# GEORGIA FUNSEEKERS

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# AUGUST 2020

#### THE PRESIDENT SAYS:

# **Greetings, Fellow Funseekers!**

Okay, Everyone, get ready for this particular Newsletter – it will be rather long. But there is a lot to tell you about. So, please don't give up on it too soon! Try to read the whole thing! And please pay particular attention to the information concerning our September rally!

And speaking of, said rally will be held at the Coastal Georgia RV Park in Brunswick, the weekend of September 17 - 20. As we usually do, the current slate of officers will be the hosts for this rally since this is our annual meeting time. Plans are in the works for some wonderful meals and hopefully lots of enjoyment. I will print off an agenda for this rally, and I plan to pass it out to everyone there at the campground.

I am really hoping that we have a good turnout for this particular rally, because we will be celebrating the Funseekers' 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary there. As noted in the last Newsletter, our actual anniversary is in August, but we decided to celebrate it in September because we hope to have a larger crowd to come than we normally do at rallies. It's really important to have a lot of our members at our annual meeting. **So please make your reservations ASAP!** 

**PLEASE NOTE:** Your Executive Committee, meaning the elected officers, have decided to let the club treasury pay for the rally expenses this time, because our treasury is more than able to handle it this year. We have done this several times in past years. So, what that means is – **there will be NO FEE for this rally.** 

ALSO, PLEASE NOTE: We will be holding our <u>annual meeting after breakfast on</u>

<u>Saturday morning</u> at the rally and we will vote on the slate of officers and get the installation done during the meeting, then Raymond Baggarly as our new President will take over and finish the meeting.

Scott Herrick, our Vice President / Rally Master, is currently in the process of putting together our list of rallies for next year. He will be calling several campgrounds and finding out what's available at each one, and then putting together our rally list. Please, if anyone has any preferences for a good campground for our group, please send your info to Scott at deskjock@mchsi.com. Good amenities, like a clubhouse or meeting room, is great for a group. Without that, our get-togethers must depend on the weather.

It would be wonderful if some of our newer members can come to next month's rally, especially those who have not had the opportunity to come to a rally yet. We are all really looking forward to getting to meet and greet them. I know that we also have right now some members who are unable to travel, so rest assured that we are praying that all of you will be better soon and be able to come to future rallies.

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**IMPORTANT !!!** It was discussed recently by some members of the Executive Committee to have rallies every other month next year, instead of every month. We are thinking that rallies will begin in February and go on over to April, then June, August, October, and the Christmas Luncheon in December. Doing it this way does create a problem, however, since our annual meeting is held in September. **But we will vote on this at our meeting next month.** 

ALSO: I want to remind everyone to please go ahead and pay your yearly dues. I know that when I sent out the first reminder, I had listed the dues as \$24, but that was in error. MY BAD!!! It was \$24 for our dues for several years in the past, but two years ago it was raised to \$30, but I had totally forgot about that and sent out the email with the wrong amount listed. So then I sent out a follow-up reminder about the dues. Again, I apologize for the mixup.

As you will recall from my last email concerning the mixup, the Executive Committee has decided to just leave it at \$24, just for this year, rather than have everyone send another check for \$6. However, if anyone wants to go ahead and pay the additional \$6, please feel free to do so, either now or at the September rally.

And if you haven't paid your dues yet, you can do so at the September rally, if you come. Dues are due in August, but no later than our annual meeting, because you cannot vote without having your dues paid.

#### WRITE-UP ABOUT THE AUGUST RALLY FROM BETTY MANN:

Chattanooga Rally: We missed all of you who were unable to attend the Rally last weekend. We did have 8 couples who were able to join us, the Baggarlys, Brannons, Cassadys, Herricks, Guettlers, Keys, Manns and Mitchells, and the Gilbrides joined us on Saturday.

Since we did not arrive until Friday, we missed out on the hot dogs, burgers and fixings and laughs and conversation on Thursday under the pavilion.

Since we have sold the Bus, we stayed in the Loft Cabin, where we were greeted by a futon and a set of bunk beds and a sleeping loft with a ladder! Needless to say, the futon and bunk were more user friendly for "seniors" than trying to navigate a ladder several times a night.

There were no organized activities for the weekend, but everyone seemed to find plenty to see and do. Some went to the Chattanooga Mercantile Mart, some to a flea market on Saturday, while some went to Aquarium or explored the downtown area.

Friday night we all enjoyed a potluck dinner, chicken tenders, and pies for dessert. Afterward we did have good sports participating in some "Minute to Win It Games" which gave us a few good laughs. Can you imagine what games we played from the sound of the titles, Runny Nose, Ping Pong Butt, Stack 'em Up, Suck it Up, or the funniest of all, Elephant Head, with Joe Brannon and Hugh Mitchell starring?

Saturday morning, Rick and Jenny Gilbride prepared a wonderful breakfast casserole, fruit, pastries and juice for all to enjoy. Thank you, Rick and Jenny. Saturday evening, we met

at "From Farm to Fork" a nice restaurant where we were seated in a group of twenty. The service was excellent, and the food choices were very appetizing and good.

Since it was Judy Cassady's birthday on Saturday, Butch planned a surprise celebration for her by having a birthday cake and we all sang "Happy Birthday" to Judy -- good cake, too!

Don and I had agreed to host this rally last year sometime, and even though we have now sold our Bus, we wanted to come to be with all our Funseeker friends one last time. We'll see you all at the Christmas Luncheon and an occasional rally here or there where they might have accommodations at the campground.

We have enjoyed and loved the Funseeker Family, we wish the best to all of you, but this chapter of our life is changing, and we must change with it. Be safe, happy trails, and we'll see you further down the road.

#### **DON & BETTY**

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#### **FOR SALE:** From Rick Gilbride:

Hello everyone, it was great seeing some of you this past weekend. This past year Jenny and I have been traveling with the airplane much more than the motorhome. As a result, we have made the difficult decision to put the motorhome up for sale. If you have any questions or are interested in seeing the coach, you can contact me at rgilbride@bellsouth.net. Please put MOTORHOME in the subject line so your email doesn't accidentally go to my SPAM folder.

#### 2005 American Coach Tradition 40J

Beautiful American coach Tradition 40J for sale. 3 slides with toppers and only 65,678 miles. This gorgeous coach is adorned with full body paint with a deep clear coat gloss finish. Powered by a 370 HP Cummins ISL (non-DEF) turbo-charged diesel with side radiator and Allison 6-speed automatic transmission. Sitting on a Spartan "Liberty" chassis with independent front suspension. 7.5 KW Onan generator with "Automatic Generator Start." Gas/electric water heater, 2 Coleman roof top heat pumps, automatic leveling. 4 door Norcold refrigerator, convection/microwave, solid surface counter tops, ceramic floors, like new leather furniture. Fresh out of annual at the Spartan Service Center. New tires in June, 2019. MASTERTOW 77T tow dolly with electric brakes included.

If anyone has any news to share, please send it to me and I will be glad to pass it along. Hope all of you are well and happy. I pray daily for all of you.

FOOTNOTE: My favorite saying: If you want to hear God laugh, TELL HIM
YOUR PLANS!

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.)

**SEPT. 17 – 20:** Coastal Georgia RV Park, Brunswick GA. 912-264-3869.

**HOSTS:** Club Officers (Listed below)

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OCT. 15 – 18: Leisure Acres Campground, Dahlonega GA. 706-865-6466.

HOSTS: HOSTS NEEDED

**NOV. 12 - 15:** Island Retreat RV Park, Gulf Shores, AL. 251-967-1666

**HOSTS:** Grover and Wanda Bagley

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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. <u>Each individual is responsible for obtaining cancellation policy.</u>