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Enjoy A Triple-Play of Fun at Calvert County's 2010 Farm Tour

PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – October 6, 2010 – Get to know Calvert County's rural community by spending the day on three working farms. The 13th annual Farm Tour takes place Sunday, October 17, rain or shine and promises to be a great family outing with special activities and educational opportunities at these local farms:

Fridays Creek Winery

3485 Chaneyville Road, Owings
410-286-WINE or www.fridayscreek.com

This family-owned and operated farm winery is housed in a renovated tobacco/dairy barn at the confluence of Fridays Creek and the Patuxent River. Farm Tour activities include:

- Grape stomping and complimentary wine tasting
- Food by Heavenly Chicken and Ribs
- Live music and arts and crafts displays from local artists
- Cork decorating and racing in the stream and waterfall
- Produce, fresh eggs and small fruits grown on the farm available for purchase

Fresh Meadows (Bay Equine Services)

2195 Hunting Creek Road, Huntingtown
410-535-9700 or www.freshmeadows.net

Fresh Meadows is a 47-acre horse farm and equine veterinary hospital run on solar power and home to Hooves 4 Hope Therapeutic Horsemanship Center. Visitors will find:

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- Various horse activities and demonstrations
- Pony rides and horse-drawn hayrides
- Solar power informational tours
- Horseshoe painting
- Moon bounce and other kids' activities
- Food by The Little Store

Spider Hall Farm

3915 Hallowing Point Road, Prince Frederick
410-610-0094

This 362-acre farm is one of the few remaining working farms of its size in the county, producing wheat, barley, corn, pumpkins, soybeans and tobacco. The day's events will feature:

- An eight-acre corn maze
- Hay rides
- Pumpkin patch
- Banjo music by "Unclouded Day"
- Kettle corn and other delicious fall foods
- A tobacco heritage exhibit
- A hands-on exhibit sponsored by the Maryland Agriculture Education Foundation
- Exhibits from 4-H, Calvert County Historical Society and Calvert Soil Conservation

The annual Calvert County Farm Tour is coordinated by the Calvert County Department of Economic Development and the Calvert County Agriculture Commission. The Agriculture Commission conducts the Farm Tour to educate Calvert residents about farming and to provide the public with an opportunity to interact with the farming community.

For more information on the 2010 Calvert County Farm Tour, visit www.calvertag.com, or contact the Calvert County Maryland Department of Economic Development at 410.535.4583, 800.331.9771 or 301.855.1880 or via e-mail at info@ecalvert.com.

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Calvert County is Maryland's smallest county in land area with 213 square miles. It is home to approximately 90,000 people and has one of the highest standards of living in Maryland. There are more than 5,000 businesses in the County and a labor force of at least 1.8 million resides within a one-hour drive. Major industries include defense contracting, information technology, tourism, utilities, light manufacturing and administrative services.