

The Scariest Part of Halloween

What's the scariest part of Halloween? Some may say it is the ghosts and goblins that come out at night. Some may say the horror movies that premier, and others may say it's the haunted houses. I say, the scariest part of Halloween is what comes after... the end of the camping season!

If that scared you, then you should make plans to camp as much as possible before that scary date arrives. October is perfect for campfires, s'mores, and ghost stories. Break out the blue jeans and sweatshirts, buy some candy for the kiddos and finish the 2025 camping season in ghoulish style.

This year, due to overwhelming demand, we are hosting two Halloween Weekends. The first will be on October 11th, the second will be on October 18th. These weekends will both include a costume contest and Trick-or-Treat around the campground. During these weekends, we will be judging campsites for their Halloween décor and will be giving Poor Farmer's gift certificates to the best Perm site and the best overnight sight.

Once the costume contest is complete, the Lil' monsters will fan out in search of treats. They will be instructed NOT to knock on any camper doors, so if you wish to pass out candy, you must be outside your camper. There is no requirement for perms to pass out candy, but for the kids' sake, I hope you do.

During both weekends, Jimmy and his Psychos will do their best to put the spirit of Halloween deep into your soul. This usually happens when they scare something else out of you. The hours and admission prices are listed below. We hope to see you here for a spooktacular good time.

October 11th, 2025

5pm: Costume Contest

5:30-7pm: Trick or Treat thru the

campground.

Friday & Saturday 10th 11th

8-11pm: Haunted Shelter open

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FALL TRACTOR SHOW Review



The 2025 Fall Tractor Show, officially named, The Carl Springer Memorial Tractor & Engine Show/Flea Market, was a great success. The tractor club had a great day of pulling. The Flea Market vendors were plentiful, and shoppers came through the gate in record numbers.

Our biggest concern this year was if the creek had enough water to keep the roads and pull track from dusting up. When you see Lynn, give him an Atta-Boy for being so diligent with keeping the roads conditioned.

We tried something new this year and took reservations for the Spring Show for any vendor that was still set up at 2pm on Sunday. We would like to get our vendors to stay around for the Sunday hours. One, those are the hours we advertise to shoppers. Two, increased foot traffic on Sunday means more sales for vendors. Adopting a reservation system for the flea market vendors will eliminate much confusion, time and fuel in that flea marketers with reservations will not have to make the extra trip just to get their spot locked in on Monday. Instead, they will already have that figured out when they get here to set up. We greatly appreciate the vendors and campers being patient with these adjustments. We only do this to make the process easier in the future. If you remember just four years ago, we made the change to a camping reservation system and that change has been very accommodating to many customers.

Thanks to everyone who attended the tractor show. Whether you were pulling, selling, shopping, camping, or working; it takes all of us to make this show spectacular. Thank you also to the ALL-SARS K-9 Search and Rescue Team for keeping our parking and admissions under control. Thanks to Denny, Jacque, and Daniel for exhibiting the Poor Farmer's Blacksmith Shop. Thanks to Judy, Robin, Jacque, Jimmy, and Marty for making sure the campers and vendors got in okay. Thanks to the Miami County Antique Power Association for putting on a great show at the track, and of course, Thank God for gracing us with beautiful weather for the event.

For 50+ years, the Poor Farmer's Spring and Fall Tractor Shows have been the bedrock of our schedule. They are the reason why many people know the name Poor Farmer's and for good reason... because our founder, Carl Springer, was daring, innovative, and never shied away from hard work. Still today, he watches over us from heaven to help in ways that in many instances, we don't see. I can't count the number of times I have closed my eyes and asked for Carl's help in unfamiliar situations. Just like a good Grandpa, he has always come through. I will do everything in my power to keep his legacy alive.









Reserve your campspot at poorfarmerrys.com

Decorate your campsite for a chance to win a Poor Farmer's Gift Certificate!

Haunted Shelter OCT. 10+11 / 17+18 / 8-11PM

\$10 admission

Win prizes for various categories including: funniest, scariest, best pet, golf cart and more.



October

Site of the Month

JEFF AND ANGELA ALBRIGHT



The Albrights are no stranger to the Site of the Month award. Their little slice of Heaven has been one of the premier campsites at Poor Farmers for many years. Their attention to detail and design have allowed them to create a beautiful and relaxing oasis that exhibits the true definition of tranquility.

They could keep this site all to themselves, but instead, have created a space for friends and family to be welcomed as well. This site is a great reflection of who Jeff and Angela are as people. When they do something, they do it right, whether it's designing a campsite, coordinating a cornhole tourney, or just spending time with others.

Thanks Jeff and Angela for sharing your talents and hard work with the rest of the campground.

End of Season Checklist

Some things to remember when closing your camper up for the winter.

RV Maintenance:

- Winterize your camper! Whether you do the deed yourself or have Ultimate RVS do it for you, make sure you get the water out of your plumbing system. Frozen water in water lines, plumbing fixtures and appliances will absolutely destroy them, causing hundreds, if not thousands of dollars in damage.
- Check the seals on your roof, slide-outs, windows, and transitions. The material used to seal these areas does not last forever. If you have questions, need parts, or just want it done right, contact Justin or Micah with Ultimate RVS. They will give you a good estimate for work that needs done and can do the work right there on your campsite.
- Remove all liquids that will freeze.
- Remove all food products that may attract animals.
- If you unplug your camper, make sure your power disconnect is turned off or you disconnect your battery.

Campsite Maintenance:

- Make sure your water is unhooked from the spicket.
- Drain your hose before putting into storage.
- If you have one of our picnic tables, be sure not to store anything on top of them as we will pick them up to store under cover.
- If there is any work that you need us to do to your lot, short of landscaping... that's your job, contact the parts store and get your name and what needs done on the list.
- One last check for anything that will attract an animal or offer them a place to burrow. You don't want that.

Attention Returning Campers!!!

*All outstanding electric bills must be paid before the end of 2025 to receive any discounts.

Poor Farmer's RV

Rates Effective on November 1st, 2025

2026 Rates

(937) 368-2449 www.poorfarmerrvs.com

Nightly/Weekly Rate (STANDARD): \$40/night - \$270/week Nightly/Weekly Rate (Full Hook-up): \$50/night - \$340/week

There is a \$5/night Golf Cart Fee. Please remember that golf carts must be insured, have headlights at night and operated by a <u>licensed driver</u>.

Campers may only register one week at a time. At the end of the registered week, the unit must be moved from the campsite.

Seasonal perm: \$1800.00/Season (May 1, 2026, through October 31, 2026.)

Returning Seasonal Discounts*: \$1300.00 If paid before March 1st, 2026

\$1500.00 If paid before April 1st, 2026

Seasonal camping must be paid in full before (April 15th, 2026)

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Monthly perm: (Live-in) \$500.00 per month plus electric and a deposit of \$600.00 (\$500.00 for lot & \$100.00 for meter deposit). Late fee of \$50.00 will be charged if rent is paid more than 10 days after the scheduled due date.

Guest Fee: Camp fees are based on (2) adults. There is a \$5/night charge for all overnight adult guests. All guests must be registered with the camp office or parts store (This includes perm campers).

Any unit left on Poor Farmer's property beyond their paid date or otherwise unregistered will be charged \$40.00 per day camping fee (plugged-in or not).

A copy of the rules and regulations will always be available at the Camp Office, Parts Store or on our website www.poorfarmerrvs.com.

Prices are subject to change without notice.

Golf Cart & Storage:

Golf Cart Fee	\$5.00/night
Outside storage (when available)	\$50.00 per month

Flea Market:

Flea Market Fee (outside)\$50.00
Flea Market Fee (Inside Big Shelter) \$50.00
Food Vendor (must have prior contract) \$150.00
Nightly camping for Flea Market\$40.00
Nightly camping with tractor/engine display \$25.00

Ice:

Ice 7# bag	\$4.00 per bag	
Ice 22# bag	\$7.00 per bag	

Dumping:

Campsite Dumping f	ees*
Pre-registered dump:	
Same-day dump (if available)	\$20.00
Yearly Dump fee**:	\$200.00
Off-road dumping fee	\$10.00

^{*} All dump fees must be paid before we will dump your tanks.

^{**}See Parts Store representative for details on this offer.





Polar Farmer's

Polar Farmer's is an installment in The Chatter specifically for our monthly campers through the winter. Here I will relay information that may need brought to your attention through the winter months. Remember that from November 1st through March 1st our camp store hours will be Monday thru Friday 8am – 5pm (Closed 12-1pm for lunch). Closed Saturday and Sunday.

Once we finish with our Halloween Weekends, I will start assigning spots for those who wish to move closer to the shower house. We are going to try to keep the campers on the grass and leave the gravel for parking cars. We hope this helps reduce the number of ruts we experience in the Spring.

If you need any assistance or have questions, please feel free to stop into the camp store or call us. We are here to help.



GUESS THE YEAR!

- First known use of the word "automobile" appears in an editorial in The New York Times
- Aspirin (acetylsalicylic acid) is patented by Felix Hoffmann at the German company Bayer
- German Ferdinand von Zeppelin receives a US patent for a "Navigable Balloon"
- Lifts for the recently opened Eiffel Tower are ready, offering an option other than 1,710 steps, for visitors to get to top
- Morning Post reporter Winston Churchill captured by Boers in Natal
- J S Thurman patents motor-driven vacuum cleaner
- Henry Bliss becomes 1st recorded US death from an auto accident when he dies the day after being hit by a taxicab in New York City
- Gideon Society established to place bibles in hotels, is founded in Janesville, Wisconsin
- Phoebe, a moon of Saturn is discovered by William Pickering