The Kentucky Camp Chronicle

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Upcoming Events

WORK DAY - September 14, 1996 10 at AM

Now that the summer heat is starting to subside we would like to get as many of our members, with their families and friends to come out and get involve in the continued restoration of Kentucky Camp. One project that looks like it needs the most attention is the lawn area. Since our summer rains the grass and weeds have been rejuvenated and are experiencing a lot of growth. Bring your weed whacker (electric with extension cord or gas) if you want to do a little yard work. We also have a lot of other small jobs lined up and ready to keep everyone busy. Bring your lunch and join us..

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING and POT LUCK - October 12, 1996 at 10 AM

There will be a general membership meeting held at Kentucky Camp for all current members. The Forest Service will be presenting The Friends of Kentucky Camp an award from their Southwest Regional Office in recognition of our efforts and accomplishments over the last year. In addition to our meeting, we will be having a pot luck dinner in the afternoon to give all our members and their families a opportunity to get together at Kentucky Camp to enjoy some good food, fellowship and to get better acquainted with other members. More details to follow.

Progress Report

BUILDING D Restoration Status

This building has been receiving most of the attention and has under gone a lot of changes since many of the members have last visited Kentucky Camp. The three south rooms (kitchen, dining room, and parlor) have now been completely secured providing a safe place for the storage of our tools and equipment. Panels can be placed in the windows and exterior doorways for security. The interior doors are hung and lockable.

Room D1 of Building D (northwest corner of the building), is receiving our concentrated efforts of restoration at this point. We have hopes of having this room completed by early next year so that it will be open and available as a visitor center when the USFS PIT (Passport in Time) program visits Kentucky Camp in March or April of 1997.

We hope to be able to have on display items and documents that provide information of the history of Kentucky Camp in the visitor center.

BUILDING D - ROOM D Restoration Status

The ceiling has been renailed and secured. The ceiling now needs a good cleaning and some patching and touch up to repair some bullet holes someone applied to the middle of the room

The baseboards, corner blocks, cove molding have been removed, wire brushed, sanded, scraped, repaired and painted with two coats of primer. These parts have been stored for future installation when the floor and wall work is complete.

All interior and exterior window and door trim have received two coats of primer. One interior door casing has received two coats or gray paint.

We now have two sets of window frames and one transom window frame completed and ready for the installation of glass panes.

The Future

Billee and Frank Hoornbeek have volunteered to restore and repair the interior walls of Room D1, Dave Yubeta will be the technical consultant providing necessary information needed to perform the wall sand plastering repairs.

Jack Glenn and Arnold Franks have compiled a complete list of tool and material requirements for future renovation projects at Kentucky Camp. This list will be presented to Mark South and Mary Farrell to receive USFS approval and support. This list of tools and materials if approved, should enable us to begin a major window and door restoration project that will carry us well into the future. Jack is in the process of developing a window frame wood working training program for any members that might be interested in getting involved with this segment of our restoration project.

Now that the weather is improving we would like to get back to holding our WORK DAYS on a more regular schedule. The tentative schedule for future WORK DAYS is as follows, Oct. 12, Nov. 9, and , Dec. 14. Mark your calendars and come out and joins us. The more help we can get the sooner our future visitor 's center will be complete.

Acknowledgments

The following members have generously donated tools and equipment to Kentucky Camp. JACK GLENN - a router and a set of router bits in a case, claw hammer.

TOM TOMPKINS - a router table, a set of wood boring bits, an adjustable wrench, and various garden tools.

TOM GORDON - a wood oak desk, a office chair, a large vise, an electric floor grinder and various small hand tools.

ARNOLD FRANKS - an electric 71/4" power saw, orbital sander, and a hand finish plane. LEW ORRELL - a large carpenters tool box, and various carpenter's hand tools.

Thanks to all who attended the last WORK DAY. While only a few members managed to be present, a lot of work was accomplished in Building D, Room D1. Thank you members for all the good work.

LEW ORRELL has done a considerable amount of research on the water and telephone systems of Kentucky Camp. Anyone interested in this part of the camp's history please talk to Lew at the next WORK DAY. Thanks for the good work Lew.

CAL LOWE, TERRY MELIUS, SCOTT BRILL, and their friend BILL were out recently and graciously installed a 220 VAC outlet on our power pole. Cal donated the material for this project. Thanks Cal, your contribution is greatly appreciated. Arnold promises to refrain from making fun of your hat for a while.

EVALYN NEUHAUS should be acknowledged for getting our last newsletter out and for the excellent job she did as secretary.

Best Wishes to

FRANK HOORNBEEK is recovering from successful back surgery, Frank is up and walking 1.5 miles per day now, Billee says he's doing great. We look forward to your return Frank, we're running low on adobe.

JACK GLENN is able to see clearly now for the first in many years without the aid of contacts, after receiving surgery on both his eyes. We need Jack's "vision" to guide us through our future window and door project.

TOM TOMPKINS has his wing in a sling. We hope you recover soon. Arnold appreciates your regular help on Fridays and needs your expertise with all the painting jobs.

TOM GORDON has been ailing a bit here recently, we hope you feel better soon, we really need your help keeping the grass and weeds in check.

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If anyone has anything they would like to share with THE FRIENDS OF KENTUCKY please contact Arnold Franks, 294-9783 or Chip Llewellyn, 885-8099 and we'll include it in the next newsletter.