

Mountain Harbor Notes from our 2024 Raffle Grand Prize Winner

The nationally known Mountain Harbor Resort and Spa, located at beautiful Lake Ouachita, has supported ORVA by donating the Grand Prize for its annual raffle for about as long as anyone can remember! Although I've never won the grand prize, I have been lucky enough to spend a weekend in one of their fabulous lake cottages and enjoy some fantastic meals at their restaurant.



Mrs. Janice Richardson won the raffle grand prize this past year and just a few weeks ago on March 31st, Janice and husband David enjoyed the two nights stay at one of Mountain Harbor's cottages on the lake. She was



gracious enough to include several pictures and I have taken the liberty to include a few here.

The grand prize also included \$50 towards a meal at Mountain Harbor's Resort Lodge Restaurant and a day's use of a party barge on the crystal-clear Lake Ouachita. In her letter to me, Janice said she enjoyed the fish and chips while David had the famous Harbor cheeseburger, complete with all the trimmings.

"After our meal we retired to our cottage and took advantage of the hot tub and the scenery on our private balcony," Janice noted.

"The next day we had a fun day riding around the lake on the very nice party barge that had an upper deck with a slide. It was April Fool's Day; however, I was no fool and didn't take advantage of this slide as the water was very cold. I plan to do that later in the summer



months. We ended our days' fun on the lake catching up with my brother and grilling steaks on our private balcony. Our cottage was very nice and clean and all the staff at the resort treated us like we were family and made us feel very welcome." Janice concluded her letter with a special note: "I would like to send out a very special thanks to the owner of Mountain Harbor Resorts, Bill Barnes, for supporting ORVA by donating this prize that I was lucky enough to enjoy." Yes, thank you Mr. Bill Barnes ("just Bill" as his nametag reads) and Mountain Harbor Resorts and Spa for your many years of support and generosity!