



## ESCAPEES – GOLD NUGGET CHAPTER 24

### March/April 2019 NEWSLETTER

#### **President's Report**

Well, here we are in 2019!!! Hope this finds each of you in good health and happily RVing.

2018 closed quickly, but not quietly. As you all know Northern California was hit with several tragic fires that affected some of our members or their families. We are very proud that as a chapter we were able to donate to those who are members of Chapter 24. They each graciously sent "thank-you" notes which are available for you to read (except one from the Tweedies, which has gone missing).

In a quick review of the six rallies in 2018, I noticed that we had 7 members who attended at least 5 of the 6 rallies. Andres, Blanchetts, Fridays, Honigs, Johnsons, Messers and Moultons... way to go!!! We had a little over 50% of all members attend at least one rally. Hoping we will nudge that number closer to 60% in 2019!

We also want to honor those who hosted in 2018. These are the folks who have kept us humming along with planned food and fun. Many, many thanks to them!!!

**March: Barnes/Moulton**

**April: Peters/Ziegler**

**July: Edwards/Squire**

**August: No Host (Everyone pitched in)**

**September: Froslic/Trimmer**

**October: Evert/Mount**

**December: Barney/Messer (Rally was canceled)**

Attached to this email, you will also see the updated 2019 Rally Schedule. Be sure to mark your calendars with not only the dates of the event, but also the last day to register (we don't want you missing out!).

A last fyi ...

The next time you renew your Escapees membership, they have a new option. This option will allow you to choose to automatically renew each year, saving you the time/trouble of remembering to go online or send a check. Personally, I like having this option for many of the places where I know I'll always renew my membership.

Safe Travels and hope to see each of you at a Rally, soon!

~Jackie Friday



Communications

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Dec 6, 2018

Dearest Jackie,

The very first mail we received in our post office box was the lovely letter you sent with the check from Chapter 24. What a kind, caring gesture from our\_group to each of us affected by the "Campfire" fire. I will never think of a campfire in the same way I used to. It use to remind me of warmth, s'mores & friendship, not angry roaring consuming flames, leaving thousands homeless and hurting. We plan to sell the motorhome as soon as we are sure we have a house to give someone else a home. We will worry about a rig for outings later. This being the anniversary of our 16<sup>th</sup> year together we remember so many have been so caring & kind during this loss. We want you to know you are loved and appreciated for being there for us. We can never thank everyone for the calls and cards. We appreciate every one of you that has reached out to us at this time.

Love, Lois & George Barnes

(Follow-up Christmas Card)

Thanks for your help. The furniture depot has the necessary items ready for us as soon as we let them know the closing. Should be Wed, Thurs, or Fri depending on what Title Co. has open. The club has been more than generous and it is greatly appreciated. The phone will be 530-727-6146. New address on envelope.

Love, Lois and George

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Chapter 24, Gold Nugget Friends,

We just can't come up with the correct words to thank you for our gift. We truly do appreciate your thoughtfulness.

We are moving on, looking for a new home in the Sacramento area near 3 of our children. We welcome the opportunity to start a new season of our life. So very thankful to have our RV to live in for now.

Your gift will come in handy to offset unexpected expenses in relocating.

Looking forward to seeing you in the future.

With a big SKP Hug for each of you.

(Follow up note - continued)

Chapter 24 Friends,

We thank you again for your generous gift of money and good wishes.

We're taking one day at a time and moving on.

We've purchased a home in Natomas (North Sacramento) which closes on the 4<sup>th</sup> of January. It will take time to prepare for move in and purchase home furnishings.

Doug is having heart problems again. Travel plans on hold for now.

Our Lord is taking wonderful care of us as we recover.

Hope to see you soon.

Doug and Cleona Green

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Chapter 24,

Gerry and I would like to thank all of you for the generous check. It will help us make a new start. We still haven't been able to enter Paradise so we don't know the status, however, it will be a long time before the town is rebuilt. Again, thank you all for your generosity!

[Gerry and Marilyn Vroomman]

(Follow-up Thank You card)

Jackie,

Please express our appreciation to members of Chapter 24 for their generosity. It was greatly appreciated.

Hugs,

Gerry & Marilyn

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**Sunshine Report**

Marilyn Johnson reports that she sent cards to Bob & Naomi Tweedie, George & Lois Barnes, Doug & Cleona Green, and Gerry & Marilyn Vroomman for the Paradise fire. A sympathy card was sent to Naomi Tweedie for the loss of her sister, Lou Vincent. A Get Well card will be going out to George Barnes who had hernia surgery.

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