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Another great campout by the Rainbow Riders! The foliage at Lincoln Parish Park was beautiful and the weather was not bad. We did have rain one night, but other than that we had good weather.

For most part we had a busy weekend. Huey (with his assistants) fried two turkeys, Earl made biscuits Friday morning, Charlie Haynes made sausage gravy and we made a lot of trips to Wal-Mart.



We held our annual election of officers. The 2009 officers will be: Sharon Beauregard – President, Janie Vicknair – Vice President, Jack Daughtry – Wagon Master, and Louis Crusenberry – Secretary Treasurer.

As President Elect Obama is busy appointing his new staff, President Elect Sharon was busy appointing her new staff. Jessie Filipi will be the new games coordinator, Eva Crusenberry will be

the food coordinator, and Esther Weatherford will be the decorating coordinator.

Christmas is upon us and The Rainbow Riders will celebrate at Whispering Creek RV Park in Newton, TX starting on December 11th. I have not been there, but I understand from those that have been that it is a super park.



Directions to Whispering Creek

For you folks in Central Louisiana go to DeRidder, LA, then take 190 West.

For you folks down south go to Longview, LA then take 110

over to 190 West. When you cross the Sabine River, you will travel only another 15 minutes into Texas and the Park will be on the right side of Highway 190. Here is their website:

www.whisperingcreekrvpark.com

Again. I want to remind everyone that the park is only about 100 miles from the folks in Central Louisiana and about the same for those folks down south, so don't let the distance stop you from attending.

The main dish at our Christmas Dinner will be ham and brisket. Everyone should bring a cover dish that will compliment these items. Call Charlie Haynes at 318 466-3611 to coordinate your dish.

Everyone that wants to participate in the Christmas gift exchange should bring a gift of about \$20 in value. Men bring a man's gift and ladies bring a woman's gift.

Happy birthday John Haynes on the 2nd, Tom Miller on the 16th and Sheila Daughtry on the 28th.

We did not have anyone married during December.

Just a reminder – if you have not paid your 2009 dues they are due by December 1, 2008.

Holiday Diet Tips

- 1 - If no one sees you eat it, it has no calories.
- 2 - If you drink a diet soda with a candy bar, they cancel each other out.
- 3 - When eating with someone else, calories don't count if you both eat the same amount.
- 4 - Foods used for medicinal purposes have no calories. This includes any chocolate used for energy, brandy, Sara Lee Cheesecake (eaten whole), and Haagen-Daz Ice Cream.
- 5 - Movie-related foods are much lower in calories simply because they are a part of the entertainment experience and not part of one's personal fuel. This includes Milk Duds, popcorn with butter, Junior Mints, Snickers, and Gummi Bears.
- 6 - Cookie pieces contain no calories because the process of breakage causes calorie leakage.
- 7 - If you eat the food off someone else's plate, it doesn't count.

8 - If you eat standing up the calories all go to your feet and get walked off.

9 - Food eaten at Christmas parties has no calories, courtesy of Santa.

10 - STRESSED is just DESSERTS spelled backward.

Gift Schedule	
December 2008	Bob & Margie
January 2009	Joyce Kebodeaux
February 2009	Charlie & Esther
March 2009	Clarence & Jessie
April 2009	Earl & Sharon
May 2009	Louis & Eva
June 2009	Huey & Elsie
July 2009	Al & Margie
August 2009	John & Charlie
September 2009	Charles & Bonnie
October 2009	Bob & Phyllis
November 2009	Al & Joyce
December 2009	Waymon
January 2010	David & Janie
February 2010	Jack & Shelia
March 2010	Tom & Flo

2008 Camping Schedule		
Dec	11 - 13	Whispering Creek RV Park, Newton, TX
2009 Camping Schedule		
Jan	15 – 17	Colfax RV Park, Colfax, LA.
Feb	19 – 21	Lincoln Parish Park, Ruston
Mar	19 – 21	Nakatosh RV Park, Natchitoches, LA
Apr	23 - 25	Colfax RV Park, Colfax, LA
May	14 – 16	Poche's RV Park, Breaux Bridge, LA
Jun	18 – 20	Nakatosh RV Park, Natchitoches, LA
Jul	9 – 11	Colfax RV Park, Colfax, LA
Aug	13 – 15	Poche's RV Park, Breaux Bridge, LA
Sep	17 – 19	Pavilion RV Park, West Monroe, LA
Oct	Open	
Nov	12 – 14	Poche's RV Park, Breaux Bridge, LA
Dec	10 – 12	Colfax, RV Park, Colfax, LA

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING FOR MEN

Rule #1

When in doubt, buy him a cordless drill. It does not matter if he already has one. I have a friend who owns 17 and he has yet to complain. As a man, you can never have too many cordless drills. No one knows why.

Rule #2

If you cannot afford a cordless drill, buy him anything with the word ratchet or socket in it. Men love saying those two words. "Hey, George, can I borrow your ratchet?" "Okay. By the way, are you through with my 3/8" socket yet?" Again, no one knows why.

Rule #3

If you are really, really broke, buy him anything for his car. A 99-cent ice scraper, a small bottle of de-icer or something to hang from his rear view mirror. Men love gifts for their cars. No one knows why.

Rule #4

Do not buy men socks. Do not buy men ties. And never buy men bathrobes. (I was told that if men were supposed to wear bathrobes, jockey shorts would not have been invented.)

Rule #5

You can buy men new remote controls to replace the ones they have worn out. If you have a lot of money, buy the man on your list a big screen TV with the little picture in the corner. Watch him go wild as he flips and flips and flips. Forget the program - your entertainment will be watching him have fun!

Rule #6

Do not buy any man industrial-sized canisters of after shave or deodorant. I'm told they do not stink - they are earthy.

Rule #7

Buy men label makers. (Almost as good as a cordless drill.) Within a couple of weeks, there will be labels absolutely everywhere. "Socks. Shorts. Cups. Saucers. Door. Lock. Sink." You get the idea. No one knows why.

Rule #8

Never buy a man anything and then tell him he should read the instructions because the box says "Some assembly required." It will ruin his special day. He will always have parts left over.

Rule #9

Good places to shop for men include: Northwest Iron Works, Parr Lumber, Home Depot, John Deere, Valley RV Center and Les Schwab Tire. (NAPA auto parts and Sear's Clearance Centers are also excellent men's stores. It doesn't matter if he doesn't know what it is. "From NAPA Auto, eh? Must be something I need. Hey! Isn't this a starter for a '68 Ford Fairlane? Wow! Thanks!

Rule #10

Men enjoy danger. That's why they never cook - but they will barbecue. Get him a monster barbecue with a 100 pound propane tank. Tell him the gas line leaks. "Oh the thrill! The challenge! Who wants a hamburger?"

Rule #11

Tickets to a NY Giants game are a smart gift. However, he will not appreciate tickets to "A Retrospective of 19th Century Quilts." Everyone knows why.

Rule #12

Men love chain saws. Never, ever, buy a man you love a chain saw. If you don't know why, refer to Rule #7. (Remember what happens when he gets a label maker?)

Rule #13

It's hard to beat a really good wheelbarrow or an aluminum extension ladder. Never buy a real man a stepladder. It must be an extension ladder. No one knows why.

Rule #14

Rope. Men love rope. It takes us back to our cowboy origins, or at least the Boy Scouts. Nothing says "I love you" like a hundred feet of 3/8" manila rope. No one knows why.

Have fun shopping :)