

## **Greetings to all our Blue Slope Country Museum Supporters**

**Fall Fest, bank barn:** A pretty 4-year old w/ blond ringlets, holds a tiny goat, only 12 hours old. A plaintive bleat makes her smile. "I'm going to name you sunshine; you make me happy!"

**Museum, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, tool exhibit:** A young father reverently shows his 8 year old boy a beautiful carpenter's plane. "Son. Your great grandfather was a farmer. He built our home with tools like this. Never forget that!"

**Spring School kids visit BSCM:** Ernie's matched Belgium draft horses graze nearby. Their teacher explains: "Kids. Our country was built and based on agriculture. Horses like these are part of this legacy."

**Nathan Hale homestead, CT Works Exhibit:** Sandy and Anne demonstrate 19<sup>th</sup> century museum food preparation equipment. "Our heritage as hard working farmers lives on with our collection. We must not forget our history of agricultural success; food abundance and security are key to our lives."

- These testimonies are what the Blue Slope Country Museum is all about - *commemorating our agricultural heritage!* Our mission is education - we preserve past agricultural practices to provide a resource center for their continued recognition and memory.
- Visitors have attended our school programs, campfires, square dances, the annual Fall Festival Tyme with its theme: "CT at Work" in conjunction with the Smithsonian traveling exhibit, and our Advent Activity program. Year round scheduled programs extend beyond our museum collection.
- A new 2014 grant helped continue identifying and cataloging our extensive collection of historical agricultural tools, implements, and artifacts. But alas, only 10% of our total

### **WE ARE ASKING FOR YOUR HELP VIA A DONATION**

- ✓ \$25 will purchase supplies for visiting school students.
- ✓ \$50 will pay the utility bill for a month, providing lighting within the museum
- ✓ \$100 will support our insurance costs for a week, a key protection for our valuable collection

**Donations may be made by "old fashioned" check writing or by using the "Donate" button on our website [www.blueslope.com](http://www.blueslope.com). All are tax deductible; we are a 501 (c) (3) organization. A free horse-wagon ride will be awarded to you/your family for all donations \$100 or more. Scheduled date TBD.**

***We need your help. BSCM exists only through your assistance. Thanks for your consideration.***