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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE ~ AKA JACK'S STALL 8-06

Hello everyone. Certainly has been quite warm the last few days. All of our horses will appreciate lots of nice fresh water. Matter of fact, me too.

We had a nice group of folks show up for the meeting last evening. I'm sorry that more of you could not attend. Many thanks go to Tim Atkinson and Kim Norley of CVNP who were our guest speakers. They told us some things that we wanted to hear and some things that we didn't want to hear. The major point was that plans for Wetmore have been changed a bit. The plan is to work towards opening a loop of upper Wetmore and Langes Run. Lower Wetmore, Dickerson and Tabletop are to be addressed at a later date. Of the three, Dickerson will be the first to be worked on. Tim pointed out that MOHC will have to do much of the work as CVNP does not have the manpower to do the job. The monthly work parties are great but we will have to do much more. Mike Andrea and I have detailed maps of the trails that specify what and where work needs to be done.

Patricia Vance, Mike and I will be organizing impromptu work parties to take care of as much of the work as we can. Basically we will be starting at the point where the Wetmore Trail leaves the Valley Trail and work our way clockwise around Wetmore to Langes Run Trail and follow Langes to Robinson Field and then back to the Wetmore trailhead. We need to work out some of the details regarding notifying the Communications Center when and where we are working and keeping track of work hours and getting projects checked off as they are completed. These sessions can be most anytime a couple of people can get together to work.

The remaining work parties this year will all be on the Wetmore Trail. There is a lot that need to be done but there is light at the end of the tunnel and our goal of adding an

endurance ride to the Celebration Ride is certainly possible for 2007.

Linda and I will be going to Barkcamp State Park this weekend for the StateOHC's annual Gibby Ride and Award weekend. I do hope that it cools off just a bit. Willie's trailer is not air conditioned and I worry about him and the heat. There just isn't enough room for him in the cab of the truck with us. Oh well, such is a horse's life.

The Regional Ride is fast approaching. It promises to be a really great weekend. However, we really do need to know if you are planning on attending. The pig or pigs must be ordered before the event. We need to have a pretty good idea as to the number of people we are going to feed. We don't want to run out of food but at the same time we don't want to have too much left over. Talk it up with your horsey friends! It will be great. Please get you reservations in to Bob Burrows as soon as possible. I repeat, we need to know if you are coming so that we can plan accordingly.

Willie is really looking forward to leading a nice slow ride, or at least what is slow in his mind. He is making progress and has decided that the goats along the Valley Trail aren't such a bad thing. Corn cannons aren't too bad as long as he is about 50 yards away. At 100 feet he gets a little concerned and at 25-50 feet a whole bunch concerned. He is learning that when we hear a corn cannon we will probably try to see where it is if we can do so without too much trespassing.

As always please keep a log of your trail miles. The numbers are really important to the people who are in charge of our parks.

May you be with your horse as you traverse the trails of life. ...Jack

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This & That for August (2006)

Well, there are those times when I wish I were a kid again and Saturday Afternoon at the Regional Ride is one of those times! There will be Supervised Games for Children (Ages 4-11) on Saturday Afternoon from 2-5 pm. Sounds to me like it could be a "big break" for parents and a fun time for the kids. If you're a "Big Kid" like me, join in the fun by being a helper! As if that weren't enough, there will also be Children's Supervised Games at the Judged Pleasure Trail Ride on both Saturday and Sunday Mornings. How sweet is that!

We have two big events coming up in August and September and so little time to get out the word. Please help us out and spread the word to your friends, families, barns, and tack shops, and all!

Send your reservations now!!!!

We **need** your reservations **now** to **PLAN** for the food, and stuff.

Send reservations to Bob Burrows no later than **August 17th**.

New Members, Old Members, and those in between---come on out and join together for fun and fellowship. It's time that we got together to get acquainted or re-acquainted or come for fun.

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Never A Dull Moment *by Deb Aldridge*

July 16th

Hi everyone. Either summer is here or I'm in hell. Hmm. Let me think about that for a while. I really don't know because the devil disguises himself as a husband and sometimes as a 15 yr. old daughter so I really can't figure it out.

Maybe this is summertime in hell. Yeah, that's it!! I'm glad they have swimming pools in hell because it felt awful good to get in my 85 degree pool today after going for a 3 hour horse ride in 92 degree heat on top of a horse with a body temperature of 99 degrees. Smart huh? NOT!

I guess the global warming finally kicked in until winter. My take on this is that the summer months and the winter months will be switching places eventually.

Did you know that it's humid in the sun but it's a dry heat in the woods? hahahaha

So my mare is a hoe. I don't know where I went wrong with raising her. She should have her own little cubicle for studs to view her. We'd make a lot of money. We rode with Theresa and JD today and Patches has really taken a liking to JD. She would get in front, strut her stuff and wait for him to run right into her. Well, not exactly like that. She is playing hard to get because when he came up close, she'd stop and then swish her tail to tell him to stay his distance. Then he'd try to get his face close and she's squealing like a pig in heat except a horse in heat sounds the same as a pig in heat but I've never heard what a pig in heat sounds like so I guess I shouldn't say anything but it's a guess. (breathe) I think she needs some counseling. I think I'll go with her.

Anyhoo, my gelding is getting better health wise. As most of you know, all 3 of my horses had come up with a cough. Patches started it in late May, early June and is now over it. Derby started last week as did Nickers but now Nickers stopped coughing. I haven't done anything with Derby the last 2 weeks per vets instructions so he's getting better also. He's still coughing once a day at least so it's better than before.

So stay cool and seriously, please call me to come and dip in my pool. It's open for everyone except for those of you who dare to go bare. I use chlorine but I don't have enough for nudists.

See you soon and till then, stay vertical unless you fall down. Then you will be horizontal unless you didn't fall all the way down. Then I don't know what you would be vertical?

My brain is fried. Turn up the air!!!!

Deb

July 24th

Hello. Deb here with another edition of the infamous Breakfast News.

We are going to be on a little family camping vacation this coming Thurs. There will be me, Don and the kids, mom and dad and my sister. Don and I are taking our slum camper with the stapled together awning, the bunk that has doors that open up on the bottom that is above the bed and hit you on the head if you sit up, the oven that still need a thermocouple or something or other that will make it work and the fiberglass curtains on the windows that stick together when they are open for a long time and then rip to shreds when you close them. Anyone know of a

seamstress that makes curtains? At least we have air conditioning, a shower (with like a 5 gallon water tank. OOHH) and a toilet that is now fixed since I broke the holding tank in 4 places last year in the Cuyahoga Valley. That was the day I took the camper off the truck ball and it slid off the board it was supposed to be resting on and rolled downhill a bit, landed on a jack that was sitting there and broke the tank. Oops. Never a dull moment huh? Do you know why you don't ever ride in a bumper pull camper while someone else is driving? I know. Because if you don't hook it correctly to the ball on the truck, it falls off and you could get hurt. Don't ever do that, especially when I'm driving. That didn't happen in just one day. No, I split it up and did those two things on two separate days.

Mom and Dad will be taking their RV that has like brass fixtures, pretty curtains, in the bedroom at least (sorry mom and dad. I've been really really busy! Know anyone who sews curtains? :) The valances are almost done.) They also have a huge awning with no stains, a satellite dish, a tv that's bigger than the one I have in my family room, a radio that gets 572 stations and they put up their 20X20 ft. screen canopy. Takes them 2 days to set up but boy does it look good!! Oh and then martini glass lights add to the party atmosphere.

Yeah, should be fun. I just can't forget to pack my gallon jug of vodka in the camper. I won't be happy if I forget that. That's why I call it happy juice.

I took the kids to the Cleveland Zoo the other day. My favorite part was the Touch Tank. It was so cool. The stingrays swim around and you get to touch them along with two different sharks. They are only about 2' long but the one liked it when I scratched it's back. The monkeys were, well, monkeys picking off fake bugs from their hairy skin. I actually saw one of the polar bears do a swan dive into the pool when it started to rain. One baby giraffe was running back and forth across the fake prairie. Those animals are so graceful and smoooooth. I would love to take one to an endurance ride because for every stride it took, it would take a horse 3 canter strides or more. That's how much ground it covered. You'd have to have a saddle with a breast collar because their backs slope toward the back end and the reins would have to be like, really long. I heard that the Columbus Zoo is 10 times better so that's where we'll go next year.

The only horses I saw had some kind of black stripe on a white color. They looked pretty short so I figure them to be either paso's or pony's. haha

Take care, stay vertical and stay healthy.

Deb

July 30th

Hello hello hello. Boy am I ever happy to be alive!! You go on vacation to relax but when we take the slum camper, relaxing is nonexistent when driving that thing down the highway at 60 mph. on 4- 5" wide tires. So should I start my story with the toe injury, the missing children or the smoking RV? Hmm. Tough decision. How about at the beginning?

We decided to take a family vacation to Hocking Hills and left on Thurs.

Don, the kids and myself took our camper and followed mom, dad, my sister and her two girls in my parents' 1959 (or is it a 1989?) RV. We did the smart thing

after stopping for breakfast and sent our 2 kids to grandpa's RV to watch movies on his flat screen tv for the rest of the 3 1/2 hour drive. We traded them for my sister which left 2 adults and 4 kids in the RV while the 3 of us adults (and 2 dogs) drove in our truck. I didn't want to freak out my sister by telling her how the camper likes to sway beautifully in the wind when trucks passed us so I kept that to myself. We listened to my 70's music CD and sang our hearts out. We watched as my parents' RV swayed on and off the road while dad was trying to get the kids settled with the DVD player, mess around with his new GPS system and tried to keep the kids under control all at the same time. It's interesting to see that thing going on 2 wheels now and then and watch horror on the faces of the passengers in the passing cars. We were too busy singing "Seasons In The Sun" and "The Night The Lights Went Out In Georgia" to count the number of times their tires hit the rumble strips.

We get to the campground and had to climb a mountain to get to it. It's a nice, clean campground and would recommend it to anyone. The only thing they didn't have was water hookup but you can fill your tank while you're there and take showers in the clean facilities. They had an evening movie under the stars and a nice pool. If you have any questions about the camping, I'll be happy to tell you. Old Man's Cave, the falls, Ash Cave, etc. were awesome and absolutely gorgeous. Walking the campground at night was the best! I love seeing how other people live while I lurk in the dark.

Anyway, Fri., the 3 girls took the 2 dogs for a walk. Don and my dad took Connor to go fishing. After about 2 hours or more, my sister and I started to worry because the girls weren't back yet. We were near panic and had practically 1/2 the campground on the lookout for them toward dusk. We met a teen who took us the LONG way to the lake in the dark thinking we may either run into the kids or get eaten by a bear but we didn't find the kids and the bears weren't out that night. We finally made it back to camp where they were sitting for the last 45 minutes. They went to the lake the opposite way we went so we missed them. They came home with the guys who went fishing. Scare number 1.

On Sat., we had a great time at the pool with 595 other people and splashing kids. Gabrielle (my 4 yr. old niece) was running and jumping into the pool when she

slipped and cut her toe pretty badly. She was surrounded by us, lifeguards and the rangers. They thought she may need stitches but decided she didn't. Scare number 2.

She was fine but had to keep her toe clean so she was carried around the rest of the weekend. I tried to cut my toe too but Don let me bleed until I about passed out and then made me walk 2 miles back to camp to cook dinner. Just kidding.

We had the buffet at the Park Lodge. Scare number 3.

On the way home today, we packed up early and headed back down the mountain hill. We heard what sounded like a plane engine but it was dad's RV. As we turned onto the main road, they were following us and then suddenly stopped. They literally threw the kids out of the RV because it was smoking something horrible underneath. I thought the thing would burn up right there but it turns out it may be something to do with the transmission because it was in a low gear coming down the hill. Scare number 4.

The RV was fine to drive home but halfway there, we saw a bumper pull camper on the other side of the road that had rolled over and it looked like the side of it had blown wide open. I was on pins and needles the rest of the way home. Scare number 5.

So that's why I'm happy to be home and alive. We all had a GREAT time and I'd do it again in a heartbeat. Sun, swimming, hiking and Corn Hole during the day, Happy Juice, warm dry weather and nice walks spying on campers during the evening and GREAT times with my family. I'd sure do it again every weekend. Well, maybe next time with a tent. It's safer taking that on the road. And by the way, if my parents invite you to play Corn Hole, be prepared to lose.

Corn Hole is a very serious game played with bean bags, boards on an angle with a hole cut out in each board and you toss your bean bag about 20 some feet to land either in the hole or close to it to get a point. Parental guidance is suggested if you play around my family.

I hope you had a nice weekend and stayed vertical. My niece didn't and see what happened? She cut her toe. See you soon!!

Deb

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Campfire at dusk - sing-a-long and stories from the Cuyahoga Valley

Breakfast Sunday 7:30 AM

Field closes 4 PM Sunday

Saturday Guided rides:

Beginner Trail Riding

Walk trot only ride



Reservations by August 17

Contact Name _____

Phone _____

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Participant Names _____ **Phone** _____
_____ **Email** _____

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Total _____

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Aug 12, Sat	Trail Work Party	Robinson Field	Mike Andrea	330-592-5953 mlandrea03@yahoo.com
Aug 19-20 Sat-Sun	Medina County Ride	Robinson Field Cuyahoga Valley National Park	Bob Burrows	330-334-1528
Aug 27, Sun	Lake County OHC Regional Ride	EBTA Trails from Chincapin	Michelle Sheliga	440-635-0596 sheliga1@alltel.net
Sep 6, Wed	General Mtg.	Hines Hill 7:00pm	Jack Weese	JWeese2402@aol.com
Sep 8-10 Fri-Sun	Medina OHC Judged Pleasure Trail Ride with Obstacles!	Howe Meadow Cuyahoga Valley National Park	Bob Burrows	330-334-1528
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Sep 23, Sat	Trail Work Party	Robinson Field	Mike Andrea	330-592-5953 mlandrea03@yahoo.com
Sept 22 & 23 Sat / Sun	Bruce Nock Clinic	Sharon Center Equestrian Center	Sherry Eucker	chickodeelanding@msn.com 216-218-2954
Oct 4, Wed	General Mtg.	Hines Hill 7:00pm	Jack Weese	JWeese2402@aol.com
Oct 7, Sat	Geauga County OHC Regional Ride	Westwoods	Debbie Herold	440-543-6009 debbie577@msn.com
Oct 21, Sat	Ashtabula County OHC Regional Ride	Gulf Metro Park	Michael Mills	brokenhalteranch@hotmail.com
Oct 27-29 Fri-Sun	Halloween Gala Trail Work / Camp Party	Robinson Field	TBA	
Nov 1, Wed	General Mtg.	Hines Hill 7:00pm	Jack Weese	JWeese2402@aol.com
Nov 18, Sat	Trail Work Party Joint with Trails Council	Robinson Field	Mike Andrea	330-592-5953 mlandrea03@yahoo.com
Nov 25 & 26 Sat / Sun	Bruce Nock Clinic	Sharon Center Equestrian Center	Sherry Eucker	chickodeelanding@msn.com 216-218-2954

Medina OHC Club Clothing Order Form~Deadline for next ORDER October 15th!

Color	What	Logo Color	Price	SM	MD	LG	IX	2X	3X
Red	Full Zip Hoodie 50/50-	navy-logo on back	\$30						
		grey-logo on back	\$30						
	Crew Neck Sweatshirt 50/50 (lg logo on back & sm heart on front)	navy-logo on back &/frnt	\$18						
		grey-logo on back&frnt	\$18						
	Tee small logo on heart (front)	navy-logo on front	\$10						
		grey-logo on front	\$10						
Navy	Full Zip Hoodie 50/50-	red logo on back	\$30						
		grey-logo on back	\$30						
	Crew Neck Sweatshirt 50/50 (lg logo on back & sm heart on front)	red logo on back&frnt	\$18						
		grey-logo on back&frnt	\$18						
	Tee small logo on heart (front)	red logo on front	\$10						
		grey-logo on front	\$10						
Grey	Full Zip Hoodie 50/50-	red logo on back	\$30						
		navy-logo on back	\$30						
	Crew Neck Sweatshirt 50/50 (lg logo on back & sm heart on front)	red logo on back&frnt	\$18						
		navy-logo on back&frnt	\$18						
	Tee small logo on heart (front)	navy-logo on front	\$10						
		red logo on front	\$10						

Medina OHC is ordering NEW Club clothing. YOUR HAVE CHOICES OF COLORS!!

Our next order will be placed in October so if you wish to order this round the deadline is October 15, 2006.

**All orders must be mailed to:
Susan Burrows
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Wadsworth, OH 44281
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**Checks Payable to:
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Year: _____ New _____ Renewal _____ Equine Activity _____ Occupation: _____

Name: _____ Age: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-Mail Address: _____ @ _____
 (Your email address is for OHC use only. It is only used to keep you updated on last minute events.)

Spouse: _____ Age: _____ Children (under 18) _____ Ages: _____

County Chapter Affiliation: MEDINA _____ At Large _____ If Family Membership - # Of People _____

Other County Chapter Membership? NO _____ YES (where) _____

Corral Free Of Charge: Yes _____ No _____ Signature : _____ Date: _____

Newsletter: Mail it with a Stamp _____ I'll pick it up from the website _____

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Individual	\$18.00 (State dues \$13.50+\$4.80 County)
Family	\$28.00 (State dues \$19.20+\$8.80 County)
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Secondary	\$10.00 (\$10.00 County)
Associate	\$36.00 (State dues \$21.20+\$14.80 County)

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 TO MEDINA OHC SEND
 APPLICATION TO:
 Rosemary Young
 9480 Tracy Trail
 Parma, Ohio 44130**

**Please Fill in
 ALL AREAS!**