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IMPORTANT MEMBER MEETING

On Saturday, October 7, at 10:00 a.m., a meeting and workshop are scheduled at Kentucky Camp. Bring your lunch, and plan to spend the day. We hope everyone can make it because important issues will be discussed.

1. Vote on Bylaws
2. Nominate a committee
3. A sign-up sheet for Saturday and Sunday volunteers
4. Sign-up sheets for the November and January projects
5. Choose the building you want to work on and be responsible for its upkeep
6. Small projects to work on remainder of the day

UPDATE

The new fence and gates surrounding the camp were installed several weeks ago. This is supposed to keep cattle out, but sometimes visitors forget to close the gate. A cow got in, and Arnold had a hard time getting it out.

Arnold Franks, Jack Glenn, and Tom Tompkins have completed an inventory on everything that needs repairs. Jack wrote a detailed summary and drew maps with a general statement of the condition of the inventory. He listed the health concerns, safety concerns, material and supplies needed, and equipment needed. This summary was compiled into separate lists for the exterior and the interior. Memos were sent to Mark South, Mary Farrell, Billee Hoornbeek, and Arnold Franks.

Arnold built a rock base splash back retaining wall on Building C to prevent further damage to the walls. It's working well for the drainage of rain water from recent storms. A buttress may need to be built because there is a huge crack on one corner of the building and it goes through to the inside. This needs to be repaired before the wall collapses.

"A rodent hole has been blocked and plugged in building A," Arnold said.

Jack Glenn and Tom Tompkins have completed the forms needed to make adobe bricks. Arnold would like to train members to make about 300 adobe bricks to perfect the technique. The bricks need to cure about a month before they can be used in building.

A verbal "okay" from Mary's office to start work on the three rooms in building D: living room, dining room, and kitchen.

An informal meeting was held on September 8 to establish a line of communication, set up workshop dates, and establish project priorities for the coming year. Jim McDonald, Mary Farrell, Mark South, Billee Hoornbeek, Arnold Franks, Jack Glenn, Jack Mutchler, and I attended.

Arnold asked if he could use one room in building C to store membership forms and brochures. Sometimes the wind and rain scatter everything.

Several groups will tour the camp in September and October to generate interest, publicity, new members, and donations.

Mark South and Jack Mutchler repaired the leaky roof of Building D (Hotel/Office).

CURRENT PROJECTS

Arnold would like members to volunteer a Saturday or Sunday to pass out brochures and talk with the visitors coming through the camp. More than 800 visitors have come through in the last few months. Saturday and Sunday are the busiest days, and sometimes Arnold can't keep up with the flow.

The attic in building D (Hotel/Office) needs to be cleaned and decontaminated. Old insulation, litter, old wood, and old shingles need to be removed and dumped. Jack Glenn requested coveralls, gloves, and respirators for the job. Jack, Arnold, and Jack Mutchler volunteered for this delightful chore.

A WELL DESERVED THANKS

I was reminded that Jack Glenn has spent endless hours at home and at Kentucky Camp. He has spent every Friday at Kentucky Camp all summer and much of his free time at home. He has written numerous reports; summaries, Bylaws, inventories, research, and made map drawings for the restorations needed on the buildings. **A well earned "thank you" Jack is in order!** Also, thanks go to Tom Tompkins and Jack Mutchler for all the work they have done. They spent much of their free time this summer at camp working on numerous projects.

PROPOSED WORKSHOPS

On Saturday, November 11, at 10:00 a.m., a workshop and training day are scheduled. Bring your lunch, and plan to spend the day.

Projects scheduled:

1. Make adobe bricks
2. Linseed oil on roofs
3. Connect ceiling joists to rafters
 - a. Eli Curiel has completed his drawings where the rafters don't meet
4. Glass pickup
5. Graffiti removal
6. Installation of donation box (feed tube) and register box
7. Adobe wall patching on all buildings

On Saturday, January 13, 1996, at 10:00 a.m., a workshop is scheduled. Bring your lunch, and plan to spend the day.

Projects scheduled:

1. Build interior walls with the adobe bricks made in November
2. Build buttress for wall of cabin C.
3. Make more adobe bricks
4. Adobe wall patching on all buildings

Hope to see many of you at the October meeting.
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