



TRAVEL TRAILER CLUB OF THE MIDWEST

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Board of Directors Meeting

Date: Saturday ... May 10th

Time: 11:00 AM

Place: Hesperia 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 download at ttcm.org/news (prior year October newsletter) if you need a copy for review.

President News

Hello fellow campers,

The camping season is finally here. At the time of composing this article the water line project at Hesperia campground should be wrapping up and the water should be flowing. I want to thank Don Gasaway and Troy Roberson for all the time and work they have put in to see this project through. I also want to thank Zack Martin for his time spent to locate a replacement UTV for Bellevue campground. Thank you gentlemen, your efforts are greatly appreciated.

I hope the opening of both campgrounds goes well. I look forward to seeing all our friends and family around the campfire and wish everyone a wonderful 2025 camping season! Enjoy our campgrounds!

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Bill Fox

Vice-President News

It's That Time Again – Let's Get Camping!

The campgrounds are opening, and I, for one, am ready to get out there and enjoy the fresh air! But before we can fully enjoy our time together, we need to come together as members and get the grounds back in shape.

Winter has likely left behind fallen limbs and blown-in trash. The clubhouses will be dusty and in need of a good airing out, and the outhouse will need to be refreshed and restocked.

This isn't just the responsibility of the Campgrounds Director—it's up to all of us as members of this organization to pitch in. Let's work together to get everything up and running and looking great for the season.

If you're not sure what needs to be done, just reach out to one of the directors. They'll be happy to let you know where help is needed.

Many hands make light work.

Looking forward to seeing you all soon!

Brenda Hilderbrandt
Vice President

Secretary News

Hello Campers,

Happy May to everyone. It is finally camping season. If you can help with opening weekend at either campground please let them know or just show up and get ready to help where ever they need help.

I hear that the water lines are in and done at Hesperia. Boy is that going to be nice. Just want to thank Don Gasaway for seeing that project thru to the finish. We so appreciate Don and Troy Roberson for seeing to our Hesperia Campground and getting her ready for camping. If anyone would like to be a property tender for either campground, let Clione or Don in Hesperia or Zack Martin in Bellevue know. There are plenty of little things that need to be done at both campgrounds.

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The Memorial Day Weekend is coming. Hope everyone is planning on getting out to either campground for a fun filled weekend.

The Sewing Bee is coming June 16th thru the 20th with a shopping trip on Friday June 13th with lunch in-between stores. This is a week for all sewers and crafters, or if you just want to stop in for a chat. Everyone is welcome. The fee for joining us will be \$15.

Happy Camping,

Sandy Jarrell — TTCM Secretary

Bellevue News

Hey everybody!

By the time you are reading this the campgrounds will be open. We can't wait to see everybody.

We had Katz out on the 22nd to fire up the wells. We are in the process of getting a new UTV to replace the one that was stolen.

We have a major need to split wood. We will be having a wood splitting weekend the weekend of the 16th. I hope to see as many members there as possible. Access to firewood without paying the crazy fees some places have is one of the great things about our club!

Don't forget, Bell-stock is happening Memorial weekend and we hope to make it one for the books!

The Martins

Hesperia News

Hi Fellow Campers,

When this comes out it will almost be camping time. This last month flew by. We will open on Friday May 2nd. Hope the weather warms up by then.

The new water lines are in; now there is the clean up . Troy has been working on it.

The Board of Directors meeting will be in Hesperia campgrounds on Saturday May 10th at 11:00 A.M. Everyone is welcome to attend.

There will be a planning meeting on Saturday May 24th at 10:00 A.M. This is for our campgrounds to plan what we want to do this year. Hope everyone will bring ideas and take part in making it happen.

Memorial Day weekend there will be a potluck on Saturday May 24th at 5:30 and a Memorial Service on Sunday afternoon May 25th at 1:30 P.M. at the flag pole weather permitting. If rain, it will be in the club house.

Saturday July 5th will have a potluck at 5:00 P.M. and Don's brothers country band will play music afterwards. Hope we have nice weather for it this year.

Clione and Don

Bell-Stock

The Bellstock shirts are available. Order online and your shirts will be at the campground. The shirts help offset costs for the weekend.

The band lineup has changed this year, Mysteria is still playing Sunday night and Father Stone takes the stage on Saturday. They are a local band who plays at Dark Horse Brewery.

The link to follow for the shirts is posted on the TTCM Facebook page.

Please get your reservation in early. This helps us plan a great weekend for everyone. Members are \$75 and non-members are \$150.

We are encouraging everyone to bring a shirt to Tye Dye. We will provide everything else. Get creative!

Bring your friends. What a great time to show what affordable camping fun is and that it still exists.

Daryl Westphal

June Sewing Bee

Sewing Bee

June 16 – 20 with Shopping on Friday June 13

To all of our Sewing Bee participants this June's sewing bee will include a Mystery Bag exchange. Bring something that you may no longer use or want, put it in a brown paper bag, staple it shut, and then one day during the sewing week we will have a bag swap. It was so much fun last year doing this that I thought that we would do it again.

If you have a project that you are having trouble with we would be more than happy to help you with it. Even if you do not sew and have another craft that you would like to come and join us, say knitting or crocheting, by all means come and have fun. That's our first requirement.

It is \$15 to join us and that money is used for projects around the campground. Any question, contact me or Sandy Jarrell.

Looking forward to see you all at the Sewing Bee

Nancy Hellman

Upcoming Events for 2025

May 02-04	Campground Opens
May 10	Board of Directors Meeting @ 11:00 AM .. Hesperia
May 16-18	Work Weekend
May 23-26	Memorial Weekend — Events at Both Campgrounds
June 16-20	Sewing Bee — Hesperia
June 20-22	Work Weekend & Neighborhood BBQ
July 25-27	Work Weekend
Aug 15-17	Work Weekend

Bellevue Events for 2025

[*Mark your calendar now for this years events at Bellevue.*](#)

May 2-4	Campground Opens
May 9-11	Mothers Day Weekend
May 16-18	Work Weekend
May 23-26	Memorial Weekend
June 13-15	Father's Day Weekend
June 20-22	Work Weekend & Neighborhood BBQ
July 4-6	4th of July
July 25-27	Work Weekend
Aug 15-17	Work Weekend
Aug 29-Sep 1	Labor Day Weekend
Sep 19-21	Work Weekend (Halloween Event Setup)
Oct 4-6	Halloweekend 2025
Oct 17-19	Campground Closes

Editor Note

All chapters and individual members can submit articles for publication in the monthly newsletter.
If you would like to have something published in the newsletter please submit it to tcmnews@usa.com by the 20th of the month for inclusion in the next newsletter.

Max Jarrell

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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

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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 23-26

Live Music



\$150 FOR ENTIRE WEEKEND

Games/Food

Camping

TTCM Bellevue Michigan

Kick off your camping season this Memorial Day at BELLSTOCK 2025, hosted at TTCM campground in Bellevue Michigan!

Friday 5/23: DJ with Mike on the Mic and dancing in the evening

Saturday 5/24: Hog roast and live music by Father Stone in the evening

Sunday 5/25: 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 (max 4 people per unit, each additional person \$10). To pay by check make payable to Double Dozen.

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