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From the Pres

It won't be long until the campgrounds open. The Officers Meeting will be held at Bellevue Campground May 6th at 10AM sharp. So far, I have received lists of officers from 3 chapters. The list of chapter officers must be received by April 15th. If the chapter President cannot attend the meeting, an alternate with written permission signed by

the chapter President can vote on any business at the meeting. If your chapter fails to send a list of officers, that chapter will not be allowed to vote on any business at the meeting. The meeting is open to all members. However, the only people allowed to vote are the members of the Executive Board.

TTCM is in good financial condition. We have no debt plus we have money in the bank. This is the result of hard work by many volunteers. There is always room for more volunteers to help. If you are able, try it. You might like it!

Keep on Camping,
Don 011



Cpl Atkins Update

The news regarding our son, Corporal Atkins, is good. He is home in North Carolina recovering from his mishaps in Iraq and is walking with the aid of a walker. Justin will need more surgery on his legs, but his mood is good and spirits high. Thank you one and all for your kind words and prayers. He still has a long way to go but has been blessed with family and good friends. It will be about a year for a full recovery. Thank you very much and keep your prayers going for our son. See you at the campground soon—can't wait!

Thank You,
Brad and Robin Atkins
MAL 4228

2006 Camping Fees

This year's TTCM camping fees are \$10/night for members and \$15/night for non-members. Members are permitted to leave rigs onsite without power for \$2/week-night and \$10/weekend night.

Please remember to keep

your TTCM numbers visible from the outside.



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ATTENTION ALL CHAPTERS!!

I will need the names and addresses of your presidents for the May Board meeting in Bellevue. If your president cannot attend the meeting I will also need the name of your president's representative with a letter authorizing him/or her to vote in their place.

I will have a sign-in sheet ready when you arrive and will use that for verification for voting. The list of presidents, with addresses, will be convenient for me when mailing out the minutes of the

meetings.

Please send to:

TTCM Secretary Sharon Westerhouse
PO Box 336
Olivet, MI 49076-0336
517-285-4111
tandsfourfun@hotmail.com

I would like to have my list compiled as soon as possible. Thank you for your cooperation. I'm looking forward to serving

you as Secretary of TTCM.

Sharon Westerhouse



Hesperia Sewing Bee June 19-24, 2006

Any ladies that are planning to come please send your name and address to:

Nancy Hellman
4963 Winesap Dr.

Muskegon, MI. 49442

Nancy will send you the information for the week's events and what materials are needed. The Rally Fee for this event will be \$10.



It should be noted that the building at Hesperia will be unavailable to other groups this weekend

as it will be in use by Sewing Bee participants.

Seeking TTCM Treasurer!

Kerry DeVore is TEMPORARILY filling in for the position of TTCM Treasurer until a more qualified candidate can take over. If this is YOU, please contact Don Westphal or Kerry DeVore.

The sooner someone steps forward, the smoother the transition will be.

Thank you in advance for your consideration!



Save TTCM \$\$\$

With the publishing of last month's newsletter, only 4 additional members stepped forward to be on the electronic distribution list. Please consider joining the electronic

list. Your email is not shared and is used for newsletter distribution purposes only. PLEASE email the TTCM



Newsletter Editor at: lmodelski@sbcglobal.net to be added to the [free] email list!

Thank you for doing your part to save TTCM money! Every little bit helps!

Newsletter Articles

Please submit newsletter articles for the TTCM news by the 15th of the month prior to publication. You can mail them to the address on the back of this newsletter. Chapters, we'd love to hear from you!

TTCM on the Web!

Check us out on the web! You can find campground directions, pictures of events and copies of previous newsletters. Come see us at: www.ttcm.org

Chapter News

Double Dozen

Adults Night Out began with a preview of the "Bobble Heads of State" performance at The Second City of Novi. The comical skits touched on every subject from family, friends, and co-workers, to sports coaches, porn sites, gays, elderly, and politics. The skits provided something for everyone and many laughs. Twenty-three members of Double Dozen and two guests were there for the show.

Afterwards, several of us went to Lucky's and were joined by three more guests. Chuck and Carol were prepared with their bowling balls and cue sticks. Although Lucky's had a variety of arcade games, bowling, dancing, and pool, the majority of our group gathered upstairs in the lounge area.

Lisa was the first to ride the mechanical bull and held on quite a bit longer with her second try. Mike S.

was the only guy from our group to make a couple attempts at riding the bull. Christine May had quite an audience for her bull ride. If her legs were just a little bit longer, she would not have needed the assistance from a patron, who graciously helped her up and right over the other side!! She tried to get



on again and did not know her own strength when she pulled the horn right off the bull's head! Some of us were outside on the balcony learning hip-hop dance moves and did not see Christine ride the bull, but we could hear cheers from the crowd.

When we were finally able to get a bowling lane, Carol, Chuck, Deb, Jim, Denise, and Dave all bowled one game. We were joined by Lisa and Mike M. for a second game. Denise and Chuck were the high rollers. Lisa and Deb competed for the lowest scores of the night hovering just under 100!

All in all I think everyone enjoyed themselves as most of the group stayed until 1:00 a.m. The rest of us stayed until the house lights came up! I want to thank all of those that were able to attend Adults Night Out and help make it a success.

Deb Botts

MALs-Chili Outing Wrap

Well, another Chili Outing comes to an end. We had great company (60 all together), good food and even good chili. There were 7 chapters represented. We thought for awhile that we were going to get a lot of snow, but we didn't and it soon went away. Our door prizes went to:
2 Dinner & Show Tickets at Cornwells---Connie Shragg



\$10.00 certificate from Riverside Cafe--Cheryl Horn & Deb Osterman

Tim's Pizza--Misty Hinds

\$20.00 certificate from Coachlight Inn --Debbie Reid

1 Dinner from the American Legion--Jim Vander Velde

Free Weekend camping--Mary Roberts & Darlene Belcher

50/50 winners were:

1st Place--Sherry Murrie

2nd Place--Darlene Owens

3rd Place--Harriet Conklin

I would like to thank Evelyn Culver for all the help in the kitchen, and Stan & Esther Horn for helping clean up too. What would we do without people like them?

Kork and I would like to thank all of you for coming out and having a great time.

Inez Cummings, MAL Rep

MALs-General News

Well campers, it won't be long until opening of the campgrounds. Weather-wise it has been a funny winter. As MALs, we will be having our first meeting at the Pig Roast at Bellevue Campground May 26-29, 2006. Not to mention we get to eat some great food too. We only have 2 meetings a year, so please come to them. The MALs will have a campout at Hesperia July 28-30. Hope to see you there.
Inez Cummings, MAL Rep

10TH ANNUAL MEMORIAL WEEKEND PIG ROAST
T.T.C.M. BELLEVUE CAMPGROUND
MAY 27 – 29, 2006
 Hosted by Duneland Winnies

- Cost** Adults: \$6.00 each. Children 10yrs and under: \$3.00 each
- May 27th - 7:30-9pm** Friday Evening Hospitality
- May 28th - 9am-10am** Saturday Morning Breakfast of French toast and sausage will be served
- 5:00pm** Saturday Evening Dinner - consisting of pork, cheesy potatoes, baked beans, applesauce, rolls and butter will be served
- 8:00pm** Saturday Evening – Bingo & Popcorn
- May 29th -** Time TBA Sunday Dinner – homemade bean and pea soup along with Saturday leftovers will be served
- 6:30pm** Sunday Evening Dessert Social – **bring a dessert to pass**

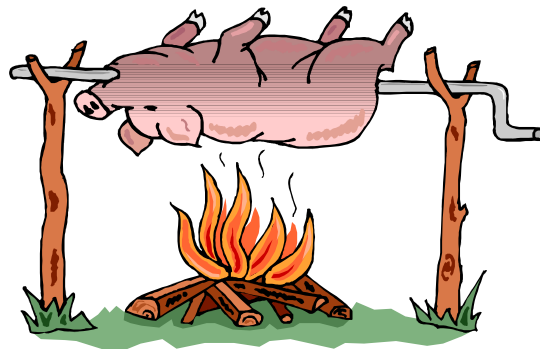
Bring your own table service for each meal.

Activities for the weekend will include Cash bingo, kids' crafts, golf scramble, and TEXAS HOLD 'EM poker tournament.

Camping fees are to be paid upon arrival at the campground.

Mail registration form, along with payment, after May 1st, to:
 Cathy Schultz
 7418 West Baseline Hwy
 Bellevue, Michigan 49021

Make checks payable to T.T.C.M. Bellevue Campground.



Registration must be received or postmarked by May 19th. Late fee of **\$5.00/person** after the 19th

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Name: _____ T.T.C.M. # _____

Length of Unit: _____ Handicapped parking needed? Yes or No (circle one)

of adults _____ x \$6 = _____
 # of children _____ x \$3 = _____
 # of late fees _____ x \$5 = _____

I am interested in:
 Texas Hold 'Em _____
 Golf Scramble _____
 Kids Crafts _____

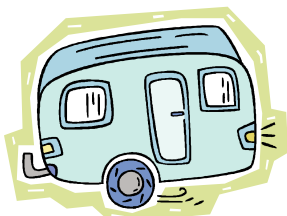
Total enclosed _____

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Bellevue Campground

Rally Schedule:

Apr 14-16	Campground Opens
Apr 21-23	Prairie Dogs & Pups
Apr 28-30	Available
May 5-7	Officers Mtg @ 10am on 6th
May 12-14	Garage Sale set-up
May 18-20	Garage Sale/Roving Rounders-Circle
May 26-28	Duneland Winnies host Pig Roast
Jun 2-4	Available
Jun 9-11	Available
Jun 16-18	Restless Ones/DD Rec Hall DD-Lower Picnic Shelter
Jun 23-25	Available
Jun 30-Jul 3	Spaghetti Outing-Happy Hitchers
Jul 7-9	Available
Jul 14-16	Available
Jul 21-23	Available
Jul 27-29	Available
Jul 28-30	MALs
Aug 4-6	Steak & Corn Roast-Duneland Winnies
Aug 11-13	Available
Aug 18-20	Available
Aug 25-27	Available
Sep 1-3	All American Rally in Hesperia
Sep 8-10	Available
Sep 15-17	Restless Ones-Rec Hall
Sep 22-24	Available
Sep 29-Oct 1	Available
Oct 6-8	Halloween Outing-NEED HOSTS!
Oct 13-15	Available
Oct 20-22	Campground closes



Property Tenders:**

**Wielinga/Schultz are currently Bellevue's only Property Tenders

Apr 14-16	Wielinga/Schultz
Apr 16-23	Available
Apr 23-30	Available
Apr 30-May 7	Available
May 7-14	Available
May 14-21	Available
May 21-28	Available
May 28-Jun 4	Available
Jun 4-11	Available
Jun 11-18	Available
Jun 18-25	Available
Jun 25-Jul 2	Wielinga/Schultz
Jul 2-9	Available
Jul 9-16	Available
Jul 16-23	Available
Jul 23-30	Available
Jul 30-Aug 6	Wielinga/Schultz
Aug 6-13	Available
Aug 13-20	Available
Aug 20-27	Available
Aug 27-Sep 3	Available
Sep 3-10	Available
Sep 10-17	Available
Sep 24-Oct 1	Available
Oct 1-8	Wielinga/Schultz
Oct 8-15	Available
Oct 15-22	Closing/Wielinga



Anyone wishing to Property tend contact:

Kork Wielinga
3517 Madison
Kalamazoo, MI 49008
(269) 349-5193

Hesperia Campground

Rally Schedule:

Apr 14-16	Wood Cutting/Water Saturday Only
Apr 21-23	All Groups & MALs; Hosts for Opening Rally—Restless Ones
Apr 28-30	Available
May 5-7	Carefree Sams
May 12-14	Happy Wanderers
May 19-21	Grand Valley
May 26-28	Happy Wanderers
Jun 2-4	Available
Jun 9-11	Happy Wanderers
Jun 16-18	Grand Valley
Jun 19-25	Sewing Bee all week & weekend/Building unavailable for other groups
Jun 30-Jul 2	Happy Wanderers
Jul 7-9	Available
Jul 14-16	Smart Rally/Happy Wanderers
Jul 21-23	Mobil Suite, Grand Valley, Happy Hitchers, Restless Ones
Jul 27-29	Garage Sale/MALs/Building unavailable for other groups
Jul 28-30	MALs
Aug 4-6	Happy Wanderers
Aug 11-13	Available
Aug 18-20	Grand Valley, Happy Wanderers, Restless Ones, Happy Hitchers
Aug 25-27	Allegra Group-Wed thru Sun
Sep 1-3	All American Rally: The Military
Sep 8-10	Available
Sep 15-17	Grand Valley
Sep 22-24	GM-Sun—Wed, Roving Rounders
Sep 29-Oct 1	Happy Wanderers
Oct 6-8	Carefree Sams
Oct 13-15	Happy Wanderers/Halloween/All Groups/Closing
Oct 20-22	Wood Cutting/Water



Property Tenders

Name listed first is in charge of the campground in the absence of the Director; thanks to all who signed up!

Apr 14-16	Wood Cutting Sat Only/No Rally Settler/Hellman
Apr 16-23	Hellman (Easter Sunday Open)
Apr 23-30	Hilderbrandt
Apr 30-May 7	Anis/Baker
May 7-14	O'Hare/Soller (Mother's Day)
May 14-21	Soller/O'Hare
May 21-28	Earlam (Memorial Weekend)
May 28-Jun 4	Robbins/McGahan
Jun 4-11	Carpenter/Rillema
Jun 11-18	Hellman (Father's Day)
Jun 18-25	Carr/Spira Building Unavailable
Jun 25-Jul 2	Horn/Underwood
Jul 2-9	Horn/Underwood (4th of July)
Jul 9-16	Schwartz/Spira
Jul 16-23	Spira/Schwartz
Jul 23-30	Baker/Annis
Jul 30-Aug 6	McGahan/Robbins
Aug 6-13	Schwartz/Spira
Aug 13-20	Spira/Schwartz
Aug 20-27	Rillema/Carpenter
Aug 27-Sep 3	Available (Labor Day)
Sep 3-10	Available
Sep 10-17	Earlam/McGahan
Sep 17-24	Carr/Smith
Sep 24-Oct 1	Available
Oct 1-8	Pulsifer
Oct 8-15	Bonter/Lakatos (Closing)
Oct 21-22	Settler (Wood/Water)

Anyone wishing to Property tend contact:

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Montague, MI 49437
(231) 894-5764



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Hesperia Campground:

6777 M-20
Hesperia, MI 49421
(231) 854-9913
From Hesperia, head 3.5 mi west on M-20
From White Cloud, west 16.5 miles on M-20.
Campground is on the south side.

Bellevue Campground:

7418 W Baseline Hwy
Bellevue, MI 49021
(269) 763-3551
From I-69/I-94, North on I-69. Exit #48. Go west on M-78
approx 2 miles. South on Ionia Rd to W Baseline Rd. East
to 16th. Turn left at stop sign and follow 1/4 mile.

Please visit our Associate Members:

M & M Camping Center Inc
2960 W Jefferson
Trenton, MI 48183
(734) 676-2383

Caswell & Company
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Ionia, MI 48846
(616) 527-9040