

Escapees Mid-Atlantic Chapter 20 August 2012

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Greetings from your President:

To all our wonderful Members;

The July Rally, our 25th anniversary, in Cumberland MD. was such a great time. So good to see everyone. Another warm one but thankfully we were able to use the beautiful building, which was nice and cool. Thanks to Shankle's, , Meredith's & Hanks who put it all together for the rest of us to enjoy. We also welcome the new VP, Rita Meredith, and give a special thanks to Ann Hanks for all the years of work she has done for us. Phil Devonshire has volunteered to be our Treasurer for the next two years, thanks Phil. At the awards dinner it was interesting to hear a short history of the Escapees and how the Club and Chapter got started from Betty Bear, #42. Our next meeting will be held at the National Rally. Our Chapter was able to raise enough money to get another Care Patch in 2 years instead or our goal of 3. <u>Hurray for us and Escapee CARE.</u> I believe everyone enjoyed our auction for Care which always are fun and thanks to everyone who donated to this great program. We have to grieve the passing of Bonnie Shankle and know she is with the Lord now. Eleanor and I hope and pray that everyone's travels are safe and full of good time. Hope to see everyone soon.

> Hugs, Joe and Eleanor Brugger

Notes from Ann.....

Hi Everyone,

We had a very nice turnout at our 25th Anniversary and all went well. Sorry some could not attend and they were really missed. Hope to see you at our next rally.

Congratulations to our new Vice President, Rita Meredith. Thank you and Bob for Hosting the July Rally. You did a wonderful job – appreciated by all.

I would like to thank everyone that helped me for so many years to plan and host rallies. Couldn't have done it without you. Until next time – Be Safe – Be Well.

Love & Lots of Hugs,

Ann

From our New VP

Hello Fellow Members:

I hope everyone had a good time at the July Rally in Cumberland, Maryland. The fairgrounds seemed to work well for us and hopefully we can use it again in the future. The Manager appreciated the cleanliness of the grounds and buildings when everyone left.

It was a great way to celebrate our 25th anniversary with such a great bunch of people. We welcome our new members adopted this weekend, Jim and Christina Kurz, Rick Devoy, Bob and Lorraine Trumbauer, Tom and Mary Ann O'Bryant, and Don and Carman Loveday, Hugs,

Rita

From Phil

Thanks to all who have paid their 2012 dues! Our roster is great. Dues are \$5 per year per couple. If you have not sent your dues check of \$5 for 2012, please consider doing it soon. Feel free to pay for more than one year at a time, if you would like. Please mail checks made out to Mid Atlantic Chapter 20 to:

Phil Devonshire Mid Atlantic Chapter 20 3381 South Hill Road Wyalusing PA 18853

Minutes of the Chapter #20 July 27, 28, 29th, 2012 Rally, Cumberland, MD

• President Joe Brugger called meeting to order. Time 9:30 am.

• Pledge of Allegiance led by Joe Brugger and a moment of silence to remember our service men and women.

20 Rigs in attendance.

Call of Officers: President J. Brugger, V. President A. Hanks, Secretary S. Sauzer, Treasurer, P. Devonshire.

• President introduced new members and guests:

Tom and Marianne O'Bryant

- Welcome
- Introduction of VCR's by Phil and Cindy Devonshire

 \circ Reading of the April minutes by Stacie Sauzer. Minutes stand approved as read. Accepted Rudy Mager, Bob Meredith 2nd, passed.

• Reading of Treasurers Report by Phil Devonshire Received \$160.00 dues Total Balance. \$1464.45 See attached report.

• Wagon Master Report by Ann Hanks. Hosts Dennis and Bonnie S. out due to illness. Bob and Rita M. did a wonderful job.

No Old Business

No committee Report

New Business

- Motion to get money to reach another patch by C. Devonshire, 2nd. Frank S.
- Social Hour scheduled for Sedalia.
- SKP ACRE is at end of April 1st of May. No meeting planned.
- May will be our 1st meeting. Rally 17-18-19, Frank and Barbara Simon Hosts, Cindy and Phil Co-Hosts.
- National Rally in Gillette, July 4th, 2013. No meeting
- July 26-27-28 Rally possibly held at Gettysburg farm, info to follow.
- Fall Rally 2nd weekend of September, Troy PA, Cindy and Phil D. Hosts, Ann and Ira Hanks Co-Hosts

\$25. per night or 7 days / \$100.00.

• Elections:

• Re-election of Phil Devonshire for Treasurer, nominated by Rudy Mager 2nd. Barbara Simon -accepted and passed.

- Rita Meredith for Vice President Motion to accept Rudy Mager 2nd Frank Simon accepted and passed.
 Adoptions:
- Cindy and Phil D. adopted Jim and Christina Kurz and Don and Carmine Loveday
- Keith and Shirley m. adopted Bob and Lorraine Trumbauer
- Ann and Ira Hanks adopted Rick Devoy

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• Joe and Eleanor B. adopted Marianne and Tom O'Brian

• Frank Simon asked about the Chapter having tee-shirts made without a specific year printed on it, with Chapter #20 logo, group suggested yellow color shirt, made in the USA. Cindy motioned to accept. 2nd. Joe B.

- Thank you to Ann Hanks for so many years as Vice President.
- Pictures of incoming VP Rita M. and outgoing VP Ann Hanks.
- John and Linda Novosel, welcome as returning Chapter members

Motion to Adjourn By Joe Brugger, Approved Keith M., 1st 2nd Dick Tracy accepted. Time 10:15am

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Stacie Sauzer

Member Blogs

Do you like to read about where fellow members have been and look at some of their pictures? Then you need to start reading blogs. Some people post daily, while others post monthly or seasonally. Give them a look. If you have a blog that is not listed, please let me know and I will post it in the next newsletter. http://www.moonriverandwe.blogspot.com/ Molly and Bob Pinner http://ouradventureswithemily.blogspot.com/ Tom and Paula Nankivell http://gordon-rv-travel.blogspot.com/ Cliff and Pam Gordon http://www.fredericknewspost.com/sections/special_sections/the_joneses Ralph and Gisella Jones http://devonshirervtravels.blogspot.com/ Phil and Cindy Devonshire bobanddenisewanderlust.com Bob and Denise Gray http://goodsamclub.mytripjournal.com/yellowstone2012 _Tom and Debbie Abernethy New Additions http://jreich47.blogspot.com Jim and Beryl Eichlin

http://billoisboose.blogspot.com Bill and Lois Boose

From Denny and Susie Orr:

What makes a good chapter and a GREAT chapter? It is all of the members enjoying the friendships made, the luncheons shared, and the rally memories savored. It is a group wherein folks just enjoy getting together. Everyone jumps right in to help with whatever needs doing and is always there to lend a hand when needed. Everyone is an active, participating member. Every member has volunteered to be an officer, a chairperson, or a rally host. In fact they may have volunteered more than once, and will do so again. The members know that when everyone volunteers, the easier it is for all to have a great time. A GREAT chapter is a growing, dynamic group that always welcomes new members and shares how much fun it is to be a member in a GREAT chapter. We hope you all belong to a GREAT chapter.

SKP Hugs,

Susie & Denny Orr

Badge Information

Several members were asking where to get Escapee's badges. One vendor for badges is **Too Crazy Ladies.** You can look over their selection and order on line at <u>toocrazyladies.com</u>. If you would care to contact them by mail or telephone their address is:

Too Crazy Ladies 154 Rainbow Dr. #5452 Livingston, TX 77399-1054 email: orders@toocrazyladies.com or call 1-575-525-0141

Newsletter Information New Web Page

While here at home this winter, I spent time updating my website for Chapter 20. This does not replace our Escapee website at supplied by the Escapee site at: <u>http://www.escapees.com/chapter20</u>. This is an additional site that has archives of our past newsletters and slide shows of our rallies. You can also access our chapter roster there for a fellow member's address, telephone number and email. Please check back often, because I do try to keep it current. This website is replacing the other one that I created with Google Sites. I find this provider much easier to work with. CHECK IT OUT......

www.midatlanticchapter20.weebly.com

Some Information about Chapter Rallies

- *Early Bird arrivals are always welcome. Some of us arrive on Tuesday or Wednesday prior to the rally. *We often go out to eat at a local restaurant on Thursday evening.
- *The host couple may provide a light dinner on Friday evening. This is optional and up to the hosts.
- *Breakfast on Saturday morning is provided.
- *Chapter business meeting is later Saturday morning.
- *Saturday afternoon is often open for sightseeing, crafts, shopping or visiting, your choice.
- *Saturday night is usually a pot luck dinner
- *Friday and Saturday afternoons we have a Happy Hour, so plan on a snack to share if you would like.
- *Donated items are auctioned on Saturday evening, if enough have been gathered. Clean out those closets for new or gently used items you don't want in your rig or home closet any more!!
- This activity is also optional.
- *Plan on bringing your own place setting and beverage to meals. Coffee and tea are provided.
- *A \$10 rally fee is collected. Phil is willing to take dues payment at any time.
- *A light hitch-up breakfast is provided on Sunday morning.
- *Rally activities are set up by the Hosts and Co Hosts and may be subject to change.
- *****A FUN TIME IS HAD BY ALL!!!!

Chapter Information

If you need to check on Chapter 20 Activities, please check the Escapee's Website at:

http://www.escapees.com/chapter20

or check the voice mail at:

Chapter Voice Mail Information: 888-757-7701 ext. 8020



See you in Sedalia... 52nd Escapade Sedalia, MO September 16 - 21, 2012

Get on Board! Plan now to spend autumn in the nation's heartland--Sedalia, MO--at the 52nd Escapade! Enrich your RV lifestyle; share fun and fellowship with RVing friends, and then explore the nearby lands of rivers, trains, and Mark Twain. Get on board and we'll see you there!!!

You need not be an Escapees member to join the fun at Escapade!

Register Early! The Missouri State Fairgrounds boasts almost 1000 full-hookup 30-amp sites, as well as boondocking options, but don't delay; register early to reserve yours! For registration and parking options, go to: <u>Registration</u> <u>information</u>.

First Ever Escapade HAIR RAISING CHILI COOK-OFF!

Absolutely the most fun you can have with your clothes on!! Grab a buddy and cook up a pot to vie for the title of ESCAPADE CHILI CHAMP! (The champ wins \$100!) Or come taste, judge and vote! The Red Hot Chili-Pepper Police will be on the look-out for folks having fun! <u>Visit HAIR RAISING CHILI COOK-OFF</u> for official (and not-so-official!) rules and entry information! All proceeds go to CARE!! Sponsored by Mac the Fire Guy!

Market!

The Escapade Market area is just the place to find something new to complete the outfitting of your RV. Check out the list of exhibitors who will be available in the commercial market area and visit some of the wonderful sponsors who help the make Escapade a premier event! <u>Click here for Exhibitor listing</u>

2013 SKP ACRE: April 21 to April 29. 2013

We are not planning a Chapter meeting at this rally, but Chapter 20 members that attend will gather for some socializing, to be sure! If you want more information check out <u>www.skpacre.com</u>.

Upcoming Rallies 2013

May 16-19, 2013

Hickory Hollow Campground

Rockwood, Pa (Southwest of Somerset, Pa)

814-926-4636 Web: http://www.hickoryhollowcampground.com/

Directions: From Cumberland we went North on Route 219 to Somerset. Then take Route 31 West to Route 281. Go South to campground. Has a pool. Not too far from Flight 93 Memorial and Ohiopyle. Passport America park, pay on your own if you want to come early or stay late. Rally camping will be \$25 per night, FHU. Hosts Frank and Barbara Simon and Co Hosts are Cindy and Phil Devonshire.

July 26, 27, 28, 2013

Timothy Lake South, Out Door World. Cost for non-members is \$27.95 per night. Early arrival's or late stays no problem. It is in East Stroudsburg, PA 18302 All reservations will go through the CG direct # 570-588-1617.

September 12-15, 2013

Alparon Park Troy Fairgrounds Troy PA Cost is \$25 a night for water and electric or \$100 a week. Phil and Cindy Devonshire are Hosts with Ann and Ira Hanks as Co Hosts.

More information will be coming on each rally as time gets closer. Mark your calendars, now !!

Caring and Sharing

Bonnie Shankle will be cremated and a memorial service held Monday, August 13th. The family is asking that instead of flowers for memorial contributions to the Family House, 5001 Baum Boulevard, Pittsburgh, PA 15213. This is the place where Dennie and families of transplant patients can stay doing their time at the hospital.

2012 Escapade

Our Fall Business Meeting will be held at the Sedalia Rally. Chapter 20 Social Hour and Meeting will be held on September 20, 2012. Check your schedule for location.

Chapter Web Page

Be sure to check out the chapter web page. More photos of the July Rally will be posted on there soon. Go to <u>http://midatlanticchapter20.weebly.com/</u>.



Incoming VP Rita Meredith and Ann Hanks

Rita, President Joe Brugger and Ann Hanks



President Joe Brugger presents Recognition Plaque to Betty Bear To be placed in the Memory Garden At CARE in Livingston, TX.





July Rally 2012, Mid Atlantic Chapter 20 - 25th Anniversary



Member Recognition

President Joe Brugger presented several members and past officers of Chapter 20 with Limited Edition Commemorative Plates. Members present and receiving plates were: Rudy Mager, Ann and Ira Hanks, Joe and Ellie Brugger, Phil and Cindy Devonshire, Stacie Sauzer, Bob and Lorraine Trumbauer, Betty Bear and Keith and Shirley Murphy,



Joe and Ellie



Bob and Lorraine



Betty Bear

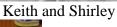


Ann and Ira



Stacie

Cindy and Phil





Rudy