

Summer 2023



Case-Barlow Farm

*CBF Celebrates Fall Harvest Fest on Sunday, September 17
With Old-Fashioned, Tech-Free Fun on the Farm*



Mark your calendar and count the days until Sunday, September 17. Case-Barlow Farm's Annual Fall Harvest Fest is returning for the 25th year with exciting new items and favorites from the past. Rain or shine, the event offers activities for all ages along with demonstrations, and, of course, food from noon to 5 p.m. You will find happiness around every corner.

The Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad will transform the barn into a model railroad station with working trains and hands-on activities. Children will enjoy the chance to meet small farm animals, including chickens, little calves, goats, and pigs. New this year are alpacas from Pure Passions Farm. All attendees are sure to enjoy a hay wagon ride for the entire family!

Learn how to dip a candle, wash clothes the old-fashioned way, churn butter, shell and mash corn, plus make crafts to take home to friends and families. Games will include an old-fashioned three legged race, tug-of-war, yellow plastic duck races, Ride'em and Rope'em, face painting, pumpkin bowling, and so much more.

In addition the day will include: the 19th Ohio Light Artillery displaying a Civil War encampment, arborist Curt VanBlarcum; stone mason John Burnell; blacksmith Shawn Petries; Windsor chair maker, Richard Grell; Joe Leonard, wood carver who created the wood carousel houses for Disney Paris; and Michael Cohill with his marble railroad. The sounds of the Eddy Street Geezer's Band will entertain throughout the day. And making a guest appearance will be the Buckeye Square Dancers.

Case-Barlow Farm's historical 1800's farmhouse will be filled with demonstrators showing the domestic chores and handcrafts of the early settlers and farmers. CBF's famous hot dogs, ice cones, root beer floats, nibbles and more will be ready to feed those hungry "farm hands" when meal time arrives. Put away your electronic games and plan for a whole day of great outdoor family fun at 1931 Barlow Road, Hudson.

Admission is still the same, \$10.00 per adult, \$6.00 per child (ages 3-18 years old) and toddlers (2 years and under) are free. Refreshments are sold separately. This is CBF's major family event and fundraiser, and all proceeds from this event will support CBF. If you would like to volunteer to help on Sunday, September 17, please call 330.650.0591. For information, visit casebarlow.com.



CBF's White Block Garage

The CBF's garage, circa 1920, is made of rock-faced block,

sometimes called cast stone. The concrete block was made to look like stone and was very popular around the turn of the 20th century. In the late decades of the 19th century and the early 20th century, there was a dramatic shift in building construction, which was spurred by the Industrial Revolution. In 1895 Sears, Roebuck and Company began selling components and plans for various types of buildings, using rock face block. Sears also manufactured the rock face block machines. The company promoted the insulating properties, fire resistance, strength, and decorative appearances of the block for everything from foundation to entire homes. Look around Hudson and you will find many places this block still exists.

August 13—Open house

On Sunday, August 13 from 1 to 4 pm, CBF's Open House will feature antique, vintage, and classic cars on the farm grounds. While the adults wander to see the cars of their dreams, children will be able to decorate and personalize their very own cake pops, which are generously being provided by a gift of the

Campanella family. A farm scavenger hunt will also provide fun for everyone. Come enjoy the entire afternoon!



Fresh Produce from the Farm

Wednesdays

Now through September

4:00—6:00 PM

Keep CBF in mind when making your grocery list, as we have farm fresh produce and baked goods available at our roadside farmstand. Wednesday from now through the end of September, the cart will be located on the driveway of Case-Barlow Farm House at 1931 Barlow Road, Hudson. In case of rain, the cart will be located inside the Wagon Barn (up the driveway). All proceeds go to maintaining and refurbishing the historic CBF. Our wonderful garden volunteers have beautifully maintained the picket-enclosed dye and herb garden near the back porch of the farm house. They have also lovingly planted and cared for the produce garden which contains a variety of fresh lettuce, vegetables, heirloom tomatoes, garlic and much more.



Book the Barn!

We have become a wildly popular venue choice for a variety of events!

In our current 2023 season, which runs June through October, the barn is hosting a total of 23 events with 14 of those being beautiful weddings with memories to last a lifetime. There's nothing more special than watching the bride enjoy the farmhouse as her private bridal space as she and her bridesmaids eagerly await the on-premise ceremony and the beautiful, personalized barn reception that follows. Each wedding has been so individualized to the bride's vision, and it has been an honor to watch, listen, and interact with the guests as they are always in awe of the historic property and the intimacy of the evening.

We host many other events as well, ranging from showers to milestone birthdays and anniversary parties, to corporate events and meetings. There are so many possibilities. If you are interested in touring and booking the barn, we are "by appointment" only. Please contact Lisa at casebarlowevents.com or at 234.380.3139 and grab your date while it is still available!

A Very Busy Summer at the Farm!

On May 7, WRA students and their advisor helped prepare the gardens for the upcoming summer. The students plus CBF adult volunteers helped spruce up the farm, moving mulch, weeding and edging gardens. Thank you, everyone who helped.

The summer began with major construction in the farm yard near the barn. Wet ground had been difficult for the produce gardens, which at times were wet and filled with standing water, and many times the parking areas were too soft to park cars and even walking became strenuous. But, that has all been resolved. Drain lines were installed through some of the north and south fields, making the grounds very usable now.



Next, a wonderful brick walkway was installed from the edge of the north property line to the entrance of "Big Red." An educational learning center with a gas-lighted firepit was built into the side of the barn bank.

Over 1200 guests enjoyed CBF during the Hudson Home and Garden Tour on June 16 & 17. Creative florists filled the home with gorgeous flower arrangements, and guests marveled at the historic 1831 home. Also on tour was the kitchen garden, the 1920 white block milk house, the old outhouse privy circa 1940 along with the 1890 "Big Red" barn.

Patriotic music filled the barn at the July 9 Sunday Open House, courtesy of the Western Reserve Community Band. From John Philip Sousa to Sesame Street, the acoustics in the barn were perfect and a wonderful afternoon was had by all. Beautiful artwork, hand painted by The Hudson Society of Artists, adorned the walls of the barn during the open house concert.

A new split rail fence is being installed around the gardens near the apple orchard, as well as additional raised beds, enabling CBF to produce and sell more home-grown vegetables.



Mark Your Calendar Now—

The Holiday Season at CBF will be Full of Exciting Events

November 18 CBF's Sixth Annual Turkey Tot Trot is coming to the farm. Children ages 5 to 11 years will compete in their age group to win a 20-pound turkey for their family's Thanksgiving dinner. Turkeys are courtesy of Hudson's Acme Fresh Market.



The Christmas season will be ushered in with CBF Winter Wonderland beginning on Friday, December 1 from 11:30 to 2 pm with its annual Christmas Teas. It will include specialty teas, tea sandwiches, smorgastrata, floral arranging and candle making. Later that evening, Friday, December 1 from 6:30 to 8:30 pm, Christmas wines, heavy hors d'oeuvres, along with a wine connoisseur, will be toasting in the holiday season.



The Gingerbread Tea for children ages four and older is returning and will be held on Saturday, December 2 and Sunday, December 3, from 12 to 2:30 pm. This Gingerbread Tea will feature hot cocoa, sandwiches, and cookies. Don't miss the special guest appearances from Mrs. Clause, Elf on the Shelf and Rudolph. The children will also make and take home a holiday craft. Make your holiday reservations at Casebarlow.com.

Saturday, December 9, and Sunday, December 10, Santa will be in "Big Red" waiting to hear all the wishes of your children. Reservations online at Casebarlow.com will be required.

The CBF barn, "Big Red," will be dressed and decorated for the holidays. Spectacular trees will once again grace the barn's interior. A Holiday gift shop and entertainment will add to the festivities. Check Casebarlow.com for complete details of dates, times and entertainment.

CASE-BARLOW FARM



Why consider Case-Barlow Farm in your charitable giving?

- CBF is a self-sustaining 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.
- CBF is a volunteer run organization with no employees.
- CBF receives no local tax dollars.
- CBF relies on donations to pay for operations.
- CBF is on the National Register of Historic Places.
- CBF reflects the history and architecture of the Western Reserve.

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IS
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CASE-BARLOW FARM • 2023-2024 FUNDRAISING DRIVE

Level of Support:

- \$1,000* \$ 100*
 \$ 500* \$ 50
 \$ 250* _____

*Please indicate if you wish to be notified about Santa in the Barn reservations (email required):

- YES NO

Name:

Address:

Email:

Phone:

Newsletter preference email USPS

Payment methods:

Online via www.casebarlow.com/giving
OR

Mail form with check payable to:
Case-Barlow Farm
P.O. Box 2143
Hudson, OH 44236



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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

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Did You Know?

In 1850 the U. S. Non-Population Agricultural Census reported approximately 2,317 farms existed in Summit County. Hudson Township listed 108 farms encompassing

10,715 improved acres, with farms ranging in size from 11 to 363 acres, value from \$300 to \$13,400.00. Hudson Township was producing 53% of the butter, 27% of the cheese and 19% of the maple sugar in the county in the 1850s. The population of Hudson Township in 1856 had more than doubled over the past decade to 1,433 people. Case-Barlow Farm grew from 110 acres to 272 acres by 1856, becoming one of the medium-to-large acreage farms in Hudson Township, with a cash value of \$3,500 in 1850 with cheese, butter and maple sugar as its major products, as part of the growing agricultural economy of Summit County. It was owned by Chauncey and son Henry Case. In 1859 the CBF consisted of 6 horses, 20 milk cows, 6 sheep and 10 swine. The farm produced 6,000 lbs. of cheese, 1,200 lbs. of butter, 50 lbs. of Irish potatoes, 230 lbs. of maple sugar, 45 tons of hay, 125 bushels of Indian corn and 20 lbs. of wool annually.

Chauncey Case passed away in 1863 (age 88) and Cleopatra in 1867 (age 87). Son Henry expanded the farm to 419 acres, acquiring additional acreage to the north and including the land of his brother, John G. Case to the west. Henry and wife Mary Case lived on the farm where they raised 10 children who helped work the farm. In June 1870, Henry Case's farm had a cash value of \$10,000, increasing \$6,500 since 1850.

A Little Hudson History

"The village of Hudson considered the Mansion House, which was located at 88 North Main Street, and the thirteen other town saloons to be extremely liberal in the dispensation of intoxicants. James W. Ellsworth agreed to his reconstruction plans for Hudson with the provision that Hudson refrain from the sale of all liquor. Local prohibition legislations were passed 1912-1917. National prohibition was adopted in the Eighteenth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution and became effective on January 16, 1920. It was repealed in 1933." *Musical Chairs on Main Street, by Alice Johnson 1979.*



Here is an easy way to help CBF. Simply shop at any Acme Fresh Market Store and collect your receipts. Acme donates 5% of the "Community Cash Back" value to non-profit organizations. Invite your friends and family to save these receipts for CBF! This fall program will begin soon. Mail your receipts to Case-Barlow Farm, P.O. Box 2143, Hudson OH 44236 or drop off at the farm's back porch, where a large canning glass jar is waiting for your donation. We thank you in advance for helping us pay the bills and flourish at CBF.