

Fall Festival

This was a work schedule for the Annual Fall Festival that was held in Sept. of each year prior to the Turkey Trot. Not sure it was a fund raiser as much as it was a community get-together. This one was held on Sept. 26 of 1971 and this was the last one held as the next year the Turkey Trot Festival took its place and this event was discontinued just like the Annual Picnic.

MONTGOMERY RURITAN FALL FESTIVAL

September 26, 1971

Publicity Chairman: Albert Kavanaugh
Public Address System: Ralph Dages
Princess of the Lake Ceremony: Chris O'Brian, Gary Graber, Walter Downey

Fishing Derby: 3:00-4:00: Bob Hart, Chairman, John Hart, Tom Webber

Hog Calling Contest: 3:30-4:00: Jim Nolley, Jim O'Brian

Barr-Reeve Band: 4:00-4:30

Foot Race (Adults & Children), Husband & Wife Sack Race: 4:30-4:45
Everett Harrawood, chairman, Joe Traylor

Pin Tossing: 4:30-4:45: Jim O'Brian, chairman, Jim Nolley

Hoola Hoop Contest: 4:45-5:00; George Nolan, Chairman, Hank Wittmer

Canoe Race: 5:00-5:30: Bob Elliott, chairman,

Children's Foot Race: 5:00-5:30: Louis Kavanaugh, chairman, Bob Showalter

Watermelon Contest: 5:30-6:00: Jim Traylor, chairman, Fr. Anders

Pig Roasting: throughout the afternoon: Charles Hart, chairman, Virgil
Clements and crew

Lunch Stand:

Jim Murphy, chairman
Bill Feagans
Steve Murphy
Loe Ryan
Joe Gray
Odius Hinkla

Bill Loughmiller
Bernie Duncheon
Jim Parsons
Lois Winger
Louis McGee

Construction of Lunch Stand: Max Burkhart, chairman, Louis Clements, Clyde
Schnarr

7:00-8:00 P.M.

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SATURDAY AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 26, WORKING PARTY AT THE PARK. TRY TO ATTEND!

Also found in the documents of Chris O'Brian was the workers Lists for the First Annual Fall Festival. It did not state when the first Festival started but had a lot of the events that was like that listed above. The other work schedule had duties listed as construction of the Flag Pole by Joe Arvin who was the First Ruritan President and the erection of the Flag Pole, Amateur Hour Group, Camp Fire, Indian Dance Group Arrangements and each had people assigned to carry out these duties. The Princess of the Lake Ceremony was when the Queen came across the Lake and Landed next to Indian Rock which was a huge rock with a plaque on it and now a landmark in the Park. These events were not so much a fund raiser as they were just getting the community together to socialize and have a good time. It brought the community together and helped to build the community for what it is today.