

THE RED BARN REPORT

COMING SOON

Lil' Farmers Field

Our new exhibit offers children a place to read, interact with child centered exhibits, create stories about the farm, play farm games and learn about agriculture in our child friendly environment.

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F A R M M U S E U M O P E N S B A R N D O O R S



This was a day many waited years for. It all started with a man and a dream. The dream became a vision and the vision became a reality. His name was Luther Welch, his dream, a place that would help to educate people about agriculture, past and present.

With the help of many hard working, dedicated volunteers, The Northern Neck Farm Museum opened to the public on May 24, 2008. About 500 people including state and local figures gathered to help celebrate the

B A R N Y A R D B O N A N Z A

On Saturday May 9, 2009, The Farm Museum opened to the public to celebrate with a Barnyard Bonanza. Pony rides, quilters, weavers & spinners, tractor pulls, antique cars, farm animals galore and lots of delicious food made for a FARMTASTIC day for all!! A special "Thank You" to all the exhibitors who donated their time and efforts to help make the Barnyard Bonanza a huge success.

BOOK IN A BAG PROGRAM:

We are proud to announce our newest program, designed for children and their families. We invite you to check out one of your favorite children's books from our "Book Tree." Then find a quiet spot on the museum grounds or even share a picnic while you read your book. This program was funded by a generous grant from Pioneer Seed.

GETTING TO KNOW NNFMM BOARD
MEMBERS: BONNIE CHANDLER & LEE
SANDERS

1. Which county do you live in?

Bonnie: Westmoreland County, since 1972

Lee: Richmond County

2. What was the last movie you saw? What is your Favorite Movie?

Bonnie: Grand Torino with Clint Eastwood; Wizard of Oz (my first movie ever at age 3 1/2)

Lee: Old Western. I like anything with Clint Eastwood or John Wayne

3. What are your Hobbies?

Bonnie: Playing Bridge, painting, gardening

Lee: Hunting and Farming

4. Do you have any children? Any Pets?

Bonnie: We have 2 daughters and 4 grandchildren; I have one dog named "Lady Fairfax".

Lee: I have one son, Garnet and twenty beagles

5. What is one thing you cannot live without? Why?

Bonnie: Electricity-I am miserable without power.

Lee: A red Ford Truck, It is who I am.

6. What is the one thing people would be surprised to know about you?

Bonnie: I was a parts manager in a Chevrolet dealership.

Lee: There are no surprises about me.

7. What is the best thing about NNFMM?

Bonnie: All of the hard working volunteers

Lee: The "can do" attitude of everyone associated with the museum.

8. If you could go anywhere in the world where would you go? Why?

Bonnie: Outer Space. I have always been fascinated by the heavens and stars.

Lee: I traveled a lot when I worked for the Government, but I didn't find a place I'd rather be than Richmond County.

9. If you could have lunch with anyone who would it be? Why?

Bonnie: Warren Buffet. I might get a contribution for the Museum's Capital Fund.

Lee: Clint Eastwood. He is the World's Greatest Movie Star.

10. What is a date on your calendar that you are looking forward to? Why?

Bonnie: November 23, 2010, because I will be eligible for Medicare.

Lee: The day we get the Big Red Barn built (the permanent Museum). It is a goal that we will achieve together.

11. What is your favorite food to cook?

Bonnie: Homemade rolls

Lee: I do not cook.

12. What is your favorite meal?

Bonnie: Shrimp Creole, peas, baked apples and bread pudding with lemon sauce

Lee: Prime Rib

13. Who is your hero? Why?

Bonnie: My husband, I admire him for his patience, his concern for others and his love for farming

Lee: Mickey Mantle, I have been a Yankee fan all my life.

Event Rental:

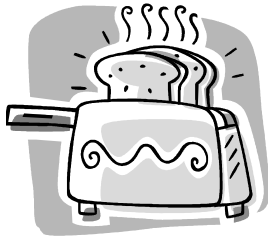
The Northern Neck Farm Museum is now available for your events. Planning a group function or party? Contact the Museum for more information on scheduling your next event.

In 2009, our Educational Program, is supported by a generous grant from the Wiley Foundation. We thank them for their support.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

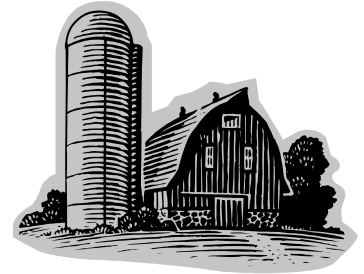
The Museum offers a wide variety of educational programs based on The Virginia Standards of Learning. Contact our Education Coordinator at 804.761.5952 to schedule a field trip for your class or group.

Wanted: Household/Kitchen Items Needed



The Northern Neck Farm Museum is currently working on our newest exhibit “The Life of a Farm Wife” set to focus on women and their role on the farm. With our latest project, we are building a farm house style kitchen in the Museum. In order to finish this exhibit, we are in need of household and kitchen items. We are looking for vintage appliances, cookware, utensils, gadgets, dishware, and aprons. If you would like to donate or loan any items for our kitchen exhibit, please contact us at 804-761-5952.

Meet NNFM's Educational Coordinator – Heather Drinkwater



The Northern Neck Farm Museum would like to welcome Heather Drinkwater, their new Educational Coordinator. Heather and her family recently moved to the Northern Neck from Norfolk, Virginia. With her background in education, Heather, will be working to develop our school programs, children's exhibits, coordinate volunteer “Farm Hands” and organize our newsletters. She currently lives in Richmond County with her husband, Justin and their two children, Nikolas and Alexandra. She brings to the museum tremendous enthusiasm, a strong background in working with children and the ability to get things done.

HELP NAME THE NEWSLETER

We are temporarily calling our newsletter, The Red Barn Report but would like to ask our readers to help name the newsletter. If you have a suggestion, for our Newsletter Name, please email it to us at: NNFarmMuseum@gmail.com

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Our volunteer “Farm Hands” program needs volunteers to help staff the Museum; assist with exhibits and work with students who visit the Museum with their school.

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F O R S A L E

Hours of Operation:

**The Museum will be open
April through October
Saturdays 10-2 and
Sundays 1-4.**

**Admission:
Adults, \$2.00
Children, \$1.00
Children under 6, Free**

***Family Memberships are
available**

The Northern Neck Farm Museum has a limited number of Collectable Tractors available for sale. The first in our series is the Allis Chalmers D-15 Hi-Crop which sells for \$70.00. Other models will be added to the collection in the future. Tractors can be purchased at the Museum Gift Shop or contact us by email at:

NNFarmMuseum@gmail.com

All proceeds go to support The Farm Museum.



**Allis Chalmers D-15 Hi-Crop
Tractor**