



# The Winnie Gate

A Newsletter for Members of the Florida State Winnie Gators  
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## From the President's Corner

**MERRY  
CHRISTMAS**

Happy Holidays everyone!

We hope you all had a great Thanksgiving. We are looking forward to our Christmas Holiday and will be taking a RV trip south to Fort Lauderdale and Miami with our daughter who will be visiting with us from Southern California.

Our plans are all set for the January outing at Blueberry Hill in Bushnell and we have had many inquiries from folks planning to spend the winter here in Florida about our January outing and the March Rally, so we are expecting some large turnouts! We have some great food and entertainment planned for both functions as you will see in the details below. These next two functions are going to be tons of fun, so get your registration forms in early!

May you all have a blessed, peaceful and relaxing Holiday season with your loved ones!

Personal Regards,

Ted & Janis Fumia, President  
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## JANUARY MEETING HIGHLIGHTS



### *Key Lime Pie Contest*

*All you bakers—get out those recipes!!  
Chapter challenge contest!*

*Each chapter can bring a pie for judging—more than one pie if you wish—the judges will pick the best pie based on several categories and prizes will be awarded!*



### **TROPICAL SHIRTS WELCOME!**

**Everyone is invited to wear tropical shirts—especially for Friday evening entertainment! PRIZES will be awarded for the chapters with the most tropical shirts worn on Friday night!**

### **“POUND AUCTION”**

Saturday evening will be our “Pound Auction”! Our experienced auctioneers will be in ACTION—so bring those packages—WRAPPED—that weigh around one pound and get set for a FUN and LIVELY evening! You can't miss this!



## **CONTEST TIME**

Remember in the September newsletter we announced a NEW MEMBER CONTEST? Well, some chapters have recruited new members that are signed up! For each chapter adding new members we will put THEIR name and YOUR name in for a prize drawing!

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS 2015

Slate of candidates to be presented at the General Meeting On Saturday, January 24th:

PRESIDENT: Jack & Gloria Caffrey  
1st VICE PRESIDENT: Mike & Barbara Sofarelli  
2nd VICE PRESIDENT: Rich & Dorinda Gest  
SECRETARY: Judy & Cal Sweep  
TREASURER: Susan & Frank Kiefer



**\*\*CALLING ALL CHAPTERS\*\***

Don't forget to send your outing schedules and newsletters to Phil at [www.winniegators.org](http://www.winniegators.org) each month!

**AND**

Send your information to:  
[www.witclubnews@winnebagoind.com](mailto:www.witclubnews@winnebagoind.com)

**THANKS!**

**CHAPTER SECRETARIES!!**

Be sure to send the list of new chapter officers for 2015 to Phil at [www.winniegators.org](http://www.winniegators.org)

**AND**

to [www.witclubnews@winnebagoind.com](mailto:www.witclubnews@winnebagoind.com)

Even if your officers remain the same from 2014 you must inform WIT Club!

## **DUES ARE DUE!!**

If you have not paid your dues for 2015—NOW IS THE TIME!!!! If you are attending the January meeting you may pay your dues along with the registration form enclosed in this newsletter.

**OR** you can pay in person at the meeting.

**DUES ARE STILL \$15.00 per coach!**

## **\*\*\*IMPORTANT INFORMATION\*\*\***

The Winnie Gators Membership Directory will be prepared and distributed at the March Rally. If you have had any changes to your address, phone numbers, email, PLEASE make sure that information is sent to the Secretary, Nancy Miller. The current 2014 Directory will be available at the January meeting for you to check your information. Each reservation form is checked against our database each time your reservation is recorded. The goal is to have it all correct in the March 2015 Directory!

## **MARCH RALLY UPDATE**



The EXCITEMENT is building—the Rally is only 3 months away and most all the plans have been finalized to make SURE you all have a GREAT time at this event! Suncoast Winnies are busy making decorations, Caloosa Winnies are training for Greeters, Du-Bols are getting their diagrams ready for parking, Buccaneers are dusting off their aprons for Ice Cream Social and Wine & Cheese, South Florida is ready for Friendship Walk & Bingo, Florida Sunshine is reading the rules on Arts & Crafts, Mid Florida is lining up worker schedules for Registration, Funtimers are rehearsing games, and the officers are checking their checklists!!! WE ARE READY!

**HAVE YOU REGISTERED YET??????**



### *In Memorium*

*Sympathies to South Florida Winnies on the loss of 2 members recently, Harley Mays and W.C. Herndon. Condolences were sent to both families on behalf of Florida State Winnie Gators.*



### **UPCOMING DATES TO BE AWARE OF**

**January 23—25, 2015 Blueberry Hill RV Resort, Bushnell, FL**  
**March 19—22, 2015 Central Florida Fairgrounds, Orlando FL, ANNUAL RALLY**  
**May 15—17, 2015 Wild Frontier RV Campground, Ocala, FL**