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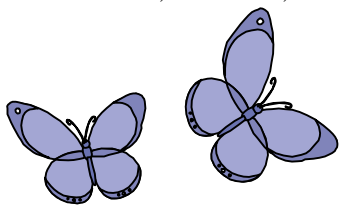
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BOARD MOTIONS:

The following motions were passed at the March 17, 2008 board meeting:

1. That the easement proposal from the City of Lancaster as described in White's letter and map be accepted.



MANAGER'S NOTES:

I know Spring has arrived to the Camp Ground! I look out my office window and see that the snowbirds are returning. I have heard complaints from a few of them about the Ohio weather!

Our street and traffic signs are in need of updating and replacement. We plan to do this project in phases, the first of which will be one way street signs, do not enter, and yield signs. These signs have been ordered and should be in place within the coming month. The intersection where Front Street and Elmwood Drive meet, here at the Camp Ground Office, is a hazardous area. Residents should note that YIELD signs will be installed on Front Street which should help this situation.

As you travel the grounds, please take time to stop at the RV Park and introduce yourself to our new Camp Hosts, Jim and Emma Tootle. Jim, originally from Circleville, is retired from the Navy and Emma, from Logan, is retired from Elder-Beerman in Lancaster.

WATER SYSTEM INSTALLATION WRAP-UP:

The installation of the water system is down to completing a "punch list" of known items needing attention. As soon as possible, please take a look at the area around your cottage and, if you see anything such as places where the ground has settled from trenching for the water system, please contact the office. We will maintain a list and work with the contractor to resolve these issues. We do not have a great amount of time so it would be beneficial assess your area as soon as practical.

THE PRICE OF A STAMPS IS GOING TO \$.42 CENTS BEGINNING MAY 12TH

Plan ahead so letters wont be returned for not enough postage in May. Remember the "Forever Stamps" you buy at the post office wont change. So if you are about to buy stamps, buy the Forever stamp then you wont need to add anything. If you have any questions just see Debbie in the office and she will have 1 cent stamps.



DELIVERIES:

Please, if you have anything delivered ask them to use a small truck or van. Tell them they must stop at the office before entering the grounds. It makes it much easier for everyone if one of our maintenance guys can give them the best streets to take, rather than them getting lost or tearing down low hanging lines. Make sure they have your

cottage number not your mail number, which confuses quite a few delivery people.

DAVIS AUDITORIUM PROJECT UPDATE:

Progress continues with Davis Auditorium. A contractor for the repair of the southeast corner has been selected and a pre-construction meeting scheduled. This repair will involve removing the siding from this part of the building, raising the corner as near its' original elevation as possible, installing a new foundation and sill plate. On the Camp Ground website, lancastercampground.com a new feature has been added. On the Davis Auditorium page, you can view and **print off an information sheet on "Saving the Davis Auditorium"** to hand out. Thank you to our secretary, Debbie Miller, for all of her work on the website. Compliments on our website continue to come in.

WORKING ON COTTAGES:

Be sure to clean up! Especially nails - we have a resident who stepped on two nails in a three day period. One went through the edge of his shoe, and the other went into his foot. It was rusty which meant a tetanus shot for him. If you are working on your cottage please try to pick up debris and loose nails since we have a lot of people and animals walking here. Especially with the summer visitors coming. You can buy a magnet with a long handle at places like Slater's that work really well and finding loose nails. If you already have one of these handy tools and are willing to walk around, it would be a nice easy way to help everyone on the grounds be more safe.

POOL REPAIRS:

We continue to work with a contractor on the repair of the Copeland Pool. The swimming pool was a primary topic of discussion at the April board meeting. The board decided to proceed with renovating the pool in two phases. Phase one will start immediately and will deal with the inside of the pool, the water circulation system and electrical system. The work consists of new water return system in the floor of the pool, a new six inch concrete floor, sandblasting the walls, removing and replacing the steps in the shallow end of the pool, replacing and relocating the electrical panel in the pump room, and decreasing the depth of the pool. The shallow end will be 2.5 feet deep and gradually go to a maximum of 5 feet deep at the north end of the pool. When this work is completed, the inside of the pool will be just like a new pool. This project is expected to take 4 to 5 weeks, weather permitting. The opening of the pool will be delayed, again depending on the weather in May. We are hoping to open June 14 but may be as late as early July. As the work begins please keep clear of the area for safety and to not delay the workers in any way. Please direct any questions, comments or concerns you may have to the Camp Ground office.

OLD APPLIANCE/WATER HEATER REMOVAL:

If you have an old appliance or water heater that need to be removed, please contact the office and, for a small fee, the maintenance staff will remove it. We then hold onto these items and eventually a contractor is called in and takes the appliances to a recycling unit.

DOG OWNERS – YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE:



Complaints continue to come into the Camp Ground office regarding dog owners not cleaning up after their pets. Please refer to the Camp Ground Rules, Pet Rules Section, rule #8: "All droppings must be picked up when walking a pet. This includes the yard around the pet owner's cottage. The community green refuse cans are not to be used for disposal of droppings." **Droppings should be collected by the pet owners immediately.** If the situation is reported to the manager, addressed with the pet owner, and not corrected, the rule violation procedure will be initiated. In addition, trash collection and access to the area around the cottage may be suspended.

If you cannot clean up yourself you can hire someone such as: K9 Doody 653-1411 Dave or Robin. As low as \$10 per yard. There may be others doing the same service, if you need help with your yard - check it out.

TRUSTEES NEEDED:

It is that time of year again. As we prepare for the annual association meeting in July, we begin our search for nominees for the office of Lancaster Camp Ground Trustee and Trustee-Elect. If you are interested in the future of the Camp Ground, interested in making a difference and would like to be involved in the decision process, you may want to consider becoming a trustee. If you are interested, please **complete the form at the end of the newsletter** and return it to the Camp Ground Office by the date indicated.

FRIDAY TRASH PICK UP RESUMES:

Effective Friday, May 2, Friday trash pick up will resume. Trash will be picked up two days per week on Monday and Friday. If you have trash to discard between these days, please feel free to take it to the dumpsters on the south side of the Maintenance Barn. **Everyone should be aware that building materials, yard waste, appliances, furniture and hazardous materials are not permitted to be placed in the dumpsters.** If you witness someone leaving items in the dumpsters that don't belong there turn in their name or license number to the office.

MOSQUITO FOGGING:

Fogging for mosquitoes will begin the week of May 19 and continue every three weeks through September. If three weeks proves to be insufficient, we will increase the frequency. Of course, all of the scheduling depends on the weather. Once the schedule is complete, it will be posted on the bulletin board in the mailbox area and the newsletter.

Shout to the lord....all the earth....let us sing.....

The earth is certainly doing it's part in shouting to the lord...everything is coming back alive in the Camp Ground. All the trees, and flowers, birds and squirrels are showing off their beautiful colors and the birds and squirrels are certainly busy. Now it's our turn!!!!!! Let's get busy!!!!

Met your new neighbors...pray daily for our safetyget out and participate....leave your comfort zone...do one of our new activities.... We need all members of our associationmake a difference....

Barbara Holycross
Program director

FUND RAISING ACTIVITIES FOR THE SUMMER




Registration forms for the **Golf Outing** to benefit the Preservation of the Auditorium can be picked up from the Camp Ground office, printed off the website or by calling Robbin Gardiner at (740) 687-0465. The outing will be held on **May 17th** at the Pumpkin Vine Golf Road with registration time at 8am and a shotgun start at 9am. There will be some skill prizes and a "skins pot" with a picnic at the close of day. So, get your foursome together (men and women) and have some fun while making some money for our fund.

Forms are also available for booth space for the **Arts and Crafts show** to be held on **August 9th** at the Camp Ground. There will be food, games for children, entertainment and plenty of items for sale. The sale date was moved from the original date to avoid conflict with a major show at "Lily Fest" so all you artists and crafters have more time to prepare you items for participation in the show. You can obtain registration forms at the Camp Ground office, on the website or by calling me at (614) 837-4942. This will be a big undertaking so we will need all the help you can give us. Our next planning meeting for this event will be in Unit One at the Camp Ground on June 24th at 6:00pm. Please plan to attend.

Marjorie Roe

FORMS FOR HALL OF FAME AND MERITORIOUS NOMINATIONS:

Do you know someone who . . .

-  *has made the Camp Ground a better place?*
-  *went out of their way to help others?*
-  *has given service to the Camp Ground in some way?*

Would you like to let them know as a Camp Ground resident that you appreciate what they have done and it hasn't gone unnoticed?

Here's your chance!

Nominate them for the *Hall of Fame Award*
or the *Meritorious Service Award*.



Fill out and turn it in *before the end of May*. It will be announced at the July Annual Meeting

FLAG POLE PROJECT: Donations Welcome

The flag pole project is continuing and we are 1/2 way to achieving our goal. Please consider a monetary gift so that we can have our dedication on Memorial Day. The flag poles will added to the West end of the Activity Bldg, in the grassy area. Two drawings have been submitted and the **winner will be announced** in the May Newsletter.

Jim Morgan, Project Chair

Office Hours Monday - Friday 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. ~ closed 12-12:30 for Lunch

CALENDAR OF EVENTS: *Cut this out and put it on your fridge!!*

Monthly Gospel Sing	Friday	May 2	7:00 p.m.	Activity Bldg
YARD SALE DAY	Saturday	May 3	9 - 5 p.m.	Activity, Shelters & Cottages
Happy Mother's Day Moms!	Sunday	May 11		
Program Comm. Mtg.	Monday	May 12	6:00 p.m.	Unit 1
Personnel Comm. Mtg.	Tuesday	May 13	1:00 p.m.	Office
Finance Comm. Mtg.	Thursday	May 15	9:00 a.m.	Office
Grounds Comm. Mtg.	Friday	May 16	1:00 p.m.	Office
Golf Outing - Aud. Fundraiser	Saturday	May 17	See office or Website for more details	
Board Meeting	Monday	May 19	6:00 p.m.	Unit 1
Memorial Day/ Potluck	Monday	May 26	12:00 p.m.	Cafeteria

Note: you can see the on-line calendar at <http://calendar.yahoo.com/lcgsecretary>

PRAYER LIST: (Please notify the office when someone on this list has had their prayers answered)

Rosemary Garrison	Mac Cottrill	Art Newland	Doyle Garrett
Bill Graybill	Mitch McClave	Virginia Pletcher	
Leonard Dougherty	Norma Jane Yeager	Dick Webb	



Should you Pray for the sick? Read James 5:14-16

Praise Report: Ruth Ernsberger reported by phone that she is in remission and is doing well - Prayer Works!! Let's pray and see how quick God can get all the names above off the list and giving praise reports!

Our deepest sympathy goes out to Joe Davis's family and friends who are missing him.

Joe passed suddenly on 4-16-08. Reminding us, as Jesus said, "be ready" you know not the hour nor the day.

ALTAR FLOWERS:

The sign up sheet is now in the office for you to sign up to purchase Altar Flowers for the Sunday Morning Services. All you do is sign up which week you would like to sponsor, pay \$30 to the office and let us know who or what you are doing it in honor or celebration of. We will call and order the flowers and put your dedication in the bulletin.

POTLUCKS:

Just so you know - We need hosts for this years Potlucks. The Bishops and Rachel Stewart will host the May 26th Potluck for the Memorial Day at noon in the Cafeteria. **BUT - after that, no one has signed up!** We cancelled the one in March because we had no host. If you can be a host stop by the office and sign up for a months you want. If you are not sure what you need to do just ask the office. It's soooo easy, but we need YOU to sign up NOW.

SUMMER NEW ACTIVITIES FOR ALL TO ENJOY:

Horseshoes, Shuffle Board, Pickle ball, Euchre, Line Dancing, Corn Hole, Tennis, Croquette, Hillbilly Golf, Chair Volleyball

There is something for everyone AND their families. Watch for more information in future newsletters. If you are interested in being in charge (Chairperson) of any activity, please call Jim Morgan, Program Chair

SUMMER YARD SALES:

Just so you can mark your calendars ahead of time. This years Yard Sales will be **May 3** and September 20, 2008. Activity Bldg. Tables are \$10 each, sign up in the office if you are interested in participating. Or you can have it at your cottage, let the office know and we will put you on the map we hand out - we have 2 cottages so far.

CRAFT FAIR:

Saturday, August 9th, 2008. Reservations for spaces accepted on a first come, first served basis. Spaces are 8'x8'. No money will be refunded after July 1, 2008 for cancellation

All spaces are open-air. You will need to provide your "shelter" and tables. A donation of an item for our silent auction would be greatly appreciated and also helps promote your products and location.

A good bazaar turnout depends on customers. The Lancaster Camp Ground will be advertising in the newspaper, on the radio, and at other craft shows. If you would like to take flyers to place on your table at other craft shows to promote your participation in our event please contact our office.

Any ideas and suggestions you have are very welcome! Please let us know what we can do to make this Fair your favorite and most profitable event of the year.

Look forward to seeing you soon. For further information, please contact Marjorie Roe at (614) 837-4942 or via email at: marjorieroe@sbcglobal.net

GROUNDS CLEANUP:

Now that spring has arrived, everyone can spend time outside and clean up around your cottages. Yard debris should be piled near the street and, if you will notify the office, arrangements will be made to remove it. Along those same lines, please do not clean out ravines where water runs freely to lower areas. Removal of leave and other plant material in the ravines will lead to erosion problems and, once it starts, it is difficult to stop. Trimming or removal of trees or bushes need approval from Grounds Committee. Questions should be directed to the Camp Ground Office.

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PARKING FOR RESIDENTS AND GUESTS:

As everyone knows, there are no assigned parking spaces.

Parking at the Camp Ground is a common problem and courtesy and common sense must prevail. Residents deal with this situation on a daily basis but when you have guests, it is your responsibility to advise them where to park properly and legally. If you have any questions, please contact the Camp Ground Office.



EMERGENCY WATER PROBLEMS:

If you encounter a water problem, such as a water line break, when the office is closed and the maintenance staff is off duty, please contact the following personnel for assistance: Greg White ; Tom Doan; or Bobbi Kutasy. The maintenance personnel cannot make repairs inside your cottage but they can turn the water off outside to prevent as much damage as possible.

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In case you missed it last month - Get rid of Junk Mail:

The post office said you can request to be taken off of some of the mailings by doing the following:

1. Write a note that says "***Please remove my name from the junk mail list***" Put ***your name and address*** on the note, so they have the information in front of them.

2. ***Mail*** your request to: **Mail Preference Service
Direct Marketing Association
PO Box 9008
Farmingdale, NY 11735-9008**



This should take care of a lot of the junk mail. Give them a month or so to get it working and you will be much happier picking up your mail and you'll save a tree too! Let us know if it works -

The Song

*He gracefully flew upon my porch quite brave and all alone
He perched upon the railing and made himself at home.*

*He cocked his head to one side in the early morning dawn
With curious eye, he gazed at me then he flew down on my lawn.*

*He ruffled his feathers and flapped his wings his song echoed in the breeze
It carried through the morning sky and joyfully filled the trees.*

*It eased across the budding grass then through a sparrow's nest
It brushed a thorny rosebush and never stopped to rest.*

*I felt it touch my own heart what gladness it did bring
When this little robin sang to me and brought the gift of spring!*

Marilyn Ferguson



*Wonder why others seem to know what's
going on? They read the newsletters!!*

NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Opportunity awaits! The Nomination Committee invites interested cottage owners to consider running for "Board of Trustees". Eligibility requirements as stated in the Lancaster Camp Ground Constitution are:

Section A. Eligibility and Representation

Candidates for election to the Board of Trustees:

1. shall meet the general requirements for membership in the Association for a minimum of two years immediately prior to being elected;
2. shall not be eligible to hold office while in the employment of the Camp Ground;
3. shall have the background and expertise necessary to effectively contribute to the essential role of the Board in governing the Camp Ground in an ethical and prudent manner and have the independence to do so; and
4. shall have the ability to fulfill their important role in reflecting and effectively communicating the voice of the Association in the ongoing cooperation between the Camp Ground and the West Ohio Conference in regard to the annual review of the covenant agreement and the mission of the Camp Ground.

Being a Board Member is a chance to represent one's neighbors, their concerns and help form Camp Ground policy. If interested, please fill out the form below and submit it in a **sealed envelope** to either Norma Norris or the Camp Ground office.

Please respond . . . BY MAY 1, 2008

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NOMINATION FORM

Name: _____ Cottage #: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____

I am interested in being a candidate for the Board of Trustees,

Please sign _____

RESPOND BY TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2008

Thank You!