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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Thanks to all of you who attended the luncheon/ meeting at the new location. Happy holidays to all. Enjoy, keep safe and see you down the road.

SKP HUGS
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MINUTES ESCAPEES SUNGATORS CHAPTER 57 FALL RALLY NOV. 2021

Call To Order: Meeting was called to order by Nathan Colter at 10:00 AM

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Nathan Colter
Introduction of Officers: Nathan Colter, President

Judy Hoffman, Vice President

Rose Irons, Secretary

Debby Thompson, Treasurer and Webmaster

Becky Lunde remains Editor of our Gator Tales. Marylin Forbes Sunshine Committee.

New Members and Adoptions:

Maria and Russell Sens were adopted by Nathan Colter

Susan and Denis King were adopted by Debby and Chick Thompson. Sincere welcome to Chapter 57.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes were read from our April 13, 2021 meeting by Rose Irons. Motion to accept by Chick Thompson and seconded by Peter Ward. No discussion followed. Motion carried. Minutes are found on our website and in Gator Tales.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's report was read by Debby Thompson for period April 1 – October 29, 2021.

Balance from previous report: [REDACTED]

Income: \$1,885.25

Expenses: \$2,329.87

October 29, 2021 Statement Balance [REDACTED]

 Unearned Dues \$361.00

 Treasurer \$26.48

 Sunshine \$11.00

Available Funds currently [REDACTED]

Please note that there has been no change in banks.

Motion to accept the treasure's report was made by Chick Thompson and seconded by Peter Ward. No discussion followed. Motion carried.

Sunshine Report: Marylin reports that no Get-Well Cards were sent out. Sympathy Card went to family of Sue Spahn. Nathan then recognized Sue for her long involvement in Chapter 57 and the Escapees community. Sue died following a brief illness shortly after our spring rally.

Old Business:

Judy Hoffman gave us an update on the Escapade in Wyoming including activities, Row responsibilities, and Escapees plans to help grow the organization. It's important to recruit

new members especially younger members. Getting members involved is important to Chapter growth. Assigned responsibilities, offer ZOOM meeting for members who cannot attend rally, make new members feel welcomed. Look beyond to recruit new, younger, and enthusiastic members. Invite guest to join rally and visit to see what we do at a rally. (Guest may visit twice but then needs to join.)

We are looking for someone to work the Row at Escapade in Tennessee 2022. Judy explained what the Row was and responsibility when you sit on the Row at an Escapade. Signing up new members and informing rally participants about our Chapter is an important part of being on the Row. If you agree to sit on the Row, the chapter will pay your rally fee.

Thanks Judy for representing Chapter 57 and the SKP Resorts in Florida at the last Escapade.

New Business:

Debby updated everyone on our chapter website. All current information can be found on the website. www.sungators.net Password for members section of website is [REDACTED]

Rose updated on future events. Please check website and Gator Tales for all events.

Nathan explained importance of hosts for upcoming rallies in spring and fall 2022. We are currently updating our Host Guidelines.

Motion to adjourn was made by Larry Forbes and seconded by Chick Thompson. Meeting adjourned at 11:10 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

ROSE IRONS
SECRETARY

Treasurer's Report – 10-29/2021 – 11/30/2021

Escapees Chapter 57, Florida Sun Gators

10/29/21, Balance from Prior Report [REDACTED]

Income:

November Rally Income \$405.00

CARE \$285.00

Dues \$50.00

Decals \$8.00

Total Income:

\$748.00

Expenses:

April Rally Expenses \$357.68

CARE \$285.00

Treasurer \$71.31

Gifts \$50.00

Total Expenses: \$763.99

11/30/21 Bank Statement Balance [REDACTED]

Unearned Dues (2022 amount \$207.00) \$411.00

10/29 Available Funds [REDACTED]



Sunshine Report

I have sent out only 1 card since the last newsletter. It was sent to Sherwood Cook on Nov. 13 as his wife Linda passed away.

Please let me know if any get well or sympathy cards are needed. I can be contacted by email at mforbes37796@gmail.com or by text or phone at 352-552-0132. Have a wonderful holiday. I look forward to seeing many of you at our January lunch in

Zephyrhills.

SKP Hugs,

Marilyn Forbes, Sunshine Lady

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER:

Please note the current Treasurer's (Debby Thompson) address at the bottom of the attached roster for your 2022 dues. If you need to know if you owe 2022 dues, contact Debby at gator57banker@gmail.com. Please also contact Debby (gator57banker@gmail.com) with any questions or corrections for the roster.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:



Nathan Colter adopted Maria & Russell Sens



Rich & Marie adopted Bill & Rita Sox



Chick & Debby Thompson adopted Susan & Denis King

POT LUCK PAGE



Chicken Pot Pie (From Becky's Kitchen!)

Microwave at 100% for 5 minutes 1 Cup Mixed Frozen Vegetables. Add ¼ Cup Milk and ¼ Cup Water. Add to this about 2 Cups leftover cooked Chicken. Put in 10" pie plate.

cut up



Crust: Using same bowl, mix/stir by hand 1 Cup Flour, 1 Cup Milk and 1 stick melted butter/margarine. Pour over the above. Bake 400 degrees for 45 minutes. ENJOY! (This recipe is so easy plus you only dirty one bowl and the pie plate!)

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

The closing of the Golden Corral in Clermont, FL came suddenly. As a result, our monthly luncheons will now be at the Golden Corral in Zephyrhills, FL. At the November lunch, we had 28 in attendance. Our waitress in Clermont for so many years, Ruth, is now working at the Celebration Golden Corral, 6077 W. Irlo Bronson Memorial Hwy., Celebration, FL. All are invited to this location on January 13, 2022 at 11:00 am to celebrate Ruth and wish her well. This luncheon is in addition to the regular first Thursday of the month lunch to be held in Zephyrhills. Mark your calendar! Hope to see many of you at both luncheons!



MEMBER NEWS AND TRAVELS

Peg Gifford:

No news from me, of course, other than I sure enjoy living vicariously through my Chapter 57 friends. I'm tentatively hoping to spend a few weeks in FL early 2022, but all is up in the air until Covid totally disappears....I'm still being super vigilant. My co-chair of our recent 60-plus-one class reunion lost a son to covid late October. Although she lives nearby here in upstate NY, her son was in Florida. Praying for safety for everyone -- and keep your guard (and masks) up!

Merry Christmas



Mark & Carol Kenderdine:

We are doing fine. We just moved (on Saturday), from a second floor apartment to a first floor apartment. It was getting too hard for Mark to make the 14 steps up & down. Unfortunately, we are not going to renew our Escapees membership. We are no longer RVers & with Mark's diagnosis, our travelling days are over.

Our address is:

213 Maple Ave Apt D59

Horsham PA. 19044

My new number is 267-372-1285

Mark's is 267-370-0246 (but he won't answer the phone)

I hope everyone is doing well. We will really miss getting together with all of you. If you are ever in the area, please look us up.

Lynn & Becky Lunde:

In the last newsletter, we said we would be spending the month of October at Lady Bird Johnson Campground in Fredericksburg, TX camping with Lynn's twin sister and husband. We had a great time. Fredericksburg is a very unique and historic German town filled with



restaurants, shops, and festivals. Three out of the four weekends, we attended festivals. The other weekend, we kicked up our boots in the cowboy town of Luckenbach. This town has a population of 3 that swells to 100's with all the cowboys and cowgirls that come to listen, dance, and party. It was fun! If you are feeling brave, nearby is Enchanted Rock at 1,823 ft. at

the summit. There are so many people that go on this hike that reservations are required. It had a nice view, but was not an easy hike. Also, in our camp area we visited Camp Verde which is noted for its historic days of having Camels. The camel experiment began in 1854 when Congress appropriated \$30,000 for the Army to experiment using camels to transport supplies. At one time there was 100 camels in residence at the fort. But when the fort was deactivated in 1869, the experiment ended. Camp Verde is in the middle of nowhere and surprisingly has a nice restaurant and shops. We took most of the month of November to make our way back to Florida, for the winter. We wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year!

Editor's Note: As your Newsletter Editor, I will do my best to interesting read, and provide accurate information. To make the be, please email me articles on where you have been or where articles on how to fix things on your RV. Send me funny other words, I need your input, and would really appreciate it. for the Gator Tales to me via email (lblunde@aol.com).

may be used in a collage, or cropped for space. JPG format is to include all articles in the current issue. I look forward to receiving lots of articles from everyone. The newsletter deadlines are March 15th, September 15th, and December 15. Thank you for your participation. I hope you enjoy this issue.



make the newsletter an newsletter the best it can you are going. Send me articles or poems. In Please submit any articles Pictures are welcome and preferred. I will attempt

Becky Lunde Enjoy the Holidays! Thank you to all who submitted articles for this issue!

JUST FOR LAUGHS

1. What did the peanut butter say season to be jelly!
2. What does the Gingerbread Man



to the grape on Christmas? Tis the use to make his bed? Cookie sheets

3. What do you call an outlaw who steals gift wrapping from the rich to give to the poor?
Ribbon Hood
4. How is the alphabet different on Christmas from every other day? There's Noel!
5. Why do Dasher and Dancer love coffee? Because they're Santa's star bucks!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Florida Escapees Gathering For Lunch

Luncheons are held the first Thursday of the month (**November thru April**) at 11am at Golden Corral, 6855 Gall Blvd. in Zephyrhills, FL.

Chapter 57 Spring Rally –April, 2022

When: April 4-8, 2022
 Where: Morningside RV Estates, 12645 Morning Drive, Dade City, FL 33525
 Rally Hosts: Need Hosts
 Site Fees: \$35.00 per night including 2 days each side of rally
 Reservations: Call the resort at 352-523-1922

Chapter 57 Fall Rally –November, 2022

When: November 6-10, 2022
 Where: Paradise Oaks RV Resort, 4628 CR 475, Bushnell, FL 33513
 Rally Hosts: Hosts: Linda Ward, Susan King, Carina Cardarelli
 Site Fees: \$? per night including 2 days each side of rally
 Reservations: Call the resort at 352-793-1823

FUTURE ESCAPADES:

When: June 19-24, 2022
 Where: Wilson County Fairgrounds, Lebanon, TN

When: 2023
 Where: Tucson, AZ

SKP ACRE Rally – April 18-24, 2022

When: April 18-24, 2022 (Boot Camp April 15-17, 2022)
 Where: River Vista Mountain Village, Dillard, GA

(For further information on this rally, go to <https://skpacre.weebly.com>).

Chapter 57 Membership Application

Please complete the information below. Then give or send to, along with cash or your check made out to: "Florida Sun Gators Chapter 57", to Treasurer: Debby Thompson, 411 Walnut Street #6878, Green Cove Springs, FL 32043-3443.

Please Print Clearly: Checks payable to Sun Gators Ch. 57

Name(s): _____ SKP #: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Addresses: _____

Telephone No(s): _____

Check all that apply: _____ RENEWAL, or _____ NEW _____ \$5 one-year membership _____ \$20 five year membership

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Press 1 & listen to Nathan Colter's message

Next Newsletter Deadline

MARCH 15, 2022

PICTURES FROM THE FALL SKP CH. 57 RALLY NOV. 8-12, 2021 AT MORNINGSIDE





