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#### About Us

- Milked cows until 2010
- Opened the Pumpkin Patch & Corn Maze in 2010
- Custom bale round and square bales of hay
- Cow/Calf Operation
- Grow Wheat
- Bale Wheat Straw for wholesale
- Grow Pumpkins for retail and wholesale
- Grow Mums for retail and wholesale



#### Corn Maze

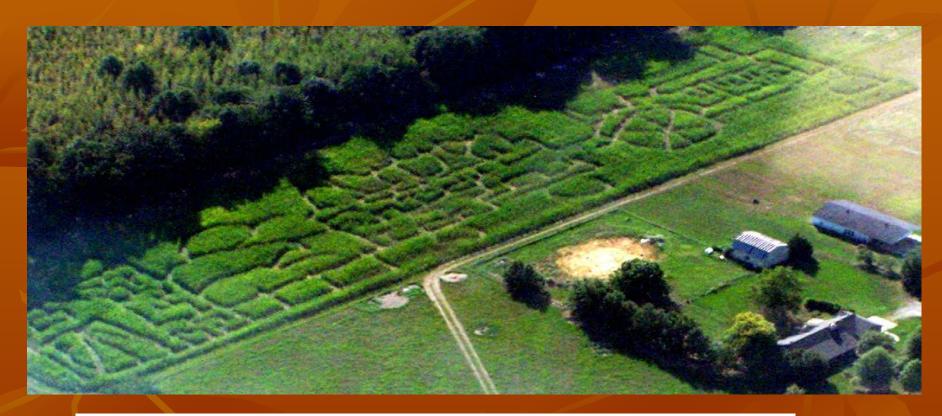
- In 2010 covered 4 acres
- From 2011 to present covers a little over 6 acres
- Designed and drawn by Rebekah Hicks
- Cut with zero turn lawn mower
- Takes about one day to cut the design
- Corn is planted north to south and then east to west

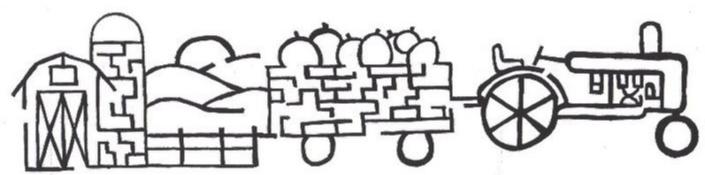
#### **Hidden Hole Punches**

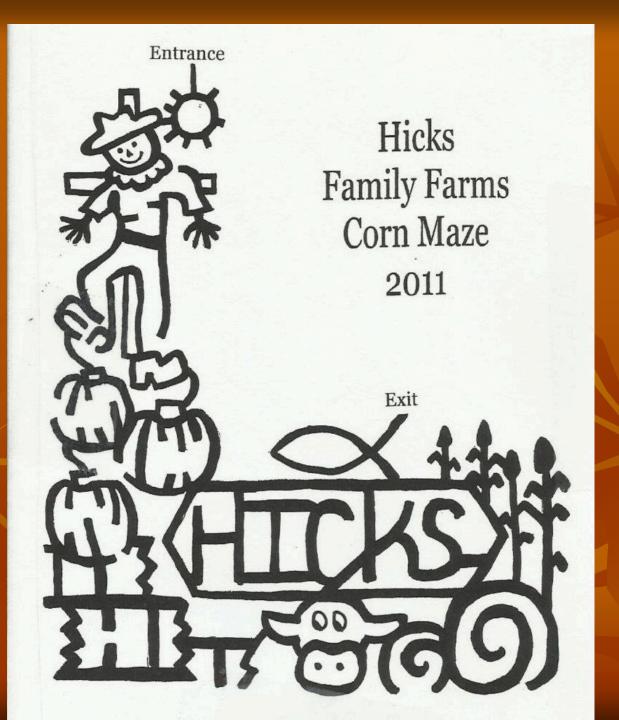
- We hide 6 different hole punches each year.
- At admission each person is given1 punch card.
- After they find all 6 punches they enter into our weekly drawing.
- This helps us learn the demographic information of our guests. And, is a lot of fun for them!

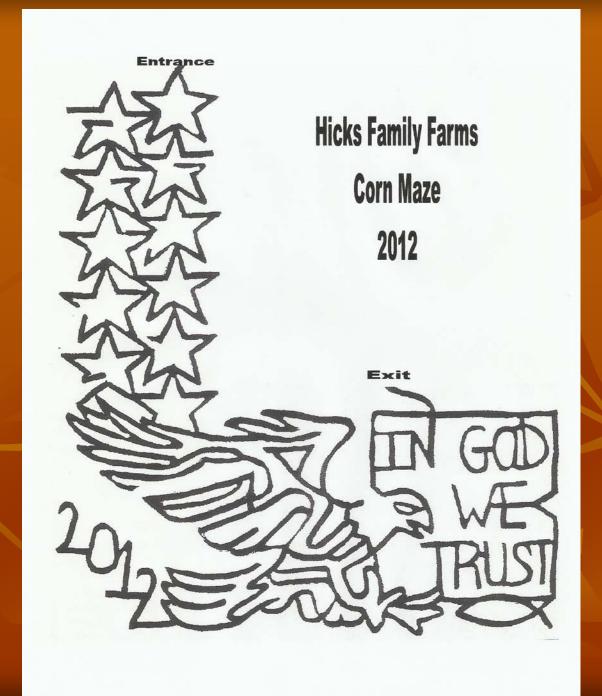


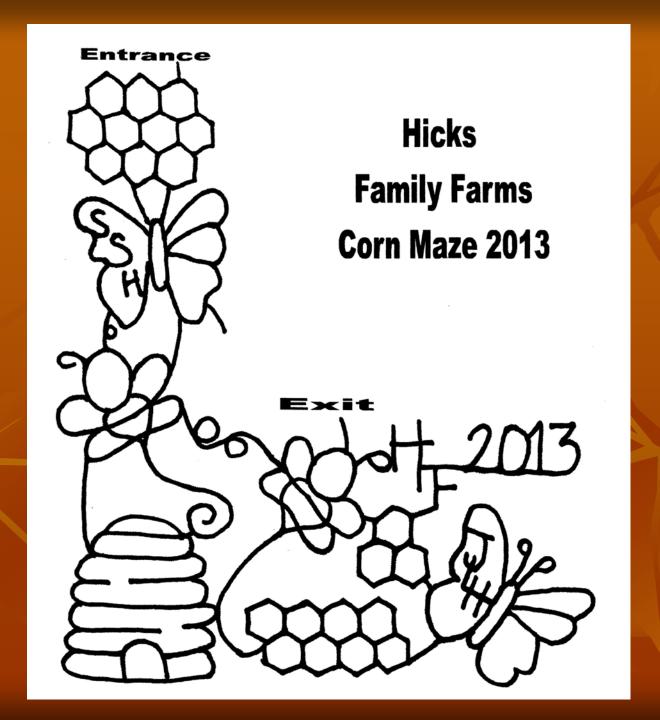
### Corn Maze 2010















- We try to grow all of the Small, Medium, &
  Large pumpkins we will need.
- We purchase the specialty pumpkins.
- We have 1 acre of small pie pumpkins planted at the actual "pumpkin patch".
- The rest of our pumpkins are planted elsewhere on the farm where we can irrigate them.

- We price our pumpkins according to the size they are not by the pound.
- Each <u>child</u> that comes to the farm on a field trip receives a free pie pumpkin.
- We bring freshly cut pumpkins to the pumpkin patch weekly and typically discount the older ones.









### The Wagon Wheel Cafe

- We serve
  - Hot and cold drinks
  - Cheeseburgers and Hot Dogs
  - Nachos
  - Polish Sausage
  - Frito Chili Pie
  - Popcorn and Candy
  - HOME MADE Pumpkin Pie
  - And more!

# Hayride





## **Pedal Carts**





## Panning for "Gold"



# Hay Stack







### **Animal Barn**





#### **New Barn for 2013!!!**



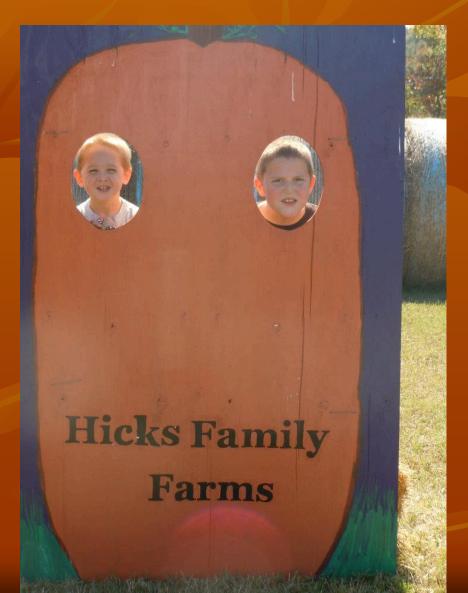
**Under Construction Now!** 

### Games





#### Games





## **Pony Rides**





## **Birthday Parties**



#### Mums

- This is our first year growing mums.
- We have 2,400 planted in 1 gallon and 10 inch pots.
- We have a modest color variety.
- We planted late blooming plants this year as our customer base is mostly in October.

## Mums



#### **Christmas Trees???**

- Two years ago we decided to take it up a notch and add Christmas trees to the farm.
- The first year we planted 200…then there was the drought of 2012!
- This year we re-planted most of them and couple hundred more.
- We're waiting to see what makes of them do decide if we need to go further in this adventure!

#### Open ALL Year

- In 2012, we remodeled our building. We added a commercial kitchen, heat & air, and finished the interior.
- We now rent the building for special events.
- We are able to offer catering at these events or off site as well.
- We're looking into cooking fish one or two nights a month for the general public.

#### What have we learned?

- If you build it...they really will come!
- Some things that we think are so simple being from the country, the city people think are amazing!
- Have activities for ALL ages; young and old & men and women.
- Take credit/debit cards. People will spend more money.
- Have good, quality products. People choose how to spend their money and have chosen your farm. Make your customer want to visit you again and tell their friends about you. This is the best FREE advertisement you can have.

### **Questions?**

We don't have all the answers but are willing to share what has worked and not worked for us.

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