# TOGETHER-What We've Accomplished

## **FAST FACTS 2023**

Although 2023 brought some challenges for non-profits, it did not affect our committment to our mission. In fact, thanks to our more than 35,991 visitors and 448 loyal membership holders, Maybury Farm was voted "The #1 Top Place to Take Kids" by *Metro Detroit's Kids Out and About!* 

With your help, we've gotten kids outdoors and unplugged while instilling in them a respect for the land and each other. Educating children about animals and agriculture – we've accomplished that and so much more!



Valentine's Day Celebration
Maple Syrup Tours
Eggstravaganza
Farm Fest
Country Fair
Great Fall Festival
Corn Maze
Holiday Fun & Santa Visits

More than 8,000 Participants!

#### **Events**

Maybury Farm continued holding the community's favorite fundraising events plus added a new Valentine Celebration in February, keeping the farm in the hearts and minds of it's supporters by inviting them to the farm outside of the regular season! Even with Eggstravaganza held after the Easter holiday, visitors came out in great numbers to celebrate Maybury's offical Start to Spring Celebration! We also updated the County Fair with much success and shortened the Corn Maze season allowing participants get a real taste of fall in Michigan!

## **New & Improved**

#### **WELCOME to Our Farm Family:**

Jack, an 8 year-old quarter horse, came to be a part of our farm family in 2023. Once a harness racer turned Amish pulling horse, he was in desperate need of rest and rehabilitation. With the love and attention of our

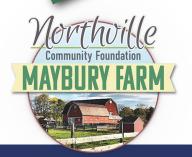
farmers and visitors, Jack is gaining confidence and enjoying his new home! Pedro, a mediterranean donkey, joined us and has been charming young and old alike.

We also welcomed 3 kids and 2 lambs this spring, making it one of the most exciting seasons at the farm! Plus after a two year absence, turkeys returned to educate

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- Grant awarded to replace the side porch of historic farm house that serves as an office and planning space for the Farm.
- Grant awarded by the State of Michigan toward constructing a new Educational building.
  - New interactive educational activities and playground equipment installed around the farm.
  - More efficient use of administrative time including updating membership, donations and event ticket sales.
    - Built a new rabbit summer cottage with increased visibility for guests and an additional livestock pasture shelter.
    - Rebuilt and repaired 1 guest wagon and 2 hay wagons.



### **Education**

Maybury Farm saw more than 4,000 participants in our educational programs – selling out our popular Farm Camp 5 years in a row! In addition, our farmers increased the amount of animal engagement time through the day, giving visitors more hands-on time with the animals - all working toward fulfilling our mission to connect the community to animals and agriculture.



Farm Camp Watch-Me-Grow Preschool Program Educator-led Farm Tours

Attended by more than 4,000 Participants!

StoryTime