



## Escapes Mid-Atlantic Chapter 20 Spring 2012

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### Greetings from your President:

Hello all Chapter 20 members;

The warmer winter is flying by really quick and the beauty of the Spring will soon be here to enjoy. Eleanor and I have been traveling slowly here and there and are about to start our migration to SKP ACRE Rally at Marion NC, stopping at a couple of places Eleanor wants to revisit like the Pottery Hwy. in NC. SKP ACRE is our first Chapter 20 Rally of 2012.

The next Chapter 20 Rally at will Cumberland, MD. and will be our 25th and we will have some special events.

We have prayed for all who were involved in the tornadoes and am glad no one in our group was involved.

May the skies in your area be blue and travel with tail winds.

Hugs,

*Joe and Eleanor Brugger*

### Notes from Ann.....

Hello Everyone,

Spring is just around the corner and I will welcome the warm weather after being in the cold all winter. I hope you all had a nice winter, if you stayed at home or did some traveling. Looking forward to seeing you all at the Multi Chapter Rally at SKP ACRE in Marion N.C. Good food and so many things to do! Until then, Be Safe!

Love & Lots of Hugs,

*Ann*

### 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**

## 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](http://www.fredericknewspost.com/sections/special_sections/the_joneses) Ralph and Gisella Jones

<http://devonshirervtravels.blogspot.com/> Phil and Cindy Devonshire

[bobanddenisewanderlust.com](http://bobanddenisewanderlust.com) Bob and Denise Gray

<http://www.mytripjournal.com/2011summer> 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:

Hi Folks --- The Quartzsite Happy Hour and Q rallies were a blast! The AZ winter at North Ranch has been mild and enjoyable. It is just about time to get ready for spring travels and adventures. We will be going to the WARE Rally in Lodi, CA April 15, . At the same time SKP ACRE will be in full swing in Marion, NC. Both rallies will be terrific – fun packed rallies – and “Yes, you’re welcome at either rally”.

Staying close to home --- there is always an Escapees Rally nearby. Check the magazine and then the websites for dates and locations.

Enjoy your seasons of travel.....

SKP Hugs,

*Susie & Denny Orr*

## Thank You, Camping World, for 10 Years of Support

### CARE Receipt Rebate Program Concluded

Since 2002, Camping World has donated two percent of the total receipts for purchases made at Camping World businesses by Escapees members to CARE (Continuing Assistance for Retired Escapees). These funds have afforded CARE the ability to add much-needed equipment and facility improvements. We are grateful for all that has been accomplished with that funding.

We also thank the thousands of Escapees members who shopped at Camping World stores and sent in their receipts. Over \$75,000 has been raised in the past 10 years!

Unfortunately, Camping World will no longer be able to offer the receipt rebate program, but our appreciation for their many, many years of support continues.

## **Call for Officers:**

At the July Rally in 2012 the offices of Vice President and Treasurer are up for election. Please read the information below about each office and consider serving as an officer of our club. It can be lots of fun!

### **CHAPTER/C-BOF VICE PRESIDENT**

#### **Job Summary:**

As a volunteer, elected position, the vice president assumes the duties of the chapter/c-BOF president in his/her absence, coordinates rallies and luncheons, and oversees membership.

#### **Duties and Responsibilities:**

1. Assume the duties of chapter/c-BOF president in his/her absence.
2. Serve as oversight and liaison person between wagonmaster/rally host and the chapter/c-BOF executive board.
3. Ensure that a wagonmaster and/or host are appointed for each rally and duties are completed.
4. Ensure the development of the chapter/c-BOF rally calendar. Share rally dates with the secretary, who will complete the Escapees magazine report form.
5. If insurance is required for a rally/event, contact National at 888-757-2582.
6. Coordinate all chapter/c-BOF luncheons.
7. Oversee the chapter/c-BOF membership program person.
8. Ensure that treasurer and audit committee audit the financial records once a year (usually before a new treasurer is installed). Please have a copy sent to Chapter Directors. (If needed, a copy of Treasurer's Audit form is on the Website.)
9. Other duties as may be necessary.

### **Job Description: CHAPTER/C-BOF TREASURER**

#### **Job Summary:**

As a volunteer, elected officer, the chapter/c-BOF treasurer maintains the financial records of the chapter/c-BOF.

#### **Duties and Responsibilities:**

1. Maintain an accurate account book. See sample forms. Computer bookkeeping is also acceptable.
2. Timely deposit all money in the proper bank account.
3. Timely update the ledger, including the source of entry and the date.
4. Pay authorized bills in a timely manner.
5. Keep copies of receipts of income and expenditures.
6. Maintain chapter/c-BOF bank accounts, including reconciling of each account with its bank statement.
  - a. Notify the bank when there is a change of officers who sign the checks.
7. Give a treasurer's report at each chapter/c-BOF and executive board meeting.
8. Produce a balance sheet at least once a year to be published in the chapter /c-BOF newsletter.
9. Maintain an accurate inventory and location of all chapter/c-BOF property.
10. Assume the duties of the president in absence of the president, vice president, and secretary.

## 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](http://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

## 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:

<http://www.escapees.com/chapter20>. 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](http://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.**

Voice mail by Tom Abernathy  
Webmaster is Tom McIlwain

## Spring Rally 2012

It was decided to hold our spring rally at **SKP ACRE** in Marion NC. The dates are **Tuesday, April 17th to Sunday, April 22, 2012**. Lots of fun things are being planned for this rally. Check out the website at <http://www.skpacre.com> for more information and registration details. Register early if you want tickets to the Biltmore Estate and/or if you want to be included in the catered dinner. Last minute plans? Not a problem!! SKP ACRE will accept drive ins! Hope to see you there. Early arrivals are also accepted.

## July Rally 2012

The 2012 July Rally will be held in Maryland, Hosts Dennis & Bonnie Shankle and Bob & Rita Meredith. Our dates in July for our campout - July 26 through July 29, 2012. Camping will cost us \$25 per night per unit. We will have access to the buildings bathrooms, and a room for our meetings and social events. Cumberland County Fairgrounds, Cumberland MD.

**This will also be our 25th Anniversary Celebration! Fun things are planned!** If anyone has any input on the celebration, let us know!!

## September Rally

It was discussed and decided that our September Rally would take place at the fall Escapade in Sedalia Missouri September 16-21, 2012. More details about the exact time and place of our business meeting will be available at a later date. Make your plans, hope to see you there!

## Recipe Corner

**This is perfect for those of us with just one or two in the MH these days, hate to make a huge cake. This way you can make 1,2,3, or as many as you need.**

### 3, 2, 1 CAKE

These individual little cakes are amazing and ready to eat in one minute! They are perfect for whenever you feel like a treat without all the fat and calories that cake can have. Genius idea!

### INGREDIENTS:

1 box Angel Food Cake Mix  
1 box Cake Mix - Any Flavor  
Makes 1 serving.

### DIRECTIONS:

In a zip-loc bag, combine the two cake mixes together and mix well. For each individual cake serving, take out 3 Tablespoons of the cake mix combination and mix it with 2 Tablespoons of water in a small microwave-safe container. Microwave on high for 1 minute, and you have your own instant individual little cake!

**KEEP** remaining cake mixture stored in the zip-loc bag and use whenever you feel like a treat! You can top each cake with a dollop of fat free whipped topping and/or some fresh fruit.

### Helpful Tips:

This recipe is called 3, 2, 1 Cake because all you need to remember is:  
"3 tablespoons mix,  
2 tablespoons water,  
1 minute in the microwave!"

**TRY** various flavors of cake mix like carrot, red velvet, pineapple, lemon, orange, etc. Just remember that one of the mixes has to be the angel food mix; the other is your choice. The flavor possibilities are endless!

### NOTES:

The best thing is, you open both cake mixes into a gallon storage bag, one that 'zip locks' or 'self-seals', or a container that seals tightly, shake the two cake mixes to blend and then make the recipe. Storage of mix is simple, put it on a shelf. No need to refrigerate, since the mix is dry. Always remember, that one of the cake mixes **MUST** be Angel Food. The other can be any flavor. The Angel Food is the cake mix that has the eggs whites in it.