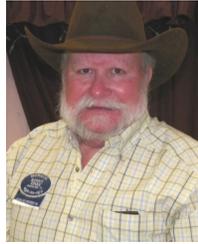


2012 WAN-NA-GO'S FALL NEWSLETTER

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FROM YOUR EDITOR

Coffee Creek is the last rally of 2012 for the Wan-na-go's . It has been a great year with many different locations and types of rallies. Thanks to everyone who volunteered to help, from being a rally master to cleaning tables. Next year we have plans for fun rallies at great locations. See you in March at Vidalia. Have a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!! —Carolyn

WAN-NA-GO'S COFFEE CREEK RALLY

Sunday, October 28

Welcome reception was held at the Texas Star pavilion at Coffee Creek RV Resort. Attendees were greeted by a "fall" setting of autumn leaves, grapevine pumpkins, acorns, and walnuts atop brown and lime green table cloths. Subway sandwiches with chips and cookies made dinner. Everyone enjoyed something different in food for the meet-n'-greet.

Plans for the 'TREAT' exchange were discussed , questions answered, and directions to the

restaurant for Tuesday night were given. Nothing else was planned except for everyone to visit with each other.

Monday, October 29

Breakfast, catered by 'Brenda's Catering', consisted of eggs, bacon, sausage, hash browns, biscuits w/gravy, and coffee/juice plus condiments. Following breakfast , the First Timer's , Butch and Elaine Day, were introduced and they met the Executive Board to get a quick

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overview of what the Officers' duties are and how the Club is organized and run. The Executive Board held their meeting immediately after the First Timer's Meeting.

In early afternoon, the Cowboys and 'Cookie', the Head Cook and owner of the authentic 1800's Chuck Wagon, arrived to set up a typical cattle drive campsite. The campsite consisted of the chuck wagon, a firebox, old chairs, table, and old coffee pots.



Cookie demonstrated the correct way to measure ground coffee (using the lid of the coffee pot) to make campfire coffee. Many of the Wan-na-go's came to watch the set-up, look at the chuck wagon, take pictures, and get a story of 'how it used to be on a cattle drive' from Cookie. He entertained everyone until time for dinner, and then called tables, for people to get in line to be served out by the chuck wagon.

During the time between dinner and our entertainment, Cookie entertained everyone by



telling more of his jokes and stories. Such a fun and entertaining cowboy!!

Entertainment for the evening was Randy Mac, songwriter, guitarist, singer, joke teller, and inspirational speaker. He played and sang, intertwining stories or jokes with spiritual meaning into the act.

Everyone enjoyed his show and was touched by his words.



Tuesday, October 30

Breakfast (by Brenda) was served early to accommodate the golfer's early tee time, at the beautiful, Sugar Tree Golf Course. They enjoyed a nice lunch of hamburgers, chips, and drink following their round of golf.

Happy Hour started earlier than usual to ensure time to carpool to the Brazos River Catfish Café for dinner. The owner of this award winning restaurant served us a delicious catfish or chicken dinner with salad, rolls, beans, fries, condiments, and coconut cream pie. Everyone returned to Coffee Creek to sit around a bon fire (wood donated by Don Pack) and enjoy S'mores furnished by Joann Pack. Billy Campsey, our own Boy Scout, built the bon fire without using lighter fluid. Thanks for the donations and effort. Everyone, who came, enjoyed the bon fire and suggested we do it at other rallies. It was a great way to end the day.

Wednesday, October 31

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!! This was a busy day.

Brenda's Halloween breakfast consisted of sausage and egg casserole, muffins, biscuits, and condiments – jelly, salsa, butter- and coffee and juice. Delicious and filling! The morning was free for sightseeing or visiting with friends.

A new idea for lunch was to have a TAW (Talk

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Our heartfelt thanks, from Dale & Carolyn Clark , to Don & Marcille Long and Ronny & Sandra Finke for all their help to make this such a successful rally.

**2013
WAN-NA-GO'S
CLUB RALLIES**

2013 CLUB RALLIES

March 10 - 14, 2013

(Note: New date)

Riverview RV Park & Resort, Vidalia, LA
Rally Masters: Ladon & Bonnie Miller
and Hubert & Vickie Jones

June 2 - 6, 2013

Winstar World Casino, Thackerville, OK
Rally Masters: Bob & Jan Erickson
and Keith & Debby Taylor

October 29 - November 2, 2013

Lake Conroe KOA, Montgomery, TX
Rally Masters: Jim & Nancy Harris
and John & Bettie Collins

**UPCOMING
FMCA
RALLIES**

**Monaco International
"Westward Ho"**

Pre-rally

June 11-15, 2013

Gillette, Wyoming

**FMCA 89th Family Reunion
and Motorhome Showcase**

June 19-22, 2013

Gillette, Wyoming

CONDOLENCES

Our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Bill Corroum, who recently passed away.

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among Women) and a BULL session with each discussing ideas for organizing or decorating inside the coach and ideas for fixing or improving the outside or engine of the coach. Marcille Long led the ladies and Roy Love/ Jim Thielke led the men in discussing their ideas. Lunch, from Natty Flat, was barbecue sandwiches, chips, potato salad, with brownies and lemon bars for desert. Many ideas came from the discussions and everyone seemed to enjoy the lunch format. Marcille had a door prize for each group of 'things for the coach'. Thank you, Marcille, Roy, and Jim, for leading the discussions.

Halloween Happy Hour brought out the costumed participants. More than half the attendees chose to come in costume and the costumes were great! We had a hard time guessing their identity!! Marcille had everyone walk among the audience so everyone could see the costumes. She then divided them into two groups—couples and single female and



male—for judging purposes. The audience clapped for each couple to indicate their degree of approval. Same procedure for those in the single group was followed. Winners were determined by loudest applause. Winners were: couple's group — Roy & Sharon Love, single woman — LaJuan Snider, single man — Cletis Jones.



Winners received a \$10 gift card for either McDonald's or Denny's. Everyone had a lot of laughs and fun judging the costumed participants. Thanks to all of you for participating. It really made the Halloween Party a rousing success.

The Mexican Dinner, catered by Brenda, was a timely break in the Halloween Party activities. The dinner

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**** SPECIAL **
ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Jim Thielke wishes to thank everyone for their prayers for him to quickly pass the kidney stone . He did!--early Friday morning after the rally.

The Wan-na-go's received a thank you from the FMCA South Central Area Six-State Rally for our two gift card donations.

GET WELL WISHES

Please keep Carol Rogers in your prayers . She is experiencing health problems that are preventing surgery on her back and shoulder.

Linda Carrell had knee replacement surgery. She is doing well .

Don Wyatt had hip replacement surgery and is doing well.

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menu was: chicken or beef enchiladas, Spanish rice, pinto beans, Mexican salad, salsa & chips, lemon or chocolate cake.

Continuing with the Halloween activities, it was time for the 'TREAT Exchange'! Each 'coach' was asked to bring something special that you would give to a friend on Halloween. Marcille directed the exchange by calling the name of an attendee and having them give their Treat to another couple (next in alphabetical order on the rally attendees list). This gave everyone a chance to put names and faces of Wan-na-go members together. Great game for getting better acquainted with each other! Now it was time for some special "TRICK" gifts from the rally masters! Names were drawn from a basket and those people had to come get their prize. Lots of laughs!!! Serious door prizes were next. Several nice baskets of goodies, donated by Don & Marcille Long, were given. Gift cards from Mobil

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Kay "Margarita Man" Williams

Lube and Cracker Barrel, a coffee maker, flash light lantern, and flashlights were some of the prizes given.

The finale for the evening was BINGO!!! (Electronic TV/iPad bingo) Six different type games were played with the last game being a



cover all game. Prizes were different dollar amounts for each game. Jan Erickson was the big winner of the night—she won TWICE!!!

Thursday, Nov. 1

A delicious Continental Breakfast, by Hays Station, ushered in a slower paced, final day of the rally. Everyone enjoyed the homemade cinnamon

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NEW MEMBERS
(WELCOME!)



Butch & Elaine Day
829 Eastside Lake Road
Graham, TX 76450
940-549-5395

RETURNING
FORMER MEMBERS
(WELCOME BACK!)



Joe & Sandy Huntley
29 Enchanted Lane
Dayton, TX 77535
936-258-8816



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rolls, muffins, and bagels w/ cream cheese, assorted fruit, and coffee.

The General Board Meeting was called to order by President Jan Erickson at 9 a.m. Following the business meeting, the newly elected board members for 2013 were introduced. Outgoing President, Jan Erickson, gave her farewell speech, and then passed the gavel to incoming President, Ronny Finke.

Happy Hour began the final evening at Coffee Creek. The Mesquite Grill Restaurant catered the dinner of grilled beef filet and chicken, baked potato, salad, and cheesecake.

Door prizes were given while waiting for the Cross-tied Cowboy Band to entertain. They played a variety of great dance music, with some vocal selections included. Everyone enjoyed the fun evening.



Cross -Tied Cowboy Band

Wrap Up

The party is over, it's time to leave! Look for your next rally registration and plan to attend. Invite people to join our club and give them an application form. We need new members!



2012 COFFEE CREEK RALLY ATTENDEES

Theo & Blanche Bueto
 Bob & Barbara Burns
 Billy & Carolyn Campsey
 Phil & Linda Carrell
 Dale & Carolyn Clark
 John & Bettie Collins
 Jack & Lazette Cox
 Butch & Elaine Day***
 Peter & Jean deMille**
 Bob & Jan Erickson
 Ronny & Sandra Finke
 Larry & Mary Lou Grayson
 Walter & Cleone Gund
 J.O. & Trish Haney
 Ken & Susan Havener
 Tom & Nancy Hayselden
 Joe & Sandra Huntley
 Cletis & Pat Jones*
 Hubert & Vickie Jones
 Don & Marcille Long
 Roy & Sharon Love
 Sonny Merrill
 Ladon & Bonnie Miller
 Morris, Bill & Mona
 Don & Joanne Pack
 Dan & Karen Randall
 Charles & Patsy Rast
 Mike & Suzanne Reaves
 Don & Sally Richmond
 Charles & Patsy Riney
 Ed & Sandra Robbins
 Robert & Jeanne Sanderson
 Joe & La Juan Snider
 Don & Kati Stacy
 Keith & Deborah Taylor
 Jim & Lynne Thielke*
 Conrad & Connie Wilson

Key:

- * Charter Members
- ** Guest/Past Members
- *** First Timers

COFFEE CREEK RALLY MASTERS



Dale & Carolyn Clark



Don & Marcille Long



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 Carolyn Clark



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 Mike Reaves

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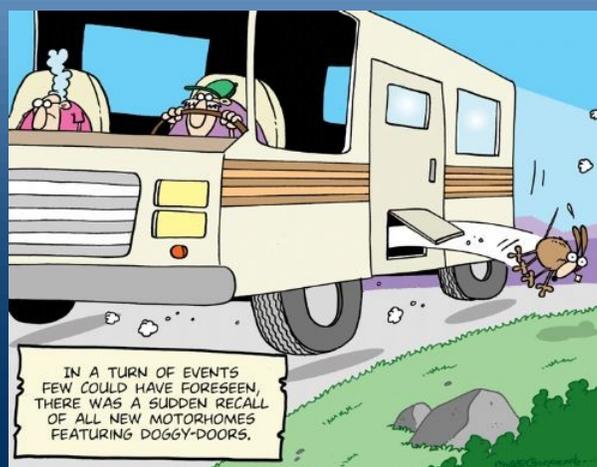
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Happy Halloween!!!



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A HAPPY
NEW YEAR

