2nd Annual Marbold Farmstead Antique Show Set for June 28

Plans are underway for the 2nd Annual Marbold Farmstead Antique Show on June 28 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Farmstead. Currently, approximately 19 dealers have requested contracts and have agreed to set up and sell their fine antiques. Once again, country primitives, furniture, textiles, pottery, and Americana will be featured at this vetted show. The Antique Show Committee continues to work to add more dealers to the lineup.

Period craftsmen will also be present to demonstrate and/or sell their crafts. Presently, a broom maker, soap maker, hat maker, quilter, spinner, Windsor chair maker, and a rag rug weaver have committed to participate in the event. It is anticipated that more craftsmen will be added in the near future.

Food and drink will be available throughout the day. As plans continue to be finalized, updates will be made to HMFA’s website: www.historic-marbold-farmstead.org.

Join us for Second Sundays at the Farmstead

Mark your calendars so you won’t miss our free Sunday events this summer. Along with great programs, we provide history and tours of the house, self-guided walking tours of the grounds, and refreshments. Each event begins at 1 pm and concludes at 4 pm. The Second Sundays will appeal to all ages, so please check our lineup:

June 8: Bob McCue, a descendant of Captain A.H. Bogardus, will portray this interesting character of the past. Bogardus was a Civil War officer, local legend, inventor and world-renowned sharpshooter.

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One Grand Old Lady

The HMFA is adding something brand new to its event list this year! A stage production has been written specifically about the Marbold Farmstead and the founding Marbold family. It will be held at the Farmstead on Sunday, August 31, in the afternoon of the Labor Day holiday weekend.

HMFA has had the unique opportunity to utilize Ken Bradbury as the writer of a non-fiction production which will be called “One Grand Old Lady.” Ken based his writing on “A Letter to my Grandson, Jonathan Small,” by Margaret Marbold Enenga: her personal recollections and experiences of life with her grandparents, H.H. and Margaret Marbold. The production will be in a “readers’ theatre” format, which means that all the actors will be reading their scripts. Once the play begins, audiences new to a “readers’ theatre” play will soon forget the actors are sitting on stools and reading. With music and costumes added, the hour-long performance will delight viewers of all ages. A number of new and veteran actors from Menard County will represent members of the H.H. Marbold family. Stories will be shared from lives spent on and around the Marbold Farmstead.

Ken Bradbury, a resident of Arenzville, Illinois, has been named the most-produced author of dramatic material for competition in the United States. If you have never seen a production written by Bradbury, you are in for a big treat. His wit infiltrates the works he writes. By listening to The Grand Old Lady, you will come away with a greater appreciation for the way life was lived during the late 1800s at the Marbold Farmstead.

Tickets will be on sale during the upcoming 2nd Annual Marbold Farmstead Antique show, the Second Sunday programs held at the Farmstead, or by contacting an HMFA board member.

Have you remembered to pay your 2014 membership dues?

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Make checks payable to HMFA, P.O. Box 438, Greenview, IL 62642.

Your support is needed and appreciated.
PRESIDENT..

Frank gave an example of a slogan once used to support historic preservation: “This place matters.” This is how the board of directors and I feel about the Marbold Farmstead—it does indeed matter!

Fundraisers: food service at two farm sales, one in January and one in March were accomplished. They were both successful thanks to the many who helped in some way.

Looking forward to the second quarter of 2014, we have lots to accomplish. Beginning in April, the second Saturday, we will begin our work days at the Farmstead. Cleaning up the property and the house in order to be ready for our summer events is the main focus. We hope you will set the second Saturdays of the month to come and assist in some way. Our summer events are in the planning stages, but details are featured elsewhere in this newsletter.

We cannot look forward without looking back to March 27, 2012—a date to remember! The HMFA became the proud owners of the Marbold Farmstead. Two years have passed since we signed the deed for the property, and we are very grateful to our Founders and supporters who so generously donated to achieve this grand undertaking. We hope all of you know how important you are to the Association, and we desire your continued support. Come see us this summer at the Farmstead!

Charlotte Wohler, President

Sanert Spring Farm Auction

A big “thank you” to Ron Sanert Auction Service, for offering the Association the opportunity to provide food service to hundreds of men attending the March 14th Spring Farm Auction. Because of this generous opportunity, the Association had a sizable income from the sale of food.

The Association could not have had a successful day without the generous help from Greg Rebbe who prepared our delicious pork BBQ and chili. The time and effort Greg spent on planning, purchasing, and preparing the food for this sale is greatly appreciated. Greg’s expertise and help was a valuable asset to our group. Thank you, Greg!

The Association is also grateful to those who volunteered to organize, set up, serve food, and bake pies or cookies for the day. “Many hands make light work,” and we are thankful that we live in a community that supports our endeavors.

Thank you to each and every one who had a part in a very successful day!

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Hand-carved inscription on the Marbold Mother House in Germany (as noted by Sharon Schirding on her trip to Germany last year):

“We hope on the heavens blessing God’s love will never leave us. He will protect us on all of our ways all the time, Therefore we build with confidence.”
MISSION STATEMENT

The not-for-profit Historic Marbold Farmstead Association is dedicated to the creation of a living history farm at the Marbold Farmstead south of Greenview, Illinois by:

- Acquiring the property purchased by John H. Marbold in 1851
- Educating the public about the historical significance along with the cultural and agricultural heritage through hands-on learning opportunities for children through adults
- Preserving, restoring and rebuilding the farm, including the house and remaining outbuildings, & preserving the site in general as an interpretive agricultural & historical attraction circa 1890-1910

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