

GEORGIA FUNSEEKERS

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THE PRESIDENT SAYS:

Greetings, Fellow Funseekers!

Here's hoping that all of you and your families had a wonderful Christmas. It seems like it comes on fast, and then goes away even faster! But if we can all just be thankful for friends and family, what we have and what we have received, and, mainly, the "reason for the season" I believe we are all the better for having Christmas in our lives.

We had a really nice Funseekers Member / Alumni Christmas Luncheon on Saturday the 21st, at Silver Bay Seafood Restaurant in Stockbridge. Those members attending were: Wayne and Wanda Hollenbeck; Marty and Gail Loeffler; Grover and Wanda Bagley; Bob and Jody McCoy, along with their grandson Liam and Ray, father of Jody; Dave and Pam Schumacher; Harry and Gayna Joy; Raymond and Susan Baggary; Russ and Linda Hagberg; Don and Betty Mann; John and Pam King; Steve and Yvonne Guettler; and of course Bill and myself.

The alumni who attended were: Don and Joyce Gibbs; Harold and Shelby Ridley; Milton and Ann Yancey; Russ and Janet Payne; and Gary and Jane Bouland. We were also honored to have our FMCA Area Vice President of Georgia, Patricia Voyna, and her husband Marvin join us. Don and Joyce Gibbs won the door prize after we drew a name from a hat.

It was so great to greet everyone, and get to spend a little time visiting and reminiscing. There were also two other couples and one single person who had said they were coming but didn't get to make it, and we really missed them.

During the luncheon, Pat Voyna gave some information for the chapter from FMCA, along with some business cards and other written info, which she made available. After we got home, I received the following email from her, which she has asked me to pass along.

“Dear GA Funseekers: Enjoyed your Christmas Luncheon. Below is what I wanted to share: Really a big and tough decision had to be made. We have been borrowing from our investments to cover the cost of FMCAssist. During our last audit, we were informed we had to have 1 year of operating money in our investments. Our operating cost is 9 million a year. Our investment we have drained down to 7 million. The cost of FMCAssist raised for this coming year 71.3%. We had 2 choices, first to discontinue it or raise the dues \$25.00 to over the cost. Our dues are now \$75.00 a year and we charged the Executive Board to shop and find the same or more coverage for a lower amount. Patricia Voyna, FMCA-SEA VP-GA”

PLEASE NOTE:

Hugh and Denise Mitchell and Joe and Jan Brannon have graciously volunteered to host the upcoming February rally to be held in Charleston, SC. They plan to visit there after the New Year and will be sending information about the rally for me to pass along.

Also, Russ Hagberg has let me know that he will help host the October rally! He will be needing co-hosts to help him out, and it would be great if one of our experienced members can be his assistants, but any help from anyone would be much appreciated.

That leaves the May rally in Adel still in need of hosts, as well as next November. However, the November rally location has not been decided on as of yet. I will let you know when a location has been decided on.

Also, Scott and Clare Herrick are still in need of co-hosts for the March rally in Bainbridge. We have enough members now to have sufficient hosts, so please volunteer!

I urge everyone to please look over the list and make your choice and let me know soon so I can complete our rally schedule.

JUST A NOTE TO LET YOU ALL KNOW OF SOMETHING WONDERFUL THAT HAPPENED TO ONE OF OUR FUNSEEKER FAMILY: Grover and Wanda Bagley went up to North Georgia to spend Christmas with their daughter-in-law and grandchildren, and boy,

did they get a surprise! Their son was home from Afghanistan as a surprise, and the grandsons didn't know he was coming home either! Can you imagine what a wonderful Christmas miracle that was? Our hearts and love go out to them. God really gave them a blessing! Hope they made some pictures!

IMPORTANT: I have finally received a response from FMCA about our Chapter Bylaws that we sent to them for review. We will have to get our Bylaws Committee together to do the revisions they are calling for.

FOR SALE: DEMCO KAR KADDY, brand new, never been used, asking \$3,000. Call Bob McCoy at 478-822-9699, leave a message. Thank you.

With a New Year coming up next week, I want to wish all of you, and your families, my sincere hope for a wonderful and exciting New Year, filled with all the things you dream of and all the many wonders that God may bestow upon you.

FOOTNOTE: A New Year's Blessing:

The LORD bless you and keep you!

The LORD let His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you!

The LORD look upon you kindly, and give you peace!

Happy trails,

Ellen

RALLY SCHEDULE FOR 2020

(PLEASE NOTE: Please contact the hosts listed for info on each rally, and make your own reservations with each campground.)

Feb. 13 – 16: Charleston KOA, Charleston SC. 843-7971045

HOSTS:

Hugh and Denise Mitchell

chmitche2017@gmail.com

gameepap@att.net

Joe and Jan Brannon

brannonineriors@gmail.com

brannonjan@aol.com

- Mar. 19 – 22:** Flint River RV Park, Bainbridge GA. 229-246-5802.
HOSTS: **Scott and Clare Herrick**
deskjock@mchsi.com
genielady@mchsi.com
- Apr. 16 – 19:** Island Retreat RV Park, Gulf Shores, AL. 251-967-1666.
HOSTS: **Grover and Wanda Bagley**
GCB31008@gmail.com
wanda31008@gmail.com
John and Pam King
jkroadracer@yahoo.com
pamelaresidential@yahoo.com
- May 14 – 17:** Cecil Bay RV Park, Cecil GA. (for Daylily Festival in nearby Adel)
HOSTS: **STILL NEEDED**
- June 18 – 21:** Big Meadow Family Campground, Townsend TN. 265-448-0624.
HOSTS: **Steve and Yvonne Guettler**
steveguettler@gmail.com
yguettler@gmail.com
Bill and Ellen Guettler
billguettler@gmail.com
grammyguettler@gmail.com
- JULY:** **No rally scheduled – reserved for family time**
- AUG. 13 – 16:** Holiday Travel Park, Chattanooga TN. 706-891-9766.
HOSTS: **Don and Betty Mann**
bettymann@bellsouth.net
Bryan and Nina Douglas
- SEPT. 17 – 20:** Coastal Georgia RV Park, Brunswick GA. 912-264-3869.
HOSTS: **Club Officers (Listed below)**
Ellen Guettler
billguettler@gmail.com
Scott Herrick
deskjock@mchsi.com
Wanda Hollenbeck
whollen241@gmail.com
Wanda Bagley
wanda31008@gmail.com
Jere Key
jerekey3627@bellsouth.net

OCT. 15 – 18: Leisure Acres Campground, Dahlonega GA. 706-865-6466.
HOSTS: **Russ Hagberg**
russhagberg78@gmail.com

NOV. 12 - 15: **PLACE TO BE ANNOUNCED LATER**

DEC.: **MEMBER / ALUMNI CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON – TO BE ANNOUNCED
LATER.**

When making reservations for a rally, please indicate that you are with Georgia Funseekers to get rally rate and be parked with the group. Each individual is responsible for obtaining cancellation policy.