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From the President-

I would like to thank everyone who had anything to do with our Garage Sales last month, because everyone brought stuff to sell and worked to hard to set up we had 2 very successful sales. I would like to thank each person that had anything to do with the success of either sale. There should be more on this elsewhere on this paper.

Now that it is summer it is also vacation time. Because of the cost of things it would make sense for your family to stay near home and use our own campgrounds. There are many day trips surrounding each of our parks that would keep kids of all ages happy and not cost an arm and leg. You can ask each Campground Director for help and directions.

ELECTION

Sometime this month you will be receiving your TTCM Election Ballot in the mail. The Election Chairman (Tom Crisfield) has printed all voting instructions on each ballot. Be sure to follow them. If you choose to write in a persons name for an office be sure to make an X in the box beside of the name that you write in or the vote will not be valid. When you receive the ballot be sure that you cast your vote and return the filled our ballot before the published deadline. If your ballot envelope is postmarked after the published cut off date in the instructions It will be invalid and not counted.

PROPERTY TENDERS

One way you could save money on camping this summer is to volunteer to property tend at one of our campgrounds. Your week of camping is free just for helping out during that week around the park.

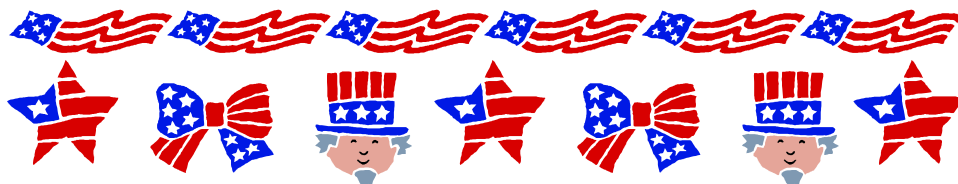
RALLY TIME

It is not too soon to start to think about the Rally, DOUBLE DOZEN is the hosts this year and from what I have heard they have some surprises in store for each one in attendance. The theme this year is a REDNECK ROUNDUP. For any one who shows up early for the rally I am planning some day trips for the week prior to the rally for those who would like to do something different.

HELP STILL NEEDED

We still are looking for an editor for our newsletter. Debbie has been doing it for sometime now and has asked to step down and take a break. If you have an interest in helping out please call Debbie or me with any questions.

Dick Hamlin, Pres





News from the North-

Hi ALL----

Another month is about over. Our garage sale was a good one and this week is the sewing week. A lot of sewing and talking going on, like most women do.

Due to the success of the yard sale we now have enough money for the new fence which will be ordered this week and installed when we get it. With the property tenders and the generous help of our fellow campers it will be up in no time.

Lefty

P.S. Remember we need proof of insurance for the Golf Carts that are used at both campgrounds.

2011 Hesperia Year Sale-

First of all we want to thank our team "our great team" that worked so hard to made our sale a success. Thank you- Dee McGahan, Pauline Smith, Jennine Rogers, Liz VerPlank, Dee Pierson, Linda Quinn, and to Marcia Underwood, we keep her so very busy washing the stuff that needed it. THANK YOU GIRLS for all your work. Please forgive me if I have missed anyone. I also want to thank all those who donate to our sale. Everything was in good condition, and most of the stuff was here before the day of the sale. That makes it so much easier for us who puts everything out for the sale. We had a place for everything and we even had people tell us how neat and clean everything was. .And it was, we empty all the boxes on Sunday and then it took three day to put everything in it place. And all the hard work paid off. We made \$730.00 in only 2 days, Thursday and Friday. We feel that in our rural farm community we did very good and we have reached our goal for our new fence. So thank you All who supported us. I also need to thank all the ones who help to pack up the left over and took it to Goodwill right way. And they also cleaned the club house so it was ready for the community dinner, which was a good gathering of many. It was a good time to meet everyone. It was a total success. So now we have closed the sale for another year. But your job is to still have a little place in a corner to sit aside your "STUFF" for the yard sale in 2012.

Thank you-- Edna & Dee

Hesperia Community Dinner-

The first Hesperia Community Dinner was a huge success. There was more than enough food for everyone! Everyone introduced themselves to the group and stated which chapter they belonged to. It was a very enjoyable evening. Check out the pictures on the website (www.ttcm.org).

The next Community Dinner will be July 16th and it will be Taco's. Everyone is welcome. Bring a dish to pass and join us! Dinner will be at 5:00.

Cyndi Behler
#4639



News from the South-

We want to thank those Chapter representatives who attended the planning committee meeting this month. We need to keep our Chapters involved and up to date. Your input is very important to the growth of the campground.

We have several property tenders on the books for the end of June and the 1st of July. We need more to sign up for the summer. Anyone who wants to spend a week taking money, dumping trash & doing odd

jobs let us know. We can do the mowing if you can't. Please give us a call and we can put you on the books.

We had a great garage sale this year. The money will go towards the new metal roofs for the two picnic shelters. Thanks to all who brought items and to those who helped with the sale.

There is a pop-up in storage wrapped up in a blue tarp. It's been there for 2 years. If it belongs to you, give either Tom or I a call. Our phone numbers are listed on the last page of the newsletter. Do you have your numbers displayed on your unit in storage?? That's one of our campground rules!!!!

We have wood to be split & stacked. Anyone wishing to help with that let us know. When the permits for the electrical project come back to us we will be scheduling work weekends. We will need ALL the volunteers we can get. That's how this campground was built, with members volunteering to help. We will keep you updated as we get closer to starting the project. This is your campground. We need your support to keep it functioning. We need you!!

Herm & Tom Co-Directors

Bellevue Garage Sale-

Wow, what a great sale. We made \$1106.00 this year. This will go towards the roofs for the two picnic shelters. I want to thank everyone who donated towards the sale. I want to thank Linda Vella & Gayle Alms for hanging clothes. Debbie Steenbergh, Janet Felmonik (one more lady, I didn't get her name) for hanging clothes & putting out table cloths, linens etc. Thanks to the Blossom Land ladies for helping with the pricing job. To Harriet Conklin & Diane Knust thanks for helping emptying all those boxes.

We started Memorial Day and finished on Monday the week of the sale. We were ready to price items a table at a time. By Wednesday, the day before the sale, we were ready. I want to thank Virginia Trost (Herm's sister) for coming and helping during the pricing and working the sale also. Ginny made a salad & orange jello and I made sloppy joes for the workers for lunch during the sale.

Thanks again to all. You did a great job. Couldn't have done it without you all!!

Sharon Westerhouse

Welcome Corner-



We want to welcome our newest members to TTCM and we hope they have great family fun at the campgrounds. Say hello to the following:

Mike & Lauri Kingman #4720 from Columbiaville, MI joined DLW
Jeff & Dee Pierson #4721 from Ravenna, MI MAL
Scott & Lauri Redmond #4722 from Oxford, MI joined DD
Jeff Pierson Jr. #4723 from Ravenna, MI MAL
Ron & Linda Smith #4724 from Whitehall, MI MAL

Now we need to welcome back these members who re-instated:

Daniel & Marcy Westphall #4613 from DLW
Phillip & MariAnn McGahan Jr. #4459 from MAL
Joesph & Michelle Annis #4469 from MAL
Kelly & Michelle Baker #4555 from MAL
Stephen & Christina Cook #105A from RR
Murl & Sherri Jobes #4506 from MAL
Dwayne & Nicky Westphal #4614 from DLW

TTCM Hesperia

July 15-17, 2011

Stampin up, card making, scrapbooking weekend

Please bring your own projects you are working on, and feel free to share your ideas with everyone!

Saturday July 16 a stampin up demonstrator will be coming to show us how to make some cards. There will be a \$2-\$3 charge per card you make unless you place an order with her. Let me tell you they are very beautiful cards, quite extravagant. You only make the ones you want to, or all if you want to. She will supply all supplies for these cards and will help you with whatever you need to make them, you won't be disappointed! She will also be selling stampin up supplies you can place an order with her that day. If stampin up card making, scrap booking isn't for you please feel free to come and observe and fellowship it'll be fun!

Contact Mary Dickinson with any questions

1- 231- 924-5465



BELLEVUE CAMPGROUND
TREE PLANTING MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

BELLEVUE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING JUNE 18, 2011 at 2:00 PM

Happy Campers - Gene Conklin

MAL – Tom Crisfield

Draggin Train - Dick Hamlin

Double Dozen – Bruce Alm

Happy Hitchers – Harold Hemry

River Raisen & Duneland Winnies were absent. A quorum was declared for business.

Herm opened the meeting with comments about the Toro mower. It needs to be replaced. We need to get rid of it and the equipment that is not in working order or that we don't use. Comments were to get prices for another mower and bring it up in August at the next planning committee meeting.

Herm & Dick bought wood to be split and stacked. Double Dozen plans on being at Bellevue the 2nd Saturday in August and will cut wood.

On the electrical project, we have to apply for a permit which we did. This will take 3 to 4 weeks for them to get back with us on the permits. The cost was \$248.00. We have a licensed electrician who will be coming out to talk with us. Phase A & B was approved by the board in May. Phase C was not which involves putting an electrical line down to the pond. This was discussed and maybe we could put in this line as long as we have the trencher here. The committee was reminded that this cannot be done without approval of the board.

Bruce Alm moved to ask the Board of Directors that they approve the funding for the electric from where John Schultz is parked to the pond for an aerator to be used in the pond if this is approved by the insurance company. Motion was seconded and carried.

We have a problem with rain seeping in the south side of the building. We need to put in pea gravel around the building. We can work on that when the trencher is here to do the electric. Also, the woman's outhouse fills up in the spring. We need to look into how we can fix this problem.

If you know who some of the trees were planted for on the grounds, let us know as we have a map that we would like to put them on to and have on hand.

Bring your suggestions for the 3 year plan for Bellevue to the August meeting. We will need to report this at the joint meeting at the All American.

Question was asked if we could have hand sanitizer at the dump station for convenience. Herm said that we can do that. Dick stated that we should promote the campground for camping during the Olivet Banjo Festival next year. We need property tenders this year. We have a couple of weeks on the books but we need more.

Meeting adjourned at 2:50.

Minutes taken by Sharon Westerhouse

Hello my name is Brenda Hilderbrandt and I would like to be a write in candidate for office of the Treasurer. I have served as the Golden Agers Treasurer for the last three years, and I am currently Vice Regent and fund raiser co-chair for the Daughters of the American Revolution Michigan Dunes chapter.

I am currently employed by Alcoa Howmet as a Lab Technician at the Howmet Research Center. I hope to be a vital part of the TTCM family by working for you!

So if you would like to vote for me x the box by the line and write my name as it appears below.

Respectively
Brenda Hilderbrandt



ARE YOU READY FOR A REDNECK REUNION?

As the host chapter for the 2011 All American Rally Double Dozen has been busy preparing for a Redneck Reunion and you will find a draft of the schedule in this newsletter. We have volunteers for many of the activities but need additional volunteers.

Volunteers have been received for the following activities:

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| Cake Roulette | Restless Ones |
| 10 Cent Auction | Restless Ones |
| Adult Bingo | Blossomland |
| Children Bingo | Blossomland |
| Lunch | MAL |
| Tie Dye-Sno Cones-Tattoos | Duneland Winnies |
| Hillbilly Euchre | Double Dozen |
| Tacky Scavenger Hunt | Double Dozen |
| Registration | Double Dozen |
| Water Balloon Volleyball | Double Dozen |
| Toilet Seat Races | Double Dozen |
| Redneck Games | Double Dozen |

Volunteers are needed for Hospitality, Children Door Prizes and Parking. If volunteers are not received we will be unable to have hospitality and there will be Hillbilly Hobo parking with Double Dozen located in the lower picnic shelter area.

There will be no adult tank prizes this year. We ask that you donate items for the 10 cent auction instead.

If there are any other activities anyone would like to volunteer for please contact Kim O'Dell at (734) 502-9611 or ODELLS1982@YAHOO.COM

We are requesting each chapter:

Donate desserts for cake roulette (nothing that needs refrigerated please)

3 adult desserts minimum

1 children dessert minimum

Donate 1 10 Cent Auction item valued at \$5 minimum

Donate 2 children door prizes

Donate 1 teen door prize

Participate in the Progressive Campfire

Provide someone to assist with preparing and/or serving breakfast Saturday and/or Sunday. There will be a sign up sheet available during registration.

If you are attending the All American Rally this year remember to:

Bring shirts or pillowcases for tie dyeing

Bring items for the 10 Cent Auction

Decorate for the Redneck Reunion theme

Dress for the Redneck Reunion theme

From the Editor-

The next newsletter will be the August Newsletter which will be sent out the beginning of August. If you would like an article in the next Newsletter please submit them to me by June 23.

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

ALL AMERICAN
REDNECK REUNION 2011 BELLEVUE CAMPGROUND

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2011

| <u>TIME</u> | <u>EVENT</u> | <u>LOCATION</u> | <u>HOST</u> |
|---------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|
| 7 - 8:30 P.M. | REGISTRATION | REC HALL | DOUBLE DOZEN |
| 7:30 P.M. | HOSPITALITY | REC HALL | |

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2011

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| 8:30 - 9:30 A.M. | FRENCH TOAST & HAM | REC HALL | CHAPTER REPS |
| 8:30 - 9:30 A.M. | REGISTRATION | LOWER PICNIC SHELTER | DOUBLE DOZEN |
| 10 A.M. | NOISE PARADE | | |
| 10:30 A.M. | OPENING CEREMONY | FLAG POLE | DOUBLE DOZEN |
| 11 A.M. | HILLBILLY EUCHRE | REC HALL | DOUBLE DOZEN |
| 11 A.M. | TIE DYE-SNO CONES-TATTOOS | UPPER PICNIC SHELTER | DUNELANDWINNIES |
| 12 - 12:45 P.M. | TACKY SCAVENGER HUNT | LOWER PICNIC SHELTER | DOUBLE DOZEN |
| 1 - 1:30 P.M. | LUNCH for purchase | REC HALL | MAL |
| 1 P.M. | TOILET SEAT TIME TRIALS | REC HALL | DOUBLE DOZEN |
| 1:45 P.M. | DROP OFF CAKE ROULETTE ITEMS | LOWER PICNIC SHELTER | |
| 2 - 3 P.M. | CAKE ROULETTE ADULT & CHILDREN COMBINED | LOWER PICNIC SHELTER | RESTLESS ONES |
| 3:30 - 5:30 P.M. | ADULT BINGO | REC HALL | BLOSSOMLAND |
| 6 P.M. | PREPAID CHICKEN DINNER PICK-UP | REC HALL | DOUBLE DOZEN |
| 7:30 | ENTERTAINMENT | REC HALL | |

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2011

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| 8:30 - 9:30 A.M | BISCUITS, GRAVY & SCRAMBLED EGGS | REC HALL | CHAPTER REPS |
| 10 - 11 A.M. | CHURCH | REC HALL | |
| 11 A.M. - 1 P.M. | REDNECK GAMES | BASKETBALL COURT | DOUBLE DOZEN |
| 11 A.M. - 1 P.M. | FOOD available for purchase | BASKETBALL COURT | DOUBLE DOZEN |
| 2 - 4 P.M. | 10-CENT AUCTION | LOWER PICNIC SHELTER | RESTLESS ONES |
| 4:30 P.M. | WATER BALLOON VOLLEYBALL | VOLLEYBALL COURT | DOUBLE DOZEN |
| 4:30 - 5:30 P.M. | CHILDREN BINGO | REC HALL | BLOSSOMLAND |
| 5:30 - 7 P.M. | DINNER BREAK | | |
| 7 P.M. | PRESIDENTS & SPOUSE ARRIVE | REC HALL | DOUBLE DOZEN |
| 7:30 - 9 P.M. | PRESIDENTS WALK, AWARDS, RAFFLES & TOILET SEAT FINALS | REC HALL | |
| 9:30 P.M. | PROGRESSIVE CAMPFIRE | | ALL CHAPTERS |

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2011

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| 8 - 9 A.M. | DONUTS & COFFEE | REC HALL | |
| 10 A.M. | MEMBERSHIP MEETING | REC HALL | |

All-American Rally "REDNECK REUNION"
 September 2nd - 5th, 2011 ~ ~ Bellevue Campground

Name: _____ TTCM#: _____ Email: _____

Chapter: _____ Phone #: _____

Rally fees: \$30 per family Does ya require parkin' for da handicappers? Yeah? or Nay?
 What kinda kinfolk ya bringin'? _____ adults (18-99) _____ teens (13-17)
 _____ youngins (6-12) _____ ankle biters (0-5)

or \$20 for a single = \$ _____

Ya'll can get "ofishal" rally shirts for \$3 each = \$ _____

How many ya need? _____ med _____ large _____ xl _____ 2xl _____ even bigger

Want a chicken dinner on Saturday nite?

Ya git 2 pieces of chicken, baked beans, ½ corn on the cob and a biscuit. Yer also gonna git a down home dessert! Pick up yer tickets at registration. We're gonna only provide pre-ordered and pre-paid for dinners. No late orders! Sorry, but Ma can't handle it! (This is a Double Dozen fundraiser and is not included with the rally fee and will cost ya a lil' bit xtra.)

What ya gotta pay is: 2 pieces of white meat \$6.50 X _____ orders = _____

2 pieces of dark meat \$5.50 X _____ orders = _____

Total: _____

Now just figure out what ya owe us:

Rally fee: _____ + Shirts: _____ + Chix Dinners: _____ = Total: _____

Please make checks **payable to Gayla Reuter-Alm** and send to:

Double Dozen
 c/o Gayla Reuter-Alm
 1144 Heather Heath Drive
 Howell, MI 48843

Need to give me a holler? (517)546-8203 or gaylareuteralm@yahoo.com

Yer registration form and money must arrive by August 15th! Thanks y'all and see ya at the Reunion!

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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

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260 S Dexter St
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