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# Nor'Easter

**ESCAPEES NORTHEAST CHAPTER 3** 

FALL 2012

# Chapter 3 SPRING RALLY 2013

**JUNE 12-16** 

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Wednesday, June 12	5:30	Early Bird Dinner out
Thursday, June 13	7:30 - 9	Continental Breakfast
<del></del>	9 – 3	Registration & Set Up
	4 – 6	Happy Hour (BYOB)
	6 – 8	Welcome Dinner
	8 - 10	Campfire
Friday, June 14	7:30 - 8:30	Continental Breakfast
	8:30 - 4	To be announced
	4 – 5	Happy Hour (BYOB)
	6 – 8	Pot Luck Dinner
	8 – 10	Campfire
Saturday, June 15	7:30 - 9	Continental Breakfast
-	9 – 4	To be announced
	4 – 6	Happy Hour (BYOB)
	6 – 8	Barbecue
	8 – 10	Campfire
Sunday, June 16	7:30 - 8:30	Continental Breakfast
	9 – 12	To be announced
	12 – 1	Break Camp
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## President's Message

Summer is almost over and we are now looking forward to cooler weather and planning our winter travels.

The LobsterFest was a great time as usual, thanks to all the volunteers and members old and new.

A new vice president and treasurer were elected. **John and Maureen DeRoy** respectively. Thank you both so much for your continued support and club participation. The chapter will only continue to flourish when members step up and volunteer for these officer positions. Next August we will be electing a president and secretary. Start now and think about putting your name in for nomination.

A BIG thank you to **Judy Penman** for serving as treasurer for so many years. She has tirelessly and without complaint worked for the chapter in many capacities. We are so grateful. Judy, enjoy your retirement.

**Ron Scopa** has passed the duties of VP to John DeRoy but will remain as webmaster and will be putting the offsite website link back on soon.

A special thank you to **Jim and Lucy Rae** who will be Chapter 3's Row Representatives at the Sedalia, MO Escapade. The Escapade this year is being held Sept 16-21. The Row will be inside at the Commercial Building — with a table and 2 chairs provided for each group. We will be sharing this building with crafts — which should attract a lot of visitors. If you will be attending the Escapade, stop by and say hello to the Raes.

Maybelle Auclair is going to have surgery on Sept. 14, so please send prayers and

good thoughts her way.

Also please remember to send **Sherril** your travel or weekend trips and tips, favorite campgrounds, tourist attractions etc. to be included in your newsletter. (sherril.bover@att.net)

Until Ron & I see you again, happy travels, good times and SKP Hugs,

Joan

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– <u>Yogi Berra</u>



## www.Escapees.com

Have you checked the NEW Escapees website? <a href="www.escapees.com">www.escapees.com</a> It's been redesigned and reorganized with a whole new look.

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

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

To go direct to our Chapter 3 Site use

http://northeastchapter3.weebly.com/

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## Minutes from LobsterFest



Meeting – August 18, 2012 Pumpkin Patch RV Resort - Hermon, ME

- Ron Scopa, vice president, gave initial receipts and costs of the rally.
- Joan Hurd, president, called the meeting to order and introduced our newest members:
   Carol & Charles Bennett, Delores & Bill Sacrider, Judy & Paul Johnson, Mary & Jonathan
   Lockwood, Ginger & Tom Boal, Jan & Bill Andras, Jenny & Charles Morrison and our VCR's
   Marilyn and Larry Forbes.
- **Tracey Magee**, secretary, read the minutes from the previous meeting. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as read.
- With the Treasurer **Judy Penman** not in attendance, Joan Hurd reported treasury balance of \$1,420.73 before the rally.
- New business:

**Larry Forbes** spoke on the SKP website and reported the latest SKP # is 111527. He also recommended a Facebook group site be made for Chapter 3 members as a way to keep in touch and informed. Camping World is no longer giving money to CARE, so receipts should no longer be sent in. A reminder was also given on the Escapades rally in Gillette, Wyoming, September 16-21.

**Tracey Magee** made a motion to nominate **Maureen DeRoy** for treasurer. Motion was seconded by Joan Hurd and accepted.

**Fran Lambert** and **Ron Scopa** nominated **John DeRoy** for vice president. Motion was seconded by Joan Hurd and accepted.

A new Chapter 3 site on the Escapees web page has been created and is maintained by Ron Scopa. Check it out at <a href="www.escapees.com/chapter3">www.escapees.com/chapter3</a> and go to the bottom of page to the "click here main chapter website". Lots of new info.

**Marilyn Forbes** awared Appreciation Certificates to Ron Scopa for his work as VP and to Judy Penman for her work as treasurer and swore in **Maureen & John DeRoy** to take their places.

Lucy & James Rae volunteered to be "Row" Escapade Representatives in MO.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting and Joan hit the gavel.

*Tracy Magee*, secretary



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– <u>Charles</u> <u>Kuralt</u> Nor'Easter Page 4

# WagonMaster's Report for LobsterFest

The Northeast Chapter 3 annual summer rally was held again at the Pumpkin Patch RV Resort in Hermon, Maine from Wednesday, August 15 through Sunday, August 19.

On Tuesday, Rally Eve, most of the early arrivals joined us for a Dutch-treat, pre-rally dinner at Angler's Restaurant in nearby Hampden. Approximately 30 rally-goers caravanned over and occupied the rear dining room at the restaurant. As the year before, the fare choices were many, and delicious.

The rally officially began on early Wednesday afternoon:

- Registration: new member enrollment and existing member renewals; seafood orders for Saturday were also taken.
- Attendees wishing to participate in the Iron Chef contest and/or willing to volunteer to assist with the rally were able to sign up.

After the above concluded it was time for the very popular social hour, which was followed by the complimentary Welcome Dinner which, this year, featured **Marcia Hodgkin's** fish chowder and **Joan Hurd's** taco delight. A tray of cookies served as dessert for the evening.

To round out the first evening, rally attendees had their choice of a campfire get-together, play games in the campground's activity building, or do their own thing.

On Thursday morning rally attendees were offered a complimentary continental breakfast consisting of coffee, tea, orange juice, doughnuts, bagels, toast or English muffins. This same breakfast offering was available every day.

Also scheduled for Thursday morning was a book swap and crafts indoors, or games in the activity building



and games outdoors. Later on Thursday afternoon a brown bag auction was conducted. Members could donate something to the cause, hide it in a bag, and sell it through an auction, to raise money for the chapter treasury. \$203 was earned by the auction for the benefit of the chapter.

Concurrent with the afternoon social hour, attendees had the opportunity to sample a selection of wines, offered by a local winery, in the campground activity building.

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Just prior to the social hour on this day, the Iron Chef hors d'oeuvres contest took place. Three members of the Pumpkin Patch staff served as judges. The winning entry was created by Russell Magee, edging out, narrowly, several other delicious entries.

Our pot-luck supper closed



out the day's events, since, due to showers, the evening campfire had to be canceled.

Friday's breakfast menu included "omelets in a bag" in addition to the standard offerings. Following breakfast all attendees had a free day to do as they wished, before coming back together for the social hour and later, for two hours for music and dancing with **Rockin' Ron and The New Society Band**, hired again after bringing the house down last year.

Russell Magee's PINA COLADA SHOOTERS 2 packages of pineapple Jello 2 cups boiling water 2 cups of coconut rum Shredded coconut Put Jello in a bowl and stir in 2 cups boiling water. Stir until dissolved. Add the 2 cups of coconut rum and stir until mixed. Put plastic wrap right down on the top of the Jello mix to avoid a rubbery top. Refrigerate until set up. Layer in a plastic shot glass - spoonful of Jello, shredded coconut (to taste), more Jello, more coco-

Enjoy it all yourself or share with friends!

On Saturday, after breakfast, a concerted effort to make **Lobsterfest Day** a success began. Volunteer efforts were so huge, and so effective that the feast was ready 15 minutes ahead of schedule!

After the feast, the annual Chapter 3 meeting took place with **President Joan Hurd** at the helm. Joan reintroduced the VCRs, **Larry and Marilyn Forbes** who addressed the throng with annuncements concerning Escapees, and up and coming Escapee events.

Club election of officers was next on the agenda. Neither the current vice-president nor treasurer wished to be nominated again, so both offices had to be filled by other willing people.

John "Doc" Deroy was nominated and chosen to be the next vice president. Maureen Deroy was nominated and selected to be the next treasurer. Next year the offices of president and secretary will be up for reelection.

Later in the early evening after the ice cream social that included a rally cake, and a group photograph of this year's attendees was taken. Next, the 50-50 raffle drawing was conducted. The winner of half of the \$240 collected was VCR **Marilyn Forbes.** (The remaining \$120 was sent to the CARE facility in Livingston, TX immediately after the rally).

Next, the door-prizes were distributed to the winners. The top prize, a flag set, fabricated and donated to the club by **Fran Lambert**, was won by **John DeRoy**.

Allegiance to the flag was pledged by all attendees using John's new flag.

Saturday's final event was the Chapter 3 Kangaroo Court. "Sheriff" **Chet Price** brought many of the rally members up on charges before the Court. Presiding "Judge" **Fran Lambert**, who was high due to a "Moxie" overindulgence, handed out stiff fines, collecting in excess of \$41, to the benefit of the chapter's treasury. The Kangaroo Court was a hilarious final curtain to Saturday's festivities.

Sunday morning featured a breakfast of blueberry pancakes and scrambled eggs as a concluding highlight of the 2012 Northeast Chapter 3 annual summer rally.

Many thanks to the volunteers, who stepped up and performed the many ancillary duties and tasks necessary to make a rally of this magnitude successful.

Also, thanks to the 55 attendees of this rally, without whom there wouldn't **be** a rally.

Ron Scopa, 2012 Lobsterfest wagon master











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