# **Coopersville Farm Museum**

A 501(c)(3) non-profit organization



MEMBER NEWSLETTER April, May 2011

#### **MUSEUM HOURS**

Tuesday, Thursday, & Saturday 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

#### **General Admission**

Adult \$4
Student \$2
Children 3 & under and
Members Free during
regular business hours (fees
may apply for special events).

Jam Night \$4 admission Acoustics only 1st & 3rd Tuesday 6- 9pm Members & 12 & under free

Also open for special events and for groups of 8 or more with reservation (fees apply). Hours vary by season, please call to verify.

#### **Annual Memberships**

Individual \$30
 Family \$50

#### Location

375 Main Street Coopersville, Michigan

#### **Mailing address**

P.O. Box 64 Coopersville, MI 49404

Phone: (616) 997-8555

#### **Board of Directors**

Calvin Dyke Ross Conran Thom Eno Edw. Hanenburg Robert Koch Lorne Ritola Tom Schwallier Gerald Walt Annie Williams

Museum Director: LeeAnn Creager

Administrative Assistant: Kaitlyn Veenstra

Building Operations: Michael Veenstra David Santiago

# **Every Saturday in April**

Thank you to all the 4H and FFA members and members of our community who make the annual petting zoo one of the most popular events in the area! 10am - 2pm (\$3 admission)



Visitors
learn how
to approach
and
handle animals,
keeping
both the
animals
and the
visitors
safe.



# Fashion Passion

Is Fashion your passion?

Do you want to stand out in the crowd and have an outfit all of your own? If you do Come to our Fashion Passion Club!

\$40.00 for a one year membership. Membership includes: Unlimited Sewing Classes and Farm Museum Membership for one year.

April 9 & 23

May 7 & 21

Classes will be held every other Saturday after these dates.

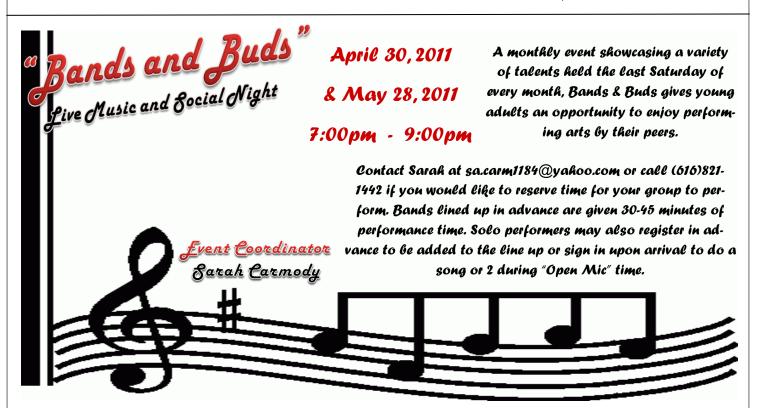


- ~Sewing machine basics
- ~Notions
- ~Measurements
- ~Patterns
- ~Designing and making your outfit.



Every 1st & 3rd Tuesday, all year long, enjoy acoustic music performances by local musicians. To play or sing, sign up with MaryLou. Let her know what key your song is in so the other musicians are able to accompany you!

\$4 per person, museum members free admission, kids 12 & under free admission (Kid's area closed).



Coopersville Farm Museum

(616) 997-8555

375 Main St.

Coopersville,

JAM NIGHT GUEST PASS

One FREE admission for any non-member

Invited by \_

Doors open at 5pm.

Music starts at 6pm and goes until 9pm.

Regular Admission is \$4 per person

Michigan



Valid April 5 or April 19, 2011

www.coopersvillefarmmuseum.org



# Photos by Peg Alofs Becker



### Photo Exhibit by Peg Alofs Becker

February 1, 2011 – April 16, 2011

Peg Alofs Becker of Jenison, Michigan specializes in nature photography and takes long walks with her husband. "God creates such incredible beauty... if we would only stop and look now and then." The Kent Trail, the Kal Haven Trail, the city, county, and state parks are all full of beauty and wonder. With four incredible seasons, so strongly defined here in Michigan, it is a photographer's paradise.

# Art by Carol VanderNat



#### Art Exhibit by Carol VanderNat

April 16, 2011-July 2, 2011

Born and raised in the Grand Rapids area, Carol brings a new and fresh approach to visual art in her work which shows her love of color, line, and detail, as well as elements of surprise! Never formally trained in the arts, she knew early on that visual art was a part of who she was. Only recently, however, has she re-developed a style and work that has been hers all along. Her sense of detail and attention to color placement and movement are accentuated by the distinctive and always-present "blacking" of one form or another, which is a signature trademark of her work.

# Chili Cook-Off Winners

1st place-Scott Wagonmaker & Ron Rice

2nd place-Northern Physical Therapy

3rd place-Choice One Bank

Royalty Award-Northern Physical Therapy

Best Decorated Table-Scott Wagonmaker & Ron Rice



Scott Wagonmaker & Ron Rice







Northern Physical Therapy Susan Kloosterhouse, Gina Otterbein & Josh Groulx

Choice One Bank-Sandy Rollenhagen & Adrianne

Meyer

A special thanks to all the Volunteers who made the Chili Cook-Off and Pancake Breakfast a success!

## Important 2011 dates

Tenth Annual exhibit of "Quilts & Their Stories" dates are August 2 -September 30, 2011. Dates to bring your quilts in are July 5 - 16, 2011 during regular business hours.

Tenth Annual Photo & Art Contest entries due October 4 - 15; "Great American Barns" is the subject. Watch for details!

## Project Progress



Unloading the wood.





Putting up the siding.



Here is an up-to-date photo of our stage, it will be changing again soon!

Stop in and take a look around, you won't recognize the place! Our crew of volunteers have been working diligently on finishing up the stage project. There is still a ways to go but they are well on their way.

Donations are still being excepted for finishing touches on the stage project.

# Coopersville Coin & Collectibles Club

3rd **Thursday** of the month doors open at **6:30pm**April 21, 2011

May 19, 2011

No admission fee ~ No buyers fee ~ No sellers fee

Auction 7:30 pm

Bring small collectible items or unique coins to sell

Contact Kevin Bolema with questions: 231-798-7695



Small farm animals wanted each Saturday in April (10am-2pm) for the annual Petting Zoo. Youth participation encouraged. This is a Youth Learning Service Project. It is organized and lead by young people giving them opportunities in leadership roles and the chance to do some fun community service. Call Kaitlyn today if you have a small or baby animal you'd like to bring to the CFM Petting Zoo on any (or all) Saturdays in April. (616) 997-8555

## Have a meeting, party, or reception?

Call the Coopersville Farm Museum for information on using our facility for your event 616-997-8555, or email Kaitlyn at kaitlynv@coopersvillefarmmuseum.org

# Groups



# C.A.T.S.



Coopersville Antique Tractor Society, a division of Coopersville Farm Museum, meets the 4th Wednesday of each month. Upcoming meetings are scheduled for April 27, 2011 and May 25 at 7pm.

#### TRACTOR SHOW DATES: August 9 - 13, 2011 Featured Tractor: Ford Ferguson

All hit-n-miss engines and tractors of any color/model/year are welcome. May only bring them in on Friday, August 5 or Wednesday, August 10 after 4pm. Watch for details. Chuck Hammond, C.A.T.S. President can be reached at 616-837-6881.



# The Train Guys

If your family or group is planning to visit the Coopersville Farm Museum and would like to **see the train run**, please give us a call and let us know when you'll be arriving. We will contact the Train Guys and someone will most likely want to come in and run it for you!

## Crazy Ladies Quilling Circle

The Crazy Ladies meet every **Thursday** morning beginning at **10:00** am year round. The 2nd Thursday of each month they make "Stone Soup." Bring an ingredient and join in. They get together and work on individual, group, and community service projects. Every week is different, but always includes lots of laughter. Welcome to all the new members! (\$3 group rate per person, members receive free admission).

#### **Quilts & Their Stories**



August 2 - September 30

Watch for details of special events planned for this year's exhibit of "Quilts & Their Stories." Just to give you a little advance notice, here are a few things to put on your calendar:

- Quilts are due July 5 16
- Quilter's Reception Aug. 2
- Director's Choice Display Crazy Quilts
- 4 Folk Dances with matching quilt block classes
- Crazy Quilt Stitches demo'd every Thursday morning
- Quilter's Marathon Sept. 29
- Gammill Long Arm Quilting Machine Hands-on Demo with Darla Parks of Elegant Stitches on Sept. 29 (7pm)

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#### RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Walk through & see what's new!

# Committed to our community!

# Thank you for your membership!

We appreciate your continued support. Coopersville Farm Museum is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

**Museum Hours:** 

Open Tuesday, Thursday, & Saturdays 10am - 2pm

Tuesday noon—Rotary
1st & 3rd Tuesday—Jam Night
Thursdays—Quilting
Rope making, kid's area, & crafts

Details of these events can be found inside.

What you get with your membership:

Free General Admission

Free Jam Night Admission

Discounted Admission to Special Events

10% Discount in Gift Shop (excluding food/consignment)

Newsletter and other special mailings

Invitation to Special Events

To be part of something wonderful!

Annual membership: \$30 individual/\$50 family