



TRAVEL TRAILER CLUB OF THE MIDWEST

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President News

Dear members,

Hope your summer is going well. Can't believe how fast the summer has gone by. I haven't been able to get out to the campgrounds due to truck maintenance but hopefully it will be done soon. Haven't heard anything bad so, keep up the good work.

God Bless,

Johnathan Hutchins

Secretary News

Hello Fellow Campers,

Hope most of you have been able to get out and camp some. Can't believe that this is the August Newsletter already! I just wanted to thank everyone who came out and worked at the work weekend at Bellevue in July. Looks like those who did go out, accomplish some things that have needed to get done. We are working on getting things done, that are on a list of small jobs at Bellevue. If you have time we could use everyone's help at Bellevue work day August 12 and if you want to work on Friday also let Herm Hazard know. If you are planning on going please let Herm know so he can have the supplies needed for the work.

Hope everyone at Hesperia is doing well and the campground is coming along nicely. Hope to return soon.

Don't forget our Election's are coming and if you would like to run as a write-in let others know so they can put your name in the write-in category. If you can help in our election process, please contact Carolyn Fitzpatrick. She will need members from different Chapter to hand out Ballots, collect them and count them. So let's step up members.

If you can help out for the Labor Day Weekend of fun let Cheryl Vogel (Bellevue) and for Hesperia talk with Clione Carr or Bill Fox.

Let's go Camping,

Sandy Jarrell -- TTCM Secretary

Treasurer News

Hello Campers,

I hope you are getting out and enjoying our campgrounds this season. There has been a bit of rain, but overall it has been beautiful.

For the work weekend in July at Bellevue we were able to clean the pole barn and make room for the tools from the metal shed. There is a nice corner where all the tools, shovels, rakes, etc. are hung on hangers.

We were also able to pour the cement for the pad outside of the building and at the upper and lower end of the stairs in the lower bowl. We didn't have as many volunteers as I would have liked, but a big shout out to: Joe, Cody, Jim Owens, Hubby, Herm and Bill.

Hopefully next month more people will avail themselves to help at the campground. I believe we will be doing sanding and painting. Hopefully the weather cooperates.

We will be having a cookout over Labor Day weekend. Please see the flyer in the newsletter and send in your registration ASAP so we can plan the meals.

My position will be open for the election in September. This position is a very important part of TTCM. It really isn't that difficult, and I will help in the transition and beyond. Please consider running for this position. At this point anyone planning on running for this office will be a write in. If you are interested, please put a note on the Face Book page.

Regards,

Cheryl Vogel -- TTCM Treasurer

Hesperia News

Hi fellow campers,

The month of July is almost over, summer is flying by fast.

On July 21st we had an enjoyable afternoon listening to the jam session that one of our campers, Dale Wiggers arranged with a group that he plays with. Thank you to everyone that attended.

On August 5th, Robin Wilson is having a craft class in the afternoon. We have twelve ladies signed up to attend. We will be decorating a wine bottle and putting lights in it. Also, at 5:30 pm that afternoon we will be having a community pot-luck.

With the money that was collected from the ladies at the sewing bee, we have purchased a new dehumidifier for the clubhouse. It is taking a lot of moisture out of the building. Thanks to the ladies for voting to buy it.

Labor Day weekend plans are being made for a fun weekend. There will be more information in this newsletter.

Something to think about.....please put on your calendars that Halloween weekend will be October 7th. We will have things for the children to do!

On October 14th about 10:00 am we will be having a closing up work bee. At 5:30 pm, we will be having a chili supper. Everyone bring enough chili for two people and something that will go with it. The campgrounds will be closing in the afternoon of October 21st. If you will be storing your trailer here for the winter, please be ready to leave that day.

Clione and Bill — Directors

Election Committee

Election Voting Instructions

Members,

As you know, according to the bylaw changes, we don't automatically send everyone a ballot like we used to.

If you would like to vote you must request that a ballot be sent/mailed to you.

You can also vote in person during Labor Day Weekend at Hesperia or Bellevue.

Ballots can be obtained by seeing Carolyn Fitzpatrick at Hesperia or Cheryl Vogel at Bellevue.

You may also vote at the General Membership Meeting on Saturday Sept. 9th at Bellevue, **however, you must make arrangements to vote before the meeting starts.**

To have a ballot mailed to you contact:

Carolyn Fitzpatrick

2985 Irish Acres Drive

Jackson Michigan

fitzpatrickcarolyn3@gmail.com

Phone. 517-782-4650

Committee Chair -- Carolyn Fitzpatrick

Election Write-In Candidate Update

Zack Martin is running as a write-in candidate for Director at Bellevue.

Bellevue Work Days

August 12

The second Saturday of August has been set aside as a work day at the Bellevue Campground.

Mark your calendar and make plans to attend.

As a member of this club we are expected to be **“active”** members and help out with maintenance, needed upgrades, and general upkeep at each campground.

If you can't come and camp for the weekend you can always drive in for the day and help!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

If you can't make it on one of these days then find a day or two sometime in June, July, or August and do your part to help out at your campgrounds -- and that can be either Bellevue or Hesperia. As a member you can participate at either campground, not just the one you use most often.

What's This ???

Just ~297 days until “Bellstock 2024” on Memorial weekend at Bellevue. Details to come!!

Upcoming Events

- August 12 Bellevue -- Work Day
- Sept 02 - 04 Labor Day Weekend -- Events at Both Campgrounds
- Sept 09 Membership Meeting -- Bellevue -- Time TBD ... (or may never be known!!)
- Sept 09 Joint Planning Committee Meeting -- Bellevue ... (probably after Member meeting – who knows?)
- Oct 07 Halloween Outings
- Oct 14 Hesperia Closing Work Bee @ 10:00 AM
- Oct 21 Hesperia Closing Day

Hesperia Labor Day Rally

Hesperia Campground is holding a Labor Day Rally September 1st – 4th all are welcome

We will have a Saturday pot luck supper where we will supply hamburgers & hot dogs with buns and you bring a dish to pass.

Sunday breakfast the Restless Ones will do pancakes and sausage (no charge)

Come early on Friday as sometimes we have a group of musicians get together and jam.

We are hoping to have “Brett Dame One Man Band” (he plays the guitar and sings) perform on Sunday evening.

We will have activities and games for the kids

We will have the .10 raffle where you bring a gently used item or two to be given away in a drawing.

We are hoping to get a kid’s parade going and might have water activities (weather permitting)

We will be doing the cake walk again so please bring an adult snack item and a kid snack item for the game.

We will have bingo, corn-hole, card games and we could even bring out the horseshoes if anyone is interested.

Saturday night (tentatively) we will be doing the progressive campfire where you get together with some friends or a chapter and put out drinks or snacks and we all go around and graze and visit.

Campground planning meeting will be held Sunday afternoon at 2pm in the clubhouse.

You can set up a group/chapter raffle or a 50/50 and the proceeds go to Hesperia campground and you can pick which fund you would like the proceeds to go to.

I have attached the form for you to fill out and return to me by August 15th. We will need to know how many adults and kids (we would like kids ages) and we would also like to know if you will be attending any of the provided meals, which ones or both. It helps us to determine how much food to purchase.

So won’t you please join us for the Holiday weekend and for some family fun.

Brenda Hilderbrandt

231-742-1351

Labor Day Weekend Camp-out in Hesperia
September 1st – 4th, 2023
All Members & Guests Welcome

Cost: \$2.50 per adult and \$1.00 per child and children under 3 years of age are free

Hobo Parking

Included:

Saturday -- Potluck Supper @ 5:30 -- Meat Furnished (Burger and Hot Dogs) bring a dish to pass

Bring your own plates, utensils, and beverage

Sunday -- Breakfast -- Pancakes & Sausage & Coffee

Bring your own plates, utensils, syrup& butter

Entertainment

We might have a group that will be having a jam secession on Friday afternoon

Sunday @ 7:00 PM ----- "Brett Dame One Man Band" (play the guitar and sings)?

Activities

Kids Activities and games = = = = Kids Parade = = = = Water Activities (weather permitting)

Bingo = = = = Cake Walk = = = = Card Games, corn hole, horseshoes=====10 auction

Saturday night - Progressive Campfire -- each group of friends or chapter bring snacks or treats for this, doesn't have to be every unit. Get together and come up with something fun!

Group Raffles -- All profits to campground and you choose fund

Registration Deadline: August 15th, 2023

Please send form and money to

Brenda Hilderbrandt

2841 W. Cleveland Rd

New Era, MI 49446

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

How many adults: _____

How many children: _____ Ages: _____

Are you planning on attending all the meals so we can plan for food? Yes _____ No _____

Labor Day Weekend Camp-out in Bellevue
September 1st – 4th, 2023
All Members & Guests Welcome

Cost: \$5.00 per adult and \$1.00 per child and children under 3 years of age are free

Included are:

Saturday -- Breakfast @ 9:00 -- Pancakes, Sausage, Coffee
Bring your own plates, utensils, syrup & butter

Sunday -- Dinner -- Burgers, Hot Dogs, Potato Salad
Bring your own plates, utensils, and beverage

Saturday night - Progressive Campfire -- each group of friends or chapter bring snacks or treats for this, doesn't have to be every unit. Get together and come up with something fun!

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Registration Deadline: August 15th, 2023

Please send form and money to:

Cheryl Vogel
13219 Burgundy
Warren, MI 48089
{586} 757-2466

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

How many adults: _____

How many children: _____ Ages: _____

Are you planning on attending all the meals so we can plan for food? Yes _____ No _____



Bellevue Campground

7418 Baseline Hwy

Bellevue, MI 49021

Phone 269-763-3551

Email: bellevue_campground@yahoo.com

DIRECTIONS:

From I-94: North on I-69 to Exit 48. Go west on M-78 about (1) mile to Babcock Road, turn left (South) onto Babcock Road.

At end of Babcock Road turn right (West).

Campground is about (0.8) miles on your right.

Hesperia Campground

6777 E. M-20

Hesperia, MI 49421

Phone: 231-338-6124

Email: hesperiacampground@gmail.com

DIRECTIONS:

From Hesperia: head 3.5 miles West on M-20.

From White Cloud: West 16.5 miles on M-20.

Campground is on the south side of the road.

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