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## Unicoi Springs Honored by Coast to Coast

In recognition of achievements in 2004, Coast to Coast, in affiliation with Woodall Publications has awarded Unicoi Springs Camp Resort a Five Diamond "W" for its facilities.

Unicoi Springs Camp Resort is one of only 44 resorts who have attained this distinction, placing them in the top 15% of the country's Coast to Coast system who are at this level of achievement.

In his letter accompanying the award, Carl Coddington, Eastern Regional Director of Coast to Coast stated

*"Your investment in the physical development of your resort, personnel, recreation programs and maintenance is clearly reflected by these ratings. These ratings are not easy to attain – nor are they easy to keep."*

Established in 1983, Unicoi Springs, has consistently maintained its position as a Five Star resort. Prior to 2004, the Five Star designation was the highest recognition awarded to a resort.

New and more stringent guidelines have resulted in the current distinction of "Prestige Resort". As in the past,

Unicoi Springs Camp Resort is honored to receive another accolade to its excellence.

The owners, through a seven-member Board of Directors oversee all facets of the Resort's operation. The cooperation of the owners, under the guidance of the Board of Directors, continues the reputation as a leader in the industry maintaining unsurpassed quality and prestige for the past 21 years.

## Keep Up With Current Events

The "Announcements Page" on the website is a place to find current events pertaining to Unicoi Springs in between publications of the Board's official newsletter "The Springs Communicator". To find it, go to [www.unicoisprings.com](http://www.unicoisprings.com) and click on "News", then "Activities". Once the Activities Committee gears up, you will be seeing weekly Activities Schedules in this same area of the website.

CHAPEL HOMECOMING—May 15th - Chapel Services at 10:00 am. Reverend Elton Beasley  
Lunch at 12:00. Please bring 2 dishes. (Ham, Turkey, Tea, Lemonade and Utensils Provided.  
Everyone is Invited!!

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# UNICOI SPRINGS CAMP RESORT

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## In Memoriam

L. W. "Dub" Akins  
Jane Adams  
Polly Bradley  
Arlene Davis  
Peggy Duggan  
Patrick Etheridge  
Robert Hardin  
Jewel Holt  
Dorsey Jackson  
Rachel Phillips  
Sarah Riggins  
Brock Sellers  
Robert Shultz  
James Songer  
Jerry Waldrip  
Jay Lynn Wallace

You will be missed...

## Board Schedules Listening Session

The Board has had suggestions that the Directors need to be more accessible to the owners, and we agree! As a result, the Board will schedule several meetings during 2005 which we will call "Listening Sessions."

These meetings will be held in the Activities Building usually on a Friday evening preceding the regular board

meeting. There will be no formal agenda or official business conducted, we will simply be there to answer owners' questions and receive suggestions. If someone would like to meet with the Board privately, this can be arranged also.

The Board is willing to take this additional time to listen to you, and we hope that you

will use this opportunity to bring us some constructive thoughts and suggestions.

To get the 2005 camping season off to a good start, the first one of our Listening Sessions will be held Friday, April 22, 2005, beginning at 7:00 P.M. in the Activities Building.

## Time to Consider Board Election

It seems that we just had our election of Directors, and now it is time to begin the process all over again. The terms of long-time board members John Thompson and Wyman West will expire in 2005, and at press time they have not announced if they will seek re-election. Article III of our By-Laws outlines the entire procedure for director elections, and their duties, with Section 7

outlining the nomination process. Any owner may get a copy of the By-Laws from the office.

The applications for nomination may be picked up at the office. The applications of those nominated will be considered the formal resume' and will be sent out to all current owners for their consideration. Completed applications will be due in to

the Board by 8:00 A. M. on June 15, 2005.

Serving on the Board is both time consuming and a challenge, but it has its rewards too. We have a beautiful resort and it did not happen overnight. It happened because of the cooperation and insight of previous Boards working together to make it possible, and they can look back with pride at what has been accomplished.

## Opportunities to Sell

Are you trying to sell your camper, tow dolly or perhaps some camping equipment? Are you a crafter with your own creations for sale?

Owners have been placing information about their items for sale on the Owner's Board in the Clubhouse. Place your written ad with or without a photograph on the board above the jukebox in the Clubhouse. It is requested that you date the notices and remove or update them after 30 days. Ads

will be removed thirty days after the date shown on each notice.

Your next Yard Sale is May 14th. Items can be sold from your campsite. This has been a popular and successful selling opportunity for the owners for the past several years. It is also one of the best excuses for some of the Activity ladies' good home cooking!

This year, for the first time, there will be two craft fairs. August 13th is the date of the Summer Craft Fair and

October 15th will be the date of the Fall Craft Fair. The cost for these two events is \$5 for a large table and \$2.50 for a small one. If you have some handmade items to sell, be sure to sign up.

Finally, you can place Classified Advertising on your website at a cost of \$20 for 30 days. We have been receiving approximately 1200 "hits" or visits per month to our site, so chances are good that your item will be seen. Details can be found on the website.

Because You're Special...

We have been in touch with many neighboring businesses over the winter regarding discounts and special offers for Unicoi Springs owners and guests.

Take a look at the UNICOI SPRINGS DISCOUNT BOOK which will be kept in the Clubhouse. Participating businesses only require that you identify

yourself with your gate pass to receive their offer. Some exciting new restaurants and attractions have just opened in our area, including a wonderful dinner theatre, a tea room, a bakery and a seafood restaurant offering you a 15% discount. Check it out when you arrive. The Discount Book can be

found just under the message board in the Clubhouse. This program is ongoing and new information is being added weekly.

If you become aware of a business who would like to participate, please contact the Office and we will follow up.

New Unicoi Springs Products Now Available

During the winter closing, new products have been created and placed for sale in your on-line store.

Sweatshirts, golf shirts and t-shirts are the most popular items. A spaghetti strap t-shirt with the proclamation: "Yes, I Drive This" punctuated with a delicate rose is a new favorite. The same sentiment appears on a regular ladies' pink t-shirt.

Other new items include a lime green

t-shirt for the designated "Backup Consultant", a pillow with a full color photograph of the Chapel, a two-piece jogging set, an organic t-shirt saying "I'd rather be camping at Unicoi Springs!" and a baseball t-shirt informing the finder to "Return Me to Unicoi Springs".

A print catalog has been created for you and rests on the table below the message board in the Clubhouse. You

can see the products without having to "log on", however they can only be ordered on line. The products are shipped directly to your home within a week. There is a generous return policy should that be necessary. If you have ideas for additional products we can create for you, please contact the Office.

riding their bikes and scooters.

●Something to keep in mind as you plan for your next visit...Grills will no longer be provided at individual campsites other than at the rentals and the tent sites. You will also find grills and picnic tables at each fire ring in addition to the Pavillion.

●One final and very important "gentle reminder"....

"Today is a Gift... that's why it's called "The Present".



Gentle Reminders

●Pat Carver would like to remind you that there is a set of photo albums in the Clubhouse dating back to 1994. She has been diligently adding new owner's pictures to these albums. Only a small percentage of our current owners' pictures are in the albums. If yours are not in the book, please look her up or watch for notice of the next scheduled picture taking session. There is no charge for this.

●Some of our owners do not realize that reservations can be made seven days a week from 9 am until 4 pm. The only variance is during the major holidays, you can make them from 9 to noon.

●Having your "U" number and confirmation number handy when you call for a reservation or a change will speed up the process.

● Only one vehicle is allowed to park at each site. If you need additional parking for your car or truck, be sure to check with the office or Security to get a 24-hour pass. This opportunity is available at all times except major holidays.

●According to a White County ruling, campers may only be washed on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays. Please check with the Office when you wish to wash your camper. You are required to sign in the Green Book, take a red bucket and unless you are in Permanent Storage, pay a \$10.00 fee.

●Parents and grandparents, please protect those precious children by making sure they are following the rule about wearing helmets while

FREE SHOW!! A special treat you won't want to miss. "Bankers' Hours" - A variety show performed by the United Community Bank players. Saturday, 4/16/05. Anderson Music Hall at the Georgia Mountain Fairgrounds in Hiwassee, GA. Reservations are not required. Donations requested.

Temporary Storage Guidelines

The Board revisited the procedures for Temporary Storage at their recent meeting. This option is becoming more popular and the sites are limited to 23 sites in Area 6 (#279; #281 through #298; #307; #309; #311; and #313).

Previously, owners who have their campers in Permanent Storage were not charged to use this option, however, due to the limited space, everyone using Temporary Storage will be

charged \$1.00 per day for storage and an additional \$1.00 per day if electrical hookup is requested.

Owners may move their campers in and out of Temporary Storage themselves, but Maintenance must move campers in and out of Permanent Storage at the regular fee of \$10.00 on to a site and \$10.00 to go back into storage. Those utilizing Temporary Storage may request Maintenance to make the moves for them at the same

cost. Contracts for Temporary Storage can only be made 24 hours ahead of time and the Office Staff will assign an appropriate site for the size of your camper.

There will be no Temporary Storage available on the weeks before and after Memorial Day, July 4<sup>th</sup> and Labor Day weekends to keep as many reservation sites open as possible for these extremely busy holidays.

Winter Projects Completed

Prior to the winter shut down, the Board met with Steve Tallman, Maintenance Manager, and outlined a list of projects that they would like to have completed. Of course, the weather is always a deciding factor and this year it was rain, rain and more rain. Even so, the Maintenance Staff was able to complete most of the projects outlined. The Number 1 priority was a complete revamping of the electrical system in Area #1, which was completed prior to opening day. All sites in Area #1 have new wiring placed in conduit, and all of the site lights were re-wired and repaired along with new TV cables. In digging up Area 1, they found some 12 sewer lines and a septic tank that needed repair.

Another big project that was mostly contracted, was the completion of a

new storage area that will accommodate approximately 40 units.

They finalized plans and obtained permits for the new maintenance facility which is under construction at this writing. This 30' X 80' building will provide room to repair equipment and storage units, have adequate storage area, and a tool room. It will be located on the hill just east of the tennis courts. While not too visible from the road, it is still centrally located within the park.

Other Projects Completed: Repair and/or replaced some 14 water valves. Repaired roof on Clubhouse and siding on Housekeepers Storage Building. Put new sand on playground. Pressure washed, re-stained and cleaned roofs on Park Models. Repaired water pump on Area 6. Installed storm drain in Area 1 to divert water from Sites 35 and 36.

Maintenance is currently working on the main drain valve in the lower pool.

We had some staff changes in the Maintenance Department for various reasons, but are now operating with full staffing. We welcome new Maintenance staffers, Tim Copp, Jamie Volquardsen and Stephen Ramey. Tim Copp routed and painted the new "owners and members" sign to our front entrance last year as a favor to Dudley Davis and the Resort.

The Board wishes to commend the Maintenance, Housekeeping, and Office staffs for all they did this winter.

Free Wireless in Clubhouse

Those of you who like to keep up with your email and surf the web during your stay will be happy to learn that the clubhouse now has a wireless access point. If your laptop came with wireless capability, you can just turn it on and click on the double computers

icon at the bottom of your screen to be connected immediately. If your computer did not come with that capability, a trip to Walmart or an office supply store to pick up a wireless card is all you need. Some computers may require a special program download.

Check with your technical support for verification. The dial-up desk is still there for those of you who prefer that, but now there is no waiting. You can even sit out on the porch to check your mail!

Welcome to Our Newest Owners!

We would like to extend an overdue welcome to our newest owners beginning with the year 2005. Take a moment to say "hello" if you have not already met these new members of our Resort family.

- Joe and Shirley Tillman
- Delmer and Ellen Bullington
- Jerry and Karla Dockal
- Larry and Carol Scott
- Nan Young and Laura Parker

- Nathan and Patricia Pannell
- Joe and Patsy Echols
- Bill and Gwen Porter
- Richard and Donna Rechin

We are happy to have you here!