



TRAVEL TRAILER CLUB OF THE MIDWEST

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President News

Hello Fellow Campers,

Another month has gone by. Now we are preparing for the last holiday weekend. It should be a good time.

The Labor Day weekend campout is western themed at Hesperia. I hope you can come out and enjoy the festivities. The schedule should be attached to this month's newsletter. Hopefully many of you will be able to spend some time at one of our campgrounds and sit around the campfire!

Also, I hope you all have had a chance to vote in this year's election. If you did not mail in your ballot there is still time to submit them in person. Remember these campgrounds belong to all of us and you have a say.

We are a private members owned campground opened to friendly travelers passing through and also short term stays for fostering potential members who enjoy RVing and fellowship.

One last message of importance!! The General Membership meeting will be held at Hesperia campgrounds clubhouse on September 12 @ 11:00 AM.

We need as many members as possible to show up. This is your time to speak up. We need quorum in order to conduct business. Without your representation, voting on business issues cannot take place. Please participate!

Thank you,

Bill Fox

Vice-President News

September is already here—where did the summer go? But that means it's time for the Labor Day Rallies at each campground!

Reach out to your event chairman and see what you can do to help. There are games, crafts, maybe even hayrides—there's something for everyone, and there are many ways to lend a hand.

If you aren't able to do the heavy lifting, there are still plenty of ways to help. You could supply prizes for the kids' games, donate items for the Cake Roulette, bring items for Bingo, or contribute items for the 10¢ Auction.

There are so many ways to get involved, and every little bit helps make the Labor Day Rally a success!

If you don't know who the event chairman is, reach out to your Campground Director, and they can point you in the right direction.

Let's all pitch in and help make this Labor Day weekend a fun and memorable one for everyone!

Brenda Hilderbrandt — Vice President

Secretary News

Hello Fellow Campers,

Hopefully most of you have been out camping at the campgrounds. I don't even want to think about summer coming to a close.

Don't forget to **pay your 2027 dues to the Secretary**, not the campground directors . You may pay for more than one year if you would like too. If you want to pay me in person I will be camping at Bellevue Labor Day Weekend. I will also be at Hesperia for the Annual Membership Meeting and Sewing Bee week (Sept. 11 – 21). Otherwise, mail them to me before the end of November as we will have a new Secretary at the end of the year and the mailing address will change.

Also, if you intend to leave your camper in storage for the winter you MUST pay your next year's dues ahead of paying for Winter Storage for both campgrounds. Winter storage fees are payable to the campground director, not the secretary.

The Election Committee has been busy. If you intend to vote in-person on Labor Day Weekend I will be handing out ballots and collecting them at Bellevue and Carolyn Fitzpatrick will be handling them in Hesperia. **If you were mailed a ballot you cannot pick up another one at the campground!!!**

Labor Day at Hesperia sounds like a blast. Everyone, please help where you can. We need even those who can do the little stuff to help out. THIS IS YOUR CLUB!! We need EVERYONE to be involved!! It doesn't matter which campground.

General Membership Meeting is September 12, at 11:00 AM. Please, we need your involvement. Again, THIS IS YOUR CLUB. You need to be actively involved. If you have a concern, or maybe an idea for an event or activity, this is the place and time to bring it up. We are all equal owners and partners in this fantastic club.

The Sewing Bee is September 14th - 18th in Hesperia. We would love to have more people come and have a fun filled week. You don't have to quilt or even sew. Come and bring your knitting or whatever crafts you do and enjoy a week of each other's company. Lunch will be included every day. The cost is \$15. For additional info you can contact Nancy Hellman at the Hesperia Campground.

If you have ANY question you can contact me via email, text, phone, or come talk to me at the campground.

Happy camping,

Sandy Jarrell — TTCM Secretary

Calendar of Events for 2026

Sep 05 - 07	Labor Day weekend
Sep 12	General Membership Meeting — Hesperia @ 11:00 AM
Sep 14 - 18	Sewing Bee — Hesperia
Sep 19	Wood Cutting Bee — Hesperia @ 9:00 AM
Oct 02 - 04	Halloween Outing weekend — both campgrounds
Oct 17	Campgrounds Closing Day

Hesperia News

Hi Fellow Campers,

Hope everyone has enjoyed this camping season. We have had a good season and everything is looking great. The summer has been flying by.

Now we are looking forward to the Labor Day Weekend rally. Please remember that the theme for this year is Western. Don't forget that we need donations for the 10-cent auction and each person needs to bring something for the cake roulette. Jody is going to have a craft class on Sunday morning. It will be a Halloween jar, so if you have a pint or quart size jar please bring it with you.

Don is planning a wood splitting bee for Saturday, September 19th at 9:00 a.m. There will be a potluck at 5:30 p.m. Please bring your own table service and a dish to pass.

Our Halloween for the children will be on October 3rd. Jody Stratton is heading it up this year with Penny Walsama helping. They have a lot of fun things to do for the day.

Our closing date is Saturday, October 17th. Please plan to be out by noon.

Clione and Don



September Sewing Bee

SEPTEMBER 14 - 18

This is a fun time for those who sew, quilt, knit, crochet or craft! We welcome anyone who does. This is a time to get together and have a good time. There is a \$15 fee to join us for the week.

We would love to welcome any and all new members to join us for this week of fun.

If you have any questions contact me Nancy Hellman at Hesperia Campground 231-338-6124.

Nancy Hellman

2027 Dues

Dues are \$30.00 before December 31 and \$50.00 after January 1, 2027

SEND your dues to: TTCM
6618 Allen Rd.
Fenton, MI 48430

Please make your CHECKS payable to TTCM

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SPECIAL REQUESTS: (Please read **both** of them.)

- Please be extra, extra, extra considerate this year and, if possible, pay your dues before the end of "November".
- **Take note** — the current secretary **will not be** the 2027 secretary, therefore, the above address will not be where you send your dues if you decide to pay them next year instead of this year.

Educational News Section

An Excerpt from the TTCM Website — section "What Is TTCM"

Members are encouraged to attend club meetings so they understand how the club operates and so the Executive Committee has wide-ranging input as to what the members want the club to be.

That said — members from BOTH campgrounds are encouraged to attend the Annual Membership Meeting(s) regardless of, a) which campground they utilize most, or, b) which campground the meeting(s) are held at. This is all part of the definition of being an "active" club member.

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TTCM Hesperia Campgrounds Labor Day Weekend Campout 2026

September 4th – 7th

Cost \$10.00 per unit of four; \$2.50 per person for extras

This year's theme is Western

Friday, 9/4

7:00PM Ice Cream Social at the clubhouse

Setup for 10 cent auctions. Bring your gently used items etc. Proceeds will go to the campground

Saturday, 9/5

RAFFLES will be

10:00AM Corn Hole Tournament

Setup around the

10:00AM 10 Cent Auction

Campground with tickets available

1:00PM Cake Walk, bring one adult & one kids item.

5:30PM Potluck Dinner at the clubhouse. Hamburgers and Hotdogs provided

8:00PM Party on the Patio Community / Social time for all ages.

Sunday, 9/6

10:00AM Jody's craft project

1:00PM Tractor Rodeo

4:00PM Raffle drawings

6:00PM Progressive Dinner

Monday, 9/7

Socialize, pick up, dump and safe travels home for everyone!

★ **T.T.C.M.** ★

Bellevue Campground

LABOR DAY WEEKEND

★ SEPTEMBER 4-7, 2026 ★

4 DAYS OF FUN, FRIENDS & MEMORIES
= FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY! =

Good Friends
Good Times
Great Memories

WEEKEND PACKAGE PRICING

MEMBERS: \$75

(Includes 3 nights camping & all activities)

NON-MEMBERS: \$115

(Includes 3 nights camping & all activities)

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 4

Arrival & Movie Night

Afternoon/
Early Evening
Arrival & Settle In

7:00 PM
S'mores Bar

8:30 PM
Outdoor
Movie

Bring your own
blankets, pillows,
lawn chairs, and
anything you need
to get cozy!

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 5

Games & Pizza Night

9:00 AM
Breakfast

10:30 AM
Scavenger Hunt

1:30 PM
Campground
Game Time
• Clothespin Tag
• I'm Going Camping
Memory Chain
• Marshmallow
Toothpick Towers

5:00 PM
Pizza Cookoff
Bring your own
ingredients!
Make, cook, judge
& enjoy for dinner!

7:30 PM
Cup Pong Tournament
Adults: Beer Pong
Kids: Cup Pong

After dark:
Flashlight
Freeze Tag

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 6

Color Run, BBQ & Party Day

9:00 AM
Breakfast

10:30 AM
Rock Painting

1:30 PM
Color Run

2:00 PM
Water Balloon
Dodgeball

3:00-5:00 PM
Free Time /
Clean Up & Change
Shower, relax & get
ready for the evening!

5:00 PM
Backyard BBQ
(kebabs, baked
potatoes and
corn on the cob)

7:00 PM
Music & Dancing

After dark:
Flashlight
Candy Hunt

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 7

Labor Day

9:00 AM
Farewell
Breakfast

After breakfast,
the rest of the day
is open for visiting,
relaxing, packing up,
cleanup &
heading home.

Thank you.
for making this
weekend so
special!

A Few Notes:

Relax
Unwind
= Make Memories =

REMINDERS

- Please be respectful of others.
- Help keep our campground clean & beautiful.
- Most importantly—have fun!

RSVP TO SHERRI OR ZACK

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

6777 E. M-20

Hesperia, MI 49421

Phone: 231-338-6124

Email: hesperiacampground@gmail.com

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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