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Life is meant for good friends, and great adventures!

The Caloosa Winnies were welcomed back from the summer travels for our first meeting of the season on November 7—10, 2019 at Alligator Park in Punta Gorda, FL. This is one of our most favorite parks and we had 20 coaches in attendance. A few members that we have not seen in a while joined us—Keith & Noreen Litchfield, Hank & Linda Bauman, Katherine Liddington and her friend Sherri Leger, as well as guests Maurice & Anita Tennial. Co-hosts for the event were Charlie & Karen Autry, Joe & Ellyn Bewes, who arrived a day early to begin the preparations. The hall was decorated in fall colors in time for the rest of the group arrivals on Thursday.

The kitchen elves were busy preparing potatoes for the Baked Potato Bar for dinner, and all the ingredients were assembled for everyone to make their masterpiece! Some of the members brought side dishes that complimented the potatoes. The Ice Cream Social followed dinner with our expert “dippers” ready to serve up the treats! Pictured Left to Right: Charlie Autry, Joe Bewes, Jorge Gil and Mark Burnett! Nice job—and THANKS to the “dippers”!



The rest of the evening the “Nickels” players took over some tables and played their favorite game! There was a rumor going around that a certain member won almost all the pots!! We won't mention any names!

Friday morning everyone assembled at the clubhouse for a quick breakfast of donuts, bagels, fruit, juice and coffee. Our activity for the day was a trip to Octagon Wildlife Sanctuary. This facility houses animals who have been abused, neglected, or crossbred and are not able to survive in the wild. This organization is not funded by any agency, just survives on volunteers and visitor donations. Our guide explained the animals and their circumstances. We just wandered around the property—fascinated with how they are cared for—and there are a LOT of animals to see. It was a great day!



Back at the clubhouse it was time for Line Dancing Class! Several of the members—including guys—came to practice! Our instructor Denise Joop was great teaching us some new simple dances and everyone caught on very quickly!! Jerry Miller assisted with playing the music. It really is a lot of FUN to dance and the more practice—the better we get! Of course we will have lessons at each meeting as we lead up to the February Rally where we will have a FULL dance floor! THANKS to the folks who are brave in taking part in the lessons!!! We WILL get better each month!



Happy Hour began early at 3:30pm as we were departing for dinner at Laishley's Crab House with reservations at 5:00pm. We spread out on the top floor and had a wonderful dinner! Some of our members joined us there for the dinner, John & LuAnn Zink, Carl & Karin Reilly, Joe & Mary Periard. Hope I didn't miss anyone!



Saturday morning was a fun breakfast—Omelets In A Bag! The members were given instruction how to make their Omelets—selecting from the ingredients supplied by the hosts. The picture on the right shows Rich Beck and Joe Bewes leading the folks with that information. In the kitchen the hosts were boiling the water kettles and timing the “bags” until cooked and ready to serve. The rest of the meal provided were biscuits, fruit, juice, coffee for all to enjoy! We were PROUD to announce none of bags split open and all were cooked to perfection!



At 10:30am it was time for the business meeting led by Rich Beck. Several topics were discussed. The roster of proposed officers for the 2020 year were read and announced the voting would proceed at the December meeting. At that time nominations would be accepted from the floor. THANKS to Ed Thomas and his committee for assembling the list of potential officers. Nancy Miller announced several upcoming locations for future camping meetings.

Happy Hour at 4:00pm brought everyone back to the clubhouse. A 50/50 raffle was held and the following members got lucky and won! Lynda Kucera, Patti Burnett and Linda Bauman—YAY—had the lucky tickets! Dinner was ready at 5:30pm, homemade meatloaf, mashed potatoes, and side dishes created by some of the members! As always, dinner was delicious and the food disappeared as usual! In the kitchen, Karen Autry, (on the left) and Ellyn Bewes (on the right) were busy with cleanup duties! (Somebody has to do it and you 2 drew the short straws!) AND you did it with a smile!!!! THANKS, ladies!



Sunday morning we were departing for the next adventure to Jolly Roger in the Keys at Marathon. FL so there was no gathering for breakfast. We said goodbye to the folks not continuing on to the Keys, and we were once again on the road again! There will be a review of the Keys adventure coming soon!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY IN DECEMBER TO:

- 3 Cathleen Kinney
- 7 Gerald Brashaw
- 9 Rich Beck
- 10 Donald Fowler
- 11 Bud Swift
- 13 Nancy Miller
- 19 Jim Pursley
- 24 Katherine Liddington
- 29 Natalie Amos



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY IN DECEMBER TO:

- 2 John & LuAnn Zink
- 5 Sean & Sara Viara
- 20 Jorge & Orte Gil
- 25 Raymond & Ferol Drust
- 29 Joe & Ellyn Bewes
- 31 Ben & Donna Collier
- 31 Jerry & Nancy Miller

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

**Robert & Joyce Barkalow
Samuel Scovil, Jr. & Barbara Ksenych**



**Shan & Aleda Gaar
Stu & Janet Greene
Ed & Beth Hanlon**

FUTURE EVENTS

- 2020**
- January 6—9 Sarasota Fairgrounds, Sarasota, FL
 - February 17—21 Lazy Days RV Resort, Seffner, FL 3rd Annual Reunion Rally
 - March 8—15 Cruise on RCL Harmony of the Seas
 - April 6—9 Big Cypress RV Resort, Clewiston, FL
 - April 30—May 3 KOA Clearwater/Lake Tarpon, Palm Harbor, FL
 - December 5—8 Riverside RV Resort, Port Charlotte, FL 50th Anniversary Party! 1970—



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Our members needing sunshine and prayers: Bruce Kanoza, Karin Reilly, Lynda Kucera, Tom Rapson
Chris Jussaume, Karen Brashaw, Jim Carney, Fay Hubbard, Sue Swift. We are all thinking about you
and wish you fast healing!

REMINDER: If you have not sent a registration form for the February rally—don't delay! the list is getting full with a lot of new people signing up this year! The next page is a registration form!

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Handicap Parking Needed Yes _____ No _____ WIT Number _____

RV Length _____ Chapter Affiliation (if any) _____

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Rally fees include: 4 nights camping, concrete pad full hookup site, 30/50 amp, Lazy Days amenities, 3 catered dinners, 1 catered breakfast, Hors d'Oeuvres Potluck dinner, live entertainment, movie night, ice cream social, seminars, vendors, etc.

FEE: 1 coach, 2 people : \$299.00 by January 25, 2020

AFTER JANUARY 25, 2020, FEE: \$330.00

(Singles deduct \$30.00) (Extra person age 6 & up: \$30.00)

EARLY ARRIVAL DAY: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2020 ADD \$54.00

MAIL RESERVATION FORM AND CHECK MADE OUT TO CALOOSA WINNIES TO:

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