

# FAMILY FARM FIELD DAY 2011



Save the date of July 16, 2011 for the Family Farm Field Day at Henry and Susie Hershberger's farm. The keynote speaker is Jack Lazor from Butterworks Farm in Vermont. The Lazor family have marketed their milk in yogurt and other dairy added value products and generate their own energy. He will be sharing "Agriculture: Building Sustainable Community". The Field Day will have an Alternative Energy Tent with speakers and demonstrations. The Homestead Tent will have soap making, David Schlabach on Brambles for Backyard, Preserving Traditional Foods with Doug Flack and other sessions. Farmstead Tent will feature Jack Lazor and his use of composting and soil fertility, cutting up a beef by Valley Farm Butchering, Poultry Basics on Pastured Based Poultry and sheep producer panel on growing lambs to market and other presentations. The Grazing and Dairy tent will have David Zartman on grazing in Ohio, practical preventive practices by local Veterinarian Travis Thompson, farmer panel and other talks. Natural Resource tent will activities related to timber, hunting and demonstrations. The children's tent will host hands display with microscopes, bugs, rescue dog working, and other events. New activity this year will be the Friday evening vendor show. All vendors will be set up by 4:30 p.m. July 15, 2011. Families and individuals are invited to come and browse through the displays and talk to the vendors. Food stand will be open on Friday night and all day Saturday.

The field day is free. The goal is encourage grass based agriculture activities that have lower energy and promote family lifestyles around the farmstead and homestead. Sponsors to date include: JDS Seeds, LE Sommers, Killbuck Savings Bank, Commercial & Savings Bank, Keepers At Home, Organic Valley, Buckeye Blanket, Schlabach Nursery, Pioneer Equipment, Coblenz Collars, Twin Oaks Barns, Fertrell Company, Holmes Lumber, Holmes County SWCD, Dave Kaufman Realty, Maple Valley Fence, KT Barns and Helfter's Company Stores.

## **Family Farm Field Day Location:**

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