

SOLOS NEWSLETTER

President's Message

WOW! By the time this is read, it will be April and so much has happened this year. In my humble opinion, the most important thing is the arrival of my first Great Grandchild. Her name is Clementine Joy Savoie. She arrived on March 2nd and she and Mom are doing well.

The Quartzsite Winter Rally was a success. A little longer than normal, but that will be corrected next year. I am sending "Attaboys" to everyone responsible for the success. If I listed all the names, this message would be longer than the rest of the Newsletter. I look forward to another one next year because the Rally Co-Hosts have agreed to do it again.

I was in Pahrump in February to assist LeRoy Rust begin his relocation to SKP CARE Facility in Livingston, Texas. He assures all who contact him that he is enjoying his new Home.

Winter Blast, the Pre-Escapade Rally, and 2019 Escapade have come and gone. News and photos are elsewhere in this issue.

I saw a draft of the Newsletter before writing this and was well pleased by the effort of our new Newsletter Editor, Jimmie Crawford. Thank you, Jimmie, for stepping up and agreeing to do this.

I am looking forward to the FIRST official SOLOS Rally in Death Valley prior to the Death Valley 49ers Encampment this year. Dates and info will be posted later.

Travel safe. Stay Healthy. Enjoy life.

Cyber SKP Hugs

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2019 Quartzsite Winter Rally and Annual Business Meeting

This year nearly 100 SOLOS gathered in the desert on BLM land north of Quartzsite along Plomosa Road for our Winter Rally. The SOLOS 2019 Quartzsite Winter Rally started Wednesday, January 16 and ended Saturday, January 26. The CARE auction, wine sales, and pizza sales raised over \$700. There was a whole lot of dancing going on at the rally and at the Desert Bar.

Photos by Paul Drinkwater.



Western Winter Blast Pyrotechnics Show

15 Solos attended the Western Winter Blast Pyrotechnics Show in Lake Havasu City. Activities included taking the boat across the river to the casino for lunch, going to see the movie Green Book, four nights of fireworks, and a visit to a Japanese restaurant for dinner and sake.



Escapade Pre-Rally

The pre-rally ran from March 12th to the 16th at Casino Del Sol, over 50 Solos attended. Breakfast was served every day and they had happy hour ever afternoon. Activities included going to the casino for the buffet and the Japanese restaurant. 40 people went to Ken's BBQ and packed the restaurant taking every single seat! They went sightseeing at both East and West Saguaro National Parks, and Sabino Canyon Recreation Area.



59th Escapade Rally

Thanks to Carol Primesberger and Joann Harnit for cooking up some great chili. Solos won the chili cookoff by raising twice as much money as the nearest competitor. Leota Spalla reported that they signed up 27 new solo members and 8 others who didn't indicate if they were new or returning. We had 54 solos attend the rally. Gail entered the talent contest, and Carol found her perfect T-shirt.



2018 Financial Statement

SKP SOLOS			
Income and Expense Statement			
For Years Ended Dec 31, 2018 & 2017			
		2018	2017
Income:			
Membership Dues		2,387.37	2,590.00
CARE Donations		1,669.25	1,593.00
Rally Fees		1,230.00	850.00
Misc		15.00	
Interest Income on Svgs Acct		1.83	1.60
	Total Income	5,303.45	5,034.60
Expenses:			
Quartzite Rally		2,520.25	2,599.99
Other Rallies		1,020.30	
CARE Contribution		2,000.00	2,000.00
Office & Other Supplies		207.24	29.16
Postage		11.42	28.77
Newsletter			495.88
Mail Service			165.00
Bank Fees		5.00	12.50
	Total Expenses	5,764.21	5,331.30
	Net Income/(Loss)	-460.76	-296.70
Beginning Bank Balance – Checking Acct			
		2,229.58	1,014.55
Beginning Bank Balance – Savings Acct			
		5,833.52	7,345.25
	Total Cash on Hand	8,063.10	8,359.80
Ending Bank Balance – Checking Acct			
		966.99	2,229.58
Ending Bank Balance – Savings Acct			
		6,635.35	5,833.52
	Total Cash on Hand	7,602.34	8,063.10
	Net Change in Cash on Hand	-460.76	-296.70
Payable to CARE for donations recv'd after annl contrib		65.00	189.00

Annual Business Meeting Minutes

Annual Business Meeting of Escapees SOLOS January 22, 2019 Quartzsite, AZ

The Annual Meeting of the SOLOS was called to order by President Roy Kannada at 10:15 AM. The pledge of allegiance was led by BJ Clark. A sign-in sheet was circulated to record attendance.

Minutes — It was moved and seconded that the reading of the minutes of the previous Annual Meeting held on January 22, 2018 be dispensed with, as they had been approved by a committee. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report - Leota Spalla presented the Treasurer's Report. A copy of her report is attached to these minutes. It was moved and seconded that the treasurer's be approved as presented. The club contributed \$2,000 to CARE. Motion passed.

Correspondence—There was no correspondence.

Sunshine — Sunshine Chairman Karen Colbert discussed the signing of a card for Leroy Rust.

Old Business

Standing Rules — Item 3 of the standing rules stated that the newsletter could be sent by mail if requested. This has been changed to only those who currently receive the newsletter by mail may continue to do so. All others will receive it in the Yahoo group website or by email.

Voting — clarification of who can vote for officers and when. Changes to the bylaws were proposed by Roy Kannada and motion was made seconded and passed. Modified motion was submitted by Leota Spalla and seconded and passed.

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New Business

Rally — Carol Premeisberger proposed that the gathering in Death Valley at the time of the 49'ers Encampment each year, be made an official SOLOS Rally. Motion was discussed and then seconded and passed.

Yahoo Group - Ann Palmer has made a request to the members as to their use of the files and photos as well as the correspondence page. Discussion followed. Use among group is high. The SOLOS Website is on the Escapees Club website and is much appreciated. Facebook SOLOS page was also discussed.

Announcements

The "Carols" were thanked by the members for hosting the annual rally. The Mule Days event in Bishop was mentioned by Carol Premeisberger.

Election Report

Tellers report — Bob Svitak reported that current officers were reelected. Betty Ogden led the swearing in and installation of the reelected officers.

There being no further business, it was moved that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded and passed.

Submitted by Carol Hinkley, Secretary

Death Valley 2019

Our next solos meeting is in Death Valley. Arrive a week before for the 49er Days Prerally on Oct 25 thru Nov 4th. Death Valley '49ers Encampment is November 4th thru the 10th, 2019.

ESCAPEES SOLOS MEMBERSHIP FORM

Circle one: *New* *Renew* *Data Change*

Date: _____

Name: _____ Male Female

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State/Province: _____

Zip/Postal Code: _____ Phone No: _____

SKP#: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Email # 1: _____

Email # 2: _____

Interests: _____

I would consider:

Hosting a Rally Leading a caravan Other: _____

I would like to:

- join SKPing Solos email discussion group at Yahoo Groups
- I have a Yahoo ID. My Yahoo ID name is: _____
- receive the newsletter electronically through Yahoo Group, **OR**
- receive the newsletter electronically via my own email mailbox

I am submitting \$_____ for _____ year(s) membership.

I am submitting \$_____ to be donated to CARE.

\$10 per year (US funds). You may join for multiple years.
Make checks payable to **ESCAPEES SOLOS**.

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