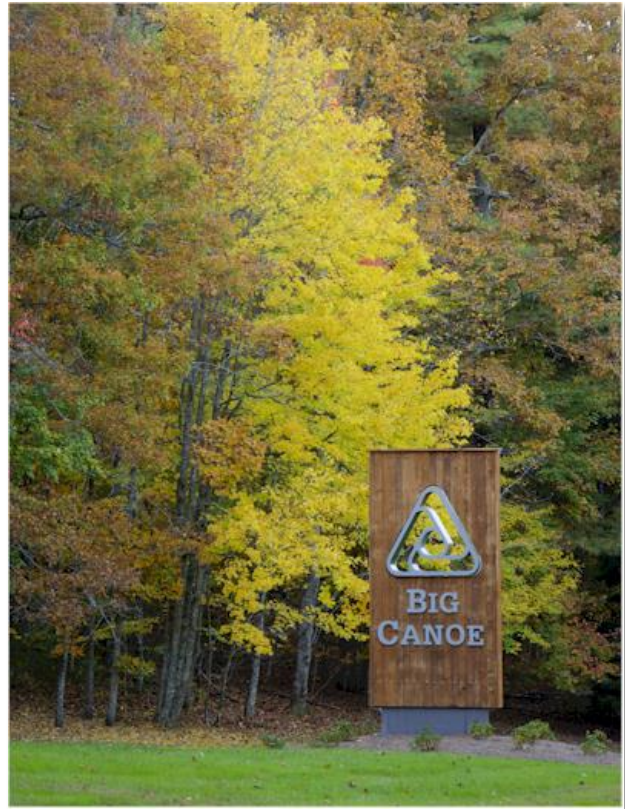


# What is Big Canoe?

Located an hour north of Atlanta, Georgia in the foothills of the north Georgia mountains is the gated community of Big Canoe. Eight thousand acres of natural beauty surround you when you pass through the gates. The Indians called it “the enchanted land”. In the late 1960’s an Atlanta developer named Tom Cousins discovered the beauty and serenity of this area.

Mr. Cousins brought in a team of experts to plan a community that respects the magical beauty found here. Last year Big Canoe celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Scott Aure, the POA General Manager, had this to say; “Tom didn’t mess it up. Nor did his successor, the Bryne Corporation. Despite 88 miles of mountain roads, a reservoir, first class amenities, and 2,800 homes to date, the community still feels like it’s set in a national park. We are all so blessed to live here.”



Three lakes provide for a marina, a beach club, and a rock slide. Other first-rate amenities include three 9-hole championship golf courses, a racquet club with indoor and outdoor courts, and a Fitness Center and Spa. Did we mention the more than 20 miles of hiking trails (and Jeep trail) that lead you to 3 different waterfalls. Our beautiful Clubhouse serves lunch and dinner as you enjoy the view over Lake Sconti.

Our community is caring and loving. This community feeling shows in the way that neighbors help neighbors. With over 50 clubs and organizations in Big Canoe, there is never a lack of things to do. At the heart of it all is the Big Canoe Chapel. Worship seekers came to those first meetings held in a Treetopper many years ago. Dr. Vernon Broyles was our founding chaplain.

**Today the Big Canoe Chapel is the “heartbeat of the community.”** We are a multi denominational church with a membership of over 600 members. We actively provide scholarship, mission, and benevolence dollars to the surrounding area. Our members can be described as highly educated from different denominational backgrounds who love the Lord and value making a difference in their community.