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Whippoorwill Hill to host large Harvest Market

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 Photos courtesy of Anne and Jeff Lucas

Although others might have considered the property a too overgrown and rough, Anne and Jeff thought it was “stunning” and exactly what they wanted. Both had grown up on farms and wanted a farm for their family home.

“We knew we wanted at least 15 acres and we wanted to be in Monroe County,” Anne says. “When we found the farm that was at the time 124 acres, we fell deeply in love with it and its history.”

That was back in 2015. Known as the old Tate-Tatum Farm, the property had been unattended and the house vacant for two years since the last owner, Bill Tatum, died in 2013. Disarray was evident which meant much renovation work needed to be done.

But Anne and Jeff knew it was just what they were seeking. So they put in a bid and became owners of the historic site.

Next was finding a place for the two to wed and host a 300-person celebration. “We have huge families,” Anne explains. “We looked at a few venues, but we didn’t love any as much as we loved our own farm.”

The logical decision was to get married on the farm they had just bought. But the old farm didn’t offer a suitable building to host a wedding. “We just assumed we would have a tent for the wedding,” Anne says.

But, then, a surprise happened. As though in answer to their prayers, a family member told the couple about an 1892 barn located in Manilla near Shelbyville. The couple hired a company to carefully move the barn.

The wedding celebration was so successful that Anne and Jeff decided to open their farm for others to host events. Since then, the farm and historic barn have become a popular site for birthday parties, weddings, graduation parties, quinceaneras, corporate events,



The new family home at Whippoorwill Hill.

celebrations of life and much more.

Popular Harvest Market

Another eagerly awaited event is the popular Harvest Market held annually at the farm. This year’s market will

feature about 50 different vendors on Nov. 18 and 19. “Everything is local,” Anne says. “The market is a boutique, artisanal and farmers market focused on supporting local small businesses.”

Among the vendors, visitors will see

custom wood and stone work including charcuterie boards, handcrafted goods like knitted headbands, bows and shawls, a quilting guild, candles,

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