



## Escapes Mid-Atlantic Chapter 20 Spring 2013

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### Happy Spring!!

This is just a quick “Hello” and newsletter to let everyone know what will be happening with Chapter 20 this year. Frank Simon tells me that the Campground for the May rally is looking for numbers, so if you are planning on attending, please let Frank and Barbara Simon know. You can contact Frank at [pinoakfrank@yahoo.com](mailto:pinoakfrank@yahoo.com). You can also contact Cindy at [Cynthia.devonshire@gmail.com](mailto:Cynthia.devonshire@gmail.com). Or call Cindy at 570-267-5317.

Also, Frank has been working on supplying the club with bright yellow t-shirts, made in America, with our Chapter 20 club logo. The cost will be about \$12.50 for each shirt. I will be sending out a questionnaire immediately following this newsletter for everyone. Please respond ASAP and let us know if this is something you would be interested in buying. If there is enough interest, Frank will order shirts very soon, before there is a price increase.

#### From Phil

It is a new year, and with that comes a dues payment for 2013. Dues are \$5 per year per couple. If you have not sent your dues check of \$5 for 2013, 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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Mid Atlantic Chapter 20  
3381 South Hill Road  
Wyalusing PA 18853

#### Call for Officers

Joe and Ellie Brugger are planning on extensive travel in the western part of the US and so Joe has asked that we elect a new president come July. Stacie Sauzer, our secretary, finds herself in Florida most of the time now. So, both the office of President and Secretary are open as of July 2013. These are two year terms, and people will be willing to help you. Please consider taking an active part in our chapter as an officer. Don't wait for an individual invitation!

## 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://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:

Hi SKPs – It may be just past February, but already time to think about spring and summer rallies. We hope as you make plans for your travels, you do consider visiting other SKP Chapters along the way. Each chapter has its own flavor and style, but all welcome guests. Check the rally calendar in each magazine, then be sure to let them know you are coming.

Should you not be traveling great distance, be sure to check your chapter rally schedule. Chapter Rallies are terrific for developing your RV friendships. It is what makes your SKP Family special.

- If you are traveling west do consider the WARE (Western Area Rally Escapees) in Lodi, CA – check the website to register at [www.skpwarerally@gmail.com](http://www.skpwarerally@gmail.com) April 14-17.
- If you are traveling east check out SKP ACRE April 21-28 in Marion, NC – go to the website [www.skpacre.com](http://www.skpacre.com) to learn more and to register.
- Of course we're going to the 35<sup>th</sup> Escapade June 30-July 5 in Gillette, WY.

Hope to see you along the way.

Skp Hugs,

*Denny and Susie Orr*

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## 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 often 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 of choice 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!!**

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## 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**

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## 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

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## SKP ACRE 2013

Check out [www.skpacre.com](http://www.skpacre.com) for more information. We are hoping that this year's rally is bigger and better than ever. The All Chapter Rallies East will be held again at Tom Johnson's Rally Park in Marion NC. The dates are April 21-28. There is plenty of room for everyone and they have upgraded to 50 AMP service. Our Chapter 20 Spring Rally will NOT take place at SKP ACRE this year. However, if there are enough chapter members, you can bet that we will have a get together!!

## 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.

**Please let us know ASAP! Thanks.**

### 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 campground 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 is feeling a little better. Please continue to keep her in your prayers. She posted on Facebook that she is anxious to get back on the road next winter. Beryl and Jim Eichlin were in Florida again for the winter. They have a new Winnebago! Paula and Tom Nankivell, Bryan and Jane Rose and Rudy Mager and Fran all spent the winter in Texas. Cindy and Phil Devonshire, Lee and Charlie Trueland, Don and Carmen Loveday, and Bob and Rita Meredith were basking in the Florida sunshine for most of the winter. Joe and Ellie Brugger have been all over Florida as well. Tom and Debbie Abernathy have upgraded to a Class A Tiffin. They may get lost in all that space! John and Cheryl Miskey are now retired and own land in Florida. They will be traveling north in the summers. If anybody else has some news, let me know and I will pass it along!

### [www.Escapees.com](http://www.Escapees.com)

Have you checked the NEW Escapees website? [www.escapees.com](http://www.escapees.com)

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

You will need a new id/password, 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.

**Chapter 20 Photos and newsletters:**  
[www.midatlanticchapter20.weebly.com](http://www.midatlanticchapter20.weebly.com)

## HEAD WEST FOR THE 53RD ESCAPADE

and the 35th birthday of ESCAPEES RV Club

**Gillette, Wyoming**

June 30-July 5, 2013



A week full of educational, fun, and social events awaits you at the 53rd Escapade in Gillette, WY. The 35th birthday bash takes place Thursday, July 4, honoring the founding of Escapees RV Club by Joe and Kay Peterson on July 4, 1978.

With historical and natural landmarks abounding nearby, there is much to explore as you journey into the wild, wild West and lands of stark beauty. Whether outdoor and nature enthusiasts, history buffs, or rodeo fans, you're sure to delight in this bastion of nature. Start planning now for your journey westward, and to join the fun at the 53rd Escapade!

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

Register Early! The Cam-Plex in Gillette offers more than 1,700 full-hookup and boondocking sites on 1,100 acres, but don't delay; register early to reserve yours! For registration and parking options, go to: [registration information](#). To register on-line [click here](#) please or call Kim Wakefield at 888-757-2582 or 936-327-8873 to register.

First-rate RV Education! With more than 60 educational seminars, classes, and workshops, there is something for everyone. Fascinating featured speakers and discussion panels round out the line-up. Escapade in Gillette will again feature the Full-time Lifestyle: 101 series of seminars and workshops designed especially with full-timers and soon-to-be or wanna-be full-timers in mind!

**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! Interested in being a potential market vendor? [Click here](#) for all the details and options.

Boot Camp and SmartWeigh options

Mark Nemeth # 45776, Escapees technical director, and his team of competent RV safety instructors , offer the option to attend RVers' Boot Camp on June 27 – 29, just prior to Escapade. This intensive RV training course grows in popularity with every session. It's fun, informative and yields priceless information for RV travelers. Visit the [boot camp page](#) for more information, or call 888-757-2582 to register. Don't delay: Seats are limited, and Boot Camp sells out fast!

Neil Lekander #45644, SmartWeigh director and the Escapees team of SmartWeigh weighmasters will be on hand to professionally weigh your rig at Escapade. Weight safety affects every aspect of the RV experience, from fuel mileage to tire wear and can potentially pose the greatest hazard to your personal safety. Don't go around wondering if you are overweight; Let us weigh your RV and provide you with a full weight analysis in Gillette. Visit the [SmartWeigh page](#) for more information. You can sign up for weighing at the SmartWeigh booth, located in the Hospitality area.

*Information on 53rd Escapade events, seminars, exhibitors, sponsors, and more will be posted on this site prior to the event.*



# Happy Spring!!