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MONTHLY MEETING

Chapter 9 members meet the second Wednesday of each month at 9 am, during breakfast, at Abby's Legendary Pizza, 1011 W. Central Avenue in Sutherlin, Oregon.

A signup sheet is located in the Timber Valley SKP clubhouse, as we need to know by Tuesday how many are planning to be there.

All Escapees are welcome!

Other Chapter 9 events will be announced in <u>Trailer</u> <u>Tracks</u> or on the Chapter 9 page of our website, www.timbervalleyskp.com

Let's Have Enligtening Experiences This December

By Rick DeYoung

Wherever you Chapter 9 members are this Christmas season, please take time to enjoy this Christmas season and to share your joy with others.

If you will be in Sutherlin, please join us for two separate Day Trips, which should prove to be "enlightening experiences." Both events will begin at the Sutherlin Resource Center, at 106 East Central Avenue in Sutherlin. The Resource Center is a non-profit entity, primarily serving school age children. Its Director is Zada Wright.

On Thursday, December 13, we will return to see the Annual Festival of Lights, at River Forks Park (in Roseburg). The Festival of Lights features 500,000 lights, with over 90 displays and animated Characters from Disney's Frozen World's Largest Nutcracker. Free 3D glasses and candy canes are offered. All of us who went last year raved about it

The Resource Center provides the bus each year and all members of the public are invited. This year we will meet at the Resource Center in time to board the bus and Chapter 9 will provide suitable snacks and beverages before and after the bus

arrives. There will be no charge for the bus trip, or for the snacks.

Bus boarding begins about 5:30 p.m. and will depart as soon as the bus is fully loaded. Members who wish can also take their personal vehicles to see the Festival of Lights; the Roseburg Rotary Club charges only \$10 per carload.

On Saturday, December 15, we will return to the Resource Center and use it as a base to watch Sutherlin's famous Timber Town Toyland Electric Light Parade. Again, all members of the public will be invited to use the facility and Chapter 9 will provide free suitable snacks and beverages for all who choose to join us to watch all the big trucks and other vehicles decorated for this classic annual Central Avenue parade.

More details will be provided at our monthly breakfast on Wednesday, December 12 at Abby's Legendary Pizza in Sutherlin. Planning for the food and beverages for these events is being handled by Assistant VP Terry Hilti and she will be telling us more, and asking for volunteers to help serving the snacks and drinks to those who participate.

Becky's Corner

This is the time of year to reflect. What has

happened? Who has come into and gone out of our lives? What are we grateful for?

I have learned that I am not in control. There are events in life that happen that I would not choose...and I have to struggle to be grateful for them. However, there are people in my life (and yours) that are willing to just stand by. We/They can't "help" the situation, but they are willing to stand by and encourage us to continue. I'm grateful for friends and family that have stood by. Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and have a wonder-filled New Year!

Chapter 9 Monthly History Through 2004

By Jackie Deal

2003, February 1, the Space Shuttle Columbia disintegrated on reentry into the earth's atmosphere. Remember that? March 20 began the US/Coalition invasion of Iraq. And July 30, in case you didn't know, the last "old style" Beetle (Volkswagen) rolled off the assembly line in Mexico.

Chapter Nine minutes for 2003 are not as newsworthy as the events of the year. May minutes listed planned rallies: Timber Valley in May, Coos County Park in June, Osprey Point in Sept. Rallies made a small profit: \$144.91 and \$89.00. June 25 minutes warned of a possible raise in camp site fees.

Sept 11, 2003 minutes read: "Mention was made of the \$1418.00 sent to CARE, a combination Spaghetti Feed put on by our chapter and Jacks and Jills." It doesn't seem possible that a spaghetti feed made \$1418.00, probably that is an accumulated amount; the minutes are not clear.

A suggestion was made that "each month at the SKP luncheon there be a short meeting.." No vote is recorded.

2004 seems to have been the year for disasters. The US East coast was hit by 4 hurricanes. Dec.26 a tsunami killed 150,000 people in Somalia. And, lest thou forget, the 2004 election in Florida became known as the year "of the hanging chads".

April 30, 2004 minutes detailed preparations for the year's rallies and noted that insurance was not necessary unless requested by the parks. Some "housekeeping" must have been going on as a Special Board Meeting on May 13 listed items to be retained or discarded.

May 13, 2004 minutes noted that the latest SKP membership number was 85461. We had 125 individual members in Chapter Nine. Recruiting of new members was discussed re. having SKP Inc. send letters to all Oregon SKP members. It was

reported that was done three years ago and only 3 people responded. Letters to local zip code was proposed .Encouraging new lease holders to join Chapter Nine was discussed. A Historian (Vera Fitzgerald) was appointed and a scrapbook was planned to be prepared and used at the Rally.

June 17, 2004 reported that 40 people attended the last rally. VCRs (representatives from INC) were asked to help clarify the contributions to CARE made by Chapter 9 and Timber Valley.

Sept. 9, 2004 notes, "We have a check for \$1,017.00 for CARE but are waiting for decals to be sent by Livingston." Again not much explanation if this is a one time donation or accumulation. It was voted and approved "that the club pay \$10 for the dinner at Fisherman's Grotto, Charleston."

Chapter 9 Officers Recommend \$500 Donation to Escapees Care Facility

Due to circumstances which caused Chapter 9 President Rick De Young to miss the September 2018 annual meeting, we overlooked voting on what had been an annual donation to the Escapees Care facility in Livingston.

At their first meeting, the officers for 2018-19 unanimously voted to recommend to the members a

donation of \$500 this year. Ballots will be provided for voting on this at our December 2018 monthly breakfast. We are also asking members who won't be at that meeting to authorize one of the officers, or another member, who will be there, to vote as their proxy for or against the donation. You can do this by phoning or

emailing the person you choose as your proxy.

Assuming the majority of votes received are in favor of donating \$500, our Treasurer will be asked to send the donation before the end of December.

Feel free to respond to this notice by phone, e-mail or letter. We apologize that this matter was not voted on at the September, 2018

annual meeting.