



Newsletter

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March Campout Notes



Top o' the mornin' to ya!
May the leprechauns be with you
as you search for that pot of gold!

What a great time we had at the March campout! Ocala Sun RV Resort was the spot; we were invited to participate in their planned activities, as well as our own. We had 17 campers plus 3 drive-ins for the meeting, and we also welcomed one guest rig, Jim & Diane Gonya.

Friday's Happy Hour moved inside because of pending bad weather. But what a tremendous spread of goodies! After dinner, we met in the clubhouse for Trivia contest and then games. What fun! Bob & Reba Ward, our State Directors joined us for Friday evening – always a pleasure!

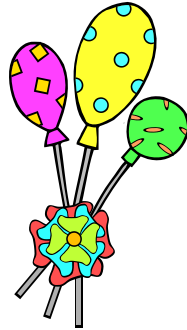
Saturday morning found our hosts cooking pancakes with fruit and nut toppings for breakfast. Yummy! After a busy meeting and lunch on our own, we gathered outside for Beanbag Baseball. Guys, aren't you tired of winning?! Ritenburghs brought a new game, Murble, a modified version of Bocci Ball. It's always fun to learn something new!

Saturday evening our hosts served delicious roast turkey for dinner, accompanied by the great variety of salads, casseroles and desserts brought by members. Audrey Pymer won the "How many candies?" contest. We played games in the clubhouse for a short while until the band got started. It was enjoyable listening, but too dark to play games.

Sunday morning we met in the clubhouse for breakfast, with a variety of sweets and other goodies to share. A great big thank you to our wonderful hosts – the Griffins, Leonards, and Commons – for a terrific weekend!

Happy April Birthdays to:

Shirley Zummo April 6
Steve Griffin April 14
Chuck Turo April 14
Ken Cole April 17
Carol Raabe April 19



Happy Anniversary to:

Rich & Sharon Vander Bok
4/20/63

Cares and Concerns

- *Howard Schunk –doing better, and looking forward to coming to Florida
- *Shirley Zummo - knee surgery April 7
- *Carl Hendrix – prostate cancer; undergoing tests



Welcome New Members!

GT Sams welcomes new members, Roger & Sharon Himes. Please add their info to your address book.
14390 SE 95th Court, Summerfield, FL 34491
srhime@embarqmail.com
Home phone: 352-288-2033
Sharon's cell: 352-572-9701
Roger's cell: 352-572-9737

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April Campout Plans

April 1-3, 2011
Lake Oklawaha RV Resort
352-546-5500
15991 N. E. 243rd Place Rd.
Ft. McCoy

Please call the campground and your hosts to reserve your place!!

Hosts: L.J. & Tricia Green 352-728-5115
flgreen70@aol.cl.com

Jerry & Carolyn Breitweiser 352-343-7434
carolbreit@yahoo.com

Roger & Sharon Himes 352-288-2033
srhime@embarqmail.com

Thursday early bird

3:00 Happy Hour

Dinner on your own

Friday

3:00 Happy Hour (snacks)

5:00 Supper on your own
(Campfire available to cook over)

7:00 Games

Saturday

8:00 Breakfast - French Toast
(pro-rated)

10:00 Meeting

1:00 Outdoor Games

3:00 Happy Hour (light snacks)

5:30 Supper - Homemade Ice

Cream & dessert provided by Hosts(pro-rated)

A-M Bring a meat casserole

P-Z Bring a vegetable casserole
or salad

7:00 Games

Sunday

8:00 Breakfast-Sweets to share

Directions from Hwy 19 in Salt Springs (33 mi. north of Umatilla): turn W on CR 316; travel approx. 10 miles to NE 160 Ave Rd; turn right and travel 10.4 mi.; campground on left. **From Fort McCoy**, travel 5 mi. E on CR 316 over the Oklawaha Bridge; turn left on NE 160 Ave Rd; 10.4 mi. to campground on left.



Call for Photos!!!

Rich Vander Bok is going to put together a new photo album of Golden Triangle Sams members. He needs for each member to send him (or bring to next campout) a recent photo --single photos, not couples please! He is anxious to get it going so please send him your photos as soon as possible! Email: RJNVB@aol.com or snail mail: 5132 SW 73rd Place, Bushnell, FL 3513

Samboree & Rally Highlights

Winter Samboree at Rodeheaver Boy's

Ranch: successful lunch fund-raiser earned almost \$700 for our Chapter charities! Carol Griffin & Nancy Leonard took 1st place in hand & Foot. Many thanks to all who made chili, helped serve and participated in the many activities at the rally!!

The registration form for the **Spring Samboree** at the KOA in Okeechobee is online. That one fills up quickly, so get your registration in soon!

GA Spring Samboree also in Perry, March 24-27

Check others at:

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

Address List Corrections

Please make the following changes to your "new" address books!!

- LJ Green: cell # 352-205-3742 (other cell# is Tricia's)
- Dale & Phyllis Horn: new phone & address: 27003 Racquet Circle, Leesburg, FL 34748 352-728-6065
- Change Derek Pymer from Sheriff to Marshall
- Vander Bok: Add email: RJNVB@aol.com Cancel Rich's cell #
- Zummo: new address: Box 505, 830 A1A N, Suite 13, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082



March Minutes

The March meeting was held at Ocala Sun RV Resort in Ocala, FL on March 5, 2011.

President Griffin opened the meeting at 10:05 am. After an invocation by Tom Leonard, the pledge to the flag was led by Past Presidents Derek Pymmer, Rich Vander Bok, Ed Creamer, and Mickey Marks.

Penny Ritenburgh introduced our guests, Jim & Diane Gonya visiting for the 1st time and Roger and Sharon Hime visiting for the 3rd time. After asking the Himes if they would like to become members, they said yes, Carol Griffin made a motion to accept them as new members and Derek Pymmer seconds; all in favor, they were voted in by all.

Welcome new members!

The secretary called the roll; there were 20 members present

February minutes Penny Ritenburgh made a motion to accept the minutes, second by Karl Raabe; all in favor, motion passed. Minutes approved.

Treasurer Report: Nancy Leonard (standing in for Carolyn Breitweiser) gave the treasurer's report. Our balance as of 2/28/2010 was \$3418.69. Carol Griffin made a motion to approve the Treasurers report, Karl Raabe seconds all in favor. Report approved. There were bills presented. Rich Vander Bok 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 cards to various people

Sheriff: No Report

Webmaster: Karl Raabe –Updated some of the information on the Website.

Newsletter: Janet Marks –Passed out an updated address book with some corrections coming in the newsletter

Aluminum Engineers: Derek Pymmer and Jerry Breitweiser: Jerry, Dick & Charlie Ritenburgh picked up cans at Thousand Trails and from Derek and took a load of cans to the recycle; turned in cash for \$272.00 Thank you, hard working men!

Printer Cartridges: Beverly Sims: Office Depot gave us gift cards to be used in the store in exchange for cartridges. We can also donate old cell phones to her. Good work Beverly.

Host Chairperson: Carol Griffin: Sheet for 2012 camping hosts; please sign up. Need to know the campgrounds for 2012; some changes for 2011.

Loaves & Fishes: Tom Leonard: Thanked everyone, please remember to bring your donations, also needed are Bibles.

OLD BUSINESS

President Griffin discussed the chili and sandwich sales in Palatka. Chili was sold too cheap and we will increase price next time.

BBQ sandwiches made money. We can think about canned chili or meatball sandwiches.

The winter samboree may be changed to later in February per Bob Ward.

NEW BUSINESS

Pres. Griffin asked for volunteers for a nominating committee for the slate of new officers. Mickey Marks will chair the committee.

Pres. Griffin has registration forms for Lake Okeechobee if anyone needs one.

May meeting to take place on Thursday May 5, 2011 at the Spring Samboree in Okeechobee.

Correspondence: Thank you notes from Tom & Debbie Wise for Samboree hospitality, Bob & Reba Ward for volunteering at the Samboree and an email from Ray & Marilyn Wisker; they have sold they camper and were no longer going to be in the Chapter. And a request from Chuck & Susan Turo for vests; after some discussion it was decided not to offer them the vests since they are only associate members.

What works for the Chapter: New edition of the Exit Book and new Wi-Fi plug-in.

50/50: Roger Hime

Our next meeting will be at Lake Ocklawaha in Ft Mc Coy on April 1-3; please contact your hosts: the Breitweisers or the LJ Greens.

Since we had no other business to discuss, Carl Hendrix made a motion to adjourn, second by Larry Andrews.

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dotty Weis, Secretary