

# THE SCENT-INEL

## Newsletter



MOUNT CLEMENS STINKERS

Chapter #98 of the FCRV

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April 2004

### April Meeting

The next meeting of the Mount Clemens Stinkers will be held on Wed. April 14th at **7:00 pm** at the Chateau Estates Club house. Meeting hosts are: Spechts and Tipsword

### MT. CLEMENS STINKERS MEETING MINUTES for March 10, 2004

The meeting was **called to order** by President Barbara Matthies at the Chateau Estates Community Center at 7:02 p.m. The next meeting will be held on April 14, 2004 and hosts will be Spechts and Tipsword. **Roll call** was taken by Judy DeKeyser which showed 19 families present and guests Jim and Etta Pittiglio.

**Minutes** were read by Judy De Keyser. M/Jack Matthies; s/John Disalvo to accept the minutes as prepared. Motion carried.

Bumper Brown read the **Treasurer's Report**. The bank balance as of 3-10-04 was \$1577.39. M/Ron Marsh; s/Dennis Garrett to accept the report as prepared. Motion carried. Judy requested and received \$9.25 for the purchase of 25 postage stamps. Bumper requested the approval of a purchase of an endorsement stamp. Peggy remembered she has one already and will bring it to Bumper.

Diane Garabedian reported on the **Valley Plaza** outing. Twenty seven individuals attended the fun weekend. Everyone thanked Diane for her hard work in organizing the event.

The Club social for March will be held at the Furman's home on March 20, 2004 at 6:00 p.m.. **Bell Downs** will be hosted by Bells also. Ann gave directions to her home. The main dish will be furnished and each family is to bring something to pass and a prize.

The **Christmas Party** is planned for Dimitri's on December 4, 2004. Barb has already put a deposit down to hold the room at Dimitri's for this year. The Christmas Committee will handle any remaining plans. Please disregard the other location listed in the Newsletter.

The **memorial for deceased Club members** was discussed. It will consist of a park bench placed near the fire ring at Groveland Oaks in the group area where we usually camp. Barb suggested this Labor Day weekend we have a memory night where members will recall and tell stories of their favorite memories of the deceased member. Ann Furman asked and Roger answered briefly describing what a charter member was. It was decided that the memorial was to be for all past, present and future members who pass away and not just for charter members.

M/Clem; s/Margaret Hartley to have the **Club pay the entire cost** of \$400 for the bench and a placque in memory of departed members of the Mt. Clemens Stinkers Club.. Motion carried. Wording for the placque was discussed. Suggestions included "for those on both sides of eternity" and another was "for those members on both sides of the campfire." A firm decision was not made and will be handled next month.

Roger Cramer gathered information on **Adopt a Highway** as requested at a previous meeting. A hand vote was taken and the Club decided not to proceed with the idea since the bench was being purchased.

The **Fan Out** is not working! Calls are not going around to all members and many instances were discussed where the message didn't get out to all members. M/Jean Marsh; s/Peggy Parmentier to form a calling committee consisting of four people. Motion carried. Dennis suggested if possible the message should include who, what, when, where and why. Roger, Jean, Peggy and Diane volunteered and Judy will fill in for Diane.

Judy was requested to prepare a letter for Priscilla Tipsword asking for **inactive member status** after the

#### Special Dates

5th Gary Trombley  
6th Ann Furman  
20th Barb Matthies  
28th Jean Marsh  
16th John & Doris Disalvo  
19th Tony & Jan Hudock



#### 2004 Officers of the Mt. Clemens Stinkers

PRESIDENT: *Barb Matthies*  
VICE PRESIDENT: *Diane Garabedian*  
SECRETARY: *Judy DeKeyser*  
TREASURE: *Bumper Brown*



BOARD OF DIRECTORS:  
CHARMAN: *Bob Bell*  
*Roger Cramer*  
*Gene LaBelle*

last meeting. Judy read the letter which states Priscilla wishes to retain her rig # and to attend social and day trip activities with the Club until she has something to camp in. The letter was signed by Priscilla, filed and accepted by the Club.

This action frees up a membership slot for the **Pittiglios** who are waiting to be voted in as members. This will still keep the active membership at 25 families. Pittiglios were asked not to attend the next meeting because they will be voted on then.

A Board meeting was held on 2-9-04 and guidelines were drafted for the creation of **Associate Members** which would include both former and prospective members. The guidelines were read by Judy. M/ Gayle Osbourn; s/Ron Marsh to place a limit on prospective members. Motion was voided because the current limit of individuals waiting to be voted into the Club is already set at five. Motion was voided. M/Tammy Brown; s/Peggy Parmentier to accept the guidelines with one change only: to add the word Former to Number 7. It will read "There is no limit as to how many individuals may be on the Associate **Former** Member list." Motion carried.

Priscilla will automatically become an Associate Former Member. There will **no longer be an inactive member list**. **Bill and Sharon Garby** will become Associate Prospective Members.

Tammy gave a very detailed **camping report** She also distributed the final campout schedules for 2004.

The Canadian Thanksgiving is October 8-10 instead of October 15-17 as originally thought. The July 4th campout at Addison Oaks has 15 sites available and 16 members who reserved. Brown's will double up so that all may attend. Labor Day campout at Groveland Oaks has 20 sites available and 22 members who reserved. Garrett's and Brown's will double up so that all can attend. If there are any cancellations the sites go to Garretts and Browns first.

Clem and Jan continue as our **MSA representatives**. They recently attended a meeting in Dewitt. Clem gave a detailed report and said the Spring Campout looks like it will be fun.

**Health report** was given. Tom Munson is in the hospital and feeling much better now. Al Fitzgerald does not need an operation. Gayle Osbourn is recovered.

Jan Hudock gave the **Sunshine Report**. She will handle the Sunshine responsibilities for another month because she had already prepared the cards for mailing. Good job Jan! Jean Marsh will take over after April. Barb **collected** for birthdays and missing vests. Anyone who has a birthday and is not at that month's meeting should pay up the next month.

M/Roger Cramer; s/Bumper Brown to **adjourn** the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:36 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Judith A. De Keyser

## Please Review !!

### ASSOCIATE MEMBER GUIDELINES

- 1)An Associate Member is a member in good standing who is unable to fulfill their camping and meeting commitments to the Club OR a prospective member who has fulfilled their three meeting and three campout requirements, were voted on for Club membership and accepted as an Associate Member because there were no openings for full membership available.
  - 2)Associate Members must belong to the Family Campers and RVers Association.
  - 3)Associate Members must pay annual dues equal to half the full membership dues.
  - 4)Associate Members will have no voting privileges.
  - 5)Former members who became Associate Members will be given first priority to become full members again when an opening occurs. Those members who desire to return to full membership shall put their request in writing and mail it to the Club Secretary. The post marked date on the envelope will be considered the date filed with the Club. Priority will be given to former members in order of the post marked date of their request.
  - 6)Associate Prospective Members shall be given preference for campout reservations followed by Associate Former Members.
  - 7)There is no limit as to how many individuals may be on the Associate Former Member list.\*\*
  - 8)Associate Former Members will keep their original rig number.
  - 9)Associate Prospective Members shall fulfill camping and meeting requirements annually.
- \*\*The Mt. Clemens Stinkers Constitution Section VIII Section B already states "the waiting list of five (5) families shall be associate members of the chapter.

**Effective March 10, 2004**

<b>Mt. Clemens Stinkers</b>			
Treasurer's Report			
March-04			
	<u>Club</u>	<u>Camping</u>	<u>Account</u>
<b>Beginning Balances:</b>	<b>\$1,116.39</b>	<b>\$461.00</b>	<b>\$1,577.39</b>
<b>Club Income:</b>			
Feb-50/50	\$14.00		
			<u>\$14.00</u>
<b>Club Expenses:</b>			
Check 644 Stamps Judy DeKeyser		-\$9.25	
Check 643 Gary Trombley Donation		-\$75.00	
			<u>-\$84.25</u>
<b>Club Total:</b>		<b>-\$70.25</b>	
<b>Camping Deposit Income</b>			
Feb. Deposits		\$645.00	
			<u>\$645.00</u>
<b>Camping Deposit Expenses:</b>			
Check #635 - Addison Oaks CANCELED	\$1,036.00		
641 Addison Oaks- Replacement Deposit	-\$408.00		
642 Jim Pittiglio Refund	-\$28.00		
645 Holiday Shores	-\$374.00		
646 Pine Ridge	-\$160.00		
647 Tammy Brown (State Park Deposit)	-\$378.00		
648 Tammy Brown ( State Park Deposit)	-\$42.00		
649 Pine Ridge	-\$32.00		
			<u>-\$386.00</u>
<b>Camping Deposit Total:</b>		<b>\$259.00</b>	
<b>Ending Balances:</b>	<b>\$1,046.14</b>	<b>\$720.00</b>	<b>\$1,766.14</b>
<b>Outstanding Deposits</b>			
Addison Oaks - Fourth of July	\$240.00		
Groveland Oaks - Labor Day	\$10.00		
Holiday Shores - Memorial Day	\$100.00		
Holiday Shores - Fourth of July	\$100.00		
Vermontville	\$100.00		
Walnut Hills	\$35.00		
			<u>\$585.00</u>
<b>Dedicated Monies</b>			
Ice Cream Social	\$111.05		
Silent Auction	\$83.00		
Club Memorial Bench	\$400.00		
			<u>\$594.05</u>

<b>April Newsletter Articles</b>		
<b>April Camping Deposits Due</b>		
April 30-May 2	Port Huron Township Park	\$15
	(I will be sending this deposit on April 15!)	
June 25-27	Holiday Shores	\$22
Oct 8-10	Port Huron Township Park	\$15
<b>April Campouts</b>		
Please let Tammy know if you signed up for a campout and your name is not listed.		
Valley Plaza - April 16-18	Garabedian, Hudock, G LaBelle, D LaBelle, Matthes, Osbourn, Parmentier, Specht	
Mullicans - April 23-25	Garabedian, Marsh, Trombley	

<b>2004 camping Schedule</b>	
April 16-18.....	<u>Valley Plaza</u>
April 16-18 (FCRV) .	<u>Southeast Dist. Mixer</u>
April 23-25 (Maple Syrup Fest.)	<u>Mulligan's</u>
April 30-May 2....	<u>Port Huron Township Pk</u>
May 14-16.....	<u>Holly State Park</u>
May 14-16 (FCRV) .	<u>State Spring Campout</u>
May 28-31 (Memorial Day)	<u>Holiday Shores</u>
June 4-6.....	<u>Groveland Oaks</u>
June 11-13.....	<u>Addison Oaks</u>
June 25-27.....	<u>Holiday Shores</u>
July 2-4 (Fourth of July).....	<u>Addison Oaks</u>
July 9-16 (FCRV) .....	<u>Campvention</u>
July 16-18.....	<u>Walnut Hills</u>
July 16-18 (FCRV)	<u>Post Campvention RV Tour</u>
July 30-August .....	<u>Pine Ridge</u>
August 13-15.....	<u>Lakeport State Park</u>
August 27-29.....	<u>Addison Oaks</u>
Sept 3-6 (Labor Day) .....	<u>Groveland Oaks</u>
Sept 10-12 (Encampment)...	<u>Algonac St Pk</u>
Sept 10-12 (FCRV).....	<u>Michigan Retirees</u>
Sept 24-26 (MCS Thanksgiving)	<u>Port Huron KOA</u>
Sept 24-26 (FCRV)	<u>Blue Water Mixer</u>
Oct 1-3.....	<u>Algonac State Park</u>
Oct 8-10 (Canadian Thanksgiving)	<u>Port Huron Township Pk</u>
Oct 22-24 (Halloween) .....	<u>Valley Plaza</u>
<b>Correction to last months newsletter</b>	
December 4,2004 for Stinkers Christmas Party At <u>Dimitri's Rendezvous</u> , 36217 S Gratiot Ave, Clinton Township.	