THE CEDAR RAI

May 2022

Welcome Back Campers!!

It is so good to return to a camping season that is more "normal" than the last 2 years. Although Covid is not behind us, we are looking forward with optimism that camping and our activities can return in a similar fashion to what was before 2020.

That being said, we do know that there is still fear, concern, caution and unease out there. Please know that everyone will understand if you do not want to participate yet. Or if your comfort level changes many times over the season. This is your reminder that there is no "right" way for everyone, and you need to do what is best for you to keep you healthy, both physically and mentally.

No matter how you navigate this season, I am sure we are going to have a fantastic summer!

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Crafts	Friday @ 10:00 am
Quilting	Friday @ 1:00 pm
Lucky 13	May 20th
Yard Sale	May 21st
Washer Toss	May 21st
Casino Day	May 21st
Breakfast	May 22nd
Bingo	May 22nd
Cornhole	May 22nd
Volunteer Mt	g May 23rd



VOLUNTEER NEWS

Hello Campers!

We have so many fun activities planned this season! Stay tuned as things are planned! Just a few notes:

- Reminder that the volunteer committee now has an email address. Feel free to email suggestions as comments to <u>cedarrailvolunteers@yahoo.com</u>. You can also leave a message for the volunteer committee in the volunteer mailbox in the store. This is located at the Volunteer Corner by the patio doors near the sunroom. All signup sheets and information will be there.
- For the long weekend, we are planning the Yard Sale! For more information, see our
- Facebook event or see Krista at site 18.
- 50/50 draws on all long weekends this season will be sold just outside the store. If weather is inclement, we will move inside the games room.
- We are hoping to hold our Casino Nite once again stay tuned for more details and times!
- Breakfast is Back!!! Whoohoo! It takes 18 volunteers to run breakfast, so if you are able to help in anyway, sign up at the store or contact Alma or one of the volunteer committee.
- If anyone is interested in playing cards, like Euchre or Pepper, feel free to stay after Lucky 13 on Friday evenings.
- Penny Raffle with take place in July after Christmas in July the tickets will be the same prices stay tuned for more details.
- We will be having a volunteer meeting at 10:00am Monday, May 23rd at Riverside Hall. Bring a coffee and join us.
- If anyone is interested in helping with Bingo, please let the volunteer committee know.

As many of you may have heard, Lee Mink will not be returning to Cedar Rail this year. At the time this newsletter is being printed, she is in Chesley Hospital receiving end of life care. Lee has been at Cedar Rail for many, many years, and was a beloved volunteer, calling Bingo and Lucky 13 each week. Please keep Lee and her family and friends in your thoughts and prayers through the next difficult days and weeks. She will be very missed here at Cedar Rail!





At the beginning of a new camping season, it is always a good idea to go over emergency safety – including fire safety. This checklist should be repeated in the middle of summer as well.

- Check all smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors to ensure they are working properly.
- Ensure you have a fire extinguisher and that it is inspected annually.
- Make sure all exits and emergency exits are accessible and able to open easily.
- Create a plan with your family. Ensure everyone knows how to leave your trailer and use all emergency exits.
- Decide on a safe meeting place outside your trailer.
- o Practice your plan.
- Practice regular fire safety: Do not leave stovetop unattended in use, do not use candles inside and do not leave lighters or matches in the reach of children. Ensure your campfire is not left unattended and is fully extinguished when you are finished with it.
- For more information and assistance, contact your local fire department. They are the experts in fire safety!



Notes from the Office

Just a little reminder to pick up your spring package at the office. Fees are due the beginning of May unless other arrangements have been made. Just a few things to review – most of which were mentioned at the opening dinner:

If you have not returned your 2022 contract, you will find a new one in your spring package. Please return to the office before the end of May.

Like last year, there is a **liability waiver** to be signed. Each adult must sign their own waiver this year, rather than have 2 people sign together on 1 waiver. The waivers have been included in your package but let me know if you need additional waivers.

Please read over the **Visitor policy**. All visitors must also sign a liability waiver once a year. We can email these (in either a regular pdf version or a fillable/signable version). As always, all visitors must also sign in at the office upon arrival.

No one should be parking and walking into the campground unless they arrive after hours and this arrangement has been made.

As noted on the **Golf Cart Waiver**, we are asking all golf carts to have the site number on them this year. Laura will provide numbers free of charge or you can put your own numbers on your cart. Laura should be able to come around to those who have requested numbers later in May.

Also, note that we have had a lot of complaints the last few years of golf carts being continuously driven around and around and around....golf carts are not for entertainment or recreation, but rather transportation. Although there is no issue with a leisurely drive around the campground, if you are continuously driving in circles as your source of pleasure, may I suggest you park your cart and enjoy all of the other things Cedar Rail has to offer.

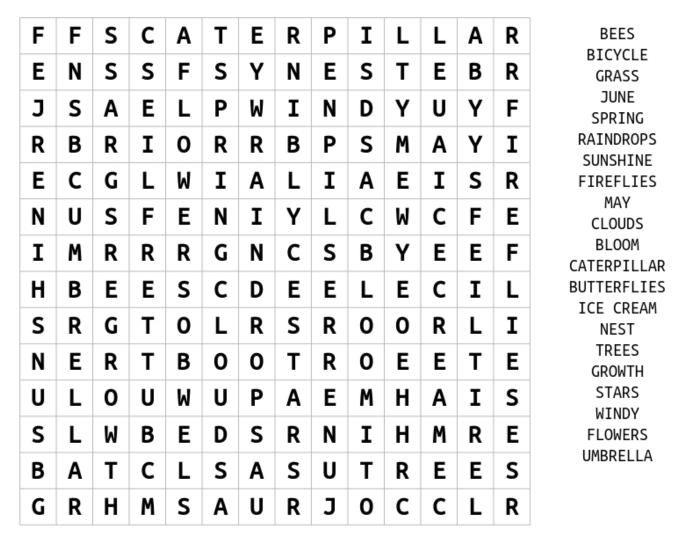
We have updated our **Garbage Policy.** Going forward, if you have not separated your garbage and recycling, we will not leave it behind for wildlife to get into, but take it and charge you a fee for garbage. Please separate garbage and recycling.

Please only flush human waste, toilet paper and holding tank treatment down the septic system. Nothing else. Wipes, diapers, hygiene products, etc should go in the garbage.

And finally, please give 48 hours notice when ordering a load of firewood, gravel, etc. Friday evenings and Saturdays are a little too busy with children to be driving the backhoe to make these deliveries. Thanks so much and let's have a great season!

Fun and Games

Springtime





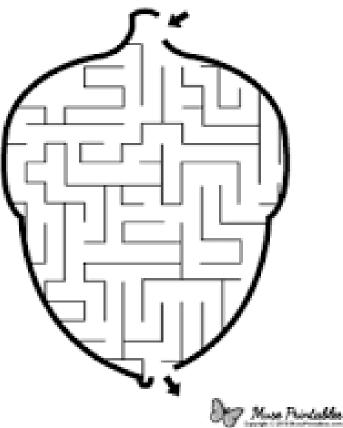
Quick Chuckle

An elderly gentleman was invited to his old friends' home for dinner one evening. He was impressed by the way his buddy preceded every request to his wife with endearing terms: Honey, My Love, Darling, Sweetheart, Pumpkin, etc.

The couple had been married almost 70 years, and clearly, were still very much in love. While the wife was in the kitchen, the man leaned over and said to his host, "I think it's wonderful that after all of these years you still call your wife by those loving pet names."

The old man hung his head. "I have to tell you the truth," he said, "I forgot her name about 10 years ago."

Acorn Maze



Word Scramble

Recipes and Tidbits

Do you have a recipe you would like to share? Submit at the office for use in our next newsletter!

Homemade Bits and Bites

To be honest, this is not a summer recipe for us, but Rick makes a huge batch every Christmas for easy snacking and to take along to family gatherings. But they would be an awesome make ahead for camping snacks! Personalize this recipe by adding your favourite snacks to the mix!

Ingredients:

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1 box cheese bits (or cheese nips or goldfish crackers)	6 cups Shreddies or Chex cereal
6 cups pretzles	6 cups Cheerios
1 bag corn chips (like Bugles or similar)	3 cups peanuts (optional)
2 cups (1 lb) butter, melted	1/3 cup Worchestershire sauce
1 tbsp garlic powder	1 tbsp onion powder
1 tbsp celery salt	1 tsp chili powder (optional)
2 tbsp tobacco sauce (optional)	

Preheat oven to 250 deg. Mix first 6 ingredients in big roasting pan. Whisk remaining ingredients in small bowl until combined. Pour butter mixture over bits and bites, stirring to ensure all is coated well. Bake in oven for 2 hours, stirring every 15 minutes. If bits and bites still seem moist, continue baking for another 15-30 minutes. Once cool, seal in plastic bags to keep crisp and fresh. Eat. Enjoy. Share.

Want another idea with no baking and a little more camping flavour? Try this:

No Bake S'mores Snack Mix

Ingredients:

- 12 oz baking chocolate (semi-sweet or a combination of dark and semi-sweet)
- 4 cups Golden Grahams cereal (or similar cereal)
- 2 cups Mini marshmallows
- 1 cup pretzels
- 1 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips

Place baking chocolate in microwave safe bowl. Melt according to directions on package, allow to cool slightly. Line large baking sheet with parchment paper. Pour golden grahams, marshmallows, pretzels and chocolate chips on parchment. Pour cooled, melted chocolate over and toss with a spoon to ensure all is coated. Cool 30 minutes. Break apart and enjoy. Store in air tight containers to keep fresh.

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