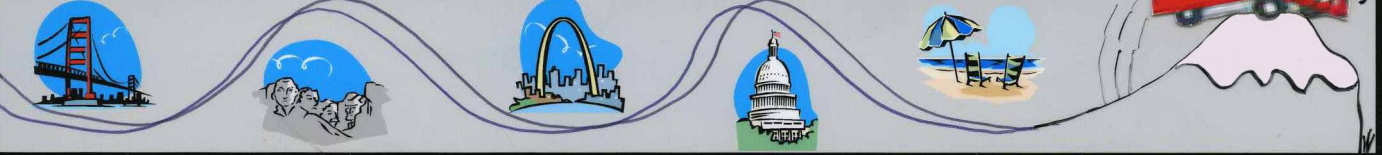


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## OUR 2013 OUTINGS

*Mark these dates on your calendar and don't miss even one!*

**January 18-20, 2013** - Our State Outing will be held at Twin Oaks RV Park in Elko, GA - (478) 987-9361. Sta-Goners will be hosts. Contact Tom or Annette Wilson at (478) 922-3407 or TWilson667@netzero.net.

**February 8-10, 2013** - Hosts will be Jesse and Theda Chambless, Karen Knight and Pat Lee. Location will be at the Harvest Moon RV Park (770-773-7320) in Adairsville, GA. Register with them then contact Theda at 706-636-5212 or jessetheda@etcmail.com.

**March 8-10, 2013** - To be announced.

**April 18-21, 2013** - State WIT Rally at Bald Mountain Camping Resort, Hiawassee, GA (706) 896-8896. Contact Ronnie Padgett at (478) 971-4017 or vmp1045@windstream.net..

**May 17-19, 2013** - This State Outing will be hosted by Gone with the Winnies. It is tentatively scheduled to be held at River Bend RV Park in Hiawassee, GA (706) 896-1415. Contact Milton Dalton (706)677-3525 / miltondalton@windstream.net.

# MERRY CHRISTMAS

Another great Christmas outing at River Country Campground in Gadsden, AL. We were joined by the Metro Atlanta Winnies, which made it even better. Forty-one people attended our Gone with the Winnie's December 14-16, 2012 outing.



The first thing we want to do is thank our wonderful hosts. Jim and Barbara Bell and JoAn and Hubert Blankenship took over this project after the scheduled hosts opted out. Thanks loads!

**June 14-16, 2013** - Hosted by the Homer Bunch. Location to be announced.

**July 22-28, 2013** - Grand National Rally at Forest City, Iowa.

**August 9-11, 2013** - To be announced.

**September 20-22, 2013** - State Outing hosted by the Metro Atlanta Winnies. Location to be announced.

**October, 11-13, 2013** - To be announced.

**November 8-10, 2013** - Hosts will be Rickey and Patricia Heath. Location to be announced.

**December 13-15, 2013** - To be held at the River Country Campground in Gadsden, AL. Hosts to be announced.



Some came Thursday to get in a little extra visiting. A meal out at a favorite restaurant was enjoyed by several. But the outing kick-off was Friday evening when we all caravanned to the Top O' the River Seafood Restaurant. The food was delicious.



Jesse Chambless ordered one of their largest platters, and I don't think he is going to be able to eat it all.

After dinner we returned to the club house for our monthly business meeting where we elected officers for the year of 2013. Milton Dalton will be our new President; Rickey Heath our Vice-President; Theda Chambless our Secretary; Karen Knight our Treasurer; and Jesse Chambless will be our Chaplain. These will be sworn in at the January, 2013 business meeting at Twin Oaks RV Park in Elko, GA.

There were pancakes galore at our Saturday morning breakfast, along with syrup, sausage, juice and coffee. Again, our hosts did an outstanding job.

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The weather was just right - cool and crisp enough for a sweat shirt and no coat. We enjoyed the day doing various enjoyable things, or just relaxing.



Before our evening meal, Milton Burch won two folding chairs given as door prizes by Dean and Peggy Woodruff of Integrity RV. There were lots of other prizes.

Mouthwatering Boston Butt was the entree, along with an unusually good Brunswick Stew that was furnished by the hosts. Everyone brought a specific side dish as instructed by JoAn - baked beans, cole slaw, rolls and dessert. Everything worked out beautifully.



*Host JoAn Blankenship serves Brunswick Stew to a hungry crowd*

Father Christmas is always a highlight of our Christmas outings.

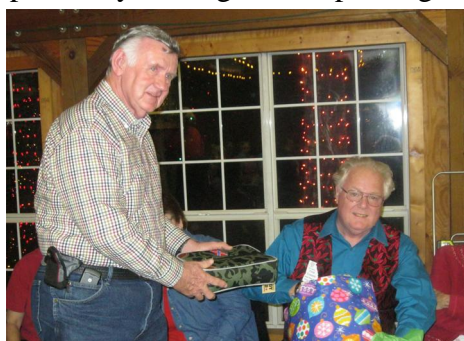


*Father Christmas (Fred Tomsett) distributed gifts to everyone*

The fun game "Dirty Santa" where you can take other people's gifts was hilarious.



Barbara Nicholson (Metros) chose her gift from the stack of gifts, but she probably won't get to keep it long.



Roy Sowers (Metros) takes Fred Tomsett's mess kit from him.



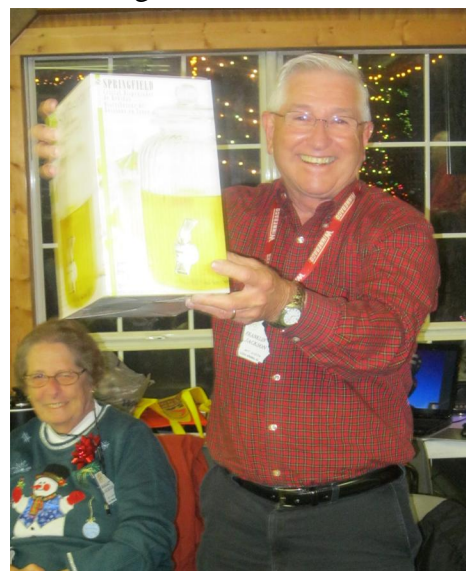
Betty Werner chose a bottle of merlot, but she didn't get to keep it.



New members Pat Lee and Karen Knight have fun helping each other unwrap their gifts.



Annette Whitmire displayed the coffee mug she received.



There's a story behind this one. Franklin Jackson chose and unwrapped the above tea urn. It was taken from him, then taken from that person. Since Franklin had drawn No. 1, he was able to take any gift he chose - so he chose his TEA URN! He was SO funny!

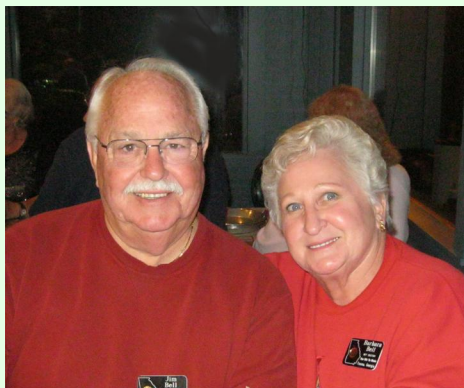


Following our continental breakfast, Hubert Blankenship recalled verses from Luke he had memorized as a youth telling the wonderful Christmas story.

We then said our goodbyes until the state outing in January at Elko, GA.



## ALBUM OF ATTENDEES AT OUR CHRISTMAS OUTING



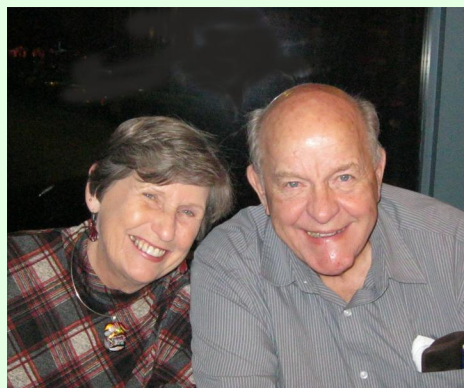
*Jim and Barbara Bell*



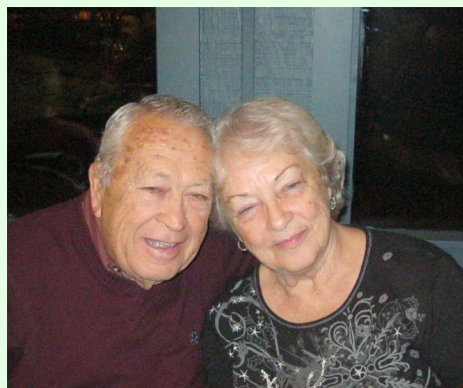
*Bob and Eileen Clark*



*Patricia and Rickey Heath*



*JoAn and Hubert Blankenship*



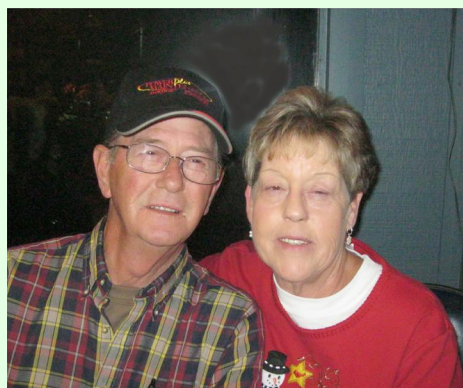
*Milton and Melva Dalton*



*Margaret and Franklin Jackson*



*Paula and Milton Burtch*



*Bobby and Wanda Eubanks*



*Patricia Lee and Karon Knight*



*Theda and Jesse Chambless*



*Jean and Dennis Harrison*



*Nick and Barbara Nicholson*



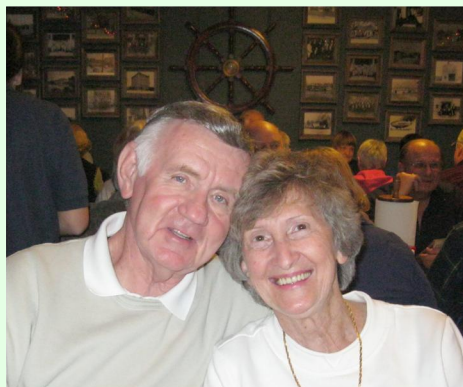
## ALBUM OF ATTENDEES CONTINUED



*Winky and Max Parker*



*George and Betty Werner*



*Roy and Sarah Sowers*



*Annette and Bill Whitmire*



*Linda and Fred Tomsett*



*Ray Yontz and Kris Pollock-Yontz*



*Ray and Kay Vaughn*



*Our Guest - Jane Vogel  
from St. Paul, Minnesota*

## MORE GOODIES



*Patricia Heath and Melva Dalton  
show off their new house shoes*



*Lights reflecting over the water*



*The Toys-For-Tots Christmas Tree*