

What a way to end the season! The Blue Haven Fest was a blast! Everyone had a great time and the dinner was wonderful. The weather was a little cool on Saturday but the campers and their family and friends did not let that stop them from enjoying the festivities. We still have a lot of camping time left to enjoy!



The young campers enjoyed shucking corn at Blue Haven Fest!

### **Events for This Week:**

Friday September 8<sup>th</sup>:

 8:30 pm: Volunteer Firefighter Dance – Music by DJ Flash

### Saturday September 9<sup>th</sup>:

10:30 am: Dart Tournament - Registration starts at 10:30 am for play to start at 11:30 am. Tickets are \$15.00 US funds: \$10.00 for the roast beef dinner and \$5.00 for darts. All winnings will be in US dollars. For anyone who wishes to play but did not get a ticket, come to the Clubhouse during registration. You might be able to enter if

there is a cancellation.

• **Texas Hold'em** - We would like to play after the dart tournament. Also the week after on Friday night.

### Sunday September 10<sup>th</sup>:

• 11:00 am: Final Campground Meeting

## Update on Events:

**Kid's Super Bingo:** The biggest Super Kid's bingo ever with 99 kids! Everyone received at least one prize. It was a great summer of full of Bingo. Wishing you all a great school year and a safe winter. Thanks to everyone for their help, especially Alyson Carden who was there every week to help set up and clean up. -Ray and Margaret Doran



The Irishwoman and Irishman at the St. Patrick's Day!

**Blue Haven Fest:** Wow! What a beautiful Saturday! Thanks to Mother Nature for her cooperation and a team of great volunteers,

#### September 8, 2017

our Blue Haven Fest was a big success! The Prep: As you all know in order to have an event there is a lot that goes on before, during, and after that many do not realize. Dave and Theresa you were both very helpful in the planning and organizing of this event and for this we thank you very much. Thanks also to John and Cindy for helping me with the running around for the food supplies and Cindy (not to mention my husband Randy) for always being there to help me out at the drop of a hat! Kurt Krumreich and Randy Moores (with a little help from Gerry) for peeling all the potatoes for the potato salad, Cindy for making it, Francine, Debbie, and Diane for helping make the macaroni salad, Angela, Kurt, Darlene, Debbie, Dianne, Kim for making chicken wrappers, John, Randy, and Jim for taking it to the Ellenburg Depot Fire department to refrigerate overnight, and Louis and Sherrie for allowing us to use their facilities.

The Momot Team were out bright and early doing their final touches and regular clean up, cording off, etc., and by the time our young campers were rearing to go to Ray and Margret's Kid's Super Bingo, everything was good to go. I have to say that there were a lot of smiling faces as they left bingo to go over to the Corn Shucking Contest which Molly Ryan and family graciously took care of. A special thank you to Molly for her organizational skills and her mom for generously donating the prizes for this event. Although I have seen more corn shuckers in past years, the job got done and the children seemed to enjoy themselves. At noon sharp, thanks to Jay and Kayla Ventre for providing us with their great selection of music, the music started, Cindy opened her special Margarita Bar prepared and served by Cindy Smith and Tim Dempsey (Kim jumped in to help from time to time), and our BBQ team Todd Smith, Jim Gingeras, Wayne Pregent, Bill Dempsey, Phil Fernandes, and Randy Moores (runner) cooked up the hamburgers, cheeseburgers, Italian sausage, hot dogs and Michigans (thank you Donna Bechard



Shucking away at Blue Haven Fest!

for taking the time out of your very busy schedule to prepare the sauce) for Kelly Hamblin and Haley Hamblin Watmore to serve up to our hungry campers. Flo Dempsey and Francine Cantwell took the orders and cash and everything was smooth sailing. This was a sellout lunch! While lunch was going on, the "Angel Card Reader" had a special corner in the back of the game room which Cindy had decorated and set up for her so that she could quietly read her Angel Cards for any takers. I was told by some that checked this out that it was "very interesting." Hopefully we will be able to have her back another time next season! Meanwhile Harold Seymour and Allison Goss, manned the Human foosball ring, which Harold built for us with a little help from Allison, Dave Bechard, Carol and Bill Davies. At 1:00 pm when they gave Couples Horseshoes a shot, Carol and Bill took over. As an added note Carol was the person that suggested this event! Thanks Carol for the great idea!



Everyone had a great time at the St. Patrick's Day Dance!

At 1:00pm the Bounce House opened for the children, which was manned by Stephanie Davies followed by Alison Carden, Chloe Palazuelos, and Bev and Deb Jackson for a good majority of the afternoon. Stephanie also spent most of the afternoon manning the giant obstacle course, along with Colette Humphreys and it seemed like everyone that tried this out had lots of fun doing so. I would like to thank Shawn and Stephanie Davies for giving us a break on the cost of the obstacle course blow up and throwing in the bounce house as a "freebie" as well. It really made

the afternoon a lot of fun for all that attended having these two large blow ups. Lemonade, iced tea, and Kool-Aid were available throughout the afternoon. Avril and Andrew Harvey popped and gave out popcorn to any takers, as well as cotton candy (thanks Cindy and Kim for making and bagging the cotton candy the night before). Anika get better soon, we missed you guys. Andrew Carden served out the slushies once they were finally ready. Thanks Melissa for googling how to get the slushy machine going. Shortly after 2:00 pm Flo and Bill, Melissa, Tim and Shawn Dempsey along with Judy Cordella were instrumental in helping the younger campers prepare their personalized garden stone which was this year's very popular craft. There are a few that were not picked up, they are in the office. The children seemed very pleased with their creations. Immediately following the crafts, there was a Jelloeating contest for the children. Flo had prepared Jello and although we thought there would be more interested participants, the children that experienced this had fun doing so. Then it was the adults' turn for a "Spiked Jello-eating Contest" and that was good fun to watch as well. Great idea Flo! I am certain we will get more candidates next time. Meanwhile, away from the event area, John Gagnon, our seasoned chicken BBQer and his team Todd, Jim, and Randy were getting all the coals ready to heat the chicken while Fred and Lisa Porter were taking care of the corn pots. You all did an amazing job. Throughout the entire day, the Momot team: Tim Mitchell, Tom Roberts, Jim Burnet, Gary Lomber, and Stuart Pain were there to

help as required and the garbage was maintained and grounds cleaned on a regular basis.

Thanks to the help of Theresa Tourville, Darlene and Angela Krumreich, Diane Watson, Collette Humphreys, Kim Annis, Debbie Gagnon, Francine Cantwell, Margret Doran, and Carol Davies (runners Kelly, Jim, Flo, Haley and Randy) supper was served without a glitch and the cleanup went very quickly while Cindy Smith kept the bar open for liquid refreshments. Not only did Theresa help serve supper and was part of the cleanup crew but she was as she has been all summer, instrumental in selling the supper tickets as well as lot rental tickets for us. We served over 200 for supper! Third shift: The dance with "5 O'Clock Somewhere" playing was fantastic. Everyone that attended seemed to be having a great time dancing to their music which played to all ages! Our night time bar tenders John Sullivan, Danny and Nathan Murphy, Kevin Jones and Harry Pullen did a great job on the bar and entertaining all of the campers including the "Tag You're It" gang. Thank you Tim Mitchell and Theresa Tourville for being there to pick the winners of the lot rent raffle tickets. And the Lot Rent Raffle Winners are: 1<sup>st</sup> place, \$300 US cash winner: Don and Linda Martin, Riverside

2<sup>nd</sup> place, \$200 US cash winner: Jason Paiement, Hillside

3<sup>rd</sup> place, \$100 US cash winner: Robert LeGresley, Willow

The lucky winner of \$1,000 US dollars toward their lot rent was pulled by Theresa was Scott Short, who for countless years, been involved with Horseshoes on Friday nights as well as the tournaments throughout the camping seasons.

Congratulations to all winners and thank

you to John Momot for your generous contribution to this draw and for your continuous support. On behalf of the entire Activities Committee, we would like to thank all of the campers, volunteers, John Momot and Tim Mitchell, Dave and Theresa, all of the Blue Haven staff that supported this final event of the season! If I inadvertently forgot to mention anyone that helped, it is an oversite and I apologize for this in advance. Best wishes for a healthy and happy fall and winter and see you next spring! -Cheryl Moores

**Softball Tournament:** Everyone that played had a good time. Hopefully next year, weather permitting, we will have the Softball Tournament in July. Thank you to the players and their supporters. -Gerry Cantwell

**Couples Horseshoe Tournament:** We had 13 teams. We had a good turn-out and everyone had a great time.

1<sup>st</sup> place: Scott and Julie Short 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Lou Bliziotis and Pam Kerslake 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Brian and Kenna Gainer



The Terry Fox Fundraising was a huge success!

Terry Fox Raffles Winners: Congratulations

to the following raffle prize winners! Elizabeth Bohbot, Apple Watch Lillian Joyce, Hand Nail Basket Leah McRae, Fit Bit Ken Murphy, Basket of Cheer

Paul Getty, Hockey Jersey

Thank you all for supporting such an important cause, so many of us have been touched by this horrible disease one way or another. Hopefully a cure for cancer is in the near future. Looking forward to another great fundraiser next summer at Blue Haven Campground. The Raffle/Bottle Cap fundraiser was a great success. We raised a total of \$1805.00 to donate to Terry Fox Cancer Research! Congratulations to all the raffle prize winners. A big thank you to family, friends, and volunteer committee for all your help and support. Thank you to the Blue Haven campers for making this fundraiser a huge success, it would not be possible without your support. Thank you Dave Bechard for all of your help. Theresa Tourville, thank you for all your kindness and for everything that you do, so much would not be possible without you. -Karen Nolan, 2 Lakeside



Getting a little help with shucking at Blue Haven Fest! Currie - They won a plaque.

Adult Super Bingo: We would like to thank everyone for coming. We had a great turnout. I

would like to thank all my helpers: Colette Humphries, Flo Dempsey, Carol Davies, Pat Cormier, and Cheryl Moores. Everyone have a great winter and hopefully someone wins that pickle jar next summer. Our big winner today was Diana Johnson. And the winner of the Bingo bag was Ed Currie and Robin Mcrae.

### Blue Haven's Nicest Site Contest 2017:

The judges have been here and the winners have been picked. Congratulations to all of the winners:

1<sup>st</sup> place: Mille and Carlo Stamegna - They won a gift certificate for \$400.00 towards the following year's site rent and a plague.

2<sup>nd</sup> place: Brian Gadway and Anthoney Biasini - They won a gift certificate for \$300.00



towards the following year's site rent and a plaque.

3<sup>rd</sup> place: Louise and Marc Lefebvre - They won a gift certificate for \$200.00 towards the following year's site rent and a plaque.

4<sup>th</sup> place: Eddy Martel - He won a gift certificate for \$100.00 towards the following year's site rent and a plaque.

5<sup>th</sup> place: Sherry and Louie Lavalley - They won a gift certificate for \$50.00 towards the following year's site rent and a plaque. Most Naturally Kid-Friendly Site: Jennifer and Lance Laberge - They won a plaque. Most Natural Site: Penny Rowe and Wayne Pregent - They won a plaque.

Most Eco-Friendly Site: Lise Desrosiers - She won a plaque.

Simple and Tasteful Site: Robin Mcrae and Ed Currie - They won a plaque.

**<u>Reminder</u>**: Copies of the Prom photos are available at the office.

# Happy Birthday!

Happy Birthday greetings this week go out to:

BIRTHDAY

- 9/8: Jack Gammon
- 9/8: Norm Rowley
- 9/9: George Hauswirth
- 9/9: Scott Nolan
- 9/9: Hailey Fletcher, 14
- 9/10: Roxanne Magera
- 9/10: David Pellerin
- 9/11: Colleen O'Donnell
- 9/15: Don Light
- 9/17: Patrick Lafave
- 9/19: Annabelle Mitchell
- 9/23: Darlene Bilow
- 9/26: Francine Cantwell
- 9/27: Mike Deliva, 64
- 10/01: Frank Boisvert
- 10/9: Elaine Pellerin
- 10/24: Spencer Davies
- 10/25: Jasmine Henry, 5

To all of our campers that have birthdays during our off season, we wish you all the best on your special day!

## Happy Anniversary!

Anniversary greetings this week go out to:

- 9/9: Phyillis & Dennis LaBombard, 50 years
- 9/12: Susan & Ken Johnson, 36 years
- 9/17: Patricia & Cliff Horrell, 34 years
- 9/21: Debbie & John Gagnon, 20 years
- 9/24: Marlene & George Hauswirth, 56 years
- 9/25: Elaine & David Pellerin, 18 years
- 9/62: Donna & Ray Davies, 29 years

To all our campers that have anniversaries during our off season, we wish you all the best on your special day!

# We are now taking site rent deposits!

from Brookside 10. They won a pot of \$889.00.

50/50: Our lucky winner with the winning

number 5056927 was Ken and Doris Murphy



An interesting costume at the St. Patrick's Day Party!

2018 Site Rent Deposits: We will soon start taking site deposits for 2018. As with every other season, we cannot take your deposit if you have any overdue balances on your account for site rent, power, or service work. Please come to the office and check to be sure that you are up to date on your account. Payments can be made at either the Blue Haven Office or the Plattsburgh Office. To avoid a \$45.00 no deposit fee, make your deposit by October 1., 2017. See below for the EZ Payment Plan information and new policy for the 2018 season. 2018 Seasonal Site Rent: There will be some increases in standard site rent this season. No one will receive more than a \$75.00 increase. Lock in dates through 2017 will now be locked in until 2020. Please remember every cart needs to be registered with the Office and have the number we assigned and only that number on them. Also all carts need to have head lights and tail lights that work. Any cart found to be without the correct numbers or with no numbers will be given one warning. The second time the cart will have to leave the campground, not to return. If you have a cart and it is not regis-

tered with the office or does not have a number, please see Dave or Theresa as soon as possible. We will be checking all carts throughout the rest of the fall. When site deposits come due we will be re-doing the list. Winterizations, awning roll-ups, and gazebo take downs will stay the same price this season.

**EZ Pay Program:** Due to the positive response of the EZ PAY program, we will again be offering this as an option. How to determine what your four EZ Pay payments will be: 25% of your site rental is due by October 1<sup>st</sup> and your remaining 3 payments are due in the spring of next year.

- For Example: 2018 site rent = \$1,045.00.
- Fall deposit = \$261.25. Site balance = \$783.75.
- Take \$783.75 and divide by 3 = \$261.25
- If you do not pay 25% of your site rental in the fall, there will be a one-time charge of \$45 to activate the EZ PAY program in order to be fair to those who made their fall deposit on time.
- For Example: 2018 site rent = \$1,045.00.
- Fall deposit = none. Late charge = \$45.00.
- Site balance = \$1,090.00.
- Take \$1,090.00 and divide by 3 = \$363.33
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Program if a deposit was not made in the fall.)

#### EZ Pay Payment Schedule:

- 2nd payment: Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.
- 3rd payment: Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018.

4th payment: Thursday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018. The final 3 payments will be as scheduled above. \$5.00 will be added to each payment that is late. If you activate EZ Pay in the spring and did not make a deposit, your 1st payment would be due on April 1st, your second payment is still due by May 1st and the final payment by June 1st. Site contracts not paid by June 1st will be charged a \$50.00 late fee, no matter what payment option you choose. Applicable interest fees still apply. Beginning in the 2015 season and going forward, Anyone who does not pay their site rent in full by June 1<sup>st</sup>, for two consecutive seasons, will see an increase of \$75 in their site rental. This does include anyone who makes special arrangements to be paid after June 1<sup>st</sup>. Regular missed payment fees and interest still apply. Please refer to Page 2: Rates & Forms of Payment in your Policy



Book. The policy clearly states that all site rentals must be paid by June 1<sup>...</sup>, no matter what payment plan you choose. You can get an updated page for your policy book from Theresa at the office. **Final Power Reading:** The final meter reading will be done the week of September 26<sup>th</sup>.

### Reminders:

- Please come to the office and check the mail box and the lost and found. We have mail that has not been picked up in the box and there are a few items in the lost and found box.
- Please remember when having packages shipped to the campground, the mail will be sent to the Plattsburgh office as of October 13<sup>th</sup>. Anything sent to Blue Haven after that will go to the other office.

This is the last newsletter of the season! Wishing you all a safe and happy winter and remember spring will be here soon!

**From Dave's Desk:** Well it is that time of year again... Despite the weather, we had a great summer! I would like to thank the team at Blue Haven for the continued hard work and effort in keeping the campground running smoothly. I would like to send out a big thank you to the Volunteer Activity Committee for the countless hours they put in twelve months out of the year. With the help of the volunteers,

we can provide the finest events for our campers to enjoy. Again, thank you to all that have helped! Have a safe and healthy winter and I look forward to seeing you all in the spring.

