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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, <u>www.timbervalleyskp.com</u>

June Rally Reservations Going Fast

By Rick De Young



Chapter 9 will be returning to the Osprey Point RV Resort, at Lakeside, Oregon from June 3 to June 7. Rally hosts Teresa and Dick Johnson, aided by VP Janice Edwards and several other enthusiastic helpers, are busy planning menus and activities. Teresa has hosted rallies at Osprey Point before and is very enthused about this one. We are all enthused, for several reasons, including that the sign-up sheet (in the Timber Valley clubhouse) is already on its second page. We may have to ask for more spaces!

Osprey Point is under new ownership, and new management, and they are eager to have Chapter 9 return. We were able to negotiate a reduced rate (\$36 per space per night, plus taxes) versus the current rate (\$42 per night plus taxes). As the flyer pictured above indicates, there are many amenities available to us at Osprey Point. It

also has three "park model" units, for those who can't, or do not want, to bring an RV.

If you can't come for the full 4-day rally, or if you can't bring an RV to the rally, there are other options. So, don't miss the fun and camaraderie that Chapter 9 offers. We also chose Lakeside for this rally because it has nearby the Lakeshore Lodge Hotel, which offers nice rooms with two (2) queen sized beds for \$95 a night, plus tax (\$103.85 total). That hotel has its own great little restaurant. Hotel reservations can be made by calling 541-759-3161. Lakeside also has a nearby -McKay's Market. Between it and Osprey Point is the Coos County Park, with its own swimming beach and boat ramps with extensive parking.

Chapter 9 Day Trips Continue

Wolf Creek Was Wonderful

Our April Day Trip to the historic Wolf Creek Inn and Tavern was a great success. The food was wonderful: Southern style pulled pork, smoked chicken and brisket, together with a nice salad and topped off with peach cobbler. It was served southern buffet style as well and our group had the dining room all to ourselves.

Our tour guide, Andrew, operates the Inn with his wife and they just reopened the Inn after an extensive remodel. Andrew spent months cleaning it up and studying the Tavern's architecture, in the process. Before our tour inside, he explained the unique aspects of the Inn's "balloon" style construction, including that it was constructed to look like a stage stop (which it wasn't), and that the addition of a roof over the porch resulted in the chimney being offset almost 8' (inside the walls) so that it came out at the peak of the roof.

Our tour inside was equally fascinating. The Tavern (which Andrew explained was what the Inn was originally called) featured two side by side drawing rooms, one for the men and one for the ladies. The floors in the men's side still bore deep gouges where the cowboys with their spurs, and the loggers with their boots) spent their idle hours. The ladies" drawing room bore no such gouges.

I would tell you more, but our Historian (and Chapter 9 Secretary), Jackie Deal got so enthralled with the Wolf Creek Inn that she is spending May 1 visiting it again including asking to sleep in one of its haunted rooms—and asked us to wait to publish her story about it in a future issue (or some other publication). She did mention that she has so enjoyed every Chapter 9 Day Trip that she urges all of our members to participate whenever they can.

For May: Let's Enjoy a Spring Fling

May 2019 has so much going on at Timber Valley and in Sutherlin (Helaine listed them in an article on the Timber Valley website, with the title: "It Will Be A-May-zing"), that we've decided that Chapter 9 members should spend May supporting most or all of the 8 of local events that are listed, plus one that Helaine didn't list. It "may" be the most fun of all. It is called the "Spring Fling."

The Spring Fling will be a late lunch on Saturday, May 18 (1-3 p.m.) at the Sutherlin Senior Center, 202 E.

Central Avenue. Sharon Elliott, a Chapter 9 member and also Secretary of the Senior Center (and Sutherlin Woman of the Year in 2017) will be our hostess. She has assembled several entertainers to keep us laughing and enjoying ourselves, while also seeing a parade of seniors attired in formal wear from the Senior Center's Boutique. This is a fund raiser for our wonderful Sutherlin Senior Center, which Chapter 9 is proud to support.

More details about the meal and entertainment, and a sign-up sheet, will be presented by Sharon Elliott at our May 8 breakfast at Abby's. The sign-up sheet will then be placed in the Timber Valley Dining Room.

Becky's Corner

Good month of May to you! I went to Bellingham in April... and I know, some of you were waiting with baited breath...... I did NOT try to cross the border (therefore not needing to "try" and return to the US). If you want to know "The Rest of the Story..." I suggest attending the Spring Fling, May 18.

I don't have a ton going on in my life at the moment. I'm reversing my diabetes, come Heck or High Waters! You can search facebook for #reversingdiabetes for the various posts I've done about that!

I'm working out four times a week... usually. I'm starting to run into the, "but I don't wanna's..." If anyone has a suggestion to help me through that, I'm open to ideas! I am listening to audio books as I do my exercises. The one I'm listening to now is "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets." It's book two in the series. I haven't read the books before (or seen the movies) so I'm enjoying the story. It makes the time go by much more quickly.

For home, I'm looking at container gardening! My son Korban helped me attach a container to the railing of my porch. Then, in the bottom of the container, I put a layer of diapers... you heard me right, DAIPERS. It will help with water retention! I planted 16 lettuce plants of different varieties. Ain't it purdy?? AND I created a salad dressing that is delicious!! Yes, I'll share!

