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**“CHRISTMAS ON THE FARM” SET FOR DECEMBER 10-11**

**SILVER SPRING, MD --** The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) and the Friends of the Agricultural History Farm Park invite children of all ages and their parents for two days of fun during “Christmas on the Farm,” Saturday and Sunday, December 10-11, 12 noon to 6 p.m., at the Agricultural History Farm Park, 18410 Muncaster Road, Derwood, Maryland.

Park visitors will enjoy organ music, carolers and free tractor drawn wagon rides. Hot cider and gingersnaps will be served. Although the event and parking are free, there is a charge of \$2 to have pictures taken in the old-time sleigh in front of the park’s historic Bussard farmhouse decorated for the holidays. Visitors can also purchase holiday gifts.

“Christmas on the Farm is a great opportunity to kick off the holiday season, enjoy a step back in time and take those prized family photos for holiday cards and gifts,” said Mimi Stubbs, president of the Friends of Agricultural History Farm Park. For more information about the friends and Christmas on the Farm, call 301-774-9460.

Located in Montgomery County’s acclaimed agricultural reserve, the 438-acre Agricultural History Farm Park features the historic Bussard farmstead that includes a bank barn, smoke house, water tower, chicken house, carriage house, equipment shed and a corn crib undergoing reconstruction. A recent addition, the park’s activity center houses the Montgomery County Cooperative Extension Service, USDA Farm Services Agency and Montgomery County Agricultural Service, plus a large meeting room available for rent. During the year, the park hosts the county’s Arbor Day Celebration, the Gas and Steam Engine Show, the annual Harvest Festival and other special events highlighting the county’s agricultural past, present and future.

For more information, those interested may log on to [www.montgomeryparksfnd.org](http://www.montgomeryparksfnd.org).

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