

July 1, 2020

Dear Friends,

First, and most importantly, we hope this letter finds you and your loved ones safe and healthy. Though our activities have been temporarily curtailed due to the pandemic, we are pleased to have your continued support as we look forward to the time when we can safely welcome the public back to Valley Falls Farm.

We think of Valley Falls Farm as the most picturesque corner in Vernon, and we work hard to preserve the value it adds to the community. We are especially challenged by the Farm's *seven* historic buildings, which include a large stable and an 1840 farmhouse. These old buildings require constant upkeep. We could not continue this work without your generous support! YOU make it happen! Please consider a contribution to our <u>endowment fund</u>!

We have had to cancel our summer tours, and we are uncertain at this time about the Annual Meeting on September 27th. We will let you know if we will be able to hold that meeting. If we do, Jon Roe will give a talk about one of the most intriguing characters that once owned Valley Falls Farm, the nefarious "Count" Munchow.

In the meantime, we are making good use of this "down" time and have been hard at work on the Heritage Center. We have hired a recent graphic arts graduate to assist with cleaning the display artifacts, setting up the displays and creating some of the display panels.

We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, and your donations are tax-deductible, as allowed by law. YOUR interest and continued support encourage US to continue our work.

Sincerely,

Ann Letendre, Membership Chairperson

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□ Yes, I would like to help the Friends. Please call me to talk about what I can do.

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