21
Nancy Leonard	March 31

Saturday morning we were treated to a breakfast of biscuits and sausage gravy by our hosts. Yummy! The meeting followed at 10. AM. Special treat during the meeting was receiving a call from Howard Schunk, who is still at his daughter's in CT.

### Happy Anniversary to:

Ken & Brandy Cole	March 14, 1982
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Rainy skies after lunch ran the Beanbag Baseball game onto the screen porch, but couldn't dampen our enthusiasm. In spite of Audrey's great homerun, the guys won, 6-3. The weather forced us to play the rest of our games inside -- one table of Pegs & Jokers, one of hand & Foot, and Bobbi Jo MacLarty teaching another table how to play Five Crowns.

### Cares and Concerns

- Howard Schunk is improving daily! Hopes to be back in Florida later this month.
- Janet Marks's surgery was postponed until this coming Thursday, Feb. 10.
- Shirley Zummo, knee surgery in April

Happy Hour was hosted by the Leonards who have new tile floors, carpet, and a beautiful bedspread! Our hosts, the Horns, MacLarty's and Zummos supplied delicious ham for dinner, and what a spread we had! Games followed in the clubhouse.

Sunday morning we shared our traditional "Sweets" breakfast. Thanks to our three hosts for planning such a great weekend! Sunday and Monday several couples stayed over and left on Tuesday to attend the Winter Samboree at Rodeheaver's Boys Ranch in Palatka.



**Reminder:** Keep collecting for our fund raiser and charity projects:

Aluminum cans, etc.  
Used printer cartridges

Food, clothing, blankets for Loaves & Fishes  
Magazines, books, toiletries, games for veterans  
Boggy Creek bears and afghans



## March Campout Plans

March 4-6 (Early Bird Mar. 3)

### Ocala Sun RV Resort

2559 SW Hwy 484 (Exit 341 off I-75)

Ocala, FL 34473

877-809-1100

\$27 per night

Check in time is 1:00 PM

\*\*You must **call the campground ASAP** to make your own reservations! Then be sure to **let your hosts know** you are coming!

**Hosts: Steve & Carol Griffin 352-797-7893**

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**Tom & Nancy Leonard 407-886-2147**

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### **Thursday:** Early Bird

3:00 Happy Hour

Dinner on your own

### **Friday:** 3:00 PM Happy Hour

Dinner on your own

7:00 PM Games

### **Saturday:** 8:00 AM Pro-rated Breakfast

Pancakes, prepared by hosts

10:00AM Meeting

Lunch on your own

1:00 PM Outdoor games

3:00 PM Happy Hour

5:30 PM Dinner – Hosts will provide turkey (pro-rated)

A-G bring desserts

H-Z bring casseroles or salads

7:00 PM St. Patty's Day Party/games



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## Upcoming Events

The registration form for the **Mad Hatters Spring Samboree** at the KOA in Okeechobee is now online. Dates are May 4-8 (early bird May 3). That one fills up quickly, so get your registration in soon!

**FMCA Rally** in Perry, GA is March 14-17  
**GA Spring Samboree** also in Perry, March 24-27  
**Alabama "Mexican Fiesta" Spring Samboree** in Dothan, April 7-10

**Tennessee Spring Samboree in Lebanon**, May 12-15

**The Rally 2011**, Redmond, OR July 14-17

**2011 Balloon Fiesta Samboree #1**, Albuquerque, NM, Sept. 28-Oct. 4

Check others at:

<http://www.goodsamclub.com/community/EventsAndTours.aspx>

Audrey Pymer scored a homerun, but...



the men won, 6-3!



## February Minutes

The February meeting was held at Paradise Oaks Golf & RV Resort in Bushnell, FL. on February 5, 2011.

President Griffin opened the meeting at 10 AM. After an invocation by Tom Leonard, the pledge to the flag was led by Past Presidents Derek Pymer, Ed Creamer, Dale Horn and Mickey Marks. Janet Marks (filling in for Secretary, Dotty Weis, who was ill) called the roll; there were 15 members present.

January minutes: Carolyn Breitweiser noted one correction: Phyllis Horn purchased the gift card for the Samboree, rather than Sharon Vander Bok. Ed Creamer moved and Mickey Marks seconded that minutes be approved as corrected. Motion passed.

Treasurer Report: Carolyn Breitweiser gave the treasurer's report. Our current balance was \$2458.88. Carol Griffin moved to approve the Treasurers report, Mickey Marks seconded; all in favor. Report approved.

There was 1 bill presented. Phyllis Horn made a motion to pay the bill, seconded by Nancy Leonard; bill will be paid.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership: Penny Ritenburgh: No guests

Sunshine: Nancy Leonard – Sent a card to Joe & Debby Weston after loss of his mother.; also to Jean Green on the passing of her husband, "Bud" Berlin Green. She also reported that Howard is doing better; he's driving, and speech is much improved. Hopes to be back in Florida later this month.

Sheriff: Jerry Breitweiser New Deputy acting for Howard Schunk: No Report

Webmaster: Karl Raabe –Nothing new.

Newsletter: Janet Marks –Handed out new address books.

Aluminum Engineers: Derek Pymer and Jerry Breitweiser: Derek reported he & Jerry took large load and turned in \$457.26 (\$34 was from Tom Leonard's radiator!). Larry Andrews also turned in \$40.20 from Thousand Trails.

Printer Cartridges: Beverly Sims: Waiting to receive gift certificate for cartridges from Office Depot. Reported that we can also purchase postage stamps from them.

Host Chairperson: Carol Griffin: Sheet for 2012 camping hosts please sign up. Has copies of 2011 schedule available for anyone who needs one.

Loaves & Fishes: Tom Leonard: Now accepting clothing and blankets, as well as food.

### OLD BUSINESS

Winter Samboree \$25 gift card purchased by Phyllis Horn.

Larry Daland also donated a handmade pen for door prize at the Samboree.

Correspondence: Received thank you note from Deborah Wise, State Coordinator for Boggy Creek thanking us for our blanket and bear donations. Also a letter from Shriner's Hospital. Janet asked about doing the bears and blankets again this fall. It was agreed that we should; those who cannot sew could donate fabric or \$\$ to help. Carol Raabe commented on working with a student at her school who was excited to be attending Family Weekend this weekend!

Winter Samboree to be held at Rodeheaver Boys Ranch in Palatka. We will be doing our sandwich/chili fund raiser. Those going should meet with Carol Griffin right after meeting.

### NEWBUSINESS

Audit Committee Report: Dale Horn, Charlie Green & Penny Ritenburg audited the Treasurer's books and reported that all is in order. They commended the Treasurer for accurate records!

We will do hospitality cookies and lemonade at the Samboree again; remember to sign up to help.

Claudia Commons brought 50's decorations to use at Samboree.

Steve reported that he has Spring Samboree Registration forms for Okeechobee available.

Neither Griffins nor Raabes will be attending the Spring Samboree; therefore, Secretary Dotty Weis will lead the May meeting there; it was decided that Thursday afternoon or evening would be good meeting time.

Good of the Chapter Announcements: Discussion of FMCA Rally Mar 14-17 in Perry Ga, followed by Georgia Samboree March 24-27; possible caravan; Horns and Ritenburgs are going; contact them if interested.

Former member, Conley Lee, has 2 blue vests for \$20, size medium.

Carroll Commons: has Conn organ to donate and 120 base accordion that needs minor repair; contact if you know anyone interested.

Phyllis Horn announced flea market at campground, and thanked the Campground for decorations in our meeting room.

Howard Schunk called Nancy Leonard during the meeting so we were all able to talk to him over speaker phone! Miss you, Howard!

What Works: Steve related story about a tire inflator he purchased – lesson learned, don't go with cheaper model! Tom Leonard reminded everyone to check water level in batteries. Ed Creamer told group to check validity of VA cards; may need to renew.

50/50: \$17 to Phyllis Horn!

Our next meeting will be at 3 Flags, 1755 E. SR 44 near I-75 in Wildwood. Call them to reserve site (352)748-3870. Also please contact your hosts: the Griffins, Leonards, or Phyllis Baumer; March 4-6

Since we had no other business to discuss, Derek Pymer made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Bob Sims. Meeting adjourned at 10:52 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Janet Marks, Acting Secretary