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"...it's not where you live... but how you live..."



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BOARD MOTIONS:

Passed November 28, 2011:

- To increase lot leases by the full amount of COLA (3.6%) effective 1-1-12.
- Approved Personnel Committee motion to print newsletter 6 times a year.
- Approved split wood to be given to family for heat and clean the grounds up.



MANAGER'S NOTES:

A milestone, such as the passing of one year and the welcoming of another, is a time for reflection. There are questions that should be addressed, such as: "What has been accomplished?" and, "What direction will be pursued in moving forward?"

An organization, such as the Camp Ground needs to take inventory as well. Many of the traditional programs of the Camp Ground have been assumed by the mega-church movement in the United States. Rather than needing a group of churches to combine their efforts to bring in nationally known speakers, individual churches have the resources to plan events that feature musicians, speakers, and performers of the highest professional caliber.

While it is important for the Camp Ground to not lose sight of its Spiritual Heritage, what are program avenues that compliment this Heritage and attract a wider-based audience than currently participates in Camp Ground activities? Thoughts that residents have in developing complimentary program ventures may share them via e-mail with the General Manager at lancastercampground@yahoo.com or with a member of the Board of Trustees.

When one experiences the loss of a loved one, it is friends and acquaintances who aid the person in walking through their difficult days. For the many of you who sent Kathy and me a card, gave us a call, or prayed for us during the loss of my Mother, your thoughtfulness was greatly appreciated.

With much thankfulness, Kermit and Kathy Welty

CONGRATULATIONS!

To Charletta Shahan - the winner of the Raffle 50/50 Drawing. Sadly we did not sell enough tickets to give away a car but we raised \$3,025.00 before expenses for the Auditorium Fund. Great job and thanks to all who helped!

FUTURE NEWSLETTERS: As approved by the Board, future newsletters will be done as follows;

- Issued in late **December** will cover future events for the months of January, February & March.
- Issued in late **March** will cover future events for the months of April, May & June.
- Issued in late **June** will cover future events for the month of July.
- Issued in late **July** will cover future events for the month of August.
- Issued in late **August** will cover future events for the month of September.
- Issued in late **September** will cover future events for the months of October, November, and December.

REMINDER: PET FEES DUE (Per the pet rules - only 2 pets are allowed per cottage.)

It was voted by the Association in July 2011 to charge a **yearly Pet fee of \$5.00** per pet, due January 1st each year. It was also voted for owners to register pets at the office and **show proof of license and shot records.**

BOARD OF TRUSTEE UPDATE

The challenges facing the Lancaster Camp Ground are similar to the issues facing every other business, whether a not-for-profit, a corporation, or a small business. It appears the vibrant economy that many Americans have assumed as natural continues a significant downturn.

It may be that various forecasters are nothing but 'doom and gloom' prophets, however; the majority is predicting that 2012 will be the most challenging financial year of the recent recession. While the Board of Trustees chose to implement the 3.6% COLA (Cost of Living Adjustment) this year, the impact of the past three years without a rate increase has been detrimental financially for the Camp Ground.

With this information, the Board of Trustees is working diligently to take positive and corrective steps to maintain a stable financial base for the Camp Ground. While at this time the remedial steps have not been finalized, the Board is committed to make the necessary cuts.

This means that services may be affected, programs may be altered and/or fees may be charged, as well as staff positions may be reorganized or eliminated. Cut backs are the method that businesses are being forced to employ because the number of people who are under-employed or unemployed continues to increase. There just are not sufficient dollars to sustain the numerous worthwhile projects that communities, such as the Camp Ground, have chosen to support in the past.

The Board of Trustees remains optimistic that the best days remain for the Lancaster Camp Ground but it will require the ingenuity of all working together towards a common goal. An entity that has been in existence since 1878 has weathered many storms, including the Great Depression. It is at times like these that the cooperation of all is critical for the well-being of the Camp Ground.

SEASONAL HEALTH REMINDER

As flu season afflicts people, this notice serves to remind residents and staff to take necessary preparations to restrict the spread of flu and other communicable diseases. Precautions include covering one's mouth when coughing or sneezing, frequently washing of one's hands, and limiting contact with others who exhibit flu like symptoms.

If a person has open sores, wounds, or abrasions, the person should seek medical treatment immediately. When in public settings, a person with open sores should have bandages covering their lesions or wounds.

For those who are suffering from flu symptoms, strep throat, staph infections, and other communicable diseases, this person is responsible to protect others from contracting the disease or illness. Common sense and good hygiene will go a long way in keeping residents and staff healthy.

RULE REVIEW:

Each cottage is permitted a maximum of two motor vehicles per cottage. Parking is limited to designated areas only and NO parking on the grassy areas.

There are noise restrictions on the Camp Ground. If one modifies a car in such a way that it exceeds strictly street vehicle sound levels, the owner must demonstrate responsibility in their driving habits so as not to disturb their neighbors.

Residents are to work with the Camp Ground General Manager before trimming or removing trees. If one wants to plant or relocate trees, permission must be received from the Building and Grounds Committee.

CAMP GROUND SECURITY:

The Camp Ground has always enjoyed a special quietness and the feeling of being "in the country" but as you can tell the city has surrounded us. We have much more traffic and a lot of good folks living on the grounds. Unfortunately with population increases the crime rate goes up too. We have had a few things taken from unlocked cars and recently a cottage was broken into and they took video games and a console. Please be diligent to **call 911** if you see someone lurking around late at night or even during the day acting suspicious.

Get to know your neighbors and watch out for each other - that's the best defense against crime.

January, February and March Birthdays -

Happy Birthday: In **January** to; **John Glick and Sara Gahm**

In **February** to; **Joanne Barrere, Michael Daniels and Rhonda Gray**

In **March** to; **Arnie Browning, Louise VanTongeren, Mike Schleppe, Ruth Jackson and Sara Russell**

Let the office know your month of birth and we will put you on the list, day is optional, year is not required.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS: as known at time of printing

Committee Meetings- Please mark your calendar for the months of Jan., Feb. and March as follows:

Historical Society Mtg.	Quarterly - Tues.	6 p.m.	Creighton Corner
Endowment Comm. Mtg.	First Monday <i>None in Jan. or Feb.</i>	10 a.m.	Creighton Corner
Long Range Mtg.	First Monday of month	6 p.m.	Unit 1
Auditorium Fund Raising Mtg.	First Tuesday of month	10:30 a.m.	Unit 1
Grounds Mtg.	First Wednesday of month	10:30 a.m.	Unit 1
Constitution / Rules Mtg.	Second Thursday of month	1:30 p.m.	Unit 1
Program Comm. Mtg.	Second Monday of month	6 p.m.	Unit 1
Personnel Comm. Mtg.	Second Wednesday of month	6 p.m.	Unit 1
Finance Comm. Mtg.	Third Thursday of month	6 p.m.	Unit 1
Monthly Board Meetings	Fourth Monday of month	6 p.m.	Unit 1
Office Closed for MLK Day	Monday	January 16	Office Closed
Office Closed for Presidents Day	Monday	February 20	Office Closed

All events are subject to change.

With no newsletters in the next two months please be sure to watch the office window for information.

Info about events can also be found on the website. It will be updated as quickly as possible. Of course you can always call the office directly if you have any questions.

PRAYER LIST: (Please notify the office when to remove a name from the list)

Rosemary Garrison	Gary Capps	Gary Gregory	Russ, Gala and Rusty Miller	
Stephanie Hastings	Virginia Pletcher	Ian O'Donnell	Trula Newsome	Ron Hook
David Berger	Norma Jane Yeager	Dick Webb	Donna Shouldis	Mary Peck
Brian Gilchrist	Leonard Dougherty	Nancy Venrick	Diane Polachek	Joe Holdren

Our deepest sympathy to Shirley Shell on the loss of her husband Russell.

Also, to Kermit Welty on the loss of his Mother.

POTLUCKS 2012: Sign up in the office to host a potluck. (We need someone for Jan. 10th)

Potlucks with no host or bad weather will be cancelled.

The Potlucks usually will be at 6:00 pm in the Activity Building, bring a dish to share and your plate & utensils on the following dates; 2nd Tues., January 10th - 2nd Tues., February 14th Valentines Day! And on the 2nd Tues., March 13th. Watch office window for sign in case a potluck has to be cancelled or call the office if in doubt.

DUMPSTERS:

Unfortunately we are still having items that are not daily trash in or beside the dumpsters. Keep in mind this does cost the Camp Ground in the long run because the city will not pick up these items so your maintenance men must remove the items and dispose of them. This costs the Camp Ground in hourly wages and any fees for disposal. If you see someone dumping items please notify the office or remind them the dumpsters are not for large items.

CHRISTMAS WALK:

The Worship & Program Committee would like to thank each and every one of you who helped out with the Christmas Walk this year!!! We have received several very positive responses regarding it from guests who came and enjoyed all different aspects of it this year. As the Worship and Program Committee Chairman, I would like to say a special thank you to Elizabeth Audretch, a brand new resident on the grounds, for taking on the huge responsibility of the decorating committee. Several others stepped up to take on the oversight of specialized areas like The Activity Building/Vending, The Temple, Transportation, Santa's Workshop, Caroling, Cafeteria and Historical Buildings. Most every resident on the grounds helped out in some way ~ baking cookies, putting a house on tour, making luminaries, being Santa and Mrs. Claus, Santa's helpers, painting signs, driving transportation for guests, working in the cafeteria, helping with decorating buildings and your own cottages, greeting at the front gate, directing traffic pattern at Ety Rd, sitting in a building, sharing your musical and acting talents, and the list goes on and on and includes hours of work that Debbie in the office and the maintenance staff put into making it a success! It has been such a blessing to witness everyone working in unity for a common goal - that of proclaiming to our community that Jesus is the Reason for the Season! THANK YOU ALL!!!

If you haven't had a chance to fill out an evaluation form yet, please stop in the office and pick one up...we want to hear your ideas and comments.

On sale now in the office is a choice of two Christmas tree ornaments that can be ordered and purchased for \$10/\$15. This is the first of several to come. Each year we plan to offer a new pictured ornament of a special place on the Camp Ground. This first years ornament has a picture of Hotel Woodside and is dated 2011. Order yours today!

If any of you got some good pictures of any aspect of the Christmas Walk, we would really appreciate it if you could drop a copy of it in the office. We would like to put together a picture album of the 2011 Walk. Thank you again, Laura Burgett

CHRISTMAS TREE WINNER:

The lady who won the Christmas tree drawing was Anna Azbell. We found out when she picked it up that she was Rosie Beougher's sister. For those who knew Rosie we thought you would like to know.



VOTIVE CANDLES:

In getting ready for next year's Christmas Walk, please remember if you see votive candles at yard sales, can get them on clearance or if you have extras you would like to donate just drop them off at the office anytime. It takes a lot of candles for the luminaries and we only had to purchase a few this year thanks to previous donations but we are about out for next year.

EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION:

The employees thank everyone for the Christmas bonus we received and we wish you a Happy New Year!

UPRIGHT VACUUM:

If you have a big upright vacuum that works and you want to donate it to the Camp Ground for use in cleaning of the buildings please see the office. We go through vacuums and things regularly as you can imagine.

PLEASE CHECK YOUR MAIL:

The Post Office is having an issue with mail not being taken out of some mail boxes often enough and they get too full for new mail. In the future please collect mail on a daily basis. Failure to do so could result in your mail being held at the Post Office downtown for pickup or being returned to the sender.

All addresses need to have your Unit Number on them or they will be returned. This now includes the Camp Ground Office address. **Please add "Unit 100" to the address when mailing to the office.**

FYI: Postage Stamps will increase to \$.45 cents as of Sunday, January 22.

The Post Office does have forever stamps on sale for the current price if you want to buy them before the increase. Forever stamps can be used anytime with no additional postage needed.

As Of 12-27-11

COTTAGES FOR SALE

Lancaster Camp Ground

<u>OWNER/AGENT</u>	<u>PHONE</u>	<u>LOT# - Street</u>	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>
CAROLYN HUDDLE	614-648-8451	10 – 1st St.	\$ 48,500	2 Bdrms ½ Bath Up, Winterized, 1 Bedroom and Full Bath on 1st Floor, Central Air, Attached Garage, Finished Basement
ROB MATHENEY	740-503-1260	50 – 11th St.	\$ 25,000	1 Loft Bedroom, Winterized, Easy access at front of Grounds, Central Air, Freshly Renovated
AMINTA OR WILL FORQUER	740-475-9891	71 – 3rd St.	\$ 39,000 obo	2 Lg Bedrooms Up, Winterized, Living Room, Lg Eat-in Kitchen w/lots of Cabinets, New Bathroom, Screened Porch. Whole house Newly Remodeled
MARK BROWN	740-522-5014 or 740-404-7971	105 – 6th St.	\$ 10,000 or best offer	1 Bedroom Up, Winterized,
SHERRY GREGORY	740-277-6542	119 – 7th St.	\$ 16,500	1 Bedroom Up, Winterized, Land Contract Possible to qualified buyer, Wood Floors, Great Parking, Remodeled
MARY PECK -call Bobbie	740-654-4418	149– 8th St.	\$ 19,900	Fully Furnished Summer Cottage, Large Kitchen, Lg Enclosed Porch, 1 Bedroom & Bath Down, Lg Bedroom Up with walk-in closet, Attic Fan., Lg Living Room with AC & Heat Unit, Clean & Ready to move in
CARLETON REALTY KATIE GRUBBA (Upton)	614-743-0870 740-653-5200	243 – 9th St.	\$ 46,500	2 Bedrooms Up, Winterized, 2 Full Baths, 1400 Sq Ft, Good Parking, Lg Kitchen & Dining Area, Lg Living Room, Stacked W&D, Screened Porch, Utility Storage Room
CANDY HOUSEHOLDER	740-215-9291	244 – 9th St.	\$ 29,900	2 Bedrooms Up, Winterized, Fully Furnished with Washer & Dryer
CARLETON REALTY - BARB (Wickham)	614-805-0025	246 – 9th St.	\$ 28,500	1 Lg Bedroom Up, Summer Cottage Historic Cottage, Screened Front Porch, Lg Living Room & Upstairs, Kitchen & Bathroom, Great Location
RAYMOND GRIFFIN	614-774-1355	255 – 9th St.	\$ 25,000 Firm	3 Bedrooms Up, Winterized, New Bath and Laundry Room, Corner lot near Pool, Good Parking
SUE RONCONE	740-687-4434	326 –15th St.	\$ 35,000	1 Unfinished Room Up, Winterized, 1 Bedroom, Bath & Laundry Down, Appliances & Washer and Dryer, Furnishings may be available, Screened Porch, Back Deck overlooks beautiful ravine, Good Parking and Move In Ready
GARY SMECK	740-475-7029	354 – 12th St.	\$ 34,995	2 Bdrms Up, Winterized 1 Possible Bedroom Down, New Carpet, New Roof, New Kitchen Hardwood, Good Parking
GORSUCH REALTY-Sue Smith (Vlack)	740-653-9257	356 – 12th St.	\$ 40,000	1 Bdrm Up, 1 Bath, Winterized Totally Remodeled and Beautifully Redone
BARTLETT REALTY - Shelia (Snouse)	740-687-1645	375 – 12th St.	\$ 45,000	3 Bedrooms Up, 3 Down, Winterized, 2 Full Baths, 1,400 SqFt, Central Air, New Electric & Plumbing, Remodeled, Deck &Porch, 6x12 Attached Storage

Contact Owner/Agents for more info on cottages.

*All residents & Owners must be **Qualified**
to live on the grounds or before purchasing a cottage.*

This list is subject to frequent changes.
You can see the updated list of Cottages For Sale
And other info on our website
www.lancastercampground.com

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The next Newsletter will be March 2012

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