

Case-Barlow Farm

A time of sadness is a time to remember ...We will miss you Hub Herendeen!

On March 11th, CBF and Hudson lost a wonderful friend and companion. Hub was a long time resident of Hudson and after retiring from the Terex Corporation in the early 90's, Hub began dedicating his time to CBF. Since CBF was incorporated, Hub, one of the original members, had spent thousands of hours overseeing the preservation of the farm house, supervising the new heating, wiring, plumbing, maintenance projects and the restoration of the barn and out buildings. He shared his knowledge of farming and farm implements during sessions with Montessori students, and guided Boy Scouts through special projects to earn their Eagle Scout Award. Always interested in getting others involved and enthused, Hub never missed a major activity or event at the farm. He enjoyed not only the work but the company of his partners at the Farm. His mild manners, soft speech and warm smile will be remembered by all those who were lucky enough to know Hub and love him. Hub is survived by his wife, Diane, who has been at his side through all the years at CBF, serving on many committees and events and is an active member of the James Ellsworth Questers Chapter of Hudson. The Hub Herendeen Barn Fund has been established to honor Hub while restoring the barn. If you wish to make a memorial in his name, please send to Case Barlow Farm, P.O. Box 2143, Hudson, Ohio 44236.

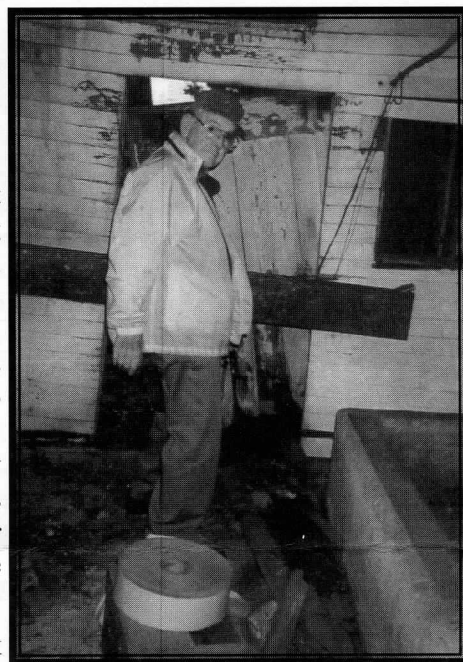
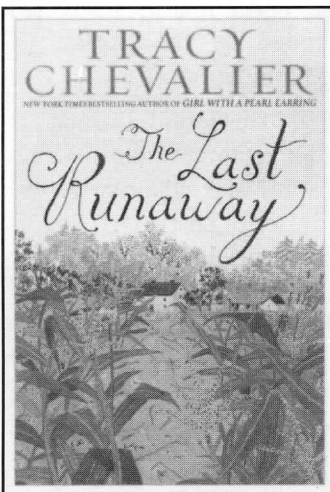


Photo was taken this past fall when Hub was helping clean out the old white milk house on the work day for turning the wagon shed into a museum.

Author Tracy Chevalier Gives Reading in Renovated Wagon Shed



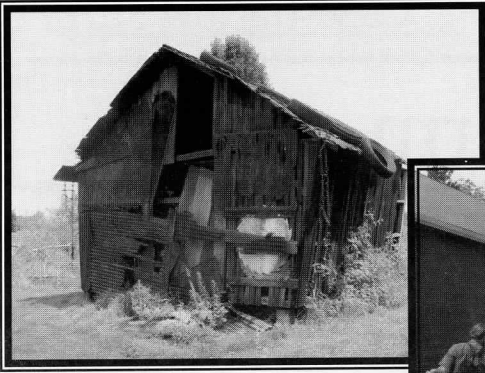
Tracy Chevalier, author of 7 works of historical fiction, came to Case-Barlow Farm in May to discuss her latest book, *The Last Runaway*, which tells the story of an English Quaker who comes in the 1850's to Ohio and becomes involved with runaway slaves. Ms. Chevalier spoke in the beautifully restored wagon shed to nearly 40 people; the event raised \$600 which was earmarked for the restoration of the main barn. Afterward, guests enjoyed refreshments as they toured the farmhouse and purchased a book signed by the author.

The Last Runaway is the first book of Ms. Chevalier's set in America; the author is most known for her 1999 best seller, *Girl with a Pearl Earring*, which was later made into a movie starring Colin Firth and Scarlett Johansson.

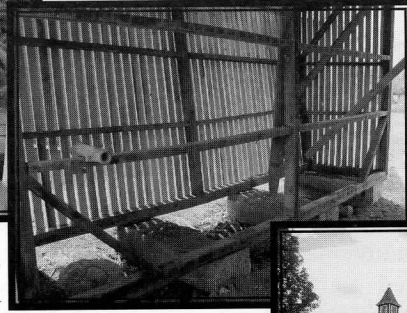
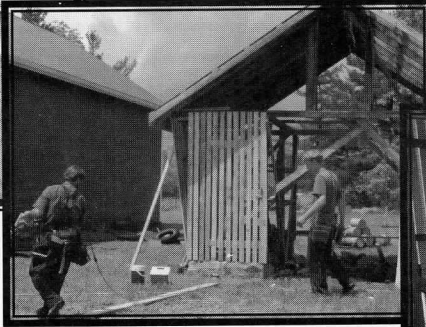
No stranger to Ohio, Ms. Chevalier is a graduate of Oberlin College where she gave the 2013 commencement address. She is actively researching her next book which touches briefly in Ohio and delves into the idea of immigrants bringing trees from their homeland to the new world.



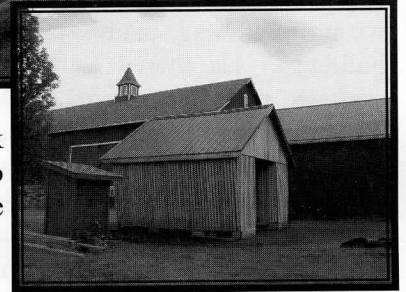
Our Corn Crib is ready to Enjoy its New Life!



A vital part of every Ohio farm, the corn crib was continuously used. Time and weather had taken a toll on the old corn crib at CBF. Farmer Barlow used many different, no longer necessary items to extend its life--notice the large saw blades, the metal roofing from the old silo, old doors perhaps from another outbuilding, and even old tires to hold down the roof.



Gone are the old rusted hinges, the worn tires holding down the asphalt shingles and all the "reused" wood and metal siding pieces. Sugar Creek Builders have been hard at work giving the corn crib a foundation of old large barn sandstones, keeping the integrity of the structure using the original beams and main frame while adding specially cut and barn dried hemlock boards to the sides and interior. They also installed floors of reclaimed material. To match the wagon shed, a tin roof has been added. This entire project was made possible by a generous donor to the farm.



Apple Orchard - Eagle Scout Project

For his Eagle Scout project, Miles VanBlarcum chose to establish an apple orchard at Case-Barlow Farm. Under the supervision of CBF board members, Connie Price and Phil Wiese, twenty-four trees were planted on June 2nd behind the big barn and the newly re-built corn crib. Five varieties of apple trees were selected being well-suited for the farm's soil and climate and will require easy care. Miles will be responsible for watering the trees through the summer.

Several of his fellow scouts from BSA Troop 321 and friends from Western Reserve Academy joined Miles to cut away the sod, dig appropriate holes, place the bareroot trees, backfill with soil, and water thoroughly: Evan Schlenk, Robert Head, Jonathan Depew, Owen Rudy, Paul Shortman, Brian Holcomb and Daniel Schroeder. His father, arborist Curt VanBlarcum, made sure all the trees had ideal placement and planting.

Years ago, as a young student in Hudson Montessori School, Miles had worked in the gardens of the farm for community service and as part of the micro-economy of the middle school called "North House Specialties". He hopes that future harvests will provide apples for the middle school students to make their popular Apple Spice Jam or applesauce for their entrepreneurial endeavors. He is also looking forward to visiting the farm in the future, to see the trees as they mature and continue to provide an appropriate agricultural and historic dimension to the farm.



Garden Grant

CBF thanks the Seniors and Youth: Partners in Philanthropy for their recent grant supporting the heirloom garden. The Intergenerational Philanthropy Board comprised of students from Seton School teamed-up with residents of Laurel Lake to review projects. Those that they selected were funded by the Burton D. Morgan Foundation.

The CBF Heirloom Garden is open to all promoting our mission of education and adaptive re-use of the historic property. Plants considered heirloom are open-pollinated, help ensure that diversity, and often have a more pleasing taste and texture over commercial varieties that need to be harvest mechanically.

The garden is maintained by volunteers. It is open for tours on the second Sunday of the summer months. If you are interested in helping or in knowing more, please contact CBF.

2011 - 2012 Fund Raiser Builds a Split Rail Fence!



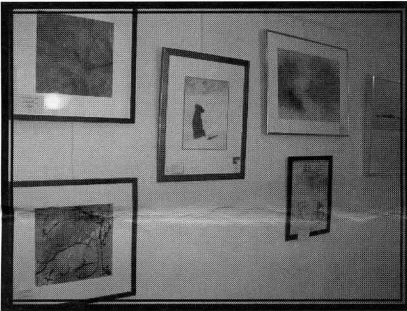
Thanks to your generosity during the past 2 years, the membership drive has received enough donations to grace the front pasture along Barlow Road with a split rail fence. The farm not only looks wonderful, with its new fence, but provides safety for the children visiting the farm during the Annual Fall Harvest Fest and school and group activities.

Soon engraved plaques with your names will be installed on each rail.

*Stop by
and
look for yours.*



Hudson League for Service Grant Provides Gallery Space



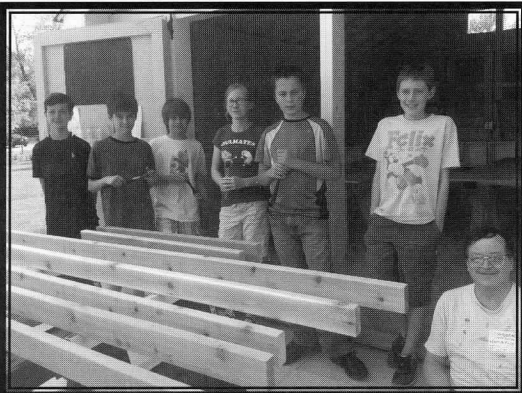
A generous grant from HLFS has made it possible for CBF to purchase a display system for the hallway in the farmhouse allowing CBF to open the doors for all types of art exhibits and shows. Our new museum quality art rail system is designed to be installed with minimal holes drilled into brick and masonry making this the best application for our historic farmhouse. With this newly donated system, the community has more opportunities to hold exciting events in the farmhouse.

Our inaugural event, held with the Hudson Society of Artists, was a Preview Reception on Friday, May 10th followed by a Pop-Up Art Show featuring 8 artists on May 12. During each of the upcoming Farm Open Houses, a different Hudson Society Artist will be displaying their work. Featured artists this summer will be Shannon Casey on June 9th; Maggie McGrainor on July 14th; Evie Martindale on August 11th; and Gale Haller on September 8th. Open House hours are 1 to 4 pm each Sunday. Come and enjoy a different artist each month this summer while touring the farm house and grounds.



CBF Barn Quilt Takes Design

Beth Smith, chairperson, along with committee members Diane Herendeen, Barbara Bos, Diane Kempton, Gary Smith, Gay Grell, Judy Boyle, and Vivian Copley are hard at work preparing an historical barn quilt for Case-Barlow Farm. A barn quilt is not made of fabric, but rather it is a quilt pattern painted on a large 8 foot by 8 foot plywood board. Under the supervision of Gary Smith, Hudson Montessori middle school students are painting the primer coat. When complete the boards will be moved to CBF garage and the committee members will bring the quilt to life with design and colors. The quilt pattern is a variation on the "Sawtooth Star Block", a traditional block that dates from pre-civil war times. The variation comes when the center square is painted in a windmill (pinwheel) pattern. The modern barn quilts originated with Donna Sue Groves of Adams County, Ohio who wanted to paint a quilt in honor of her mother on their barn. Several neighbors did likewise and the Barn Quilt Tour took shape, quickly spreading to many other states becoming the National Quilt Trail. Southern Ohio has an official Barn Quilt Tour. Case-Barlow Farm would love to be part of a tour in the future, but currently there only a couple of other barn quilts displayed in Summit County.



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Hudson
Questers
Provides
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We are so grateful to the Quester "team" that appears monthly to clean and maintain the 14 restored rooms in the farmhouse. Your continued support and love of the farm is vital to our successful use of the facility.

Focus Turns to Bank Barn

As the years have come and gone, the list of completed projects at CBF has grown long. All efforts are now focusing on the majestic barn. Much work has already been done including safety requirements such as additional staircases, new flooring, restored cupola and a new roof. Some of the work that remains to be completed before the barn can be opened to the public is to repair the foundation, rebuild the bank leading to the barn's main entrance along with its doors, and secure the siding from deterioration. When restored the barn will be a very special place for concerts, wedding, etc. We would love your help with financial donations to make this dream come true. Thank you.

Fall Fest Has a New Date and Time!



The CBF Annual Fall Harvest Fest is coming this year earlier, the date is **September 15th, 2013 with extended hours from 12 noon to 5 p.m.** The ponies, hay wagon rides, petting animals, crafts, games, music and food will be back along with many new items including a rope maze, wagon train rides for the little ones, a musical garden and so much more. Mark your calendar and be sure to join us for great fun!

**Rental
Opportunity**

The Case-Barlow Farm is meant to be used by everyone in the community for 21st century events, even though the house is being restored to 1831. Some recent rentals include graduation parties, private dinners, music recitals, business functions and bridal/baby showers. If you would like to plan an event for the house or yard and gardens, please call 330.650.0591 for details.