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SKYLINE FARM

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Baby Julian with parents Justin Deri and Vivian Page at Skyline Farm's annual summer dinner. The family resides in Skyline's farmhouse, and Justin operates Deri Farm's CSA. Jennifer Wiessner photo

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Come one, come all, to "Maine Harvest: Land and Sea," a benefit sale of fine art and crafts inspired by Maine's farmland and ocean. Yes, we've added fine crafts this year in order to broaden the array of items featured at Skyline Farm's 4th annual invitational exhibit and sale.

For six weeks we will showcase talented Maine artists & artisans whose paintings, photographs, sculptures, & fine crafts are inspired by the cornucopia of Maine's bountiful harvest - both from the land and the ocean. Interpreting this theme will be painters Beth Carlson, Diana Johnson, Caren-Marie Michel, Petrea Noyes, Kathi Peters, Karen Pettengill, Lois Strickland, Wade Zahares; photographers Bernard C. Meyers, Fred Michel; sculptors Clinton Jones, James Miller, Jordan Smith; and artisans of fine crafts, including fiber, jewelry, wood, glass and metal - Peter Asselyn, Jodi Clayton, Benjamin Coombs, Kim Dubay, Pamela Harwood, Valerie & Gerald Hoff, A C Kulik, Lynda McCann-Olson, Mike Mason, Susan Mills, Deborah Peters, Eric Pettengill, and Victoria Varga.

Please join us on Friday, September 25 from 5-7 p.m., to help kick off the show, where you can buy artworks or bid on intriguing silent auction items.

Enjoy light refreshments while mingling with these talented Maine artists.

"Maine Harvest: Land and Sea" is open free of charge from 12-3 p.m. each Saturday and Sunday from September 26 through November 8 or by appointment. Original creations to appeal to every taste and budget are for sale just in time for the holiday buying season for your gift-giving pleasure. The show is complemented by vehicles from the museum's carriage and sleigh collection.

A Silent Auction, featuring artworks and related items donated by the artists and local businesses, will run concurrently with the art show. Bidding action will begin on September 25 and conclude at 3 p.m. on Sunday, November 8. We hope for many "bidding wars" to break out during that time period.



*"Maine Marsh" by Lois J. Strickland
Image courtesy of the artist*

Artists are generously sharing a portion of each artwork's sale and 100% of the funds raised from their Silent Auction donations to benefit Skyline Farm's programs and operations. This is one of Skyline's most significant fund raisers, so we hope you will visit the Farm and find that special item from these very talented Maine artists and artisans!

Contact Pamela Ames at 207-829-5708 or info@skylinefarm.org for an appointment or if you'd like more information.



*Silver mussel necklace created by Lynda McCann-Olson
Image courtesy of the artisan*



*Rug hooking art created by Kim Dubay
Image courtesy of the artisan*

Craft demonstrations

During the "Maine Harvest" art exhibit, a few artisans will come to Skyline Farm to demonstrate their craft.

In late October Lynda McCann-Olson, an art teacher in the Cumberland/North Yarmouth school system, will demonstrate her technique for making jewelry from precious metal clay. Originally developed in Japan during the 1990s, metal clay, small bits of metal combined with a moist binder, is a clay-like substance that when fired in a kiln or with a torch becomes dense like metal. Though most people use the fine silver form, metal clay is also available in 22K gold, copper, and bronze. Lynda uses mostly silver and bronze in her work.

In late October or early November, Kim Dubay and other guild members of the Association of Traditional Hooking Artists, Tin Pedlar Chapter, will demonstrate primitive hooking techniques as well as traditional hooking. Their chapter name "Tin Pedlar" was chosen to honor Edward Sands Frost of Biddeford, ME, who, in 1865, was the first to design tin stencils for hooked rug patterns.

The chapter will also be selling raffle tickets for a rug, designed and hooked by its members in preparation for their Rug Show in May of 2010.

This show is held in Portland and open to the public. For more information on the group and its show, visit: www.mainetinpelars.org.



Henry Fest - 5th annual - September 20

Due to heavy rains on the originally scheduled date, the 5th annual Henry Fest has been rescheduled to Sunday, Sept. 20, 2 - 7 p.m. (If Dog Day needs its rain date, steps have been taken to present both on that day.)

Henry Fest is a community-oriented acoustic music festival that includes workshops and plenty of music by an array of performers. Great food by Cookin' Carol of Auburn, soft drinks and smoothies can be purchased.

Admission fees are:

Family \$30, Individual \$15, Student and senior \$10.

Advance tickets are available at 317 Main St, Yarmouth. For more information about HenryFest, or to order your tickets through the mail, contact 317 Main Street at (207) 846-9559.

Check its web site for updates on musical acts, schedule and concessions: www.henryfest.com.

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Dog Day Returns for its Third Year!

Saturday, September 19 (rain date 9/20), 10-3

\$10 person/\$5 kids 8 and under - dogs FREE

BRING A CHAIR

Dog Day is an event that celebrates dogs and their owners, promoting positive-reinforcement dog training techniques with many fun-day dog activities. With Dog Day's interactive programs, presentations, games, vendors, exhibits, puppy playgroup and professional consultations, Maine's dog lovers have an ideal place to come and celebrate their dogs while having interactive canine fun. Besides all that, you'll get valuable information that can benefit you and your dog for many years to come!

Whether you have a dog or just want to learn about dogs and admire their incredible abilities, Dog Day is just the place. Professionals from as far away as Bangor are coming together to share their knowledge and skills with Dog Day visitors.

Attending dogs must be well-socialized and non-reactive. Please leave aggressive dogs at home... but come to Dog Day and talk to a trainer for help!

Stone's Cafe and Bakery opens at 6:30, serving a special Dog Day breakfast not to miss! Food Stop is providing lunch and snacks.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Do you have a dog or know dogs who have fear issues?

If so, come see Don Hanson, CPDT, BFRP, CDBC* of Green Acres Kennel. He'll be giving a talk about using Rescue Remedy to help alleviate a dog's fears. Other participating professionals will be: Mallory Hattie, CPDT (Raising Canine); Diana Logan, CPDT (Pet Connection Dog Training); Liz Langham, CPDT (Tree Frog Farm Dog Training and Agility); Elsa Larsen, CPDT (My Wonderful Dog); and Jenny Yasi, CPDT (Whole Dog Camp).

Is walking your dog oftentimes a struggle? Join the "Walkin' Clinic" and learn ways to help you and your dog walk together. **Ever wondered what all the fuss is about clicker training? How can one use science in dog training?** There's so much we can learn about our best friends.

What does it mean to "fully vaccinate" a dog? Dr. Ruth Dalto, DVM, will be giving a talk that might surprise you.

PROFESSIONAL CONSULTATIONS

The professional trainers and our participating vet will all provide free mini-consultations throughout the day. Their combined knowledge and experience are impressive.

GAMES

The ever popular DOG RACES is back! Perhaps there will be another "almost upset" like there was last year between Bagel the bulldog and that gorgeous but distracted Golden. RETRIEVE, CATCH, "SEARCH AND RESCUE" and DUNKIN' FOR DOGS are back, too.... can you beat last year's record?

AGILITY

Liz Langham's agility setup and demos make Dog Day extra special. This year the riding ring will be divided in two so that both "seasoned" dogs (those who have agility experience of any level) and "green" dogs (newbies) will have plenty of opportunity to get their paws on the equipment. Newbies will be escorted through the course by an Agility Assistant who will be full of tips on how to get your dog started with the sport.

PUPPY PLAYGROUP

What a GREAT way to get your pup socialized! Dog Day is the perfect destination for young pups, providing them with the stimulation they need for the socialization process. There will be a puppy playgroup for pups who have had their first set of vaccinations and who are six months old or less and are less than 25 pounds. A professional

trainer will be managing the playgroup and providing commentary on dog behavior, communication and talking about dog interactions.

VENDORS

Here's your chance to get a professional photo taken of you and your dog! Stacia's Photography, "Timeless, Creative, Professional" will be setting up shop, mini studio and all, so you can capture your pooch at his best. No need to bring treats because there will be plenty of tasty morsels to buy from K-9 Krumpets and SoPoDogs. Gorgeous, unique collars will be made to order right then and there by D Dog Designs; Pinthrift Crafts will have some creative creations to enjoy. Bring extra cash so you won't miss these excellent deals!

WRAP UP

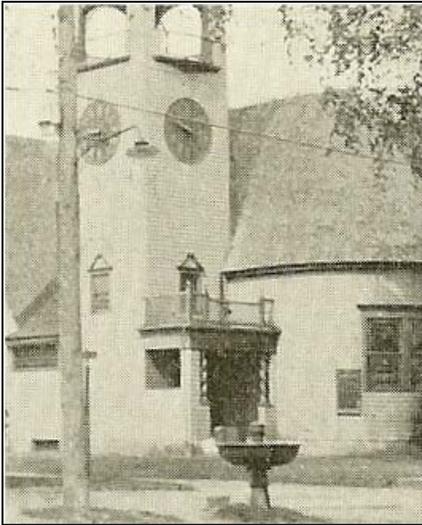
All proceeds from Dog Day 3 benefit Skyline Farm, a nonprofit organization.

FMI, please contact Diana Logan, CPDT, 207-252-9352. Visit: www.skylinefarm.org, which has a link to the Dog Day web site. Check the final schedule that will be posted by Sept 12th.



*"No way am I going through there!"
The agility course challenges canines
of all ages and abilities.
Courtesy photo*

THEN: Horse watering trough



NOW: Flower planter



An old iron watering trough that is 4 1/2 feet tall has become a flower planter at the corner of Center and Main Streets in Yarmouth, Maine. The nearby Baptist church is still there.

'Then' photo from "Ancient North Yarmouth and Yarmouth, Maine 1636 - 1936"

by William Hutchinson Rowe;

'Now' photo by Patti Mikkelsen

Skyline Farm's Summer Auction Wrap-up by Gregory Cuffey



Auctioneer Phil Stanton auctions off a fur coat at Skyline's 7th annual public sale of carriages, sleighs and antiques. Gregory Cuffey photo

The sun shown brightly on Skyline's 7th annual New England carriage, sleigh and antique auction.

Twenty-five vehicles were offered including: new & old sleighs (a Sturtevant-Larrabee Co. sleigh), Farm Wagon, Surrey, Pony Carts, Meadowbrooks, Road Carts, Village Cart and Concord style buggies.

A sampling of vehicles sold included a new pung for \$1,125, Surrey \$400, Maine State Prison built buggy \$450, a T.W. Lane buggy built in Ames-

bury, MA \$375 and newer Road carts averaged \$450.

The auction featured an eclectic mix of quality antiques. Selected "small" including- large copper kettle \$28, bronze horse \$31, etching \$36, horse weighs \$50, lantern \$50, and a fur coat \$65.

The auction was a successful fundraiser for Skyline. Many thanks to auctioneer Phil Stanton, all who consigned items and the dozen cheerful volunteers.

Maine Carriage Days - 32nd annual - October 3 (rain date: Oct. 4)



Organizer Mary Fowler has completely redesigned the 32nd running of Maine Carriage Days, including a venue change to spacious Topsham Fairgrounds, Topsham, Maine.

For competitors, Maine Carriage Days is offering ADS recognized judges John Greenall and Susan Koso, pleasure classes, dressage, cones, marathon pace, carriage dog, on-site stabling, photographer, and awards party.

The attractions for spectators include vendors, carriage rides, raffles and demonstrations. The admission fee for spectators is \$3, children 12 and under free.

Mark your calendar for Saturday, October 3 (rain date: Oct. 4). A class list, entry form and much more information can be found at: www.mainecharriagedays.com.

Contact: Mary Fowler (207) 865-2047.

New event!

Skyline “Carriages in Motion” Exhibition - 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

On Saturday, October 17th, there will be a parade and demonstration of horses, ponies and their carriages. A wide representation of horse drawn vehicles ranging from antique to modern will be featured.

During the demonstration section there will be a narration discussing the history and use of each vehicle and its horse pulling it. There will also be a lovely parade through Skyline Farm’s grounds and surrounding property.

Spectator admission is \$5 each, free for Skyline Farm members and kids 5 and under. An equine-related organization will be providing lunch for purchase as a fundraiser.

The carriage museum will be open during this event for further viewing of antique carriages, as well as fine art and crafts showcased in the exhibit “Maine Harvest: Land and Sea.”

For more information about the “Carriages in Motion” exhibition or to volunteer to help with this event, call Mary Fowler (207) 865-2047.



Nancy Wines-DeWan and Sinna, her Icelandic mare, negotiate cones. Courtesy photo

Pumpkin Fest - 10th annual by Jennifer Kimball

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Join us at the farm on Saturday, October 24 from 3 to 5 p.m. for some good old fashioned autumn fun! This event is especially popular with younger children, because it is not a scary Halloween party.

There will be games like "donut on a string", beanbag toss and bobbing for apples, as well as creative activities such as coloring & cookie decorating.

We will also be offering horse drawn wagon rides.

For those who are excited to wear them more than once, costumes are encouraged!

Admission is \$10 per carload and free for Skyline Farm members.

For more information, call 207-829-6278 or see www.skylinefarm.org.



Heidi Kleban and Anne Smith set up the “Donut on a String” game for the 2008 Pumpkin Fest. Jennifer Wiessner photo

Pleasure Trail Ride/Drive at Kennebec Morgan Farm

Pleasure Trail Ride/Drive at Kennebec Morgan Farm - 4th annual

It's that wonderful time of year again: fall trail riding & driving! We would like to invite you to the 4th annual Pleasure Trail Ride/Drive to benefit Skyline Farm on Sunday, Nov. 8.

Come to mid-coast Maine to enjoy the scenic views along the trails of Kennebec Morgan Horse Farm, 236 Phipps Point Road, Woolwich, Maine.

This event has historically drawn a large field of entries each year, and has received rave reviews for both the bayside trails and tasty lunch.

The event will start at 10:00 a.m. \$20 pre-entry, \$25 day of event - Ride or Drive. Hot food will be available for purchase.

FMI or to get an entry form, please call Becky Totten (207) 522-9668 (cell) or see www.skylinefarm.org in Oct.



Jean and Fred Stong opt for driving while two horseback riders saunter by at the 2008 Pleasure Ride/Drive. Margaret Totten photo



Judith Bean-Calhoun created the winning picnic at last year's Maine Carriage Day. Her theme was based on a quote from Edward FitzGerald, a 19th century poet. His translation of the Rubaiyat of Omar Khayyam, written in Persian, produced a philosophical poem that aptly describes a picnic. Judith penned it in calligraphy for her display sign:

*"A Book of Verses underneath the Bough,
A Jug of Wine, a Loaf of Bread - and Thou
Beside me singing in the Wilderness -
Oh, Wilderness were Paradise enow!"*



North Yarmouth, Maine artist Anne Tarbox is pictured closing up shop on the final day of last year's Fertile Ground Art Exhibit and Sale.

She reported that when the show first opened in early September, she had gotten off to a roaring start by selling two paintings within the first twenty minutes.

Patti Mikkelsen photos



At last year's Dog Day, 10-year-old "Abbey," a rescue dog from the English Springer Spaniel Club of Long Island (New York) was undergoing a "speed grooming" because she had to be back to the Yarmouth Vet's office by noon. Vicki Letarte of Saco (not pictured) planned to adopt Abbey after a go-ahead from the vet.

Nanci LaMarque from Whitney Farms was the groomer.



Barbara Winkler of Old Town with four-month-old Golden Retriever "Jenny Linn," who Barbara calls "a Tennessee woman." Her great-great grandfather was a #1 "Top Dog". Jenny Linn comes from Stonehill Kennels in Kodak, TN.

The kennel is very careful about adoptive families and makes sure that there is no upheaval in the household. They insist that the dog is put at the top of the adoptive person's priority list. They supply a DVD of the first 2 months of the dog's life.

Skyline Farm Membership Form

Your membership is effective through April 30 of next year.

Name _____ Street _____
Town _____ State _____ Zip _____
Telephone _____ E-mail _____

Regular Membership Levels: \$25 Student \$35 Individual \$50 Family \$100 Participating
Equine Membership Levels: \$40 Student \$50 Individual \$90 Family Other gift \$ _____

Please make check payable to 'Skyline Farm' and send to: Skyline Farm, PO Box 144, Yarmouth, ME 04096

Skyline Farm is a 501 (c)(3) organization. Gifts are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. Your membership support is appreciated.

Would you help reduce our postage costs by receiving newsletters and event reminders via e-mail? Yes No e-mails, please

Skyline Farm Facilities Update by Paul Lones

As we transition into autumn, I continue to be impressed with the beauty of Skyline Farm and its setting. Jeanne Chadbourne has done a wonderful job of keeping the grass mowed and trimmed this summer. The extra rain has meant more frequent mowing, but also has kept the grass greener, longer. It really looks great! Thank you to Jeanne for her many volunteer hours devoted to lawn care this summer.

In addition to the grass areas, Pam and Tracy Ames and other volunteers (thank you!) have maintained and continued to improve the garden beds near the Visitor Center. These look fantastic as well.

Skyline has also been preparing for HenryFest and Dog Day, with some extra mowing and trimming in the fields and picnic grove (thank you, Sarah and Mac Hopkins). These late summer events really take advantage of all that Skyline Farm has to offer.

Skyline Farm is available for weddings, family reunions and other events. Please send an e-mail message to info@skylinefarm.org if you would like to learn more about holding your event at Skyline.

Some other facilities work was completed over the summer including the painting of the North side of the barn, facing the museum driveway (thank you, David

Kleban and Yarmouth High School students!), some roof repairs to the ell (thanks to Justin and Wayne Deri), and installation of some Maine-made screen/storm doors on the primary entrances to the farmhouse. While this style of home did not typically have screen doors, we wanted to select doors that would reflect the age and character of the farmhouse and not detract from the doors themselves.

We used wooden doors build by Western Maine Screen Door Company of North Jay. Greg Cuffey kindly installed them. These doors will not only allow bug free ventilation on the warm months but will also protect the refinished original main entrance door and the replaced side entrance doors during the winter months.

In late August, Ron Kurze applied a much-needed fresh coat of paint on the Secretary's Booth. Thanks, Ron!

There are a few autumn projects available. These include some light carpentry, painting, trail work and landscaping. Many of these are perfect for students looking for local community service community service projects. Skyline Farm will provide materials and supplies.

Please contact Paul Lones at 207-829-4171 if you are interested in learning more.



*Maine-made screen doors were installed on the primary entrances of Skyline's farmhouse.
Patti Mikkelsen photo*



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Coming right up Saturday, Sept. 19!
(rain date: Sept. 20)

2009 SKYLINE FARM CALENDAR OF EVENTS - All are open to the public.

All event proceeds benefit Skyline Farm, a nonprofit organization, which owns an historic farmstead, including a carriage and sleigh museum, and offers trails through its woods and fields for public use.
FMI: Call event chair, go to www.skylinefarm.org, info@skylinefarm.org, or (207) 829-9203 (leave message).

Sept. 19 (rain date: Sept. 20)	Dog Day 3 All games, demos, agility, training clinics, presentations, mini-consults with professionals are included in the admission price of \$10/ages 9 and over, \$5/age 8 and under, dogs free. Lunch available for purchase. Info: Diana Logan (207) 252-9352	10 am - 3 pm (see page 3)
Sept. 20	Henry Fest - 5th annual A community-oriented acoustic musical festival rescheduled from August due to heavy rain. Info: 317 Main Street (207) 846-9559	2 - 7 pm (see page 2)
Sept. 25	Opening of "Maine Harvest: Land and Sea" Art Exhibit & Sale with Silent Auction Kick off to the fourth invitational art show and sale, plus silent auction. Meet the artists and artisans. Info: Pamela Ames (207) 829-5708	5 - 7 pm (see page 1)
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Oct. 3 (rain date: Oct. 4)	Maine Carriage Days - 32nd annual at Topsham Fairgrounds Extensive Pleasure Classes, Dressage, Cones, plus newly added VSE division! ADS recognized judges John Greenall, VT & Susan Koso, MA. Competitors, volunteers and spectators sought. Go to: www.maine-carriagedays.com . Info: Mary Fowler (207) 865-2047	10 am - 2 pm (see page 4)
Oct. 17	Skyline Farm's "Carriages In Motion" Exhibition A parade and demonstration of horse drawn vehicles ranging from antique to modern with an informative narration. Info: Mary Fowler (207) 865-2047	10 am - 2 pm (see page 5)
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