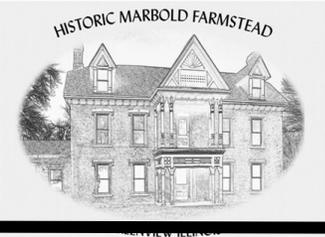


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## 5 YEARS OF OWNERSHIP

### TO BE CELEBRATED AT ANNUAL MEETING

Celebrating five years of ownership of the Marbold Farmstead will be the highlight of the upcoming annual meeting and celebration on Saturday, March 25, 2017! The picture below shows the signing of the deed for the acquisition of the Marbold Farmstead on March 27, 2012. The purchase was made possible with the help of 50+ Founders and a loan allowing the Association to begin the process of working towards the mission of creating a living-history farm. Much progress has been made in five years, especially evident when driving by on Route 29 or when walking onto the property. Due to a generous donation of \$10,000 from an anonymous donor, the loan was paid in its entirety in September, 2014.

The 2016 Annual Membership Meeting & Celebration will be held at the First Baptist Church, 511 S. State Street, State Highway 29, in Greenview. Beginning at 7 p.m., the meeting will feature speaker Frank Butterfield of Landmarks Illinois, a PowerPoint presentation, business meeting and special recognitions. Members, as well as the following, are encouraged to attend: those individuals who attended the first community meeting to organize efforts to save the Farmstead, our 50 Founders and our past board members. Following the meeting and recognitions, there will be a dessert buffet and drinks for all to enjoy. Please contact Louise Browne at 217-968-5620, in order that we may provide plenty of good treats for all.



Back row, L to R: Realtor John McIntyre, David Edwards, Bob Barker of Middletown Bank, and Jim Miller.

Front row, L to R: Barbara VanDyke-Brown, descendant of John H. Marbold; Charlotte Wohler; Sue Elliott; and Leona Edwards

#### FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK...

It is hard to believe 2017 has arrived! As I look back to last year, I am pleased with so many remarkable things!

- The north annex: summer kitchen, carriage house, smokehouse, wash house and covered walkway rebuilt and functional
- Educational opportunities: Farm Day for students at Greenview Elementary
- Events: 4th annual Antique Show, Summer Fest @ the Farmstead, and "A Landmark Evening"
- Volunteers! We have so many dedicated individuals!
- Financial donors and supporters
- Members—who recognize and appreciate our efforts
- Experts who are willing to give of their time to benefit the Farmstead

It is wonderful to see this list of "remarkables" and knowing there are others. How about this "remarkable" to begin 2017? On March 27, HMFA will celebrate its 5th year of ownership of the Farmstead! And, we are debt free! A remarkable achievement! This would not have happened without our 50 Founders, financial supporters, members, volunteers and fundraising efforts. What will happen during the next five years? As hard as it is to predict that, I feel confident that we will continue to make remarkable progress. It

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## SUMMER EVENTS TO BE COMBINED



After careful thought and discussion, plans have been made to combine HMFA's excellent primitive antique show with the Summer Fest @ the Farmstead, which were two separate events in 2016. This new event is titled, "*The Marbold Antique Show & Farm Fest*," and will be held **June 23-25, 2017**. The event will feature wonderful primitive antiques, steam and gas engines, period craftsmen and demonstrations, historic portrayals, good food, live music, trolley tours of Greenview, and more. The event will appeal to all ages and have a wide variety of options to enjoy. The 2nd quarter newsletter will have a detailed schedule for you. Mark your calendars for this fun-filled weekend at the Farmstead!

## ANTIQUE & COLLECTIBLE 50/50 AUCTION PLANNED

Have you ever wondered what to do with those unwanted antiques/collectibles sitting around your home, basement, or garage? Sunday, April 23, at 11 a.m. the Association will hold its first *Antique & Collectible 50/50 Auction* at the Sanert Auction Center in Greenview.

What is a 50/50 auction? If someone donates an antique dresser to be sold at auction, one has the option to take 50% of the proceeds for themselves and give 50% to the Association, or one may choose to give 100% of the proceeds to the Association.

Here are examples of what types of antiques and collectibles that will be accepted:

Mid-Century—Vintage items (50+ years old), architectural pieces/items, furniture, chairs, rockers, primitives, old memorabilia, textiles, crocks, jars, and old bottles.

Other items allowed and encouraged are good, clean used appliances (5 years old or newer), tools, mowers, and more. Items that will not be accepted are entertainment centers, TVs, computer desks, upholstered furniture, and dishes.

Antiques and collectibles will be received at Sanert Auction Center on April 19, 20, and 21 from 4 to 7 p.m., unless other arrangements are made. In order to plan for advertising (online and local/area newspapers), it is necessary to know by March 30 what you are willing to donate for this new fundraising effort. Contact Louise Browne at 968-5620 by March 30 and tell her what you will donate. This is a great opportunity to get rid of items that you no longer need or want. Proceeds benefit the rebuilding and restoration efforts at the Farmstead!



### REMINDER:

Members: Letters of renewal have been mailed. Please continue your membership and ask others to join as well. Membership is vital to our organization! Questions? Call Linda at 217-787-6867 or Ruth at 309-353-1879.

## NORTH ANNEX PROGRESS CONTINUES

As the pictures below show, progress has been made on the North Annex: the summer kitchen, carriage house, smokehouse, wash house and covered walkway. For the first time in many years, this area is under one solid, complete roof. Windows are being hand-built by Andrew Gain and will soon be installed and will enclose and protect the buildings. This transformation at the Farmstead is visible to those traveling by on Route 29 and demonstrates our continual effort to recreate the Marbold Farmstead as a living history farm. This place matters! Please plan to visit in 2017 and see for yourself.



Above: Summer kitchen and carriage house, northwest side



Above: Under the covered walkway, looking at wash house door



Right: Covered walkway, doors to smoke house and north entrance; summer kitchen at left

## THANK YOU TO:

- The 3 farmers who donated to our "Gift of Grain Program"
- Volunteers (above and beyond): Charlie Tomlin, Ed Willis, Lawrence Wohler, and Paul White who work on grounds and/or wherever needed
- Volunteers who assisted with our events and fundraising

- Leonda Markee, who will make a quilt for a quilt raffle for the June Marbold Antique Show & Farm Fest
- Sharon Porter, who has faithfully volunteered to assist with newsletters, brochures, and our excellent website
- Greg McKenney who has agreed to take over management of our website (check it out!)
- To our Founders and supporters, who believe in the mission and goals of the Association

**PRESIDENT'S DESK...***(continued from page 1)*

is going to take remarkable people willing to sacrifice time, labor, money, and effort to move this project forward. Please join us as we enter into another remarkable year at the Farmstead. We look forward to seeing you in 2017!

Charlotte Wohler, President

**“A LANDMARK EVENING” ENJOYED BY MANY**

November's "A Landmark Evening" was a huge success! The evening began with a delicious meal catered by McCormick's Catering and was followed by the entertaining ladies' group, "Sound Celebration Chorus." The group provided the crowd with an assortment of musical numbers that appealed to all. The patriotic finale recognized our country's branches of service and veterans were asked to stand as their service song was sung.

HMFA is thankful to Indian Creek Farmstead for the pumpkins which adorned the tables and to Diane and Susan for decorating each one. Guests were able to take home their table's pumpkin if the beginning letter of their last name was closest to the end of the alphabet. Thank you to those who provided the exceptional silent auction items for our guests to bid on and take home. All proceeds go toward the rebuilding and reconstruction of the Farmstead. Make a note to attend next year's "A Landmark Evening" dinner.

**HANDMADE QUILT AND AFGHAN TO BE CREATED FOR RAFFLE**

Several years ago, Marbold member Nancy Stier of Petersburg donated a stash of pieced Dresden Plate quilt blocks that could be sewn into a full-size quilt. She aspired to accomplish this task herself, but due to a losing battle with cancer, she was unable to make it happen. To honor her wish to have a quilt raffled as a fundraiser, we have plans in place to create a full-size Dresden Plate quilt.

We are pleased that volunteer Leonda Markee of Mason City has agreed to take on the job of making the quilt. The picture below shows the background fabric and the bolts of fabric used for the sashing, border, binding and backing. With fabric and supplies purchased, she will start machine appliqueing the pieced blocks onto the off-white background fabric and add the lovely sashing, borders, and backing. Machine quilting will be the final step in the project. The full-size quilt will be completed and on display by the annual meeting and celebration on March 25. Tickets will be available in the near future and ongoing until the drawing on June 25, the final day of the Marbold Antique Show & Farm Fest. To request tickets, please call any board member.



Also, Marbold member Avis McKenney has volunteered to crochet an off-white afghan to be used in fundraising efforts. The afghan will also be on display at our annual meeting. A quilt and an afghan: two great prospects for a beautiful hand-made product to add to your home. We are extremely grateful to Leonda and Avis for their willingness to give of their time and talent to benefit the Marbold Farmstead.

**ARCHAEOLOGICAL “DIG” AT THE FARMSTEAD PROVIDES LOOK INTO MARBOLD PAST**

Archaeologist Annie Rieken, of the Henke-Buck Farm in southern Illinois, came to the Farmstead October 22 and 23 to teach interested individuals about public archaeology. The Marbold privy underwent an excavation by carefully digging through several layers of dirt, and then screening the dirt, to uncover items from the past. Annie discovered the privy had been vandalized in years past. A variety of objects, ranging from pieces of glass, marbles, shards of pottery, pieces of an old doll, small bottles and poultry and bird bones were unearthed. An area east of the house was marked for surface finds where items were placed in numbered paper bags for documentation. The items found were taken to Greenview High School science lab where they were cleaned, labeled, and saved for analysis and documentation. These items will be on display in the future when a place to house them is available. Annie stated that the Farmstead offers many years of archaeology that will record how the family lived, what they ate, and what type of illnesses they experienced among other data.

HMFA is extremely grateful that Ms. Rieken was willing to give of her time to those who participated in the weekend "dig." Greenview Schools superintendent Ryan Heavner and high school principal Tim Turner are also thanked for allowing Annie to speak to students during an assembly and for the use of the science lab. This project is yet another way that the Farmstead is educating the public through hands-on learning.

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**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

**CALENDAR OF 2017 UPCOMING EVENTS**

Jan 10	Board Meeting Greenview CIA, 7 p.m.
Feb 14	Board Meeting Greenview CIA, 7 p.m.
Mar 25	Annual Meeting and 5-year Celebration Greenview Baptist Church, 7 p.m.
Apr 23	Antique & Collectible 50/50 Auction Sanert Auction Center, 11 a.m.
June 23-25	Marbold Antique Show & Farm Fest

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