

## MAYOR MADISON DENIES INUENDO

Mayor Blackballed after Secretary's bottom becomes Prez's Priority



Mayor Sighted with Classy Blond



in Love Nest

**Bellefontaine OH Herbicides News?? Service.** In an unprecedented move Mayor Madison's secretary, Sara has been invited to attend Men's Camp. Meanwhile in a completely precedented move, "Your Favorite Mayor" has been blackballed.

The negotiations over the Mayor's secretary, Sara, being the first "live" female to attend Men's Camp have gone on for weeks. Today Prez Steinman ruled it Ok for Sara to attend but only in the place of the mayor, Ken Griffey Jr and player to be named later. The mayor responded with "We must get to the bottom of this" and decided to appoint a special commission. After realizing that the Mayor meant Sara's bottom, the Prez appointed himself and Paul Perry to head up the commission, especially at swim time.

The first commission meeting was anything but a walk in the park. Paul Perry took off his shoe and began pounding the table until Alex Gaal was appointed to the commission. Prez Steinman next appointed Sy Glick and Frank Watts to the commission, (and Sara's dance card.)

**Call 800-423-0427  
to reserve your spot at  
YMCA Willson Outdoor Center's  
Men's Camp – August 27 – September 3, 2004**

## Steinman Vows No Horsing Around



Prez Dave Steinman shown above left during his first administration astride lightning; now is content to walk beside Pokie in between naps.

### The Prez Sez

A recycled PREZ, a new schedule, a new coach, great weather and friends. What else could you ask for as the 85th edition of Men's Camp is ready to kick off on August 27?

I am looking forward to welcoming a larger group of campers this year. We need more good men. I hope you are considering an invitation to a new camper this year. When I was PREZ in 1979, attendance for the week neared or exceeded the 200 mark. Over the last 25 years, we have seen a steady decline in attendance except for a 13% increase in 2002 and a 2% increase last year. My goal is to see our numbers in 2004 increase at least 10% over 2003.

Why should you bring a friend to hear the teachings of Herbicide or to witness the poor manners of the Perry Clan? Let me tell you why it is a good idea. We have devised a schedule this year that is perfect for the first time camper. We find very few

new campers who can arrange their schedule to stay beyond two days. We have scheduled most of our activities around the weekend.

The Bawl Game has been moved up to *Sunday at 6:00 PM*. We hope this will give us some new players so we have a chance to shake the "pitiful" status of last year. It is my opinion that we have need for a motivator as coach. So I have signed a well known expert of the game to guide our boyz. He has assured me that there will be grueling practice sessions on Saturday and Sunday so only serious players need apply. The rest of us will have practice sessions on how to cheer and make noise.

The golf toinament has had a small turnout so in an effort to increase the competitive factor, the golf toinament will be held on Monday morning. It is hoped that more campers will stay for this Monday morning event, especially the Cincinnati Clan. My

Director of Golf and low handicapper, Paul Perry, tells me the gathering will take place at Liberty Hills Golf Club (the old Bellefontaine Country Club). My fraternity brother, Roy Clark, who owns Liberty Hills has assured us that adequate tee times will be available for all of our participants.

The new schedule will hopefully be a motivator for new campers and the return of some campers we have not seen for the past few years. We want you back with us!

Friendships do not die and Men's Camp is the flame that keeps good friends together.

Gentlemen: Do not put it off for another day. Call 1-800-423-0427 and tell Anne or a member of her staff that you are excited about attending the 85th edition of Men's Camp. Register yourself and a friend. I look forward to seeing you on August 27.

### **Bird's Fund Update**

The Bird's Fund is alive and well, thanks to the generous support of so many Men's Campers!

In the fall of 2004, over \$5,000 was raised by the Men for the Bird's Fund and over \$700 was raised through the Bass Tournament.

This past October, Ron Davis and the Hilltop Y's Men replaced the old "bridge" from the swim dock shore to the permanent dock with a concrete ramp and steel girders. This has increased the stability of the permanent dock and has greatly improved the overall look of the swim area.

The Camp Maintenance Dept extended the length of the water trampoline dock and built a beautiful 16' x 16' area on the end of the sailboat dock, making a perfect spot for fishing and a great gathering place! They also completed the lower level of the boathouse, changing the door location and adding new racks for lifejackets, oars and paddles. Staff never had it so easy!

### **2005 Bird's Fund Project**

At the end of last year, your Dirty Bird Representatives Tracy Rhea, Alan Berliner, Dick Golden and newcomer Bud Smith approved the 2004 Bird's Fund project, which is the construction of a **Picnic Shelter** near the Climbing Wall. This Picnic Shelter is much needed in Willson's overall year round operation. The Shelter will include a fireplace and Rock Climbing Bouldering Wall. This will allow the campers to climb horizontally across the shelter in inclement weather as opposed to climbing vertically in the rain. During summer camp, when kids are scheduled for an overnight and those July rains come, the campers must cookout in the rain. With this picnic shelter, they will be much more comfortable with indoor cooking! During the school year, it will be used for additional rainy day space and a place lead teambuilding classes, as well as an additional source of revenue through family reunions and church gatherings.

### **What's New at Willson?**

The Metropolitan Office of the YMCA recently approved many new improvements for Willson. The *entire back row of summer cabins* are completely replaced with new winterized summer cabins, complete with ceiling fans and insulation, making them the Cadillac of Summer Camping at Willson. The **Pig Barn** will soon be removed due to deteriorating conditions and replaced with a new **Hay Storage Barn** to keep our 50 horses fat and sassy. The **Tennis and Basketball Courts** have been completely resurfaced and ready for another 15 years of operation! They look beautiful and will hopefully have all the lines painted and in place by Men's Camp. We will also be replacing the steps to the court area, as well as building a set of steps closer to the Field House.

### **Camper Update**

Congratulations to John and Mayme Ballengee on their recent 65<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary!

Our thoughts and prayers are with Tracy Rhea. In August 2003, he was diagnosed with Kidney Cancer. He is under the excellent care of his wife Nancy and 3 children and we hope to see him at camp this August!

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## YMCA Willson Outdoor Center's Men's Camp

It's What You Need!

**August 27-September 3, 2004**

### **Things to Bring:**

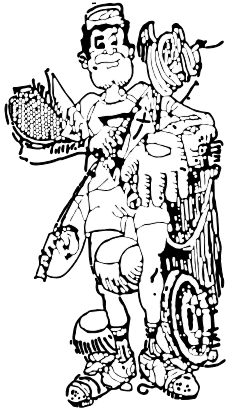
Sleeping bag or blankets/sheets  
Towels & pillow  
Shoes for variety of uses  
Flashlight  
Personal Toilet Articles  
Old Clothes  
Raincoat  
Sweater/Jacket

### **You'll Want to Bring:**

Fishing Tackle, lures & bait  
Camera  
Sunglasses  
Softball Glove  
Golf Clubs  
Tennis supplies  
Reading Material  
A great attitude!

### **Some Things to Enjoy:**

Swimming  
Softball  
Fishing  
Sailing  
Golf (at one of our local courses)  
Volleyball, basketball  
Tennis  
Card Games



Men's Camp is just around the corner and it's time to register now! Pick up the phone (1-800-423-0427, email (director@ymcawillson.org) or mail your registration in today! There will be great fellowship and tall tales, wonderful food, those amazing bedtime snacks, swimming, those two daily ball games, golf and all kinds of other great fun!

Birds Dinner: Friday, August 27, 2004, 6:00 pm attitude hour  
 at the American Legion 7:00 pm Dinner

Camp Dates: Saturday, August 28 - Friday September 3, 2004

Come for a day or two or the entire week! It's your time and schedule! Rates are based on the number of meals and nights at camp!

- 3 meals & 1 night ..... \$65.00
  - 5 meals & 2 nights.....\$97.00
  - 8 meals & 3 nights.....\$145.00
  - 11 meals & 4 nights.....\$185.50
  - 14 meals & 5 nights.....\$230.00
  - 18 to 21 meals & 7 nights .\$290.50
- Other meal packages available based on # of meals and nights.

Join us 7:00 pm  
 Friday night for the  
 Bird's Dinner!  
**Your Choice of Steak  
 (\$20) or Chicken  
 (\$16) Dinner**

To register, call 1-800-423-0427 or detach and mail at the address below:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

street City State Zip Code

Telephone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Attending Bird's Dinner? \_\_\_ yes; \_\_\_ no Arrival Day \_\_\_\_\_ Departure

Day \_\_\_\_\_

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