

## SHEPHERD'S CROSS FARM MUSEUM

The museum at Shepherd's Cross is being designed for a two fold purpose:

1. To teach about agriculture & agricultural techniques - preserving old techniques as well as educating about new technology
2. To teach about agriculture and how it relates to the bible - enhancing biblical knowledge, preserving the understanding of agriculture and its relationship to basic Christian principles.

We encourage participants to view our website at [www.ShepherdsCross.com](http://www.ShepherdsCross.com), and to visit the farm - to facilitate an understanding of the mission of the farm.

An agricultural museum is being established at Shepherd's Cross. Learning booths are being built for a multitude of farm related educational areas. Listed below are a few of those areas that directly relate to the current production of the farm.

In an effort to encourage learning of these agricultural principles, we have established a program, whereby participants may build a booth, for exhibition in the museum. Simply choose one of the following topic areas; let us know which area you have selected, so we can mark that off the list. Additionally, if participants would like to choose a different topic area, simply submit the suggestion, for approval.

We encourage participants to submit projects, by November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009 for viewing in the museum at the annual Volunteer Banquet (Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>). Special recognition will be given to all participants who submit projects by this date.

Projects may be submitted throughout the course of the year. If they are submitted after the Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> 2009 deadline, the participant will receive recognition the following November at the Volunteer Banquet.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Diane Dickinson at 918-342-5911 or [farm@shepherdcross.com](mailto:farm@shepherdcross.com).

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### EDUCATIONAL BOOTH PROJECT

#### REQUIRED CRITERIA FOR ALL BOOTHS

All booths must incorporate all of the following:

1. History of the procedure; technique; or agricultural product; include biblical history where relevant.
2. Names and identification of parts of the equipment, technique, or agricultural product.
3. Scripture references, with the verses written out for at least some of the references

#### POINTS OF CONSIDERATION

1. Consider this to be similar to a science project. If you incorporate all of the principles of formation for a good quality science project, you will have built a good quality educational booth.
2. Booths will be used to educate individuals with a wide range of ages, and a variety of learning styles. In our experience, with the Bible Garden, having some material that is easy to read & grasp, perhaps an elementary level, and some that is more challenging, perhaps upper High School, allows a learning opportunity for all viewers.
3. Additionally, having a selection of learning styles, for viewers, enhances the learning. For example, some learn by reading - have some written word; some learn by doing - a durable, hands on learning moderm is good; some learn by hearing - a video or audio tape is beneficial; some learn by seeing - pictures or video will accomplish this.
4. Projects are designed to fit a space about the size of 6 ft by 4 ft; with an "eve" line from the roof of the barn.

#### ALL BOOTHS MUST INCLUDE AT LEAST 4 OF THE FOLLOWING

1. Large display board or poster board
2. Video &/or audio. We must have full legal ability to lawfully play the content.
3. Hands on learning model or medium that will stand up to being handled by 100 pair of hands per day.
4. Table top display, that will stand up to being handled or is covered in a display manner ( eg. Clear Plexiglas or rigid clear plastic)
5. Physical item - equipment or product.

We will not charge for admission to the museum. Our non-profit organization, Heart of the Shepherd Inc. operates by donations only. We can provide some tables, and some electronic devices for audio/video. If, however you can contribute a small table or audio/video equipment for your display, this would be appreciated. We are able to give a tax deductible receipt for all donations of display items.

## SHEPHERD'S CROSS FARM MUSEUM BOOTH SUGGESTIONS

1. Spinning Wheels
2. Drop Spindles
3. Weaving/Looms
4. Shearing
5. Wool Washing
6. Wool Dying
7. Grains
8. Cucurbitae - members of the pumpkin & squash family
9. Evergreens
10. The Christmas Nativity
11. Types of Agricultural Fibers - eg. Wool, flax, cotton
12. Sustainable Agriculture
13. Sheep Breeds
14. Horses
15. Donkeys
16. Chickens
17. Pecans
18. Herbs
19. Vegetables
20. Corn
21. Hay & Straw
22. Harvest Season
23. Planting Season
24. Milk - with particular emphasis on sheep milk
25. Sheep for Meat - lamb & mutton
26. Shepherds
27. Wet Felting - include the wet felting machine we use at Shepherd's Cross
28. History of the tractor
29. The disappearance of farm land - in the U.S.