

2008

2008

GLADWIN COUNTY

August 8th - 10th

Fairgrounds



CARRIAGE FESTIVAL

Schedule of Events

Daily Events—August 8—10, 2008

- Mohawk Valley Militia (Colonial Militia Re-enactment)—Fairgrounds
- 10th Michigan Infantry (Civil War Re-enactment)—Fairgrounds
- Buffalo Soldiers (Post-civil war Black Indian Fighters Re-enactment)—Fairgrounds
- Gladwin County Friends of the Library Quilt Show & Sale
- Carriage Displays and Exhibits—Fairgrounds
- Airplane rides—Airport (Easy walking distance from the Mohawk Valley Militia encampment site.)
- Carriage Rides through town and park to Riverwalk Place
- Vendor, Crafts and Arts exhibits—Fairgrounds
- Historical Village—Gladwin County Historical Society

Friday, August 8, 2008

- 8:00 am Check-in continues (registered participants are encouraged to check-in on Thursday evening if possible)
- ?:00 pm Safety Clinic and Driver's Meeting
- Noon - 8 pm Daily Activities at the Fairgrounds
- Noon - 8 pm Cedar Ranch—Activities & Displays for the younger set at the Fairgrounds. (Meals and snack foods available)
- 1:00 - 12 pm Entertainment (Beer) Barn—live performances, dancing, entertainment—Fairgrounds.
Alcoholic beverages may be consumed within the designated area.

Saturday, August 9, 2008

- 7:00 - 12 am Dawn Patrol Fly-in at Airport & Sausage & Pancake Breakfast (open to the public)
- 8:00 - 10 am Final Safety inspection of all participating vehicles
- 11:00 am Grande Promenade (parade) through Gladwin (Public votes on their favorite parade entries)
No motorized vehicles allowed. Begins at the fairgrounds and proceeds along Grout St. to Bowery and returns to the fairground via Cedar Ave. Spectators will vote for their favorites in various categories. During the Grande Promenade the South side of Cedar Avenue will be closed to automobile parking. It's expected that the Grande Promenade may last an hour or so.
- 1:00 pm Antique Appraisals—Gladwin County Fairgrounds
- 1:30 - 8 pm Daily Activities at the Fairgrounds
- 1:30 - 8 pm Cedar Ranch—Activities & Displays for the younger set at the Fairgrounds. (Meals and snack foods available)
- 1:30 pm Picnic at the Brook (Driver & 1 passenger admitted free) Entertainment by Subterranean Strings Dulcimer Club
- 12:30 - 12 pm Entertainment (Beer) Barn—live performances, dancing, entertainment—Fairgrounds (opens after the promenade).
Alcoholic beverages may be consumed within the designated area. Entertainment to begin after bagpipe concert.
- 2:00 pm Midland Highlanders—Bagpipe Band Concert—Fairgrounds
Spectator event—Mohawk Valley Militia adult and youth members compete to prove their skill.
- 4:00 pm Base Ball—Mighty River Hogs vs. Gladwin County River Rats—Fairgrounds
Bring a blanket or stool and watch Base Ball the way it was played before Abner Doubleday wrote his rule book.
- 6:00 pm Personal Pace Leisure Driving Event—Various locations around Gladwin
Drivers follow a prescribed course through the community with stops at several points. The optimum time to complete the route (including time for breaks) is pre-determined, and the driver closest to that time is the winner.

Sunday, August 10, 2008

- 7:00 - 12 am Dawn Patrol Fly-in at Airport & Sausage & Pancake Breakfast (open to the public)
 - 10:00 am Old-time church service (Fairgrounds Grandstand) & Mohawk Valley Militia service (encampment site)
Local houses of worship also welcome Festival participants. Drive your carriage to church!
 - 11:30 am Box Lunch Social hosted by Stone Cottage Gardens—Fairgrounds (Driver & 1 passenger admitted free)
 - 12:00 - 5 pm Daily Activities at the Fairgrounds
 - 12:00 - 5 pm Cedar Ranch—Activities & Displays for the younger set at the Fairgrounds. (Meals and snack foods available)
 - Noon - 4 pm Entertainment (Beer) Barn—live performances, dancing, entertainment—Fairgrounds.
 - 1:00 pm MHDVA Carriage Obstacle Course—Fairgrounds (Free)
 - 2:00 pm Draft Horse Skills Competition—Fairgrounds (Free)
 - 4:00 pm Awards, Raffle Drawing & Closing Ceremonies—Fairgrounds (Free)
- Schedule is subject to change. Please check at the information kiosk for the latest information or call (989) 246-0784