



Volume 1

QUILTING FOR CARE

Joy Maltese and Donna Porter made a Patriotic themed quilt for CARE in 2021 to raise money for CARE. The quilt was auctioned off at the Escapes Quartzite event in January 2022 and

raised \$220 for CARE. Thank you, Donna and Joy. If you want to participate in working on another quilt for CARE, contact Joy Maltese.

February 2022 Gathering & Annual Elections

The annual meeting for Escapes Chapter 16, Georgia Azaleas, was held February 24th thru 27th, newly elected officers are as follows:

- President: Larry McClure
- Vice President: Bonnie Wilkey
- Secretary: Peggy Cochran
- Treasure: Dennis McCarley
- Officer at Large: Joe Maltese
- Wagon Master/Web Master: Dave Porter
- Historian: Joy Maltese
- Sunshine Chairperson: Janie McCarley

FROM THE HARVEST: *Today is yesterday's tomorrow, make the most of it you can, for soon it will be a memory as the hourglass fills with sand. Don't waste yet another moment nursing grudges from out of the past, or carry guilt from days gone by, or walk with eyes downcast. Forgive, forget, unlock the chains there wrapped around your heart, for life's too short, days quickly pass make, today, a brand-new start. Each day's a chance to right the wrongs to make amen it's true.*



Georgia Azaleas, Chapter 16, started off 2022 camping season at Sugar Mill RV Park in Ochlocknee, Georgia near Thomasville, Georgia.

Larry & Mimi, Joe & Joy, Dave & Donna, Tony & Peggy all arrived a day early.

Our new member, Morgan & Diane arrived the next day with Frank & Regina, potential member (we would like to see them again). We all met that evening and discussed available activities in Thomasville, Georgia. We planned several activities: 1) The Big



Oak in Thomasville, Georgia, 2) Dinner at Jonas Fish & Grits, 3) Play Bingo and Spinner at the clubhouse. Some decided to go to Bainbridge, Wakulla Springs, Riverside Café and St. Marks Lighthouse.

On Friday, we all met at The Big Oak. Dave & Donna and Tony & Peggy went to Bainbridge to the Flint River Boat Basin and lunch at Rick's Buffet. Later that evening we went to Jonas Fish & Grits. Great food and worth the wait! Then we all went back to the campground to play bingo and spinner. Joe Maltese agreed to be the caller. The

Bingo started off the fun with everyone Boohooing Joe when the number that came up was not what we wanted! The others that were not Boooooing were Hollering YEAAAAAAA! The BOOOOOOO's usually won those battles. I do believe that Joe was embarrassed with all of it! Also, I believe I have never seen ole Joe get so embarrassed, best time. Joy seemed to win almost all of the Bingo games. Hmmmm, her husband was the caller. What a coincidence! Then we played another game (Spinner) that has become a new favorite of mine.

On Saturday morning, Dave & Donna, Larry & Mimi, and Tony & Peggy headed for the coast to Wakulla Springs. We were going to ride the boats, however no boat tours available. All decided to visit the Springs and then the Lodge at the State Park. Last, we headed to the Riverside Café for lunch. Seafood was excellent! Larry & Mimi decided to head back to Thomasville and Dave & Donna, Tony & Peggy went to St. Mark's lighthouse. Later that evening, we all met up again to play Spinner. Donna & Tony tied for first place.

CAMPING SCHEDULE:

SKP RALLY, River Vista Resort, Dillard, Ga, (706) 746-2722, April 18th thru 24th.

ESCAPEE ESCAPADE (NATIONAL RALLY), Wilson County Fair Grounds, Lebanon, TN, June 19th thru 24th, contact, <https://escapade.escapees.com> for all information & registration.

River Rocks Landing, Gadsden, AL, 1 River Rock Road, (256) 543-7111 or www.riverrockslanding.com August 25th thru 28th





Left: Tony, Mimi, Larry
Right: Donna, Dave
Photography: Peggy Cochran

The annual dues for chapter 16 Georgia Azaleas are due by 4/1/2022. The amount due for membership is \$5.00. Please beware that you should be a current member of THE ESCAPEES NATIONAL ORGANIZATION. If you are not sure, you can contact Escapee RV Club (by mail) at 100 Rainbow Drive, Livingston, Tx, 77351 or call (best option) 936-327-8873.

Please mail your dues to Dennis McCarley, 402 Rosebud Place, Guyton Ga, 31312.

If you have any questions please call me at 478-251-4058 or email me at gsusoccer@windstream.net



Front Left: Joy, Larry, Mimi Tony, Regina, Diane

Back Left: Dave, Donna

Not shown: Joe Maltese- Bingo Caller

