

Unicoi Springs CAMP RESORT



Celebrating 25 years of camping and camaraderie in northeast Georgia

WHAT BEGAN IN 1983 as one man's vision has become the mission of hundreds of member-owners of Unicoi Springs Camp Resort. It's also become a cause for celebration as Unicoi Springs marks its 25th anniversary.

Nestled in the mountains of northeast Georgia, Unicoi Springs is unusual because it's governed by a group of owners that invites member-owners to have a voice in the resort's management and operation. This uniqueness has resulted in a remarkably well-developed, meticulously maintained and friendly Coast Classic resort.

Joe Vandergriff's original vision to create a serene mountain getaway materialized in 1983 with 49 RV campsites, 10 rental cabins, a bathhouse, a lodge and an activities building on

some 38 acres in Helen, Georgia.

In 1987, the member-owners wanted a place to worship, so Vandergriff deeded a portion of the property to them, and the members took it from there. They brought to fruition one of the resort's landmarks, a beautiful nondenominational chapel.

In 1991, the Unicoi Springs Owners Association assumed full responsibility for the resort's daily operation. Today, the resort claims a number of three-generation owners within families.

Unicoi Springs now offers 300 campsites with full hookups and 21 fully equipped rentals on more than

80 acres. Other resort amenities include four bathhouses, two swimming pools, a modern laundry facility and a state-of-the-art playground.

"Our desire is to remain the premier RV resort in our area," says Christine Hubal, resort manager. To maintain its high standards, full-time maintenance, house-keeping, administrative and security staffs are on duty seven days a week.

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—Christine Hubal

During its operating season from March through December, fun, friendship and food abound—it's been said that Unicoi cooks are among the finest in Georgia. Along with traditional events, many 25th-anniversary activities are scheduled this year, including baking and cooking contests, a time-capsule ceremony, a homecoming dinner and a formal ball.

Coast to Coast members are invited to help Unicoi Springs celebrate this important milestone. To make reservations, use Tripsetter at www.coastresorts.com or TripFone at (800) 368-5721.

—CAROL PARSONS



UNICOI'S MEMBER-OWNERS ARE PROUD OF THEIR NONDENOMINATIONAL CHAPEL, TWO POOLS AND GAZEBO, JUST A SAMPLING OF THE RESORT'S MANY AMENITIES.

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Christine Hubal

From: Valerie Law [vlaw@affinitygroup.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 29, 2008 2:29 PM
To: Christine Hubal
Subject: Re: Unicoi Springs 25th Anniversary Story

We should be able to include the corrections in the July-August issue, Christine. Sorry for the inaccuracies.
--Valerie

On 4/29/08 11:27 AM, "Christine Hubal" <chubal@alltel.net> wrote:

Dear Valerie,

We want to thank you and the Coast to Coast organization for featuring Unicoi Springs and our 25th Anniversary in your May-June issue of "Coast to Coast". We are so proud of our Resort, its reputation and accomplishments and welcome any opportunity to share it with campers across the country.

Shortly before the story ran, I contacted Carol Parsons to let her know that the name of the developer who created Unicoi Springs, Joseph Vandegriff's name was incorrectly spelled "Vandergriff" in the press releases I sent to her. (I have never seen it spelled any other way until Mr. Vandegriff's wife passed away last month.) My email and call did not make it in time, but Carol tells me that you are planning to make a correctional note in the next issue for us.

The reason for this message is to ask that two more corrections be included, one minor and one that, I, personally feel is extremely important. The minor correction is that we built four additional bathhouses, adding to the original which was constructed when the Resort first opened...we have five bath houses. (I have enclosed the shortened version of my original release with the corrections highlighted.)

The most important correction to this press release is that Joyce Tallman is the Resort Manager. The story quoted me as I answered the questions in conjunction with the press releases I wrote, but I am not the Resort Manager. I handle our Sales and Marketing effort which includes PR and advertising, a miniscule task compared to the multitudes of daily operations, including managing the staff and being the liason between the Board of Directors and more than 2300 owners at the helm of our Resort that Joyce Tallman has manned since 1996. Her responsibilities and position have been so crucial and vital to the success we have attained due to her day to day dedication here. For all that she does for the Resort and her employees, she remains quiet, reserved and very reluctant to accept any spotlight for her efforts. In fact, if she knew that I was contacting you about this, she would ask that I not do it saying that "it's no big deal". (She will be getting a copy of this email at the same time I send it to you :0)

Valerie, if there is any way to make this correction in an otherwise great article, I would really appreciate it. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you very much.

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HOT STUFF

Ron Jones' May-June RV Stuff column, "Driving a Big RV," is a great article, but there was a mistake about the referenced website. The website for Dick Reed's RV School is www.rvschool.com. The school has been teaching RVers to drive their RVs since 1991.

It's very rewarding to us when former students are recognized for their articles about safe RV driving.

DENNIS AND CAROL HILL, OWNERS
Dick Reed's RV School

In his March-April column, Ron Jones mentioned washing your hands after handling the RV waste hose and not using gloves. *E. coli* and other bacteria thrive in this environment. Some may not know they have open wounds or sores on their hands, arms or body.

As an old nationally registered EMT, I've learned how to use throwaway gloves properly. Using these gloves gives me peace of mind.

FRED BRANDEBERRY SR.
Lakeside Resort, Virginia

Ron Jones replies: Fred, I agree with you completely. The throwaway gloves are excellent, but you said it best: "I've learned how to use throwaway gloves properly." Many RVers have no idea how to remove these gloves without spreading potential contamination. Therefore, I believe that my suggestion to wash thoroughly with a germicidal soap and hot water is best for those untrained in proper glove use and certainly should be done whether gloves are worn or not.

GEORGIA ON OUR MINDS

We want to thank Coast to Coast for featuring Unicoi Springs and our 25th anniversary in your May-June issue. We're so proud of our resort and welcome any opportunity to share it with campers across the country.

I'd like to make two corrections. First, the name of the original developer, Joseph Vandegriff, was incorrectly spelled as Vandergriff. And second, Joyce Tallman is the resort business manager, not I. I handle sales and marketing, a minuscule task compared to Joyce's many responsibilities at the helm since 1996. For all that she does for the resort, she remains quiet and reluctant to accept any spotlight for her efforts. If there's any way to publish these corrections to an otherwise great article, I'd appreciate it.

CHRISTINE HUBAL, MARKETING MANAGER
Unicoi Springs Camp Resort, Georgia

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TO THE LIGHTHOUSE

We recently had the pleasure of rediscovering our home park, California's Lighthouse Resort and Marina. We were so pleased to see flowers and mowed lawns and the best shaded campsites in the Sacramento Delta. Store and restaurant? *Great!* And an excellent staff asking how to make our stay even better.

ARTHUR AND JOAN SIPMA
Lighthouse Resort and Marina
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We welcome your comments. Correspondence should be addressed to editor@coastresorts.com or Coast Post, Coast to Coast Magazine, 2575 Vista del Mar Drive, Ventura, California 93001. Letters may be edited for clarity and brevity.

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