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Your who, what, where and sometimes why guide to camping at Poor Farmer's RV

# The Monthly Chatter

By: Mike Till

## Thank You!

To the sponsors of the 5K Run/Walk for Autism Awareness.

- **CONOVER LUMBER**
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- **Jessica King & Keepsakes by Design**
- Diane Lyons & **REMAX**
- **Toyota Pro Lift**

We would also like to thank the businesses and individuals who donated door prizes for this event, as well as the folks who volunteer their time. We will be able to accept door prizes up till the day of the event. Please attach your business information to the door prize. To minimize time, door prize winners will be picked during the 5K and will be available to the winners directly after they cross the finish line. I mean... get a drink and wipe yourself off first, but after that, we may have a door prize for you.

The run is on Sunday April 25<sup>th</sup> at 9am. This was my first time scheduling the run. I know some of you now have to get your butts to Saturday Mass in order to support this event and we greatly appreciate it. Personally, I would like to go back in time and kick my own butt for making it so early in the morning. Just remember the theme... Peace, Love & Understanding. Those words should apply to everyone.

We would again like to thank all the sponsors, participants, helpers, and Autism Speaks for all the great work they do to spread awareness to those who are unaware of the many facets of Autism.

## Poor Farmer's 5k for Autism Awareness

### APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2021

### 9AM START

Register online at: [www.cantstoprunningco.com](http://www.cantstoprunningco.com)

# Mike's 1-Man-Scramble

April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021

1pm Shotgun Start

Lakeland GC  
St. Paris, Ohio

\$50/Golfer

Get a  
Mulligan  
after every  
shot.



Sign up today!  
Spots are  
filling up fast!

Call 937-368-2449 or  
email Mike at:  
mtill@poorfarmerrvs.com

## Coming in May!

### Opening Season Weekend

Painting with Paula

May 1<sup>st</sup> @ 1PM

Join Paula Bragg in the big shelter for another fun, relaxing session of painting with Paula. She will share the basics of how to handle a paint brush which will allow you to create beautiful art. Sign up in the parts store. Cost is only \$5.

**MAD DOG BILL KARAOKE**

**MAY 1<sup>st</sup> @ 7PM**

Bill Miller has one of the best song collections in town and has recently been amplifying the crowd at the New Carlisle American Legion. Get your pipes warmed up, your songs picked out and your metaphorical carver's knife sharpened, 'cause we have some classics that need a good butcherin'.

## Memorial Weekend

**Friday**

May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**Mike's Comedy Hour**

6PM @ Big Shelter

Join myself and a few other amateur comedians for an hour... or less, of laughs, fun and maybe a couple of uncomfortable moments of silence. We don't mind fake laughter and we won't have a two-drink minimum.

**DJ Jaiden w/ Special Guest "The Weave"**

7PM @ Big Shelter

DJ Jaiden has been rockin' the hits at our house for years. He is now ready to debut his talent to the public with his good buddy Jimmy Weaver for a night of unbutchered classics.

**Saturday**

May 29, 2021

**Golf Cart Obstacle Course and Show-N-Shine**

10AM @ Pull Track

Enter your custom or stock cart in the show-n-shine then fill your shotgun seat with a good friend, your most agile kid or if need be... your wife. Then make your way around the obstacle course for a chance to win a prize and bragging rights. Please remember this is a family fun event.

**Strawberry Shortcake**

w/Ice Cream Social

7PM @ Big Shelter

**Poor Farmer's Blind Auction**

7:30PM @ Big Shelter

Break out that stimulus cash and bid on some pretty brown boxes. Some are big, some are small. Some are filled with cool stuff like a TV or gift card, some are filled with not-so really cool stuff, like socks. They are all filled with a good time though. Just ask Barb about her pink bra.

**Sunday**

2PM Poker Run @ Camp Office

4PM BINGO @ Big Shelter

**7PM OVERDRIVE** Performs at  
the Big Shelter

**Monday**

12PM Fletcher Memorial Day Parade

4PM Parking begins for June Tractor Show &  
Flea Market



# Easter is Upon Us

Easter Egg Hunt at Poor Farmer's Campground

***Saturday, April 10th***



Saturday, April 10<sup>th</sup> marks the first activity on the schedule; The Annual Easter Egg Hunt! This activity is for kids who are ages 0-12. We have found that teenagers are just too cool for Easter Egg Hunts. Bring a basket or a bag and let that little heathen loose to hunt for the prized Golden Egg. We will be hiding a massive amount of plastic eggs in anticipation of a large turn-out. Bring the kiddos and happy hunting!

## Current Campground Upgrades

As always, there are things that need upgraded at Poor Farmer's. One of the most obvious is the upgrade to the basketball court. Thanks to Shane Miles for organizing this venture. He got a few of his buddies and knocked this project out in no time. While the concrete cures, you can come see all the teenage boys drooling over the new court. We will be alright just as long as the drool stays in the grass.

We are also upgrading some electric along the creek down the hill from the camp office. These sites will not be available until this upgrade is finished. Thanks to Jerry Harter and Ray Nelson for their help with finding the right materials for this job.

You will see more improvements throughout the year. Thank you for your patience and understanding as these projects may be an inconvenience for some of you.



# ATTENTION!!!!!!

April 15<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for the final Seasonal Camping Discount of \$950.00. After April 15<sup>th</sup> the full amount of \$1200 is due before May 1<sup>st</sup>.





# Read the Rules!

I would like to address some common rules violations that I would like you guys to pay more attention to. Of course, all the rules are important for some reason or another.

Please remember that there is only one unit permitted to be on your campsite through the week and through the winter months. You are permitted to store your camper on your site through the winter months as part of your seasonal fee. This storage does not include your cargo trailer, a personal vehicle or your cousins broke down truck. If discovered, we will charge a storage fee for the month the vehicle is on the site and ask you to remove said vehicle from the property. If there is a second offense, ejection from the campground may follow.

For our Monthly Live-In campers, please remember that you are only permitted (2) vehicles at your campsite. All extra vehicles must be parked in an overflow area. If you are not sure where the closest overflow area is, please ask. Thank you all for addressing these issues. I hope you all have a safe and happy camping season.



## Be nice to the new campers

As with the start of every year, we have some new permanent campers getting acquainted with the campground. Please refrain from the same old pranks and tricks of the past. You know exactly what I am talking about too, don't try to play all innocent.

Who was it that told that poor kid to be at the Blacksmith Shop at 3AM for his armor fitting? Then there was the time when Mrs. Clegg told her new neighbor that her pet tarantula escaped just two days before.

So, before you send some poor chap on a wild goose chase to find the swimming pool, please remember to let Mike know before hand, so I'm not walking up on a sleeping kid in front of the Blacksmith shop or getting phone calls on Sunday from a sweet young woman who doesn't care for big hairy spiders. Just a heads-up folks... that's all I'm asking for.



## A Special Thank You

Denise Bronne has been with Poor Farmer's for almost 20 years. If this were the Marine Corps, she would be retiring soon. She would also be bald, her skin would look like scarred leather and she would have an attitude to match. Lucky for her she has been at Poor Farmer's so, her hair is beautifully styled, she has a sweet demeanor and a well-maintained epidermis.

Denise has always been more than just sales. She helps cover the parts store, keeps an eye on the campground and plays a vital role in our success. There is one aspect of the business that she doesn't get the credit she deserves and that is her work with the website. Her second year at Poor Farmer's, Denise saw that the world was leaning very heavily to the internet for much of its commerce. Steve gave her permission to build a website for Poor Farmer's and she went all in.

It took her some time to learn the coding that goes on behind the scenes of any website because she was teaching herself. Sure, there were a few people who offered up advice, but the website was all Denise.

Recently, we had Dayton Web Design work on a new website for us. Now that website is live and the old website that Denise built is now on a train somewhere between the real world and the Matrix. I would like to say farewell to that website that put Poor Farmer's name out into a world that was just developing in the early to mid 2000's.

I could only imagine if someone said I could never go back and look at all the past 10 years of Monthly Chatters I have written. I would miss them terribly in much of the same way Denise misses her website. I want to take this opportunity to give my appreciation to Denise for all she does for the business and let her know that I love her and look forward to many more years of working with her to make our family's business better. I think this new website will give you more freedom than you have ever had to spread your creative wings. Thank you Denise.



Poor Farmer's campground has been taking advantage of an offer to have South East Publications or SEPI print our guest guides. In return SEPI generates revenue by selling ad space on those guest guides. This is a win-win-win relationship. The first win is Poor Farmer's. We get a beautiful guest guide that has a map of the campground, information and pictures about the campground and a map of the surrounding area that contains businesses that advertise in the guest guide.

The second win is the camper. Every camper that comes to Poor Farmer's gets one of these guest guides for free to help them find their way around the campground and the surrounding towns.

The third win is the advertiser. The businesses in the guest guide get full exclusivity. That means, if you are a barber shop, you will be the only barber shop in the guest guide. Then when a camper needs a haircut, who are they going to call?

Last but not least, Joe and Carol Dube are the final winners of this algorithm. Joe and Carol have been our guest guide reps since the first guest guide way back in 2013. If you are interested in advertising with SEPI in the Poor Farmer's Guest Guide,

please call them at 951-217-5295 to get ad pricing and availability. That way, when someone inquires about what business to go to, we can open the guest guide and show them your business name and where it is on the map. To those who already advertise, Poor Farmer's, along with Joe and Carol, would like to Thank you for your support.

## Looking for a place to advertise your business?



## Lost and Found

There have been a couple totes retrieved from the creek after the last heavy rain came through. Those totes are sitting outside of the maintenance barn. If we find anything else we will put it there with the others. If no one claims them within the next couple of weeks we will dispose of them properly. Thank you



We would like to thank Lynn and Thomas for getting a sidewalk framed in and ready to pour at the last minute. We had some extra concrete from the basketball court and these two hard working men got on it and made a nice solid walkway for our propane station.

**Great Job Guys!**

## Memphis Report

It has been a few months since we had a Memphis Report in the Chatter. Let me get you caught up. Memphis is ready to go to work. He came into my office the other day and told me that when he is potty trained, he is going to be able to go to work with his dad. I later asked him if he needed to go to the bathroom, which he replied, "I peed my pants, guess I can't go with my dad tomorrow."

I miss being a kid, you can see him in the picture fixing his car. He was either fixing it or souping it up. Whatever he was doing seemed to work. He got in and it purred like a kitten. Amy called for him to eat lunch and he ran up to her office, only to yell back at Uncle Mike, "Please, shut may car off? I am wasting gas." I had to get up and turn it off. I know how high gas prices are getting.







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# Fireworks in March!?



Mike Elsner and Tony Gustin have been lifetime friends of Poor Farmer's RV. In 2013, for the Mortgage Burning Bash, they quarterbacked one of the most vibrant, colorful ground-shaking fireworks displays I have ever seen. Then in 2018, for our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, they topped it.

Then on Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup>. Mike called me and told me that they were doing some training at the Fletcher firehouse and that

they were going to have a "small" display afterwards. Well, that "small" display turned out to be the third best fireworks display I have seen. We would like to thank Mike, Tony and their crew for the free show they put on for us on the 27<sup>th</sup> and let them know that we are interested in lighting up the sky at Poor Farmer's for 2022.



# GUESS THE YEAR

- Greek War of Independence against the Ottoman Empire begins
- James Boyd patents Rubber Fire Hose
- 1st edition of American magazine "The Saturday Evening Post"
- Missouri admitted as 24th US state
- 1st US pharmacy college holds 1st classes, Philadelphia
- Mexico permits Moses Austin and 300 US families to settle in Texas, after his death leaves to son Stephen Austin (Founder of Texas)
- Russian Antarctic expedition led by Fabian Gottlieb von Bellingshausen returns to Kronshtadt after becoming the 1st to circumnavigate Antarctica
- Panama declares independence from Spain