

September 4-11, 2016 Campout at Holly Point CG, Falls Lake Recreation Area, Wake Forest, NC

By Janet Dickson

Six members attended the September campout: Cheryl Love (host), Janet Dickson, Edith Skinner, John Henry Markham, Diane Owens, and Rod Jackson. Diane and Rod both joined Selows at the campout.

On Monday morning we were still tired but about 9:30 we walked down to the beach, which looks pretty but has a warning not to swallow the water. At 11:30 we decided to drive down to Wake Forest and see what was open. Found Main St. Grille and wonderful food. Diane bumped into co-workers who gave us directions for downtown and off we went. Visited several stores, picked up a couple of free books that bookstore had left out, and then into NC General Store, where nice gentleman gave us directions to barbecue places and an ice cream shop. At Happy Hour, John Henry arrived; had been on a site in the other area and finally found us thanks to SeLow signs Cheryl had put up. Rod also found us. Great conversations.

Tuesday. Cheryl, Rod and Diane went kayaking. John Henry came by and invited Janet and Edith to go to Walmart. We wanted to try "Chicken fries" so I got one order to share. They were so good, JH went back and got two more orders, which we devoured. Kayaking was a huge success, all had a good time.

Wednesday. Diane had to leave. Four of us went off to find Raleigh Visitors Center. JH stayed at the campground to work on and learn more about his new motor home. Ate lunch at the Marriot hotel, which is where visitors center is located. Found bus but got off in order to visit Farmers Market before it closed. Several treats purchased. Back to bus but missed stop for Capitol Building and decided to quit and go home. It is just too hot for anymore today. Pot Luck was delicious as always. Celebrated Janet's birthday with German chocolate cake and chocolate ice cream. YUM!

Thursday. Hot and humid. Rod had to leave about 1 p.m. Cheryl, Edith, and Janet drove down to beach and enjoyed the water while being careful not to swallow any. Great fun. At Happy hour, Carol Bradshaw visited us. She is a LOW member from the western part of the country.

Friday. we all went to Durham, smaller than Raleigh and more like an old town, but it also has a bus that goes around the city. We wanted to visit the Nature and Science Museum, however, and drove north to find it. Soon did and reached cafe just in time for lunch. Cheryl and Edith visited the Butterfly House, as did Janet and then they went on and Janet went back to Science section as JH already had. We had Happy Hour late. After supper, we 3 girls and Lulu, Edith's dog, went for a walk and watched the weekend campers rolling in.

On Saturday, Cheryl and Edith went to Raleigh to see the Capitol Building and the Science and History Museums. The others stayed cool in their motor homes. At 6 p.m. we were off to the recommended Chicken and Barbecue place in Wake Forest. Great food and good time enjoyed by all.

Sunday rolled around and we all rolled out of camp at different times. All good times must come to an end. We all have many more memories and look forward to the next time.