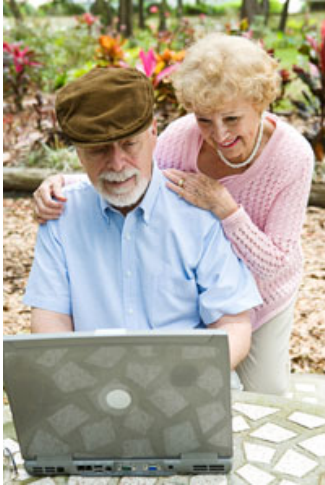


CLUB NEWS – Are You Watching Your Pennies?

From Escapees RV Club

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The good news is that you can keep your expenses down and still have a blast with your RV by enjoying the support and camaraderie of one (or more!) of the many Escapees chapters located across the U.S., Canada and Mexico.



Chapters offer social opportunities integrated with area attractions and local events. Chapter rallies are typically held within a few hours drive of a chapter's home-base area where get-togethers can feel like a family reunion with good, food, good friends, and good times.

Sometimes chapters lure you to interesting places outside their normal geographical territories when they partner up for combined-state rallies such as the tri-chapter rally (chapters 6, 36, and 51) June 18-21 in Hillsdale, Michigan. Other times chapters may put on a rally that is wrapped around education such as the [Computer Rally](#) hosted by Chapter 48, May 10-15, in Winterset, Iowa.

So, even if you are pinching your pennies and staying closer to home, there is no reason to be bored or out of touch with fellow RVers. Check out the lengthy list of the adventures put on by an Escapees chapter near you!

Remember, you don't have to be a chapter member or even an Escapees member to attend a chapter event as a guest! If you haven't taken an opportunity to see what everyone is raving about, this is your chance!

Special Chapter Highlights

April 29 – May 2, Chapter 17 (Eureka Springs, Arkansas). The Ozark chapter will enjoy their spring rally at the Wanderlust RV Park. There will be lots of activities, good eating and ample time to enjoy the sights and springtime with a trolley, carriage or walking tour of historic downtown Eureka Springs! Call 479-253-7385 to reserve an RV spot, or contact Ken and Cheryl Roberts (kroberts47@cox.net) for more information.

April 29 – May 3, Chapter 10 (Murchison, Texas). The East Texas & Louisiana spring rally will take place at the Staway Ranch. While there are many attractions to see and enjoy during this rally, the "First Monday Trade Days" tops the list with hundreds of acres of crafts, tools, pets, and just about anything else you can think of available to shoppers. You will also find the Rose Capital of the Nation in nearby Tyler, TX, where nearly 40,000 bushes and 500 varieties of

roses are on display. There is truly something for everyone to enjoy, including lots of meals, games and camaraderie at this rally.

May 10-15, Chapter 48 (Madison County Fairgrounds, Winterset, Iowa).

Gene and Sandy Teggatz, rally coordinators (and Escapade speaker/instructors), invite you to travel to the Midwest to participate in the annual computer rally hosted by the Iowa Wild Roses Chapter. This rally is dedicated to learning more about your computer, featuring presentation sessions on a variety of computer topics. There will be time to practice new skills and get questions answered. Computer users with all levels of experience are welcome. A tentative schedule and more information are available at the Chapter 48 Website:

www.iowaskpchapter48.com. You may also e-mail questions to siteggatz@gmail.com.

May 16, Chapter 34 (Troutdale, Oregon). All Escapees members and prospective members are invited to the Wood Village Camping World Store in Troutdale, Oregon from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. to learn more about the Columbia River Chapter 34 and/or Escapees RV Club. Escapees members will receive a coupon for 10 percent off your merchandise. If you are a prospective member and decide to join the club, you may also receive the 10-percent discount purchase coupon.

May 15-17, Chapter 46 (Lake Carlyle Corp Park, Illinois). This event takes place at beautiful Lake Carlyle at the Corp Park McNair group camping facility. While the Lincolnland Chapter's spring rally only lasts from the 15th-17th, the fun doesn't stop there! **May 18-24, the Rolling Rally begins!** Those interested in a leisurely stroll to the [Escapade in Sedalia, MO](#), can join the Chapter 46 rolling rally. There will be visits to Mark Twain country (Hannibal, MO), then they'll roll on over to Independence for several days of Wild West and President Harry Truman history. There will be a wagon-train ride and chuckwagon cookout with entertainment. Attendees will also learn about the border wars between Missouri and Kansas, have a tour of the National Frontier Trails Museum (Independence was the starting point for the Santa Fe, Oregon, and California Trails), explore some Civil War sights, and have lots of happy hours to remember. In case you need to customize your travel plans to arrive at Escapade early, the rolling rally will be on a pay-as-you-go basis. For more information, visit <http://www.escapees.com/chapter46/default.asp>.

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June 5-7, Chapter 41 (Elizaville, New York). The scenic and historic Hudson Valley is the site of the NYSKPs Spring Rally. Along with host-planned activities from Friday afternoon through Sunday morning, there are endless opportunities in the area for sightseeing, walking, hiking, biking, and paddling. All RV sites at Brook-N-Wood Campground are full-hookup with cable. To reserve your spot or for further information contact Carol Berggren at jc5thwhel@aol.com.

June 9–12, Chapter 22 (Chemainus Gardens RV Park, B.C., Canada)

Celebrating their 20th anniversary the Van Islanders invite you to join them on Vancouver Island in beautiful British Columbia. The theme of the rally is “Western,” so bring your Western gear! The rally fee if paid in advance is \$25. If paid at the rally, the fee will be \$30. For information, e-mail bob.mo2@juno.com.

June 11-14, Chapter 3 (Bellingham, Massachusetts). The Northeast Chapter is having its first rally of the year at Circle CG Farm Campground.

Wagonmasters have planned a fun-filled weekend that includes a day trip to Brookline, MA to see the stained glass window in All Saints Church, a tour of the John F. Kennedy birthplace, plus tours of the Larz Anderson Auto Museum or the Samuel Adams Brewery. Each evening there will be a campfire, games and time to get to know others. You can get a 10-percent discount if you call Ann at 508-966-1136 no later than May 9 to book your “**Escapees Rally**” site.

June 9-12, Colorado Chapter Rally (Pueblo South/Colorado City, Colorado).

Bill Borger and Leslie Thomas are excited to bring a rally to Colorado and hope to reactivate a chapter that will include all of Colorado! There will be time to enjoy and explore with close access to Great Sand Dunes, the Narrow Gauge Railroad, river walking or rafting, and the Royal Gorge. Nearby Colorado Springs attractions include Garden of the Gods, Air Force Academy, Pikes Peak, Seven Falls and much more. So come and enjoy the activities they have planned and then take time to see this beautiful state. For more information e-mail billnlesleotr@escapees.com.

For a complete list of chapter events, go to [Escapees Rally Calendar](#).

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