# Following the Farm Museum Fall Edition

### Welcome back to the Farm Museum!

Explore the new, socially distanced activities we are offering outside:

Experience one of our new outdoor, guided tours (Wednesday thru Sunday).

Play on our farm-themed playground.

Bring a lunch to enjoy at our picnic tables.

Discover our child-friendly scavenger hunts.

Learn how to play a vintage outdoor game.

Please follow all appropriate and state-mandated social distancing guidelines. Masks are recommended outside and required inside the administration office.

> Monday-Friday: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday & Sunday: Noon to 4 p.m. Admission: \$3 per adult/\$10 per family



### Come PLAY at the Farm Museum

- The Museum playground is open. As with the county parks, we recommend people wear masks, bring hand sanitizer and avoid congregating at the playground. Please respect other visitors and keep a social distance.
- The Museum's picnic tables are available for those who want to bring a lunch or snack. Please follow the state's outdoor dining guidelines for restaurants—tables spaced at least 6 feet apart with no more than 6 people.
- Explore our new child-friendly scavenger hunts one with photos and one with text questions so both younger and older children can enjoy them.
- Learn how to play a vintage game like Red Light, Green Light, Telephone and more.
- Enjoy a game of checkers on our newly refurbished checkerboards.
- Visit with our Farmyard Friends. We have oxen, sheep, goats, poultry and rabbits for 2020.



## Enjoy One of Our New Outdoor Tours

• Farmyard Friends Tour – A discussion of the farm animals here at the Museum and the role they played on the farm including the chores and animal care children would have had to perform.

• Hoff Barn Tour – A discussion of the Hoff Barn, the time period in which it was built, notable facts about this 1700s barn and the Museum's two oxen teams – Jack and Jim and Bud and Bo.

• Historic Buildings Tour – A guided outdoor tour leading visitors past the Museum's many historic outbuildings including the Springhouse, Corn Crib, Historic Blacksmith Forge and Alms Barn. Visitors will learn the role each building played on the farm.

### Tour Guidelines

• Each tour lasts about 15 minutes with additional time for questions as needed.

• Tour groups are limited to 10 people or less and should be from the same group/ family.

• Guides meet visitors at a designated outdoor location. They always maintain the proper six-foot social distance and wear masks when they are with visitors. They also carry hand sanitizer. There are also hand sanitizer station onsite.

• The Hoff Barn tour is offered at 11 a.m. Wednesday through Friday. The Historic Buildings tours is offered at 1 p.m. Wednesday through Friday. The Farmyard Friends tour can be offered in place of either of these tours if a group includes children or if they prefer this topic.

• On Saturday and Sunday, the Museum is open noon to 4 p.m. Tours are offered at noon, 1, 2 and 3 p.m.

• There are self-guided handouts available that can be distributed if a visitor doesn't want to take the guided tour or arrives after tours have ended for the day. The rest of the Museum's outbuildings are already self-guided.

The Farmhouse and Living History Center will remain closed for now because they are too small to allow for required social distancing Just a reminder that The Maryland Wine Festival & the Fall Harvest Celebration have been cancelled for 2020.

### We are already planning for our 2021 season!

If you are interested in being a vendor at one of our future events, please contact Dana at dwachter@carrollcountymd.gov or 410-386-3899.

If you are interested in having your wedding at the Farm Museum, please contact Sharon at samartin@carrollcountymd.gov or 410-386-3886.

If you are interested in becoming a Museum sponsor, please contact Dana at dwachter@carrollcountymd.gov or 410-386-3899.







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