



“Together WE Can Grow a Better Community.”

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DancingTrees is Committed To:

- Children
- Animals
- Environment

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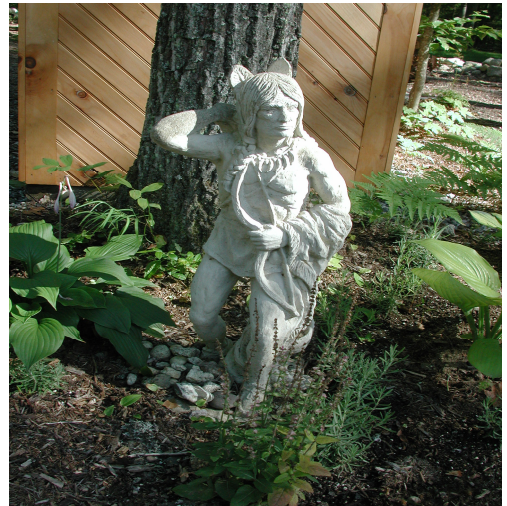
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Notes from the Past President

Whew! So I have been given a paragraph to catch you up on the last (2) years. The Board of Directors voted (2) years ago to accept a status of Inactive while we wrangled with issues of where the group was heading. Clearly, we could not financially continue lodging as the cost was prohibitive and the compensation minimal. In August 2008, the Board of Directors met to clearly define and process plans for the new D.T.

- We will continue with Christmas Programs
- We will continue and increase our efforts to promote fellow non-profits
- We will continue to silently help the community
- We will continue to offer space for daytime activities
- We will continue and increase our education offerings using the old adage, “Teach a Man How to Fish...”
- We will no longer offer lodging of any type

Additionally, the Board unanimously voted to hire Jacki Kennagh as the Executive Director. Jacki



has served on the Board for many years and shares the passion of community, prosperity, and wellness. Lastly, I have the honor of handing the President’s gavel over to Julie Kiger. Many of you will remember Julie as “Jules” Britt, the first Lodge Keeper of DTL. Her bubbly, team-coordinator spirit is just the fuel this fire needs. In all seriousness, I am sure Julie will be a great asset to the Board and Membership at large. I look forward to working with her and all of you. -Nicky-

Notes from the Director

DancingTrees is here! We are looking forward to what this year (and the future) will bring. Thank you to the Board for the warm welcome. Currently, we are working on:

- Re-establishing contacts with the community
- Devising the “Christmas is for Oxford Children” program
- Pricing firewood for heating assistance

- Designing the website, brochure, and business cards
- Re-affirming our mission statement
- Organizing a team for a walk-a-thon

I am excited and energized by what this organization will accomplish. There is much work to be done and with everyone’s support and enthusiasm, the “sky is the limit”. -Jacki-

Meet the Board Members of DancingTrees

DancingTrees is thrilled to bring this energetic and creative group together to form our Board; here they are:

- Julie Kiger, President
- Alexia Kiger, Vice President
- Valerie Moreau, Treasurer
- Justin Kiger, Assistant Treasurer
- Nicky Howell, Secretary
- Frank Howell, Assistant Secretary
- Peter Cook, Capital Project Coordinator
- Chris Searles, Projects Director
- Raven Merrill, Projects Director



Recent, Current, and Upcoming Events...Save these dates and join in the fun!

- **September 27**
8:00 a.m.
Walk for Hunger...a 6 mile Walk-a-Thon Sponsored by the Bridgton Alliance Church 207-647-2027.
- **October 04**
12:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.
Camp Sunshine's Pumpkin Festival at the Cumberland

Fair Grounds. They are going for the **Book of World Records** for the most lighted carved pumpkins

- **October/November Firewood Program**, get involved by volunteering in deliveries and by keeping DancingTrees informed of those who could benefit from this program. **Contact us immediately!**

- **November Food Drive**...Everyone Needs to Eat the Day After Thanksgiving (watch for details coming up next month)
- **12/01/08 Christmas is for Oxford Children** project (watch for details coming next month to see how you can help)

Currently. DancingTrees' website is being re-designed by Griffonwood, LLC. We highly recommend Griffonwood, LLC for any of your web design and web hosting needs. Visit Griffonwood, LLC at griffonwood.com.
Update: DancingTrees was the top fund raiser for the Walk for Hunger held on 09/27! **To find out how you can get involved, contact us today.**

Ongoing Events...Our Friends of Fur and People need our Help Now!

Needed this month at **Responsible Pet Care of Oxford Hills:**

- Bleach
- Paper Towels
- Cat Food
- Cat Litter

Needed this month at **Oxford Hills Food Pantry:**

- Powdered Milk
- Canned Goods
- Toilet Paper

You may drop off these items at any of the following drop off sites :

- **Kennagh's**
409 Halls Pond Road, South Paris
- **Magic Lantern**
9 Depot Street, Bridgton
- **Merrill/Morton**
68 Prospect Street, South Paris

