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Baked Goods and Backyard Farms

Cartersville, GA – August 8, 2018 - Bring your family and experience the Bartow History Museum in an exciting new way. Join us for Baked Goods and Backyard Farms, Saturday, August 18th, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. This unique event combines our annual bake sale fundraiser with an antique tractor show, photography exhibit, activities for the kids, farming related lectures, and even a petting zoo.

The day will kick off with the bake sale fundraiser at 10 a.m. Featuring baked goodies from local restaurants and friends of the museum, this event will be a great way to pick up a tasty treat while helping to support the museum. Participants in this year's sale include Grand Oaks, Table 20, Nola's Bakery and more. Be sure to come early for the best selection!

Also starting at 10 a.m. is the tractor show. Individuals from the Gordon County Antique Tractor and Engine Club will be showing their tractors. Whether rusty or newly painted, these machines are sure to capture the attention of young and old alike. Kids will be able to a ride on a barrel train, visit a petting zoo, and participate in other fun games and crafts.

Included as part of this year's event is the "Barns of Bartow County" photography exhibit opening. Visit the temporary exhibit of photographs featuring images of barns of Bartow County provided by members of the Booth Photography Guild. This is a juried show with a blue ribbon being awarded.

Attendees will also be able to hear guest speakers who will share information on a number of farming related topics. Maxine Sutton, who raises Alpine dairy goats under the herd names, Sutton Farm and Amy's Pride, will present on "Learn about the Milking Goat". Tina Evans, owner of Dry Creek Naturals will speak on "Farm to Fashion", and Paul Pugliese, MPPPM, UGA Extension - Bartow County, County Coordinator, will talk about "Growing Georgia Fruits" and "Fall Vegetable Gardening". In addition, members of the Bartow County Master Gardeners Club will be on hand to answer your gardening questions and discuss their organization.

Before leaving, individuals are invited to visit the temporary exhibit, "The Call of the Land", where they will see an assortment of items including farming tools, historic farm images, and other artifacts related to farms, crops, agricultural clubs and fairs, and more. It is a wonderful opportunity to learn about an industry long rooted in Bartow County. The temporary exhibit will remain open until September 29, 2018.

All activities are free for museum members. For non-members, museum admission covers admission to the museum, presentations, crafts, barrel train rides, and petting zoo. No admission is required to enter the bake sale. Whether you have sprouting interest in farming or just love reminiscing about the past, we hope that you will experience the museum with us on this day. Sponsored by AgGeorgia Farm Credit, the Cartersville-Bartow County Convention & Visitor's Bureau, and Georgia Farm Bureau.

Additional Information

Baked Goods - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Start your day by visiting our bake sale. The doors open at 10 a.m. Featuring desserts from local restaurants and friends of the museum, this event will be a great way to pick up a tasty treat while helping support the museum. Participants in this year's sale include Grand Oaks, Table 20, Nola's Bakery, and more. Be sure to come early for the best selection!

Antique Tractor Show - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Members of the Gordon County Antique Engine and Tractor Club will be displaying an assortment of antique tractors that are sure to delight young and old alike.

"Barns of Bartow County" Photography Exhibit Opening - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Visit the temporary exhibit of photographs featuring images of barns of Bartow County provided by members of the Booth Photography Guild. Vote for your favorite to win the People's Choice Award.

Getting to Know the Milking Goat – 10:15 a.m.

Maxine Sutton raises Alpine dairy goats under the herd names Sutton Farm and Amy's Pride. The focus of the business is on producing goats that are competitive on the national level in American Dairy Goat Association shows. At the present time the herd numbers 28.

Join us as Maxine talks about milking goats - housing, feeding, and milking them. Maxine will also share information about what can be made with their milk.

Fall Vegetable Gardening - 11:00 a.m.

Paul Pugliese, MPPPM, UGA Extension - Bartow County, County Coordinator, will talk about fall vegetable gardening.

In Georgia, it can be very challenging to get cool-season vegetables started at the end of summer. This seminar will give you the basics on starting fall and winter vegetables from seeds or transplants, proper timing, fertilization, and care. Popular cool-season vegetables include beets, carrots, lettuce, mustard, kale, English peas, radishes, spinach, Swiss chard, and turnips. Cauliflower, broccoli, cabbage, Brussels sprouts, collards, onions, and Irish potatoes can also be grown in Georgia with a little extra time and preparation.

Farm to Fashion – 11:45 a.m.

Tina Evans, owner of Dry Creek Naturals, has raised fiber sheep and goats. She is experienced in selling wool, making yarn, and producing products from the yarn.

Listen as she "shears" her knowledge and experience about the process involved from collecting wool to making finished scarves and shawls.

Growing Georgia Fruits - 12:30 p.m.

Paul Pugliese, MPPPM, UGA Extension - Bartow County, County Coordinator, will talk about raising Georgia fruits.

Pugliese's presentation will focus on growing native fruits. Native fruits that are not commercially cultivated include elderberry, serviceberry, gooseberry, mayhaw, red mulberry, pawpaw, and persimmon. Other native fruits that are grown commercially include blueberry, blackberry, raspberry, and muscadine grapes.

Pugliese hopes to introduce his audience to the many diverse native fruits that can grow in Georgia. Because some are not readily available at the local grocery store, it can be fun and enjoyable to grow something different in your garden. Native fruit species are generally lower maintenance than non-native fruits such as peaches, apples, and pears. This presentation will include a brief overview on variety selection, proper planting techniques, and basic care.

Barrel Train Rides, Petting Zoo, and More - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Kids will be able to ride on the barrel train, visit a petting zoo, make a craft, and play games.

"The Call of the Land" Temporary Exhibit - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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Museum Gift Shop

Be sure to stop by the gift shop before leaving to check out our selection of cook books, aprons, and dish towels.

On the Farm is written and illustrated by Marie Whitton, who resides in Bartow County.

About the Bartow History Museum

The Bartow History Museum, located at 4 East Church Street in downtown Cartersville, Georgia, documents the history of northwest Georgia's Bartow County, spanning more than 200 years since the Cherokee were the area's primary residents. Artifacts, photographs, documents, and a variety of interactive permanent exhibits tell the story of settlement, Cherokee life and removal, Civil War strife, and lifestyles of years past. The Bartow History Museum also provides a variety of educational opportunities for adults, children, families, and school groups. Our extensive archives and research library contains photographs, documents, newspapers, rare books, genealogy records, oral history interviews, and more.

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