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October Hill Camplot Owner's Association

May 2022

# *on the hill*



*current topics >>>*

*The New Gate Code will  
be Effective  
May 31  
See FB for the code!*

## **ATTENTION!!**

**LOT OWNER'S  
MEETING  
SUNDAY, MAY 29  
1PM AT THE LODGE**



## *Meet Your Neighbor*

*Tony Rakaska*

Tony has been part of the Hill community for 35 years. He first came here in 1987 after his mom accompanied her best friend on a weekend trip and fell in love with the view. The family promptly bought two lots and began enjoying all the Hill had to offer. Tony shared that he enjoyed the pool and the activities the Hill and the Mohican area had to offer and it became his second home.

Tony has lived an exciting and diverse life. He served in the United States Army from 1979 to 1983 and then worked as a heavy truck mechanic where he rebuilt engines for Semi-trucks. When he retired from that job, Tony came here to the Hill and went to work as the maintenance man and winter security. During that time, he lived in the farm house and gained a new appreciation for the Hill community.

Tony has a few hobbies. For years, he has spent his free time combing the woods for interesting log and stump formations which he creatively turns into lamps, tables, walking sticks and signs. When you drive around, check out the road signs; those are Tony's creations as well!

More recently, Tony began indulging in a new hobby that was a long-time love: trains. As you read the newsletter, you can enjoy glimpses of his train town. He currently has three HO scale trains, 23 hand chiseled buildings and 5 bridges. Each building takes Tony around 18 hours to complete. His porch is open to guests and he loves to show off his trains!

Tony enjoys nature, finding those special wood pieces, campfires and good friends. Be certain to say "Hi" when you see Tony out and about and take a moment to enjoy his train set!

It's summertime! >>>

# Recipes for the Campfire

*Do you have a favorite tried and true recipe you love to share with friends and family over the campfire? Please send it to us and it will appear in the newsletter!*

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## Shepherd's Breakfast

### Directions

- ¾ lb. finely chopped bacon strips
- Medium chopped onion
- 8 large eggs
- 1, 30oz. package shredded frozen potatoes, thawed
- ½ tsp salt
- ¼ tsp pepper
- 1 cup shredded cheddar cheese
- Add some fresh parsley for extra flavor

- In a large skillet, cook bacon and onion over medium heat until bacon is crisp. Drain, reserving 1/4 cup drippings in pan
- Stir in hash browns. Cook, uncovered, over medium heat until bottom is golden brown, about 10 minutes. Turn potatoes. With the back of a spoon, make 8 evenly spaced wells in potato mixture. Break 1 egg into each well. Sprinkle with salt and pepper.
- Cook, covered, on low until eggs are set and potatoes are tender, about 10 minutes. Sprinkle with cheese; let stand until cheese is melted.



## Ways 'n Means >>>



# Upcoming Events

**May 21: Food Trucks at the Lodge**

**May 28: Fishing Derby, Slip 'n Slide on the Hill, Golf Cart Parade**

We are looking for volunteers to help plan and support events. Many hands make light work and we would love to have you join the crew! Contact Kaye Adams or Sheila Pate to see how you can help!

### Possible projects to be funded:

- 9-Hole Frisbee Golf
- Fenced Dog Park
- Complete Renovation of the Putt-Putt Golf
- A Second Bench at the Front of the Hill



## Putt-Putt Course Update

We have received Board of Trustee approval to upgrade the course. We have our estimates and will be using the money we raise this summer to complete the renovation. We will be installing new carpet, side rails and adding new obstacles to make the course more fun. If you are interested in helping with the upgrade or donating funds, please stop by the office, send a message via Facebook or send us an email at: [presidentohcoa@gmail.com](mailto:presidentohcoa@gmail.com)



# Things to do in the Area

Looking for a little off-The-Hill Activity? Here are some ideas of upcoming events and places to visit and explore. As always, the beautiful Mohican State Forest never fails to disappoint!



**Picker's Market by Prairie Peddler:** May 21 @ 9am to 3pm at Prairie Peddler Festival grounds

**Mohican Arts & Crafts Festival:** May 28 @ 9am – 4pm downtown Loudonville. Enjoy local artisans and craftsman along with great food and Loudonville's amazing downtown

**Memorial Day Parade:** May 30 @ 9am at Downtown Loudonville

**Live Birds of Prey:** June 4 @ 5pm to 5:30pm Mohican State Park Lodge

## Johnny Appleseed Wine Trail

The Wine Trail includes stops at 7 local wineries (including Ugly Bunny!)

For 2022, Ways 'n Means would like to book a bus trip and take the trail tour

If you are interested in participating, please let us know so we can plan for the event!

## International Wine Festival at the Mill

**June 11 from 12pm to 10pm**

Come enjoy nearly 100 varieties of international and Ohio wines, domestic beers, and great food at the Mill. All wines available for purchase separately by sample tasting or by the glass and bottle. Food available for purchase from multiple food vendors on site. Live music throughout the day.



ask the experts >>>

**Q:** I forgot my fire starters? Are there other options to get it going?

**A:** Absolutely! Soak cotton balls in Vaseline (you can keep them in a Ziplock baggie for later use). Trick birthday candles also work well as the melting wax helps to start the kindling. Empty toilet paper rolls and dryer lint are also great ways to get the campfire rolling!



## Joke of the Month

**Q:** What do bears call campers in sleeping bags?

**A:** Soft tacos



# finalthoughts...

You can be part of the Newsletter! If you have pictures from the Hill, a story you would like to share or if you would like to be the next person on the "Meet your Neighbor" segment, please send information to our email: [presidentohcoa@gmail.com](mailto:presidentohcoa@gmail.com)



## Reminders from the Trustees:

1. If you are removing your camper and planning on storing it off your site, you will need to submit a storage form to the office PRIOR to removing the camper. This is for your safety! This form can be downloaded from the website or picked up in the office.

2. The gate code if for your use and for your guests. If you are having an event where multiple folks will be coming to the Hill, please see the office to get a specific event code. Do NOT give our regular gate code to party guests.

3. Please be sure to submit a building permit form and a drawing to the office and wait for approval PRIOR to beginning any work on your site. If you are unclear as to whether a permit is needed, please review your Rules and Regulations or contact a Trustee for Clarification.

coming soon >>>

## In The Next Issue

Updated Calendar of Events

More info from the Ways 'n Means

Committee

Meet Your Neighbor

And more!



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We are looking for Hill anecdotes, funny jokes, pictures, recipes or camping stories you would like to share in the newsletter. Please submit them to our email: [presidentohcoa@gmail.com](mailto:presidentohcoa@gmail.com). Thank you!

