

The REBEL ROUSER



Official newsletter of the Georgia Winnie Rebels - We rouse you to ACTION!

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SPRING BEAUTY IN THE GEORGIA MOUNTAINS



Fred Tomsett, President

2011 GEORGIA STATE WIT RALLY CANCELLED



Sylvia Tarnuzzer, V.P.

We are very disappointed to report that we had to cancel the 2011 Georgia State Rally. We just didn't have enough participation. We only had 39 coaches register to come to the rally. Only 32 out of 70 coaches from our State club registered. I understand that some members had commitments or their health prevented them from coming, but there seems to be many that just don't care to come to a state rally.

We had to move our 2011 rally from our usual third week of April because of Easter. The only alternative week we could have at the Fairgrounds was the first week of April. There were many conflicts that prevented people from signing up. Two weeks before there was a major FMCA rally at Perry and out-of-state people who went to that did not want to return two weeks later. There also (Continued on page 2)

RAY VAUGHN HONORED



Roy Sowers, President of the Metro Atlanta Winnies, presented Ray with a framed certificate at our recent State Meeting. He is one of seventy-six charter members of WIT. At 88, he is the most senior active WIT member in the State of Georgia. He joined WIT in 1969.

WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS



Sid and Karen Sidlauskas joined the Sta-Goners chapter at our May outing. Sid and Karen live at 111 Hickory Bend Drive in Warner Robins, GA 31088. Telephone 478-328-2900; e-mail address audrys.sidlauskas@cox.net.



Our outing at the River Bend RV Park in Hiawassee, Georgia was not only pleasant, but beautiful. The weather was warm during the day and cool at night, just perfect for an outing.

Forty-seven Georgia Winnie Rebel members attended our May, 2011 outing where the Gone with the Winnies did a outstanding job of hosting.

Thursday night the River Bend RV Park honored us with a fish fry, and it was delicious, as you can see by all the interest shown below.



The outing was kicked off Friday evening with a Salad Dinner. Everyone brought their favorite salad, and they were all outstanding.

After the dinner, almost everyone just relaxed and enjoyed each others company, except the Gone with the Winnies who had their monthly business meeting as GWR, Metro and Sta-Goners would meet the next morning.

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Patricia Heath, Judy Seifert, Sarah Sowers and Wanda Eubanks make last minute preparations for the salad dinner.

Saturday morning started with breakfast of pancakes and sausage with all the trimmings, including juice and coffee. This was followed by all the required business meetings.

We were on our own for lunch, so some just relaxed and visited and others took in their surroundings. We went to the Big Green Egg Fest at the Georgia Mountain Fairgrounds. It was interesting - and tasty, too.

Our Saturday evening meal was catered BBQ pork and chicken, baked potatoes, baked beans, slaw, peach cob bler and blueberry cobbler. What a mountain treat!

After that bountiful meal, we drew for prizes. Rickey Heath not only won the 50/50 drawing, but also a two-night stay at PirateLand Resort at Myrtle Beach, SC and a one-year subscription to RV Magazine.



Sunday morning we had hot biscuits with sausage, butter, jelly, juice and coffee. Afterwards Jesse Chambless led in devotions which was appreciated by all.

We then said our goodbyes and went our separate ways. It was a good outing by anyones standard. We hope to see lots of GWR members at our next State Outing which is September 16-18 at the KOA in Calhoun, GA..

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were a North Carolina WIT rally and Passport America rally on the same week as ours. Combined with the rising cost of fuel, we just didn't get enough reservations to have a rally.

Because of the cost to have a rally at the Fairgrounds in Perry, Georgia, our club can't plan to have a rally at that location again until our membership grows to a number that can support the cost. Following is a list of the basic charges that we have to pay to hold a rally at Perry.

Buildings if we have less than 400 camping nights	\$3.	,500.00
Event Coordinator	\$	300.00
Stage	\$	160.00
Banquette tables minimum 20 @ \$12.00	\$	240.00
Electric drops 8 @ \$35.00		
Total minimum cost for fairgrounds		

I would like to thank those who worked hard preparing for the 2011 rally and those who had volunteered to handle major tasks at the rally. The following people put in many hours working on the rally even though it had to be cancelled.

Ronnie Padgett not only took in the reservations, mailed out the confirmations, then promptly wrote and mailed refund checks. She also arranged for, and then cancelled, the dinner catering, color guard and speaker for the opening ceremony.

Roy Sowers worked to get more support from the RV Dealers and worked at the FMCA rally to recruit more customers for our rally.

Sylvia Tarnuzzer made many calls to the list of past rally attendees. **Linda Tomsett** helped me with decorations and assembly of goodie bags.

PROPOSED 2012 GEORGIA STATE RALLY (APRIL 19-22, 2012)

We have looked for an alternative place to have our rally other than Perry, Georgia. The only RV Park we can find in Georgia that has enough camping sites, a large enough building to house vendors and rally functions, with room for display coaches is Bald Mounting Camping Resort, Hiawassee, Georgia.

At Bald Mountain there is no extra charge for the building.

Other items that will be provided at no charge that we didn't get at Perry are:

o Kitchen facilities

o Gas grill

o Sound system

o Electricity in Rally buildings

o Stage

o Tables and chairs

o Camp sites with either

30 or 50 amp and full hookup

o Cable TV

o Wi-Fi

All of this will be provided for just the cost of camping sites.

This will allow us to have a rally with as few coaches as registered this year or as many as 110 coaches.

Check out their website at http://www.baldmountainpark.com.

LETS CARAVAN TO TENNESSEE

In the past we have caravanned twice to the Louisiana State Rally. We had fourteen to sixteen in the caravan and had lots of fun going down the highway while talking with each other on CB radios.

This year we would like to go to the Tennessee State Rally in Lebanon, Tennessee. It will be held October 28-30. A good kick-off place would be the Metros outing in Chattanooga.

Anyone interested contact Dan Rankin at 770-977-1911 or e-mail at dc.rankin@gmail.com.

REMEMBER THESE GWTW MEMBERS - THEY NEED YOUR PRAYERS

Gladys Cain had an anuerism several months ago, but progression is slow.

Betty McHaney will have foot surgery on June 1st. It will take a six month recuperative period.

Bobbie Pierce had a stoke in September that took away her equilibrium. Another stroke in February affected her speech. She is in Therapy.

<u>Charlene Brewton</u> is improving gradually from her numerous medical problems.

THE GEORGIA WINNIE REBEL FAMILY ALBUM All these people were at the May, 2011 State Meeting



Milt & Paula Burtch GWTW/Metro Atlanta Winnies



Yvonne & John Cowan Metro Atlanta Winnies



Ruth & John Huelsbeck Metro Atlanta Winnies



Paul & Nancy Carrier Sta-Goners



Melva & Milton Dalton Gone with the Winnies



Betty & Tom McHaney Gone with the Winnies



Jesse & Theda Chambless Gone with the Winnies



Bobby & Wanda Eubanks Gone with the Winnies



Mariana & Ernest Moosa Gone with the Winnies



Bob & Eileen Clark Gone with the Winnies



Rickey & Patrica Heath Gone with the Winnies



Max & Winky Parker Gone with the Winnies

THE GEORGIA WINNIE REBEL FAMILY ALBUM (Continued)



Hal Pierce Gone with the Winnies



Judy & Ken Siefert Gone with the Winnies



Roy & Diane Tyler Gone with the Winnies



Dan & Margie Rankin Metro Atlanta Winnies



Sid & Karen Sidlauskas Sta-Goners



Kay & Ray Vaughn Gone with the Winnies



Sarah & Roy Sowers Metro Atlanta Winnies



Wayne & Pat Thomas Sta-Goners



Annette & William Whitmire Gone with the Winnies



David & Myra Stainback Metro Atlanta Winnies



Fred & Linda Tomsett GWTW/Metro Atlanta Winnies



Tom & Annette Wilson Sta-goners