



The Chatter

By Mike Till

The 2025 Schedule is Now Available!

2025 Poor Farmer's RV Schedule of Events

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April

25th - 27th VETERANS APPRECIATION WEEKEND! Thanking the men and women who served. Contact Mike at mtill@poorfarmerrvs.com for details on how veterans can get a free weekend of camping.
27th 2pm **5K Run/Walk for Autism Awareness** Register by April 18th to guarantee a T-shirt. Go to: www.cantstoprunningco.com to sign up online.

May

2nd - 4th OPENING SEASON WEEKEND
3rd 9:00am Ice Cream Breakfast! Sponsored by Ullery's Homemade Ice Cream. Bring \$ for donation.
1pm Paint w/ Paula Sign up in the Parts Store. Cost is \$5
4pm BINGO \$50/card (10 player minimum)
5:30pm Hot Dog Roast & Carry-in
7pm ENTERTAINMENT! STEVEN "CRASH" WORLEY
4th 1:00pm Poor Farmer's Golf Scramble at Lakeland GC in St. Paris. Sign up in the parts store.
10th 2pm Mother's Day Paper Craft! Moms bring the kiddos and spend some time together.

23rd - 26th MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

24th 10am GOLF CART SHOW, OBSTACLE COURSE AND PARADE @ PULL TRACK
 Fun for singles and couples! \$5/entry. Prizes will be awarded before the blind quarter auction.
2pm Butterfly Craft Just bring yourself and creativity.
4pm Cornhole Tournament Put bag-in-hole for a great time and a great cause.
6:30pm Pizza Night! Sign-up in Parts Store. \$8/person Bring your own beverage.
7:30pm Blind Quarter Auction Bring the quarters from your couch cushions for a crazy fun auction.
25th 2pm 12th Annual Campground Poker Run Meet @ Camp Off. Drive your cart, ride your bike, or walk.
4pm BINGO \$50/card (10 player minimum)
7pm Karaoke w/Bill Miller! Karaoke is for everyone... once the booze kicks in.
26th 1pm Fletcher Parade Meet in front of Parts Store at noon to participate.

June

5th - 8th ANTIQUE TRACTOR, ENGINE SHOW & FLEA MARKET
 Get your camping spot reserved online. Flea Market only spots will be available in person starting Monday the 2nd.
8th 12:30pm Kiddie Tractor Pull Kids, ages 3-8, Meet at Basketball court next to the Big Shelter.
14th 2pm Father's Day Craft! Bring Dad and make paper airplanes that soar.

27th & 28th GRANDPARENTS WEEKEND

27th Dusk Moonlight Mania Scavenger Hunt @ camp office. All are welcome! Bring a flashlight and bag.
28th 10am Full Day of Activities Craft, Fun & Games, Fire Trucks, Balloons, and Ice Cream.

July

JULY 4th - JULY 6th 4th OF JULY WEEKEND

4th 9:30pm Light Parade Decorate your cart, bicycle or self with lights and join the fun.
5th 1pm Redneck Games! Win cool ribbons by playing stupid games.
4pm Adult Paint w/Paula Sign up in the parts store. Bring your favorite wine glass for us to fill. \$10/person
7pm Karaoke w/Bill Miller Bring your drinks and your good times.
11th 6pm Cruise-In! Show off your classic, late model, or antique car or truck. No Entry Fee!!!
12th 2pm Kitchen Craft! Learn to make rag rugs and complete a trivet.
4pm-? Jeep Wrangle! Come see Jeeps of all makes and models flex their stuff. See our website for details.

16th - 19th BUCKEYE WOODCARVER'S ROUND-UP
 You too can turn plain pieces of wood into beautiful works of art!
 Get more info for this event at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/362058247466868/>

25th - 27th CHRISTMAS IN JULY
26th 2pm Christmas Paint w/Paula Sign up in the parts store for holiday art. \$5/person
6pm Christmas Dinner with Santa He will have a gift for all the kids.
9:30pm Christmas Golf Cart Light Parade Spread holiday cheer throughout the campground.

August

August 8 - 14 See our display at the Miami County Fair
23rd 10am 10th Annual Golf Cart Rodeo Bring your golf cart to the pull-track. Show and Shine then we race! \$5 per person.
7pm Game Show Night Play classic game shows with your favorite host, Bark Bobber!

September

AUG 29th - SEP 1st LABOR DAY WEEKEND
30th 8:30-10am Shriner's Breakfast Join us to raise money for the Shriners Hospital. Sign up in the parts store. Pancakes, Sausage and More!
1pm Dot Art Craft Put on your paint shirt and enjoy this fun way to create.
2pm Cornhole Tournament Bring your "A" game for this high-stakes event. J/K... it's only \$5.
5:30pm Steak & Potato Dinner Sign up by August 15th to lock in your spot. \$15/plate donation
7pm Karaoke w/Bill Miller
31st 2pm 4-on-4 Volleyball Tournament. Bring your team of four to the show. Prize for 1st place.
7pm Boot Scooten' Bash Music, line dancing and more. Cowboy hat encouraged but not required.

18th - 21st CARL SPRINGER MEMORIAL TRACTOR, ENGINE SHOW & FLEA MARKET

Get your camping spot reserved online. Flea Market only spots will be available in person starting Monday the 15th.
20th 6:30pm Human Tractor Pull Sign up early in the parts store or at the pull track the day of.
21st 12:30pm Kiddie Tractor Pull Meet at Basketball court next to the Big Shelter.

October

HALLOWEEN EVENTS
4th 1pm Fall Paint w/Paula \$5/person sign up in parts store
5:00pm Costume Contest Prizes awarded to Best overall, group, kids, scariest, etc.
11th 5:30-7:30pm Trick or Treat Around the Campground Campers will be out in front of their sites to give treats to ghouls and goblins. Please do not knock on camper doors.
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HAUNTED SHELTER HOUR!
OCT 10 & 11: 9PM - 11PM
OCT 17 & 18: 6PM - 11PM

2025 Church in the Big Red Barn

Parts Store / Facebook:	Big Shelter and Facebook:
Jan 12 & 26	May 11 & 25
Feb 9 & 23	June *8 (9am), 22 & 29
March 9 & 23	July 13 & 27
April 6 & 27	August 10 & 24
October 5 & 19	September 7 & *21(9am)

*Church will begin at 10am except for Flea Market Weekends.
 To participate online, go to:
<https://www.facebook.com/search/top?q=barrykathy%20love>

All the activities listed above are "family friendly". Please be respectful with your language, dress, and actions while participating in the fun.

All activities will be held in the Big Shelter unless otherwise posted on the Schedule.

Activities are subject to change. Check The Chatter and our website for info.

Tractor Shows, Holiday Events, and few cool things thrown in the middle. Check out the 2025 Poor Farmer's Activity Schedule. 2025 includes some of the classics, like cornhole, BINGO, karaoke, and paints. We have larger events, like our Buckeye Woodcarver's Round-up, Golf Cart Rodeo and two, yes, I said two, Halloween Weekends. That and much more surround our two main events, the Spring and Fall Tractor Show and Flea Market.

Along with our staple events and activities, we have added a couple new things to try in 2025. The first being our Veteran's Appreciation Weekend. Poor Farmer's has set aside a few campsites to honor the men and women who served or are serving in the armed services. Another fine addition to our schedule is the Jeep Wrangle on July 12th. You will be able to see custom Jeeps of all models, colors, and names. Our final addition is the Boot Scooten' Bash. Line dancing, country music, and more Yee-Haws than you can shake a stick at.

If you need any more information on any of these events or activities, please ask. Information for the 5K, Golf Scramble and this schedule is now available at: www.poorfarmerrvs.com under our "News & Events" tab. Tell a buddy and call a friend to let them know our schedule is available so they can book their favorite campsite for their favorite event.



Poor Farmer's RV

Schedule your RV repair with our skilled Service Technicians. We can come to your campsite and fix many of the issues you may have. Call Justin at 937-368-2449 or email him at justin@poorfarmerrvs.com.

Have a big job that needs done before the Spring?

Contact Justin to get scheduled for service before the season starts. It will be here before you know it.

2024 Electric Bills Still Due

We have tried to convey the message that you must have your 2024 electric bills paid by Dec 31, 2024, to receive any discounted camping rate. There are about 25 electric bills from 2024 with a total of over three thousand dollars that have not yet been paid. Each year we average about \$1200 in unpaid electric bills. These shortages may lead to a deposit being collected in the future.

Having your bill paid by Dec 31st gives you the opportunity to save up to \$500.00 on your seasonal camping as an early pay discount. This also allows us to finalize our 2024 books before the end of the year.

We are offering a one-time offer to those who have not yet paid and are coming back for 2025. If you pay your electric bill before February 15th, we will allow for half of the discount for 2025 camping. Therefore, if you pay your electric bill now, you can save \$250.00 on your camping if paid before March 1st. Please call or come in and settle up for 2024 so we can start fresh in 2025.

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"The word 'invoice' is too soft and friendly. We need a new word that means 'pay up or die'."

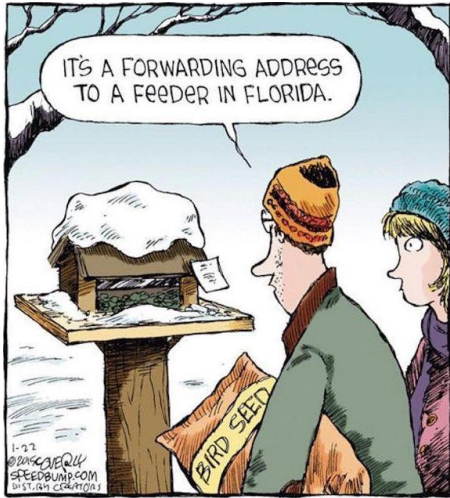
News Alert!



"Flushable" wipes are no longer permitted in our septic system. Please refrain from using them in our restrooms or dumping them into your black tank if you are planning on having us dump you or using our dump station. These wipes do not fully dissolve and cause backups in our system and problems with the honey dipper. I will spare you the details of how they had to clear out the obstruction. Please, please, please do not flush wipes of any kind into your black tank and only use RV toilet paper. The chemical you put into your tank to break down RV toilet paper will not breakdown household toilet paper or wipes. Save yourself the headache in the future and throw wipes into the trash. This may not be the number one article in the Chatter, but it is, number two.



POOR FARMER'S



I hope all our winter campers are doing well. Most of you I have spoken with recently and it seems that you are. Fortunately, we have only had a few snow falls which created the need to plow the roads. I would like to thank Rick, Lynn and Shane for their help with that.

You have been very mindful about where you park, and I appreciate that. In the spring, we should have fewer ruts to fill which will give the guys more time to focus on other beautification projects around the campground.

We have been fighting with the water heater recently and apologize to anyone who was inconvenienced by it. Please let us know if there are any other issues with the facilities and we will get right on it.

Please remember to keep both of your sites, summer and winter, in good order. We are starting to call campers to look at sites and would like to give a good impression of our campground. Also, once the water gets turned back on, please let us know when you will be moving so we can get the electric meters switched.

Only a couple months left of really cold temps and the great migration back to your summer site begins. I pray that temperatures get back to regular cold instead of the *minus zero polar vortex cold* we have been dealing with lately. Everyone stay warm and remember to keep that propane full.



Thank You!



I would like to extend my deepest gratitude to everyone who was able to pay for 2025 camping early. I am grateful for those who are giving us a chance to sell you a new RV. I appreciate the service work you are trusting us with and, I very much appreciate those who sign up for internet service this season to help us cover the cost of providing it. Your continued support ensures that Poor Farmer's will remain the peaceful, friendly, family-oriented campground that it has been for the past 56 years.

Managing this business has been a wonderful blessing. I have experienced so many new things, and have met more good people here, then I have anywhere else. I could not imagine my life without Poor Farmer's or the Springer family.

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year and for those Buckeye fans, an exciting National Championship. From all of us at Poor Farmer's to all of you, WE MISS YOU! Let's Go Campin'!

-Mike

Poor Farmer's Winter Hours

(Effective until March 1st)

Monday thru Friday 8am – 5pm

Saturday by appointment only

Sunday Closed

WHITMAN'S BIKE SHOP

PRESENTS THE:

Poor Farmer's Open

May 4th, 2025

4-Man Scramble

Where: Lakeland Golf Course

1772 Kiser Lake Rd, St Paris, OH 43072 (Planet Earth)

Time: 12:30pm (1pm shotgun start)

Cost: \$75/Golfer (Includes Dinner)

Proceeds go to: 

**ALL
SAR
K9'S**



Sign-up at the course or email Mike at mtill@poorfarmerrvs.com to sign up, donate, or sponsor a hole.

Fun, Food & Prizes!

The Poor Farmer's Open is raising money for the **Miami County Search & Rescue (SAR) Dog Teams**. The trainers and Dogs have helped to find countless persons who went missing, not only in Miami County, but all over Ohio and beyond. Your support of this organization helps to pay for training, equipment, certifications, and much more. The SAR teams have worked with Poor Farmer's for many years with parking, activities, and even some personal training with the dogs. Please sign-up to play, sponsor a hole, or give a donation to this worthwhile organization that is meant to save lives and find lost loved ones.



May the Course be with You!



Poor Farmer's RV

5K Run/Walk for Autism Awareness

April 27th, 2025

2pm Start



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Want to be a sponsor?

Contact Amy at:
(937) 368-2449 or
email

amy@poorfarmerrvs.com.

Cost w/t-shirt: \$50 if paid before April 18th

Charity: Proceeds go to Autism Speaks

Course: Out and back 3.1-mile road course

To register online, go to:

www.cantstoprunningco.com





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Camping Rate Increase for 2025

Effective November 1st, 2024

2025 Perm Camping Rates

Weekend Perm (Yearly): **\$1800.00**

***Returning Camper Discounts:**

If paid before March 1st, 2025:

\$1300.00

If paid before April 1st, 2025:

\$1500.00

Monthly Rent: **\$500** + Electric

Metered Electric: **\$.20/KW**

Monthly rent and electric increase will take effect Nov. 1st, 2024

2025 Camping Rates

Nightly Standard Site: **\$40.00**

Nightly Full Hook-up: **\$50.00**

Nightly Golf Cart Fee: **\$5.00**

Weekly Standard Site: **\$270.00**

Weekly Full Hook-up: **\$340.00**

Dumping:

Off-Road: **\$10.00**

Honey Wagon: **\$15.00**

2025 Yearly Dump for Weekend Perms:

\$200.00

***All 2024 electric must be paid by the end of the calendar year to receive any discounts for 2025.**

Guess the Year

- Ellis Island opens as a US immigration inspection station, becomes the gateway to the US for more than 12 million people
- Basketball rules first published in Triangle Magazine, written by James Naismith
- The Coca-Cola Company is incorporated in Atlanta, Georgia
- 1st appearance of "Pledge of Allegiance"
- 1st commercial long-distance phone line opens (Chicago-NY)
- Grover Cleveland elected 24th US President after serving 1st term as the 22nd
- Pneumatic automobile tire patented, Syracuse, NY
- General Electric Company formed