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We enjoy doing a photo/memory book for each season. Our objective is twofold: first, to show off the park, our guests and activities; second, as a Divine family memory book. With this in mind, you'll see a lot of us throughout the book as we relive the season. We want to preserve our memories of Woodsong forever!

If a picture is worth 1,000 words, this book is worth 463,000 words. That's why you won't see a lot of wording. There might be a few easter eggs though.

Book is 85% chronological...



# It all starts with a plan...

### Woodsong Seasonal Plan:

Winter - recuperate; plan activities; gather supplies; make repairs; hone everything; catch up on personal lives; vacation;

Spring - fine tune plans; complete purchases; pray; complete booking sites; watch the weather; uncover and prepare pool; de-winterize everything; turn on water; assess park and begin repairs; take down gates; open up!

#### Summer -

Monday - fix stuff

Tuesday - fix stuff

Wednesday - fix stuff

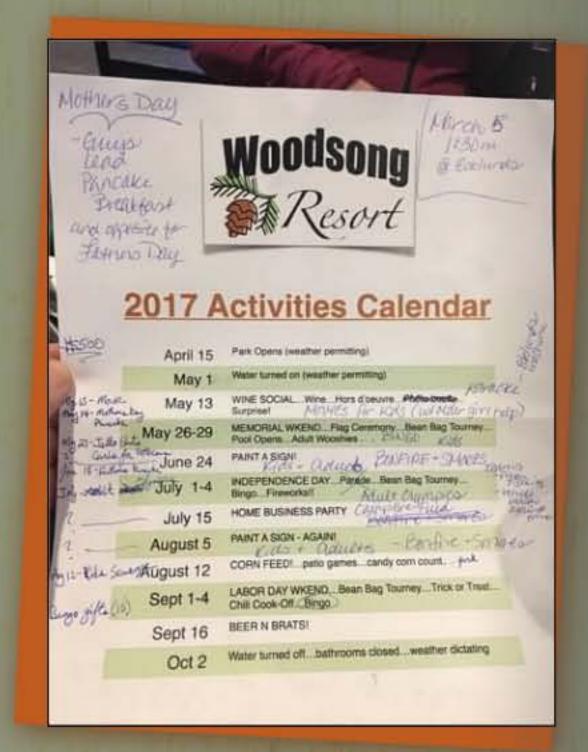
Thursday - mow and trim

Friday - last minute scramble, be in the Lodge

Saturday - work in the Lodge

Sunday - work in the Lodge; collapse at night Summer we maintain the park, host a variety of activities and try to be great hosts as folks come to relax.

Fall - complete activities; renew leases; say goodbye to everyone; winterize pool and hot tub; turn off water; blow leaves; winterize everything; button the entire place down for the winter.





SPRING (time to prepare)



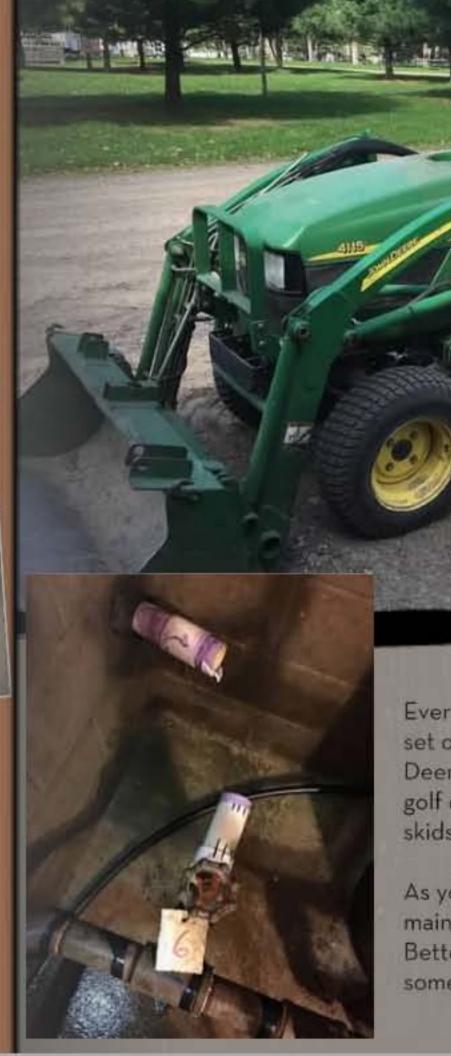


# Lets Get Io Work!



March 2017 I broke a bone in the palm of my left hand mountain biking in Moab. The broken hand and the subsequent brace made all the spring work much, much more challenging. Opening the pool was definitely the hardest aspect of working with a broken hand. Runner up, changing tires on the skidsteer.





Every vehicle/machine got a new set of tires to start 2017: John Deere tractor, Hustler mower, both golf carts and the Cat 242B skidsteer received winter tires.

As you can see to the left, we had a main water line break. Whoops!
Better fix that immediately or someone might notice!

The John Deere tires were the most complex to replace. They don't make the right ratio tires anymore and JD was absolutely not helpful in finding a solution.





This Taylor Dunn T-48 was purchased in Grand Junction, CO in 2011 for \$3,500. It is 48v, load capacity is 3k lbs and can tow 10k lbs. It followed the Divines to Woodsong. After realizing the frame was rusting out, it was time to rehab the whole thing. New sheet metal, sandblasted, rhino lined, new headlights, tires, police lights (for speeders), seat. The cart was renamed since this isn't Taylor's truck, it's Tex's!

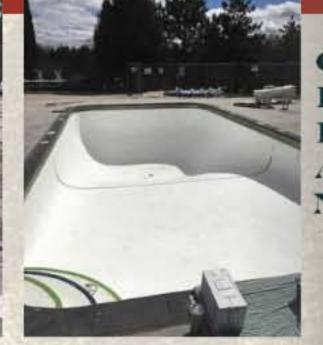
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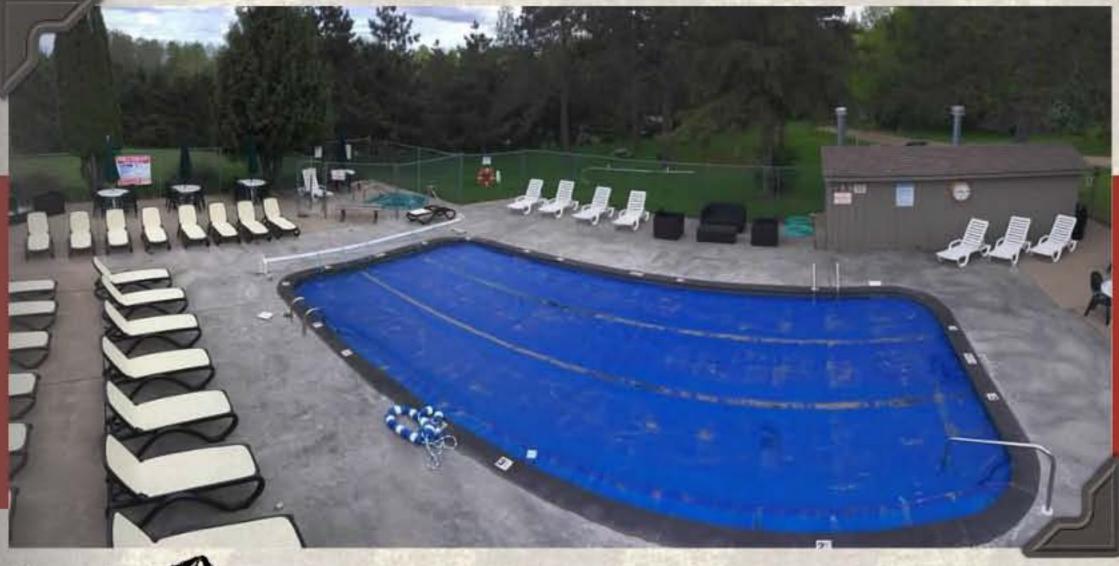








# Done and Ready!



New pool chairs

pool Stats

Uncovered: March 19 Emptied: April 7 Cleaned: April 8 Painted: April 16 & 22

Filled: April 27-29

Operational: May 15 (Hot tub May 18)
Chlorine Consumption: 300 lbs (\$1,200)
Repairs: New ORP sensor: replumb main line

Repairs: New ORP sensor; replumb main lines for winterization; new heat exchanger;

Closed: Sept 28



In the spring there's ten-hundred ninetynine things to get done.
Seemingly, everything hinges on something else and jumping around on the to-do list doesn't work very well. Too bad we don't have more time because we always need it!





Activity

Walking + Running Distance Miles and steps turning on the water 7.2<sub>mi</sub>

Steps

Flights Climbed

16,132<sub>steps</sub>

21<sub>floors</sub>

Quinn was 11 during the season. He can be a great helper if his pre-teen attitude doesn't get in the way!

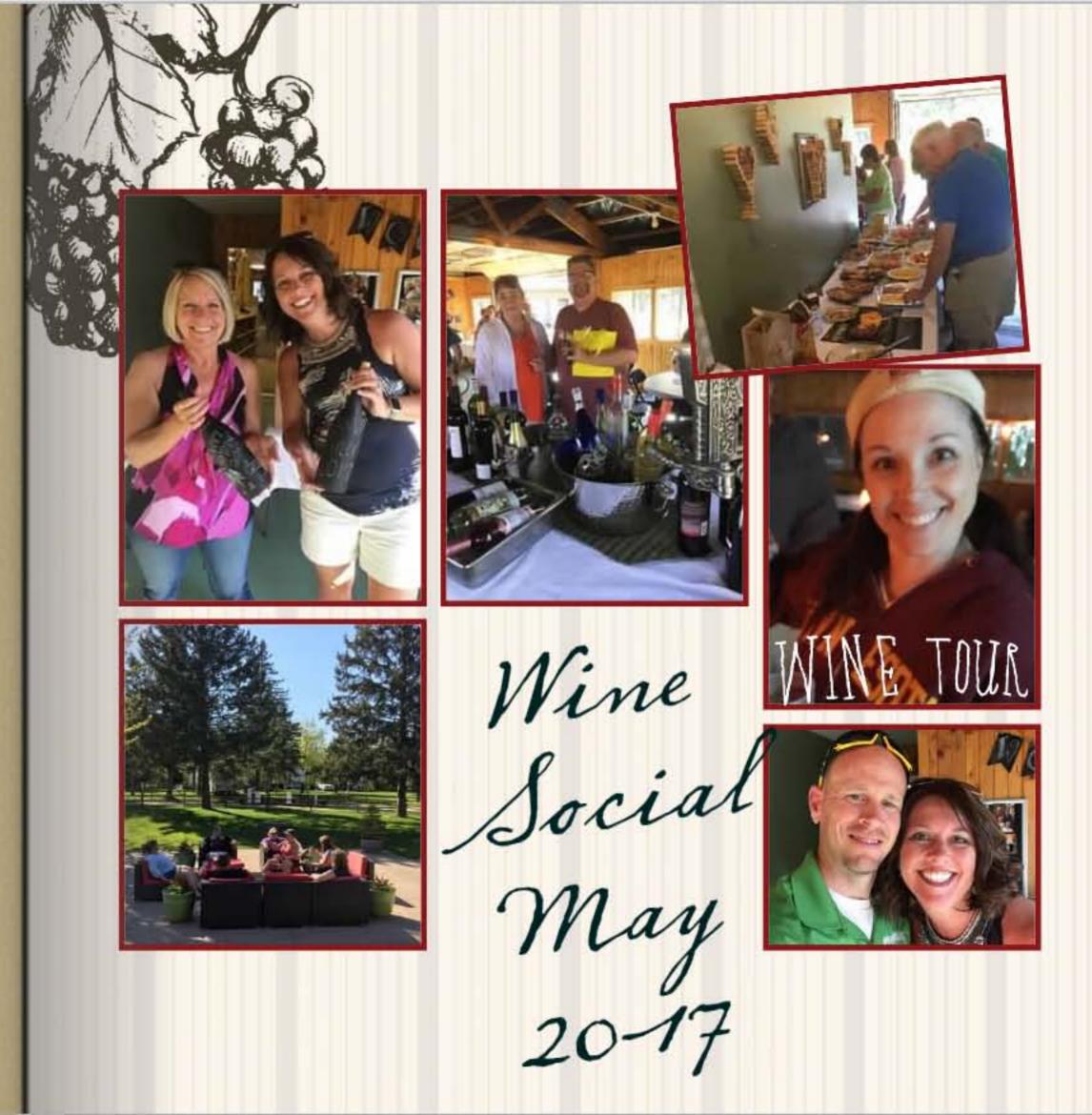
I love the Mexican Coke!

Back in stock and ready

for breaktime!

SUMMER (we're in season now!)







Memorial Day Weekend is always busy! We celebrate the warm weather, our Veterans and being back amongst friends. The gang is back together!



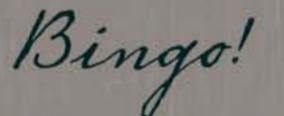


Bean Bag Tourney!

New Bean Bag Boards

Which will you win?

More chairs! We can all sit now!









Honoring our 33 Veterans!











## Home Busines Party



Rebecca made a Buffalo Chicken Dip. Holy
Jumpers! It was so good I couldn't stop
eating it. De-Lash-Us!















# Water Games!



















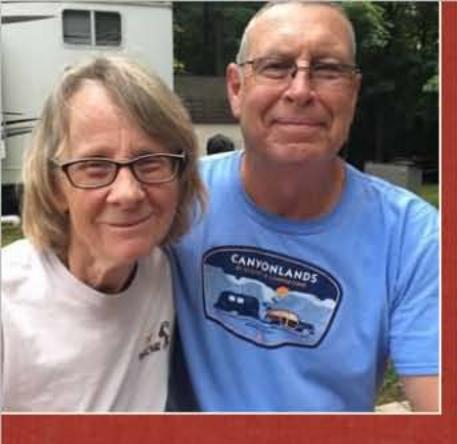






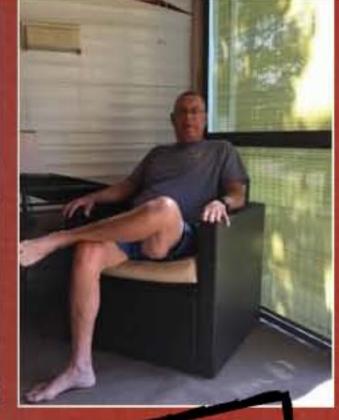
The Head family thoroughly enjoyed their fishing this year. They tossed back a lot, but they brought home some fantastic looking fish! Ashley and Abby are amazing because they will take anyone out onto the lake that wants to go. Ashley has done a fantastic job scouting the lake and sharing information.

Great job everyone!











In the winter of 2016/17 the perfect trailer came up for sale. I immediately had my parents (Mark and Kathie Divine) buy it in preparation for their retirement in the spring of 2018. God had plans because they retired a year early. After moving and getting settled in Nebraska, they arrived at Woodsong after the 4th of July and stayed with us until the first week of October.

Their camper is perfect because it's got a full size fridge, a screen porch, huge deck, flat site, boat parking and a ramp could easily be added. My parents think that they are living the high life. The biggest adjustment to camper life was A) monitoring power consumption; B) activating the water heater when desired; C) falling asleep without heavy traffic noise!

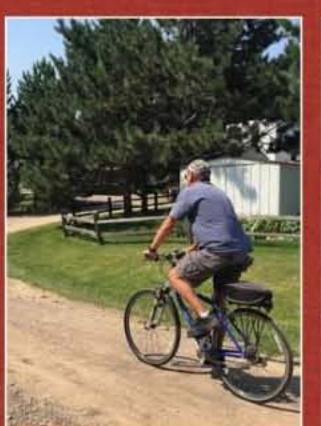


Mark and Kathie Divine wanted to retire into peace and quiet, but they couldn't resist helping around Woodsong. They spent the summer pulling weeds, painting, cutting branches, putting up flags, cleaning and a whole host of other activities. Their contributions generally went unnoticed, but as a collective work they improved the look and feel of Woodsong. You'd notice if the park looked cruddy, but you'll never notice the small things it takes to maintain a pleasant atmosphere. Thanks Mom and Dad!













Seasonal Sites



-E. Woodsongians







Ho! Ho! Whatz goin' on?

Isee you're drinking a coke...











for me























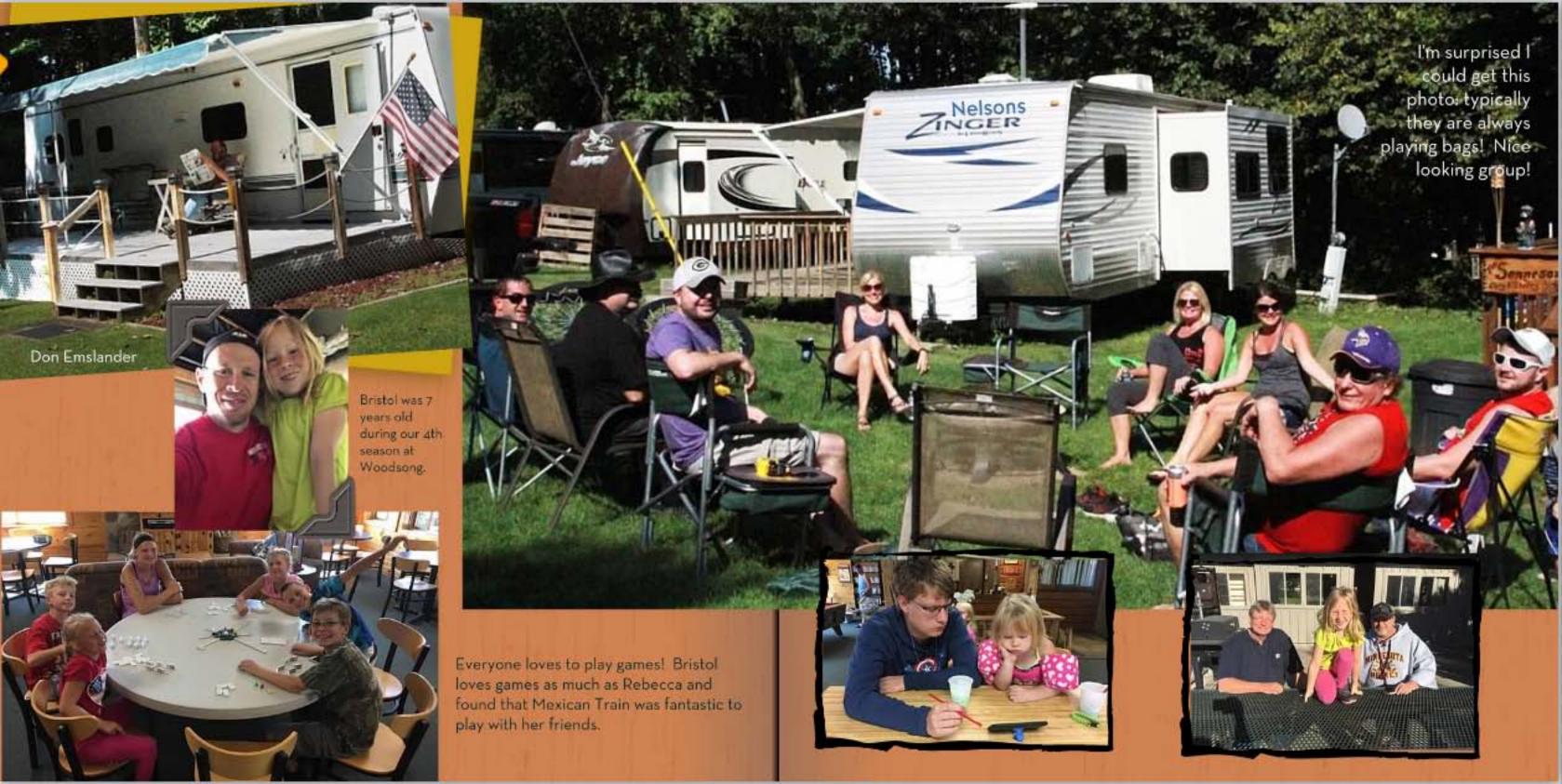




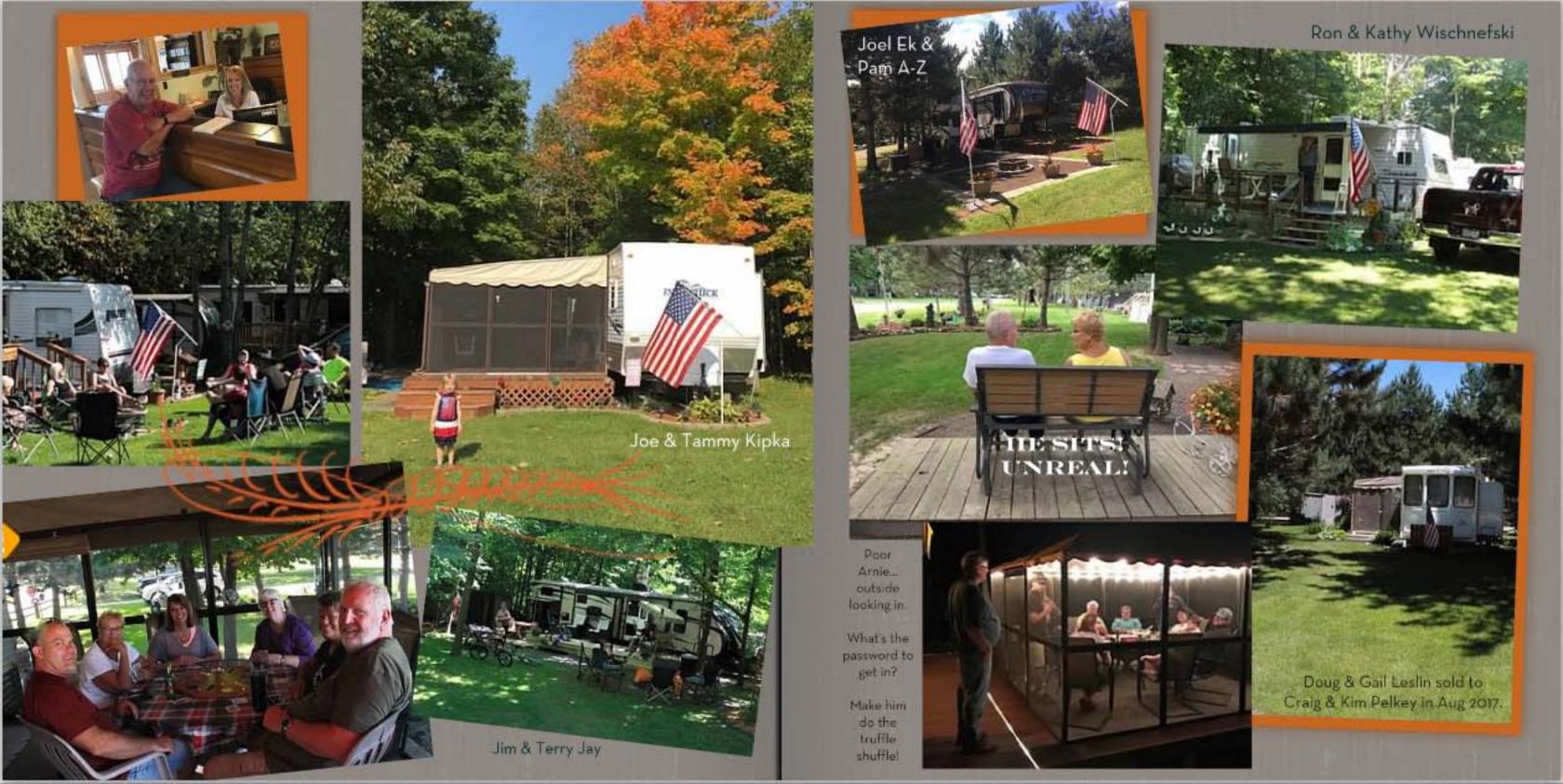














The pool is such a draw on a hot day. It's very refreshing and a perfect place to spend the day with friends. DHIVIO ON Water Street Summer time is Pool time!









# 4th of July Woodsong Summer Games

Kim Weber undertook the planning and execution of this activity. She narrowed down the activities to fit the personality of the contestants and the park itself. Teams were formed and the competition smack talk was amped up.

#### Events:

Cup Stacking, Bowling Ball Toss, Tex's Truck Push, Ring Toss, Frozen T-shirt, Flipper Water Carry & Three Legged Sack Race.

Five teams. One winner.

## YOU TALKIN' TO ME?!?!

## QUIT COMPLAININ' AND BRING IT!

Team 1: Aaron & Diane Jones Carey and Kimberly Schiferli

Team 2: Scott & Jennifer Wilson and Family

Team 3: Monty & Amanda Jurek Dan & Jessica Worms

Team 4: Tammy Richards, Angie Nelson, Tex Divine, Jaime Kipka

Team 5: Curt & Christie Jones Sean & Gina Picht











### TEAMWORK

The Summer Games became very competitive. Each team used their physical prowess well, but some teams, and I won't mention which team(s), tried flexing the rules to their advantage. Everyone seemed to use their minds to gain any possible advantage. It was always advantageous to go last - the first team on any challenge was at a massive disadvantage. The whole event was epic and wildly fun!













Sign Painting Time!









### MEMORIES

It was incredible watching everyone being so creative! So many different color choices and ideas and visions for their signs. The cutouts proved to be quite sticky and tricky though. Fortunately, there were a few experts that helped. Aaron Jones stepped in and used his design skills to create the Arizona flag for Bill & Diane Hoeschen. Well done everyone!























The chili cook-off had 17 competitors this year. Such a variety of chilis! Even a small sample of each chili fills one up. Great way to discover what you like and what you don't.























## BEER and BREATS!

In mid-September we hosted the Beer and Brats celebration. Edyn and Mark Divine did the shopping with me. We purchased 24 cases of beer: 300 brats and all the ancillary requirements.

My Uncle Jay Divine came over from Wisconsin to cook the brats in the old Gene Divine style. It's a simple, but secret recipe handed down through the years.

I'm very grateful for all the help getting the event prepped, the assistance during the event and any help getting cleaned up. Without the kindness and selflessness of these folks I'd be in real trouble! Thank you so much everyone!





Thanks, Uncle Jay! Superb grilling skills!





Beer and Brat Fest is one of my favorite activities of the season. One of the highlights the last couple years has been the ice trough challenge - Bec has won each year. She's got ice in her veins! I get cold just looking at it! Dude decided that he didn't want to use his feet. He dipped his whole head! That's intensel















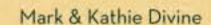
GOOD TIMES!













Jeff Peterson



Da Boyz are gettin' it done!



"I love beer!"



The Valley Crew

## The Valley Hosts Hibachi Night

Tim Davis serves Mark Divine



Old Hilltop momento



Heather Ecklund & the Heads



Joe Gehring

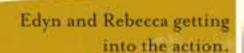


Two Heads & Two Ecklunds



## Always something to do

Quinn had to mow the front of the house, the Lodge and was occasionally hired by the seasonal guests to maintain their lawns. Quinn must use the push mower. He likes to "rest" more than mow so things take quite a while.



The next few pages show some of the behind the scenes activities during the season at Woodsong. There's a tremendous amount of work that gets done each day, week and month and the entire Divine family contributes to the well-being of the park. The Divine kids aren't fond of the work, but they are definitely learning what work is: work. Fortunately, it's very rewarding.

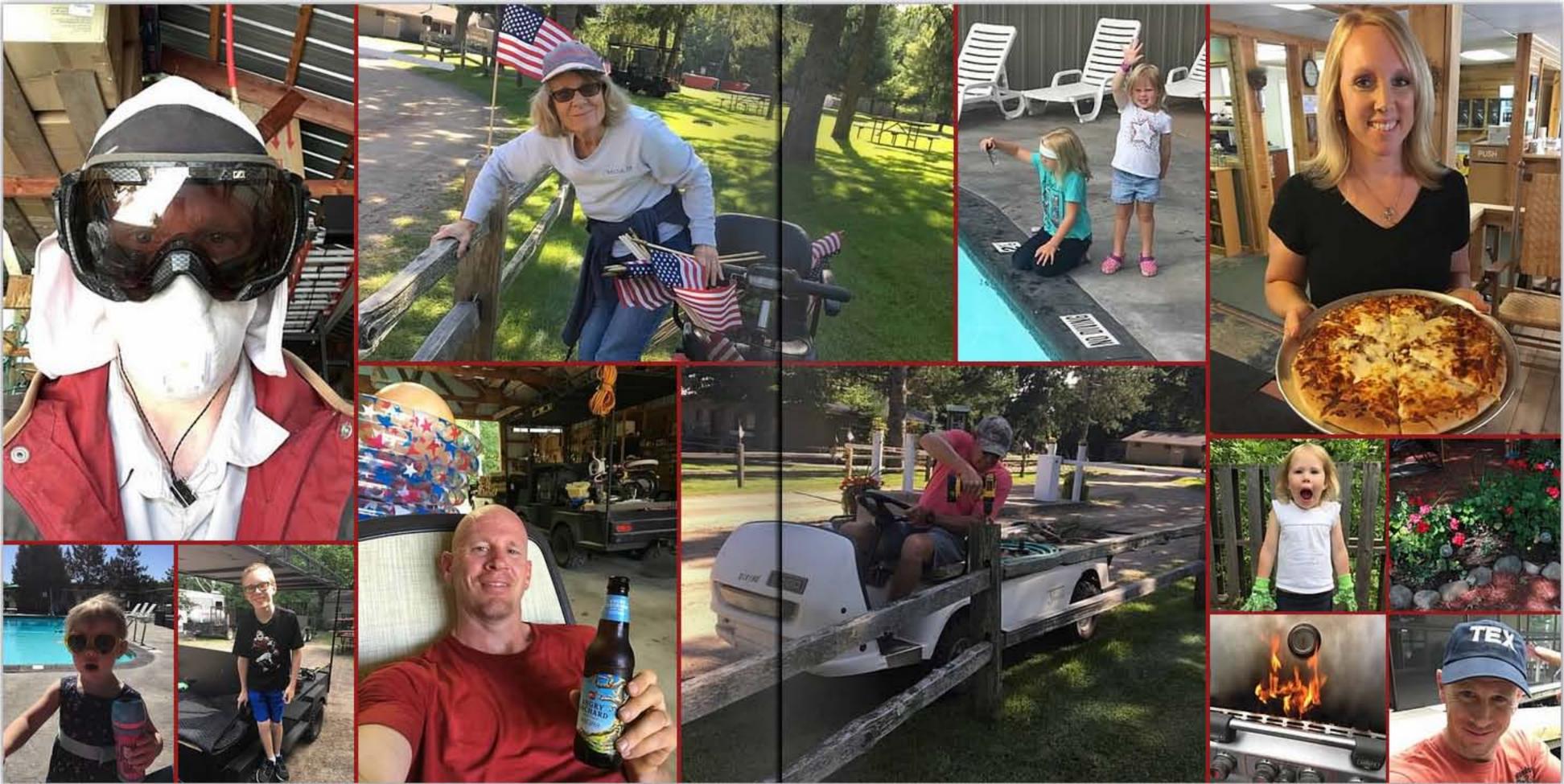
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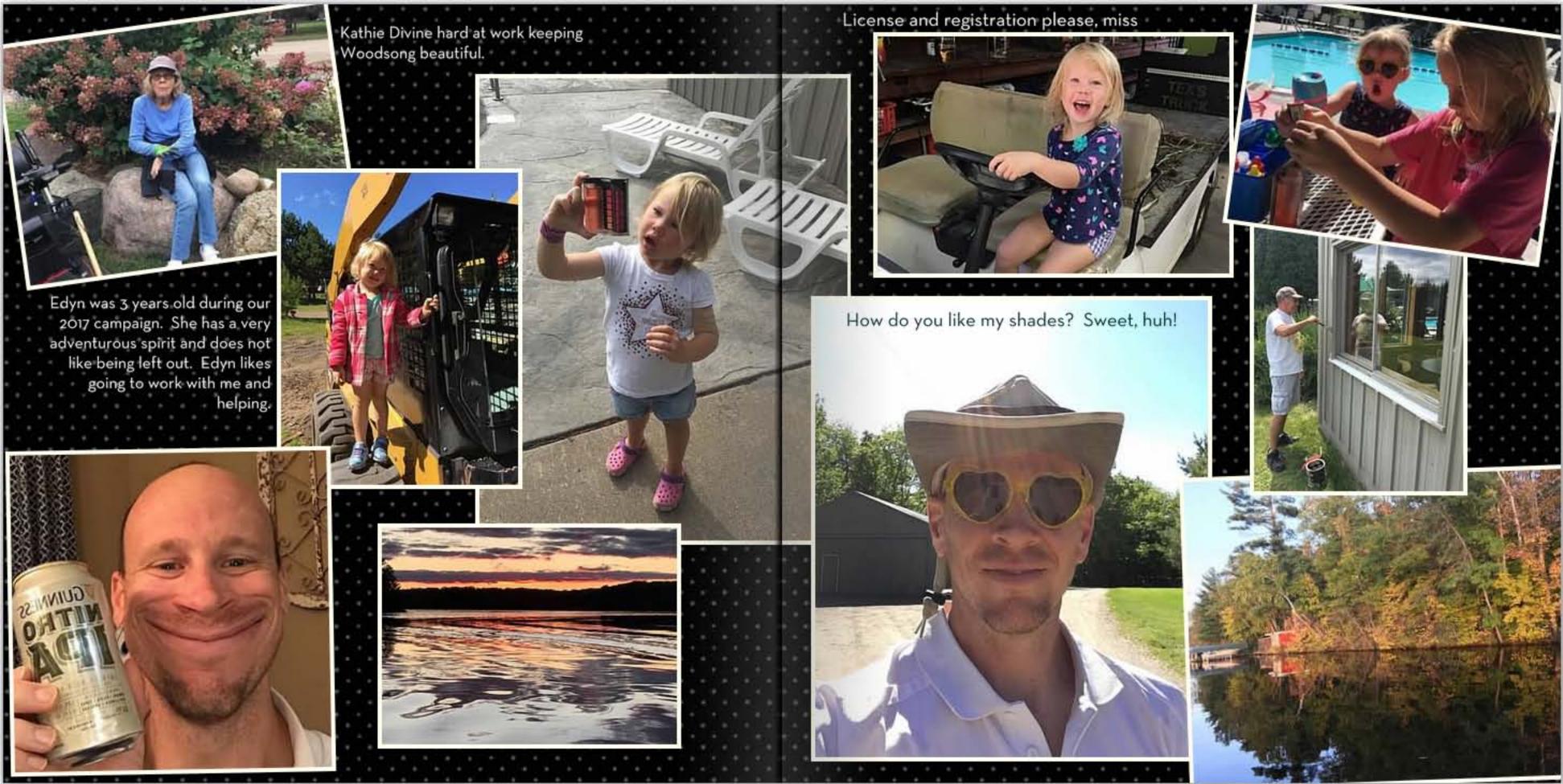


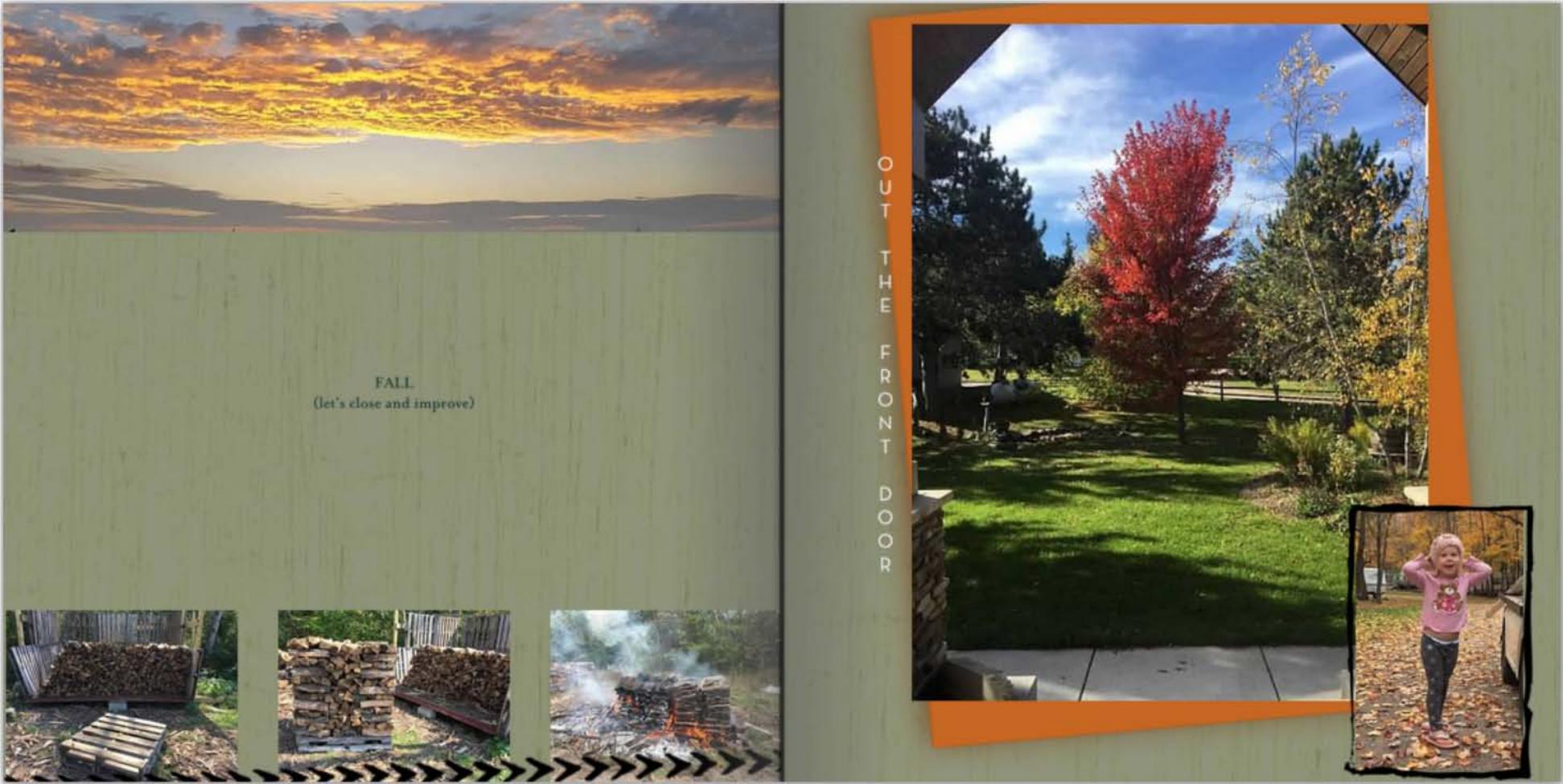




Silky Smooth!









## Hot Inb Replacement!







Mike Ruggeri helping out for the day

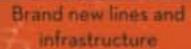




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Looks naked. Space is 16' x 20'





Edyn came out everyday to say hello to Aaron Jones, check our work and make sure we were up to code.

I had the idea and end product in my head, but Aaron did all the hard math and calculations that turned it into reality.

Delivery of the hot tub was 5 weeks late. It made for some chilly days working on completing it before true winter set in. No such thing as bad weather, only bad clothing.





LOOK AT THAT! PERFECT!

Not bad for a crooked pad of concrete!





Grecian Hot Tub: Venus model. 10' 5"x 7' 6" size with 10-12 person capacity. Weight is 625 lbs and has a 700 gallon volume.

Ordered June 2017. Delivered October 23 2017. Cost \$39,500.

Deck: 100% treated lumber substructure.

Trex Transcend decking and fencing. Cost \$9,800.

Misc tools and labor: \$4,300.























I survived this project with top notch clothes, lots of coffee and Snickers bars.

No such thing as bad weather, only bad clothing. Can't say it enough!

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