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Rutledge-Wilson's annual Fall Fest opens Sept. 21

Rutledge-Wilson Farm Park's annual Fall Fest opens Saturday, Sept. 21, kicking off six weekends fall-themed family fun at Rutledge-Wilson Farm Park, 3825 W. Farm Rd. 146, Springfield.

Meander through the corn maze, pick your own pumpkin, and more Saturdays, 11 a.m.-6 p.m., and Sundays, noon-6 p.m., through Oct. 27. Admission is free, but some activities have a small fee. Activities include:

- **Pumpkin Patch-** Pick your own pumpkin (prices based on weight).
- **Corn Maze-** Get lost in the 10-acre corn maze.
- **Hay Maze-** Meander through a maze of large round hay bales, ideal for small children.
- **Cow Train-** Kids and adults ride the one-of-a-kind Cow Train through the park.
- **Corn Canon-** Shoot an ear of corn through the canon, prizes awarded to those who hit the target.
- **Hay Rides-** Tour the park with your family on the tractor-drawn hay ride.
- **Inflatables-** Jump and play in the inflatables.
- **Pony Rides-** Saturdays only, the Valley Water Mill Equestrian Center brings ponies for children to ride.

Additional activities vary throughout the festival, including crafts, face-painting, pumpkin-painting, temporary tattoos and more.

Starting Oct. 4, stay late for The Haunted Trail, which includes a hay ride to the trail entrance, where brave souls are dropped off to explore a frightening 1/4-mile loop through the woods, where they may encounter a number of terrifying characters. The Haunted Trail is open Fridays and Saturdays, 6-10 p.m., Oct. 4 - 27. The Pumpkin Patch and Corn Maze also stay open late while the Haunted Trail is open. Admission is \$5/person, children 12 & under must be accompanied by an adult.

For more information, call Rutledge-Wilson Farm Park at 417-837-5949. For media inquiries, contact Jenny Fillmer Edwards, Public Information Administrator for the Springfield-Greene County Park Board, at 417-874-2176 or 417-224-5510.