

Mt. Gretna Campmeeting News

Fall Edition 2020

Letter from the President of the Board of Managers

Kevin Burd, President, MGCA Board of Managers

Music is such a powerful force for many people living and visiting the Mt. Gretna communities. So, I wanted to share a few songs from my playlist with you:

Lately, I find myself listening to the 1997 Indie lyric from Chumbawamba's one-hit wonder: "I get knocked down, but I get up again."

If you are familiar, it will now be stuck in your head for the remainder of the day. You're welcome.

As the summer season closes and autumn is upon us, it is important to remember the resilience that we have seen among family, friends, and neighbors. This season we have proven that we can adapt and grow in the face of challenging times. We have all been scared and depressed, but we can also focus our efforts on becoming hopeful and optimistic.

I am reminded of another song, an R&B hit recorded by several artists, but Aretha Franklin's voice enters my mind from this 1967 cover version: "A Change is Gonna Come"

In that spirit of hope, many volunteers are already working to ensure another great Mt. Gretna season—a summer that hopefully includes much of what we missed this year. Plans are underway for the Bible Festival and Heritage Festival in the Campmeeting. And we know that Larry McKenna is working to bring another Summer Concert Series to the Tabernacle for

young and old to enjoy. 2021, and a renewed season, lies ahead.

For now, October is Fire Prevention month. We are reminded to say thank you to the Heroes in our community. Our first responders from Mt. Gretna, Lawn and Quentin are the first to heed the call—but we know that there is county full of volunteers who are committed to saving lives and property. This summer we saw their commitment to our community in-action; a memory that is still in our thoughts.

Finally, on the 80th Anniversary of John Lennon's birth, let us remember what he "imagined" . . . "You may say I'm a dreamer, but I'm not the only one. I hope someday you'll join us, and the world will be as one."

As we enter this Thanksgiving season, my wishes for you are—a wish of hope, a wish for positive change, and a wish for peace. Stay healthy—see you on the porch.



Trick-or-Treat in Campmeeting

Thursday, October 29, 2020 is the official Trick-or-Treat night for Lebanon County residents. There are no MGCA community-sponsored activities this evening. However, for MGCA Members who plan to take part in trick-or-treat night, we ask that you follow CDC guidelines and be courteous of your neighbors.

The following references may be helpful:

<https://lebtown.com/2020/09/24/lebanon-county-police-chiefs-set-2020-trick-or-treat-for-thursday-oct-29/>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays.html#halloween>.

Consider this suggestion regarding Halloween candy:

- Participate in one-way trick-or-treating where individually wrapped goodie bags are lined up for families to grab and go while continuing to social distance (such as at the end of a porch or walkway).
- If you are preparing goodie bags, wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20-seconds before and after preparing the bags.
- If you may have COVID-19 or you may have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, you should not participate in in-person Halloween festivities and should not give out candy to trick-or-treaters.
- If cottage owners are not participating in festivities, consider turning off outdoor porch lights during the hours of 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on October 29th.
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October 2020 – Fire Prevention Month

Submitted by Barbara Myers, MGCA Boar of Managers, Vice-President

The Campmeeting is a unique community in many ways, and we want to preserve it for years to come. However, one of our biggest assets is also one of our biggest concerns: living in 100-year-old wood-frame cottages. With that in mind—and since October is Fire Prevention Month—the MGCA would like to share some helpful fire prevention tips that are applicable to most residences but are especially important in our community.

Be Prepared

- Install and maintain smoke (and carbon monoxide) detectors:
 - One on every level and in each bedroom.
 - Test regularly per manufacturer’s recommendations.
 - Change batteries twice a year (unless detectors have long-life batteries).
- Install fire extinguishers
 - One on each floor plus in kitchen and garage.
 - Inspect them annually.
 - Know how to use your extinguisher:
 - Remember “PASS”
 - Pull (the pin).
 - Aim (the extinguisher at the base of the fire).
 - Squeeze (the handle).
 - Sweep (from side to side across base of fire until out).
- Have a second floor/upstairs emergency ladder available for evacuation.
- Develop a plan and conduct fire drills with your family (include a safe place for all to meet after a fire).
- Have flashlights readily available for evacuation.
- Have chimneys inspected annually.
- Keep roofs clear of pine needles and leaves.
- Use battery-operated candles instead of open-

flame candles.

- Follow MGCA Rules and Regulations on parking: **Keep streets clear. In this community, seconds count for emergency responders trying to reach a fire!**
- Display easily readable house number signs.
 - Contact the Mt Gretna Fire Company to order reflective house number signs.
- Call 9-1-1 at the first sign of fire.
- Position someone at a safe location outside to meet and direct emergency responders.
- If a fire is manageable, use a fire extinguisher, but do not be a hero. Be safe: get out and stay out!

Thanks to the Mt Gretna Volunteer Fire Company—Station 38 volunteers who helped put this information together for our Members. Station 38 proved they are invaluable to our community while fighting the recent fire in the Mt. Gretna Heights. Let’s help them by doing as much as we can to prevent fires, and if needed, give them the best opportunity to fight them successfully.

Fire Extinguishers for Sale

Submitted by Jennifer Besse, Mt. Gretna Heights, jennbesse@aol.com

This summer, the Heights experienced a dreadful reminder of how fire-sensitive our homes can be. Not only did a fire completely destroy our neighbor’s home, but it also damaged the surrounding homes and trees, and threatened the rest of our homes.

Because October is Fire Prevention month, the Heights Board decided to reach out to all of you with fire safety reminders. In addition, we reached out to a local fire extinguisher distributor, Hackman Fire Equipment Inc., to see if they could provide us with a good deal in purchasing fire extinguishers. The fire safety of your own home is important to your family, but we are all reliant on our neighbors’ fire consciousness.

We reached out to the Mount Gretna Fire Company, thinking that perhaps they would like to make the fire extinguisher purchase a fundraiser for them, but the fire chief, Brad Yeingst, said, “no.” He told me that the benefit to the fire company for all homes to have a fire extinguisher was immeasurable. Because of various issues, the fire company will take at least ten minutes to get to your home after you call EMS. Even if you can’t put out your own fire, a fire extinguisher might help you contain the fire until the arrival of the fire company. This will make the difference between a fire getting out of control or being put out. Brad said that the fire company will always gratefully accept any donations, but he didn’t want to run the risk of raising the price and making people less likely to buy. So, if you would like to donate money, you can send a check to: Mount Gretna Fire Company, P.O. Box 177, Mt. Gretna, PA 17064.

Two sizes of fire extinguishers are available for purchase. The Mount Gretna Fire Company recommends 5-pound or 10-pound fire extinguishers. While it is ideal to have a fire extinguisher on every floor of your home and in the garage, they said that one fire extinguisher in the kitchen is suitable for most homes. Be realistic about the size of the fire extinguisher. While a ten-pound fire extinguisher has more fire-fighting capability, these can be heavy and more difficult to maneuver. Ken Hackman, owner of Hackman Fire Equipment, Inc. recommends a 5-pound extinguisher for most homes. The multi-use fire extinguishers he is providing for us (B500T 5-pound & B456 10-pound) include a six-year warranty and a hanger mount. They are inspected and tagged, are refillable, and will be delivered to Mt. Gretna.

- The cost of a 5-pound extinguisher is \$53 (\$50 +tax).
- The cost of a 10-pound fire extinguisher is \$74.20 (\$70 +tax).

If interested, please make out checks to **Hackman Fire Equipment, Inc.** and mail the checks to me, **Jennifer Besse, P.O. Box 162, Mt. Gretna, PA 17064.**

Please include your (1) physical address, (2) email address and/or phone number—for me to contact you when the extinguishers are delivered, and (3) the amount and weight of the fire extinguishers you want to purchase. The deadline for me to receive checks is October 31, 2020 (Halloween). At that point, I will compile the orders and place them with Ken. I don’t mind if you hand me the checks if you see me on a walk with Mishi, just be sure they are in envelopes with all the necessary information.

The Mount Gretna Fire Company recommends that everyone who buys a fire extinguisher acquaint themselves with P.A.S.S. (described above) and the essentials of fire extinguisher use. Here is an educational video on how to use a fire extinguisher:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9igRiyURobE>



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Executive Committee Update

Submitted by Kevin Burd, Committee Chair

The MGCA Board of Managers is considering several issues related to maintaining the Campmeeting's infrastructure. This is the first of several communications intended to educate Members on those issues and steps the Board is taking to address them.

Earlier this year the Board determined that water was the number one priority to tackle this year. We continue to move forward. There have been challenges, barriers—a global pandemic—and a learning curve for this Board. We have risen to the occasion and continue to collect the facts to bring to the community in order to make an informed decision on how to best move forward and provide safe drinking water for generations to come. This article is intended to bring you the facts. In the future, communications regarding water may extend beyond this quarterly publication.

Campmeeting Water System Overview

For many years, the Campmeeting has operated its own water system. The system consists of two parts:

- Water production: Water is drawn from an MGCA-owned well, treated to ensure its purity and safety, and pumped into a large, elevated storage tank.
- Water distribution: Treated water is gravity-fed from the storage tank and distributed to the community through a network of underground pipes.

The MGCA is currently responsible for all aspects of the water system, including well operation, water treatment, daily testing, maintenance of the supply and distribution system, recordkeeping, and compliance with all Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) regulations. All costs are paid from the MGCA General Assessment that you pay annually.

The Good News . . . and the Bad News

The good news is that the quality of our water is excellent. The bad news is that some components of our water production system are in poor condition and are needing costly repair or replacement. The Board of Managers has been consulting with an engineering firm to determine the best way to ensure that our community has a safe, reliable, and economical supply of water going forward.

Continue Producing Our Own Water

One option is to make the repairs/improvements necessary to continue producing our own water. On the positive side, our well produces a large volume of high-quality water. We also have a second well which, while disused, may have the potential to be reactivated. Producing our own water would let us avoid dependency on an outside provider and should ensure that we have a reliable supply of high-quality water at a reasonably predictable cost for many years.

The downside is that there would be large upfront costs to repair our system and keep it viable. The biggest expense would be for the water storage tank which was installed in 1947 and is in dire need of refurbishment or replacement. Refurbishment to extend the tank's life would cost \$145,000 or more but would only be guaranteed for one year and was deemed by the engineering firm as "not a good candidate for asset management." A replacement tank might cost considerably more, but with proper maintenance could last indefinitely.

Water From an Outside Provider

Another option may be to obtain our water from The Mt. Gretna Authority (MGA). The MGA was established in 1974 to operate and maintain the Mt. Gretna Borough's water and sewer systems.

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The MGA can already supply water to the Campmeeting in unusual situations through a temporary connection, but it may be possible to establish a connection to have the MGA supply our water on a permanent basis. The cost of water supplied by the MGA would depend on the terms of a negotiated agreement between the MGCA and MGA.

We have broached the subject of having exploratory discussions with the MGA. There would be many factors to consider in negotiating an agreement:

- Installing a permanent connection to the MGA system might cost \$60,000 or more. Who would bear that expense?
- Would the MGA assume responsibility for operating the MGCA wells and water production and treatment?
- If the MGA gained access to water from the MGCA well, how would we be credited for the value of that water?
- What would the initial cost of water be, and could we negotiate provisions to limit price increases?

The Campmeeting currently maintains the pipes and valves that make up our water distribution system. The system is already in need of updating and as the system ages, we can expect it to require more maintenance. In negotiating an agreement for MGA to supply our water, we could seek to include provisions for the MGA to assume responsibility for maintaining our water distribution system as well.

Summary

Our highest priority is to ensure that the Campmeeting water supply is safe and reliable. We also want it to be economical, and we must consider both up-front and long-term costs. The Board is currently working to determine costs associated with each of the options under consideration. The future of our water supply is

an issue the Board of Managers has been discussing for several years but it is one that must be decided soon. Look for more information in future communications as we continue to address this issue.



Property Ownership Committee Update

Submitted by Pam Bishop, Committee Chair

Welcome! New Members

Emily & Chester N. W. Johns - 212 Boehm Avenue

Kim & Andrew Kramer - 401 Sixth Street

Denise & Louis LaRicci - 409 Seventh Street

Barb & Scott Shreve - 201 Second Street

Christie & Cory Wanamaker - 112 Second Street

John Waters - 203 Glossbrenner Avenue

Rental Permit Applications Available

Pursuant to Rule 20, the Mt. Gretna Campmeeting annual application period for rental permits is open from September 1 through November 1. Any Member who has been renting their cottage either short term or long term and wishes to continue renting a residential dwelling unit/cottage needs to apply for a rental permit for 2021. If you obtained a rental permit

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for 2019 and 2020 you must apply now to continue to rent in 2021.

If you have not previously rented your cottage but would like to rent it in 2021, you may also apply and may receive a rental permit if the number of applications does not exceed the number of available permits for 2021. The number of permits available for 2021 is 63.

If you previously obtained a rental permit and wish to continue your “grandfathered status,” you must annually complete the application available on the Mt. Gretna Campmeeting’s webpage, including providing evidence that you have rented, such as receipts from rental payments, rental confirmation letters, logs from online rental services such as AirBnB, canceled checks and rental contracts. You may redact any dollar amounts, names, or personal identification on your evidence.

Permits will be issued after November 1, 2020, for 2021. The Rental Permit Application and Updated Rule 20 FAQ Sheet are both posted to the website. If you have questions, please contact the MGCA office.

Nominating Committee Update

Submitted by Esther Mefferd, Committee Chair

SUMMER ELECTION – 2021-2023 TERM

Saturday, July 25, 2020—three candidates were elected by Members of the MGCA to serve on the Board of Managers for a three-year term beginning on January 1, 2021. Those elected include Kevin Burd, Jennifer Kantmann, and Ted Martin. Kantmann is new to the Board; both Burd and Martin currently serve on three-year terms that began in 2018.

Kevin Burd received 128 votes, Jennifer Kantmann received 92 votes, and Ted Martin received 84 votes. They were elected by having the majority vote from Members. Other candidates included Susan Engle (47 votes) and Katcha Neale (71 votes). Votes were also received by three write-in candidates: Margaret Hopkins (9 votes), Mary Kopala (1 vote), and Larry McKenna (1 vote).

A total of 155 ballots were counted in the election; 162 were received by the election date. Seven votes were not counted because two (2) had no return address label; one (1) had no return address noted on a handwritten envelope; three (3) were postmarked after the deadline; and, one (1) was hand delivered after the postmark deadline. Additionally, there were four (4) ineligible ballots because they were received after the election. Due to the COVID-19 global pandemic, all eligible voters received a paper, mail-in ballot. There was no in-person voting.

“The Election Board, by the authority of the Board and with the approval of the Board of Managers, shall consist of a Manager (who shall act as judge) and two (2) members of the Association who shall act as inspectors. No person who is a candidate for office shall act as a judge or inspector” (MGCA Charter & Bylaws, Section 13. Election Board). The Election Board for the July 2020 election was:

- Barbara Myers, Judge (MGCA Board of Managers, Vice-President)
- Carmen Bianco, Inspector (MGCA Member)
- Don Miller, Inspector (MGCA Member)
- Beverly Andrews, Alternate Inspector (MGCA Member)

Board Vacancy to Remain Through 2021

Justin Williams resigned from his seat on the MGCA Board of Managers effective July 31, 2020. This created an “open seat.” The Board of Managers thanks Justin for his service—not

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only to the Board—but to the entire Campmeeting community.

During the September Board of Managers meeting, the Board considered seven candidates to fill Justin's seat, which was for a term through December 31, 2021. After a "run-off" vote, the Board remained in a five- to-five stalemate after three rounds of voting and agreed not to fill the open seat. Rather, during the Summer 2021 election, MGCA Members will vote for the Member who will fill the open seat. This will be a three-year term beginning in January 2022.

MGCA Members who were interested in serving included Linda Campbell (402 Glossbrenner Avenue), Susan Engle (705 First Street), Margaret Hopkins (505 Glossbrenner), Jeff Hurst (400 Seventh Street), George Leyh (310 Sixth Street), Katcha Neale (502 Sixth Street), and Tim Williams (109 First Street). The Board thanks these Members for their willingness to serve the community.

Ad Hoc Tree Health & Maintenance Committee Update

Submitted by Pat Wilmsen, Committee Chair

Fall Tree & Shrub Planting

Fall is the perfect time to consider planting a tree or two on your property. Here is a great resource for you to use for tree selection, planting, and care:

<https://pacommunityforests.files.wordpress.com/2020/03/treevitalizetreeplantingpub.pdf>

Daily Dose of Trees Campaign

The Daily Dose of Trees Campaign is running now. Trees provide a myriad of social, economic, and environmental benefits. These benefits include, but are not limited to, sequestering carbon dioxide and reducing greenhouse gases in

the atmosphere, improving water quality, providing natural sunblock and reducing your chances of sunburn, alleviating mental fatigue, reducing crime rates, and diminishing stressful noises. Trees enhance the quality of life. This campaign is in partnership with the Department of Health and Tree Pennsylvania. This campaign encourages the public to get outside among nature and enjoy the health benefits that trees offer us! What better place than in Mt. Gretna.

Also, as leaves begin to fall, consider leaving a few on the ground until spring. The decomposition of leaves provides much needed nutrients for the trees. The more organic methods for feeding trees that we employ, means fewer added (purchased) nutrients that will be needed in the spring.

Remove Spotted Lantern Fly Eggs

The spotted lantern fly is an invasive pest that state officials worry could damage the state's important grape and wine industries. While most adult spotted lantern flies have frozen to death, their eggs can survive over winter and are viable from October through July. That is why it is important to eliminate as many egg masses as possible. A single egg mass can hold 30-50 eggs.

Go to the Penn State Extension website for further details and to view an informative video to learn first-hand how to scrape and destroy egg masses <https://extension.psu.edu/how-to-remove-spotted-lanternfly-eggs>. Please be safe when scraping and do not climb ladders for hard to reach egg masses.

Mt. Gretna United Methodist Church

In-person worship services are starting October 11. Members and attendees are asked to RSVP for either the 8:30 or 10 a.m. service. Please see the church website for more information, or contact the church for further information at mgumc@verizon.net or 717-964-3241.



Mt. Gretna Fire Department, Station 38

October is recognized as Fire Prevention Month and October 4-10 is recognized as Fire Safety Awareness Week.

Upcoming Events

- October 30th - Halloween Parade. No marching, but instead we are asking children to dress-up and socially distance along Route 117 with spectators. The parade will consist of Emergency Vehicles and any adults with golf carts/ATVs who wish to decorate them and join the parade. There will be no planned events at the fire company social hall.
- November 1st - Modified "To-Go" Breakfast Buffet.
- December 12th - Santa will travel around the Mt Gretna neighborhoods with treats for the children. There will be no planned events at the fire company social hall.

Reflective House Numbers

Reflective house number signs are still available

for purchase from the fire company. Ensure that emergency personnel can find you quickly. If interested, contact the fire company for further details.



Gretna Music

October 10,

2020—featuring Simone Dinnerstein, Piano. Go to www.gretnamusic.org for further information or to purchase tickets for this live, socially-distanced event.

Simone Dinnerstein is an American pianist. She lives in Brooklyn, New York with her husband, son and dog, less than a mile from the hospital in which she was born. Simone has a distinctive musical voice. The Washington Post has called her “an artist of strikingly original ideas and irrefutable integrity.” She first came to wider public attention in 2007 through her recording of Bach’s Goldberg Variations, reflecting an aesthetic that was both deeply rooted in the score and profoundly idiosyncratic. She is, wrote The New York Times, “a unique voice in the forest of Bach interpretation.”

A virtual Home Tour is still being developed from footage recorded this summer. Stay tuned to social media for announcements related to the featured cottages.

Gretna Theater



MURDER AT THE PLAYHOUSE

Do you love Agatha Christie stories, crime fiction, or unsolved mysteries? Do you have a keen eye for details and solving puzzles? Are you considered a regular Sherlock Holmes? Do you have what it takes to crack a case?

Become your own detective and step into a thrilling adventure delivered right to your door.

Bring the drama and fun of the theater right into your home with a 3-box murder mystery set. Go to www.gretnatheater.org for more details, or to join the case!

Mt. Gretna Area Historical Society

“Spirit of Mt. Gretna” T-shirts are now on sale. Go to the Historical Society’s website for more details and watch the website for upcoming events. Consider becoming a member or volunteer. Also, looking for a unique Mt. Gretna gift? Feel free to browse the online store at www.mtgretnahistory.org/shop.



Mt. Gretna Roller

The new season of live organ music on Saturday nights began on October 3, 2020. Come on out for a night of fun rolling with the crowd, or just listening to the organ music on the Hammond B3. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Follow Facebook or www.mtgretnarollerrink.com for additional days/hours of operation and special events.

Clarence Schock Memorial Park Welcomes Artist-in-Residence

The Environmental Center at the Clarence Schock Memorial Park at Governor Dick plans to have a new artist-in-residence, Karen Beall, for the Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 programs.

Karen Beall has an abundance of experience in public art and has a passion for natural history. Beall loves to collect and study mushrooms and plants that she finds on walks “to serve as sources of inspiration for her sculptural and functional artwork.” She currently teaches as an adjunct art professor at Lebanon Valley College and is the owner of KRB Ceramics Teaching Space and Shop, a teaching studio located at 278 Northwood Drive, Lebanon.

“I had been thinking about doing a public art project at Governor Dick for a while, as I live nearby and frequently hike the park with my family,” Beall said. “Governor Dick is a hidden gem in our area, and I wanted my project to help promote its many offerings. I have been teaching art for many years and one of my greatest pleasures is sharing my love of nature and art with others. The park is a perfect place for me to realize an environmental art project involving the public. One day Sally Schach, who works at Governor Dick, sent me a Mt Gretna Council on the Arts grant application, and that is when my ideas started to come together.”

This program will incorporate two public art projects. “Forest Fable” is the first project and will start in October. 20 pre-registered participants, who will be divided into two groups of ten, will meet at the Environmental Center where Beall will explain the project in detail and assign a tree to each participant.

For more information see:

<https://lebtown.com/2020/09/30/clarence-schock-memorial-park-at-governor-dick-welcomes-artist-in-residence-for-fall-2020-spring-2021/>

Support Mount Gretna Businesses

The following local businesses remain open and continue to follow state/federal guidelines regarding safety:

- **Gretna Timbers** www.gretnatimbers.com. Open Thursday, Friday, and Saturday for dinner—take-out or dine-in. Follow Facebook for First Friday events. Masks are required, reservations requested.
- **Kirsch’s Antiques**—open Saturdays and Sundays through October, noon to 5 p.m. Follow on Facebook for up-to-date information (hours are weather-dependent).
- **Mt. Gretna Hide-A-Way** www.mtgretnahideaway.com. Take-out hours Monday through Thursday, 3 p.m. until 8 p.m., and Friday through Sunday, noon until 8 p.m. (online ordering is available); the

outdoor deck remains open. Follow on Facebook for up-to-date events/information.

- **Mt. Gretna Pizzeria.** Open Wednesday and Thursday from 7 a.m. until 2 p.m., Friday, Saturday, and Sunday from 7 a.m. until 8 p.m. Call for details 717-964-1853.
- **Porch & Pantry** www.porchandpantry.com. Open for indoor or outdoor dining Tuesday through Sunday 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. Seating is first-come, first-served. Sorry, no reservations. Follow on Facebook for up to date information or go to the website to order from their online store.

From the Tool Shed

Submitted by Doug Cheyney, Cheyney Property Maintenance



The summer ended and the leaves are now changing color. It is a beautiful time of the year in the Mt. Gretna area. While it has been a challenging year for all of us, I am

hopeful that 2021 brings healthier times and more civility. Speaking of challenging times, it is now the season when leaf piles will start to get bigger for our crew. I am sure you realize how hard it is for our crew physically each time to remove them. I ask each Member to do whatever you can to make the process as less stressful as possible. This saves on time and expense.

Please make two separate piles—one for sticks, and the other for leaves, pinecones, and pine needles. Comingled piles will not be picked up until corrected. Whenever possible, try to put your piles on streets where the crew has vehicle access. The map showing driving/accessible streets is posted to the MGCA website.

If you are a seasonal cottage owner, please shut off your water and winterize or insulate you pipes

from freezing. Consider calling local companies who are familiar with winterizing Campmeeting cottages. One of several local plumbing companies who frequents Campmeeting is L&T Plumbing (717-273-7088).

We hope that the remainder of the year brings you good health and wonderful times. Thank you for allowing us to serve this community.



Consider calling us for your personal landscaping needs!



From the Office of the MGCA

Office Hours, MGCA President

Because of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, office hours are on hold. If you have questions, please contact Kevin Burd, MGCA Board of Managers, President at president@mtgretnacampmeeting.org. He will address your questions, comments, and /or concerns.

Volunteers Needed

Community members are invited to volunteer on committees of the MGCA Board of Managers. Choose your area of expertise. Meet your neighbors and make new friendships while making the Campmeeting a desirable place to

live. A full committee roster is located within this newsletter. Contact the office (717-964-3040) for more information—or to volunteer.

Board of Managers Meetings

The MGCA Board of Managers meets monthly via ZOOM™ on the third Tuesday of the month. Members will receive an email invitation (sent to the primary email address on file at the MGCA office) to join these ZOOM™ meetings.

Additional individuals interested in attending should request the meeting link from the office in advance of the meeting dates. The recorded session is posted to the MGCA website within 24-hours. The video is located within the “Board of Managers” ribbon, by clicking on the “Board Meeting Minutes” drop-down menu. Members are encouraged to view these meetings and to submit questions/comments to office@mtgretnacampmeeting.org within 10-days of the video’s posting. All questions/comments are addressed at the next Board meeting and included with the official meeting record.

Meeting minutes are the official record for the MGCA archives; the ZOOM™ video is deleted once the minutes are approved by the Board.

Be Respectful of Quiet Hours

Traditional quiet hours are from 10 p.m. until 7 a.m. Monday through Saturday and all day on Sunday year-round—**please no leaf blowers on Sundays!**

Rules & Regulations

In an ongoing effort to enforce Campmeeting Rules, in the third quarter of 2020 (July-September):

- **Two warnings** were issued for Noise (Rule No. 17) to 406 Otterbein Avenue and 201 Glossbrenner Ave; **no fines** were issued.

- **One warning** was issued for Trash (Rule No. 4) to 311 6th Street; **no fines** were issued.
- **One warning** was issued for Parking (Rule No. 8) to 211 7th Street; **no fines** were issued.

Dumpsters

In an ongoing effort to enforce legal disposal of refuse, in the third quarter of 2020 (July-September):

- **No warnings** were issued for dumpster usage.
- **No fines** were issued for dumpster usage.
- **No referrals** were made to Cornwall Borough Police Department.

Campmeeting Rental Opportunities

Heritage Park pavilion is available for rental on a first-come, first-served basis. The pavilion is available from April through October. The rental fee is \$25 along with a \$25 security deposit. Be advised, rental is for the pavilion-only. The surrounding park area, playground and rest rooms remain available to the public. Additional rental opportunities that exist for Members include: Tabernacle rental, garage/shed rental (First Street), parking space rental (Boehm Avenue), large parking space rental (First Street, behind garages) and raised planting bed rental (Bell Avenue). Contact office@mtgretnacampmeeting.org for additional details, or to request a rental application.

Update Your Association Membership

Contact Information

If you have changed your phone number, mailing address, email address, or any other contact information, please notify the Campmeeting office. Email communication is preferred.

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(Names in italics are MGCA Members who do not serve on the Board of Managers)

MGCA Board of Managers

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(2020)
Barb Myers, Vice-President
(2021)
Sally Marisic, Treasurer
(2021)
Pat Wilmsen, Secretary
(2022)
Pam Bishop (2020)
Don Dale (2022)
Joe Lamont (2021)
Ted Martin (2020)
Tammy Travitz (2022)
Open Seat (2021)
Esther Mefferd (Tabernacle
Representative)

Executive

Kevin Burd—Chair
Sally Marisic
Barb Myers
Pat Wilmsen

Buildings & Grounds

Don Dale—Chair
Dean Kantmann
Joe Lamont
Doug Lorenzen
Barb Myers
Bob Travitz
Kevin Burd, Ex Officio
Deborah Erb, MGCA Staff
Doug Cheyney, Cheyney
Property Maintenance

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Community Activities

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Esther Mefferd
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