



# Cracker Crumbs

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## Message From the President

Our Town Meeting, followed by the Annual Meeting is coming up soon. It is important that we all be 'Informed Voters'. Please read 'the packet' carefully. There are pros and cons to proposals. Please be prepared to ask questions and make comments at the town meeting. That way we can all be well informed before we vote.

Thank you,  
Steve Little, President



### SKP RESORT!

Join us for Ice Cream and Cake and celebrate The Resort's 34th Birthday Party Sunday, February 5th at 2 PM



## BOARD of DIRECTORS

- Steve Little - G-27.....President
- Skip Pratt - G-07.....Vice President
- Marsha Hodgkins - H-10.....Secretary
- Dave Mayo - A-18.....Treasurer
- Jane Lewis - A-13.....Asst. Treasurer
- Skip LaPlante - S-06.....At Large
- Denny Lupens - H-28.....At Large

**SKP Resort Board Meeting  
February 11th at 9 AM  
followed by  
Town Hall Meeting**

**SKP Resort  
Annual Meeting  
Monday, February 20th  
at 9 AM**

### SKP RESORT OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Saturday  
9:00 Am - 4:00 PM  
(closed for lunch 12 PM-1PM)

Sunday  
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

# ARTS & CRAFTS

Due to the annual Yard Sale, and the need to set it up the day before, the **Craft Classes** will be held on the **2nd** and **3rd Fridays** in **February** at the usual 10:00 time slot.

## February 10th create Solar Butterflies.

A kit containing the necessary supplies including one solar garden stake, zip ties, and clothes hangers is available through Marsha for \$4.00, in advance. If you want to add fairy lights, you will need to get them yourself or you can decorate with beads, wire, etc. which will be available at the class.

## February 17th create Coasters by Weaving.

A loom and yarn will be available for your use. If you want specific yarn colors, plan to bring your odds and ends of yarn with you. \$1 charge.

## There will also be a **Second Saturday Art** session on **February 11th.**

The charge is \$3.00 with all supplies provided.



Did you know that we have our own Fred Astaire & Ginger Rogers living right here in the park?

Esley and Debbie Hill (F-03) won the New Years Eve Dance Contest (and \$60!) at the Sebring Moose Lodge.

Esley and Debbie love to dance and go out dancing almost every weekend.

Congratulations!



## Second Saturday Art

After a January hiatus, Second Saturday Art is back!

This offshoot of the Friday craft classes began as an experiment to see if there was any interest in making art. The experiment was a success and Second Saturday Art is back.

Each month a common household item is chosen to create a work of art. Each month an 8"x10" art canvas is the work surface; this consistent size allows our artists to find a display area in their living space where they can rotate their works of art. Get one frame and pop your canvases in and out as you like.

Balloons and marbles were used to create a field of poppies and pinecones to create an evergreen tree. In February a toothbrush will be used to create a breezy feather.



Debbie & Esley dancing at the Spaghetti Dinner Dance

## ATTENTION MEMBERS!

Did you know the current **Site Exchange List** is now available on the website under the *Members Only* dropdown menu?

We encourage all members to review their current requests and submit a **Site Exchange Request** form if any changes are needed.

**Thank You!**

Wait List Committee



March 19-24, 2023

Pima County Fairgrounds  
Tucson, AZ

Registration is open!  
Chapter ROW reps  
needed!



Thank you, Mike and Rosie Sinclair (A-15) for leading the Friday Music Jam Session and the Ukulele classes.



# What's Happening This Month?

Signup sheets and more info about activities can be found in the Clubhouse



Celebrate SKP Spirit Day!  
First Monday Each Month  
February 6th  
Fun 'n Sun Meeting & Elections at 9 AM

Wear your yellow SKP Resort t-shirts to breakfast, the Fun 'n Sun meeting, and throughout the rest of the day.

T-shirts will be available if you need to purchase one.



February 1st  
at 1 PM  
Hibachi Buffet  
Sebring



The Clubhouse will be CLOSED to activities on Friday, February 3rd in preparation for the Annual Yard Sale.



Happy Valentine's Day

February 1st and 22nd  
2:30 PM

Tell your story...



Chili Lunch  
Thursday,  
February 9th  
12 PM



## Superbowl Party

Sunday, February 12th  
Party 5 PM  
Game time is 6:15 PM

Serving Little Caesars' Pizza  
Cheese or Pepperoni  
\$1 per slice

Bring your own drinks  
Sign up by Thursday, February 9th



FREE LUNCH  
Thursday  
February 16th  
12 PM

Hobo Cards  
Saturday,  
February 11th  
7 PM



SKPettes

February 15th  
12:00 PM  
Dee's Place  
138 N Ridgewood Dr.,  
Sebring, FL

## ROMEOS

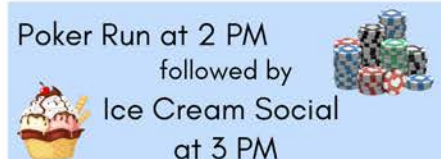
February 15th  
12:00 PM  
Bufalucca  
Restaurant  
7429 US Hwy 27 N  
Sebring, FL

## Chair VOLLEYBALL

2 PM  
followed by  
Ice Cream Social  
3 PM  
Sunday,  
February 26th



Poker Run at 2 PM  
followed by  
Ice Cream Social  
at 3 PM  
Sunday, February 19th



Laissez les bon temps rouler!  
Tuesday, February 21st  
Mardi Gras Dinner  
at 5 PM

followed by a dance with music by  
Tom Davis from 6:30-9:30 PM



# DAILY ACTIVITIES

**Coffee & Table of Knowledge**  
7:00 AM




**Shuffleboard 1:00 PM**



**Water Aerobics 2:00 PM**



**Cards & Games 7:00 PM**

# REGULARLY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES

**Monday Morning Breakfast**  
7:45 - 8:45 AM



Featuring McDolan Breakfast Sandwiches, Bran Muffins, Eggs made to order, Sausage, Bacon, Ham, Home Fries, Toast, Coffee & More!

**Pickleball**  
Tuesdays & Thursdays  
9:00 AM



**Gentle Exercises**  
Tuesdays & Thursdays  
8:00 AM



**Time to stretch**

**BINGO**  
Wednesdays  
7:00 PM



**Ukulele Lessons**  
Mondays  
2 PM



**Escapes Chapter 57**  
**Monthly Luncheon**  
First Thursday  
November - April  
11:00 AM  
Golden Corral  
6855 Gall Blvd.,  
Zephyrhills, FL

**Music Jam Session**  
Fridays  
3:00 PM




**Fiber & Threads**  
Every Thursday  
2:00 PM



**Mexican Train**  
Every Tuesday  
1:00 PM



**Bible Study**  
Wednesdays  
10 AM



**HAPPY HOUR**  
Every Monday & Wednesday  
4:00 PM



**Wine B4 Dine**  
Thursdays  
4:00 PM




**Stitching Cards**  
Wednesdays 10 AM  
Card Room



**Tuesday is Movie Night!**  
Movies begin at 7 PM  
50¢ for popcorn (bring your own bowl!)

February 7th - The Vault  
February 14th - Lion  
February 21st - Indian Horse  
February 28th - Dog Gone



Join us after breakfast Monday, February 13th  
Palm Medical of Polk County will be sharing information.



**Vera Greene (H-04)** has made many, many friends in the 34 years that she has lived in the Florida SKP Resort. During Vera's long period of healing from that nasty fall she took in 2021, she received hundreds of cards and gifts. The cards kept rolling in over Christmas, and Vera is very grateful to all of you. So here is a big **THANK YOU** from "Miss Vera" to everyone who has offered love, friendship, and encouragement.



*Noreta Ray & Ann Castle*



**THE PASSING OF THE WHINE**  
Noreta Ray and Donna Hixson started the Thursday **Whine B4 Dine** several years ago. Now Ann Castle is stepping up to take over the official leadership position.



**MEET DON AND JULIE WOLD**

Our new members have moved onto their site, H-29, as of December 30th. Many of you are already familiar with Don and Julie Wold, who are generous with their time and abilities as they volunteer in the kitchen and fulfill other needs in the park.

Don and Julie have a home in Apalachin, NY, a district best known for the 1957 raid of a large Mafia meeting. Officials became suspicious when they observed so many well-dressed figures arriving at this sleepy hamlet in their expensive vehicles. According to Wikipedia, there were about 100 Mafiosi from the US, Italy, and Cuba, who quickly dispersed into nearby woods when "the law" arrived. About 60 "underworld bosses" were detained and arrested but were later released on appeal.

Apalachin is located about 20 miles from Binghamton, NY, where Julie's father and SKP Resort member, Jim (Mac) McBride, lives and where Julie grew up. Don also grew up in NY at Owego. While attending a community college the couple met when Don became Julie's calculus tutor. The Wolds have 2 daughters, 1 son deceased, and 7 grandchildren.

Don is now retired. He was an electrical power engineer at Lockheed-Martin in Owego, NY, where the Presidential helicopter fleet is built. As a side note, that fleet is pretty large; the latest order was for 22 helicopters. Don now volunteers as an ambulance driver for their home district, working an overnight shift once a week. He is considering taking a course to become an EMT. Don does a lot of repair work at home and has become skilled in carpentry, plumbing, electrical repair, painting, and pool maintenance. Here's another aside: Don used to race Motocross in the years prior to his marriage.

Julie is a woman who likes to give. She serves part-time, on-call helping adults with special needs, who call her Momma Julie. She loves to bake and read. She and Don both love to volunteer and have helped with Special Olympics skiing.

Birthdays: Don January 6; Julie September 27  
Phones: Don 607-725-4746; Julie 607-725-9943  
Email: Don wolddb@gmail.com; Julie woldj3@gmail.com  
Anniversary: October 17



**Ron and Susan Wszalek (S-02)** hosted a coffee hour last month with around 30 folks enjoying the coffee, hospitality, and sunny afternoon.



Ron and Susan will be hosting coffee hour again this month on **February 23 at 3 PM.** Bring a chair and join in!



Jeffrey, Wendy, and Mazie

### Jeffrey and Wendy Lamphere

Their name is French Canadian, but they are Vermonters all the way: Jeffrey was born in Burlington, Wendy was born in St. Johnsbury, and their home is in Peacham, VT. Now they have a winter home at Site G-26 as of December 14th. Four of their five children live in Vermont, along with their 2 grandchildren. But Jeff and Wendy admit they are enjoying our Florida sunshine.

Jeffrey served from 1968-69 in Viet Nam. Most of Jeff's working years were spent as an engineer for IBM, and Wendy was an elementary teacher, teaching Grades 1-4 for 30 years. Since retiring, the couple sold their home and traveled in their RV for a couple of years. However, they kept half of their land and subsequently built another house, garage, and wood shed.

Jeff and Wendy have been attending the ukulele classes since they arrived in the park. Other hobbies include Wendy's rug hooking with a group at home, and they both play golf, most often on a neighbor's course that has an honor system for payment of \$5. (Golfers eat your hearts out). They both enjoy gardening and making maple syrup - about 25 gallons a year - for personal use that includes making maple fudge and maple pie. Jeff keeps busy clearing their 26 acres, creating trails, and cutting wood for heating and maple syrup. They have several bears on their property that also help create the trails.

The Lampheres are accompanied by their beautiful 4-year-old labradoodle, Mazie.

Birthdays: Jeff 11/24; Wendy 2/27

Phones: Jeff 802-535-5521; Wendy 802-595-2050

Emails: Jeff lamphere.jeff@gmail.com; Wendy diggahlamp@gmail.com

Anniversary: 7/18



### Chapter 57 Spring Rally

April 10-14, 2023

Cypress Campground & RV Resort

7400 Cypress Gardens Blvd., Winter Haven, FL 33884

Hosts: Rose Irons & Marilyn Forbes

Call RV Park at (863) 324-7400 for reservations.

Be sure to say it's for **Escapee 57 Rally!**



SpaceX | Falcon Heavy  
Launched January 15, 2023

### GO FOR LAUNCH!

We may live 137 miles from Cape Canaveral, but we still enjoy the launches here at the SKP Resort. As launch time approaches, you will see members and guests gathering for a glimpse of the rocket. *Thank you Diane Merritt and Anita Saba for the photos!*



Resort Members and Visitors gather to watch the launch