

# Charter House

September 2008

## Chatter

### Coordinator's Corner

by Stephanie Tighe

Lots of excitement at Charter House this month. The BIG TRIP will soon be here!! Have a wonderful adventure at Greenfield Village this year. I am going to miss being there with you but I hope you take lots of photos and have some great stories to share with me when I get back!!

Another big event that will HOPEFULLY occur in September will be the opening of the new Elevator!!! Wow won't it be great to have the front entrance open again after a year!!!!!! It will be so exciting!!!

While I am gone Andrea, Janice and Rick will be covering for me, so if you have any concerns I encourage you to talk first with your unit leader and then with one of them.

In October we are going to start Soup'er Fridays at Jolly Road. Jolly Java will be selling soup that we have made as a fundraiser for Charter House. We are going to need cooks and folks to help clean up so I am looking for some new volunteers!!

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# Committees

## Fundraising

Fundraising Mondays at 1 pm. We have had some sales at Jolly Rd with mediocre success in August. We need members to come to Fundraising and bring their innovative ideas at how to raise funds for Charter House's Member Account. In September we are planning on starting "Souper Fridays" where Charter House will be selling soups at Jolly Rd.

## P & E

Planning and Evaluation meets on Wednesday at 1 pm. P&E plans out the month's activities.

## September Activities

Sept 8th Potluck  
Sept 15th Game Night  
Sept 22nd Shopping & Ice Cream

## Social

Social Committee meets on Thursdays at 1 pm. Social Committee will not be meeting on Thursday Sept 11th due to Charter House being at Greenfield Village for THE BIG SUMMER TRIP. Social Committee has planned out all the arrangements and even went shopping to create "snack packs" to have on the bus ride down. Thankyou Social Committee.

Don't forget BINGO Fridays!

| B  | I  | N    | G  | O  |
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| 3  | 17 | 32   | 48 | 72 |
| 11 | 26 | 43   | 53 | 75 |
| 9  | 23 | free | 44 | 67 |
| 4  | 19 | 39   | 59 | 71 |
| 7  | 22 | 37   | 61 | 69 |

# Construction Update

In Pictures



# Member Submissions

## Two Picnics

by Serralee

I went to one picnic, I won at BINGO and had lots to eat. At one picnic I had a hamburger and everything, but the other picnic I couldn't eat the hot dogs, so I ate salads and lost my first plate...and I didn't win at BINGO.

## Summer Trips

by Carolyn Beardslly

Charter House always has a good trip in hand for the yearly summer trip.

Sometimes we go to a zoo, or Bronners, Frankenmuth. Sometimes we to Sagutuck. Where ever we go, we have a good time. Often we have a light snack on the way there and we also are able to watch a video on the transport there and back.

The luncheon we have while in attendance in our destination is always a delightful treat, a good solid meal of good food and drink.

Most often than not, we expect to have good attendance of 50 members or somewhat close to that.

Regardless, I suggest that all that have the ability to, I suggest that you do sign up as you will have a good time.

So sign up if you can, and trust that you will be entirely satisfied with your trip there and back. I am sure you will be glad that you attended the yearly summer trip.



## Charter House Family and Friends Picnic

by Mike E.

The family and friends picnic was held at Hawk Island. They had lots of food including; hamburgers, bratwurst, jumbo hot dogs, coleslaw, macaroni salad, chips, fritos, cheetos, cookies, watermelons, tea, grapes, water and lemonade. Seven staff members and about 20 members attended. Some people played BINGO, some went pedal boating. I liked playing BINGO and eating. After the picnic I went swimming for 2 hours before working.

# T.E. of the Month

~ Nicole W. ~



building for five years. While working at ACT, Nicole has been very flexible with her schedule and has picked up extra hours when ACT has needed her. ACT staff has given Charter House positive feedback on Nicole's performance. Congratulations Nicole!

## What Members Say About Nicole

Drexel:

She's smart, knows her job, she's on time, she has a good attitude, she's an all around good person.

Clark:

She's a good worker and she's on time.

Christine:

She works really hard!

Albert:

She's a good worker.

Nicole Wright is the Transitional Employee of the Month for September 2008. Over the past few months, Nicole has assumed more responsibility by taking on a clerical position in the ACT Program. Nicole answers phones and does other clerical duties. Previously, she had been working as a shredder at Charter House and at the Jolly Road

# MEMBER OF THE MONTH

## KEITH H.



Keith Harris was voted Member of the Month for the month of September 2008 by his coworkers and peers. Keith has been a member of Charter House for a long time as he will be celebrating 14 years of membership at Charter House this month. Keith is truly a “go to” guy, as he is willing to help anyone with anything. Keith has the understanding from

his years experience, about all things relating to Charter House. Keith demonstrates the Spirit of Charter House everyday, whether he is picking up extra tasks, helping out members with their tasks, or making coffee and leading BINGO on Fridays. Congratulations Keith on being recognized for truly demonstrating the Spirit of Charter House!

### What Members Say About Keith

**Christine:**

He resembles the Spirit of Charter House

**Serralee:**

He works in the kitchen, he does a good job, he's humble, he doesn't argue and he doesn't complain.

**Albert:**

He's a good worker and goes to committees.

**Linda H:**

He calls BINGO!

# Poem for the Road

## We Welcome You To Our Kitchen

by Steve Bartlett

We welcome you to our kitchen  
To share a meal with us  
Prepared just fresh today  
By friends you can trust

We listen to understand  
What each person has to say  
How we might work through our problems  
And meet with friends today

As friends we grow together  
To help us on our way  
To be ready for tomorrow  
And start another day

At Vineyard Grill we work  
To do our very best  
Because we feel everyone  
Is our special guest

