

GREENWOOD ACRES FAMILY CAMPGROUND

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THE HAPPY CAMPER



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GREENWOOD ACRES EVENTS

Friday, May 22, 2009

9:00 Euchre - Beach House - Sign up in advance at 8:45

Saturday, May 23, 2009

10:00 Kid's Arts & Crafts - 3rd Street Club House

10:00-12:00 Mardi Gras Supplies Sales - Carousel Area

12:00-3:00 Temporary Tattoos - Carousel Area (See Article)

12:00 Horseshoe Tournament - Horseshoe Pits across from the Beach House (See Article)

7:00 Mardi Gras Parade - Meet by the grass wagon at 6:45 to assemble (See Article)

7:00 Bunco - Beach House - Sign up in advance at 6:45 - Bring a \$1 item as an extra prize

8:00 Dance at the Boat Dock Pavilion

Sunday, May 24, 2009

9:00 Golf Scramble - Golf Course is open only to those in the scramble.

12:00 Memorial Day Parade - Meet by the grass wagon at 11:45 to assemble (See Article)

12:30 Pinochle - Beach House - Sign up in advance at 12:15

1:00 Red Hat Society Meeting - 31 on 9 (See Article)

2:00 Dart Tournament - Horseshoe Pits Area (See Article)

4:00 Memorial Day Poker Run (See Article)

8:00 Dance at the Boat Dock Pavilion

Monday, May 25, 2009

Memorial Day. Drive Safely.

A NEW SEASON

Welcome to another camping season at Greenwood Acres! It's great to see all the familiar faces and all the new faces this year! Welcome to the GWA "family." To plan your GWA weekends, check out the back page "Future Events" article. As new activities are planned, they will be listed in the newsletter or on the website. The newsletter strives for accuracy but things may change after the newsletter has gone to print. If you are an event planner, please make sure we get the info by the deadlines. See "Editors Corner" on reverse side. Or you can put the info at the Happy Camper's mailbox at 32 Oak.

Wi-Fi CONNECTIVITY AT GWA

Wi-Fi connectivity is available at GWA. The plan is to expand Wi-Fi accessibility throughout GWA. Until all upgrades have been completed, the areas around the office and 3rd street Clubhouse are the "hot" spots.

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In Case of Emergency, call 911 and be sure to tell them you are at Greenwood Acres Campground then give them your site number. Contact the front gate immediately and let them know assistance is on the way.

GWA WEBSITE

Take a few minutes to look at the updated GWA website. The site has a calendar of events, photo gallery and links to a variety of events in the Jackson area. There are also links to the Office and Happy Camper. If you would like to have a picture published in the photo gallery, submit through the website.

WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO

For those who are new to GWA, proceeds from many campground events go to the American Cancer Society (ACS). At campground-sponsored activities, there are volunteers donating their time and energy. Proceeds from these activities go to the ACS. If you want to volunteer, see 32 Oak. To coordinate an event for other fundraisers, you must obtain approval from Office Management.

HORSESHOE TOURNAMENT

On Saturday, the Horseshoe Tournament returns to GWA at the pits across from the Beach House. Cash prizes. Registration is from 9:30 to 11:30 at the Horseshoe Pits or see Jim at 14 on 24.

MEMORIAL DAY POKER RUN

Back by popular demand are the GWA Poker Runs. This year, Donna Spohn and her daughter, Geri Milton, will be organizing the runs. There are several scheduled for this season. Dates will be posted in the newsletter and online as they become available. The kick-off poker run will take place on Sunday at 4pm. Meet at the Horseshoe Pit area. The cost is \$10 per team. You must register in advance at 63 on 11. This is on a first come, first served basis. Rules are available at time of registration.

MARDI GRAS PARADE AND 50/50

GWA will host its annual Mardi Gras Parade at 7pm on Saturday. Meet by the grass wagon at 6:45 to assemble. Everyone is welcomed to join. If you choose to be a spectator, sit by the parade route (Hilton, Main and Court) and wait for the participants to throw candy or beads. **This is a family activity, no indecent exposure.** **Keep your shirts on and down.** For your convenience, Mardi Gras supplies will be sold Saturday from 10-12 by the Carousel. We have beads, boas and masks. 50/50 tickets will also be available throughout the day. Drawing will take place at 10pm at the dance. You **MUST** be present to win. Proceeds from the sales and 50/50 go the ACS.

TEMPORARY TATTOOS

Karrie and Terry, or better known as the "tattoo people," will be applying temporary tattoos from 12-3 on Saturday in the carousel area. They have a huge selection for kids, teens and adults. 100% Proceeds to Michigan Human Society

DART TOURNAMENT

The first tournament is Sunday at 2pm by the Horseshoe Pits area. Cost is \$7 per person. Sign up at the event at 2pm or see Elsie at 30 on 16.

RED HAT SOCIETY MEETING

Sunday at 1pm, the Red Hat Ladies are having a meeting. All women are invited to the fun activities. See Marilyn at 31 on 9.

PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN

Show your colors! Decorate your golf cart or bike and wave your flags in the GWA Memorial Day Parade. The parade steps off on Sunday at 12:00. Meet by the grass wagon at 11:45 to assemble. For safety purposes, golf carts will go first then bikes. Walkers, runners and strollers will be at the end. If you choose to be a spectator, sit by the parade route and wave!

THE GOOSE LAKE GENERAL STORE

Be sure to stop by the General Store to welcome back Bob and Betty. Year after year, they continue to provide us with

quality products at a good price. The General Store is also a big supporter of GWA sponsored activities. Stop by for any holiday needs and to check out their weekly specials.

NEW REC CENTER & NEW MANAGEMENT

Welcome Kathy and Harold Martin as the new managers of the newly remodeled and repainted Rec Center. The GWA Rec Center is a place for kids to play games, listen to music and meet friends. Kathy and Harold want the Rec to be a safe environment. Smoking, drinking, swearing and illegal drugs are prohibited. If you see someone violating these rules, report the situation. The Rec is also a great place for adults to enjoy snacks and hand-packed ice cream. Stop in and check out all the updates.

BOAT DOCK GRILL

The new proprietor, Michelle Thornsberry, welcomes you to the Boat Dock Grill. The Grill appreciates your support and wants to provide quality food in a friendly atmosphere. Stop in to say "Hi" and for a complete menu and hours of operation.

GOLF CART FUNDRAISER DRAWING

Everyone keeps asking if there will be another golf cart drawing and the answer is "Yes!" Carol Pudlik is coordinating this event and info will be in next week's newsletter.

ATTENTION MOTORCYCLISTS

Motorcycles are not permitted within the campground. Please see the Office for special parking.

CAMPFIRE SAFETY

Fires permitted only within the fire-ring and one adult must be present at all times. Do not leave unattended. Douse with water before leaving the area because embers will stay hot for several hours afterwards.

GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

This year, the London Bus and Fire Engine have gone into retirement. If you have photos you would like to share, please submit to the website and they will be posted.

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

Boats must be off your lot by Memorial Day weekend. Contact Bob at 6 Hillside or call 734-564-7699 for reasonable pontoon rates.
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If you're looking for someone to cut your grass or to odd jobs, contact the office for referrals.

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The Speed Limit is 10 MPH. This also applies to golf carts and bikes.

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Trash will be picked up from your site on Friday, Sunday & Monday.

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When walking or riding your bike, please stay close to the side of the road.

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You need a valid Michigan Fishing License to fish on Goose Lake. Know and obey all Michigan rules and regulations.

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Attn Seasonal Campers: GWA picnic tables are for over-night campers only. Please return them to the over-night camp sites.

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For campfire wood, contact the following:

The General Store @ 517-522-3899

Bert Smith @ 517-812-5215

Fodor Family @ 517-522-4982

Richard Wood @ 517-206-9332

Ned Owen @ 517-474-4280

No other wood vendors allowed without permission from the Office.

GOLF CARTS

Golf carts must have the "9" white/green sticker to be driven at GWA. If you do not have a current sticker, you will be issued a citation from a staff member.

GOOGLE™ SEARCH

Sometimes you need to know where something is...churches, shopping, etc. Google™ has a very resourceful tool, Google Search. Dial 1-800-466-4411 and follow the prompts.

PROPANE AVAILABLE AT GWA

Pumped daily at 1pm. Must pre-pay at the front gate. Name and site info must be on the tank. There is a \$3 filling charge per tank. The empty tank rates are:

20# - \$15 (Includes \$3 fill charge)

30# - \$21 (Includes \$3 fill charge)

40# - \$27 (Includes \$3 fill charge)

100# - \$63 (Includes \$3 fill charge)

Delivery available on 100# for \$7.

For partial fills, the rate is 60 cents per pound (pay after filling).

Motor Homes - \$2.75 per gallon

CANS AND BOTTLES FUNDRAISER

Tired of taking cans/bottles to the store or storing them in your shed? Donate them to Cans for Cancer containers located throughout GWA.

FYI

The Office Holiday hours:

Friday thru Monday: 10am-4pm

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The Rec Center Holiday hours:

Friday - 3pm-11pm

Saturday - 12pm-11pm

Sunday - 12pm-7pm

Mon, Wed, Thurs - 3pm-9pm

Closed Tuesday

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The Goose Lake Store Holiday hours:

Friday - 10am-10pm

Saturday & Sunday - 8am-10pm

Monday - 8am-4pm

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The Boat Dock Grill Holiday hours:

Check restaurant for hours

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Pool Hours:

Daily - 10am-9pm

Adult Only swim from 3pm-4pm.

All hours are subject to change

CAMPER'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

"Happy retirement, Papa! We love you! Love, Mama, the girls and grand kids!"

FUTURE EVENTS

May 30 - Kite Flying, Scavenger Hunt

June 6 - Kid's Fishing, Karaoke

June 12 - Race Weekend, DJ

June 13 - Sandcastle Building, Poker Run, Dance

June 20 - Pancake Breakfast, Pet Contest, Dart Tournament

June 27 - Family Fun Day, Brown Bag Bingo, Talent Contest, Dance

July 4 - GWA celebrates 4th of July,

Parade, Hot Dog Roast, Horseshoe

Tournament, Fireworks, Dance

July 11 - Brown Bag Bingo, On Lot Yard

Sales, Teen Billiards, Polka Weekend

July 18 - Tropical Weekend, Scavenger

Hunt, Dart Tournament, Poker Run

July 24 & 25 - Christmas at GWA

August 1 - Bunco Potluck

August 8 - Halloween, Kid's Carnival,

Haunted Woods

August 14 - Race Weekend, Karaoke

August 15 - Craft Show, Pine Meadow Farm,

Spaghetti Dinner, Brown Bag Bingo, Dance

August 22 - Chili Cook-Off, Poker Run,

Candlelight Vigil

August 29 - Staff and Volunteer Party,

September 5-7 Labor Day Festivities, Poker

Run and Fundraisers

PLEASE NOTE: Events are subject to change without notice.

JOKE OF THE WEEK

Q: What do you get when you cross a rooster with a dog?

A: A cocka-poodle-do!

EDITOR'S CORNER

To have something published in this newsletter put the info in the mailbox at 32 Oak (deadline 3pm Sunday) or e-mail thehappycampers@comcast.net (deadline 5pm Tuesday).