Dayton Daily News - June 2014 Bonnybrook Hosts Fun on Farm

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Bonnybrook Farms has been in this region since 1967, providing farmland fun for "kids" of all ages. Unique outdoor activities keep everyone busy until the dinner bell rings at 6:30.

The business was located on 86 acres in Centerville until 2007, when it moved south for a large 370-acre spread just east of the Warren County line, in Clarskville.



"We've got a lot of farmland. It's just a beautiful area with rolling hills, flat pastures, trees and woods. We like to say we have 'room to roam,' said owner Bonnie Mercuri.

After visiting the horses, goats, sheep and donkeys in the barn, everyone can try their hand at the giant slingshot target and clodhopper golf. Activities include a horseshoe hill tunnel that has an 80 foot slide and horse tire swing.

"All of our activities are geared toward all ages. We had a seniors motorcoach group here last week," said Mercuri. "They got a big kick out of the giant slingshots."

The dinner bell rings at The Farm Kitchen Cafe in the Gathering Barn at 6:30 p.m. The wagon rides leave at 7:30 for a 20-minute scenic ride to the Chuck Wagon at Todd Fork Creek for homemade apple cobbler and roasting s'mores over the campfire.

"We don't want this to be something that kids can do at a local park. We want this to stay like a farm," Mercuri said.