

OUTREACH COMMUNITY TIMES

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Farmer City Haunted Forest

Fri., Oct. 26 • 6p.m.-11p.m.

Sat, Oct. 27 • 3p.m.-11p.m.

The Farmer City Haunted Forest is a Haunted Hay rack Ride through the Salt Creek Campsites, located in South Park just south of Farmer City. The hay rack ride takes you around South Park and then into the Haunted Forest where the campsites are decorated in various haunted Halloween themes. Beware of the live scares you may encounter on your ride.

We offer a matinee

on Sat. between 3-6 p.m. for visitors to ride through the campsites during the daylight hours and without live scares. A costume contest for kids and adults will happen during the matinee. Kids games, a barrel train, and bounce house will be available during the matinee hours also.

Food Vendors on site both days. Restrooms are available. Donations accepted. Please park in designated areas only.

www.facebook.com/FarmerCityHauntedForest/

Basket Binga

Outreach will host their annual Basket Binga fundraiser at the American Legion on Oct. 13. Doors open to the public at 11:30am with Binga starting promptly at 1 pm. Lunch will be available for purchase by Two Reds Bar B Q. They offer Pulled Pork, Pulled Chicken, potato salad, cole slaw, baked beans, apple crisp, and chips.

We also have many vendors available showing/selling their wares and giving you plenty of ideas for Christmas gifts. If you make or sell something and would like a

space to set up give me a call at 309-928-9400.

The cost of this fun afternoon is \$15 in advance for a book of 20 Binga cards, \$20 at the door. Extra books may be purchased for \$5. Tickets can be bought at Outreach or the Medicine Shop. You may also call Outreach at 309-928-9400 to reserve your ticket at the advance sale price.

Mark your calendar now so you don't forget and come join us for an afternoon of fun and hopefully you will win a Longaberger Basket.

Public meeting - Safe Routes to School



The City of Farmer City will hold a public meeting to hear your thoughts on new sidewalk and sidewalk replacement for elementary school age children. Please attend our forum on October 17, 2018 at 6 pm in the Blue Ridge High School Cafeteria.

The Safe Routes to School program is a federal program that facilitates bicycling and walking as a safe alternative to get to school.

We hope to receive a 100% reimbursable grant that will enable us to repair and replace sidewalks within a 2 mile radius of Schneider School.

Please come out and let us know where you would like to see better or new sidewalks! Questions, please call (309) 928-3412.

City News

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council Meetings, First and Third Mon. of the Month at 6pm

SEPT PICK-UPS:

Trash: Every Thursday
Recycling: Oct: 4, 18
If Holiday Pick-Ups will be on Friday

BURNING

You can burn landscape waste every month BUT July and Aug., on Thur., Fri., and Sat. between 8a – 7p

Brush Clean Up:

Brush pick up will be the last Wednesday of the month. Call City Hall at 928-3412 to arrange pick up. Yard waste needs to be in biodegradable paper bags NO plastic. Piles larger than 6'x6'x8' will have a fee for pick up.

8th Annual Christmas Expo

If you like to one stop shop? Do you like lots of different choices? Well here is your chance to do both. On November 10 at the American Legion you can shop over 30 vendors at the 8th Annual Christmas Expo. This Expo offers many different items from homemade take it with you to ordering for delivery later. For more information call Mary Walker Kimble at 309-826-0395

Fruit Sales Once Again

Outreach will start its annual Fruit, meat and cheese sale on Oct 3. If you haven't tried the fresh fruit that Outreach sells you are definitely missing something. We offer Oranges, grapefruit, pears, apples, mangos, as well as Summer sausage, beef sticks, cheese spreads, cheese blocks, and jerky. A new item last year that was a big hit was the Cherry Maple Elk Bites. These were so popular I had to order a second batch.

Orders will be taken

until November 16 with delivery being the second week of December. This is excellent fruit and keeps for a long time in the fridge. (I often eat my last orange in early March)

These items make wonderful Christmas gifts for those hard to buy for people on your shopping list, so give us a call (309-928-9400) or stop by Outreach and check out the many options that are available. Remember, I need your order by Nov. 16.

Christmas Shop coming once again

Outreach will once again host a Christmas Shop for parents and/or legal guardians of Blue Ridge School District. We offer free shopping for qualifying parents or legal guardians each year for toys and gifts that are purchased by donations so that all children have a happy Christmas.

Outreach accepts donations of money to purchase these toys or toys that individuals buy and donate to us to fill our "shop" so the parents or legal guardians have a large selection to choose from. We offer toys for children from 6mos to 12 years of age.

When I hear a parent say oh wow, this is just what (child's name) wants, he/she will be so happy I just want to say "can I come to your house and see their face when they open it?" It is very rewarding to see

the look on the faces of grateful parents that they can give their child something for Christmas and know you had a small part in making it possible.

We also keep the children busy with a craft while parents are shopping. This year I have something special for the kids and I think they will really enjoy it.

Mark your calendar for Dec. 15 for the Christmas shop. Parents, you will be getting information in your child's backpack to remind you of this date.

If anyone would like to donate to this program you may send your donation to Outreach P.O. Box 101 Farmer City, IL 61842 or you may drop it off at Outreach. Also if you would like to volunteer to help on that day or if you would like to be a shopper let me know at 309-928-9400.



City-wide Offices Election

City-wide Offices Election to be held April 2, 2019

Mayoral and Council member Petition packets may be picked up at the City Clerk's office, 105 S Main St beginning Sept. 18. Mon.-Fri. 8 am -4 pm.

Filing of petitions will be Dec. 10-17, 2018

and our offices will be open until 5 pm on Dec. 17.

Positions up for election are the Mayor (4-year term); two (2) council members (4-year terms)

Questions, please call City Clerk Sandy Shaw at (309) 928-3412

His & Hers Dinner Steak Or Chicken

Farmer City

Jan 5, 2019

American Legion

Feb 2, 2019

RT 150

Mar 2, 2019

Near Fairgrounds

Apr 6, 2019

Oct 6, 2018

Serving Time 5 - 7pm

Nov 3, 2018

Everyone Is Welcome

Dec 1, 2018

EXERCISE

We have several opportunities to exercise at Outreach for you to consider. One group is called FC Group Fitness. On Mon. evenings at 5pm is Strength and Cardio with Danielle Harden, instructor; Tue. at 7:30 pm is Circuit Training with Annie Bowns ; and Wed. at 7 (sometimes 7:20) is Beach Body Insanity live with Veronica Daughtery.

For more information on these you may contact Andrea Weedman on Facebook.

WE NEED MORE RIDERS

Get door to door shopping trips to Clinton. The bus will pick you up at your house drop off and pick you up from these areas: IGA; Save-A-Lot; Walmart or anywhere you want to shop in Clinton, you can go to more than one store per trip. They will bring you back to your house, and help you bring in your groceries. The cost is \$5. You do not need to go and get to the bus, it will come to you. We need at least three riders to have a trip.

This bus is handicap accessible so if you are in a wheelchair you can ride. To sign up for rides or want more information call: 309-928-9400.