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Homeplace on Green River

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Homeplace primed for third win with fall festival

Homeplace on Green River is going for its third 2018 win September 8 with its Fall Heritage Family Festival. Coming off a record attendance plow day/spring festival and a very successful inaugural year of theater productions in the newly renovated barn, the historic farm expects to complete the trifecta with a record fall festival attendance

The strong new additions this year and returning favorites from past years are cause for high expectations for this 11th year of the festival.

Headlining the new activities September 8 will be Kay Gschwind and Ben Burgess with their Suffolk Punch draft horses demonstrating how logging was accomplished prior to tractors and log skidders. They will also bring a restorative forestry educational exhibit and demonstration of modern horse-logging methods, sponsored by the Southern Suffolk Punch Gathering Group.

There will be at least 50 artists and crafters, exhibitors and food vendors. Four music groups will be rocking the barn all day long.

The festival will see many of the most popular activities from previous years returning. Included will be Somerset's Liberty Nature Center with their raptors including hawks, falcons and Allegiant, the bald eagle. The alpacas from Barnett's Creek Farm will also be there. The festival is a family event, and special activities for the young and those who wish they were young will include hay rides, a barrel train, and a barn-sized hay maze. Food vendors will be selling pull pork, tenderloin, catfish, hot dogs, snow cones, lemonade, Mayfield ice cream and plenty of other festive foods

The list goes on and is still building. The only charge will be a \$10 per vehicle parking fee and anything spent for food and purchases from the artists and crafters. All other activities are free. The festival will be on-going from 9:00 until 5:00 EDT. ***For a complete list of activities scheduled see page 4***

Partial schedule set for fall show barn

Three stage performances are already scheduled for the fall season in the barn at Homeplace. They will be following a successful inaugural summer of stage performances in the recently renovated barn

The very popular *Smoke on the Mountain* will be returning to Homeplace September 29. Many who missed the June performance have asked for a return show so the Homeplace board and Lindsey Wilson Theater department decided to bring back Pastor Oglethorpe and all of the Sanders family. According to the reviews, *Smoke on the Mountain* is one of the most produced plays world-wide. Try it, you'll like it.

November 3, Lindsey Wilson Director of Theater and Kentucky Chautauqua performer Robert Brock will bring Abraham Lincoln's law partner for 18 years and Green County native Billy Herndon to the Homeplace stage.

Billy Herndon felt he knew Abraham Lincoln better than Lincoln knew himself. When Lincoln was leaving for his inauguration as our 16th President he told Herndon to keep his name on the shingle outside their office because he intended to return someday. But, of course, he did not.

Brock's portrayal of Herndon is fascinating, entertaining and informative history as recorded by Lincoln's long-time friend, Billy Herndon. Brock's presentation is made possible in part by The Kentucky Humanities Council and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Finally, December 5 Lindsey Wilsons choral director, Gerald Chafin will bring his singers to Homeplace to perform Handel's *Messiah*. They will be accompanied by members of the Louisville Orchestra. This performance has been an annual concert for several years, but this will be the first time it's been performed by the college's choir in an informal venue. It's a great way to welcome the Christmas season!

Additional shows for this fall are being considered. Check the Homeplace Web page at www.homeplacefarmky.org for schedule updates.

Seating for all of these performances is limited. Make your reservations now by calling or e-mailing Phil Hanna at cphanna51@msn.com or (270) 384-2894.



Thanks to the many friends of Homeplace who have made this inaugural summer for these performances in the barn a resounding success. We appreciate all of you—the players and those behind the scenes, those who purchased tickets and made other dollar contributions, those who helped with preparation of the barn and stage and have served on our board and in other capacities. We covet your continued support. If you wish to help us financially—and we do need your help—you can contact us on Facebook at *Homeplace on Green River Kentucky*, through one of our board members in person or leave messages on our phone at (270) 789-0006. You can also contribute through PayPal using the link on our Web page at www.homeplacefarmky.org.

What's up at the Fall Heritage Festival?

DEMONSTRATORS

Kay Gschwind and Ben Burgess: Suffolk Punch draft horses (sponsored by the Southern Suffolk Punch Group.)

Darlene Campbell: Native American language, culture and crafts

Anita Rees: Friendly standardbred former race horses.

Ken Hill and Colonial reenactors

Ed Huffman: Flint knapper

Mast Petting Farm

Howard Moran: Whittling

Lindsey Wilson College student nurses: Blood pressure checks and health information

Sam White: white oak shingles

Liberty Nature Center: Raptors including hawks, falcons, bald eagle, owls and others

And: Butter making, Hay maze, Barrel train, Hay rides, Hiking trails and more



ARTS AND CRAFTS VENDORS

Alisa's Attic: Alice Smith

Barnett's Creek Farm: Margie and Paul Phipps with their alpacas and alpaca wool products

Sloping Pastures goats milk soap and shampoo bars: Cathy Campbell

Custom crocheted gifts: Linda Beach

From Scratch Bakers: Melissa Cundiff

Pens to Remember: Fred and Peggy Spoon

Scrimshaw Art: Jay Rose

Sunlit Moments Photography: Carrie Peterson

Ugandan Handicrafts: Derrick Kisita

Kuntry Candles: Sheila Simpson

Crochet and Native American Jewelry: Bonnie Stanbery

Alchemy Arts: Karen Roland

Pryor Sight Jewelry: Joy Pryor

Wood working: Denton Neal

The Caterpillar Crossing: Brittani Wilson

Sonny's Woodcrafts: Sonny and Trilby Vance

Usborne Books and more: Amanda Rudd

ALL DAY LIVE MUSIC

10:45 until 12:00 The Exie Boys

12:15 until 1:45 Renetta and Friends

2:00 until 3:00 Youth from the Burkesville Fine Arts Association with Kelvin Bailey

3:-00 until 4:00 Unity of Praise Youth Choir, Pleasant Union Baptist Church



FOOD VENDORS

Pork Tenderloins: Eunice Church of God,

Fish fry, beans and slaw: Columbia First Baptist

Tenderloin and more: Smokin' Joe Creason,

Waffle Street: Kellis Booth

Mimi's Shaved Ice and Lemon Shake-ups: Miriam Hughes

Wild Bill's Taste Buds Burgers and more

Rib-eyes: Pleasant Union Baptist Church

Pulled pork: Breeding Country Mart

Mayfield Ice Cream: Chris and Marie Anderson,

Hot dogs, soft drinks, chips: Homeplace snack bar

Cotton candy, popcorn for the cats and dogs at Sugarfoot Farm





Life can be hard for Homeplace volunteers, but the rewards, at least here on Earth, are great. These festival signs were placed by Mark and Anita Rees who do more than their share of work at HP. Anita, who is a member of the Homeplace Board claims she did more work placing the signs than just photographing Mark's efforts. We did not ask Mark.



Homeplace is a working farm. Much of the income that supports the on-going operation and development of Homeplace is dependent on folks like Tyler Absher who's shown here hauling hay from the farm. If you are interested in leasing crop acreage in 2019, contact Billy Joe Fudge at (270) 250-2239.



Homer's short (but important) list

•• Thanks to all those who have and continue to support the important work at Homeplace on Green River. We are largely a volunteer effort, and have accomplished some notable things since established in 2001. None of which could have been done without your help. You have shown strong interest in and support of our new *Shakespeare in the Barn* series of performances—only one of which has actually been a Shakespeare play. But as director of theater at Lindsey Wilson College, Robert Brock, said when he suggested the name for the series of performances in the barn, “Shakespeare would have loved this barn.” So the program as a whole bears The Bard's name. There are too many of you to name here, but we value your support and look forward to your continued involvement at Homeplace on Green River. And we will be calling on you for your continued volunteer, dollar and moral support!

•• If you want to know more about Homeplace, check our Facebook page at **Homeplace On Green River Kentucky** or our Web page at **www.Homeplacefarmky.org**. And be sure to “like us” on Facebook. It does help. When asked in a survey at two of the barn performances where they had heard about Shakespeare in the Barn, more named our Facebook page than any other single source.

•• Homeplace is fortunate to have two very capable Bonner Scholars from Lindsey Wilson College helping us this fall. Sidney McCollum, a freshman from Somerset and Landon Marcum, a senior from Owensboro will be completing a community service effort which is a requirement for the Bonner Foundation scholarship. The central goal of the Bonner Program is to provide diverse deserving students with an “Access to Education and Opportunity to Serve.”

Homer says, “Come to the festival. You won't regret it. It's going to be a great day!”