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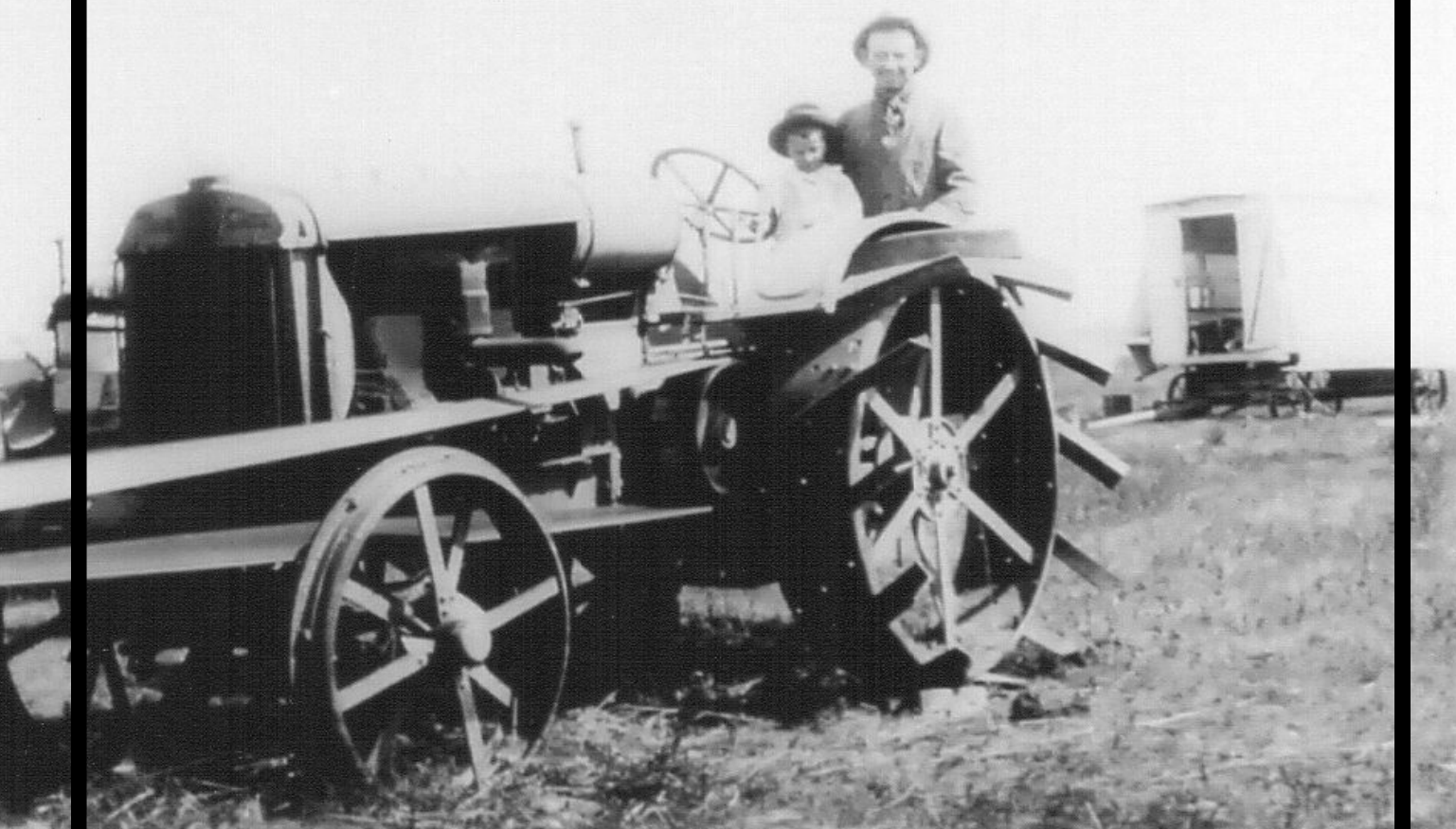
...the rural heritage of Collin County

June 2011



WARNING

TRACTOR TRAINING CAMP INFORMATION (page 3)

Collin County Farm Museum

at Myers Park and Event Center

7117 County Road 166

McKinney, TX 75071

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The Oxford English Dictionary has two definitions for "**restore**":

1) *To store again…*

Many artifacts at the Farm Museum were once stored by donors in dusty barns, tucked away in sheds or displayed on shelves. Through donations, the Farm Museum collects these artifacts and **restores** them within the collections facility and exhibits. Thus, the artifact's history is preserved and available for educating the public.

2) *To bring back…*

Through the generous contribution of Farm Museum volunteers' time and knowledge, artifacts are systematically **restored** to their former glory through five project based restoration exhibits.

COLLIN COUNTY FARM MUSEUM

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Man & boy pose with tractor and cook shack, source: Donald Fisher (2011.03.010)

If you have historic photographs to share, please contact the Collin County Farm Museum.

Collin County Farm Museum is now on... facebook

Like

Tell your friends to "Like" the page because the 100th person to "Like" the Collin County Farm Museum's Facebook page and up to two friends and/or family will receive a FREE ride in the museum's 1911 Ford Model T. Additionally, their picture will appear in the ReStore Newsletter mimicking poses from historic photographs.

Tractor Training Camp
June 22, 2011

Oliver, Allis-Chalmers, Massey-Harris, Farmall, John Deere… It's a roll call of historic tractors that changed the way we farm. At Tractor Training Camp, we educate about tractor safety before Restoration Volunteers explain and demonstrate how to start, drive and stop a variety of old tractors. Additionally, campers will build and design their own tractors. Before leaving, campers will take a tractor pulled hayride through the parks 165 acres.

Time: 9:30 to 11:30
Cost: $10.00
Ages: 5-11 years
Limit: 20 campers
*Volunteers 12 years and older are encouraged to participate.

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for registration,
Jennifer Rogers

Dusty Boots Camp

2012
Myers Park & Event Center

In 2012, the Collin County Farm Museum plans to launch its annual week long summer camp from July 23 - 27, 2012 & July 30 - August 3, 2012 at Myers Park & Event Center. Campers will participate in various messy, mucky, and muddy activities involving five different types of dirt. Camp will be in the morning from 9:00 to 12:00 and will include openings for Kindergarten to 5th grade. Youth volunteers 12 years old and older are welcome.

We know the 5 Dirty Words:

LOAM
PEAT
SAND
SILT
CLAY

Visual Discoveries Exhibits

The Collin County Farm Museum's large object collection, consisting of tractors, combines, cultivators, etc… are being restored to fully functioning machinery - and visitors will see the process first hand.

Modeling itself after Seattle's Museum of Flight, which houses a series of restoration warehouses which are also exhibit spaces, the Farm Museum will showcase the restoration process of its artifacts while informing the public of their historical value.

Restoration Exhibit opens

June 25, 2011 at 10:00 am.

Have questions…??? The Vehicle Maintenance Volunteers are in the exhibit areas on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. If you come another time, leave your questions on the corkboard with an email, and they will send you an answer.

What to do with old doors…?

The Collin County Farm Museum has created two traveling exhibits:

- ✓ Knocking on Doors - The Rural Traveling Salesman
- ✓ The Other Side of the Door - Home Demonstration Clubs.

These exhibits feature objects from the Farm Museum's small artifact collection and are scheduled for display at three county libraries. To see them visit:

- ✓ Plano Library - Genealogy
  Knocking on Doors ~ 8/2 - 9/2/2011
- ✓ Frisco Heritage Museum
  The Other Side of the Door ~ 6/1 - 7/2/2011
  Knocking on Doors ~ 7/6 - 30/2011
- ✓ Melissa Public Library
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Get involved with

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Vehicle Maintenance Volunteers & Public Program Volunteers

COLLIN COUNTY FARM MUSEUM

Name:.....

Address:.....

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Phone #:.....

Email:.....

Check any of the following:

- ☐ Interested in restoring history.
- ☐ Interested in developing programs.
- ☐ Interested in attending workshops.

Model T•ea Party, an Edwardian inspired lawn party!

Despite gloomy weather on Saturday, May 21, 2011, people joined us to celebrate the Collin County Farm Museum's Model T 100th Birthday.

People were able to take a FREE ride in the 1911 Model T, including the Wells family who donated it.

Parents and children played in the beautiful park and gardens, or relaxed with fresh cookies and cupcakes, with tea or lemonade.

The Collin County Farm Museum is looking to welcome more Vehicle Maintenance Volunteers.

We don't just restore our historic tractors and vehicles… We <u>drive</u> them too!