

2014 Saturday was Great Fun

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**Dear Friends, Neighbors and Customers**

When someone asks how many people attend our Farm Days, I tell them between 100 and 300 depending on weather.

The weather was super on Saturday.

"Thank you" to the hundreds of you for coming.

Ashley took a lot of nice pictures for me.

I will get to the photos within a day or two.

We got inches of rain again today. That generates some extra work.

I am not complaining. Just giving you my excuse for not yet posting photos on facebook.

Ryan gave hay wagon rides with the Farmall tractor. That went over well. We will do that in the future. Some of you had to wait in line for horse drawn wagon tours. I apologize for that. The horses and I were working as hard as we could.

I wore down two teams touring out to the cattle and bison herds. Ben helped me with horses and Sarah did a grand job as tour guide.

The little pigs were a hit. All 125 of them.

Lisa and John worked tirelessly helping kids hold bunnies, chicks and ducklings. (No creatures were injured.)

Lots of kids enjoyed making jump ropes.

Jeremiah and the cowgirls, Casey, Alex and Marissa were continuously busy giving horse back and cart rides.

Terry milled logs and answered woodworking questions all afternoon. Many of you took fresh milled oak boards home.

The compost pile was totally depleted. Happy gardening.

Jordan enjoyed filling in for Mike as Parking Director. Everyone was able to park conveniently.

Gail and her sisters, Meridy and Joey were very busy hostesses.

Gail and I could not do these events without a lot of help.

Twenty volunteers made everything go smoothly on Saturday. I have not named everyone.

I will try to identify our helpers by name on the photos that I have yet to post on facebook.

You were a big help too.

Among other things, you helped to see that no one was injured.

We appreciate that.

Later this **week I will send a letter specifically about the June harvest and particularly ground beef** and bison.

Yes, you can still order June ground beef.

Soon after that **I will send you a update on poultry** and rabbit orders.

All is going well in both cases.

Best regards.

Tom

p.s. email if you have questions.