



Campout News

February Campout

At our February campout we hold our annual charity fundraiser. The campout was held at Red Oaks RV Resort in Bushnell, Florida, on February 3-5, with early bird on Thursday, February 2. The campout was hosted by Roger and Sharon Hime and Tim and Julie Ritter.

On Thursday we had nine rigs for early bird. This included a visitor, David Shultz, who has joined our group.



Thursday afternoon we had heavy hors d'oeuvres instead of dinner



Thursday after our social hour and hors d'oeuvres we had ice cream at Sweet Licks



Thanks to Roger we had nice campfires

Golden Triangle Campers Newsletter

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February Birthdays

Carol Griffin 2/1
Steve Hall 2/10
Dale Lundmark 2/20
Tim Ritter 2/16



February Anniversaries

None this month



Cares & Concerns

- Mickey and Janet Marks son, Mark McHaffie, has been diagnosed with rectal cancer.
- Karl Hendricks, a past member, passed away and Shirley sent a card to the family.
- The Breitweisers daughter continues to battle cancer, and Shirley sent them a card.

Our Sunshine Chairman, Shirley Fiorentino, sends cards out to those in our group in need. Please let her know if you know of anyone in our group with health or other issues who could use a card to cheer them up or let them know we care about them.

There were a total eleven rigs at the campout. We also had two drive in members. On Friday morning we held our annual charity fundraiser which consisted of baked goods, crafts, and a wide variety of yard sale items. Due to threatening weather Friday morning, we moved the sale inside the small hall for the first time in our many years of holding the event.



We had people coming in thirty minutes before our official opening.



We filled the whole hall with sale items



The tables above were filled with baked goods an hour previously

Note to self: NEXT YEAR BRING MORE BAKED GOODS! We had a great sale this year, but were very surprised at how fast the baked goods sold. Overall, we raised **over \$800** this year, which is a new record for our charity fundraiser. The fundraiser is always a lot of work, but everyone pitches in and we have a lot of fun. All our workers

were easily identified in our bright golden triangle shirts.

Friday for dinner we often go out as a group. This month the hosts cooked hotdogs and beans and everyone else brought sides and dessert.



Roger and Tim cooked our hotdogs for dinner on Friday



It got cold out and Jan fixed a Dutch oven peach cobbler for dessert

Friday evening, our hosts organized a fun NASCAR Nickel and Dime game. The cars were candy kisses. Fortunately, there were extras as a few of the cars disappeared during the game.



We had a great time playing the nickel and dime NASCAR game, until Steve appeared to have run out of nickels and dimes



Saturday morning our hosts provided egg casseroles and sausage patties for breakfast

After breakfast on Saturday we held our regular monthly meeting. We had eleven member rigs camping and two drive in members in attendance.



Our February Monthly Golden Triangle Campers meeting

Sharon Hime, our club VP, presided over our February meeting because our President, Rick Stahurski and wife Louise were in Hawaii celebrating their wedding anniversary. I heard that there were other wives in our group who wished their husbands were so thoughtful. But, I will not mention any names (SG). Debby Lundmark also filled in for our Treasurer, Janet Marks, who was unable to be there. We had a good meeting, and the minutes are included with the newsletter.

Saturday afternoon we played beanbag baseball. Team A had most of the ladies, while Janice Morris was the lone lady on Team B. Team B started off with seven runs scored in the first inning, and team B was a little discouraged.



Team A at bat trying to come back from a big deficit

Team A fought back while the guys on Team B went scoreless for seven innings. In the ninth inning the score was tied at 12-12, but team A had a six run rally in OT to win the game.



The winning baseball team

I had to edit the winning team photo as one of those rascals on Team B tried to photo bomb us 😊 Maybe you will recognize his chin above Sharon's shoulder.

Saturday afternoon after our baseball game we enjoyed relaxing and a nice social hour.



Bella and Chloe enjoyed entertaining the adults



We enjoy this campground with the shade for happy hour and the small hall close by

Saturday we had a potluck dinner, which we all enjoyed. After dinner some of the group played games in the hall on Saturday evening while others enjoyed the campfire.



Jan and Joyce love the campfires

On Sunday morning we shared sweets and egg casseroles for breakfast, thanked our hosts and headed for home until our next campout.

At our meetings we often ask “What works and what doesn’t.” One of the things we all agree works well are the soft-start units on air conditioners. What works even better is having two of the best “handy men” around in our camping group. Roger Hime and Tim Ritter have helped almost every one of us at one time or another. I went by for them to “help” me install the unit on my RV. Needless to say, I mostly watched, held tools, and took photos. Thanks guys.



Roger and Tim installing a SoftstartRV in the AC unit on Jan’s 2021 Grand Design Imagine

In March we will not be having a regular monthly campout. Unfortunately, the Orchards found that what “doesn’t work” is encountering a tree with your rig in a tight campground. So, they will not be joining us on the March caravan.

We look forward to seeing some of you who are not traveling with us on the three week March-April caravan at the April campout at Suwannee River Rendezvous.