



in alphabetical order by owner . . .

**James T. Blue & Sons, Inc.
Dairy Farm:**

Owners - James & Frances Blue

Five of the seven children of James and Frances Blue operate their farm near Shenandoah Junction. Two hundred Holsteins pass through the double 12 parallel milking parlor twice a day. Corn, wheat, barley, rye, alfalfa and grass hay are raised on the surrounding 900 acres for their dairy herd. Silos, corn cribs, plus cow, heifer and calf barns complete this farmstead devoted entirely to the production of milk.

Courtesy: Farm Day 2004

Beverly Farm:

Owners - J.P. & Dick Burns

Richard Stevenson purchased the property in 1750. His son led the contingent in the Bee Line March from Morgan Springs in 1775 to join General Washington in Boston after the Battle of Bunker Hill. In 1765 Richard Stevenson left the property to his youngest son, Richard, who later sold it to Dr. John Bull, who sold it in 1775 to Beverley Whiting. After one other owner, Matthew Frame; John Burns, whose descendents have lived there for more than a century, purchased it. Operated by brothers, J.P. and Dick Burns, these 4th generation farmers have a large Angus herd plus hundreds of acres of corn, beans and wheat.

Courtesy: Jefferson County Historical Society & Farm Day 2002

Taylor Mountain Farm:

Owners - Jim & Eleanor Casey

Built in 2000, Taylor Mountain Farm is a showcase of thoroughbred horses on 150 acres. The farm was named after their horse, TAYLOR MOUNTAIN, which won the West Virginia Breeders Classic two years in a row.

Courtesy: Farm Day 2003

**Child's Montadales Sheep Farm:
Owner - Dick Childs**

Dick Childs raises Montadale sheep on his 20-acre farm. He is the 10th generation stemming from the 1730's Kitty Fry Farm. Childs designed his barn so he could feed, sort, and doctor his sheep single-handedly. Continued maintenance of pastures and timely cutting of hay enable these few acres to support a flock of 50 to 60 sheep. An imposing black llama, "Justice" is this flock's sentry [see the Background section of this report].

Courtesy: Jefferson County Historical Society & Farm Day 2003

Eastwood Farm:

Owners - Kitty & Stanley Dunn

Dating from the 1770's this 370-acre farm is devoted to well managed pasture land for 250 purebred Black Angus. The Dunn family's focus is fall calving of nearly 150. Their use of artificial insemination and embryo transfers produce genetically superior animals.

Courtesy: Farm Day 2004

O'Sullivan Farm:

Owner - Randy Funkhouser

Dating from the 1820's, breeding and training of distinctive purebred horses take place on the O'Sullivan Farm. Owner Randy Funkhouser won the coveted Breeders Cup in 2001. Pastures are full of mares and foals while stud horses enjoy separate quarters.

Courtesy: Jefferson County Historical Society & Farm Day 2002

**Meadow Green & Aqua Green
Trout Farms:**

Owner -Bill White Grantham

With a diverse operation on 186 acres, 3rd generation owner Bill White Grantham has converted a hog farrowing barn into a facility to raise rainbow trout. On this same



property his range cattle roam while corn, soybeans and hay are grown on the cropland.

Courtesy: Farm Day 2003

Gruber Farm:

Owners - Bob & Lynne Gruber

Dating from the 1700's the farm operation revolves around livestock and crops on 500 acres with an additional 700 acres rented. Owners Bob & Lynne Gruber raise over 200 hogs, a herd of Angus beef cattle and a Holstein dairy herd.

Courtesy: Farm Day 2004

Southwood Springs Farm: Owners - Forrest & Mildred Hammond

Built in the 1800's, Southwood Springs Farm is designated a Jefferson County Historic Landmark of 97 acres. The Hammonds raise miniature horses, beef cattle, and grow their own feed on the surrounding acres. Their forests and streams are natural habitats for wildlife. On this property are several tombstones and burial lots dating from the 1750's, including several from the Revolutionary and Civil Wars. Artifacts have been identified dating this property; the earliest find was a stone ax predating 4000 BC. The Hammonds open their property to educate young and old and share their farming knowledge.

Courtesy: Jefferson County Farmland Protection

York Hill B&B and Twin Ridge Orchard:

Owner – Mary Frances Hockman

Dating from the early 1800's, York Hill now is a three-fold entity; bed & breakfast, an orchard with a country market, and a farm. The owners provide occasional holiday harvests and host weddings and tourists to Jefferson County

Courtesy: < <http://www.pickyourown.org> >

Oakwood Farm:

Owners - Eddie & Todd Hough

More than 50 years ago Oakwood Farm was formed and now the second generation carries it on. The farm is home to 200 plus Holsteins, whose milk is shipped to the Washington, D.C. market. The Houghs grow their own feed on the surrounding acres of corn, soybeans, hay and pasture. Unique to this farm is Charles Hough's significant collection of period anvils.

Courtesy: Farm Day 2002

Smith's Market – Sunnyside Farm & Orchard:

Owners - Jim & Barbara Huyett

The Huyetts began farming prior to the Civil War. Generations later, the Huyett family continues this tradition by harvesting their produce and offering it for sale at Smith's Market and metro area markets. New technological developments have significantly decreased chemical use in the last 3 years." Just picked" freshness and quality is truly available at Smith's Market.

Courtesy: Farm Day 2002

Shady Grove Farm:

Owners – Wade & Julie Louthan

After moving into the 1880's home in 1961, the farming generations of Louthans maintain a Holstein dairy herd and raise corn, soybeans, wheat, and hay on their 600 acres. Numerous conservation practices have been implemented to protect soil and water.

Courtesy: Farm Day 2002

Breezy Bluff Farm:

Owners – Eugene & Margaret Olcott

In December 2003 owners, Eugene and Margaret Olcott became the first county residents to participate in the Jefferson County Farmland Protection Program. Breezy Bluff Farm is 1 ½ miles upstream from Shepherdstown and located across the Chesapeake and Ohio National Historic Park . Ninety four acres will remain as farmland and as a managed wildlife habitat



in perpetuity. If one listens carefully, the age-old poem *Trees by Joyce Kilmer, 1913* can be heard on the breeze in the forest on the Olcott property.

Courtesy: Jefferson County Farmland Protection

Aspen Pool Farm:

Owners - Charles & Beth Printz

Aspen Pool, near Shepherdstown, stands on a tract of land acquired by deed from Lord Fairfax to Thomas Shepherd in 1751. Thomas Shepherd willed 104 acres to his son William Shepherd, who deeded it in 1788 to William Morgan, the probable builder of the house. A beef herd, a walnut grove plus corn and hay production occupy the surrounding acreage.

Courtesy: Jefferson County Historical Society

Shotwell Farm:

Owners - Harold & Charlotte Shotwell

Established in 2000, Shotwell Farm is a calendar picture of statuesque racing horses, stables, lanes and rolling hills. This farm raises and boards thoroughbred horses, providing training and indoor arena demonstrations. An expansive barn is utilized for shop equipment, hay and straw storage.

Courtesy: Farm Day 2004

Vinemont Farm:

Owners - Lyle C. Tabb & Sons, Inc.

Vinemont's original 200 acres, purchased in 1872, is the homestead of the Tabb farm which has expanded to over 1,000 acres. For over 50 years, the operation involved a registered Ayrshire dairy herd plus corn, soybean, wheat and hay production. Now beef cattle occupy the pastures and wood recycling and compost production are new enterprises at Vinemont. Lyle C. Tabb & Sons, Inc. is comprised of 3 generations of family members: Virginia, Howard, Cam, Jane & Lyle.

Courtesy: Jane Tabb ♦