Escapees Mid-Atlantic Chapter 20 August 2014



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President's Corner

Chapter 20 met near State College, Pa. for the Blue Grass Festival. It was a time of fun, fellowship and music. We were told that if we decide to go again next year the rally will be held earlier in the week and those of us who want to camp, but not attend the festival, will only pay for the camping fees. We were joined by several other campers who enjoy camping full time. Cindy and Phil joined us for the meeting Friday morning. It was good to see Cindy on the road to recovery.

Now on to September Meeting. It is the 12th to the 14th with early in on the 11th. We are meeting at Roxbury Holiness Camp at 13763 Cumberland Highway, Orrstown, PA. 17244. As you may expect from the name this a religious retreat/convention. The only rule they have is that we do not openly display alcohol or tobacco products in public. That and we are to have fun and enjoy the time we are there. Hope to see everyone there. Remember this meeting is election of officers. Thanks and happy RVing.

Frank Simon Notes for the Newsletter from Dave:

The chapter 20 July rally was held at the Grange Fairgrounds in Centre Hall, PA on July 10-13, 2014. Three rigs stayed over from the Good Sam PA rally which ended July 6th. Other rigs started coming in Monday and Tuesday for a total count of 15 rigs. 6 were chapter 20 members with the other 9 being national escapees or guests of members. Prior to the festival starting on July 10th we enjoyed socializing in between storms which departed prior to the festival starting only to come back right at closing Sunday with real high winds and rain. There also were two Escapees who are touring the US on a Honda Goldwing and tent camping after putting their 40' in storage for the summer who joined us for pot luck. Pot luck was lasagna provided by the hosts with all of the usual goodies provided by members. Sat.AM we had pancakes and scrambled eggs and sausages. Cindy and Phil joined us for a brief Chapter 20 meeting.

The only sour part of the festival was when a PA state official showed up and stopped the 50/50 daily drawings on Friday because there was no license to conduct games of chance.

We need members to volunteer to be hosts for all three 2015 rallies . Usually two members partner and conduct the rally as a team. Hosts pick site. Additional information is available from any chapter officer. Thank you all for making this such an outstanding chapter.

Sept 11-13, 2014 we will be at Roxbury Holiness Camp at 13763 Cumberland Hwy, Orrstown, PA 17244. Camping will be full hook up and approximately \$30.00 a night for 30 amp and \$35.00 a night for 50 amp. You will register with Dave Middleton and pay upon arrival. I would like to know **ASAP** if you will be coming. Early arrivals can also be arranged.

PLEASE notify Dave Middleton if you plan on attending September rally in order to have adequate sites available. <u>davidm@pa.net</u> or home phone <u>717-</u> <u>432-3387</u>. When at fairgrounds I will be on cell <u>717-676-6498</u>.

THERE IS STILL TIME TO PLAN ON COMING TO THE SEPTEMBER RALLY!!!!

July Rally Minutes

Meeting opened at 9:00 AM by Frank Simon. Minutes of May meeting read and approved by Phil D. and seconded by Dwight. Treasurer report given by Phil D. balance as of 11 July, 2014 was \$1074.96. VP report was given in two parts:

1)Blue Green festival was in process from the 10th to the 13th and those who attended seemed to be enjoying the music. David stated if we do this again next year, those wanting to come for the camping but not the music would only have to pay for the camping and we as a chapter could treat the weekend as a regular chapter weekend.

2) The September rally is the 12th to the 14th with early in on the 11th. It is being held at Roxbury Holiness Camp, 13763 Cumberland Highway, Orrstown, PA. 17244. camping fees will be \$30. a night for 30 amp and \$35. for 50 amp for full hookup. David suggested we take Blue Mountain interchange off the PA turnpike. Hope to see everyone there.

Barbara Simon, secretary



Chapter shirts will be available at Orrstown for \$12 each

From our Chapter Directors:

Hi Folks --- We know many of you are enjoying summer rallies, activities, and shared fun within your Escapees groups. We ask while you are gathering this summer and fall to please consider being a representative on The Row for the Spring Escapade in Tucson, AZ March 8-13, 2015. Escapade has not been west in a few years. Bob & Molly Pinner have been working to make this an extra special Escapade. March is a perfect time to enjoy an Arizona spring. Lisa Koca has also planned 2 terrific HOP activities to choose from near Escapade as well as many other HOPs thru the year. Check you Escapees Magazine for upcoming details. For now enjoy your summer/fall rallies and adventures. Hope to see you at Arizona Escapade – Tucson.

As I celebrate my 70th Birthday, our 50th Anniversary, almost 16 years RVing and 11 years as Chapter Directors, Denny and I have decided to slow it down a bit. We are retiring as Chapter Directors. We have enjoyed the many SKP friends, the many rallies and adventures. More await at a slower pace. Thank you all for the friendships from east to west and north to south. We're sure to see you along the way

SKP Hugs, Susie and Denny Orr

Chapter Information

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

http://www.escapees.com/chapter20

Check the voice mail at:

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

Chapter 20 Photos and newsletters: www.midatlanticchapter20.weebly.com

Notes from Phil

We have 84 memberships on our roster. Of those 84, 13 members have not updated their dues for 2014. If you are one of the 13, you will be receiving a personal email from me soon. Please consider paying your dues soon. Dues are our major source of income. Dues are only \$5.00 a year, so paying for several years makes everyone's life easier. Checks made out to **Mid Atlantic Chapter 20** can be mailed to:

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

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Be sure to select ESCAPEE'S CARE. There are several CARE organizations.

Health Updates:

Bud Carr was experiencing some health problems and left the Escapade early. He was diagnosed with lung cancer and had about 30% of one lung removed. He is reported to be doing fine. I don't know if he is going to undergo any further treatments.

From Cathy on KAY:



Hi y'all,

It has been a busy few weeks and I apologize for taking so long to send a message to all our friends and neighbors there. I know Nina sent a brief note last week about Kay Peterson, but I thought I'd bring you up to speed.

Kay was doing fantastic about a month ago. She was going to cardiac therapy (basically an exercise class)

twice a week and boasted about being able to beat many of the other participants on the equipment—ha ha. Then she suddenly began feeling short of breath and had some chest pains. Come to find out, she had an 80% blockage in her coronary artery! She successfully had a stent put in last week and is doing much, MUCH better.

Because we live so far from town, Kay has decided it is time to move to an assisted living facility in Fredericksburg. The facility seems to be ideal for her at this point. There is a lovely dining room with a "chef" that treats the residents more like restaurant guests. She was delighted to be able to select her own breakfast for instance. The day I was there, the lunch (dinner) looked fabulous! The staff is very nice, and her fellow residents seem to be alert and on the ball. In fact, the facility manager even asked if she might be willing to give some "motivational talks" from time to time. As you know, that is right up my mom's alley. We've got her room all fixed up just like "home" and I am able to see her nearly every day. It is hard not to have her right next door, but knowing she is happy, makes us happy too.

We have her Internet getting installed tomorrow, so hopefully she will be back on line soon, just know that she cannot sit at the computer for long periods like she used to. If you wish to correspond with her, please feel free to write to: **Kay Peterson, 33 Delaware Creek Rd , Blanco , TX 78606**.

Hope everyone there is doing well!

Big hugs, Cathie and Bud (and Kay too, of course.)

UPCOMING EVENTS

2015 Escapade in Tuscon AZ March 8-13th.

SKP ACRE 2015 is moving to a new location.

April 15–21, 2015 River Plantation RV Resort Sevierville, Tennessee. 800-758-5267

rvcoutdoors.com/river-plantation

Chapter 20 Rallies:

May, July and September 2015

We need Hosts! Think about it! It is fun!

Locations are chosen by the Host couple