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BOARD MOTIONS:

The following motions were passed at the October 20, 2008 board meeting:

1. That the resignation of John Mills from the board of trustees be accepted.
2. That trustee-elect Keitha Lane move into the vacant trustee position.



MANAGER'S NOTES:

Time is passing rapidly for all of us. It seems like yesterday we finally that we celebrated Labor Day and here it is almost Thanksgiving, with Christmas closing in fast. In addition, we have started putting Christmas decorations in place and the Christmas Walk is less than two weeks away. As we go through the holiday season, all of us should reflect on our lives, families and the many ways we have been blessed. Gratitude should be part of the our foundation and we should all develop "an attitude of gratitude". Each and every one of us has many things for which we can be grateful. All we have to do is step back and focus on the positive things in our lives. A very good habit to get into is to take a minute each day and write down one thing you are grateful for, regardless of what it is. This makes you reflect and think about yourself and your life. Try it for one week and you will be amazed.

GOLF CART STORAGE:

We will be storing golf carts in the Temple again this year. The annual fee will be \$25.00. Please contact the Camp Ground Office to make arrangements for storage.

OFFICE CLOSING

The Camp Ground Office will be closed during the winter at noon each Wednesday November through March.

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. Please do not leave items at the dumpster area - it is for garbage only.

FOR SALE

The following Camp Ground items are for sale "as is" and sealed bids will be accepted at the Camp Ground Office until 4:30 p.m. on December 29, 2008. Please contact the office and arrangements can be made to see the items.

- 1991 Dodge **Dump Truck**, RAM 350, 86,034 miles
- Dixon **Lawnmower**, ZTR, 7500 series, 60 inch deck, owners manual available

HAPPY THANKSGIVING FROM THE STAFF!!

VEHICLES ON THE CAMP GROUND

According to Lancaster Camp Ground rules, all vehicles belonging to residents must display a Camp Ground identification tag and must be currently licensed and in the primary use of the leaseholder or renter or their guest. If you do not have a Camp Ground identification sticker for your vehicle, please contact the office and it will be provided at no cost.

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 or Jim Morgan. The maintenance personnel cannot make repairs inside your cottage but they can turn the water off outside to prevent as much damage as possible.

LEAF COLLECTION

We are currently working on one of our largest projects of the year. So far, the leaf collection has gone well this year. We are still finding all kinds of debris in the leaf piles. This not only slows the staff in collecting but also can damage the equipment and, most importantly poses a safety hazard to anyone in the immediate area. Please do not include limbs, lumber, cans or bottles, or any other debris. Your cooperation is appreciated. Feel free to join our "collection party" if you see us in your neighborhood.

CAMP GROUND WATER SYSTEM VALVES

The water system at Lancaster Camp Ground is a private system owned by the Association. According to Camp Ground rules, the water system is the responsibility of the maintenance department and cottage owners will not turn the water on or off without permission of the General Manager. One of the problems with the old water system was the heads on the valves had been damaged over the years through the use of improper tools. It is known that some cottage owners have their own "water keys" and have used them for years. If we are to maintain the integrity of "your new water system" it is imperative that only the maintenance staff operate the valves. The staff makes every effort to accommodate requests to turn water on or off as quickly as possible. Please direct questions to the Office.

AUDITORIUM FUND RAISING SPRING EVENT

At a meeting of the Auditorium Fund Raising committee on Nov. 10th, plans were discussed for an Arts & Craft Fair featuring an Indian Pow-wow as an added attraction. The date of the Fair will be June 13-14, 2009 with set-up beginning on Friday afternoon. If you can volunteer to help at the gate, with parking, security, or setting it up on Friday please call me. And, of course, if you have art or crafts you wish to share ask for an application at the office. A meeting will be held after the holidays to do further work on details of the Fair and discuss ways to advertise. Watch the bulletin board for the date and place of that meeting.

Marjorie Roe

THANK YOU HILLTOP WOMEN!!

Recently the Hilltop Women came to the Camp Ground manager and asked if they could donate to a project. They were informed that new chairs are badly needed in the Activity Building. A donation of \$500.00 was received from this group of young ladies and 60 new chairs have been purchased. Thank you ladies for your donation and especially for all of your efforts toward making Lancaster Camp Ground a better place.

Thanks, Greg

MILK JUGS:

Thanks to everyone who donated Milk Jugs for the luminaries - **we now have plenty, so do not bring any more.**

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

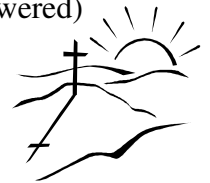
There will be *no Gospel Sings* in *November or December* due to use of the Activity Building
½ Day for Office every Wednesday through winter Office closes at Noon

Historical Committee Mtg.	Tuesday	November 25	5:00 p.m.	Creighton Corner
Program Comm Mtg CmasWalk	Tuesday	November 25	6:00 p.m.	Activity Bldg
<i>Everyone who wants details about how to help the Christmas Walk be a success are encouraged to attend!</i>				
Office Closed – Thanksgiving	Thursday & Friday,	Nov. 27 & 28	Closed	Office
Grounds Committee	Friday	December 5	1:00 p.m.	Office
Personnel Committee	Tuesday	December 9	1:00 p.m.	Office
Christmas Potluck	Tuesday	December 9	6:00 p.m.	Cafeteria
Finance Committee	Thursday	December 11	9:00 a.m.	Unit 1
Board Meeting	Monday	December 15	6:00 p.m.	Unit 1
Program Comm Mtg	Monday	December 8	6:00 p.m.	Unit 1

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

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

Rosemary Garrison	Art Newland	Doyle Garrett	Gary Capps
Stephanie Hastings	Mitch McClave	Virginia Pletcher	Bill Graybill
Mathew Boyd	Leonard Dougherty	Norma Jane Yeager	Dick Webb



Thank you note from Mary Jo & Tom Doan and family for all the kind expressions of condolence on the death of Mary Jo's mom.

CHRISTMAS POTLUCK



The annual Christmas Potluck is scheduled for **Tuesday, December 9, at 6:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria.** Plan to attend this fun-filled affair and enjoy the spirit of Christmas with your neighbors. The Camp Ground will furnish the meat for the meal. **Everyone should bring a covered dish and a “wrapped gift”.** The wrapped gift will be used for a popular game that Ellen Ford introduced several years ago. Your gift should be something that you would like to pass on to someone else but it should be useful, in good condition, and can be a gag gift if you like. Examples from the past are radios, costume jewelry, stuffed animals, toys, tools, kitchen utensils, etc. You can even “re-gift” something if you like!

ANNUAL EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION

Dear Cottage Owners: The holiday season will be here before we know it and, as everyone knows, it is a time of giving. Even though we have a budgeted item for a gift to our employees, we would like to give you this opportunity to show your appreciation to our employees this Christmas season. Gifts will be presented at the Christmas Potluck in December at the Cafeteria. If you would like to contribute toward this gift, please put your gift in an envelope marked “Christmas Gift” and leave it at the Camp Ground Office. It will be forwarded to the Personnel Committee. Out of town cottage owners can mail their gift to Lancaster Camp Ground, “Christmas Gift”, 2151 W. Fair Avenue Unit 100, Lancaster, OH 43130. Have a blessed holiday season. Personnel Committee

HISTORICAL SOCIETY:

Please note that our Nov. 25 meeting time is **changed** from 6 pm to 5 pm. There will **not** be a meeting in December, January or February. See you March 24 at 6:00 p.m. at Creighton's Corner. We wish for you an attitude of Gratitude and Thanksgiving . . . ever present in your hearts . . . in the present, past and future . . . here at our Camp Ground!!
Judy Morgan, Secretary

Question: CAN I PLANT, MOVE or DIG UP TREES or BUSHES?

While the extra effort is appreciated, anything concerning trees or bushes need to be approved before doing. This helps keep uniformity to the grounds and stops things newly planted by one person being removed by another. It also keeps new plantings done in desirable places. Decisions such as these are done by the Grounds Committee, the Manager or your Board of Trustees only. Thank you for understanding, if you have questions or concerns contact the office.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

The 2009 committee officially began with an October meeting under chairperson, Jim Morgan. The Christmas Walk has our focus under chairperson, Rachel Stewart. We hope you have December 5 and 6 on your calendar . . . reservations required for dinner . . . violin music accompanying dinner . . . many things to see and share at our headquarters in the activity building . . . cottages to tour . . . plus decorations over entire camp ground. . . check out the hotel . . . newly spruced up lobby . . . and the grocery decorations . . . something you've never seen before always catches your eye every time you walk through Seifert Museum . . . and step back in time at the Heritage House to see what living at the camp ground was like for past generations.

Dates have been set and special concerts and performers are in place to provide another spirited, fun-filled summer. Our 2009 program booklet will include all activities on the grounds, including weekly games and dancing get-togethers.

Judy Morgan, Recorder

GROUND SUGGESTION FORM

Enclosed in this newsletter, you will find a suggestion form from the Grounds Committee. If you have any concerns or suggestions regarding the Camp Ground, cottages, buildings, etc., please complete a form and deliver it to the Camp Ground Office. The forms will be forwarded to the Grounds Committee for their consideration and action.

NEED ICE MELT?

We have had information given to the office of a local service you might be interested in. Standard Hardware & Supply will deliver to your door a 50 lb Bag of Ice Melt for \$15/bag. They deliver to Lancaster area only but it is great for those who cannot lift large bags. The office has more info.

*Remember to Give Thanks
with a Grateful Heart*