



# Newsletter

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## Alumni EDGAR FFA Truck & Tractor Pull

\$5000 Purse

### Saturday • July 27, 2019

2019 Edition

**CASH RAFFLE**  
\$2500 Payout

**E.L.M Repair**  
127441 Opportunity Lane, Edgar

**General Admission: \$10.00**  
Under 12 Free with Paid Admission

**Start Time: 11:00 am**  
Farm/Truck Classes Approx Time: 2:00 pm  
(Truck Classes in Order with Farm Weight Classes)

**Entry Information** 2 People Admitted Per Pulling Vehicle

<p><b>Antique / Virgin Stock</b> 4000, 4500, 5000, 5500, 6000 \$10.00 Entry • No Payback • Ribbons 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> 16 Inch Draw-bar • No Suitcase Weights 10% RPM Limit</p>	<p><b>Antique Semi Stock</b> 4000, 4500, 5000, 5500, 6000 \$15.00 Entry • 50% - 30% - 20% Payback Contact Kelly Soczka 715-370-0307 20 Inch Draw-bar • Wheelie Bars 10% RPM Limit 4 MPH (Speed Board)</p>	<p><b>Street Stock 4x4 Diesel Trucks</b> \$25.00 Entry Payout: \$250, \$150, \$100, \$50, \$25 Contact Cory Soczka 715-432-6537 D.O.T. Legal Tires • Current Valid Registration</p>
<p><b>Farm</b> 6500, 7500, 9500, 11500, 12500, 14000 \$25.00 Entry • 100% Payout Contact Kelly Soczka 715-370-0307 20 Inch Draw-bar • Shift On The Go 3000 RPM Limit Wheelie Bars Highly Recommended No Aluminum Rims Allowed Safety Equipment Helmet 8 MPH (Speed Board)</p>	<p><b>Hot Farm</b> 5000, 7500, 9500 (Money Class), 11500 \$25.00 Entry 9500 Payout: \$500, \$400, \$300, \$200, \$100 Sponsored By:  Brian Goetz Contact Kelly Soczka 715-370-0307 20 Inch Draw-bar • Wheelie Bars Safety Equipment: Helmet • Flywheel / Clutch Protection Kill Switch / Air Shut Off Additional Safety Equipment</p>	<p><b>Modified Diesel Trucks</b> \$25.00 Entry Payout: \$400, \$300, \$225, \$150, \$75 Contact Cory Soczka 715-432-6537 D.O.T. Legal Tires • Current Valid Registration</p>
<p><b>Street Stock Semi</b> Money Class \$1,000 Purse Contact Evan Lang 715-581-5320 Sponsored By: </p>		

## ***Evan's Notes:***

# Summer Trucking Preparations



While it is common knowledge that trucks must be prepared for cold weather and poor conditions, it is equally important that trucks be prepared for the heat of summer. High temperatures can put strain on the mechanical components, and hot asphalt can increase the risks of blowouts and tire damage. To prevent mechanical failures and costly repairs, it is important to properly prepare trucks prior to summer usage.

## Summer Trucking Maintenance Preparations

To ensure that the tires are safe for use in hot conditions, the tire pressure should be checked when temperatures begin to rise, and on a regular basis throughout the summer. Tires typically lose about one psi per month, but may lose more when temperatures shift dramatically. Underinflated tires have a higher chance of catastrophic blowouts, especially if the outside temperature exceeds 90 degrees. Underinflated and overinflated tires also decrease fuel efficiency and wear out faster.

### **Mechanical Systems**

Prior to operating a truck during the summer, it is important that all fluids be topped off and all systems receive proper maintenance. Belts should be checked and replaced as needed, and any recommended maintenance based on mileage should be completed. Air conditioning should be inspected prior to the season to ensure functionality, as a failed air conditioning unit can pose health risks for the driver.

### **Refrigerated Trucks**

High temperatures put additional strain on refrigeration units, so it is imperative to test cooled compartments regularly and perform maintenance as needed. Refrigeration failures during the heat of summer can be costly for trucking companies, both in terms of repairs and damaged shipments. Refrigeration failures can also impact customer relations when deliveries fail to be delivered on time and in good condition.

# Summer Trucking Cleaning Preparations



Removing leftover residues from winter sand and salt can help to improve the efficiency of vehicles and prevent costly corrosion repairs down the road. When cleaning trucks in preparation for the summer, it is important to ensure that hidden places on the truck are cleaned as well as the outside. The radiator, undercarriage, and other hard to reach areas may harbor sand and chemical build-ups that can damage systems.

## Driver Summer Preparations

Truck drivers should also be sure to properly prepare for summer by staying hydrated and taking precautions. Drivers that are exposed to the sun for long periods of time when making deliveries should wear protective clothing and sunscreen. Drivers should also be sure to rest in cooled areas when necessary to prevent against heat stroke. Truck drivers that are operating while overheated or dehydrated not only put themselves and the delivery in danger, but also pose a risk to other drivers.

*Evan*

## Welcoming A New Face



We would like to welcome Greg Haring Jr. Greg is from Marathon Wisconsin and joined us May 1, 2019. He will be a technician on our second shift bringing four years of experience to our crew. In his free-time he likes to hunt and fish. Welcome to the E.L.M. Repair family!

# Summer Driving Tips for Truckers

Summer is just around the corner, as Memorial Day unofficially kicks off the warm-weather season. However, if you have a truck driving job, the summer season means a whole new set of issues to be aware of and safety measures to take. Follow these tips for summer driving safety.

1. **Use Protection Against the Sun** – Just because you are in a truck does not mean you are protected from the sun. While the rays of sun shining through the driver’s side window can feel great, there are serious risks associated with this, including sunburns and odd tan lines. The left side of your body takes the biggest toll from the sun. Even when you are inside your cabin, wear sunscreen. Hats, sunglasses, and long sleeve shirts can also help protect you.
2. **Stay Hydrated** – Even though you are in an air-conditioned truck you can still get dehydrated. Make sure to have a bottle of water to stay hydrated and an extra bottle of water available in case something happens. Aim to drink about eight glasses of water every day.
3. **Watch Out for Extra Drivers** – In the summer months, there are more people on the road than any other season. This Memorial Day Weekend, more than 33 million Americans are expected to hit the road. These drivers will be on roads they are unfamiliar with, which can oftentimes lead to erratic and dangerous driving. And for truck drivers, this means the roads are that much less safe. To lessen your chance of an accident, stay alert on the road and be aware of what’s happening all times.
4. **Use Caution in Work Zones** – More roadwork is done in the summer months than during any other time. It’s always important to be careful in a work zone because of the danger of potentially hitting a worker. In addition, fines for speeding and other violations are often doubled or tripled in a work zone.
5. **Keep Tires Properly Inflated** – Tire blowouts aren’t uncommon in the extreme heat. Under-inflated tires can increase the risk of having a blowout. Be sure that tires are properly inflated before heading out on a delivery run.
6. **Check the Brakes** – Summer’s hot temperatures can lead to brake fading or the loss of friction when brake components can’t absorb any additional heat. Always check the brakes to make sure they are functioning properly.
7. **Be Aware of the Weather** – Summer can bring severe weather, such as storms and floods. In addition, the weather can change very quickly. Make sure to be aware of the weather up ahead and what could be coming to the area. This way you are never caught off guard, and can change your route if needed.

**Thank you!**

**We would like to thank everyone who participated in helping us collect goods for the local Circle of Joy food drive. It is very much appreciated!**

# Mary's Corner

## Summer coleslaw

½	<b>savoy cabbage</b> (shredded)
2	<b>carrots</b> (peeled and julienned)
1 stalk	<b>celery</b> (finely chopped)
1	<b>red onion</b> (sliced)
2 tablespoons	<b>capers</b> (rinsed)
1 small handfuls	<b>flat-leaf parsley</b> (chopped)
4 tablespoons	<b>mayonnaise</b>
2 tablespoons	<b>lemon juice</b>
1 tablespoon	<b>white wine vinegar</b>

1. Place the cabbage, carrots, celery, red onion, capers and parsley in a large serving bowl.
2. Make a dressing by whisking the mayonnaise, lemon juice and vinegar together.
3. Toss the slaw with the dressing and season to taste with sea salt and freshly ground black pepper.



## Upcoming Events

July 4<sup>th</sup> -5<sup>th</sup>- Independence Day  
E.L.M. Repair Closed

July 11<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> Hodag Country Festival

July 11<sup>th</sup>- 14<sup>th</sup> Balloon & Rib Fest  
Wausau, WI

July 27<sup>th</sup> Edgar FFA Alumni Tractor  
and Truck pull

July 30<sup>th</sup>- August 4<sup>th</sup> Wisconsin Valley Fair

August 15<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> Athens World's fair

August 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> Northcentral WI Antique  
Steam and Gas Engine show

September 2<sup>nd</sup>- Labor Day  
E.L.M. Repair Closed

September 27<sup>th</sup>- 29<sup>th</sup> Warren's  
Cranberry Festival

## ***Fill a Backpack Fill a Need***

This year we will be hosting the Fill a Backpack Fill a Need program. Items may be dropped off from **July 1- August 30, 7am- 7 pm**. We will be looking for the following: new backpacks, colored pencils, red pens, high lighters, wide lined note books, glue and glue sticks, sanitary wipes and hand sanitizer.

September means children will be back in school. Please slow down, be alert and cautious of school buses and children crossing streets.

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