



TRAVEL TRAILER CLUB OF THE MIDWEST

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Board of Directors Meeting

Date: Saturday ... May 11th

Time: 11:00 AM

Place: Bellevue Clubhouse

All club members are welcome to attend this meeting.

Please contact your Chapter President if you need something addressed at the meeting.

Reminder: Prior meeting minutes are no longer read aloud at the meeting. Review prior meeting information before coming to the meeting. Past meeting minutes are available for review or download at ttcm.org/news (October Newsletter) if you need a copy for review.

President News

Hello Fellow Campers,

I hope everyone is doing well and all of you that went South for the winter have safe travels coming back to Michigan.

The camping season is almost upon us and time to sit around the campfire again! We will be opening the campgrounds the first weekend of May and have our board meeting scheduled for May 11th at 11:00 AM.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the campgrounds this season!

Take care,

Bill Fox

Vice-President News

Hello Fellow Campers,

Just wanted to touch on what happens at the Board of Directors meeting.

The Board of Directors meeting is May 11th, 2024 at 11am in Bellevue. The Executive Board and all Chapter Presidents should attend. But all are welcome.

Chapter Presidents, if you are unable to attend, please send a representative with a letter of Proxy that they are there in your place and are able to vote. All Chapters should have sent Sandy Jarrell an updated copy of their chapter roster and the list of chapter officers. (Her email is on the last page of the newsletter)

The Secretary's minutes from the Sept. meeting will need approval and the Treasurer will go over the Treasurers report, we will also touch on unfinished items from the Sept. 2023 Annual Members meeting. The rally's will also be talked about at this meeting for Sept. 2024, so bring ideas. This meeting is where we address the needs of the campgrounds.

Campground Directors will provide a budget for operation and improvements for the current fiscal year to the Board of Directors. This means they need to bring items to be addressed that need to be fixed, or replaced. It could be a tree has fallen on the fence so a section of fence needs replacing or if the tree is too large for the Campground Director to safely cut it up, they might need to hire outside help. This has to approved by the Board of Directors. They should bring two or three estimates on how much it will cost and the time frame of completion. It could be to replace equipment, water lines, fences or any items not covered under the campground maintenance fund.

The Campground Maintenance fund for each campground is at this time \$3000.00 that covers outside equipment (mowers, leaf blowers), kitchen equipment, water hook-ups or electrical hook ups, and general campground items that need to be maintained during the year. This is the meeting that it could be brought up to change that amount if needed due to inflation costs.

So, get with your chapter members ask them what they would like to see happen at the campgrounds this year. Again, make sure you have updated your 2024 chapters officer list to the Secretary so your chapter is able to vote.

Brenda Hilderbrandt — TTCM Vice President

Bellevue News

Hello Everybody!

Camping season is just around the corner and we cannot wait to see everybody!

We are planning on have a woodcutting bee the weekend of May 17th- 19th to prepare for the Memorial Day "Bellefest" that the Westphal's have been working so hard on. Bellefest will include 2 bands, food and fun for the whole family. See the attached flyer for more information.

As we move into the start of the season, please bring any ideas you have to improve the campground. This is OUR campground and its only as good as we make it!

Zack

Secretary News

Happy Spring Time Everyone,

Hopefully everyone had an uneventful winter. Can't wait, for this crazy Michigan weather, to warm up. Looks like the May Officers Meeting will be May 11 at 11:00 am. If you are a President of a Chapter please let me know so I can get the agenda to you. If there is anything to go on the agenda please let me know. It will be at Bellevue this time.

Campgrounds will be open May 3. Check for May activities in the Campground Directors Articles. Each campground is having May activities.

There will be a wood cutting bee at Bellevue Campground on May 18th.

The Sewing Bee is June 17 – 21. Anyone can come and participate with the group. Fun times are our goal. There will be a \$15 fee for join in. There will be a Shopping Day on June 14 for those wishing to shop the local quilt stores.

Let's get ready to camp,

Sandy Jarrell -- TTCM Secretary

Hesperia News

Hi Fellow Campers,

Hope everyone had a good winter and stayed healthy. I enjoyed this mild winter we had. Camping season will be here before we know it.

We will be opening up the campground on May 3, 2024.

Troy Roberson has been busy cleaning up the leaves and doing some of the outdoor work that needs to be done. He says it gives him something to do before he goes to work in the afternoon. We have decided we won't have a work bee this spring as the only thing left will be taking the things out of the building.

We will be having a potluck Memorial Day Weekend on Saturday May 25th at 5:30 p.m. and on Sunday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. we will hold a memorial service.

The sewing bee will be the week of June 17th-21st.

The Restless Ones will have their camp out the weekend of June 21st -23rd.

Will have things going on for the 4th of July, will have more on that later.

Bill has decided the may meeting will be May 11th at 11:00 a.m. at Bellevue.

Clione Carr, Director

Sewing Bee

Hello all Sewing and Quilting members!

Our June Sewing Bee will be June 17 – 21st in Hesperia at the clubhouse.

Anyone who has crafts may also come on in and join us for a fun filled week. There will be a \$15. fee for joining us.

If you would like to learn how to quilt we can help you with that. Bring your Sewing Machine and whatever supplies that you have and join the fun.

Nancy Hellman is in charge of this fun filled week so if you have any questions you may call Nancy at (231)788-1645.

If you are new to TTCM this is the week for our sewers to enjoy time to come sew and enjoy each other's company!

There will be a Shopping Day on June 14 for those who is interested in shopping.

Nancy Hellman

Bellstock News

Just to clarify what the Bellstock Flyer says ... the \$150 is for non-members ... it is \$75 for members which includes camping fees.

We are challenging our membership to bring just 1 other Camping friend to support your club and our new Campground director.

If you have any other ideas on how to promote this weekend and the season please let me know.

Daryl

Upcoming Events

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| May 03 | Both Campgrounds Opening Day |
| May 11 | Board of Directors Meeting -- Bellevue -- 11:00 AM in the clubhouse |
| May 18 | Bellevue -- Wood Cutting Bee |
| May 24-27 | Memorial Day Weekend -- Events at Both Campgrounds
Hesperia -- Saturday, Potluck Dinner -- Sunday, Memorial Service
Bellevue -- Saturday, Pig Roast & Live Music -- Sunday, Live Music |
| Jun 17-21 | Sewing Bee -- Hesperia |



Bellevue Campground

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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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BELL-STOCK

May 24-27

2 Bands

Camping

Family
Fun

\$150 FOR ENTIRE
WEEKEND

Games

Food

TTCM Bellevue Michigan

Kick off your camping season this Memorial Day at BELLSTOCK 2024, hosted at TTCM campground in Bellevue Michigan!

Friday 5/24: DJ and dancing in the evening

Saturday 5/25: Hog roast and live music by Point'n Fingers in the evening

Sunday 5/26: Breakfast, live music by Mysteria and winnie wagon taters in the evening

Games including kids candy bingo, adult bingo, raffle's, and a corn hole tournament

Reserve before spots fill up! With your \$150 payment please include name, phone and the total number in your party. To pay by check make payable to Double Dozen.

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