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Winter Quarters Pasco RV Resort 21632 State Road 54 Lutz, FL 33549 Year-Round RV Resort on the Florida Coast

Our January campout was held at on January 23-25th at Winter Quarters, "The Most Beautiful Resort in Lutz, Florida".

Our Chapter will not dispute that because to us they are a life saver. The next four out of our seven campouts will be at Winter Quarters. The Staff and residents are all very friendly. Having our own Linda Voyton as a resident certainly adds to the wonderful reception we received.

Our Hosts for the weekend



Chuck and Jean Potter were our hosts and they were on hand to welcome us when many arrived on Thursday. We had 16 rigs and 2 drive-ins in attendance during the weekend. Thursday afternoon we all went to Ukulele Brand' Restaurant, a favorite place for many local residents. It proved to be a very rustic lake setting which appealed to many. Most everybody indicated an interest to return when we are back at Winter Quarters in February. After dinner we returned to our quarters to engage in games of ones' choice.

Special points of interest:

Visit our web site:

tbsams.weebly.com

Spring Samboree

April 15th - April 19th 2015

Okeechobee KOA,

Early Bird; April 14th

Theme: MAD HATTERS

Contest: Mad Hatters



The view on the lake at Ukelele Brand's

Friday morning, January 23rd

To get Friday off and running our Host and Hostess treated us to a breakfast consisting of scrambled eggs, homemade sausage gravy and biscuits. Those members who arrived late missed out on a great breakfast. The homemade sausage gravy was really fantastic.

The rest of the day some went shopping, others played cards, while others just sat around and caught up on Christmas and New Years activities.



Enjoying breakfast

Left to right:

Lynn Frechette, John Russano,
Juliet Dudinsky, Cotton Deal,
Linda Voyton, Richard Ormsby

Friday afternoon

Friday afternoon Winter Quarters provided us with refreshments consisting of Sangria, cheese, crackers and salsa. They really went out of their way to make us feel very welcome.

At 4:15 we all caravanned to Chili's. First came our drinks of choice, appetizers and then entrees. The food was plentiful and a few had room for desserts. Who could resist the Chocolate Molten Cake and the Skillet Toffee fudge brownies?

Not many of us.....



El Refresco del Verano...



After stuffing ourselves we all headed back to The Quarters for games. Some played Shoot the Moon, others Pegs & Jockers and some preferred watching.

Eating is not merely a material pleasure. Eating well gives a spectacular joy to life and contributes immensely to goodwill and happy companionship. It is of great importance to the morale.

Elsa Schiaparelli

Saturday, January 24th

Saturday morning Winter Quarters provided a nice twist to start the day by providing a Waffle and Sausage breakfast. Followed our Chapter's scheduled meeting which began at 09:30. Our President John Russano got the meeting underway with the usual protocol. Most of the meeting was centered around our Chapter's Standing Rules. A committee was appointed and will be hard at work to bring our Documents into compliance. Liz Abrams our ASD and Jill Perry drove in to attend the meeting.

The rest of the day it was cards until Happy Hour which took us to dinner time.

Chuck and Jean prepared for us a good old fashion English Sheppard pie. It surely was good because many were observed going back for more. Dessert consisted of Ice Cream and brownies.



The servers at work.....

After dinner several different games were being played by various groups.



Then it was Sunday and time to say goodbye. Chuck and Jean provided us with coffee and donuts and everybody was looking forward to being back at Winter Quarters in February.

"Saying goodbye doesn't mean anything. It's the time we spent together that matters, not how we left it."

Future Campouts

Date: February 27-March 1st, 2015
Place: Winter Quarters, Lutz, Florida
Host: Chapter Officers

Date: March 27-29th, 2015
Place: Winter Quarters, Lutz, Florida
Host: Harold and Caroline Johnson



If you are planning on going to the Spring Samboree, we encourage you to get your application in ASAP. With fuel prices as they are, this Samboree will sell out soon. Don't be disappointed.
Host: Joe & Debbie Weston
State Director and
State Staff



Sunshine Corner

Our Sunshine Lady Rita Turner's mother passed away recently. We all send our condolences to her.

Jill Perry is coming along real good, hopefully by the time you read this she will have her cast off.

Caroline Johnson is now home. Not by any means fully recovered but at least home. She is still in a walker and will be face with several weeks of therapy. At this point she hopes to be able to join us in March.

Rita Turner



Jill Perry



Caroline Johnson



Last Minute News



Lorraine Zecher

We've been thinking about you
So thought we'd bless your day
And let you know you're special to us
In so many different ways
We pray God's blessings upon you
And that you'll feel Him near,
Knowing God is by your side
And knowing that we care.

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Lorraine is in Orlando Regional Medical Center. She passed out and fell, hitting her head on the sidewalk. She was flown by chopper to the trauma center, where they diagnosed her with a concussion and some bleeding in the brain.

She doesn't know how long they will keep her and is worrying about Ralph.

Let's keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

Birthdays

1/5 Linda Kuiken

1/26 Marry Murray

2/23 Harold Johnson

2/27 John Henning Jr

Anniversaries

1/7 Ormsbys

1/20 Zechers

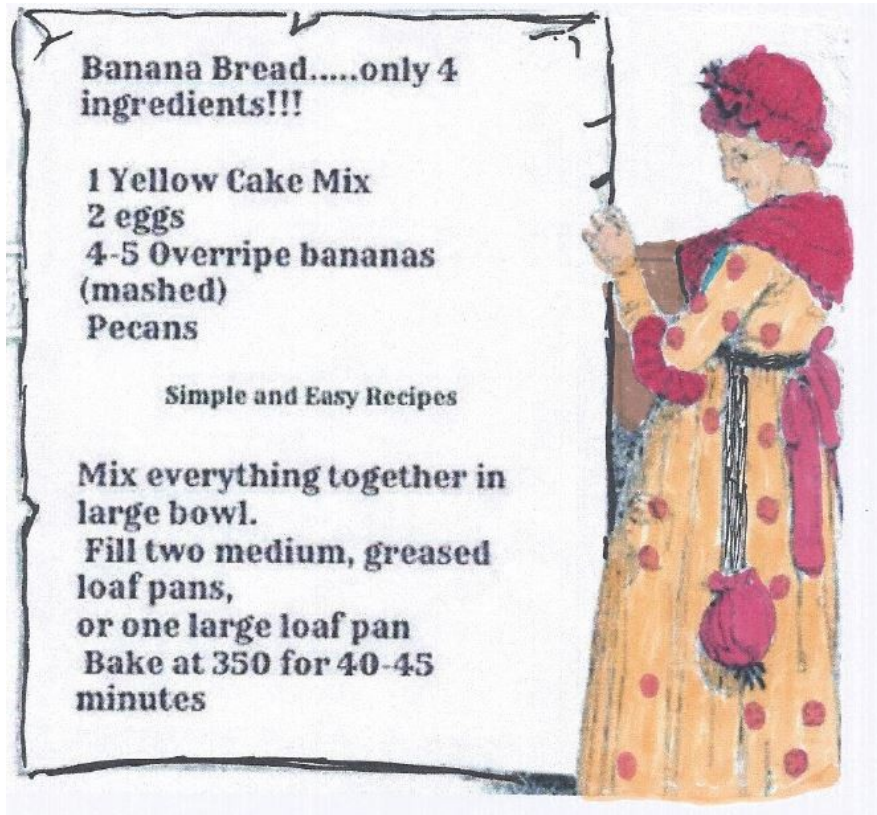
2/19 Turners

2/20 Kellers

2/21 Greseths

2/29 Murrays

Recipe of the month



Banana Bread.....only 4 ingredients!!!

1 Yellow Cake Mix
2 eggs
4-5 Overripe bananas
(mashed)
Pecans

Simple and Easy Recipes

Mix everything together in large bowl.
Fill two medium, greased loaf pans,
or one large loaf pan
Bake at 350 for 40-45 minutes

The Miracle Of Friendship

**There is a miracle called Friendship
that dwells within the heart
and you don't know how it happens
or when it even starts.
But the happiness it brings you
always gives a special lift
and you realize that Friendship
is God's most precious gift.**

- Jean Kyler McManus -

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