



Down on the Farm

Pomeroy Living History 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*

PUMPKIN LANE EXPANDS FOR '09 SEASON!

Pumpkin Lane returns in October for its 15th season at the Pomeroy Farm. Pumpkin Lane consists of a delightful, mile-long, scenic hayride winding through the woods and across the fields. The route is decorated with over 70 "pumpkin people" in various scenes and vignettes, a delight for children ages 2 to 82! The haywagons also stop at the pumpkin patch, where guests are welcome to roam the patch seeking that perfect pumpkin, or two, or a whole wheelbarrow load!

Professional entertainers will be a new feature of pumpkin season this year. October 3 & 4, ventriloquist Steve Taylor will delight children of all ages with his quick wit and endearing characters. Show times will be 1:30 on Saturday and 2:30 on Sunday.

The remaining three weekends in October will feature Brian Wood as Professor Bamboozle, renowned purveyor of puppetry, balloons, and illusions! The professor will entertain on the grounds throughout the day, with shows at appointed times. Check our website for updated details.

Guests are also welcome to visit

the farm animals, explore the haybale maze, and play children's carnival games. The Farm Café will feature seasonal fare of sausage dogs, hot dogs, baked potatoes, hot and cold drinks, snacks and delicious pumpkin pie.

The dates for Pumpkin Lane are October 3 & 4, 10 & 11, 17 & 18, 24 & 25, Saturdays 10-5, Sundays 1-5. The Farm will be closed on October 31. Admission to the Farm, which includes the hayride, is \$5 for adults, and \$4 for children ages 3-11. 2 and under are free. Pumpkins are an additional fee starting at \$1 except for babies (under one year) whose first pumpkin is free. Parking is free. Scarecrow making and scarecrow making kits will be available for a nominal fee.



Farmer Bob- "Outstanding in his field!"

School Program Schedule 2009-2010

THEME: THE FARM IN FALL

Grade levels: Preschool, Kindergarten, and First

Dates Available: October 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29

THEME: CHILDREN'S WORK AND PLAY ON A PRE-ELECTRICAL FARM

Grade levels: Second and Third

Dates available: April 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29

May 4, 5, 6, 18, 19, 20, 25, 26, 27

June 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 10

THEME: SELF-SUFFICIENCY AND RECYCLING ON A PRE-ELECTRICAL FARM

Grade Levels: Fourth, Fifth and Sixth

Dates available: April 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29

May 4, 5, 6, 18, 19, 20, 25, 26, 27

June 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 10

Upcoming Events for 2009

We are now accepting reservations for all events listed below

PREPAID reservations for theme teas may be made by phone (360.686.3537) with a bankcard during office hours (Tues-Thurs 12-4), or you may reserve and then send a check. Your fee will be refunded if we are notified of your cancellation 7 days prior to the event. You may send someone else in your place if you are unable to attend.

OCTOBER

PUMPKIN LANE: Come enjoy a delightful mile long hayride through Pumpkin Lane, which includes over 70 “pumpkin people” and a stop at the Pumpkin Patch. Admission includes the hayride. \$5 adults, \$4 children 3-11, 2 and under FREE. Pumpkins are an additional fee starting at \$1. Visit the farm animals, explore the hay-bale maze, enjoy professional entertainers, old time fiddlers, children’s carnival games, and vendors. Scarecrow making and kits will be available for a nominal fee. The Farm Café will feature seasonal fare of sausage dogs, hot dogs, baked potatoes, hot and cold drinks, snacks and pumpkin pie. Oct 3 & 4; 10 & 11; 17 & 18, 24 & 25; Closed October 31! Saturdays 10-5, Sundays 1-5.

PUMPKIN TEA: Join us in the “Gathering Place” at Pomeroy Farm as we celebrate the pumpkin season. The menu is inspired by the fall harvest and will include assorted tea sandwiches, scones, desserts and two varieties of tea. Friday, Oct 9 or Wednesday, Oct 21. Tea time is 12:00 noon. \$14.95 plus tax. (gratuity not included)

NOVEMBER

THANKSGIVING TEA: Celebrate the season of thankfulness with tea in the “Gathering Place” at Pomeroy Farm. The seasonal menu will include assorted tea sandwiches, scones, desserts and two varieties of tea. Wednesday, Nov 18 or Saturday, Nov 21. Tea time is 12:00 noon. \$14.95 plus tax. (gratuity not included)

CHRISTMAS TEA AND TOUR: The historic log house and the “Gathering Place” will set the mood for a joyous Christmas Tea at Pomeroy Farm. A tour of the main floor of the historic log house, decorated in Christmas finery and featuring the family nativity collection, is included in the price of the tea. This festive tea in the Gathering Place will include assorted tea sandwiches, scones, desserts and two varieties of tea. Saturday, Nov 28. Tea time is 12:00 noon. \$20 (includes tea, tour and tax – gratuity not included)

DECEMBER

CHRISTMAS TEA AND TOUR: The historic log house and the “Gathering Place” will set the mood for a joyous Christmas Tea at Pomeroy Farm. Tours of the main floor of the log house, decorated in Christmas finery and featuring the family nativity collection, are included in the price of the tea. This festive tea in the Gathering Place will include assorted tea sandwiches, scones, desserts and two varieties of tea. Wednesday, Dec 2 ; Saturday Dec 5; Thursday, Dec 10; Saturday, Dec 12; Wednesday, Dec 16; Saturday Dec 19. Tea time is 12:00 noon. \$20 (includes tea, tour and tax – gratuity not included)

LET THE FARM HOST YOUR NEXT WEDDING OR EVENT!

Contact Daniel Brink for more information: 360.686.3537 or danielbrink@pomeroyfarm.org



Our email newsletter list is growing!

In an effort to “go greener”, we are offering the opportunity to receive this newsletter via email. The printing and postage saved by electronically sending the newsletter helps the environment and keeps our costs down. The pictures are in color, too! To take advantage of this option, just email us at: staff@pomeroyfarm.org and put “receive newsletter” in the subject line. Thanks!

You can also keep track of the goings on here on the Farm by becoming our friend on Facebook. Just search Facebook for Pomeroy Farm, and join the Farm family.

Our website at www.pomeroyfarm.org is updated frequently, so check out the latest news and pictures on the web.

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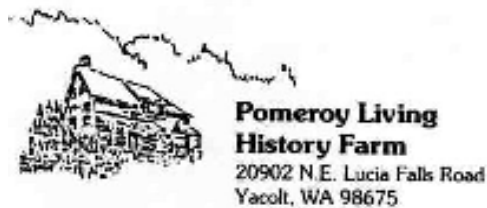
Nature of the Beast

by Steve Zedekar

This week Farmer Bob and I were moving cows from what is called the “Old Miller Place” over to the west end of the Pomeroy-Plowman Ranch. Now, moving cows can either go smoothly or not smoothly, doesn’t seem to be any middle ground. Sometimes, Moose the bull wants everyone to go left, or the lead cow decides the apples are ripe in the orchard and “cattle talks” the herd through the electric fence and up to gather a few McIntoshes. This particular instance was nearing a successful completion when a yearling steer opted to de-tour through the fence and headed for the Farm’s prize pumpkin patch. Now, at this point in the story, I could take literary license and say we spun our trusty steeds around and spurred them into a gallop to head the offender off at the rabbit fence. As romantic and exciting as that sounds, it would just be a fib, as there were no horses involved. Not even a 4-wheeler. Nope, just two middle aged dudes screamin’ and swattin’ flies. After much cajoling and dispersal of sweat, we get ol’ Ding-Dong the Bovine back into the pasture, much to the relief of his mother (who should have taught him better anyway). So it set me to thinking, “How smart are these farm mammals?” Maybe the whole herd ran around the back of the barn and laughed their horns off, saying, “Did you see the bearded one run into the post and the older farmer step on his Costco readers?” Maybe they’re really smart and just like messing with us. Hey, I might be on to something here.

Several years ago we were loading a bull through the squeeze chute and into a trailer. He didn’t fancy that, so I clambered up on top of the chute to persuade him. He REALLY didn’t fancy that, so he knocked the support out from under my feet and sent me spirally downwards into a heap of, shall we say, “cattle leavings”. So who’s the dumb one there?

Steer number 62 (stop me if you’ve heard this) was in the habit of strolling the logging road daily, and we couldn’t figure out how he was getting through the fence. We’d put him back in, check the fence, scratch our collective noggins, and 15 minutes later he’s back on the road admiring the flowers! He did that for a week. Then he quit. He was doing that on purpose, I’ve decided. Must have had the gate figured out. He was messing with us. Probably the cattle class clown.



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