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## Second annual Ontario Breakfast on the Farm event Avonmore farm to host 2,000 visitors on August 2, 2014

July 24, 2014 – (Avonmore) A total of 1,200 complimentary vouchers have already been reserved for the family-friendly Breakfast on the Farm event hosted by Farm & Food Care on August 2. This is the first time that the event has been held at a farm in Eastern Ontario. The farm open house will run from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. with breakfast being served until noon for the first 2,000 ticket holders.

The event will be held at Stanlee Farms, a fifth generation dairy farm owned by Jim and Nancy Wert, and their four sons. In 2014 they are celebrating 150 years of the farm being in their family.

Visitors to the farm will receive a complimentary all-Ontario breakfast and farm tour. Guests will meet the farm family, visit and interact with young calves and cows, handle the milking equipment and learn more about farming in Ontario. More than 125 volunteers, including many local farmers, have also committed to helping with the event.

As well as dairy cows and calves on display, there will be interactive exhibits from many other farm organizations with features including farm animals, farm equipment and much more. The event is supported by many national, provincial and regional farm organizations and agri-businesses including event partners Dairy Farmers of Ontario, Egg Farmers of Ontario, Dairy Farmers of Canada and L.H. Gray. Breakfast tickets can be obtained by visiting www.farmfoodcare.org.

The Breakfast on the Farm program was launched in Ontario in 2013 with more than 2,000 attendees to the first event. A second Breakfast on the Farm is being planned on October 4, 2014 at an apple orchard near Oshawa.

## **Event Details:**

**Date:** August 2, 2014; 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Cost: Free. Complimentary breakfast tickets must be reserved online at www.farmfoodcare.org

**Location:** Stanlee Farms – 16825 County Road 43, Avonmore, Ontario.

Parking: Available at the farm.

Other notes: The farm is wheelchair accessible. Pets (excluding service dogs) are not allowed on the

farm.

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