



Newsletter

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January Campout Notes



Happy New Year! And best wishes for a healthy, happy year of camping, traveling, and memory-making. 2011 has started out a little chilly – or is that an understatement?! It’s gotta warm up soon!

Happy February Birthdays to:

Carol Griffin February 1
Carl Hendrix February 11
Wanda Creamer February 21

Cares and Concerns

Howard Schunk had a stroke last month, and is now recovering and doing rehab from his daughter’s home in CT. Here’s the address if you want to send a card:

c/o Susan DiDonato 860-583-1837
635 Wolcott St.
Bristol, CT 06010

Shirley Zummo is facing knee surgery soon.

Janet Marks will undergo carotid artery surgery on January 27.

Correction to Joyce Nissen’s address in last month’s newsletter: PO Box 350593, Grand Island, FL 32735

The January campout found us at Ocala Sun RV Resort. The Resort has been upgraded and looks really great – and the new owners and staff are terrific! We had 13 member rigs, 2 guest rigs (the Dalands and Himes), plus we had 4 members who drove in to spend Saturday with us! What a great group! Larry and Jeanne Daland became our newest members at the meeting on Saturday – welcome to Golden Triangle Sams! (see picture on page 2)

Over half of the group came in on Thursday, enjoying Happy Hour and games in the afternoon and evening. On Friday afternoon, after Happy Hour, most of the group caravanned to Cody’s for a delicious dinner. Then we gathered in the clubhouse for card and board games.

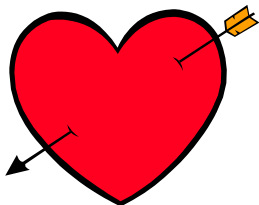
Saturday morning our hosts, Charlie & Cookie Green, Bob & Bev Sims, and Carroll & Claudia Commons served us scrambled eggs and sausage gravy and biscuits. Yummy! The meeting followed at 10. One o’clock found us seeking sunshine for the outdoor games – Beanbag Baseball (won by the guys again!), Holey Board, and LadderBall. Happy Hour was followed by Pot Luck Dinner (what a spread!), with ice cream sundaes for dessert, provided by our hosts. A game of TV Trivia preceded the card and board games, with Carolyn Breitweiser and Cindy Andrews coming up with the most answers!

Sunday morning we shared our traditional sweets for breakfast, before bidding each other adieu. Much appreciation to our hosts for planning and directing a wonderful weekend of activities!



Guess the men didn’t line up quickly enough!

February Campout Plans



February 4-6, 2011
(Early Bird, Thursday, 2/3)
**Paradise Oaks Golf & RV
Resort**
4628 CR475
Bushnell, FL. 33513
352-793-1823

Please call Paradise Oaks ASAP and place reservation \$23.00/night; if staying over and caravanning to Palatka Rally, request section D.

Also notify hosts:

Archie & Bobbi MacLarty 352-874-5021

bobbiejofla@comcast.net

Dale & Phyllis Horn hornphy@aol.com

Joe & Shirley Zummo

Thursday early bird

3:30 Happy Hour

Dinner on your own

Friday

3:00 PM Happy Hour with heavy snacks

5:00 PM Dinner on your own

7:00 PM Games in clubhouse

Saturday

8:00 AM Pro-rated breakfast, prepared by hosts

Sausage biscuits & gravy; juice & coffee

10:00 Meeting

Lunch on your own

1:00 PM Outdoor games

3 PM Happy Hour (drinks only)

5:00 PM Dinner-hosts will provide ham (pro-rated)

A-M bring casseroles or salads; N-Z bring desserts

7 PM Games in clubhouse

Sunday

8 AM Bring Sweets to Share; coffee & juice provided

Safe travels home!

Directions: I-75 South to Exit 314 - Go east on SR 48 - Left on County Road 475. Park entrance on left.

For those coming from Central Florida: From Okahumpka - Hwy 470 west - turn left (south) on Hwy 475 (runs parallel to I-75). Park entrance on right.



Welcome New Members! Larry & Jeanne Daland
11570 SW 84th Ave. Rd.
Ocala, FL 34481
Larry's cell: 850-317-5576
jdala@deccacable.com

Samboree & Rally Highlights

The **Winter Samboree** at Rodeheaver Boys Ranch in Palatka is just around the corner! (February 9-13) GT Sams will be hosting Hospitality on Tuesday and Wednesday and also selling lunch again – BBQ sandwiches on Friday and Chili on Saturday. If you'd like to help make chili, you can bring a gallon (frozen) to the February campout, or to the Samboree. Here's the recipe:

Dick Weis's Chili

Brown 2 lbs. of ground beef with 2 green peppers (chopped) and 2 large onions (chopped)

Add: 4 cans (15 oz) DelMonte chili tomatoes

4 cans Bush chili beans (mild)

1 pkg. McCormick mild chili seasoning

Makes 1 ½ gallons.

You can also help out by bringing a gallon jug of ice (fill a washed milk jug ¾ full with water & freeze).

The registration form for the **Spring Samboree** at the KOA in Okeechobee is now online. 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

Check others at:

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

January Minutes

The January meeting was held at Ocala Sun RV Resort in Ocala, Fl. on Jan 8, 2011.

President Griffin opened the meeting at 10:04 am. After an invocation by Tom Leonard, the pledge to the flag was led by Past Presidents Derek Pymer, Rich Vander Bok, Ed Creamer, Dale Horn and Mickey Marks. Penny Ritenburgh introduced our guests Larry & Jeanne Daland visiting for the 3rd time and Roger and Sharon Hime visiting for the 2nd time. After asking the Dalands if they would like to become members (they said yes), they were voted in by all.

The secretary called the roll; there were 18 members present. December minutes - Penny Ritenburgh made a motion to accept the minutes, second by Bob Sims all in favor, motion passed. Minutes approved. Treasurer Report: Carolyn Breitweiser gave the treasurer's report. Our balance as of 12/31/2010 was \$1967.83. Carol Griffin made a motion to approve the Treasurers report, Penny Ritenburgh seconds all in favor. Report approved. There were 2 bills presented. Carl Hendrix made a motion to pay the bills, Penny Ritenburgh seconds bills will be paid.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership: Penny Ritenburgh: Already introduced visitors

Sunshine: Nancy Leonard – Sent a card to Howard Schunk and card to Joyce for John Sorenson

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

Webmaster: Karl Raabe –Updated some of the information on the Website. Mickey Marks commented on what a great job Karl is doing on the website; there is a wealth of information there to be had.

Newsletter: Janet Marks –Working on an updated address book with Carolyn Breitweiser

Aluminum Engineers: Derek Pymer and Jerry Breitweiser: Larry Andrews at Thousand Trails took a load of cans to the recycle and turned in a cash for \$40.20 Thank you Larry, Jerry and Derek

Printer Cartridges: Beverly Sims: Office Depot has given us certificates to be used in the store in exchange for cartridges.

Host Chairperson: Carol Griffin: Sheet for 2012 camping hosts; please sign up

Loaves & Fishes: Tom Leonard: Thanked everyone for everything contributed; they are serving over 700 families.

OLD BUSINESS

Phyllis Horn distributed the jackets that were ordered. Thank you, Phyllis; they are really nice

Tom & Nancy Leonard reported on their visit to Florida Guide Dogs. They appreciated the money we donated.

Games will be at 1:00pm. Anyone interested in visiting the Carriage Museum, contact the Dalands.

NEWBUSINESS

Winter Samboree at Rodeheaver Boys Club in Palatka, FL: Carol Griffin will head up the committee for the sandwich sales. She will purchase the BBQ, Penny Ritenburgh will cook a pork roast, Tom Leonard will get the bread, Karl Raabe will purchase supplies including crackers, Dotty Weis will get cheese for the chili, and Mickey Marks will get the chips. Beverly Sims made a recommendation that the cost of the chili come out of the profits, everyone agreed. Bring your receipts. We are also serving chili according to Dick Weis' recipe. We are asking you to bring a gallon of chili to the Feb camp out.

Phyllis Horn made a motion to purchase a \$25.00 Walmart gift card for a Winter Samboree door prize, Jerry Breitweiser seconds all in favor motion passed. Sharon & Rich Vander Bok will purchase the card. Larry Daland donated a beautiful pen to also be used.

We are serving cookies on Tues and Wed. Tom & Debbie Wise hospitality chairpersons, asked that we purchase the cookies for the Winter Samboree and Good Sam will reimburse us. Rich and Sharon Vander Bok offered to take care of it.

Rich Vander Bok discussed the wreaths program; they have patches you can purchase; see Sharon Vander Bok.

Minutes continued:

Audit Committee: Dale Horn, Chairman, Charlie Green and Penny Ritenburgh will conduct an audit of the books today.

Correspondence: Thank you notes from Tom & Nancy Leonard from the Dogs, Ginney Bradley, Shriners Children's Hospital, and Leesburg Food Bank

What works for the Chapter: Dometic recall on refrigerators- check your serial number, tires at OK Tires, alignment at Gibsons, Leesburg Fl. Watch your fuel pump at the truck stops.

50/50 winners: Phyllis Baumer and Charlie Ritenburgh

Our next meeting will be at Paradise Oaks Resort, Bushnell Fl (352) 793-1823. Please contact your hosts: the MacLartys or the Horns Feb 4-6

Since we had no other business to discuss Karl Raabe made a motion to adjourn, second by Carol Griffin.

Meeting adjourned at 11:26 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dotty Weis, Secretary



Recipe for Holding Tank Deodorizer

Here's a tip from new Associate Members, Susan & Chuck Turo. Tired of paying for expensive products? Try making your own by Susan's recipe:

In a large chemical safe jug, put equal parts:

Lemon scent household ammonia

Lemon scent Joy dish detergent

Lemon scent Ajax dish detergent

Lemon scent Pine Oil

After flushing tanks, pour 12/ cup mixture down toilet, followed by 3 bowlfuls of water. Repeat procedure in bathroom sink.



"Masterminds" at work, trying to solve Larry Daland's wooden puzzle!



Okay – here's the real picture of the men's winning baseball team!



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