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From the Prez,

Hello to everyone from Florida,
I'm here for the winter. I wish you all a very Happy and safe Holiday Season.
I'm going to try to attend a couple of local rallies while I'm here. Please do not forget the elections coming at the July rally. We need nominations for President and Secretary. Our chapter runs on the volunteers who give their valuable time and energy to keep things running smooth. Get involved its fun and you never do anything by yourself, there is always plenty of help..

Again,
HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON, SAFE TRAVELS
HUGGS and HANDSHAKES

Rudy

Message from Ann.....

Hi Folks,
Well here I sit at home thinking of all my friends putting on their summer clothes and heading south for the winter and I am here with my winter coat on! With that in mind, I want to wish everyone Happy Holidays and safe travels. Hope to see you all next year at a Chapter 20 Rally!
Love and Hugs,
Ann Hanks VP

From the Treasurer

2009 approaches and so do your dues! Please feel free to send your check for 2009 and more. If you would like to pay for more than one year and save on your check fees, that is fine with us. Dues are \$5 a year. Please make out your check to **Mid Atlantic Chapter 20** and mail to:

Phil Devonshire
RR#3 Box 206
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Say Thanks to Our Soldiers

XEROX IS DOING SOMETHING COOL If you go to this web site, Let's Say Thanks.com you can pick out a thank you card and Xerox will print it and it will be sent to a soldier that is currently serving in Iraq . You can't pick out who gets it, but it will go to a member of the armed services. How AMAZING it would be if we could get everyone we know to send one! It is FREE and it only takes a second. Wouldn't it be wonderful if the soldiers received a bunch of these? Whether you are for or against the war, our soldiers over there need to know we are behind them. This takes just 10 seconds and it's a wonderful way to say thank you. Please take the time and please take the time to pass it on for others to do. We can never say thank you enough.

Snopes.com says this is legitimate.

Al Groft

Member News

HI

MY NAME IS VALERIE MILLER. MY HUSBAND AND I RENTED AN RV IN MEXICO, PA TO GO TO YOUR CHAPTERS' RALLY AUG 2006 TO FIND OUT ABOUT FULL TIMING AND WE MET A BUNCH OF YA'LL AND THEN WE WENT TO THE ESCAPEDE IN VAN WERT AND MOVED TO BENSON AZ WHERE DOUG MY HUSBAND IS NOW THE FACILITIES MGR AND WE ARE ON THE LIST TO PURCHASE.

I JUST WANT TO THANK YA'LL FOR YOUR HELP AND ESPECIALLY TELL ANN HANKS HOW MUCH WE APPRECIATE ALL SHE HAD DONE FOR US. WE ARE SO HAPPY TO BE HERE AND PLAN NEVER TO MOVE AWAY EXCEPT TO TRAVEL ONCE DOUG CAN RETIRE. GOD BLESS YOU ALL. WE ARE NOW MEMBERS OF CHAPTER 21

Notes from Denny and Susie Orr

“Wow was that a good rally. Sure enjoyed seeing friends again.”

If you have said these or similar words after enjoying a chapter / c-bof rally, then you should also know how important it is to be a volunteer for your chapter / c-bof. Whether you belong to a small or large group --- all groups need new volunteers to make them successful. Do volunteer to be a host, an officer or a chairperson. All tasks come with guidelines and of course no matter your choice, there are always other volunteers to assist you along the way. The more people volunteer, the easier it is for all. So do help share the tasks – the cogs of the wheels – that help an organization to run smoothly. No group can be successful without the members stepping forward ---- *Just volunteer and reap the rewards!*

SKP HUGS ~ Susie & Denny Orr

The Quartzsite Happy Hour

Last January, Susie & Denny Orr, our Chapter Directors, reported more than 300 visitors each day – with entertainment and food, and, of course, lots of meeting and greeting of friends, both old and new. This January the party continues, and they hope to see you there! See the latest Escapees Magazine for dates, time & location

Technology Corner

Sending Pictures

I know that many of us often get frustrated when trying to send someone some digital pictures. A very simple way to manage, share, edit and save pictures is with the **FREE** program from Google, called **Picasa**. It can be downloaded directly from <http://picasa.google.com/>. If you would like some help understanding the program you can view several tutorials from <http://www.geeksontour.com/>. This is a valuable website built for RV travelers. There are several free videos that you can watch explaining Picasa, Google Earth and much more. If you want to view all of the videos there is a \$39 joining fee, which is well worth the money. Also, if you have a chance to attend any of their seminars, they come very highly recommended.

The one thing I learned from a recent video on Picasa, is that if you have some pictures that are a higher resolution, and you want to send them to someone by e-mail, it can be difficult. Picasa's e-mail option will **automatically resize and attach your pictures for you!** If you have some time to work with the program and videos, I am sure you will be pleased with how easy it is to use. You can also upload your photos to a web album for all of your family and friends to share. This is easier than trying to send many pictures by email. I used it all last winter and it allowed me to keep family and friends updated on our travels.

Feel free to e-mail any technology questions you have. If I don't know the answer, I'll try to find it for you!

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.

Be sure to check out the new editions on the web page, Photo Gallery!

New Web Album

Check out <http://picasaweb.google.com/phdevon>

I have uploaded two albums to this site. There are photos from both the July and September rallies. Check it out and watch the slideshows. I will be adding more pictures in the future.

Thanks to photographers Katy Patterson, Dawn Rodgers and Keith Murphy.

Voice mail by Jerry Hopman

Webmaster is Tom McIlwain

Thanks Guys!!

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 toocrazyladies.com. 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](mailto:orders@toocrazyladies.com)

or call 1-575-525-0141

Escapades

Escapades are five-day, fun-filled, jam-packed events geared to educate and entertain RVers. Each Escapade offers 60+ seminars and presentations in a wide range of RV-related topics—from boon-docking to tire safety. There's also an extensive agenda of demonstrations and craft and hobby workshops. There's a full schedule of entertainment and activities each evening, as well! The market area houses vendors offering the latest and greatest goods and services for attendees to examine. RV maintenance, upgrades, and service are available right on the Escapade grounds.



2009 Escapade will be in Sedalia, Missouri from May 24-29 at the Missouri State Fairgrounds. Our representatives on the Row will be Bob and Betty Bear.

Indiana Chapter 51 notice of our 2009 Spring Rally.

It's being held one week prior to next years Escapade and would make a great stop-over for your members on their way to Sedalia, MO. You could even give some thoughts of having a Rolling Rally to Sedalia like we went on with Chapter 6 Michigan, to Gillette, WY and this past year's 2008 Escapade. It was a ball and we'd do it again in a heart beat. We hope you could inform your members of our Rally and how Hoosier Neighbor's love SKP's from other chapters. Local chapter rallies are the best at making really good friends as opposed to the more superficial friends we all become acquainted with at the huge rallies such as Escapades, but not really make close friends. Friends you truly look forward to seeing again.

Please let us know what you think and we welcome you visit our Hoosier Neighbor website for more info:

<http://www.escapees.com/chapter51/default.asp>

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chapter 51 webmaster

Chapter #51 Spring Rally 2009

Dates: May 14 – 17 2009

**Location: Sullivan County Park and Lake
990 Picnic Rd.
Sullivan, IN. 47882**

Rally Fee: \$15 per couple or \$10 per single.

Campground Fees: \$18 per night with a \$4 one time entrance fee

Directions to campground: Please use Trailer Life Directory.

One intersection south of the light at 41 & 154 to Washington St.

Turn east and go to Foley Street

Turn North (goes into park).

We have 39 sites with water and electric with dump station on grounds.

We also have a shelter in which they will hang tarps around for weather protection.

Picnic tables in shelter

Camp fire permitted

9 hole golf course (brick chip greens) (\$7 Golf Fee) (\$4 Golf Cart Fee)

Fishing/boating lake

This is a perfect “spring-board” rally for those wanting to go on to the 2009 May 24th – 29th Escapade in Sedalia, Missouri

How about someone hosting a “Rolling Rally” to Sedalia?

Please RSVP Maurice and Shirley Rust at 317-409-9955 or e-mail: [The Rust's](#)

Dick and Margaret Snider at 812-882-1153 or e-mail: [The Snider's](#)

Upcoming Rallies

May 15-17, 2009 Chapter 20 Rally is at **Outdoor World PA Dutch, Manheim, PA**. Everyone must call the campground at 717-665-2500, to make reservations and to guarantee them by credit card, or arrange prepayment. Everyone should ALSO call Barb McDonnell at 215-343-6208 or cell- **215-720-4986** to tell her when they are coming. Early bird rate will be the same as weekend rate. Price is expected to be same as this fall, \$25. **Be sure to tell Outdoor World that you are with the Escapees.**

July 17-19 2009 will be at Alparon Park in Troy PA. Hosts will be Phil and Cindy Devonshire with co hosts Jim and Dawn Rodgers. This is a fairgrounds and very picturesque. Camping with water and electric will be \$21 a night. Call Devonshire's at 570-744-2762 for reservations.

September 18-20 will be back in Martinsburg PA at Mercer County fairgrounds. Hosts will be Joe and Monica Behun and Ira and Ann Hanks. Call Ann at 410-248-3178 to make reservations.

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 host to decide.
- *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!
- *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 payments at any time.
- *A light hitch-up breakfast is provided on Sunday morning.

A FUN TIME IS HAD BY ALL!!!!

Multi Chapter Rally

Brian Rose of Chapter 15 is trying to put together a multi chapter rally on the east coast. He has contacted chapters 3, 43, 41, 18, 6, 49, 46, 51, 36, 20, 42, 16, 27, 15. Many chapters have expressed interest. At this time he is looking at 2010 the end of April or the first of May. Brian has been looking at Marion NC. Although everyone would like to see it in their own back yard, that is not possible. The NC location is in the middle of the east coast area. Give it some thought! Contact Cindy and Phil Devonshire if you are interested in attending this rally.

Want to make a Flag Holder?

Directions...click here <http://www.missouriscenicrivers.com/PVCflagpoleplans.html>



Questionable information

Are you unsure of correct information in e-mails and such?

Bill recommends [snopes.com](http://www.snopes.com) for everyone to check out these types of information items before passing them on. Check out the CLEAR button on the gas pump and see what it says!

<http://www.snopes.com/crime/warnings/clear.asp>

Bill Boose

Recipe Time

Breakfast Casserole For the Crockpot

6 eggs – beaten
1 lb. little smokies or
½ pound bulk sausage
(brown and drain) or
Ham or bacon chunks
1 ½ cup milk
1 cup shredded cheddar
8 slices of bread torn in pieces
1 tsp of salt
½ tsp. Dry mustard

Mix all together and pour in crockpot

1 cup shredded mozzarella sprinkle over top.

Cover and cook on High for 2 hours
Then Low for 1 hour

Lois Boose

Made for September Rally 2008

