



Down on the Farm

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"When you appreciate and preserve the ordinary as well as the exceptional, you fill in the full spectrum of History." Mark L. Walsh

30th Annual Herb and Garden Festival Organic Vegetable Plants Added This Year

The Farm's 30th annual Herb and Garden Festival, to be held on Saturday, May 15 and Sunday, May 16, will feature a wide assortment of organic vegetable plants in addition to the Farm's usual outstanding selection of annual and perennial herb plants.



Farm spokesperson Martha Todd reminds guests that every winter is different. "The hard freeze last November may have taken a toll on some perennials, so be sure to check your herb plants for damage or even mortality," she said.

When asked about the addition of the organic vegetables, Martha said that the Farm had a few organic vegetables last year, primarily broccoli and cauliflower, in addition to a number of heirloom tomatoes. "All of those plants went really well," she said, "so we have added a greater variety for this year. The backyard garden is really gaining popularity, and we're just trying to assist our guests in that effort," she concluded.

In addition to the plant sale, the Festival will also feature entertainment. The Scottish Country Dancers will perform on Saturday, and the Madrigal Singers will be featured on Sunday. There will also be craft vendors and food from the Farm Café. The Northwest Oil Painters Guild will host an art show and sale. The Farm will also offer hayrides and visiting with the Farm animals.

The Festival is a fund raiser to help support the school programs hosted by the Farm. Hours are 10-5 on Saturday May 15, and 1-5 on Sunday, May 16. Parking is free and admission is by donation.

Pomeroy Farm Celebrates 100 years and Steam Logging!

E.C. Pomeroy purchased the original 160 acres of the present Pomeroy Farm in July of 1910. It is only appropriate the Farm host a celebration of this 100th anniversary. That it coincides with the historic farm's annual steam logging show on July 3 and 4, makes it even better! The year's show will feature a newly restored 1927 Willamette three drum loader, steam donkey. This huge machine, including the four foot diameter sled logs, weighs close to 100,000 lbs! Most of its working life, it was owned by Portland's Simon Benson, where it lifted giant logs into the river. A complimentary hayride transports Farm guests to the steam donkey site where an array of historic logging equipment will be in use.

Special 100th anniversary activities for Saturday will begin at noon, These include a short presentation by local dignitaries, music by a dixieland band and a reading of the Declaration of Independence. There will be complimentary birthday cake for guests.

Other activities throughout the weekend include forestry walks hosted by the Clark County Farm Forestry Association, seasonal historic farming activities, and displays of Yaocolt and Lucia Valley history by students at Yaocolt Primary School.

The historic six bedroom Pomeroy family log house will be open. The main floor showcases Pomeroy family artifacts and a display of the evolution of ironing from 1900 to the present. The second floor is a "walk through time" with the five bedrooms displaying artifacts from specific decades of Pomeroy family and Lucia Valley history from the 1920's through the 1970's. For our anniversary year, each decade room also features kitchen gadgets.

The Farm Café, featuring hot dogs, polish dogs, baked potatoes and various other refreshments and snacks, will be open throughout the weekend. Hours are Saturday July 3, 10 am until 5 pm, Sunday, July 4, 1-5 pm. Admission is \$6.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children 3-11. Two and under are free. Call 360.686.3537 for further information or see the Farm's website at: www.pomeroyfarm.org.

Calendar of Events – Spring and Summer 2010

2010 Teas. Enjoy a relaxing early afternoon on the Farm. Begin with a wonderful tea luncheon served by our friendly staff in the warm and cozy Gathering Place. After your tea, you will have the opportunity to visit the Farm's historic log house and gardens. The main floor of the log house will be seasonally decorated, while the second floor focuses on a "walk through time" with the five bedrooms displaying artifacts from specific decades of Pomeroy family and Lucia Valley history from the 1920's through the 1970's. You are then welcome to take a pleasant stroll through the Farm's herb and flower gardens.

All theme teas require a prepaid reservation. Arrangements can be made by calling 360.686.3537 during our office hours (Tuesday - Thursday 12:00 to 4:00 pm) or leave a message anytime and we'll return your call. Refunds will be made if we are notified of your cancellation at least 7 days prior to the event.

May

MOTHER'S DAY TEA: Join us in the "Gathering Place" at the Farm to celebrate mothers with a lovely afternoon tea. The menu will include a variety of sandwiches, scones, desserts and two kinds of tea. **Saturday, May 1 (full) OR Wednesday, May 5 OR Saturday, May 8.** Tea time is 12:00 noon. The log house will be open following the tea. \$20.00 includes tax and tour.

30th ANNUAL HERB AND GARDEN FESTIVAL: This annual fundraiser to support the education programs of Pomeroy Living History Farm will feature thousands of fresh herb and organic vegetable plants, both the usual and the unusual. In addition there will be vendors, entertainment, and hayrides. There will also be an Art Show and Sale in the "Gathering Room" featuring local artists. The Farm Café will be serving throughout the weekend. **Saturday May 15, 10-5 and Sunday May 16, 1-5.** Free parking and admission.

June

STRAWBERRY TEA: Join us in the "Gathering Place" for a lovely summer tea featuring strawberries. The menu will include assorted tea sandwiches, scones, desserts and two kinds of tea. **Thursday, June 17.** Tea time is 12:00 noon. The log house will be open following the tea. \$20.00 includes tax and tour.

July

100th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION! See article on p.1. Steam Logging Show! Join the Farm as it uses for the first time a newly restored 1927 Willamette, three drum loader, steam donkey. A complimentary hayride transports visitors to the steam donkey site, where an array of historic logging equipment will be in use. Seasonal historic farming activities featuring the Farm's antique equipment will be ongoing. The Farm Café will be open through out the weekend. Hours: **Sat, July 3, 10-5. Sun, July 4, 1-5.** Admission: Adults \$6, ages 3-11 \$4. Two and under, free.

ANNE OF GREEN GABLES TEA: Join us in the "Gathering Place" as we celebrate our affection for the spunky red-haired orphan. The menu, inspired by Anne stories, will include assorted tea sandwiches, scones, desserts and two kinds of tea. **Thursday, July 15.** Tea time is 12:00 noon. The log house will be open following the tea. \$20.00 includes tax and tour.

August

15th Annual Quilt Festival. **Saturday, August 7, 10-5 and Sunday, August 8, 1-5.** "100 Years of Pomeroy Quilts." Also seasonal historic farming activities, Farm Café, quilt supply vendors. Adults \$6, ages 3-11 \$4. Two and under, free. See story on p 4.

SUMMER FLOWER FAIRIE TEA: Join us in the Gathering Place for an enchanted summer tea. The menu, inspired by Cicily Mary Barker's Flower Fairies, will include assorted tea sandwiches, scones, desserts and two kinds of teas. **Wednesday, August 18.** Tea time is 12:00 noon. The log house will be open following the tea. \$20.00 includes tax and tour.

September

FALL TEA: Join us in the Gathering Place as we celebrate the beauty of fall on the farm. The seasonal menu, inspired by autumn's bounty, will include assorted tea sandwiches, scones, desserts and two kinds of teas. **Wednesday, September 15.** Tea time is 12:00 noon. The log house will be open following the tea. \$20.00 includes tax and tour.

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100 years of Pomeroy Quilts!

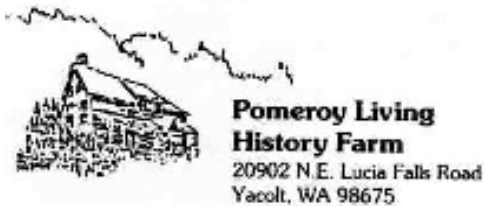
by Jane Brink

The Farm's 15th annual quilt festival will feature the Pomeroy family's collection of quilts, some of which are over 100 years old. This interesting collection reflects the styles, patterns, construction and techniques of multiple generations of quilters. They range from young children's first quilts, very practical whole cloth quilts that were used every day, "infamous" 70's polyester quilts, to beautifully executed special occasion quilts that were tucked away in hope chests. Of special interest is a group of Sunbonnet Sue and Sam quilts created by multiple generations and inspired by Great Grandmother Pomeroy, including her original scrap paper patterns.

The Pomeroy Family was a family of teachers. In that spirit, one of the family's collection of blocks has been put together and will be in a quilt frame where visitors can stitch and sign a piece of history and learn a bit about hand quilting. The finished quilt will then be used to commemorate our 100th birthday and all our wonderful guests who visit the farm.

Thanks for your sign ups!

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