



# TRAVEL TRAILER CLUB THE MIDWEST

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## From the Pres

The camping season is here. Upcoming events are planned for you to take part in and enjoy.



The high fuel prices will limit our travels. Staying close

to home will reduce your cost of travel and using your campgrounds will also save you money. So don't get bored; go camping.

Our condolences go out to the family of Nellie Settler. She fought a long battle. She is at rest now.

The ALL AMERICAN RALLY is at Hesperia this year. The theme is MILITARY. Show your support and help where you can.

In closing, did you know TTCM is older than GOOD SAMs?

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## Hillbilly Euchre

During Double Dozen's Anniversary outing at Bellevue, they will be playing Hillbilly Euchre in the building at Bellevue on June 17th. The time will be posted, but is tentatively set for Saturday evening after supper. Anyone camping there is welcome to participate! We'd love to have you join us if you're around!

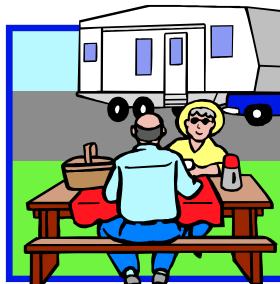


## 2006 Camping Fees Clarification

This year's TTCM camping fees are \$10/night for members and \$15/night for non-members. Members are permitted to leave rigs onsite **WITH** (last month stated 'without') power for \$2/weeknight and \$10/week-end night.

Weeknight rates are incurred Sunday through Thursday. Weekend rates are

charged Friday and Saturday. Regardless if occupied or not, weekend rates apply if your unit is left onsite on Fridays and Saturdays. Please remember to keep your T T C M numbers visible from the outside.



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# Interim TTCM Treasurer Resigns

Dear Fellow TTCM Members,

It is with regret that I must resign as TTCM Treasurer effective May 7<sup>th</sup> 2006.

While I find the volunteer position fulfilling, I cannot devote the time I feel is necessary in order to be effective. I'm currently juggling several personal and professional matters. I am trying to build a subdivision, sell my home, and now my employer has notified me that I will be ON CALL (24 x 7) every third week. Hopefully you can understand how these events leave me little choice but to resign.

If you know of anyone that would be remotely

interested in the job, please have him or her contact me with any questions. I will do my best to answer any questions or concerns. Or, if you just want the job and have no questions or concerns, please contact the TTCM President, Don Westphal, at 219-872-9219.

If there are no volunteers for this position, then I'm afraid we may be forced to hire an outside company and I believe this would cost TTCM several thousands of dollars each year. Won't you consider volunteering?

Respectfully,

Kerry G. DeVore

## 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 has RESIGNED from his temporary position of TTCM Treasurer. TTCM needs a person to fill the immediate opening of TTCM Treasurer. 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!

## Email List Growing!

Well, the newsletter email list is growing!! We now have over 45 members



that subscribe electronically! Please consider joining the email list. Your email is not shared and is used for newsletter distribution purposes only.

PLEASE email the TTCM Newsletter Editor at:

[lmodelski@sbcglobal.net](mailto: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!

*Lisa & Gayla, TTCM Editors*

## Moving?

Be sure to let your Chapter President, TTCM Treasurer and the TTCM Newsletter Editor aware of any address changes. This will ensure your TTCM News will find you in your new home!

## 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](http://www.ttcm.org)

## Chapter News

### Double Dozen

Double Dozen's April outing was held at Greenbriar Campground & Golf in Brooklyn, Michigan. For our first outing of the season, we had an excellent turnout with 10 trailers.

The weather was a little on the chilly side. Two trailers had frozen water hoses on Saturday morning. Saturday was sunny, but cold. We made the best of it and had a campfire going most of the day.

One of our teens found a deer skull and brought it back to camp. Potluck was exceptionally awesome on Saturday evening. Several new recipes were introduced and enjoyed by all.

Thanks go out to Ken & Marty Vastine for hosting the outing. It was their first time as hosts and they did a fantastic job.



Looking forward to seeing everyone at our May Mother's Day outing.

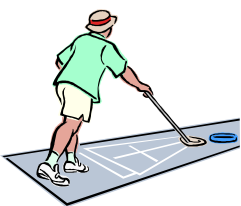
*Bruce Alm, April Co-host*

### Winter Texans

The T.T.C.M. Winter Texans met at the "Kings Chinese Buffet" in Mission, Texas on 2-27-06. Those present were Ralph & Pat North and Marshall & Ruth Putney, active members of T.T.C.M. Guests were Bob and Keva Simons, prior members of T.T.C.M. as

well as Sue Meyers, "being a shuffleboard widow on her 47th wedding anniversary with Dave."

The food was very plentiful and good and we enjoyed the fellowship. We set the Valley T.T.C.M. get-together at the same location on 2-23-07 at 1:30pm. It is our hope to attract more T.T.C.M. members

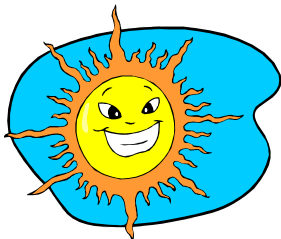


to this annual event. I am sure there are more in the Valley. For further information, please contact Marshall Putney at (956) 585-0680 or Ralph North at (956) 585-9678 in the fall of 2006 or early winter 2007.

*Marshall W Putney*

### MALS

The campgrounds are open now. The weather is beautiful, so it's time for camping. Remember to send in your registration for the Pig Roast Memorial Weekend. We will be having a meeting, probably sometime on Sunday. It will be our first for this year. We need to talk about the All American Rally, so hope to see lots of you then.



*Inez Cummings, MAL President*

## Dearly Departed



Nellie Settler passed away April 13, 2006. You can send your prayers and condolences to:

Jerry Settler  
5379 W Webster Rd  
Montague, MI 49437

Nellie fought a long battle with cancer. Please keep her and the Settler family in your thoughts.

## Newsletter Articles



Please submit newsletter articles for the TTCM newsletter by the 15th

of the month prior to publication. You can mail them to Lisa Modelski at the address on the back of this newsletter or email them to:

[lmodelski@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lmodelski@sbcglobal.net)

Chapters, we'd love to hear from you! Tell us what campgrounds you've been to, what activities you've enjoyed or any other information you'd like to share!

# Bellevue Campground

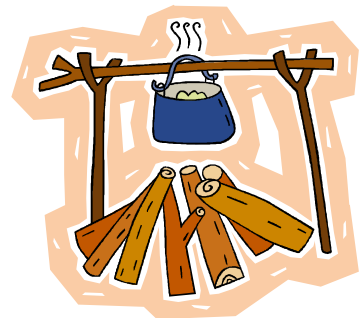
## Rally Schedule:

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:\*\*

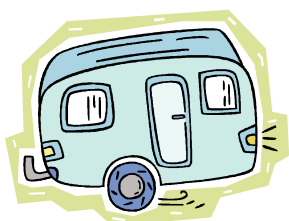
\*\*Wielinga/Schultz are currently Bellevue's only Property Tenders

Apr 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:

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 & week-end/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 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:

Jerry Settler  
5376 W Webster Rd  
Montague, MI 49437  
(231) 894-5764



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

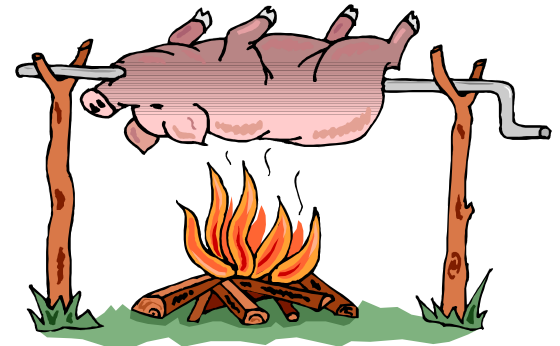
- Cost**            Adults: \$6.00 each. Children 10yrs and under: \$3.00 each
- May 27<sup>th</sup> - 7:30-9pm**    Friday Evening Hospitality
- May 28<sup>th</sup> - 9am-10am**    Saturday Morning Breakfast of French toast and sausage will be served
- 5:00pm**            Saturday Evening Dinner - consisting of pork, cheesy potatoes, baked beans, applesauce, rolls and butter will be served
- 8:00pm**            Saturday Evening – Bingo & Popcorn
- May 29<sup>th</sup> - 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 1<sup>st</sup>, 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 19<sup>th</sup>. Late fee of **\$5.00/person** after the 19<sup>th</sup>

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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** \_\_\_\_\_

## TTCM News

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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**  
260 S Dexter St  
Ionia, MI 48846  
(616) 527-9040