

Heritage Day, Antique Tractor Ride Set July 25-26

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A full list of activities is planned for this year's River Hills Antique Tractor Club Adventure Ride on July 26 which will be preceded by the Perryville Chamber of Commerce Heritage Day on July 25 this year.

The Heritage Day meal will be at the Seminary Picnic grounds beginning with a social

530 to the historic Apple Creek Church where there will be a tour of the church and a chance to explore a cave on the grounds that features a 20-foot waterfall that disappears into an underground river. The cave functioned as shelter for the Shawnee Indians years ago. Today the site is part of a shrine to the Blessed Mother.

The parade will proceed on to Buchheits in Biehle where lunch will be served by the FFA

841 Ford Is Featured Tractor In Antique Tractor Parade

This 1959 841 Ford tractor owned by Bob Hahs Farms in Friedheim is the featured tractor at this year's River Hills Antique Tractor Adventure. The 50 hp tractor is one of the first machines with 4 wheel drive. Hahs bought it in an eastern state six years ago, and spent his time since then bringing it back to its original state. The engine, transmission, rear end was all taken apart and restored like the original. Even the battery has the old Ford emblem on it, and the tractor even has original tires. See this gem for yourself at the River Hills Antique Tractor Adventure on July 26.



hour at 5 p.m. with dinner served about 6:30 p.m. On the menu are fried chicken, mashed potatoes, green beans, slaw, sliced tomatoes and bread. Dinner tickets at \$8 each must be purchased by July 21 at the Perryville Chamber of Commerce office.

This year's guest speaker will be Walter Redden, president of the Missouri FFA. The Chamber is also welcoming back Wayne Cryts this year to tell "the rest of the story." Cryts is well known throughout Southeast Missouri as an agricultural advocate/speaker. Cousin Carl from K106 will also be speaking before Cryts.

Those who are driving their tractors in Friday for the Heritage Day event may leave them on the picnic grounds as there will be a guard on duty overnight. For more information about the dinner or program, call Melissa Hemmann at 573-547-6062.

The Antique Tractor Club Adventure Ride will leave the Seminary Grounds at 8:30 a.m. on July 26, proceeding down Highway 61 to PCR

chapter. Then the tour proceeds down B Road to Shakertown where the last stop of the day is planned. From there the route will follow Highway K about one-and-one-half miles to PCR 600, then to Highway 51, to the Outer Road of I-55 and back to the picnic grounds for a distance of 36 miles. Expected arrival at the picnic grounds is between 3:30 and 4 p.m.

To apply for a spot on the ride, contact Marsha Lappe at 573-788-2766. Applications must include name, address, phone number, tractor and mph information and a signature. Applicants must also provide a current insurance waiver and the \$40 entry fee, payable to River Hills Antique Tractor Club. An additional \$10 is needed for buddy seat riders. If the tractor goes "road slow" at the 8 mph speed, please specify that so it can be grouped accordingly. Send these to Lappe at 946 Coulter Pine Lane, Friedheim, Mo 63747. Tractors and drivers must abide by rules and regulations, available at registration. Deadline for entry is July 18. Δ