

# Moraine Camplands News

## Memorial Day 2025



### Editor's Note

Campers,

We are excited to share the most recent MCA Newsletter with you. In this issue you will find messages from your BOD, information about upcoming events, and important phone numbers and addresses.

As we continue to grow, we hope to add to what can be found here. We thank you for your support. Please feel free to reach out to us if you'd like to help with future issues or if you have questions or concerns. Here's to another wonderful camping season.

Erica Boyle  
MCA Tech Committee Secretary  
Newsletter Editor

## Memorial Day Weekend EVENTS

### Saturday, May 24th

11-2 Kids Vendor Fair ( set up at 10:30 )-Gateside Pavilion

### Sunday, May 25th

Church @ 9:45am - A-Frame  
Egg /Candy Hunt @ 2 pm in ballfield  
AMERICAN PIE OLDIES BAND @ 9pm- Memorial Pavilion

### Monday, May 26th (Memorial Day)

Memorial Day Invocation @ 12 PM on the Island  
12:30pm **Free** Lunch for Veterans @ The Memorial Pavilion

## 2025 Board of Directors

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A Section	Mike Burke (A-38) Mike Little (A-40)	Burke- Architectural, Inspections Little- Teen/Youth, Maintenance, Honor Guard, Vehicles	mcaasectionrep@gmail.com
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# From the President



Hello! My name is Beth Rupert, and I have been a member for over 45 years! I am the D-Section representative; I also have trailers in A-Section. I was elected President in November 2024. During these six short months, your BOD has worked tirelessly, meeting in some months weekly, to make improvements and positively impact our campground. I am filled with gratitude and pride for what we have accomplished together. Our mission is to build our campground back up with a solid infrastructure; sound financial standing; professional work force; enjoyable family activities and events; and policies and procedures that protect our campground for many generations to come. This has been a driving force behind our initiatives, and it is thanks to the unwavering support of our volunteers, employees, and community supports that we have been able to make a tangible impact.

The first business duty this new board tackled was completing a Business Analysis. This has never been done in the history of the campground. This analysis targeted where we needed to act first and created short-term and long-term goals. The analysis includes Infrastructure, Finances, Employees, Policies, and Community. This BOD understands MCA is a 501(C)(7) business and must be run according to our Bylaws and the other laws that govern us. We do not focus on the past; we look at what needs done and work towards the future. We work as a team, all eleven of us, for you!

The improvements to our infrastructure have been remarkable. Your sewage plant has been completed, with savings of over \$45,000, and with the approval and partnership of the DEP. ALL bath houses are open, including C and D, which have been closed for years! ALL the roofs have been replaced, stopping the water damage that has been deteriorating our buildings. Our office received a beautiful facelift, welcoming members back with a warm, yellow and teal glow. Significant leaks have been stopped, including one which was dumping over 15,000 gallons into our sewage plant a day causing high electricity bills and significant wear- and-tear on our pumps. We created our new MCA OWNED website which will contain a membership portal giving members access to pay their dues and provides direct access to MCA events, activities, and other important information. We have livestreamed our membership meetings, so you know what is going on in your campground. No more being misinformed by the “camp” Facebook pages and having to endure all the negative talk about the campground you love. We fixed the gate which has been malfunctioning every time it rains for years! We have made various improvements around the campground making sure people with disabilities can enjoy all our amenities. Your beach area has been dug up and sand put down so you have easy access into our lake, and the kids can have fun playing in the sand. We implemented technology to safeguard our campground and provide easy access to the Adult Lounge. Our members near the A-Frame finally have a road. The backstop and ballfield fence are finally being erected after being motioned years ago. The store's floor is repaired, and the restaurant ceiling has new lighting. Our biggest project, our swimming pool, is slated to be done by August 2025, or sooner! This pool has been deteriorating for over 25 years and posed a safety hazard. With the hard work of the BOD, and support and professional input from our accountants and attorney, we purchased a commercial pool members can enjoy for many, many years to come and best of all we were able to offer a convenient payment plan and members' saving of almost \$300/lot from the original proposal.

We are committed to being transparent about our financial operations. We adhere to the highest standards of accountability, ensuring every dollar goes directly towards benefiting our campground. This BOD has provided financial oversight and makes sure our money works hard for us. We closely monitor all invoices, and we will not pay any invoice unless the work is confirmed and done to our satisfaction. We got straight to work and terminated contractors who were not doing their jobs or who were charging us noncompetitive rates. We closed numerous accounts, safeguarding our money from members who should no longer have had access to these accounts. We partnered with Nextier Bank and put our money in the ICS system, enabling our money to gain interest and increasing the FDIC protection of ALL our money. You shouldn't have to ask to see financial reports, we post a copy of the approved monthly Financial Reports and Meeting Minutes to our FB Director's Page. Thanks to the hard work of the Audit and Budget committee and the professional input of our accountant, we have approved our 2025 Season Budget. With all the savings as stated above, this BOD has saved the campground tens of thousands of dollars, we will have monies remaining which we will put towards other infrastructure improvements and be put into our BIA savings account!

Volunteers are the backbone of our organization. We are grateful for the unwavering support of all our volunteers. It is a heartwarming reminder of the power of community and collaboration. I encourage anyone interested in getting involved to reach out to your section representatives or go to the office to sign up for a committee, there is always a place for you. Be a part of the fun...it's a movement that benefits YOU!

Over the next several months, we are investigating safety issues concerning our leases and gate cards. We will do our Duty of Care and make sure your campground is secure. We are working on policy and procedure books, including Director onboarding, so there is a smooth transition, and every board can be successful. We will be fixing our roads, pipes, and electric boxes. We will develop strategies and use technology to protect your investment. We recognize that challenges remain, but together, we possess the resilience and determination to overcome them. Our goal is to create a sustainable model that will continue to serve our membership for years to come.

Welcome back Campers, and I look forward to an amazing Camping Season with you!

Beth Rupert, BOD President

# From Your Section Reps

## A-Section

My name is Mike Burke, and I am your A-Section Representative. I am also the Liaison to the Inspections and Architectural committees. If you put in for an assessment removal, I will begin going around this weekend to do inspections. Please be patient as I only have a couple of people on my committee. If you would like to help, you can sign up at the office. If you want a standard assessment (air conditioner, extra refrigerator, electric golf cart) taken off your due's invoice, you can fill out an Assessment Removal form at the office. All air conditioners must be taken out or permanently covered; you cannot just cover it with a garbage bag.

I will be working on policy and procedures for the Architectural and Inspection committees so there is consistency and fairness. I look forward to continuing to work with the other board members to make our campground great again.

If you need to contact me my email address is [mcaasectionrep@gmail.com](mailto:mcaasectionrep@gmail.com). Please allow a couple of days to respond as due to my work schedule, I don't always have access to my emails.  
Mike Burke



Mike Little  
[mcaasectionrep@gmail.com](mailto:mcaasectionrep@gmail.com)

Hello Campers,

I am serving as the Liaison for Vehicles, Honor Guard, Maintenance with Larry Byers and Teen/Youth with Melinda Bowser.

Maintenance Employees and our Volunteer Maintenance Committee have been working non stop to restore and repair our campground to ensure all Bath Houses are open and fully operational. Vehicles have been repaired, our sewage plant has been repaired, the leach beds are clear. We are always looking for people to help, so If you know how to push a lawnmower and want to work out without having to pay for a gym membership, come see me or Larry. If you want to run an event for the kids, come see me or Melinda to get it on the schedule. If at the end of the day, I'm sitting at my fire with my wife, leave us alone. :D

Join us for the Honor Guard Invocation Ceremony Monday at noon with lunch for all veterans following.

Remembering and Honoring the Men and Women of our US Military who gave All.

## B-Section

Hello Friends and Neighbors!

As your new section B representative, I want to take a moment to introduce myself and share a few thoughts. Like many of our current directors, I stepped up to fill a role that I once hesitated to take on. Now, being on this side of the table for the first time, I have a completely new appreciation for what it takes to serve on this board.

There is an incredible amount of work, energy, and passion that goes into these positions. I now see firsthand that the dedication of the current board members and can confidently say that we are fully committed to the best interests of our campground and its members. We are seeing meaningful progress, physically, financially, and even in the way we work together as a community. While there is still work to be done, it truly feels like we're moving in the right direction. :)

I encourage every member to get involved and take part in shaping the future of our campground. We have so much talent and knowledge within our community, and your expertise would help us shine even brighter. Please consider volunteering in any capacity that speaks to you. Every bit makes a difference. Together, we continue to build a better place for all of us to enjoy!

Warm Regards,  
Sindy  
[mcabsectionrep@gmail.com](mailto:mcabsectionrep@gmail.com)

## C-Section

Hello Campers,

Welcome back! Another wonderful summer is upon us, and we're so excited to kick it off with all of you. This past winter was a busy one, with our dedicated committees and staff working hard on several much-needed projects around camp. A huge thank-you to everyone who volunteered their time and energy — your efforts are appreciated by all!

The Tech Committee has been especially active, improving our livestream capabilities and updating our website. We're always looking for tech-savvy folks to join the team, so if you're interested in helping out, we'd love to hear from you!

You may have noticed Armstrong Cable technicians around camp — they're conducting a site survey to determine whether they can offer services here. As of now, no pricing or agreements have been made, but the possibilities are exciting.

A few important reminders:

- Please make sure your carts have 3-inch numbers clearly visible.
- Also, ensure your trailer or lot is clearly marked — this helps in case of emergency.

We've received great feedback from many of you lately — thank you! We're looking forward to a summer full of fun, community, and great memories.

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out. I'm the liaison to the Tech Committee and co-liaison with Lisa for Security.

Here's to a fantastic start to the season!

Warmly,  
Andi McFadden

# From Your Section Reps

## D-Section

HiMy name is Larry Byers, and I am your D Section Representative. I am also your Treasurer and Liaison to the Audit and Budget and Maintenance committees.

I have worked on various committees including Maintenance and Rules and Regulations prior to getting on the board. When there was a vacancy, I wanted to put my name in as I believe I have a lot to offer. I am happy to be on the board so I can continue to help to make our camp the best it can be.

As Treasurer, I will monitor the accounts and make sure your money is protected. I am new to these positions, but I am learning a lot and working hard for you. If you need anything, you can email me at [mcadsectionrep@gmail.com](mailto:mcadsectionrep@gmail.com).

Larry Byers, Treasurer

## E-Section

Welcome Back Campers!

Your BOD has been working together through winter and spring so as you return to MCA you will see a multitude of completed repairs, some ongoing projects and we have plans for the future on the agenda for your MCA family :) I am serving as your liaison for Church, ERT/Security, shared with Andi C sec rep and Andi and I will be helping to build the Teen/Youth Committees with Melinda G sec rep and Mike A sec rep as your liaisons.

Everyone interested in sharing ideas and/or coordinating events this year please contact your section rep. If you are curious about volunteering or have a specific committee you would like to join, do not hesitate to contact the liaison for that committee; We Need You !

Feel free to stop by my lot, E114 with any questions and if I don't have the answer, I will be happy to introduce you to the person that does :)

Committee Info:

Church  
The Gathering May 25- August 31  
All are welcome to join us  
Sundays at the A frame  
Coffee/Snacks 9:30am Worship 9:45am  
Co Chairs Bridget Jenkins and  
Sandy Fornauf

Upcoming events :  
Sat May 24  
11am-2pm Kids Vendor Fair Gateside  
Sun May 25  
9:30-12 Church A frame  
2:00 pm Egg Hunt at the Ballfield  
9:00 pm- 12am American Pie Band  
Memorial  
Mon May 26  
12:00 noon Invocation Ceremony  
12:30 pm Veterans Picnic Memorial  
Sponsored by Honor Guard

JUNE  
Youth Bingo June 4- Aug 27  
Wednesdays A frame  
Doors open 6:30 Bingo starts 7:00  
Long time pros: Judy and Jon Gould  
Sat June 7 BOD mtg 9:00 am  
Sat June 14 Dogs for Dads  
Sat June 21 Pancake Breakfast 9 am-12n  
Sat June 28  
Beach Party 11am-4 pm  
Vendor Fair - shop adjacent to Beach Party

Anyone who would like to volunteer for anything, know that you are the Perfect Person for the job!

Looking forward to a fantastic 2025 season!

See ya soon friends,  
Lisa :)

## E-Section

Hello!

My name is Keith Young, and I am your E-Section Representative. I am also the Vice President of the Board of Directors and Liaison for the Adult Lounge.

I have been on the board for the last six years, and I am excited to be your Vice President. We worked hard all winter, and the campground looks great!

I am proud to announce that all the bathhouses are open! It was one of my goals to get C and D bath house open since they have been closed for years.

I am also proud of the work that has been done to the Adult Lounge. We have new furniture, a ceiling, and a new door lock system that is coming soon. You will be able to open the door with your gate cards.

The Adult Lounge has skill machines, pool tables, and a bowling machine for your enjoyment. Come up and have some fun!

If you have any questions or need help, you please let me know. You can email me at [mcaesectionrep@gmail.com](mailto:mcaesectionrep@gmail.com).

Keith Young, Vice President

# From Your Section Reps

## G-Section

Hello Campers

I am your G section Rep, and also the Secretary of the Board of Directors, I have served on many Boards such as PTA, Youth Football, Gridiron, Cheerleading.

As your section representative, I'm here to keep you informed, listen to your concerns, and advocate for what matters most to our campers Whether it's upcoming events, local improvements, or important decisions, I'll keep you in the loop. Don't hesitate to reach out—I'm always just an email away! If I don't know the answer I will ask someone who does. I am Liaison and Co Liaison to a few committees such as Social/Activities, Teen/Youth, Rules & Regs, Nominations and Elections, and Mediation.

I look forward to a great Camping season.

Warmly,  
Melinda Bowser

## H-Section

Wayne Blumling  
McaHsectionrep@gmail.com

Hi! I'm Wayne (H501) and I am H section rep. I am the liaison for the Water Fun Committee. Water Fun will be hosting the Beach Party on Sat, June 28th, and I will be returning with my Famous Fresh Cut French Fries!

My committee is looking for help to make sure everyone has a good time. If you can help put together the slide, sell some fries, oversee sliders, or have a heart to volunteer a couple hours, get in touch with me.

Some of the things we need for our Beach party:

- Turkey Fryers
- pool noodles
- at least 2 pumps
- dawn soap
- plastic for the slide
- plastic pins
- floaties for the kids

We are planning to have a second Beach Party, likely Aug 9 or 16.

Thank you,  
Wayne the Crane

## Director-At-Large

My name is Kirtus Stafford, and I am the At-Large Director. I am also the Social Committee's Liaison.

We have worked hard all winter to improve the campground. I think you will really like the improvements. We have a lot of dances and events planned for the summer, but we need help! Please sign up for the Social Committee and join in on the fun. Without volunteers, we cannot have events.

Please reach out if you're interested in helping out or if you have questions or concerns. You can email me at [MCADirectorAtLarge@gmail.com](mailto:MCADirectorAtLarge@gmail.com).

Kirtus Stafford

## Little Nikki's Country Store

MCA A-Frame

724-877-1561

Mon-Thurs: 10am-8pm

Fri: 10am-10pm

Sat: 8am-10pm

Sun: 8am-8am

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**CELEBRATION!**



**High School Graduations:**

A.J. Mondin  
D-151  
Burgettstown Jr/Sr High School

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Ashley Rupert  
A-05  
Hampton High School  
National Society of High School Scholars  
Cheer Captian  
Committed to IUP for fall 2025

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Dalton Custer  
A-162  
Kiski High School  
Northern Westmoreland  
Career & Technical School  
Certificate of Completion in Carpentry

**Wedding Anniversaries:**

Jon and Judy Gould  
D-98  
30 years  
MCA Sweethearts

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Tim and Julie Kratt  
D-159  
4 years  
May 22nd

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Eric and Beth Rupert  
A-07  
32 years  
May 8th

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Bill and Dolly Csaszar  
A-188  
63 years  
May 26th

**Retirement:**

John Carter  
C-32  
Retiring after 35 years

**Birthdays:**

Mikella  
C-630  
May 28th

\*Have something to celebrate? Please let us know by emailing us or filing out the posted Google Form. We want to share as much joy as possible!

# In Memoriam

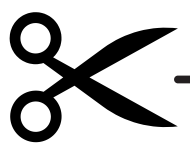
Honoring MCA campers gone, but not forgotten.

Cindy Holmes Dawkin  
A-202  
July 3, 1959 - March 14, 2022

Jessie Maroney  
E-187  
May 14, 1987 - December 5, 2024



**Feedback, questions, and comments about this newsletter can be sent to the MCA Tech and Publicity Committee by emailing us at [mcatech24@gmail.com](mailto:mcatech24@gmail.com).**



## Cut and Save

Keep this handy for quick reference!

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<b>Safety</b>	<b>Pet Safety</b>	<b>Food Delivery (delivery to gate)</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Emergency: 911</li><li>• Police Non-Emergency: 724-284-8100</li><li>• Poison Control: 1-800-222-1222</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• All Sizes Veterinary Farm and Housecalls: 516-965-1693</li><li>• Butler Veterinary Associates and Emergency Center: 724-283-2345</li><li>• Muddy Creek Veterinary Clinic, LLC- 724- 235-8410</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Prospect Pizza: 724-865-9609</li><li>• Fox's Pizza Den: 724-794-3266</li><li>• Coffaro's Pizza: 724-794-2424</li><li>• En Lai Chinese: 724-794-5100</li></ul>