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Achieving a particular goal is no guarantee of perpetual happiness. Happiness is enjoying what we are doing today, as well as planning what we are going to do tomorrow. Happiness is not a person. It is not an event. It is not a "thing" you acquire.

Happiness is an attitude you carry with you wherever you go and with whatever you do. It is accepting the realities of life no matter how unfair or painful those realities may be. It is enjoying where we are now, enjoying life moment-by-moment as we move ever closer to tomorrow's goals. The only truly happy person is the one who doesn't let the enjoyment of today get lost in tomorrow's dreams. 🐾

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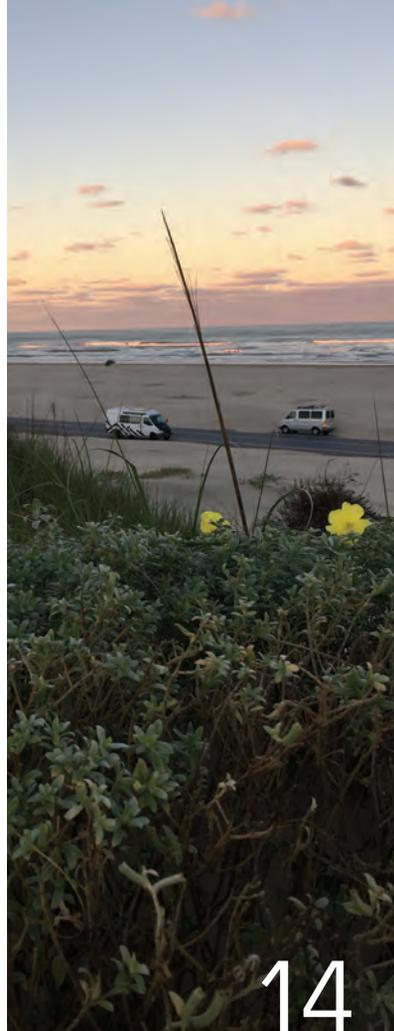
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Message From The Board

Making Memories Since 1978

By **MELANIE CARR #8**, Escapees RV Club Vice President and Co-Chief Executive Officer

The anniversary of Escapees always sparks a mix of emotions. Happiness, gratitude and a longing for more exciting times ahead are a few that come to mind. As we turn the corner and enter our 44th year of supporting RVers on their adventures, we can't help but ruminate on just how meaningful the past 43 years have been.

While my memories with the club may not be lifelong like Travis', I will never forget my own personal journey of learning what Escapees was and how it's helped the lives of so many through its support network of benefits and community. I started working for the club over 11 years ago, and from the moment I first ingrained myself into the organization, I felt like I was at home. The fellowship of the staff and members surrounding me was unmatched by anything else I've experienced.

Since then, the bond I've felt with the club has only become stronger and it brings me great joy to see that it's already passing down to the next generation. I was pregnant with our first son, Gabe, when I began my employment, and soon, we'll be celebrating his 11th birthday. In his 10 short years, he has experienced a life of which most can only dream. Countless miles on the road and visiting places as a family are memories that I hope he'll cherish into his old age. But, most importantly, his story line is following that of Travis', where he's grown up surrounded by the most amazing people and already feels an understanding of the power the Escapees community has provided. I have no doubt that he (and Decklin as he grows older) will feel that same sense of belonging I felt when I jumped with both feet into Escapees.

In the spirit of sharing, I've invited fellow board members to take a moment and share some thoughts and/or memories in honor of the anniversary.

Travis Carr #8

As the third generation, it is without question that my life, and who I am, has been molded by this great club. And with that, the Escapees anniversary always brings a whirlwind of memories.

Like the time when Lynn Rogers #2 handed me a water gun during a happy hour gathering, certainly not missing the opportunity to also provide some words of encouragement, a cherished moment of laughter, and maybe a couple of disgruntled faces, that still makes me giggle. And throughout the years, these remembrances also include the not so happy times when countless Escapees members provided their love and support during the passings of our founders, my grandparents, Joe and Kay Peterson #1.

And as we celebrate 44 years, I can't help but feel proud, thankful and at awe as to Escapees accomplishments and those who made it all happen. While there were certainly times when I had wished my parents would have talked a little less "Escapees" growing up, I grew to appreciate why. Escapees to my family is our life, our passion and our drive. A shared belief in values and determination to continue to make Escapees the best it can be. For Escapees is our family, one we love and support with all our might.

Cathie Carr #3

As I reflect on Escapees 44-year history, what comes to mind is the beginning. When Kay and Joe created the Escapees RV Club in 1978, I had already been living full-time in my 24-foot Silver Streak and working from remote locations. You might think that RVing in the early years without Internet, cell phones and credit cards would be the worst part, but for me, it was trying to find people my age. Too often the first question I was asked was if I had borrowed my parents RV for vacation. So, when someone under 60 stepped out of an RV, I was after them like a moth to a flame!

As the Club grew, it became easier to meet people who were living the same lifestyle, though younger



THE PETERSON SPIRIT AWARD

Winners May and June 2022



Paul & Tiffany Shetka #134834

Anyone who has attended an Xscapers event probably knows Paul and Tiffany. They are proud lifetime members of Escapees and are often at Annual Bash. They will be some of the first faces to greet you with a warm smile, welcoming you home. Both have extensive track records of meaningful volunteerism and service to other members since the early years of Xscapers. Going above and beyond traditional club volunteering service, they help run the daily operations of events and go out of their way to welcome new members by hosting impromptu group gatherings. They represent the power of our group to act selflessly and to sustain the club as a strong and compassionate community of RVers. This creates a foundation and a pattern for how we all act as Escapees and Xscapers.



Jacques and Jackie LaCasse #158325

Many RVers often experience a situation of frustration over a critical system issue or failure that is beyond our ability to fix. That was the case for an Xscaper attending the last Annual Bash suffering from a solar and battery system issues. Not only did Jacques and Jackie go above and beyond by consoling, reassuring and educating their fellow attendee, they also allowed him to connect to their battery system while they tirelessly searched for the fault in the system to determine a solution. As the nominator stated in their submission, their commitment to help kept them from quitting the RV lifestyle. While the situation at the time was undoubtedly frustrating and disheartening, Jacques and Jackie exemplify the standards of fellowship, support and friendship we have all come to appreciate as club members.



Deborah Phillips #45708

An Escapees member and Rainbow's End neighbor had a medical accident during a major winter storm in West Texas, ending up in the hospital and unable to drive. After putting out a request for help, Deborah answered the call to assist without hesitation. Upon volunteering to fly to Midland, Texas, she then drove her fellow member and trailer back to Livingston, Texas, where she could receive additional medical attention near her home. Deborah's willingness to care for others and volunteering her time to go above and beyond in this selfless act, is a great example of Escapees philosophies and community.



Judy Rinehimer, SKP# 89390

As one nominator noted, "the Caring and Sharing attitude of this prestigious award is epitomized by Judy's 'can do, will do' attitude." Judy and her late husband, Luke, were key leaders and organizers for the Boomers Balloon Fiesta Rally from 2006 to 2017 and other club rallies, such as SKP Geocaching. Once again, in 2021, Judy stepped up to save the Boomer Balloon Fiesta by volunteering to host the rally even though she was off the road and no longer had an RV. In addition, Judy has volunteered to share her knowledge with fellow SKPs at Escapades, BoF rallies and other gatherings across the USA over the years, and she continues to be well known by the Boomers, Geocachers and many fellow members. Judy is certainly a one-of-a-kind person, always being there when called and stepping up when she sees a need, rightfully earning the nickname "Cool Judy."



Joe and Kay Peterson,
ESCAPEES RV Club Founders

As we celebrate four decades of serving RVers, we want to observe and uphold the spirit of our founders,

Joe and Kay Peterson,

and the feelings of community fostered through caring and sharing. To do this, we have created the

Peterson Spirit Award,

a prestigious honor to be granted to Escapees members who demonstrate our core value by going over and above the expectations of others in order to support a fellow RVer in need.

NOMINATE SOMEONE!

You will need their name and member number (also referred to as SKP #), plus your name, your contact information, a description of the action or behavior for which you are nominating them and an explanation of why you feel this action is worthy of the award. Recipients will be selected from the submitted nominations on a monthly basis by the Escapees RV Club's Board of Directors.

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RVers were still just a tiny segment. Most of the friends I met were in the construction field, but nurses, journalists, photographers, among others, began to discover that they could travel and work, too. Over the decades, the number of younger people in the club gradually began to grow, but it wasn't until this past decade that the circle expanded so incredibly. I can't help thinking how wonderful it would have been to be surrounded by so many of my peers in those early years of RVing!

I know now that my small circle of fellow RVers who sought this lifestyle at a young age, were not so brave and unique after all. We were just fortunate! We were fortunate to have pioneers like Kay and Joe to light our way. Today the same adventuresome spirits have found the gumption to follow the same untraditional path. I can almost hear Joe and Kay whispering, "Way to go!" And I say, "Way to go, Travis and Melanie, for driving the wagons forward with your torches shining bright."

Bud Carr #3

Cathie and I have been in the organization so long that I can barely remember anything else. I was talking to a member once and their assessment of what the Escapee family means said it all. "You know, I belong to a lot of other organizations and clubs, but I am an Escapee." That statement to me says everything about what this organization is and always has been. It made me proud to have a small part in making the club into the family it is. Now, to see Travis and Melanie take the reins and continue the original dream Joe and Kay envisioned makes me unbelievably proud and, hopefully, my grandsons will follow suit.

As we look ahead to our 44th year and what's to come, we promise you we will not be running idle. In addition to our main project list, we have been, and will remain, hard at work checking things off our 2022 resolutions. Park projects are being completed, new partners and resources are being added, new staff members are being welcomed to the family and, best of all, our event calendar is running strong so you can gather with your community!

No matter how long you have been a part of the Escapees family, we hope you will join us in celebration as we enter another year of carrying forward the legacy that Joe and Kay Peterson created in 1978. And with that, I'll leave you with a Chorus from the Escapees Traveling Song: "We've given up our fixed address for something better yet. And we travel with the finest people that we've ever met. So, keep your home fires burning friend as long as we're alive, our home is where we park it—send our mail to Rainbow Dr." 



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Escapees Hangouts:

A Sneak Peek at the 2023 Hangouts

By **DAVID AND CHERYL GOLDSTEIN** #126793, Hangouts Directors

Even though we're only halfway through 2022, with four Hangouts still coming up in the back half of the year—the Downeast Maine and Finger Lakes Hangouts in September, and the Carlsbad Caverns Restoration and Texas Bourbon and Wine Hangouts in October—we're already well into planning for 2023! Here is a sneak peek at just a few of the Hangouts already scheduled for next year (the activities listed are subject to change).

**WINTER BLAST HANGOUT, FEBRUARY 14–20, 2023
IN LAKE HAVASU CITY, ARIZONA:**

We return to the Rodeo grounds at SARA Park for four nights of incredible fireworks displays as part of the Western Pyrotechnic Association's annual Winter Blast. Fireworks manufacturers, show producers and other enthusiasts display their latest and most creative pyrotechnics. During the daytime, you'll explore beautiful Lake Havasu, home of the original London Bridge, hike a scenic slot canyon and enjoy live music and other in-camp activities.

**PUERTO PEÑASCO HANGOUT, MARCH 24–APRIL 4, 2023
IN PUERTO PEÑASCO, SONORA, MEXICO**

After two great Hangouts in San Felipe, Baja California, next year we're changing things up by traveling to the eastern side of the Sea of Cortez. This Hangout will begin immediately after the 62nd Escapade in Tucson, with an overnight stop in Ajo, Arizona, a brief caravan across the border, and then 10 nights of ocean-view camping in Puerto Peñasco. Our activities will include a welcome buffet dinner, sunset cruise, tequila tastings, a paint & sip session at a local tapas bar, a day of fun at Manny's Beach Club, optional deep-sea fishing and ATV tours, an optional eco-tour to the volcanic craters of the El Pinacate y Gran Desierto de Altar Biosphere Reserve and, of course, plenty of time for soaking up the sun on the beach!

**MUSICAL ROOTS HANGOUT, APRIL 16–23, 2023
IN TUSCUMBIA, ALABAMA:**

In the 1960s, the area in and around Muscle Shoals, Alabama, became known as "The Hit Recording Capital of the World." Famous bands and singers including Aretha Franklin, Wilson Pickett, Percy Sledge, the Osmonds, Mac Davis and Duane Allman came to Muscle Shoals to record hit songs at the Fame Recording Studio. During this Hangout, you'll tour Fame Studios, the Muscle Shoals Sound Studio and the Alabama Music Hall of Fame. Other activities will include visits to the Frank Lloyd Wright Rosenbaum House Museum, Helen Keller's home and NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center, in Huntsville, hiking in Dismals Canyon and lots of live music and great food and drink.

We're especially excited to offer not just one or two, but three Hangouts in the incredible State of Alaska next summer!

**MIDNIGHT SUN HANGOUT, JUNE 20–27, 2023
IN FAIRBANKS, ALASKA:**

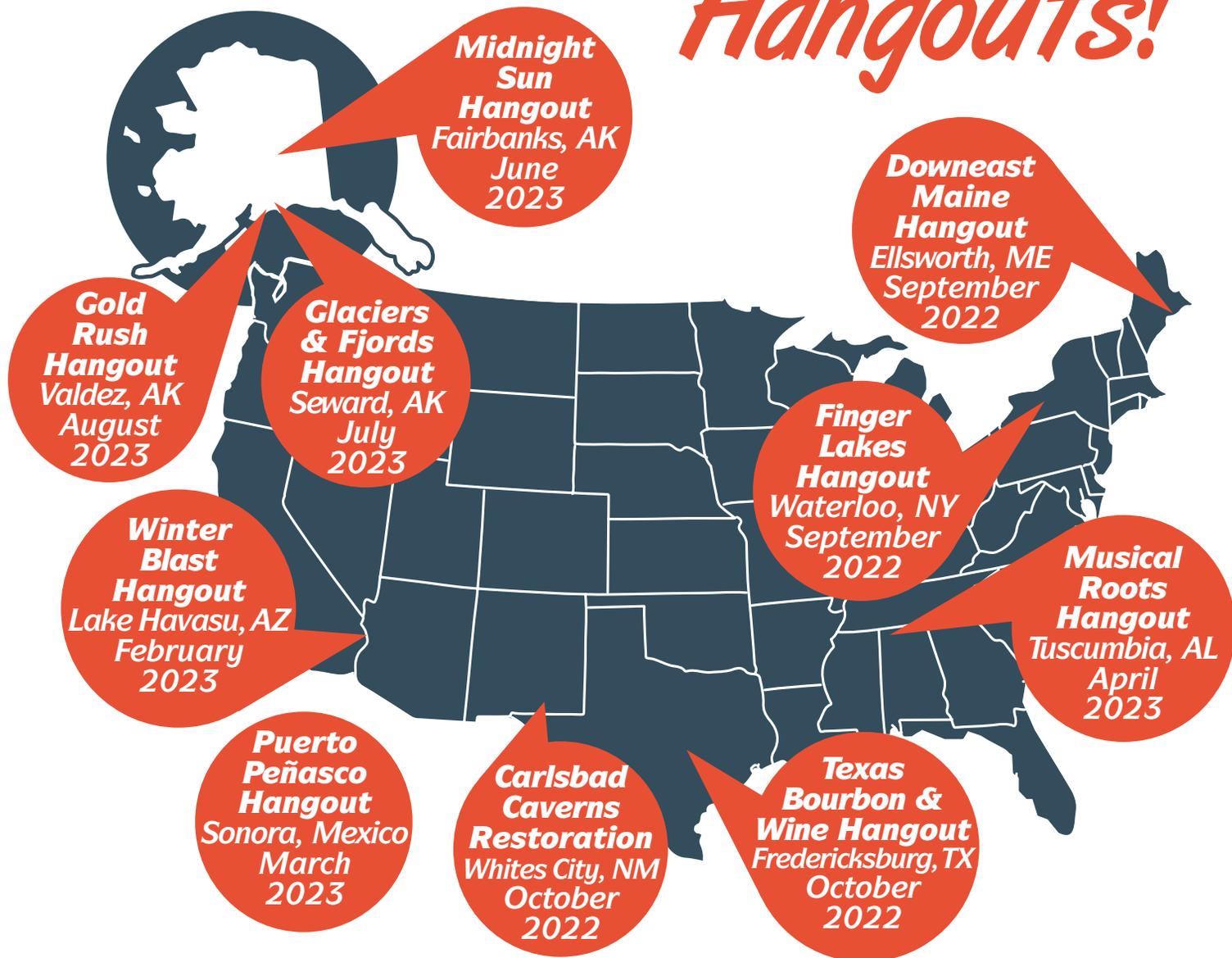
Less than 200 miles from the Arctic Circle, where the sun barely dips below the horizon in June, summer fun lasts late into the night. Experience the Summer Solstice, then join the annual Midnight Sun Fun Run, the northernmost 10K in the country, starting at 10:00 pm! You'll also visit the incredible Museum of the North, hike the Creamer's Field Trail, experience Alaskan heritage and culture aboard the Riverboat Discovery on the Chena River, have the option to visit the Chena Hot Springs and much more.

**GLACIERS & FJORDS HANGOUT, JULY 10–17, 2023
IN SEWARD, ALASKA:**

Located at the southern end of the Alaska Railroad and the Seward Highway, this scenic town is flanked by rugged mountains on one side and sparkling Resurrection Bay on the other. Wildlife abounds around Seward, including sea lions, bald eagles, sea otters, orcas and even the occasional whale. During this Hangout, you'll visit Exit Glacier, take a glacier and wildlife cruise in Kenai Fjords National Park, tour the Alaska SeaLife Center and enjoy incredible hiking trails and kayaking.



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**GOLD RUSH HANGOUT, AUGUST 2–9, 2023
IN VALDEZ, ALASKA:**

The crashing glaciers and towering Chugach Mountains rising from the sea make the town of Valdez picturesque. This Hangout will take place during the 61st Annual Valdez Gold Rush Days, a five-day festival celebrating the town’s gold rush history and heritage that features live music, an open-air market, a community barbecue, a comedy theater performance, a parade and more. You’ll also get to experience a glacier cruise, kayaking, sport fishing, scenic bike paths and beautiful hiking trails.

Because we know that many members traveling to Alaska will want to attend all three of these Hangouts (they’re scheduled so that you will have enough time

to travel between them), we will initially offer them together as a package. Shortly thereafter, any remaining spots will be sold for each Hangout individually.

On-sale dates for all these Hangouts will be announced soon. And this is just the start...we have still more Hangouts in the early planning stages throughout 2023! Remember that because we keep Hangouts to a small size—usually about 30 rigs—they often sell out quickly. So be sure you stay “in the know” by joining our Hangouts Announcements email list at escapees.com/hangouts, then watch your inbox for the details on these and other Hangouts! 🚐



Xscapers Convergences

Rolling Through Summer

By **HOLLIE PARKS** #138407, Convergence Director

COTA Bike Night from the Observation Tower.

PHOTO BY KIRSTY HALLIDAY #115499



It's hard to believe that summer could sneak up on us so quickly, but I am sure we are all eager for the warmer temps and summertime fun. Xscapers had a busy winter and there are no signs of slowing down in the summer months.

Our latest convergence, in Austin, Texas, was a hit! During the last week of April, over 60 RVs and around 100 attendees took over the RV park at the Circuit of the Americas (COTA) racetrack. From the park, we had a beautiful view of the Austin skyline, in the distance, and front-row seats to all the action on the racetrack.





The Status Crowes
PHOTO BY HOLLIE PARKS #138407



That 70's Night
PHOTO BY MICHAEL CRUZ #160938



Xscapers at COTA Bike Night.
PHOTO BY KIRSTY HALLIDAY #115499

We kicked off the event with live music by The Western Express, an Austin-based, honkey-tonk band that kept the energy high and Xscapers on the dance floor. On Sunday morning, the community came together for a potluck brunch and lawn games. We hosted a cornhole tournament which saw partners Paul Shetka #134834 and John Lecik #155820 take the win. Throughout the week, the Convergence attendees participated in many activities not usually found at a typical convergence. For example, 30 of our attendees took advantage of the opportunity to ride laps on their bicycles around the Formula 1 track. We caught a shuttle to the 22-story viewing tower that overlooked the grounds and offered breathtaking views of Austin. Some of us even jumped at the opportunity to ride a few of the attractions at the COTA amusement park on site. We even spent an evening on the COTA Karting track where we raced each other at speeds of up to 55 miles an hour.

Throughout the week, we had a blast at activities like “That 70’s Night” where Chad Reid #135820, with his impressive bell bottoms and his epic mustache (which he grew just for the occasion), earned the prize of best 70’s outfit. On the same night, Jason Boone #166469 took the top prize in our “Best Dang Cocktail in Texas” competition. Mid-week, attendees sang and danced along to The Status Crowes, who are an Xscapers staple at many events. On the final Friday, we held the ever-popular lot crawl followed by a rowdy game of party bingo where a first time Convergence attendee, Howie Porter #155601, won a free dry-camping site at the Xscapers 4th of July Convergence in Salida, Colorado. We continued the night with a couple of good ol’ fashioned piñatas. The kids’ piñata was bursting with candy, while the adults Xscaper piñata was stuffed with donations of mini bottles and party beads. Adult attendees donated \$1 per hit with all proceeds going to



Xscapers floating at Zilker Park.
PHOTO BY VIKTORIA K. O'NEAL #126917

CARE. Our night was rounded out with a newer event we like to call Xscapers Got Talent, which evolved into a rambunctious night of karaoke.

On the last morning of the event, we carpooled to beautiful Zilker Park just outside of downtown Austin. Many folks floated the river on their kayaks and paddle boards while others just found a nice spot to hang out in the water. It was a one-of-a-kind event with something for everyone, and I imagine that Xscapers can expect another Convergence at COTA in the future.

As we roll through summer, Xscapers have a lot to look forward to. With Escapade wrapped up, we are heading right into the 4th of July Convergence. The week promises to be another fun-filled experience in Salida, Colorado, where attendees can expect a town-wide scavenger hunt, live music and local brewery tours. At the end of August, the Xscapers will see their first community-hosted Convergence under the new host program.

Nicole Sampson #172604 will be putting on a family-centered event at the Southwest Washington Fairground where attendees will find activities such as art and craft classes, group bike rides, guided nature hikes and even a mobile video game truck. Tickets to that event will also include a three-day pass to the local Garlic Festival and discounted entry into the Garlic Fest 5K run/walk.

In October, the Xscapers return to the Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta, hosted by Scott and Carole Pleasants #129260, which means that you know it's going to be a great event. At the end of October, we are headed to the one and only New Orleans, Louisiana, for the Xscapers Halloween Convergence! Some of the spooky festivities will including a full-fledged, second-line parade down Bourbon Street and a swamp and alligator tour in the bayou. Tickets for all these upcoming events are on sale now.

I can't wait to see you at a future convergence! 🚐



4th of July Convergence

Salida, Colorado • Chaffee County Fairgrounds

July 2–7, 2022: Spend the Fourth of July high in the Rocky Mountains with your Xscaper friends!

Xscapers returns to the cooler temps of the mountains for a small town big on fun. We will gather at the fairgrounds in Salida, just minutes from downtown.

Previous highlights have included marching in the town's 4th of July parade, live music, food trucks, and river rafting.



Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta

Albuquerque, New Mexico • Box View Sites - South RV Lot

SESSION ONE: Sep 30 - Oct 5 • SESSION TWO: Oct 5 - Oct 10

We are excited to take two lucky groups of Xscapers to the 2022 Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta!

There is nothing quite as beautiful as waking up in the morning and seeing hundreds of hot air balloons fly above your RV or get up and take the walk to the launch field surrounded by balloons as they begin their ascent. There is usually the opportunity to help crew for the balloon pilots and many Xscapers have gotten a ride in the past as a thank you for helping out.

In an effort to include as many Xscapers as possible in this very popular event we have divided the 10 day Balloon Fiesta into two groups: **Session One** and **Session Two**. If there is space available, we will open it up to staying for the entire event. For now we are limiting it to one session per Xscaper or Family.

Family Convergence
Centralia, WA
August 2022

4th of July Convergence
Salida, CO
July 2022

Halloween Convergence
New Orleans, LA
October 2022

Balloon Fiesta Convergence
Albuquerque, NM
October 2022

Winter Blast Convergence
Lake Havasu City, AZ
February 2023

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Upcoming HOP Events

Northern Lights HOP

North to Alaska—Aurora Borealis aka Fairbanks, Alaska, February 12–18, 2023

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Alaska is truly America's last frontier—wild and untamed! You will experience all the magic of winter in Alaska on this HOP. The Northern Lights, better known as the Aurora Borealis, are on everyone's bucket list, and the best way to see these magical dancing lights is in person.

Flying into Fairbanks and staying in a beautiful snow-covered country setting, miles from town, makes viewing the lights a must! Sip an appletini in an ice-carved glass in an ice bar, sitting on ice-carved seats.*

Enjoy a dog sledding excursion through the snow-covered forest. Learn about raising reindeer and see the Trans-Alaska Pipeline. Experience and learn about the sport of curling, try your skills at snowshoeing, soak in hot springs while surrounded by snow, learn about Native American art, music and dance and so much more!

Do not worry about falling asleep and missing the Aurora Borealis; your Aurora Borealis tour guide will stay up all night and wake you up when the lights start dancing!

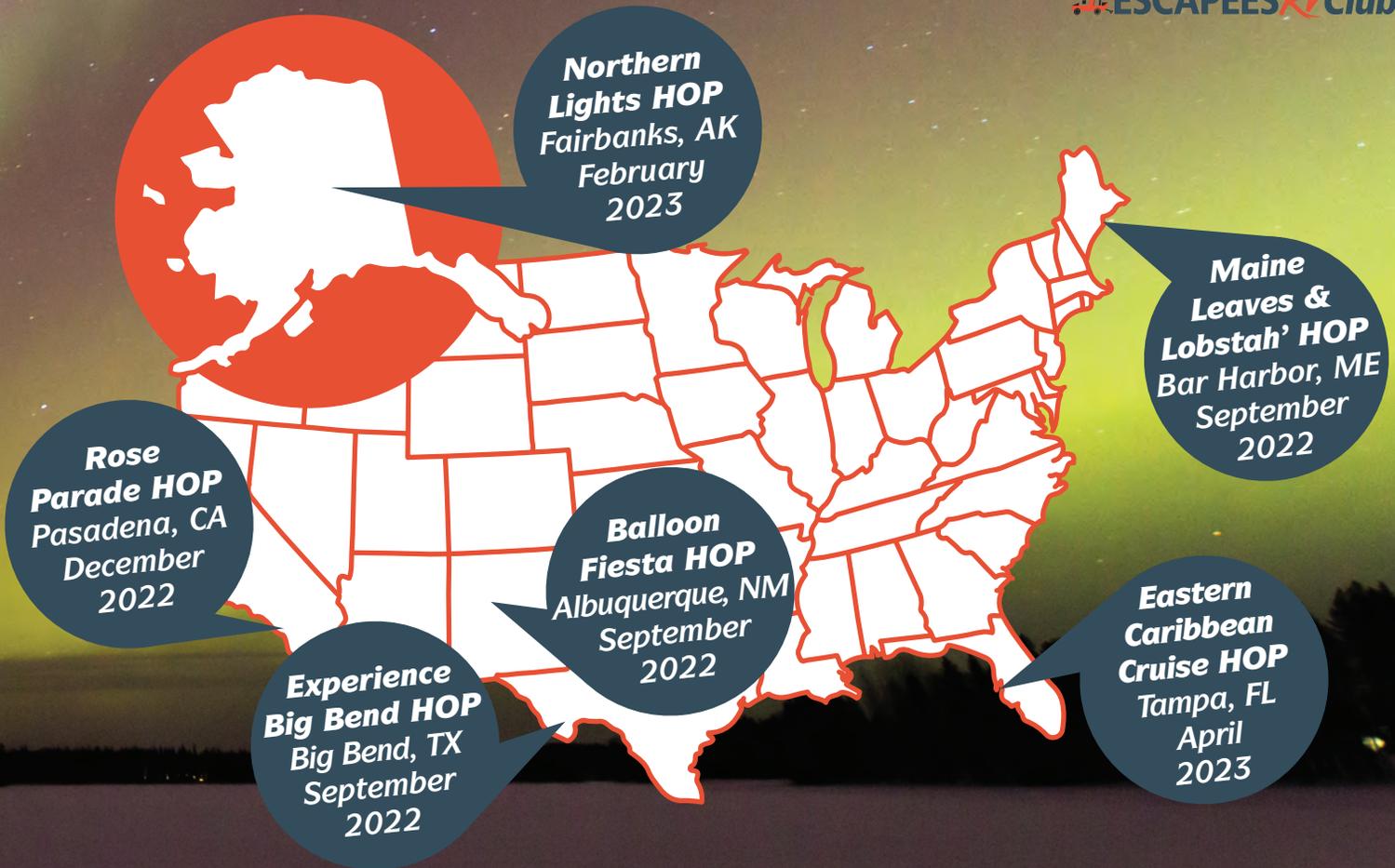
Return home with fond memories of unique and exciting activities during your Northern Lights experience!

Lisa Koca #86367, HOP Director

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Maine Leaves & Lobstah' HOP

September 25–29, 2022

Two-Person Rig: \$1,295

Additional Person: \$425

One-Person Rig: \$895

*Online registration is available.

Balloon Fiesta HOP

September 30–October 09, 2022, Albuquerque, New Mexico

Prices for Option #1: September 30–October 5, 2022

Two-person rig: \$1,540

Each additional person in RV: \$950

One-person rig: \$1,240

Prices for Option #2: October 5–9, 2022

Two-person rig: \$1,500

Each additional person in RV: \$950

One-person rig: \$1,200

Prices for Option #3: September 30–October 9, 2022

Two-person rig: \$2,200

Each additional person in RV: \$995

One-person rig: \$1,600

Rose Parade HOP

Pasadena Tournament of Roses

December 28, 2022–January 04, 2023

Pasadena, California

Two-Person Rig: \$2,400

Additional Person: \$989

One-Person Rig: \$1,200

Northern Lights HOP

North to Alaska—Aurora Borealis

February 12–18, 2023

Fairbanks, Alaska

Pricing only for land, lodge and tour bookings.

Per person—double occupancy: \$3,300 per person

Single person in room: \$4,000

Eastern Caribbean Cruise HOP

10 Nights round trip April 7–17, 2023

Tampa, Florida

Prices: \$1,738–\$2,748 per person

Events Calendar

Join us at one of these rallies or National events!

DATES	LOCATION	HOST CHAPTER	888-757-7701 EXTENSION #
JULY 2022			
07-10	TX Johnson City, Miller Creek RV	11	8011
10-14	CA Hollister, Casa De Fruta	38	8038
17-22	OR John Day, Grant County Fairground	34	8034
18-22	NV Verdi, Gold Ranch RV	24	8024
18-22	OR Lincoln City, Wapiti RV Park	37	8037
21-23	MI Centerville, St. Joseph County Fairground	06	8006
25-30	WA Anacortes, Fidalgo Bay Resort	05	8005
AUGUST 2022			
14-18	OR Lincoln City, Wapiti RV Park	34	8034
15-19	AB Canada, Castor, Castor Community Hall	44	8044
15-19	OR Terrebonne, Crooked River Ranch RV	37	8037
21-26	WA Pacific Beach, U.S. Navy Rec. Area	05	8005
25-28	AL Gadsden, River Rocks Landing	16	8016
29-Sept 02	CO Granby, Riverrun RV Resort	02	8002
SEPTEMBER 2022			
05-10	BC Canada, Courtenay, Seal Bay	22	8022
07-11	ME Hermon, Pumpkin Patch RV	03	8003
08-15	ME Elsworth, Downeast Maine Hangout	Hangouts/National	936-327-8873
11-15	OR Odell, Hood River Fairground	34	8034
12-16	CA Oroville, Feather Falls KOA	24	8024
15-17	MI Coldwater, Branch County Fairground	06	8006
16-20	OR Westfir, Casey's Riverside RV Park	37	8037
18-23	WA Chimacum, Evergreen Coho SKP Park	05	8005
18-25	TX Big Bend, Experience the Big Bend HOP	HOP/National	936-755-1060
22-25	TX Bandera, Bandera Crossing RV Park	Twist Your Throttle BoF	lucinda@dwo.net
25-29	ME Bar Harbor, Maine Leaves & Lobstah' HOP	HOP/National	936-755-1060
26-29	IL Whittington, Whittington Woods Campground	46	8046
26-30	CA Bethel Island, Sugar Barge RV Resort	38	8038
27-Oct 04	NY Waterloo, Finger Lakes Hangout	Hangouts/National	936-327-8873
30-Oct 09	NM Albuquerque, Balloon Fiesta HOP	HOP/National	936-755-1060
OCTOBER 2022			
02-06	OR Florence, Jesse T Jones Odd Fellows Park	34	8034
06-09	SC Myrtle Beach, Hideaway RV Resort	29	8029
10-15	AZ Parker, La Paz County Park	32	8032
15-22	NM Whites City, Carlsbad Caverns Restoration Hangout	Hangouts/National	936-327-8873
16-20	OR Merlin, Indian Mary RV Park	37	8037
19-24	CA Borrego Springs, Holiday Holmes	25	8025
20-23	TX Bandera, Skyline Ranch RV	11	8011
27-30	SC Cleveland, Palmetto Cove RV Park	16	8016

DATES	LOCATION	HOST CHAPTER	888-757-7701 EXTENSION #
28–Nov 05	CA Furnace Creek, Sunset Campground	SOLOs Bof	8080
31–Nov 07	TX Fredericksburg, Texas Bourbon & Wine Hangout	Hangouts/National	936-327-8873
NOVEMBER 2022			
30–Dec 02	CA Patterson, Kit Fox RV Park	38	8038
DECEMBER 2022			
28–Jan 04, 2023	CA Pasadena, Rose Parade HOP	HOP/National	936-755-1060
JANUARY 2023			
19–23	TX Elmendorf, Braunig Lake RV	11	8011
FEBRUARY 2023			
12–18	AK Fairbanks, North to Alaska Adventure HOP	HOP/National	855-757-8881
14–20	AZ Lake Havasu City, Winter Blast Hangout	Hangouts/National	936-327-8873
14–Mar 08	CA Baja Cal, Vamos a Baja rolling rally	08	8008
MARCH 2023			
24–Apr 04	MX Puerto Peñasco, SON, Puerto Peñasco Hangout	Hangouts/National	936-327-8873
APRIL 2023			
07–17	FL Tampa, Eastern Caribbean Cruise HOP	HOP/National	855-757-8881
14–20	GA Brunswick, SKP ACRE, RVers Boot Camp	National	936-327-8873
15–20	GA Brunswick, Coastal Georgia RV Resort, SKP ACRE rally	Steve Masterson	skpacre@gmail.com
21–23	GA Brunswick, SKP ACRE, RVers Boot Camp	National	936-327-8873

For Xscapers events, see page 70.

Chapter 8 Mexican Connection Rally—2023

**2023 Vamos A BAJA – Three Exciting Venues
February 14—March 8, 2023
23 Day Rolling Rally, PLUS Optional Add-On Extensions**

We are excited to announce our 2023 Vamos a Baja rolling rally! If you have wanted to visit Mexico, but were skeptical about traveling there alone, this is your opportunity to not only travel to Mexico in your RV, but to travel with a group that has 38 years of experience leading groups into Mexico. We will teach you how to get the most out of your visit. Last year’s trip sold out in 10 days, so we recommend that you monitor our website and our Facebook page for additional information as we get closer to September 1, and we hope to see you on our next adventure. Registration for our February 2023 caravan opens on September 1, 2022 and will be limited to the first 50 RVs that sign up.

Gary Hatt #141228, CH8wagonmaster@gmail.com

SKP ACRE and Boot Camp —2023

**Coastal Georgia RV Resort
Brunswick, Georgia
April 14–20, 2023**

The 2023 SKP ACRE and Boot Camp will be held at Coastal Georgia RV Resort in Brunswick, GA beginning with registration on Friday morning, April 14, 2023 and departing on Thursday, April 20, 2023. Boot Camp will be a separate function administered by Jim Koca from SKP, Inc. Boot Camp will begin Friday April 21, 2023 and end on Sunday April 23, 2023. Campsite fees will be \$49.09 and the ACRE rally fee will be determined approximately six months before the event. 50 sites have been reserved for ACRE and 30 for Boot Camp. You can call today to book your site.

Steve Masterson #95338, SKP ACRE President and Dianne Wood #113382 Director of Communications and Webmaster

THE EVENTS CALENDAR is reserved for chapter, certified BoF groups and National events. All submissions must be in writing. Deadline for submissions for the September/October issue is July 10. E-mail submissions should be sent to departmentseditor@escapees.com, or mail submissions to *Escapees* Magazine, 100 Rainbow Drive, Livingston, TX 77351. Call the voicemail phone number (888-757-7701) + extension number for specific directions to events.

Chapter Map—Let's Get Together!



E-mail chapterdirectors@escapees.com to start a chapter in your area.



A Word from Our Group Director

By **JIMMY AND LOCKIE SAILER** #130519, Chapter/BoF Directors

Greetings and happy summertime to each of you! The temperatures have us longing for cool drinks and shade trees, but it's also the time of year for water sports and outdoor barbecues.

No matter what your preference on spending the long days of summer, there is likely some type of Escapees community event taking place near you. Please check out the "Events Calendar" in this magazine and online to find out the latest happenings.

Also, if you have an idea for a new special interest group (Bird of a Feather-BoF), please contact us, and we'll work with you to make the dream a reality. We are happy to assist you with everything you'll need to "lead and succeed," whether it is starting up a new BoF or branching out with a new chapter in your area.

Have a great summer, and we hope to see you down the road! 🚐

Visit www.escapees.com/chapters and click on the chapter of your interest. You can view details about a chapter, join a chapter and pay chapter dues, if applicable. Yes! It is that easy. As you travel, we invite you to get to know Escapees in your area. Call us for details and let's get together.

Calling All Chapters—Escapees Regional Groups

Contact the chapters' voicemail, 888-757-7701 plus extension, for rally and luncheon information.

See the map for a chapter near you.

CHAPTER NUMBER	CHAPTER NAME	CHAPTER PRESIDENT	PHONE NUMBER	E-MAIL ADDRESS + EXTENSION #	888-757-7701
2	Rocky Mtn. High	Linda Gilmore	303-349-8845	president@skpschapter2.org	8002
3	Northeast	Peggy Shafer	941-744-7656	peggy.shafer.wood@gmail.com	8003
5	Evergreen	Ray Hoyt	425-750-6139	chapter5president@gmail.com	8005
6	Great Lakes	Bill Daines	269-806-3043	bd1770@aol.com	8006
8	Mexican Connection	Kassandra Dennis	408-603-0600	kassandra@ekdennis.com	8008
9	Oregon Trails	Betty Bush	503-705-9872	bettybush01@yahoo.com	8009
10	Rainbow Chapter	David Horton	563-529-6181	dhorton2@aol.com	8010
11	Alamo Area SKPs	Brenda Russell	512-626-9668	brendarussell04@gmail.com	8011
14	Lucky Rollers	Nancy Schmitt	775-990-3491	suncatchers55@aol.com	8014
16	Georgia Azaleas	Larry McClure	478-251-4058	gsusoccer@windstream.net	8016
17	Ozark Chapter	Dean Peine	620-423-9648	cpeine9@gmail.com	8017
18	Maple Leaf	Howard Krakower	613-829-3587	howardkrakower@yahoo.com	8018
21	Arizona Saguaros	Michael T. Burger	989-930-9919	mikeburger.skp@gmail.com	8021
24	Gold Nugget	Tom Moulton	530-370-6662	tkm5239@aol.com	8024
25	Shanty Shakers	Larry Rice	619-368-5295	larrydrice@aol.com	8025
29	Carolina Rovers	Craig Rickenbach	803-372-2998	carickenbach@gmail.com	8029
32	Yavapai	Jim Kimmins	928-231-7452	jwkimm68@gmail.com	8032
33	BC Okanagan SKPs	Al Wejr	250-545-1359	alweege@gmail.com	8033
34	Columbia River SKPs	Karen Grady	503-260-5764	kgrady606@gmail.com	8034
36	Erie Shores	Merle Cockayne	440-823-6214	gulleyjumper0208@yahoo.com	8036
37	Rogue Valley Rovers	Valerie Rasmusson	541-951-1972	valrasmussonrvclub37@gmail.com	8037
38	Mother Lode	Ray Bailey	209-532-0444	bailey-r@sbcglobal.net	8038
42	KEN/TENN	Linda Merryman	937-725-9183	linda.m.merryman@gmail.com	8042
44	Alberta Roamers	John VandenBerg	403-380 0141	fayjohn@shaw.ca	8044
46	Lincolnland	Ray Powell	217-433-2859	raysharon58@gmail.com	8046
47	Nor-Cal Gypsies	Nancy Voyles	530-357-4762	tsrnan@aol.com	8047
51	Hoosier Neighbor	Vernon Berg	219-575-4788	berg3025@comcast.net	8051
52	Arkansas Diamonds	Don Tannehill	501-914-0113	tannehilld@sbcglobal.net	8052
54	Wild West Escapees	Neal Haerich	785-735-4969	nhaerich@gmail.com	8054
57	Florida Sun Gators	Nathan Colter	757-207-1533	c.nathan21@yahoo.com	8057

For more details about a chapter, visit www.escapees.com/chapters.

SKP Dine-outs

ARIZONA

Benson: 2nd Wed, 11:30 a.m., San Pedro Golf Course, *Ironwood Grill*, 926 N Madison Ave. Chuck Dupuis: 520-360-5695, Nov-April

Tonopah: Taco Tuesday 6:30 p.m., *moving meal meeting place*. Call or text to confirm, Mike: 602-325-3171, Ajo: 602-380-7932, ajo@thecatdragdinn.org

Wickenburg: Visit the Chapter 32 website or voice mail for date and location. Charles Carter: 316-651-7710 cecarter39@yahoo.com

Yuma: 2nd Wed, 10 a.m., *Foothill's Eatery and Spirit*, 12871 S Interstate 8 Frontage Rd. David Sears: 936-215-1035 Nov-April

ARKANSAS

Jacksonville: 3rd Tues, 12:30 p.m., *Barnhill's Steak And Buffet*, 500 Gregory St, Don Tannehill: 501-914-0113.

CALIFORNIA

Clovis: 1st Thurs, 11:15 a.m., *Denny's Restaurant*, 710 W Shaw Ave. 936-612-3216. Wayne Zimmerman: 559-638-1631

Modesto: Canceled until further notice. Ray Bailey: 209-532-0444

Redding: 1st Tues, 11:30 a.m., *Country Waffle*, 2300 Athens Ave. Nancy Voyles: 530-357-4762, tsnan@aol.com March-Dec

Sacramento: 2nd Wed, 11:30 a.m., *Brookfield's Restaurant*, 4343 Madison Ave. Kathy Honig: 916-366-1436, pkhonig@sbcglobal.net. or www.goldnugget24.org

Southern California area: 4th Sat, 9 a.m., breakfast, *Marie Calender's*, 6950 Alvarado Rd. San Diego. Meeting follows at 10 a.m., also available on Zoom. Larry Rice: 619-368-5295, larryrice@aol.com

Ventura: 1st Tues (every month), 11 a.m., *Main Street Restaurant Steakhouse*, 3159 E. Main St Chuck Burton: 805 647-7382

COLORADO

Englewood: 2nd Tues. 12 p.m., *Golden Corral*, 4000 River Point Pkwy. Chuck Derington: 303-842-1519 chuckderington@comcast.net

FLORIDA

Zephyrhills: 1st Thurs, 11 a.m., *Golden Corral*, 6855 Gail Blvd. Rose Irons: 239-896-3799, ggshirkey@yahoo.com Nov-April

MISSOURI

Springfield: 2nd Fri, 12.30 p.m., *Golden Corral (off Glenstone)*, 2020 E. Primrose Place. Vernon Eide: 417-209-8650

NEVADA

Pahrump: 2nd Mon, 11:30 a.m., *Mountain Falls Grill*, 5001 Clubhouse. Nancy Schmitt #84076: suncatchers55@aol.com or 775-990-3491, Sept-May

Reno: 1st Wed, 1 p.m., *Gold 'N Silver Inn Restaurant*, 790 W 4th St. Adrian Jones: adrianandrebbecca@att.net

NEW MEXICO

Lakewood: Ladies' breakfast every Tues. Men's breakfast every Thurs. Call 575-457-2303, for more information.

OREGON

Medford: 2nd Tues, 11 a.m., *Elmer's Restaurant*, 2000 Biddle Rd. Valerie: 541-951-1972, valrasmussonrvclub37@gmail.com

Sutherlin: 2nd Wed, 8:30 a.m., breakfast, *Abby's Legendary Pizza*, 1011 W Central Ave. Terry Hilty: 760-522-4534

Gresham: 4th Mon, 1 p.m., *Heidi's Restaurant*, 1230 N.E. Cleveland. Michael Surratt: 503-667-0819, mrat1945@frontier.com

TENNESSEE

Crossville: 2nd Wed, 11:30 a.m., *Vegas Steakhouse*, 3152 North Main St. Marcia Espander: 505-975-0387, mystuff4sale@att.net

TEXAS

Livingston: 2nd Fri, 1 p.m., *Location varies. Contact David Horton: 563-529-6181, dhorton2@aol.com*

UTAH

West Valley City: Canceled until further notice. Lawrence Pay: 801-599-3518, lnpay@msn.com

WASHINGTON

Mount Vernon: 1st Wed, 11:00am, *Royal Star Buffet*, 2300 Freeway Dr. Bud/Lori: 206-953-6433, budkauffman@me.com

Silverdale: 2nd Tues, 11:00am, *Applebee's Grill*, 3138 NW Randall Way. Barb Johnson: 360-908-0699, barbj1752@msn.com

Tacoma: Canceled until further notice. Barb Johnson: 360-908-0699, barbj1752@msn.com

CANADA

AB (location TBA): 2nd Wed, 12 p.m. Check Chapter 44 website for locations and times. 888-757-7701 x8044. Carol Davis

BC, Kelowna: Canceled until further notice. Sharon Rajotte: 250-707-0602, rsrajotte@telus.net

BC, Nanaimo: 3rd Wed, 11:30 a.m., *Smitty's*, in the Southgate Mall, 117-50 Tenth Street. Linda Henton: lfhenton@gmail.com, April-Oct. Except June and Sept

BC, Salmon Arm: Canceled until further notice. Maisie Beattie: 250-803-9969 mlynneb146@gmail.com

BC, Vernon: Canceled until further notice. Kathleen Bone: 250-265-1192, kathyskp@telus.net

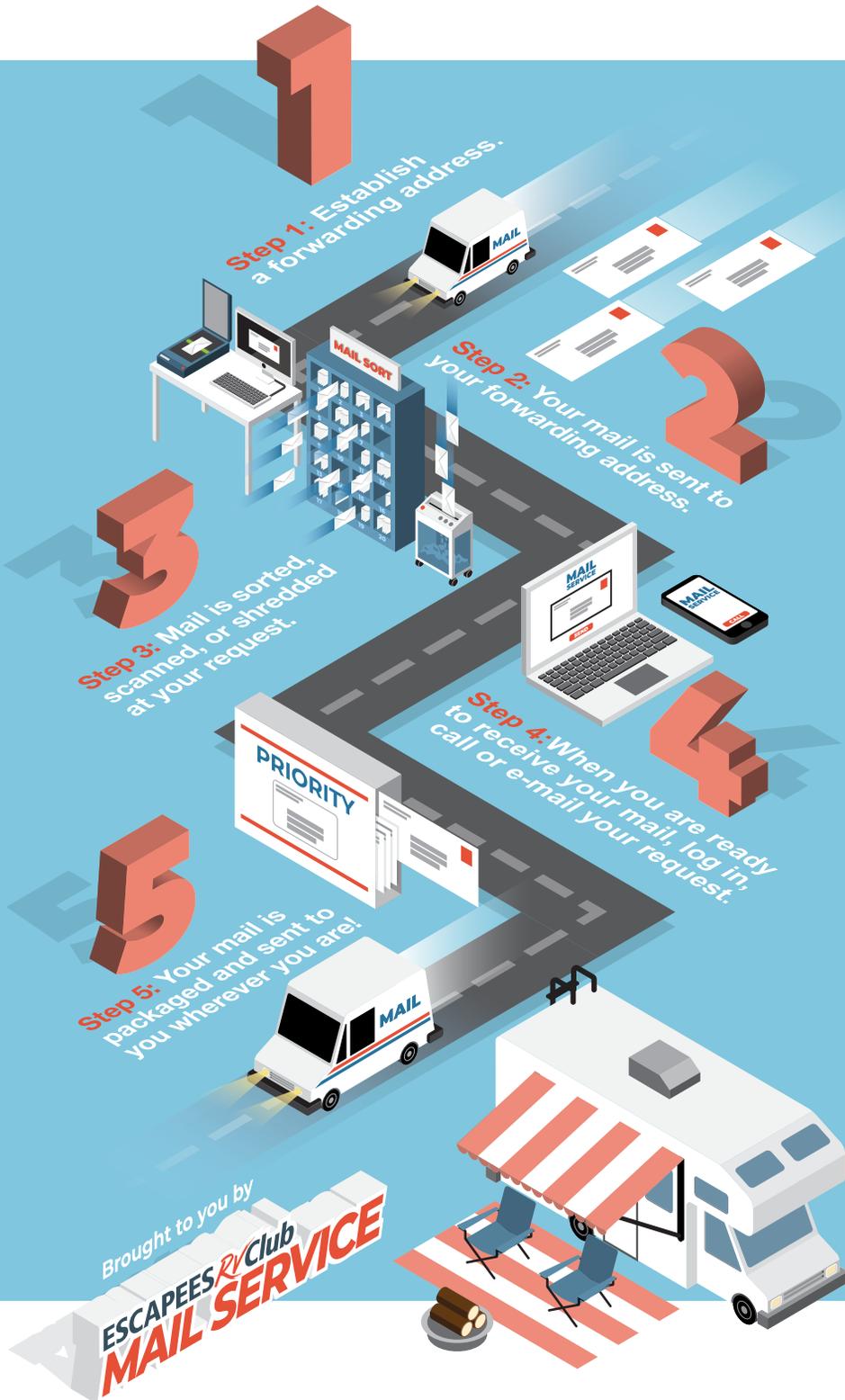
ON, Talbotville: 1st Tues, 11:30 a.m., *Wayside Restaurant*, 10680 Sunset Rd. Sharon Sandau: 519-862-2152, sdsandau@teksavvy.com. May-Nov

ON, Barrie: 1st Thurs, 12:30 p.m., *Mandarin Restaurant*, 28 Fairview Rd. Peta: 705-728-5639, petaarends@gmail.com. May and Oct

Join fellow Escapees for any one of these regional dine-outs. Please confirm the time and location of luncheons before making plans to attend.

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Whether you are a full-time RVer, or simply on an extended RV vacation, using an RV mail service makes it easy to get your mail on the road.



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- Campground Office
- Mail Box Store

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ARIZONA 	NORTH RANCH 30625 Hwy. 89, Congress, AZ 85332 928-427-3657, Fax: 928-685-3695, northranch@escapes.com, northranch.escapesrvparks.com	\$22	\$26.50	\$132+	\$159	\$360+	\$415+
FLORIDA 	SUMTER OAKS RV PARK 4602 County Rd. 673, Bushnell, FL 33513 352-793-1333, Fax: 352-793-5216, sumteroaks@escapes.com, sumteroaks.escapesrvparks.com	\$24	\$28.50	\$144	\$171	\$360+	\$395+
MISSOURI 	TURKEY CREEK RV VILLAGE 1376 US 65 Business S., Hollister, MO 65672 417-335-8004, Fax: 417-335-4644, turkeycreek@escapes.com, turkeycreek.escapesrvparks.com	\$20	\$24	\$120	\$144	\$360	\$395
NEW MEXICO 	DREAM CATCHER RV PARK 4400 E. Pine St., Deming, NM 88030, 575-544-4004, Fax: 575-544-0944, dreamcatcher@escapes.com, dreamcatcher.escapesrvparks.com	\$21	\$26	\$126	\$156	\$240+	\$250+
TENNESSEE 	RACCOON VALLEY 908 E. Raccoon Valley Rd., Heiskell, TN 37754 865-947-9776, Fax: 865-947-9778, raccoonvalley@escapes.com, raccoonvalley.escapesrvparks.com	\$23	\$30	\$138	\$180	\$400- \$525	\$445- \$570
TEXAS 	RAINBOW'S END 140 Escapes Dr., Livingston, TX 77351 936-327-1279, Fax: 936-328-8168, rainbowsend@escapes.com, rainbowsend.escapesrvparks.com	\$22 \$24	\$27.50 \$28.50	\$132 \$144	\$165 \$171	\$340+ \$360+	\$395+ \$415+
TEXAS 	TRA PARK 3100 Moore St., Pecos, TX 79772 432-447-2137, Fax: 432-447-3287, trapark@escapes.com, trapark.escapesrvparks.com	\$23	\$30.00	\$150	\$180	\$475- \$535	\$475- \$535

SKP Co-Ops (Escapes Members Only)

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ARIZONA	SAGUARO CO-OP 600 E. Saguaro Dr., #245, Benson, AZ 85602 520-586-7343, Fax: 520-586-4683, skpsaguaro@gmail.com, www.skpsaguaro.org	\$25 Incl CTV	+ Elec & tax	\$130 Incl CTV	+ Elec & tax	\$365 Incl CTV	+ Elec & tax
	ROVERS ROOST 3241 S. Montgomery Rd., Casa Grande, AZ 85193 520-426-3589, Fax: 520-421-0105, rovers_roost@yahoo.com, www.roversroost.com	\$20	+ tax	\$110	+ Elec & tax	\$375	+ Elec
	KOFA KO-OP 3750 E. County 17th St., Yuma, AZ 85365 928-344-0645, 928-344-0900, office@kofako-op.com, www.kofako-op.com	\$23	Incl Elec	\$100	+ Elec & tax	-	-
CALIFORNIA	JOJOBA HILLS RESORT 45120 Hwy. 79 S., Aguanga, CA 92536 951-767-9130, office@jojobahills.com, jojobahills.com	\$35 limited	Incl Elec	\$199	Incl Elec	-	-
	PARK SIERRA 45323 Park Sierra Dr., Coarsegold, CA 93614 559-206-9907, Fax: 559-671-0084, parksierra@gmail.com, www.parksierra.net	\$21-26	Incl Elec, WiFi & CTV	\$112	+ Elec Incl WiFi & CTV	\$420	+ Elec Incl WiFi & CTV
FLORIDA	THE RESORT 2219 SKP Way, Wauchula, FL 33873 <i>Discounted rates 5/1 - 10/31</i> 863-735-1499, Fax: 863-735-1994, skpresortwauchula@gmail.com, fl-skp-resort.org	\$20-23	+ Elec	\$140- 161	+ Elec	\$495- 575	+ Elec
NEVADA	PAIR-A-DICE 5150 Oakridge, Unit 2, Pahrump, NV 89048 775-727-7221, Fax: 775-727-3966, skppairadice@gmail.com	\$20	Incl Elec	\$125	Incl Elec	\$330	+ Elec
NEW MEXICO	THE RANCH PO Box 109, Lakewood, NM 88254 575-457-2303, Fax: 575-457-2100, skpranch@pvt.net, skpranch.com	\$23	+ Tax Incl Elec	\$150	+ Tax Incl Elec	\$450	+Elec & Tax
OREGON	TIMBER VALLEY 800 S. State St., Sutherlin, OR 97479 541-459-4465, skptimbr@rosenet.net, www.timbervalleyskp.com	\$27	Incl Elec	\$162	Incl Elec	\$410	+ Elec
TEXAS	LONE STAR CORRAL 131 Private Rd. 5240, Hondo, TX 78861 830-363-7623, Fax: 830-363-5110, info@lonestarcorral.com, lonestarcorral.com	\$20	+ Elec	\$110	+ Elec	\$325	+ Elec
WASHINGTON	EVERGREEN COHO 2481 Anderson Lake Rd., Chimacum, WA 98325 360-385-6538, Fax: 360-379-5669, ecrskp@escapes.com, www.cohoskp.com	\$33 Incl Elec	+ tax	\$198 Incl Elec	+ tax	\$495	+ Elec

- The plus symbol (+) is used to indicate "plus electric." Additional charges may apply for 50-amp electric, pull-thru and/or additional occupants.
- Prices are subject to change without notice. Contact parks for hours of operation and to verify rental fees before arrival.
- Receiving mail at Escapes Parks: Route your mail to General Delivery, City, State and Zip Code. Verify zip code by calling: 800-275-8777.
- Availability of rental spaces at SKP Co-Ops depends on members putting their lots into a rental pool while they travel. During the popular season, there may be few spaces left to rent. Call in advance to check the availability of rental sites.

EVENTS AND EXTRAS

55+ Park	30 AMP	50 AMP	# of Sites	ERPU Sites	Lease Lots	Pull-thru	Dry-camping	Storage	WiFi	Reservations	Activity Center	Clubhouse	Laundry	Dog Run	Pet Friendly
-	✓	✓	87	22	✓	-	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-	✓		107	0	✓	✓	✓	N	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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-	✓	✓	68	0	N	✓	✓	✓	N	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-	✓	✓	93	0	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-	✓	✓	68	0	N	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-	✓	✓	130	24	✓	✓	✓	N	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
-	✓	✓	175	0	N	✓	✓	N	✓	✓	N	N	✓	N	✓

-	✓	✓	297	n/a	✓	N	✓	✓	✓	N	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
✓	✓	✓	118	n/a	✓	N	✓	-	✓	N	N	✓	✓	N	✓
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Only Escapees members may purchase an SKP Co-Op membership (when one is available), and that membership entitles them to use a specified lot until they are deceased or sell the membership back to the corporation. Each SKP Co-Op sets its own rules and is self-governing with a board of directors elected by the members. Members share in the financial responsibilities of the SKP Co-Op. Operating expenses are shared equally among the membership by way of an annual maintenance fee. Most SKP Co-Op sites have buildings and other improvements that may add several thousand dollars to the buy-in price. Most also have a waiting list. Call individual parks for more information.

Raccoon Valley: Heiskell, TN

Local songwriters meet every Tuesday night. Thursday night, local jammers perform.

Jojoba Hills SKP Co-Op: Aguanga, CA

Join in the fun of many social activities. Enjoy pickleball, tennis, swimming, hiking, nightly games and Friday happy hour. Deserts and beaches are only one hour away. *Sunset* magazine calls nearby Temecula, "Disneyland for adults."

Pair-A-Dice SKP Co-Op: Pahrump, NV

First-time visitors receive their one-week stay for \$75; Make request at check-in. Call ahead for availability. No reservations. GPS: N36° 8.700'-W115° 58.000'

Park Sierra SKP Co-Op: Coarsegold, CA

Is Yosemite on your bucket list? Stay with us! Park Sierra is 25 miles from the southern entrance to Yosemite. Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks are only a day-trip away! The winter months are mild and the spring wildflowers are glorious. Visitors can enjoy \$50 off a week's stay! Visit our website or call for reservations.

RoVers Roost SKP Co-Op: Casa Grande, AZ

Max site length is 40'. First-time Escapees visitors will receive three days free when they pay for one week (\$110, plus tax/elec). Explore many activities from this central location. Activities update provided at daily social hours. Visit the website or call for details.

Saguaro SKP Co-Op: Benson, AZ

First-time visitors receive their week at a 50% discount, plus elec./tax. Visit www.SKPSaguaro.org and click "Special Offers" for details.

The Ranch SKP Co-Op: Lakewood, NM

Planning a trip to Carlsbad Caverns or the Guadalupe Mountains National Park? We're your place to stay: large sites, reverse osmosis water. First-timers one-week special: \$75 + elec and tax. Visit website for details.

The Resort SKP Co-Op: Wauchula, FL

Where shorts are always in season and lifelong friendships blossom. See our website for our many activities and amenities. Then visit our active park in quiet south-central Florida.

Lone Star Corral Co-Op: Hondo, TX

First-time Escapees visitors will receive 50% off one week stay, plus electric. Offer not valid for December or last full week in February. Your extended stay will allow you to explore the San Antonio area and Texas Hill Country. The park is only a two- to three-hour drive from the Gulf Coast and Mexico.

Timber Valley Co-Op: Sutherlin, OR

Join us in Oregon's banana belt. Large lots; more privacy. Costco, five chain grocery outlets within 12 miles. Walk to restaurants, churches; other amenities. Award-winning wineries, fishing, forest trails and wildlife. Waterfalls, 50 miles; ocean, 70 miles. Stay six nights, get a seventh night free!

Evergreen CoHo: Chimacum, WA

Explore Washington's Olympic Peninsula from Seattle to Victoria, B.C. You can enjoy art, biking, birding, breweries, casinos, cideries, concerts, distilleries, festivals, fresh local foods, hiking, kayaking, live music, wineries/wine routes and whale watching. Stay up to six months beginning October 1 (depart by May 31). Reserve now at Evergreen CoHo SKP Park, call 360-385-6538.

Birds of a Feather—Escapees Special Interest Groups

Escapees Birds of a Feather (BoF) groups share lifestyle interests. Expand your talents and share your knowledge. Whether you are a beginner or an expert, you are welcome.

Alternative Medicine: Newsletter about, but not limited to, herbs, vitamins, dietary ideas, natural healing, attaining and maintaining health. I also send BoF Extras and Bits&Pieces. Free e-newsletter. Send SKP# and e-mail address to thrivebydesignonline@outlook.com. Please include BoF or Escapees in the subject line. Joyce Langley #147115. 164 CR 2127, PO Box 302, Burkeville, TX 75932.

Amateur Radio: Newsletter is \$5 for three issues. Published January, May and September. Include name, amateur radio call sign, if licensed, SKP #, spouse's name, address, check and e-mail address to Forrest Clark, KC9YMH, SKP #110995, 411 Walnut St, PMB #10903, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043.

AVA America's Walking Club: AVA is a nationwide network of walking clubs. Its members arrange walks to local points of interest. We host walks throughout the year, and you're welcome to join America's Walking Club's events. The cost per person, per walk, is \$3. Membership in America's Walking Club is encouraged but not required. Members can earn pins and patches. To join BoF, send your name, SKP# and address to Susan Alton: avabof@aol.com

***NEW* Aviation History and Museums BoF:** Group to discuss and share aviation history, "Aircraft of the Month," museums visited and recommended (especially the small and obscure), aviation related photos and serve as a source for information. No dues. Contact Les Jones, at lescjones1@gmail.com or 713-201-5391. Also visit our Facebook: SKP Aviation History and Museums BoF.

Bikes, Boots 'n Paddles: Casual group (no dues/no newsletter) for those who like to read about or participate in cycling, walking and hiking and/or paddling activities. Meet at Escapades and informal gatherings or simply share experiences online. Share routes, trails, locations, equipment and photos. Facebook: "SKP Bikes, Boots 'N Paddles BoF." Nancy Cullinan: nancullinan@gmail.com

Boomers: Casual group (no rules/no officers/no cost) for those who have a youthful mindset. Members enjoy hiking, beading, biking, reading, 4-wheel drives or just sitting around the campfire. Monthly e-newsletter and Facebook group provide opportunities to share the RVing experience. Impromptu gatherings will pop up several times a year. Send your name and SKP# to: boomerBoF@gmail.com

Boondockers: Casual group (no dues) enjoying the dry-camping lifestyle. Bimonthly newsletter lists rendezvous. (Dry-camp spots not listed.) Stan/Mikki Vincent, subscription coordinators; Darryl and Judy Wilson, editors. To join, contact Judy Wilson, at: wilsonjudwil2@gmail.com

Christian Fellowship: The Christian Fellowship BoF is a gathering of Escapees believers drawing together to form a mobile church-without-walls for fellowship, fun, worship, spiritual growth and serving communities. We pray for and encourage one another without focusing on denominationalism. Meet at Escapades and Christian Fellowship BoF rallies. Visit www.cfbof.com. Membership is free. For rally information, contact Allen Ferguson, at fergizmo@thefergs.com

Computers: For all computer users. Info is exchanged by e-mail. To subscribe to the newsgroup, e-mail: skp-computer-bof+subscribe@googlegroups.com. Contact: Andrew Richardson, 204 Rainbow Drive #10474, Livingston TX 77399-2004; spun69@gmail.com

***NEW* Content Creators:** The Content Creators BoF is a group for anyone who publishes their RV adventures to YouTube, Instagram, Facebook, or any social media platform. We discuss content and

growth strategies, techniques, monetization and the ability to generate income. We coordinate meet-ups and collaboration videos throughout the year. Stuart Takehara: stuart@claimthevision.com

● DOVE (the Doves) • C-BoF: Hurricanes, tornados, floods, fires and disasters rarely give us notice when they will happen. The time volunteers give is crucial. When finances are at crisis levels in many organizations, the American Red Cross needs all the volunteer time (and money) we can give. Join the DOVES, and partner with the Red Cross to fill real needs. We'll help train and pair you with the right disaster response activity to provide life-sustaining assistance. For info, visit: www.dovebof.org or contact Brian, at president@doveBoF.org, or Don, at membership@dovebof.org (210-268-3931). Yearly dues: \$10.

Escapees Traveling Yogi: All welcome, from dedicated yogis to those curious about learning yoga. We practice yoga at Escapades, Convergences and other meetups; share recommendations for yoga teachers, studios, retreats and amazing places to practice. We support each other in progressing our practices/healthy lifestyles while we travel. We help those new to yoga. No dues. Join us on Facebook. Send name, SKP# and interest to Theresé: tbjulo@yahoo.com. Namaste

Friends of Bill W: This group meets at Escapades and other Escapees gatherings. There are no dues or fees. Find a meeting or stay in contact with each other while traveling. Contact Rachel King, Rachel3223@yahoo.com or 229-834-4776. Search for our Facebook group at "SKP BOF FOB" and follow questions to request joining.

Full-time Graduating Class: For those who have graduated from part-time to full-time RVing. Informal group/no newsletter or officers. Correspondence is via the Escapees Discussion Forum. Join your class by visiting the forum, at www.rvnetwork.com, select "Graduating to Full-Time" and year of your class.

Genealogy: SKP Genies. This group is all about friendship and family history. All communication is shared through a private Facebook group: SKP Genealogy BoF. There are no dues and the only membership requirement is to be a current member of Escapees. Contact Albert, at: skpgenies@gmail.com or SKP Genealogy BoF, 142 Rainbow Dr., #4228, Livingston, TX 77399-1042.

Geocache: We provide a link enabling members to connect with other SKP geocachers, share geocaching information, learn from others and discover if other SKP geocachers are nearby. The BoF hosts an annual multi-day rally, in Quartzsite, AZ, in late January, featuring morning seminars and afternoon caching outings. Communication is via Facebook or e-mail. No dues/fees. To join, contact Wendy: skpgeocacheBoF@gmail.com. Include address, names, SKP#, phone# and geocaching handle.

Hitches and Stitches: No muss, no fuss (no dues), chat in our private Facebook group, BoF Hitches and Stitches. Projects include working with fabrics by hand or machine, clothes, quilts, embroidery or crafts. We love them all. Share your successes and ask for help for the oops projects. Contact Karla at karla.kmika@gmail.com

***NEW* Jeepers:** Casual group (no rules/no officers/no cost) for those who enjoy automobile off-roading. Meet at Escapades, informal gatherings or share experiences online. Share routes, trails, locations, equipment and photos. Facebook: Off Road Jeepers BoF. To join, send your name and SKP# to: JeepersBOF@gmail.com

Line Dancers Unite: Join for free and to find classes, rallies and special events. Members contribute info on a city-by-city basis. Available websites feature line-dance class locations and special events. No dues or newsletters. To sign up, visit RVillage.com, click on "Groups" or "Search" and enter "Line Dancers Unite." In the left column, on the Group homepage, click "Join." To read posts, click "Group Forum" at the top of the page. Contact Margo, at: Margo@TheMaxwellGroup.net

Low-Carb Lifestyle: If you're eating low-carb, join us! We're here to support and encourage each other online as well as during Convergences or our own meetups. Recipes and tips are welcome. We meet online in our Facebook and RVillage groups. Send your name and SKP# to Tree Plant, treemama@gmail.com, contact Lauren, at: desertlemon@gmail.com or Melissa at melissakadorian@gmail.com

Nomadic Families: Brings RV families together to share info about our lifestyle. Our mission is to promote exploration and freedom while still maintaining a sense of community. It's a place for traveling kids/teens to make lasting connections with others, where they are treated as equals and encouraged to explore their surroundings, unhindered by societal standards. Our goals are to have many events each year, support Escapees/Xscaper family events and encourage our members to form their own gatherings. Contact: bofnomadicfamilies@gmail.com

NOMADS: Mission volunteers and individuals who travel with a purpose. A ministry of the United Methodist Church, specific to RVers who wish to be involved in Christian service. Membership is not dependent on church affiliation. Regular projects are three weeks, nationwide. Disaster rebuild projects may be one week or more. Parking (W,E,S incl.) is furnished. A current projects list is on NOMADS Website and visible to its members, but with nationwide sites. To join visit www.nomadsumc.org or contact Doris, at 318-613-6599/jakdori@gmail.com

Penwheels: Quarterly newsletter inspires, encourages and assists writers in all styles of writing, published or not. Join our new group forum at RVillage.com. Sign up for free. Then click search or groups, and enter "Penwheels" in the search field. Click "join group" to post. Send your Escapees membership number to Joanne Alexakis (joalexakis@earthlink.net) to add your name to the e-mail newsletter list or contact Penwheels editor, at ellenbehr@aol.com

Pet Lovers: For people who love animals. All pets welcome. Please join our Facebook group: Stay connected with animal-loving Escapees; receive notices of rallies and socials at Escapade. Juliet Whitfield: 970-729-2946, dogs@tailsfromtheroad.com, www.facebook.com/groups/EscapadesPetLovers

Prospecting and Metal Detecting: Share tips and information. To join our Yahoo! group SKP-PandMD, contact Ken Parsons by e-mail: rwsop606@gmail.com. to get roster and yearly newsletter. By e-mail, \$5; mailed, \$15 a year. We get together yearly for a week of prospecting and fun. Make checks payable to Peggy Devine, Treasurer, 2121 E Keenan Way, Pahrump, NV 89048. kokopeggi@gmail.com

***NEW* RVICS (Roving Volunteers in Christ's Service):** We are a volunteer non-denominational Christian ministry with a heart to serve the Lord during the years leading up to retirement and beyond. Our missionary teams provide a wide variety of maintenance, service and construction assistance to needy non-profit Christian organizations. Teams typically consist of four—six couples serving together for three week assignments (US and Canada). www.RVICS.org, 800-727-8914

SKP Freethinkers: The focus of this BoF is information, support and community for atheists, agnostics, skeptics and all those who reject supernatural belief. This BoF serves as a virtual meeting place and forum for like-minded SKPs. We have a Website with a forum, newsletter and private Facebook page. Media in electronic/membership is free. Visit www.skpfreethinkers.com or contact Howard Replogle, at: howardreplogle@SKPfreethinkers.com

SKP Photographers: For all photographers, casual to serious. Our goal is to help members have fun with photography and to improve

their skills through our free online newsletter, meetings at Escapades/rallies and in-the-field photo outings. To join: www.skpphotographers.com Brock Brinkerhoff/Janine Vance, skpphotographers@gmail.com

SKP UTV/ATV: Casual group of people who like to ride off road responsibly, discovering new places to camp and ride their UTV/ATV. Open to Escapees members. No dues. To join send your name and SKP# to: utvatv.bof@yahoo.com. Any questions, call Dick Hicks at 816-716-4776 or Tom Hardy at 619-904-4707.

SKP Wheels of Progress: Politically engaged moderates/progressives committed to constructively addressing public policy at every level of government. By establishing relationships with like-minded SKPs, we facilitate personal meetings. We strive to broaden our understanding of issues, policies and candidates for public office. We seek ways to strengthen our communities, nation and world by using our influence to bring about positive change. A closed Facebook group is used to connect. Free membership. To join, send SKP# to Larry Butler, at techcfo@yahoo.com

● SOLOs • C-BoF: A group for single Escapees. Must be a current member. Membership, \$11/year. Three newsletters per year, member-hosted gatherings and pre-Escapade rallies. Download member form: skpsolos.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/2021-12-03-Membership-Form.pdf. Print form, complete and send with check, payable to Escapees SOLOs. Send to: Escapees SOLOs, 1970 N. Leslie St #556, Pahrump, NV. 89060. Roy Kannada: royk1072@gmail.com

SOWERs (Servants on Wheels): A nondenominational ministry of born-again believers, we combine our love of RVing and service to our Lord as we volunteer to work with other Christian ministries throughout the U.S. and Canada. From our listing of approved ministries, we choose projects and months we work; www.sowerministry.org

Stonewall: Welcomes all gays, lesbians, bis, trans and their friends. An informal group, we gather at Escapades, Pride events and at Quartzsite, AZ, in January. We also gather on an "impromptu" basis at other events like Xscapers or Hangouts events. Communication is online, so we can meet each other as travels allow. Free to join/no newsletters, just good times with great people! Contact Sean Miller, at seansmiller1@gmail.com or Sky Renfro, tatmoof@yahoo.com

***NEW* Twist Your Throttle:** An informal Escapees group who share common interests in everything motorcycle. Group is open to all types of Escapees motorcycle riders, passengers and bikes. Our goal is to provide regular connections for motorcycle safety, repairs, rides and awareness through online presentations for Escapees who are on the move in an RV. No charge to join. Lucinda Belden: lucinda@dw.net, www.twistyourthrottle.com or www.facebook.com/twistyourthrottle.

Whole-Food, Plant-Based (WFPB): This WFPB BoF group is for those interested in learning about and sharing information, Science and recipes for the WFPB way of eating. This group focuses on science-based health reasons for eating a mostly plant-based diet. No fees or dues. We'll share information on a Facebook page, Whole-Food, Plant-Based BOF SKP. To join, contact Ray Hatch: ray_h1941@yahoo.com or Lodema Hatch: LO1942@hotmail.com

Woodcarvers on Wheels: This group meets annually at North Ranch, in Congress, Arizona, for a week-long workshop of carving, pyrography and more. We enjoy gathering at Escapade and anywhere else our paths may cross. Sharing ideas, patterns, hints and articles related to anything wood. To join, send name, address, SKP# and \$5/year to John Ely, 3213 W. Main, #279, Rapid City, SD 57702. Newsletter sent 3x a year. woodcarversonwheels@gmail.com

Worldwide Travelers: Members share information about independent RV and non-RV travel in countries around the world other than North America through their monthly e-newsletter. There is no charge for joining the group. For more information contact: Chari Maier, Newsletter Editor, at editorwwtnews@gmail.com. She will be delighted to get you signed up for the group and send you a sample e-newsletter.

RVers Good Neighbor Policy

Overnight Parking Etiquette

Dear Fellow RVers,

The Good Neighbor Policy was created in the early 90s by Escapees RV Club. Since then, it has become the industry standard code of conduct for overnight parking. We hope that the Good Neighbor Policy serves as a reminder that RVers must be respectful of the communities they visit.

Some of the most respected RV consumer clubs have joined Escapees to support your privilege to park on private businesses' property overnight under the following code of conduct:

Industry-sanctioned Code of Conduct (RVers Good Neighbor Policy)

1. Stay one night only!
2. Obtain permission from a qualified individual.
3. Obey posted regulations.
4. No awnings, chairs or barbecue grills.
5. Do not use hydraulic jacks on soft surfaces (including asphalt).
6. Always leave an area cleaner than you found it.
7. Purchase gas, food or supplies as a form of thank you, when feasible.
8. Be safe! Always be aware of your surroundings and leave if you feel unsafe.

**Preserve the privilege of overnight parking.
Follow the code and encourage others to follow it, too!**

If your plans include touring the area, staying for more than one night, or necessitate conduct not within the code, please relocate to a local campground. It's the right thing to do!

Most of the complaints lodged regarding RV parking on business parking lots have to do with aesthetics and perceived abuse of the privilege. There are a variety of competing interests that were balanced to arrive at this industry-sanctioned code of conduct. As you can see, the code of conduct is nothing more than an RVers "Good Neighbor" policy.

Not following the code has serious consequences and is detrimental to the rights of all RVers. Already, some municipalities have passed ordinances to prohibit parking on private business property overnight.

Please do not take offense to this letter; it is only provided as a reminder that RVers must be perceived as good neighbors or there will be more pressure to institute state, county and local ordinances to prohibit parking on private business property.

We wish you safe and happy travels,

 **ESCAPEES RV Club®**

Download a copy of the RVers Good Neighbor Policy at www.escapees.com/benefits/rv-advocacy





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MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Adventure, Education and Support Services

- Mail Forwarding Service with scanning option (domicile-compliant addresses in Texas, Florida and South Dakota)
- Strong RV advocacy coalition (protecting RVers' rights)
- Escapees Maps (plan your trip online)
- Escapees Job Board (looking for work or looking for hire)
- *Escapees* magazine (digital versions and archives online, too!)
- Escapade (annual Escapees club rally with education and social opportunities)
- RVers Boot Camp (fundamental RV training)
- SmartWeigh (accurate and detailed RV-weighing service)
- Member News (biweekly updates on events, benefits, and articles)
- RVers Online University (reliable, online RV education)
- RVNetwork.com (discussion forum for all RV-related topics)
- HOPs (unique land, sea and air adventures with Escapees)
- Chapters and BoF groups (fun ways to meet other RVers)
- Online "Articles and Blogs" section (2000-plus articles)
- Hangouts (meet up with other Escapees for fun, active experiences)

Association Specials

- Escapees Roadside Assistance
- Product discounts on tires, batteries, and more
- RV insurance (full-time RV specialists)
- Financial and legal services
- Service discounts
- Opportunities for additional savings through partnerships with other RV clubs and organizations
- CARE (rest, recover and recuperate)

A Comprehensive RV Park System

- Escapees Parking System—friendly, clean and fun. Reservations available.
- An extensive network of parks across North America, offering Escapees members 15-50% off overnight rates
- Home-base options, plus short- and long-term parking/leases

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION OR INFORMATION REQUEST

Mail to: Escapees RV Club, 100 Rainbow Drive, Livingston, TX 77351
Call: 936-327-8873 or Visit: www.escapees.com

I'm simply requesting an information kit and FREE copy of *Escapees* magazine. Payment information not required.

New Members

I am enclosing my annual membership fee of **\$49.95*** (Canada and Mexico, add \$10). All payments in U.S. currency. (Your address will not be sold.)

* With the exception of the veterans' discount, this special rate cannot be combined with other offers.

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Include my address in the members-only membership directory: Yes No

Please contact me about my local chapter: Yes No

Subscribe me to Club News e-mails: Yes No

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