



Escapes Mid-Atlantic Chapter 20 October 2012

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Greetings from your President:

To All Chapter Members;

It is hard to believe that fall is already here as we watch the trees giving us the beautiful colors as we drive to our next destination. I understand we had good showing at the National Rally. Hurray for us and I am sure everyone had a good time. This was our last meeting for the year and thanks to everyone who helped throughout the year.

The first Escapee event will be Skip Acre and our first meeting will be in May. Hope to see everyone there!!

One order of business we will need to address is my replacement. July will be the end of my two year period. Eleanor and I are planning to go to the West Coast for an undetermined amount of time so someone else should take the helm. If anyone is interested please contact me.

Let us all pray for everyone's health and safe travels to our wintering destinations.

Hugs,
Joe and Eleanor Brugger

From our VP

Hello Fellow Members:

Hope you all had a good summer as we did. As we were out and about the last several months, it seemed to be a lot of campers on the road. It's good that true RVer's won't stop enjoying life even with our country's problems and gas prices. Also we had a lot of interest in our four vintage campers that we restored and sold this summer.

The fall is beautiful here in the Western Maryland mountains, but the cold nights remind me it's almost time to head south for the winter. We will be spending our winter in the town of Inverness which is central Florida. It is a pretty little town with a nice bike trail and quaint downtown with cafes. Looking forward to some fresh gulf shrimp, blue crabs, and of course, Apalachicola oysters. Hmmm - can't wait. Hope to see you in Florida!

Rita Meredith
Vice President

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:

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Minutes of the Chapter #20 September 19, 2012 meeting at Escapade

- Treasurer Phil Devonshire called the meeting to order, we had the Pledge of Allegiance and a minute of silence to remember our service men and women.
- Phil was the only officer present
- We welcomed new members, Roger and Mary Baird from Frederick Md.
- Bryan Rose made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes as they had been printed in the newsletter. Carmen Loveday seconded the motion.
- Phil read the Treasurers report. As of 8/30/12 we had \$1346.85. See the attached for the complete report.
- Bryan Rose spoke to the group about "What is a VCR?"
- Frank Simon gave a report on what he had found out about buying shirts. It was decided to get USA shirts in the yellow color. Cindy will be sending out an informational survey to see who would like pockets, what size people would need, and how many they would buy. She will then pass this information onto Frank.
- There will be 4 rallies to attend next year
SKP Acre April 21-29

May 16-18 in Rockwood PA. Simon's are hosts and Devonshire's are cohosts. \$25 full hook-ups.

July 26-28th at Thousand Trails, Timothy Lake South in the Poconos. Brugger's are the hosts. Cost is \$27.95 unless you are a Thousand Trail member.

September 12-15 at Troy PA Devonshire's are hosts with Hanks as cohosts. \$25 electric and water or \$100 a week so if you stay more than 4 days the weekly rate is a great deal.

- Bill and Lois Boose and Bryan and Jane Rose were presented with the 25th anniversary plate and certificate.
- Frank Simon made a motion to adjourn and seconded by Bryan Rose

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://billloisboose.blogspot.com> Bill and Lois Boose

From Denny and Susie Orr:

Escapees was begun in 1978 by folks who traveled and wanted to stay in touch. Back then (just a mere 34 years ago) folks either sent a letter by US Mail or called to leave a message with an answering service. Cell phones were pretty expensive. Emails were unheard of. Granted times have changed and communication is easy with cell phones, internet, smart phones, Facebook and a gazillion other ways it seems. Back, but a few years ago, all you had to do was ask, and most everyone said what can I do to help. Escapees members developed new chapters. In fact they even helped to build Escapees parks.

What happened to the Escapees can do spirit? There are chapters/c-bofs begging for folks to volunteer to be officers / chairpersons / rally hosts! Seems folks want to belong to a chapter/c-bof, but don't willingly participate to keep it growing, thriving and enjoyable. What is your personal Escapees Chapter / C-BOF participation? What can you do within your own Escapees chapter/c-bof to make it better? We hope you'll stand up when needed to be a proud Escapees participating member.

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 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

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>

Check the voice mail at:

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

Chapter 20 Photos and newsletters:

www.midatlanticchapter20.weebly.com



Report on the 2012 Escapade

If you have never been to an Escapade, or it has been a while, you need to consider going to one soon. It is a wonderful place to renew friendships and to make new ones. There are a LOT of Escapee members that work very hard to make the Escapade a success. There were great seminars and enjoyable entertainment.

Chapter 20 has been well represented at many Escapades, and this one was no exception. There were probably more than fifteen couples there that are part of Chapter 20. Our own Bob and Molly Pinner are the Escapade Directors, Cindy and Phil Devonshire, Don and Carman Loveday, Bryan and Jane Rose, Keith and Shirley Murphy, and Tom and Debbie Abernathy were all part of the volunteer staff this year.

Lois and Bill Boose represented us on The Row. Pat and Dick Tracy, Ed and Elaine Lipscomb, Frank and Barb Simon, John and Bonnie Hopkins, Fred and Barbara Adkins, and new members, Roger and Mary Baird were also there.

Here are some of the final statistics for the Escapade:

Number of rigs in attendance ~ 574

Number of attendees ~ 1011

Money collected for Donuts for Care ~ \$2231.02

Total value of door prize value ~ \$15,502

Number of Baby caps created **Over 400**

Chili Cook Off for CARE ~ 'Head Cook' was Kay Peterson!

Escapade 2013 will be back in Gillette, Wyoming from June 30th to July 5th. Mark your calendars now!



Lois and Bill Boose on THE ROW

Please note, we now have 5 CARE Patches on the banner!

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, please check out www.skpacre.com.

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. Please make your reservation directly with the campground, but call Cindy at 570-267-5317 to let us know you are coming.

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. Hosts are Joe and Ellie Brugger and co-host is Stacie Sauzer. All reservations will go through the CG direct # [570-588-1617](tel: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

Betty Bear has completed seven weeks of radiation therapy. Please keep her in your prayers.

Member Recognition

Bill and Lois Boose and Bryan and Jane Rose were presented with 25th Anniversary Plates and certificates for their contributions to Chapter 20 at the Escapade. Please excuse the poor quality of the photos, I left my good camera at home!



We were also happy to see new members John and Bonnie Hopkins and Roger and Mary Baird at our social.



Dear Joe and Cindy,

When I got back from my trip to New England and Acadia NP I was surprised to find a package, although Cindy's efforts to check my address should have clued me in!!! I certainly didn't expect to find the nice certificate and the 25th Anniversary plate. I was not only surprised and delighted, but wished that you had saved the money!!! You all are very nice for the little I contributed to the Chapter!

With luck, one of the days I will get to another Chapter event... it's been many years... and get to meet and re-meet the members.

Thanks again for the honor.

Tom McIlwain (Webmaster for many years)

Chapter 20,

Thanks so much for sending the 25th anniversary plate to us. It was a pleasant surprise.

Bob and Margaret Arnold.

Cindy,

I just received your package. Wow! What an honor! Thank you so much for the great plate & certificate. I think I'll show it off when we get to the next SKP parks in the next few months. The Ranch & Dream Catcher in NM are in our travel plans.

Thanks again,

Jerry Hopman (Voicemail for Chapter 20 for many years)

Chapter 20 T-Shirts

Frank Simon has been busy locating a vendor in the USA that manufactures a quality t-shirt for a reasonable price. He has located such a vendor and this newsletter will be followed with a questionnaire about interest, sizes, styles and delivery of the shirts. Stay tuned!

www.Escapees.com

Have you checked the NEW Escapees website? www.escapees.com

It's been redesigned and reorganized with a whole new look.

You will need a new id/pass, so please follow the instructions on the sign-in page. Then take time to take a tour by clicking on the various headings and pull down menus. Please click "MySKP" on the opening page to check that your name, address, email information is correct.

Also check your chapter/c-bof web site for upcoming rally information.

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