FRIENDS OF MUSCOOT FARM / WESTCHESTER COUNTY PARKS, RECREATION, AND CONSERVATION

## MUSCOOT MONTHLY

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## THE HOLIDAY SEASON IS ON ITS WAY!

While some things are ending this month, like our Sunday Farmers Market, the holiday season is just beginning at Muscoot Farm! It truly is the most wonderful time of the year at the farm, and we cannot wait to share the festive excitement with you all.

Our first holiday themed event is our Holiday Gift Market on Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Here you will be able to shop from 30+ local artisans and vendors offering unique, handcrafted gifts for everyone on your list. We will be offering free hot beverages for you to sip on while shopping, a warm fire pit to gather around, a beautiful photoop area to capture happy memories, and a free raffle (with a purchase at a vendor tent) will be

going on. Comforting holiday tunes will be drifting throughout the farm on this day, and we will have volunteers available to wrap your market purchases free of charge. It will be a perfect day!

Our next festive event happens just one week later with our Volunteer Wreath Decorating opportunity on November 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am-12:00pm. For this event, we are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to assist with arranging wreaths, swags, and garlands. These handmade decorations will be used around the farm for the holiday season, adding a touch of holiday cheer. Whether you are a seasoned decorator or a curious beginner, your creativity will help transform the farm into a winter wonderland. We always appreciate our volunteers

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spending their valuable time to make Muscoot an amazing place. Every volunteer event ends with our hearts feeling full.

Now creeping into December, our festive activities includes our annual Holiday Lights on the Farm. This will take place on the first three Friday and Saturday evenings from 5:00-8:00pm. At Holiday Lights, you will be able to visit our animals inside their decorated barns, participate in holiday themed activities, listen to festive music, and enjoy delicious treats from food trucks. As Holiday Lights gets closer, more details will be revealed, so stay tuned! To make these nights even better, we are offering volunteer opportunities you can sign up for. Volunteers will be needed to welcome guests, assist with crafts, and ensure a smooth experience for everyone.

As every day passes, we are getting more and more excited to share this time of year with you. We hope your holiday season is filled with love and happiness, and just know that no matter what, our animals, staff, and wildlife appreciate you.

-Jen Campbell, Educator/Camp Director

Due to construction on Route 100 between Moseman Avenue and Muscoot Farm, access to the Farm will ONLY be available from Route 100 South beginning Wednesday, Oct. 22, and continuing through Mid-December. If traveling from south of Muscoot Farm along Route 100, please follow the detour signs at Moseman Avenue or find an alternate route to the Farm from Route 35 and then take Route 100 South.

