

The Monthly Chatter

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Labor Day Weekend



Labor Day is the first Monday in September. It was made into a national holiday in 1894. Labor Day is meant to recognize the American Labor market and all the contributions that are made every day by American Citizens. The roots of Labor Day grew out of violent clashes between labor unions and police during the Haymarket Riot in 1886, when thousands of workers in Chicago took to the streets to demand an eight-hour workday. Today, Labor Day marks the end of Summer. Kids dread it because it means they must go back to school.

This Labor Day we have plenty to do at Poor Farmer's. Don't miss the Shriner's Breakfast on Saturday morning from 8:30 to 10am. Sign-up in the parts store. At 1pm, Christy is hosting a kid's sock puppet craft in the Big Shelter. At 2pm, Angela is hosting a cornhole tourney. \$5 entry fee and there is no need to bring a partner. The Casserole Carry-In is at 5:30pm in the Big Shelter. Bring your table service and favorite Casserole (Entrée, Side, or Dessert) to share, even if it is a breakfast casserole. Then at 7pm, comedian Mike Hemmelgarn will perform on the Shelter Stage for all who wish to attend.

On Sunday, start the day off right with Church in the Big Red Barn. Kathy Love will keep us in the word and in the presence of Jesus for at least an hour starting at 10am. Then at 1pm we will host the Redneck Games. Get your two-person team together and sign-up for one or all the games provided. I promise, they will all be fun.



Labor Day Weekend Sept 1st -4th, 2023 Schedule of Events



Saturday Sept 2nd -

**8:30-10am- Shriner's Breakfast @ Big Shelter (Proceeds go to the Children's Hospital)
Walk-ins welcome \$7/person**

1pm- Kids Craft w/Christy @ Big Shelter (Come make a sock puppet)

2pm- Cornhole Tournament @ Below Camp Office (\$5/each)

5:30pm- Casserole Carry-In @ Big Shelter (Bring your favorite casserole to share, table service & drink)

7:00pm- Mike Hemmelgarn @ Big Shelter (comedian, ventriloquist & juggler for all ages)



Sunday Sept 3rd -

10am- Church in the big red barn @ Big Shelter

1pm- Redneck Games (three-legged race, toilet seat toss, cornhole & more)





Site #316

What a magnificent campsite we have at #316. Newell and Cindy Williams have put together a colorful and spacious landscape. Their corner lot gives them plenty of grass to mow, but the Williams keep it trimmed and lush.

The steppingstones leading out to the firepit make it easier to cook your bacon over the fire in the morning... keeps your slippers dry.

There is a beautiful flowerpot where Lee's train used to be. Mr. Perkins would be proud.

This well deserving campsite will gain one more ornament for the month of September. Thank you, Newell and Cindy, for adding beauty to the campground. See the parts store for your reward.



**Progressive Cornhole Tournament– No partners needed!
Saturday September 2nd, registration @ 2 pm**

Registration starts at 2 pm by the camp office and playground. Each player will be numbered based on registered players and given a score card at that time.

Game Play starts at 2:30 pm.

Minimum of 8 players and max of 48. Awards for top 3 players!

7 to 12 rounds of condensed play based on registered players.



\$5 Entry Fee

CHARLIE'S CHAT

Jeff & Angela Albright

They are the fun!

Poor Farmer's RV is all about having a great time, whether it was Carl playing in the creek in the 70's & 80's, Steve dropping flour out of a helicopter in the 90's and 00's, or Mike giving away cheap prizes with a wig on last weekend. We know how to have fun, and one of the most important ways to have a great time, is to get help from people who also know how to have fun, like Jeff and Angela Albright.

Angela has been the creative mind behind many of our fun events we have hosted recently, and some in our near future. She was the brainchild behind our Family Game Night where I played Bark Bobber, the lovable gameshow host with great hair. How ironic that Bob Barker passed away that very day? We played our games in his honor, God bless him.

I love it when campers host events that I can participate in, like her Amazing Race (which my team won) in June or the various cornhole tournaments she organizes and hosts through the year.

We have also picked her brain for ways to improve the activities we already had, like turning a bland karaoke night into an 80's karaoke night. The bottom left picture should tell that whole story. She was also the catalyst for the decision to change our "Blind" auction into a Blind Quarter Auction, which I thought got a lot more campers involved.

Normally, the stuff that comes from my sister-in-law's brain is scary, but this weekend you will have a chance to be part of an activity that Angela is helping to organize which came from the mind of Amy, The Redneck Games. We had to postpone the games from our Fourth of July weekend due to weather, which improved the second we



decided to do so. We will be playing the games at one o'clock on Sunday. During the day, Angela plays the role of a mild-mannered banker, but when fun is needed, she steps into a phone booth and turns into Activity Director Angela... I'm just kidding, phone booths don't exist anymore. Maybe she just goes into her fifth wheel to change, I don't know, that's between her and Jeff.

Speaking of Jeff, you are probably wondering what he does while Angela is working so hard on getting activities ready. I will tell you; Jeff is no slacker. When I said I needed empty beer cans for the redneck games, he didn't ask why, he just asked "How many?" When people ask, "What does Jeff do for the fun?" we answer with, "Jeff is the fun." Sometimes Jeff is the "too much fun" and he feels it in the morning.

Jeff has a job, but that doesn't define who he is. Jeff is a race car driver. In 1994, he started racing beginner stocks at Kil-Kare raceway. In 2001, he won the championship at Shadybowl Speedway. Jeff raced two years in the CRA street stock and finished in the top ten both years. In 2015, Jeff took a position as an official in the CRA series. His days of racing stock cars might be in the rear view, but lucky for him, there will be many years of golf cart racing in his future. Once a driver, always a driver. Just look at how Angela holds back the goods to give Jeff unfettered access to that steering wheel. He is such a pro.

Jeff is a perfectionist. He is the proud winner of the first ever, Rick's Choice Award at the Golf Cart rodeo. Rick has been building race cars for forty years and knows what it takes to build a winning car. It takes extreme attention to detail, and when it comes to refurbishing a golf cart, Jeff lets no detail get by him.

The Albrights have been perm camping at Poor Farmer's since 2018. They have one of the most unique campsites on the grounds. It has been awarded Site of the Month in the past for its tropical appeal and go figure, attention to detail.

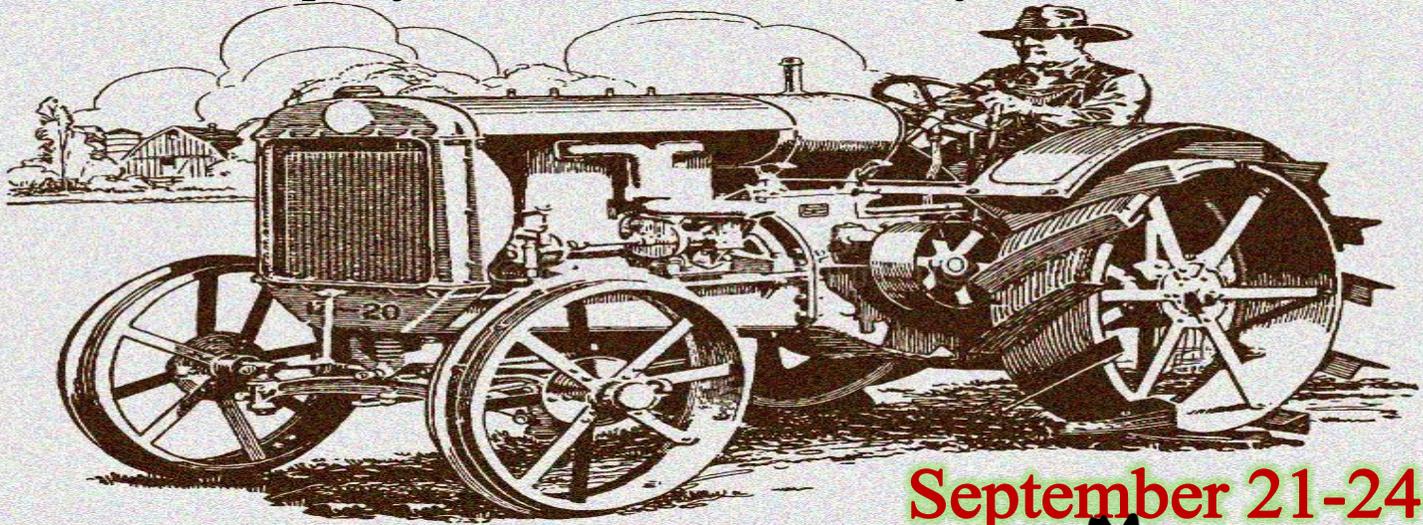
All of us at Poor Farmer's would like to thank Jeff and Angela for the work they do to help make our little slice of heaven, just a little more heavenly. The times we spend together have made some of my favorite memories; from the rib cook off judging, to the sign that you made that hangs on the front of my parent's home.

I hope that the future affords us many more opportunities to make great memories together. Love you both!



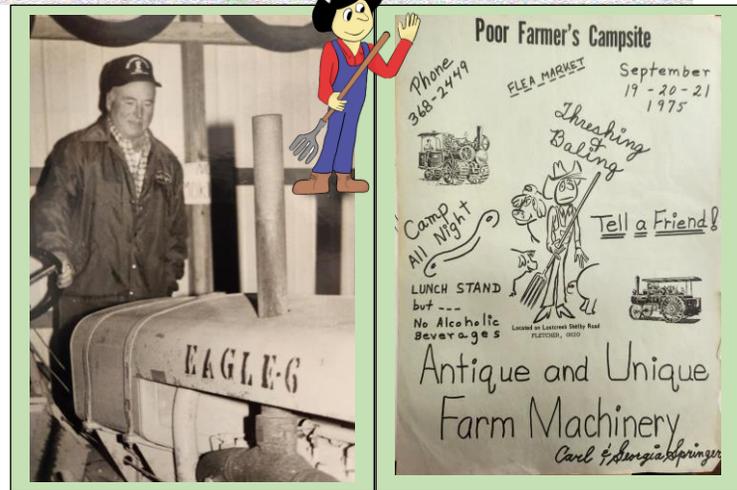
Angela and Jeff would like to invite you all to celebrate the many September birthdays for campers, and a few employees, of Poor Farmer's. Come to the Big Shelter on September 16th from 7 - 11pm for a great birthday bash. Bring your own drinks, there will be a DJ spinning the hits while you're there.

The 2023 Carl Springer Memorial Tractor & Engine Show / Flea Market



September 21-24

Twenty-Nine years ago, the original Poor Farmer, Carl Springer, left this world for the next at the Fall Tractor Show in 1994. For the past 12 years, I have heard many stories of Carl and the silly things he used to do. Friends would tell me about how he would sneak up on people in his three wheeled electric golf cart just to share some ice cream. I have heard about how Carl would pull up on the scale at the tractor pull with his steel wheeled tractor, knowing full well that steel wheels were not permitted. When campers first had TVs with remotes, Carl had a remote that controlled his friends TV and would change the volume, channel, and even turn their TV off from his camper next to them. There are stories of fingers in the butter, bras in golf bags and pulling campers through the creek. I imagine that Carl (I would have called him Grandpa), and I would have gotten along just fine. We are both dedicated to our family and our trade, we both like ice cream and of course, we are golfers. I hope I get to play a round with him when my day comes to visit Heaven.



Parking begins at 4PM on September 17th

2023 Golf Cart Rodeo

The 2023 Golf Cart Rodeo was a hit. We had over twenty drivers signed up to race in our Drag, figure eight, and both obstacle courses. We had zero wrecks, zero bad attitudes, and 100% smiles.

Congrats to our Show-N-Shine winners: Chad Warmouth received the People's Choice and Jeff Albright Received the Driver's Choice and Rick's Choice award. Other winners were Ron Caisson, Shane Miles, Rick LeValley, Ron Steck, Mandy Kemp, Ryan Purk, Troy Scherer, Rich Haviland, Rob Garner, Michael Kemp, Justin Dickensheets, and Dave Earl. Finally, a big thanks to Buckeye Pro Golf Carts for sponsoring this event. Look for our Memorial Day golf cart activity and the 2024 Golf Cart Rodeo next year.



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OCTOBER HAPPENINGS

The Haunted Shelter

OCT. 13+14 / 20+21 / 9-11PM

\$10 pre-sale, \$15 at the door

COSTUME CONTEST

Oct. 21 @ 5:30 p.m.

Win prizes for various categories including: funniest, scariest, best couple and more. Plus, Trick or Treat around the campground from 6-8 p.m. The Haunted Shelter opens at 9 p.m.

Halloween

Cruise-In Oct. 14

From 4-8 p.m.: Decorate your ride with a Halloween theme and bring candy for Trunk or Treat from 6-8 p.m. where kiddos will be costumed up and beggin' for those sweet treats. There will be music, food vendors and a plethora of cars, trucks and motorcycles. The Haunted Shelter opens at 9 p.m.

Admission is FREE! (Fee to Haunted Shelter applies)

+ TRUNK
OR
TREAT





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**SEPTEMBER
22ND
6:30PM**

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FREE!!!*

Classes grouped by age: 8-12, 13-17, 18-25, 26-39, 40+ & Powder Puff



Pick up an entry form at Poor Farmer's RV or on our website:
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HUMAN TRACTOR PULL

Poor Farmer's Annual Carl Springer Memorial Tractor & Engine Show
September 21ST thru the 24TH

Flea Market, Food Vendors, Tractor Pulls, Tractor & Engine Displays and MORE!!!!

*Tractor Pull Entry Only

Come out and Celebrate!

September 16th from 7-11 pm in
the Big Red Shelter.
ALL CAMPGROUND BIRTHDAY BASH
We will have a DJ set up for some
awesome music entertainment.
Bring your own beverages and
come join the FUN.



Guess the Year

- US Submarine Nautilus begins 1st nuclear-powered test voyage
- "Scrabble" debuts on board game market
- Ray Kroc opens first McDonald's Inc. fast food restaurant in Des Plaines, Illinois
- "Johnny Carson Show" debuts on CBS-TV
- Disneyland televises its grand opening in Anaheim, California.
- Swiss inventor George de Mestral is granted a patent for what would become known as Velcro
- Rosa Parks is arrested for refusing to move to the back of a bus and give her seat to a white passenger in Montgomery, Alabama
- Tappan sells 1st microwave oven