

Ice Harvesting

Saturday, February 11, 2017 — 2 pm

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Glimpses of Ice Harvests from past winters

Mark Dreibelbis wielding an ice chisel before the first saw cut is made on the ice pond



Working the Ice Saw



Lifting a Heavy Block



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The event is free to the public and will be held rain or shine, with only blizzard conditions cancelling. Tools and techniques will be demonstrated even if there's no ice. Visitors should dress for the weather and be prepared to walk on unpaved, farm lanes.

The Historic Dreibelbis Farm is located on Route 143 south of the village of Virginville. GPS Address: 356 Hard Hill Road, Hamburg, PA. Parking is available on-site.

This is the first of several events to be hosted in 2017 by the DFHS, to fulfill our mission to preserve and protect the historic Dreibelbis farm and to make it available to the public for educational, historical, and environmental purposes. Past events have included a Wetlands and Wildflowers Walk, and Spring Peeper Walk. Our fifth annual Historic Farm Festival will be held on Saturday, August 27th.

For more information visit www.Dreibelbisfarm.org,
"Historic Dreibelbis Farm" on Facebook or contact Mark Dreibelbis at (610) 488-7896.