Barricks Use Barn For Fascinating History

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Cumberland Co. Correspondent NEWVILLE (Cumberland Co.) - There are four floors of fascination in Harry and Revenna

Barrick's barn.

That's because it isn't really a barn any more.

These days, it is the Barrick's Farm Museum and it is packed from floor to ceiling, largely with one of the most impressive collec-

tions of collectible toys you are likely to see anywhere.

Mrs. Barrick said it all started in 1976 when they bought their first toy tractor, which was an Oliver 1855, at the Silver Spring Flea Market near Mechanicsburg.

He bought that toy for a song then, she said. Today, she said, it is valued at between \$175 to \$185.

Over the same time, their collection of toy Oliver tractors has

grown so much that the couple has no idea how many they actually

Most of that collection can be seen on the fourth floor of the museum.

The Barricks, who were dairy farmers until several years ago when they gave up farming to run their tire business full time, started building the museum two years ago. Harry and his son did most of the work.

Most of Barrick's tractor collection on the museum's fourth floor is not for sale.

The third and the second floors contain all kinds of farm toys from tractors to trucks, plus other types of collectible toys. Some of the toys are new and some are used.

The Barricks said they buy the toys from close-out sales and auctions.

"we go a couple of times a week to buy," said Mrs. Barrick.

None of the items at the museum can be bought at a regular retail store, she said. Some of the rarer items they have are horses, wagons, and trucks that are handcrafted by Amish from Indiana.

Not only do they have toy farm equipment, the Barricks carry popular toy gas company trucks like those made for Hess and Winross, plus airplanes and motorcycles.

Mrs. Barrick said she recently

got hooked on collecting toy banks, which usually are made to look like trucks or tractors. Those range in price from \$10 to \$700, she said.

The Barricks said their customers come from all over, from places like Canada and North and South Carolina. They advertise their museum in toy magazines, they said, and every year they attend the National Farm Toy Show held the first week of November in Dyersville, Iowa.

The Barricks even have something for people who aren't inter-

That is Mr. Barrick's collection of more than 300 old tractors. He has restored many of them and they are on display on the first floor of the museum.

People who come to the museum are sure to find something they llike, even if it is just a me-

"A lot of our customers are people who didn't have many toys as kids," said Mrs. Barrick. "We have one older gentleman who comes just to look around. He says it brings back memories."

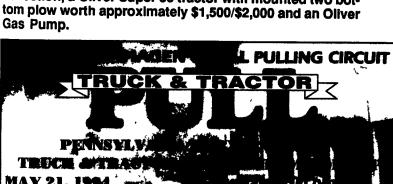
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The following topics will be covered: babysitter's responsibilities, child development, and appropriate toys for a child's age, feeding, diapering, infant care, first aid and sitter safety. Those who satisfactorily complete the course will receive a 4-H achievement certificate. The course will be taught by Carolyn Fritz, 4-H Program Assistant. Volunteers from the community will also assist in teaching first aid and sitter safety. Class size is limited. To register for the course call Helaine Brown, 4-H Agent, at (215) 489-4315.



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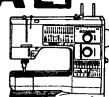




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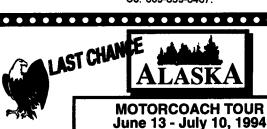
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