



Sholan Farms is owned by the City of Leominster and operated by the Friends of Sholan Farms. The Friends of Sholan Farms is a community-supported, non-profit organization. Visit the last working apple orchard in Leominster, the birthplace of Johnny Appleseed (John Chapman). Your visit will be a memorable one! Situated on a hilltop with panoramic views of surrounding hills and even of Boston on a clear day, the farm provides cross-country skiing, walking trails, bird watching, picnic area and a variety of cultural and folk events throughout the year. In season, pick from a large variety of spectacular native apples as they ripen.

Sholan Farms is located at 1125 Pleasant Street, Leominster, MA 01453; Mailing address: P.O. Box 632, Leominster, Mass 01453 978-840-FARM; Web: www.sholanfarms.com. Check our website for up-to-date information.

Calendar at a Glance

All dates subject to change please check website, Facebook or call for hours

Board Meetings – 1st Wednesday

March 5, April 2, May 7, June 4, August 6, Sept 3, Oct 1, Nov 5, Dec 3

Winter Friends Meeting

March 13, 2025 4-6pm & Zoom

Library 2nd Floor Historical Conference Room

Apple Blossom Festival Meetings

Co-Chairs Nancy Trout & Gary Zimmerman

Kick Off - February 13, 1:30 pm Library – Historic Conference Room & Zoom

24th Annual Apple Blossom Festival

May 17, 10am-4pm

Friends Member Annual Meeting

Thursday June 26, 5pm, Sholan Farms

(Invitation – Members Only)

U-Pick Raspberries & Blueberries & Peaches

July—Sept

Farmstand Open late August

Welcome Back BBQ

August 21, 5pm - Thursday

Opening Weekend (Days & Hours)

August 30-31 10am-5pm

Honeycrisp Harvest Celebration

September 13-14

Cream of the Crop “Macoun” Celebration

Sept 27 & 28

Join us as we unveil the finest eating apple in the region “the Macoun”.

Harvest Festival Celebration

October 11, 10am-4pm

Farmstand Open Weekends November, 11am-3pm

Check Facebook and Website for hours

Apples, Cider, Honey and seasonal produce.

Christmas Trees & Light Show at Sholan Farms

Beginning in November 28

Special Attractions and Events:

Apple Tree Pruning & Grafting Exercises – Come learn the art of pruning and grafting while enjoying the fresh air. Weekdays and Saturdays – Help Needed. Saturdays beginning February 15 10am – noon. (Weather Permitting) Pruning Location: 1125 Pleasant Street, Leominster, Ma. How to prepare... dress warm and in layers, wear insulated boots, several layers of socks, hat and weather proof gloves. Recommend chap stick, water and dry skin protection. Tools to bring: Choose one of the following: By-pass hand shears, By-pass loppers. Wheeler saw, pruning “pull” saw:

Saturday pruning RSVP please contact Joanne DiNardo at 978-870-5555. Also, check the Sholan Farms Website: www.sholanfarms.com or info@sholanfarms.com, 978-840-FARM. (Weekday pruning contact Jay Kelley – Orchard Manager Tel 774-437-2548)

Pick-Your-Own

The U-Pick and Harvest Season runs from late July through mid-November: For information call 978-840-FARM or visit us online at www.sholanfarms.com for information about events, volunteer opportunities, and membership. All events are subject to change. Blueberries: July and August, Raspberries: July – Sept, Peaches: August, Apples: Late August – October. (Check our website for details). Our store shelves will be stocked with fresh picked apples, peaches, homemade jelly, honey from our own hives, cider and when in season; gourds, squash, pumpkins, and more.

Tours, Outings, Family Celebrations, and Hayrides:

Sholan Farms offers tours of our seasonal operations to schools and other groups on a first-come first-served basis. Tour hours are 9 AM to 4 PM Monday-Friday. A small per-person fee is charged. For reservations, please call Karen McNall at 978-407-4147. On a tour you can expect to see the 167-plus acres of farmland which includes orchard, meadows, and forests. The tours last about 30 minutes. All children receive complementary ¼ peck of apples, cider, and snack. We also offer the perfect location for birthday and family celebrations. For more information, please call 978-840-FARM.

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Sholan Farms Community Garden

Calling All Gardeners- This year, Sholan Farms will be hosting a multi-plot community garden that will be open to community members. The plots will be awarded on a first come basis. This community garden is being planned, coordinated, developed, and managed by The Friends of Sholan Farms. For more information about the Sholan Farms Community Garden contact: Cynthia Manuel 1-978-902-2075, communitygardens@sholanfarms.com or Sholan Farms 978-840-3276. Planting planned for Wednesday & Thursday following Memorial Day – weather and soil conditions permitting. Registration will be announced at a later date.

Hiking Trail Team

Sholan Farms is the perfect place to plan a day of hiking. We are looking for volunteers (hiking leads, and trail blazers etc.) to be part of our FOSF Hiking Maintenance team. Check our website for more information. For more information: info@sholanfarms.com or 978-840-3276.