Celebrate Fall at Hale Farm & Village’s Harvest Festival, Presented by Giant Eagle
October 4-5 and 11-12

BATH, Ohio—Autumn’s arrival is symbolized by crisp air and new vibrant colors that capture the wonder of a new season. The quickly arriving fall season produces some of the most beautiful scenery in the Cuyahoga Valley at Hale Farm & Village, home to the annual Harvest Festival, presented by Giant Eagle, Inc. From 10 am to 5 pm each day, the Harvest Festival gives visitors to Hale Farm their first taste of fall in a variety of ways, including:

- Apple butter churning
- Apple cider press
- Wagon rides
- Farm implements
- Johnny Appleseed appearance
- Pumpkin painting
- Corn maze
- Farmyard animals
- Food preservation talks

In the Hale Café visitors are able to enjoy a variety of different seasonal offerings such as locally brewed beer and wine, apple and pumpkin treats, kettle corn, and more. Admission is $10 for adults, $5 for children 3-12, and free for WRHS members and children under the age of 2. The admission price to the Harvest Festival includes festival activities and access to the heritage gardens of Hale Farm as well as the always-available early American craft and trade demonstrations, which include glassblowing, blacksmithing, pottery, and spinning and weaving.

“Fall in the Cuyahoga Valley is a great time to enjoy the outdoors before the chill of winter,” said Jason Klein, site manager of Hale Farm. “The changing colors of the valley are the backdrop for a number of seasonal experiences including cider pressing, butter churning and the harvesting of crops. Other fun activities for the family include wagon rides, a corn maze and a pumpkin patch. As with all events at Hale Farm, the artisans will be creating handcrafted at Hale items and the historic buildings will be open for tours. It’s a great way to spend a beautiful fall day.”

In addition to the events of the festival each weekend, Hale Farm also hosts the Hale Harvest 5K on the morning of October 4th. The three-mile loop course invites runners and walkers to experience the natural beauty of Hale Farm as they run along nature trails, through the Hale sugar bush, past historic houses, in farmyards, and across creeks. The top three finishers overall and the top male and female finishers per category receive handcrafted pieces from Hale Farm & Village’s early American craft and trade artisans. Registration is $25 per runner and includes free admission to the Harvest Festival on race day. Runners can register online by clicking here. For photos from last year’s race, click here.
The Marketplace at Hale Farm & Village will be open for shopping during all festival dates. The Marketplace features products handmade by the artisans at Hale Farm, including blown glass and pottery, and many other local items and seasonal souvenirs.

**Hale Farm & Village**, a living history museum of the **Western Reserve Historical Society**, is located on 90 acres with 32 historic structures, farm animals, heritage gardens, farming, and early American craft and trade demonstrations. The location is open on Saturdays and Sundays during the months of September and October. From November-May, the site is open for special programs and reservations only. Visit [www.halefarm.org](http://www.halefarm.org) or call (330) 666-3711 ext. 1720 for seasonal hours, program listings, rental information, and turn-by-turn directions.

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