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SHADY GROVE CAMPGROUND OPENS MARCH 28

Facility improvements await campers

FORSYTHCOUNTY, Georgia – The 2011 camping season officially begins in Forsyth County March 28 when Shady Grove Campground opens its 110 campsites for campers. The campground will remain open until November 6.

The Forsyth County Parks and Recreation Department utilized the off-season to carry out approximately \$1 million in improvements to the 109-acre campground. These improvements were made possible by the \$100 million Parks, Recreation and Green Space Bond approved by voters in February 2008.

Campers can expect to immediately notice the improvements, Assistant Director of Forsyth County Parks and Recreation Tommy Bruce said.

“Improvements were made to allow more adequate space for today’s larger recreational vehicles,” Bruce said. “The pads have been expanded in order to provide space to allow campers to enjoy the full use of their awnings. We are looking forward to hearing how campers enjoy these improvements.”

Tent campers will find new power hookups and water were added to campsites that were previously without power or water. All visitors will notice a portion of the campground property near the campsites has been turned into a grassy play area and the campground’s shoreline has undergone a restoration process.

Parks and Recreation Director Jerry Kinsey said these changes would not have been possible without the support of county voters.

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“Shady Grove Campground has received wonderful updates and improvements that we anticipate will help make this an even more popular destination for Lake Lanier campers,” he said. “These improvements would not have been possible without the support of Forsyth County voters.”

Campers staying at Shady Grove Campground can enjoy a beach and swim area, boat ramp, group campsites with picnic shelters, campsites with water and power hookups, a playground and more.

Shady Grove Campground is located at 7800 Shadburn Ferry Road in Cumming on the shores of Lake Lanier.

Daily fees for campground use

30 amp electric site with water	\$26
50 amp electric site with water	\$28
Tent camping site with no hookups	\$18
Group camping (north)	\$155
Group camping (south)	\$135
Visitor fee	\$2
Dump station	\$15

For more information about the campground, visit the Parks and Recreation Department page at www.forsythco.com.

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