

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER



FRANCOY'S RESORT
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(Updated 2/19/2014): We have acquired ownership of all the old Mobile Homes East of the old Hotel which assures their removal from our property by this May. 1 or 2 Men are working weekdays in and about the Cottages and old Hotel. We are about to start the Green Steel Roof to preserve the old Hotel.

(February 7, 2014)

This update is for Season Guests that we are expecting to return and some new Camper Guests that are eager to get set up and fish. Prior Guests on Sites #5, 11, 12 and 13 say they will return. Here is our winter progress:

- We have acquired title to most of the Trailers. They will be scrapped. Trailers on Site #1 and 3 have not cooperated
- We passed the \$100,000 expenditure mark in January. On any weekday there are usually at least 1 or 2 men working at Francoys' somewhere - even during this bad winter weather
- A new Generator awaits installation and so does a new kitchen in the hotel
- A Steel Roof for the old Hotel awaits 40 degree weather to install
- New windows, floors, etc. are now installed in the old hotel
- A mason just completed inside fireplace and mortar work in the cottage. In April he will start outside work
- A lot of work has been done in Sunrise, Sunset and John-Kate
- In April we plan to install the well and replace underground water lines
- We are looking for suitable 14' aluminum boats to offer with each cottage
- We will deal with docks as they go (in May) some are suitable, some need repair and some may need to be replaced - talk to Vern
- DewDrop Inn and Flanders should be ready by June. They have major freezing damage
- My John Deere mower will probably return for Vern's regular use
- Sites 1-10 will be relocated and improved - some 50 amp services added

This is our intended 1st Year Schedule:

Open - May 3rd

Closing - October 18th

Payment Schedule for Sites

1st Payment ½ (\$800) due - May 3rd

2nd Payment (\$800) due - June 15th

Site Rates

Sites 7-13 \$1,800 (less \$200 in 2014)

Sites 1-6 \$1600

***Some of our Summer Plans
After We Open***

- Install Landscaping and flowers
- Install White Vinyl Picket Fence (North of hotel to John&Kate)
- Install Park Grills for Cottages
- Build Fish Cleaning Station below hotel
- Stair repairs (numerous)
- Dock Improvements
- More Sand
- Horseshoes?
- Vinyl Siding on hotel
- Remove 3 stumps
- Improve Night Lighting
- Entirely redo Bathrooms below hotel
- Planting -Side Hill
- Cement Sea Wall Repairs
- Build Patio at Sunrise-Sunset

Please don't get the impression we will open the Old Hotel. The 1st floor (only) will have a large apartment plus a simple room for our occasional uses where the dance floor was –but that's all. We'll make the Hotel look presentable from the outside and if you walked in. Finally, we got the smell out, same with the cottages. A lot of re-wiring and basement support work is in progress. The only items we saved are a piano and the old ice box which is being refinished. The back porch of the hotel is replaced and the base re-supported and closed in. We have about 6-8 new windows yet to install. There is a new furnace and A/C.

We still have most weeks available for Cottage Rentals – but we haven't begun to advertise yet. Please pass the word - Guests will be pleased with the cottages when we are ready to release them for rentals. They will rent Saturday's to Friday's for \$600. We are regularly using the furnaces and heaters in 4 of them as we work during cold weather. Some have new floors down. Sunrise has a new Bathroom – ceiling, floor, tile, everything. We've got to wait for better weather to get outside. Bob Piekarczyk and Don France will be around on equipment to move sand, plant trees, and flowers etc. as Spring progresses. We all have a

lot to do. We believe the Season Guests will enjoy the restored Francoys. We are bound to make a few mistakes and be late on completing some tasks. We ask your understanding.

Thanks for being a part of Francoys Recovery.