

# LAKE JAYCO JYPSIES



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## Krystal Lake!!



Our August Campout was at Krystal Lake Campground in Vassar. In attendance; Dick & Brenda Dunham/Colt & Grant, Jerry & Barb Hodges, Ron & Bev Irwin, Bob & Carol Oshnock and Sue Wireman. This was a great campground with lots to do for adults as well as kids. Three lakes surround the camp sites with a beach, fishing, and boating. There was a heated pool, a store with hand dipped ice cream and game rooms. There was a playground, putt-putt golf course, tether ball, and basketball hoops. They had a live band on Friday and Saturday night as well as daily activities.



Friday was a beautiful day. We gathered, built a fire, got out some wine....compliments of the Oshnocks, and toured the Irwin's new 5th wheel! Yes, we did it! Jerry & Barb couldn't get a campsite since the park was full. They stayed in Frankenmuth and spent the



days with us. After dinner we all sat at our fire and listened to the live band, which we could clearly hear!



Saturday morning began with our group breakfast. We had buttermilk pancakes, maple bacon, sausage, and eggs. Colt left with his parents to see Thomas the Train at Huckleberry Railroad. After dishes the women gathered to play dominos. We managed to finish a complete game.....before it was time to make dinner. The men folk kept busy watching sports, napping and taking care of babies.



Our pot luck was wonderful, as usual and no one left hungry. Daryl and Crystal Dunham joined us for dinner. Several people requested the recipes for the corn salad and the spaghetti squash casserole which I have included below. We rounded out the meal with a wonderful pasta salad, awesome mushroom/green beans, and yummy chili. Of course we had plenty of



deserts. Blueberry crisp, brownies and Better-Than-Sex cake.....sorry you know the rules, what happens at the campground, stays at the campground!! Eough said!!



After dinner we again sat at the fire and listened to the band. They played a little later and a little louder on Saturday night so not everyone appreciated the entertainment. Of course we had toasted marshmallows.



Sunday everyone packed up kind of early with the threat of rain....except the Dunhams and Irwins. We stayed one more day. Brenda, Colt and Bev checked out the pool after lunch. We could only handle 3 hours before we headed back to the campers. Ahhhhhh, I love heated pools! After dinner we gathered around the fire again. Before Colt went to bed we got out the pie irons and had apple and blueberry campfire pies and toasted marshmallows. We had a couple episodes of sprinkles during the evening but not enough to even chase us indoors. We stayed out singing children songs until bedtime....actually after bedtime. Colt has become quite the little camper and even earned his own sign.





What a great way to spend the summer! Compadres, Chow, Conviviality, Conflagration! You know....Friends, food, fun, fire!!!!

## You at Greenwood Acres!!

Now for the bad news. Kathy has come home from the hospital on Hospice. Please continue prayers for her, Garth, and their family. May God bless you all at this most difficult time.

### NOTES.

- \*\*Sue needs a head count for the Jiffy plant tour. Please contact Bev if you want a spot (or two) on the tour by Sept 1st. Thanks
- \*\* Don't forget to send in your deposit for PJ's which is due 10-1-12.
- \*\*If you are attending the White Cloud outing on September 27, 28, 29, 30 don't forget an unwrapped 'something' to auction off, and a dish to pass for Saturday nights, dinner. (Donna is providing the meat). We need a head count for this outing as well. Please let me know if you are going and I will call Donna with the count.
- \*\*Ted and Rosemarie....where are you? We miss you!

#### **Baked Spaghetti Squash**

1 med spaghetti squash (2 1/2 lb.)

12 oz bulk Italian sausage

1 1/2 cups sliced fresh mushrooms

1 med green or red sweet pepper (chopped)

1/3 cup finely chopped onion

3 cloves of garlic (minced)

1 4 1/4 oz can chopped pitted ripe olives (optional)

1/2 tsp. dried Italian seasoning, crushed

1 1/2 cups purchased red pasta sauce

1 1/2 cups shredded Monterey Jack, mozzarella, or Italian blend cheese

1/4 cup snipped fresh italian parsley

- 1. Halve squash crosswise: remove seeds. Place cut sides down in 2 quart rectangular baking dish. Add 1/4 cup water. Cover with vented plastic wrap. Microwave on high power 13 to 15 minutes or until squash is tender when pierced with fork. Rearrange once for even baking. In a large skillet cook sausage, mushrooms, sweet pepper, onion, and garlic over medium heat until sausage is no longer pink. Stir to break up sausage. Drain off fat.
- 2. Preheat oven to 350o F. Scrape pulp from squash (about 3 cups). Wipe out baking dish, coat with nonstick cooking spray. Spread half the squash in dish. Add half the sausage mixture and half the olives. Sprinkle with seasoning and 1/8 teaspoon black pepper. Top with half the sauce and half the cheese. Top with remaining squash, sausage, olives, and sauce. Bake for 30 minutes. Sprinkle with remaining cheese. Bake for 5 minutes or until cheese is melted. Let stand 10 minutes. Sprinkle with parsley. Serves 6

#### Corn Salad

2 cans whole kernel corn, drained well 2 cups shredded cheddar cheese 1 cup chopped green pepper 1 cup Mayo 1/2 cup chopped red onions 1 10.5 oz bag Chili Cheese Fritos

Mix first 5 ingredients together, chill Coarsely crunch Fritos and mix in JUST BEFORE SERVING. Serves 8-10



Aug 18th Richard Rayburn



**Happy Anniversary** 

Aug 1st Aments

This is our 2012 Camping schedule. I have supplied the address, phone number and website for the campgrounds in addition to our camp site number if you wish to be as close together as possible. Please read all notes as they have special information you may need. Please check out websites for pricing, amenities and site maps. If you have any questions, please call Bev (248) 391-9809.

September 20, 21, 22, 23
\*note Thursday - Sunday
Friday AM Jiffy Plant tour
\*\* ask for Good Sams discount
(10%)

Greenwood Acres 2401 Hilton Rd. Jackson, MI 49201 (517) 522-8600 www.greenwoodacrescampground.com **Irwin site # 73** 

October 19, 20, 21
\* we will have use of a building with fireplace!

\*<u>\*Must send \$20.00 (one night)</u> <u>deposit with your name before</u> 10-1-12 P.J. Family Campground - Stockbridge, MI 5250 Williamston Rd.
Stockbridge, MI 49285
(517) 565-3044
No site # Just register as Jayco Jypsies, we will all be together. (We are already registered)