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On February 2<sup>nd</sup>, the famous weather predicting groundhog, Punxsutawney Phil, emerged from his home and did not see his shadow. The crowd at Gobbler's Knob were ecstatic to hear this, as it meant an early Spring for all of us. The great prognosticator has been predicting late and early Springs since 1886.

On the other 364 days of the year when he is not predicting the weather for all 50 states, Phil lives in the Punxsutawney Zoo with his wife, Phyllis. Their borrow is warm and cozy but there is a serious issue with the situation. According to the lore, there has been only one Punxsutawney Phil for the past 137 years. He is kept alive for so long due to the "Elixir of Life" or "Groundhog Punch" that he partakes in annually on February  $2^{nd}$  at Gobbler's Knob.

However, his loving wife Phyllis does not get to drink the magic elixir, so her lifespan will be that of a standard groundhog in captivity, 10-14 years. How sad is that for Phil, why can't they just give Phyllis some of that magic elixir so her and Phil can live through eternity together? What happens when Phyllis goes to that big burrow in the sky? Do they have to find another wife named Phyllis or does he just live alone after that?

I couldn't imagine going through life knowing my wife is going to pass long before me. Phil's keepers don't seem to be too concerned with his mental well-being. They keep this poor rodent on display for 364 days of the year just to pull him out on February 2<sup>nd</sup> and parade him around like some immortal God that sees into the future. I don't see how this can be good for anyone, much less a simple-minded groundhog. I strongly believe that his unstable homelife is influencing his work. Maybe that's why he only gets it right 39% of the time, according to records kept since 1886. I just hope for our sakes he is right this year. I would love to have the water on early and see campers out here through April. Just remember, that's when we take down trees, improve electric and make some noise in the park. Sunshine sure would be nice to get your campers ready for the season though. Also, moderate temps are a requirement for the water to come back on. Pray that Phil was right this year. Let's Go Campin'!





There are only a few days left to take advantage of these savings. Appointments are booking up fast. Call Justin or email him, justin@poorfarmerrvs.com to get scheduled. Don't Wait!

#### The Domino Effect

Every year in March, there are two very important lists that I live by. The first list contains the names of people who are currently camping on a permanent site and wish to move. The second list consists of all the campers who want to become permanent campers at Poor Farmer's. Can you guess which list is bigger? The Domino Effect is what happens when we assign new lots. I have already started calling campers that are currently here and want to move. Once those campers decide on a new spot, their old spot will be available, once they relocate. Then I will start calling new campers. If you have chosen a new spot, please get your camper and accessories moved ASAP. This will allow for a smooth transition and new campers will not be forced to wait.

As always, if you leave your campsite for any reason, make sure the site is completely clean of any debris, steps, platforms, trash, etc. I have only been burned a couple times on seasonal perms who leave messes to clean up or don't pay their final electric bills. If it becomes more of an issue, we have discussed charging a deposit on the seasonal sites just for those reasons. I would like to thank everyone for your cooperation and help in getting the season kicked off with good vibes.

Please remember!!! All 2023 electric bills must be paid to take advantage of any discounted rate. Also, if you are interested in moving, I will not call anyone that has an outstanding 2023 electric bill.





## Cooler Drawing 5/4/24! \$5/ticket or \$20/5 tickets

12 pack 12oz Yuengling Lager

6 pack Black Cherry White Claw

12 pack 12oz Miller Light

Crown Apple
Whiskey
750ml

40 Quart **BIGDOG** Wheeled Cooler



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Woodford Reserve Burbon 750ml

> The Kraken Spiced Rum 750ml

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Sept 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, & 22<sup>nd</sup>

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### Part Time Help Needed

Many of you tell me all the time to let you know if I need any help. Well, this is one of those times. Amy Minton, Parts Manager, has recently endured an unexpected surgery and will be out of the office for an unspecified amount of time. We ask that you include Amy and her family in your prayers.

While she is gone, we will need some temp help for Mason. He has done a great job of stepping up and filling the void of Amy, now we need someone to fill the void Mason left. They will have to answer phones, run the register, help keep the store clean and stocked, and pester Amy. Since Amy will not be there, you will have to chose someone else to pester.... Just not Mike.

Please contact Mike if you are interested in helping for a few weeks. Hours and pay will be discussed then. I thank everyone who considers this, and we hope Amy is back with Guess the Year us sooner than later.



- US Joint Chiefs of Staff created.
- Henry Ford patents a method of constructing plastic auto bodies.
- "Archie" comic book debuts
- The "Battle of Los Angeles" takes place.
- "Casablanca" premieres at Hollywood Theater, NYC
- Battle of Midway begins; Japan's 1st major defeat in WW II
- Anne Frank gets her diary as a birthday present in Amsterdam
- 1st bazooka rocket gun produced (Bridgeport, Connecticut)
- 1st train with Jews departs Mechelen Belgium to Auschwitz
- 1st American offensive in Pacific in WW2, Guadalcanal, Solomon Island