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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

## Opening Season Weekend

**Saturday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021**

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| 1 PM  | <u>Painting with Paula</u> @ Big Shelter sign up in parts store<br>(\$5/painter; Spots are limited to 20 participants) |
| 4 PM  | <b>BINGO</b> at Big Shelter. \$.50 per card (10 player minimum)  |
| 6 PM  | <b>Blacksmith Bonfire</b> and hot dog roast. Bring your roasting forks.  |
| 7 PM  | <b>Karaoke</b> with DJ Jaiden  |
| 10 AM | <b>Church in the Big Red Barn</b> w/Kathy Love (See bottom of schedule for more dates)                                 |

### Blacksmith Shop Bonfire

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### DJ Jaiden's Karaoke



We will kick off the season with a 1PM session of Painting with Paula. Sign up at the parts store. At 4PM we break out the BINGO machine and start finding winners. These two events will be in the Big Shelter.

Then, Poor Farmer's will be hosting the annual opening season hot dog roast at the Blacksmith shop. This event will begin at 6PM. Bring your favorite roasting fork and a drink, we will provide the rest. Stop out and grab a bite to eat, meet some of the neighbors and enjoy some talented Blacksmithing. Please keep Bill Miller in your prayers. I was hoping you would all get to meet him on Saturday, but unfortunately due to some health issues, he will not be able to make it. In his place is a very excited DJ Jaiden and his good friend Jimmy Weaver. They will be set up and be ready to rock at 7pm in the Big Shelter.

Don't forget about Sunday morning Church in the Big red Barn at 10AM with Kathy Love. We will be there celebrating faith, love and our savior Jesus Christ.

# A Round of Golf and a Booming Announcement

On Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup> we gathered fifty golfers from around the area for a golf outing like no other I have ever played in... a One-Man-Scramble.

For you golfers, basically you get a mulligan for every shot. For those of you who do not play golf and are wondering what a "mulligan" is, let me explain. A

mulligan is a "redo" in golf. They are only permitted on rare occasions, such as when you are at a charitable outing and they are selling them, during a practice round or your buddy might give you one because it's the first shot of the round and he knows how much you had to drink the night before. In other words, they are normally gifted, not taken.

For a normal round of golf, a good golfer will hit the ball about 70-80 times. When you give those same golfers a mulligan on every shot, their number of hits increases to 140-160, that is going to produce some tired golfers. We refueled the golfers with some delicious pizza from Lakeland Golf Club and then gave the best of us some prizes. Most impressive of the evening was Kyle Mays who shot a 57 and Caleb Comer who hit the long drive and what a drive it was. I personally chipped in a birdie on hole number one which won me a skin.

After dinner, the announcement was made that next year's earnings from the outing will go towards an Opening Season Fireworks display that all golf scramble participants will be welcome to attend.



## 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.

### Sunday

2PM Poker Run @ Camp Office

4PM BINGO @ Big Shelter

7PM OVERDRIVE Performs at the Big Shelter

### 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.

### Monday

12PM Fletcher Memorial Day Parade

4PM Parking begins for June Tractor Show & Flea Market



# The Newbies



If the pandemic has done anything, it has made it challenging to find new employees, especially for small businesses. As time moved closer and closer to opening season, we started to think that extended hours were in our future. Then, just a month before we are ready to open, God blessed us with two fine individuals: Mark Fox, Service Technician and Pam Johnson, Customer Service Rep. Mark and Pam have become a wonderful compliment to our Poor Farmer's family. We are still not sure if they possess the amount of crazy needed for the long haul, but we will figure that out as we go.



Mark is a regular "Jack-of-all-trades". Then again, you have to be if you're working on campers. I explained to Mark that RV techs get all the problems of a house, a car, a boat and a trailer; then roll them all into a plethora of complications and headaches. I knew from his responding smile that he was ready for the job. Pam's most endearing attribute has got to be her laugh. Not only how it sounds, but she uses it often and we love that. She is catching on quickly to her part's store duties, but be patient with her, it won't take long for her to master it.

I spoke with all the employees at the business and most agree that these two additions are going to work great. I told them that there is one employee, however, who does not share that opinion. I didn't tell them who it was, just that there was one... I know... I'm terrible. ☺

## New Rule #26: "Permanent campers are required to have a vacuum breaker on every spicket at their campsite."

To the right is a picture of a vacuum breaker, or as we like to call them, "backflow preventers". These handy little contraptions are used to keep water in your hose from being reintroduce back into the system. The health department requires that all campsites have one on a spicket whether it is being used or not. Every year we make sure every campsite has one, and every year we purchase new ones because campers remove them.

From this point on, it is the camper's responsibility to make sure the vacuum breaker or "backflow preventer" is attached to the spicket associated with their campsite. If it is discovered by our staff that the backflow preventer has been removed, a new one will be installed, and the customer will be charged accordingly for that part.

If your backflow preventer is leaking or malfunctioning, please let us know and we will replace it at no cost to you. If you do have to remove the backflow preventer for any reason, please do not hook a water hose to the spicket while it is off.

We appreciate your help with this matter. We always strive to keep our camping rates as low as possible. Small things like this really make a difference in our ability to do that.



# Site of the Month

Geno Tackett and Deb Allender



The first Site of the Month for 2021 goes to newbie perms, Geno Tackett and Deb Allender. As soon as I spoke with Geno about the site, I knew he was going to be in contention for this award later this year. Little did I know that he would have it all done before opening season... this guy is a worker! We would like to thank Deb and Geno for working so hard on your campsite. I am sure you will make many awesome memories at site #37 and welcome to the Poor Farmer's Camping Family.

## Golf Cart Obstacle Course & Show-N-Shine

May 29<sup>th</sup> @ 10AM



See these sweet moves from Golf Cart Rodeos of the past? Two wheeled action, throwing grass and dirt at the crowd or slamming your grandson into the dash! We just wanted you to see what won't be happening at the Golf Cart Obstacle Course on Memorial Day Weekend. Mike is going to try his hand at designing an obstacle course which will test your skills as a driver, as well as test your patience with whatever poor sucker you decide to take as a partner. He won't give us any clues as to what the course will include, just to say that it will be conceived and engineered 100% from his brain. May God have mercy on us.

Be there at 10AM just north of the pull track and get registered for the Show-N-Shine. Everyone will get to vote, whether you have a golf cart entered or not. We will be giving a prize away to the winner of the Show-N-Shine and the winner of the O-Course. Please remember this is a family fun event for all ages but only licensed drivers are permitted to drive the carts. The passenger can be anyone though. **Let's Go Racin'!**





# New Look... Same Great Service

Thanks to Quint's Custom Signs for designing and producing this beautiful sign to greet our customers. Once our old sign started falling apart, we knew we had to do something. My idea of just hiring one of those sign twirlers was immediately nixed by the girls, so I called Brian at Quint's and he did an amazing job.

A good friend of ours who would like to remain nameless refurbished our marquee sign at the entrance. I think that person did a wonderful job and I would like to thank them for that.



## 5K for Autism Awareness - Overall Winners

Ages 18-39



Mason Dail

Not  
Pictured

Kiley Powell

Women's Overall



Sarah Ray

Ages 17 and under



Kayla Schmitz



Preston Miles

Men's Overall



Brian Cenky



Terri O'Connor



Dale Borchers

Ages 40 - 59



Andrea Till



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Ages 60 and Over



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## Goose News By Diane Lyons



With the coming of the month of May, also comes thoughts of celebrating Mothers. Let's remember Mother Nature as well. You'll notice lots of wildlife in the campground, depending on the season or time of day. Many seasonal campers place bird feeders for the songbirds or hummingbirds. Sometimes the seeds are stolen by scampering squirrels and chipmunks. And sometimes we spot an occasional raccoon, muskrat, deer or turtles. And we always like watching the kiddos catching crawdads and tadpoles in the creek!

There are several pairs of Canadian Geese nesting in the area near creeks and ponds. Did you know the geese mate for life? They also have great memories for people, animals and situations and sometimes they make good watch animals as they are very protective. Some of us don't like it when the geese are around our campsites due to the waste they leave behind. This is a temporary situation. The geese will be protective of their nesting site, but should not show signs of aggression if you keep a safe distance. If you have a little lettuce or cabbage leftover from a salad, they might enjoy it. Once the young are hatched and able to fly, the geese will continue to migrate and be gone until next year. We've had great pleasure in watching the pair of geese return to our campsite for the last several years, hatch and raise their babies. The proud and protective parents will stay very close to the young and they will leave as a family. Please be respectful and kind to all of Mother Nature's children. It can be a wonderful learning and loving experience.

## GUESS THE YEAR

- YouTube, Internet site on which videos may be shared and viewed by others, is launched in the United States
- US version of "The Office" created by Ricky Gervais and Stephen Merchant, developed by Greg Daniels, starring Steve Carell and John Krasinski premieres on NBC
- Star Wars: Episode III - Revenge of the Sith directed by George Lucas, starring Ewan McGregor, Hayden Christensen and Natalie Portman premieres at the Cannes Film Festival
- Hurricane Katrina forms over the Bahamas, later becoming a category 5 hurricane
- Vampire novel "Twilight" by Stephenie Meyer is first published by Little Brown
- Introduction of the F-22 Raptor into USAF active service.
- NHL great Wayne Gretzky gets his first win as a coach as the Phoenix Coyotes beat the Minnesota Wild 2-1 at Jobing.com Arena, Phoenix