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June is Anne Hoyt's 80th birthday, and we salute her! She joined GWS in 1980 and has been the treasurer for almost the entire time since then. She has given so much to us!

Anne was busy raising five sons and one daughter, and though the family did a lot of outdoor activities, so she didn't have time to do much herself until they were grown. Her family stills loves the outdoors like she does, and are having her 80th birthday party camping on Cumberland Island.

Anne has hiked all the Appalachian Trail in Georgia except for 14 miles. Her now deceased husband Hugh was hiking it, and kept encouraging her until she gave in and began backpacking at the age of 50. Every time she'd get done with a backpack, she'd swear she wouldn't do it again (until Hugh would start planning the next one and she'd get enthused again!)

Anne's not able to hike anymore, but still goes on GWS canoe trips. Her 16 year old grandson is her favorite tandem partner because "he paddles better than lots of grown men". He bought a boat instead of a car when he turned 16. Not surprising, seeing the stock he comes from.

Anne bakes the turkey, gravy, and dressing for the Christmas party every year. She cooks as well as she canoes! Thank you, Anne, thank you for everything. You embody my goal of what I want for my next 30 years.



Anne Hoyt and friends on the Alapaha canoe trip May 2-3
Trip leaders John Houser and Paula Davis

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