

□ Springfest at Museum switches to farm machinery; booths, entertainment slated on May 16

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A free event offering entertainment and a great display of antique farm machinery is taking shape for this Saturday, May 16, at the Scott County Heritage Center and Museum in Scottsburg.

The Museum's 2009 Springfest will mostly take place on the facility's lawn at 1050 South Main Street from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Farm equipment brought in by area enthusiasts will be located around the museum's recently-completed barn, and there will be a nice selection of booths offering crafts, art, flower and other plants and festival food. A World War II display manned by re-enactors is also scheduled.

Door prizes for those who enter the free drawing will be awarded throughout the day.

Scott Memorial Hospital will have a booth at Springfest at which blood pressure will be taken free of charge. Medical information will also be provided from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

A "Beauty and the Beast" character, Mrs. Pots, will visit Springfest at 10 a.m. Children and others are welcome to have their photos taken with her.

Local musician John Sheckler will be on hand during the morning hours to entertain visitors with his dulcimer. At 10 a.m., judges Matt Wirth, County councilman Donnie Richie and Sheriff John Lizenby will consider which is the best of all entries in the Springfest pie contest. Following the contest, slices of the pies and whole pies entered in the competition will be sold.

At 1 p.m., Ed Cozart will entertain visitors with his story-telling abilities. Cozart plans to relate stories of residents of the building where the museum is located, which was once the county poor farm. He'll also tell about the day the Liberty Bell came to Scott County.

Starting at 1:30 p.m., story-teller Sharon Fox will spin some tales about early settlers in Southern Indiana.

Musicians will be performing on the museum's front porch starting at 3 p.m. until Springfest ends at 4 p.m.

Springfest's silent auction of over 100 items inside the museum will also end at 4 p.m. People can visit prior to and during Springfest to enter bids on what catches their eyes. Successful bidders will be notified by phone.

Both Springfest and the silent auction benefits the county museum and the activities and events it sponsors.

Call staff members at 752-1050 for more information.