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From the President-

Happy Spring to Each of You!!

Were you beginning to think that it would never come? Well it is here and I know that each one of you are all ready to hook up the unit and go somewhere. Things are beginning to move at our Bellevue campground, I found a very good deal on a used but like new commercial range. I sent pictures of it to John Schultz the Director of the Campground so he could decide if that is what they wanted. He said to buy it and we did. It is all ready at the campground waiting to be unloaded.

By the time you read this, your Chapter President will have received the Board of Directors Meeting Packet. There is a lot of items in that packet that we have to decide on. The meeting will be at the Hesperia Campground on Sat. May 2nd. There will be a closed meeting of the Executive Board at 9:00 AM to go over each agenda item and prepare for the Board of Directors meeting at 10:00 AM. Any one can attend this meeting but only board members can vote. Lunch will be served.

The by-law committee will give their report and it will be voted on one article at a time. This vote will only approve what they present to allow it to go to the annual meeting in September to be voted on by all members for final approval.

After the meeting there will be a Training Session hosted by our treasurer K. Rollenhagen to help each Campground Director learn and better understand the Quicken Soft ware program. This change will help us with keeping the IRS happy and make the campground treasurer's job a whole lot easier and save a whole lot of time for everyone.

The main thing is that your chapter is in attendance at this meeting. If your president can't come any one else can come to represent you as long as they have a letter of proxy signed by your chapter president and present it to our Secretary at the time of signing in. Please bring the meeting packet with you so you will be able to follow along better.

It is time to think about GARAGE SALES again. I have sweet talked our Vice President Bill Rollenhagen into being the chairman for the Hesperia Sale and I will chair the sale at Bellevue again this year. The Bellevue sale will be in mid June and Hesperia will have their sale the third week in July. We both need all the help and merchandise we can find. Every one who comes to help will be given a title so you will be a part of something. All of the proceeds from the Bellevue sale will go to finish paying for the updating of the Rec Hall kitchen. The money from the Hesperia sale will go to finish and equip the new Campground office, so start to ask around, everyone has stuff that they don't need any more, see if you can get your hands on it and get it to the campground of your choice prior to the sale.

I had both of my eyes re-built (cataracts) in late March and early April. By the time you read this hopefully I will be back to full speed ahead again,

If we don't see you at the officers meeting, I look forward to seeing each of you at the Pig roast at Bellevue over the Memorial Day Holiday. There will be a open meeting of the Executive Board to go over the duties of the Campground Director and the rules for each campground. The board is looking for all of the input they can get from the members. It is my goal that each of our Campgrounds are administered equally.

Think Summer, 006

TTCM Welcome Corner-

We have signed up 5 new members member's this winter. Three couples applied from our web site application. I would like you to welcome these new members to TTCM and we hope to see you folks at either Bellevue or Hesperia this summer.

William & Lorri Hoople #4665 from Eaton Rapids. They are new members of Restless Ones.
Kevin & Evelyn Ferguson #4666 from Cement City. They are listed as MAL.
Irv & Kathye Craft # 4667 from Rockford. They are Happy Wanderers.
Diane McCarthy #4668 from Toledo, Oh. She was sponsored by Double Dozen
Susan Rollenhagen & Brian Mayett #4669. They are from Muskegon and are MALS.

Let's welcome back to TTCM the following members who have reinstated for 2009. We are glad that you have joined our family this year. Welcome.

Mike & Lisa Modelski #4293 DD
Charles & Carol Smallwood # 4513 DD
Douglas & Theresa Jones #4540 MAL
Dwight & Dawn Johanningsmeijer #4648 HW
Gary Wilson #0359 from Florida MAL
Kerry & Alyce DeVore #3970 From TX. DD
Richard & Andrea Knopf #4606 MAL
Bill & Barb DeGroot #4624 MAL
Rick & Zona Blackburn #4551 MAL

Glad to have all of you aboard. Hope to see you at our beautiful campgrounds this summer.
Sharon Westerhouse, Secretary



From the Treasurer-

HESPERIA GARAGE SALE-

Hesperia campground is going to have a garage sales July 23, 24th and 25th. We will start accepting items at Hesperia in June. We are looking forward to a great sale: so clean out your closets and basements and let's make this a prosperous sale. Come and join us and have some fun in the process of making money for the campground.

Bill Rollenhagen and Jerry Settler are in charge of this project. We need volunteers to help with this project. Anyone who is interested in working or helping please contact Bill Rollenhagen at 231-378-4563. If we don't have interest we will not be able to have a sale.

REMINDER-

Golf Cart owners- Remember that before Private owned Golf Carts can be operated at the campgrounds a copy of certificate of insurance needs to be given to the campground director to keep on file. Per insurance agent.

NOTICE-

Hesperia's deed shows the land owned is 80 acres + or -. The survey that was done this past year showed the land as 71.8 acres. Bill and Kathy Rollenhagen went to the Board of Revue for Newfield Township on March 9, 2009. They made copies of our paperwork and stated they would go with the surveyor's number. We will be paying taxes on 71.8 acres.

Remember When???

May 4, 1996 Officers Meeting at Bellevue - Gene Conklin spoke about a need for a tractor. He found one listed at \$17,000.00. Sale price is \$13,700.00. We have \$500.00 in the tractor fund and can sell the old tractor for \$2,000.00. Would like to request \$6,000.00 from the reserve fund and \$5,200.00 from the general fund to be paid back over a 4 year period with interest. Interest on the \$5,200.00 loan would be around \$500 or \$600. Bob Perry moved that Bellevue be allowed to borrow the money from the general operating fund to buy the Kabota. Approved. 24x24 addition to rec hall for storage of tables and chairs was approved.

Hesperia proposed a new storage shed 24x32 for a cost of \$10,500.00. Bob was instructed to see what material alone would cost and report back to the next meeting.

August 30, 1996 Executive committee meeting at Hesperia - The 000 wagon is for sale and closed bids will be taken starting at \$450.00. The committee decided that there should be a keeper of all All American stuff. They decided that the Vice President will inventory all items left from the previous rally and report that inventory to the next rally chairpersons for the next rally. He/she will also see to it that the rally books get to the appropriate party so they can be up dated before they are delivered to the rally chairperson(s).

Gene and Harriett presented a letter signed by John & Cathy Schultz in the case of their election as Campground Directors, that the Conklins stay on until the transition in May of 1997. This will allow time for the Schultzs to see how the campground is opened and what is needed. All agreed.

September 2, 1996 General membership meeting at Hesperia

Bellevue report: We presented the treasurer of TTCM a check for \$1,150.00 as first payment on loan of tractor. The money was raised from garage sale, donations from 4th of July rally, a bingo machine was donated and the proceeds from that went towards the tractor loan. Gene and Harriett thanked everyone for their support the past 17 years as Bellevue directors.

Hesperia reported that plans for clearing the trees for site preparation for the new shed is under way. Jim VanderVelde was elected the new president of TTCM. Bellevue Director is John Schultz and Hesperia director is Bob Perry. There were 125 units attending the All American Rally. We have 325 members.



Happy Wanderers-

January 3, 2009- Happy New Year to everyone. May 2009 be more prosperous for all of us. Happy Wanderers met at the home of Merle and Mary Bonter, in Ravenna, with about 30 members present. They have a nice heated attached garage where we had our potluck dinner and there was plenty of room for all of us and plenty of food, also. No meeting this time, just fellowship, cards, and games. It was good to see former member, Gerald Gillespe, who is recovering from a stroke. Also Jim Vandervelde is on oxygen now and under doctor's care. Say a prayer for those in need. Thanks to the Bonter's for their hospitality. We got to see Mary's holiday decorations and her village. Merle says now he can finally take everything down.

Let's have hope for the coming year and for our new President of the United States. God Bless America!!

February 20, 2009- What a great and noisy get-together we had at the VFW On The Hill in Muskegon for all-you-can-eat Fish Dinner. Again, there were about 30 Happy Wanderers present. We couldn't all sit together, but we were close enough to table hop and visit. We were honored to have as guest some of the MALS—Rollenhagens, McGahans, Bakers and others that I didn't get to meet, but would like to. There was also a band playing "Oldies, but goodies" and my feet were just a tapping under the table. The weather cooperated for this event as it has so far this winter. Let's hope for our camping season that Mother Nature does the same. Happy Wanderers membership is open and we welcome any new members into our chapter, no strings attached. We only ask for a smiling face and maybe some new ideas. Our prayers go out to Jim Vandervelde and any other who are in need. Our annual meeting is on March 21st at Sullivan Twp. Hall for the meeting and potluck and then will get into full swing to get our unit ready for the first campout on April 17-19th at Hesperia. Hope to see you there!!

Ruth Heimann-Reporter

From the Editor-

The newsletter will be sent monthly during the camping season. If you would like an article in the May newsletter please submit them to me by April 25th.

If you are receiving your newsletter by mail and would like to start receiving it by email please send me an email with your name and email address.

You can mail newsletter articles to: Debbie Steenbergh, 28231 Lorenz, Madison Heights, MI 48071.

Or you can email them to: dsteenbergh@aol.com



Double Dozen and the Duneland Winnies got together over the winter to make plans for the Memorial Weekend Rally. It was too cold in Michigan and Indiana so we met in Key West. We had a great time but didn't get too much planning done!

Anatomy of a Club

*The Anatomy of any organization is made up of four bones.
The Wish Bones who spend most of their time wishing someone else could do the work;
The Jaw Bones who do all the talking and very little else;
The Knuckle Bones who knock everything anybody tries to do;
And the Back Bones, who get under the load and get the work done.*

Bellevue Campground Memorial Day Weekend 2009-



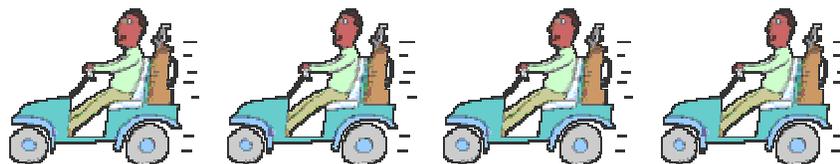
Bellevue Camp Out Golf Scramble

Sunday 5/24/09 Noon - 5pm
Mulberry Fore Golf Course
955 N. Main St.
Nashville, Mi 49073
18 holes with cart & hotdog and chips
16yrs & older male & female
Foursomes will be determined by luck of the draw
\$32.00 per person Prizes, closest too, longest drive
lucky cart, 1 club hole, and more!

Make checks payable and mail them to:
Denise Gerke
11375 Ridge Rd
South Lyon , Mi 48178
Please give me your name and a contact email or phone number

DEADLINE 5/8/09
Questions: email or call 248-486-6671

Denise & Dave
hog72@charter.net



13th Annual Pig Roast
TTCM Bellevue Campground
May 22-25, 2009

Join us for the 13th Annual Pig Roast at the Bellevue Campground.
Double Dozen and Duneland Winnies are hosting the event.



Saturday, May 23-
Pig Roast Dinner
Auction
Evening Entertainment- Point'n Fingers Classic Rock Band



Sunday, May 24-
Progressive Breakfast
BBQ Pork Sandwiches
Ice Cream Social
Cash Bingo

Registration form and money must be **received no later than May 15**

Please mail to:

Debbie Steenbergh

28231 Lorenz

Madison Heights, MI 48071

Make checks payable to: TTCM Bellevue Campground

13th Annual Pig Roast at Bellevue Campground

Name _____ TTCM # _____

Number of Adults and Children over 13 @ \$7.00 each _____

Number of Children 12-under @ \$3.50 each _____

HESPERIA CAMPGROUND

DATES

APRIL 3-4
APRIL 11
APRIL 12-19
APRIL 19-26
APRIL 26-MAY3
MAY 3-10
MAY 10-17
MAY 17-24
MAY 24-31
MAY 31-JUNE 7
JUNE 7-14
JUNE 14-21
JUNE 21-28
JUNE 28-JULY 5
JULY 5-12
JULY 12-19
JULY 19-26
JULY 26-AUGUST 2
AUGUST 2-9
AUGUST 9-16
AUGUST 16-23
AUGUST 23-30
AUGUST 30-SEPT 6
SEPTEMBER 6-13
SEPTEMBER 13-20
SEPTEMBER 20-27
SEPT 27-OCT 4
OCTOBER 4-11
OCTOBER 17

2009 PROPERTY TENDERS

SETTLER/HELLMAN

ANNIS/MCGAHAN

VANDYKE/SEAWALD
SCHWARTZ/MCCASTLE
MCCASTLE/SCHWARTZ
CARPENTER/HELLMAN
FITZPATRIC/ROGERS
SCHWARTZ/MCCASTLE
BONTER

ANNIS/MCGAHAN
CARR/JANSMA
VANDYKE/SEAWALD
SCHWARTZ/MCCASTLE
FITZPATRIC/ROGERS

MCCASTLE/SCHWARTZ
CARR/WELLS
BONTER/LAKATOS

WEEKEND RALLIES

WATER
WOOD CUTTING
GRAND VALLEY/HAPPY WANDERS

HAPPY WANDERERS
MAL
GRAND VALLEY/HAPPY WANDERER
HOLIDAY RAMBLERS/HAPPY WAND

HAPPY WANDERERS
SMART----JOE ACHWARTZ
GRAND VALLEY/RESTLESS ONES
SEWING BEE-BLDG CLSD AFTER CARD
HAPPY WANDERERS
MAL
GRAND VALLEY/RESTLESS ONE/HW

HAPPY WANDERERS
CAREFREE SAMS
HAPPY WANDERERS
GRAND VALLEY/RESTLESS ONES
HAPPY WANDERERS

HAPPY WANDERERS
MICH PIONEERS-BOB CARR/GV/RO
SEWING BEE-BLG CLSD AFTR CARD/HW
GM
HAPPY WANDERERS/HALLOWEEN
WOOD AND WATER

BELLEVUE CAMPGROUND

APRIL 10-11
APRIL 17-18
APRIL 24-25
MAY 1-2
MAY 8-9
MAY 15-16
MAY 23-24
MAY 29-30
JUNE 5-6
JUNE 12-13
JUNE 19-20
JUNE 26-27
JULY 3-4
JULY 10-11
JULY 17-18
JULY 24 25
AUGUST 1
AUGUST 7-8
AUGUST 14-15

AUGUST 21-22
AUGUST 28-29
SEPT 4-6

SEPTEMBER 11-12
SEPTEMBER18-19
September 25-26
OCTOBER 2-3
OCTOBER 9-10
OCTOBER 16-17

BOB PERRY/HERMAN HAZARD
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CAMPGROUND OPENS
PRAIRIE DOGS & PUPS/DOUBLE DOZEN
HAPPY HITCHERS
HESPERIA EXEC OFFICERS MEETING
DOUBLE DOZEN/HAPPY CAMPERS
ROVING ROUNDERS
13TH ANNUAL PIG ROAST

BLOSSOM LAND

NEED HOSTS

STEAK & CORN MAL'S ??
SNOW TO SUN 11-12-13
SUNNY BROOK-STATE RALLY
30-50 UNITS

PREP FOR ALL AMERICAN RALL
ALL AMERICAN RALLY (CHRISTMAS)
HOST-BLOSSOMLAND

HALLOWEEN (NEED HOST)

CAMPGROUND CLOSSES

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*From I-69/I-94, north on I-69, exit #48. Go west on M-78, approx. 2 miles. South on Ionia Rd. to West Baseline Rd. East to 16th. Turn left at stop sign and follow for ¼ mile.

Hesperia Campground: 6777 M-20, Hesperia, MI 49421 (231)854-9913
*From Hesperia, head 3.5 miles west on M-20.
*From White Cloud, West 16.5 miles on M-20, campground on south side.

Please visit out associate members:

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2960 W Jefferson
Trenton, MI 48183

Caswell & Company
260 S Dexter St
Ionia, MI 48846