



Pennsylvania
Farm Show

Friends of Farm Show Tails & Trails

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The Friends of the Pennsylvania Farm Show Foundation, Inc. is pleased to share information and updates with friends, sponsors and anyone interested in the enhancement of one of our state's greatest treasures, the Pennsylvania Farm Show.



Lancaster Farming Supports Agriculture Education



For the past nine years, Lancaster Farming has supported the large Agricultural Education displays in the Weis Expo Hall at the Farm Show. FFA chapters from across the state have designed life-size exhibits reflecting agriculture's role in technology and our future.

Themes for the displays have included:

2006 - Nine Decades of PA Agriculture

2007 - Gearing up for the 21st Century

2011 - Keeping PA Growing: Open for Business

For the 2015 show, the theme is "The Next Crop of Agriculturalists." The FFA Chapters are required to research the preparations necessary to become the next generation of agriculturalists. For the display, the topic must fall within the nine agricultural content areas: Animal Science, Ag Bio Technology, Food Science, Forestry, Leadership and Career Development, Management Economics and Marketing, Natural

Resource Management, Plant and Soil Science, or Power and System Technology.

Using their own materials and props, teams will tell the ag story in a 20 minute on-stage presentation; create a 4-6 minute video; and have a tabletop trifold display depicting preparation steps for the video.

The grand prize awarded for these displays is \$1,000. Lancaster Farming sponsors this contest, as well as many of the FFA activities

Lancaster Farming is proud to support

this segment of Farm Show. They believe that FFA is making a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success. They feel that this real-world experience at the Pennsylvania Farm Show has a lasting effect on the lives of the FFA students.

Hats off to Lancaster Farming for supporting this endeavor. As you are probably aware, Lancaster Farming is the leading Northeast and Mid-Atlantic farm newspaper. They have about 56,000 paid subscribers and have been in business since 1955.



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Farm Show Foundation Inc.**
2300 North Cameron Street
Harrisburg, PA 17110

We Lost A Great Friend

Senator Mike Waugh

1955-2014

**Farm Show Commissioner and
Executive Director of the Farm Show Complex**



Senator Mike Waugh former Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex and Expo Center, was well known as a public servant and advocate for agriculture. Mike began his public life as a fire chief and township supervisor. He later became a state representative followed by state senator. Mike served as majority caucus chairman and chairman of the Senate Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee. He was also the governor's representative through three different administrations, serving as Pennsylvania Farm Show Commissioner. He was Farm Show and Keystone International Livestock Exposition draft horse chairman. In his role as senator, he was able to communicate the need and benefit of continued funding for the state sponsored shows highlighting the youth development, agricultural promotion and economic development impact of the events. Mike was a visionary, a statesman, a farmer, a family man, and a friend of agriculture. He will be greatly missed.

Upcoming Events at the Farm Show Complex

January 2015

1/29 – 2/1 PA Auto Show
<http://www.autoshowharrisburg.com>
Tina Cline (717) 671-4323 tina.cline@sorc.com

February 2015

2/7 – 2/15 The Great American Outdoor Show
<http://www.greatamericanoutdoorshow.org>
NRA - Chris O'Hara (717) 566-3170
2/26 – 3/1 Harrisburg RV & Camping Show
2/27 – 3/1 The Garden Expo
<http://www.nariofcentralpa.org/>
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March 2015

3/5 – 3/8 Horse World Expo
<http://horseworldexpo.com>
Denise Parsons (301) 916-0852 info@horseworldexpo.com
3/6 – 3/8 Pet Expo
<http://www.nationalpetexpo.com>
Bob Dobart (301) 916-0852
3/13 – 3/14 Eastern Bison Association Show
<http://www.ebabison.org>
Tupper Sverduk (717) 817-8480
3/19 – 3/22 PA Home Show
<http://www.pahomeshow.com>
Wendy David (717) 232-5595
3/20 PA Holstein Spring Show
<http://www.paholsteins.com>
Ken Raney (814) 234-0364 contact@paholsteins.com

New at the 99th Pennsylvania Farm Show

Thousands of animals, fun and exciting competitions and delicious food are among the many attractions awaiting visitors to the 2015 Pennsylvania Farm Show, which takes place on January 10-17 at the PA Farm Show Complex and Expo Center in Harrisburg. Many new attractions will be added to the 2015 Farm Show, including:

Fill a Glass with Hope

Join the Pennsylvania Dairywomen's Association and its partners Friday, Jan. 9, at noon, to 'Fill a Glass with Hope' by providing milk to central Pennsylvanians in need through the Central Pennsylvania Food Bank's Milk Distribution Program, the first of its kind in the nation. Monetary donations accepted throughout the week at the Weis Markets booth and the main Food Court will help the food bank to purchase milk for Pennsylvanians in 27 counties. Kick off the new year by 'Filling a Glass with Hope' on Friday, Jan. 9, at noon. Donations will be accepted at the WEIS Booth and the Food Court all week long.

Food Court Specialties

The famous PA Preferred™ Food Court will offer new items as part of its taste of Pennsylvania. Enjoy fried pickles from the Pennsylvania Vegetables Growers Association, a grilled cheeseburger from the Pennsylvania Cattlewomen's Association or soft pretzels and pork nachos from the PennAg Industries Association. Eat healthier when many vendors begin using High Oleic Soybean Oil, which also improves kitchen performance and reduces buildup of polymers on food service equipment during high heat cooking. The Today's Ag display will demonstrate the process from soybean to soybean oil.

Family Ag-Olympics

Pennsylvanians of all ages are invited to participate in the first Farm Show Ag Olympics on Saturday, Jan. 10 at 4 p.m. in the Equine Arena. Teams will compete for prizes and bragging rights and individuals can test their skills at stations, operated by the Pennsylvania 4-H State Council, for fun. Ten stations feature fun like dressing up as a scarecrow and testing your agriculture trivia knowledge.

What's Cooking?

Aaron McCargo Jr., winner of The Next Food Network Star and star of "Big Daddy's House," will be on the PA Preferred™ Culinary Connection stage on Sunday, Jan. 11 at noon and 2 p.m. From comfort foods to barbeque favorites to breakfast delights, Aaron whips up mouth-watering recipes inspired by many years of culinary experience with his fun-loving family.

Farm Show Detectives Learning Stations

Young visitors explore more of Pennsylvania agriculture through new Farm Show Detectives Learning Stations.

- Penn State College of Agricultural Science's THINK AG station: Explore different areas of agriculture and learn how the industry touches our lives each day.

- The Tractor Amusement Ride: Learn the parts of a tractor and have the opportunity to ride the tractor amusement ride that benefits the Farm Show Scholarship Foundation.

- Dog Licensing: Discover the importance of keeping your dogs safe at the Department of Agriculture's Bureau of Dog Law Enforcement station.

Pennsylvania Cheeses Compete

The first cheese competition is open to any Pennsylvania cheesemaker holding a valid dairy foods permit from the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture. Each cheesemaker is eligible to submit three varieties of cheeses from cow, goat and sheep milk, as well as all-milks and mixed-milks categories. The judging will be held in mid-December. The winning cheeses will be displayed in Exhibition Hall C near the Maclay Street lobby.

More Commodities Compete for Top Honors

New classes for the Goldrush variety come to the apple competition, the Thomas Myers black walnut joins the nut competition, and True Foreign Firs are a new Christmas tree category.

Food Court Expansion in Main Hall

The Food Court Annex in the Main Hall has expanded so more visitors can savor famous Pennsylvania Farm Show favorites from the Mushroom Growers, PennAg Industries and Dairywomen's Association.

New Family Living Exhibitions

Young grill masters can enter 4-H projects in the Beyond the Grill contest. New handmade ornaments, button crafts and the pillowcase challenge will be on display in the Main Hall.

More Animal Competition

New animal breeds will enter competition, including seven additional varieties of poultry and 17 additional variety classes for rabbits. Youth will get the opportunity to show off their skills during the newly added junior breeding sheep, junior beef and junior meat breeding goat showmanship classes.

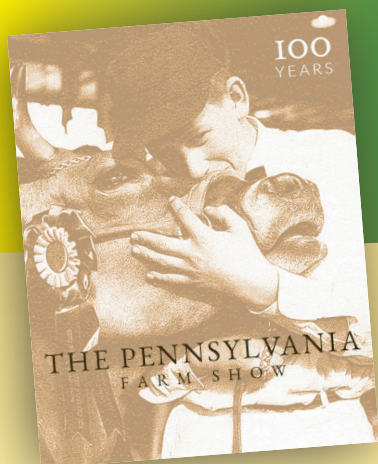
See you at Farm Show!

Consider Joining the Friends of the Pennsylvania Farm Show Foundation, Inc.

In 2010, the Friends of the Pennsylvania Farm Show Foundation, Inc. was established to stimulate, facilitate and support educational programs, incentives and events relating to the annual Pennsylvania Farm Show. It is a 501(c)(3) non-profit educational organization. Contributions are tax deductible.

We encourage you to become a friend. Contributions are \$50.00 annually or \$500.00 to become a lifetime friend. An association contribution is \$500.00 annually and corporate/business is \$1,000.00. For a membership application, contact Beverly Gruber at 610-767-5026 or by email at b.gruber@rcn.com or any foundation board member.

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