

# Friends of Farm Show Tails & Trails



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

Winter 2021



### Virtual Pennsylvania Farm Show Makes History

We all know and love the Pennsylvania Farm Show as being a gathering of the Commonwealth at the Farm Show Complex; Nine days of delicous food, agricultural education, competitive demonstrations, and triumphant exhibitors. The 2021 show was no exception. Though it looked different, it brought with it many new opportunities and reached visitors from around the world.

The 2021 Virtual Pennsylvania Farm Show, held January 8-16, began with the live reading of the original good night story, *Daddy, Why Can't We Go to the PA Farm Show?* by Mary Klaus.

This year's show was broadcast live on the Pennsylvania Farm Show Facebook page (@pafarmshow) and on The Pennsylvania Cable Network (PCN). The Pennsylvania Farm Show website also included virtual exhibits and online interactive activities.

Visitors of the show were able to engage in traditional events such as:

- The National Anthem
- FFA Mid-Winter Convention
- Calving Corner
- Duckling Pond and a Live Hive
- AgExplorers
- Daily Cooking Demonstrations
- Penn State's Educational Seminars with plenty of room for all to view.

New events and activities introduced:

- Daily Farm Tours
- Farm Show History lessons
- Stake Holder Panel Discussions
- Pennsylvania Farm Show Trail
- 'Butter Up' Sculpture Contest
- Pennsylvania Pairings
- Youth STEM Demo's



First Place winner of the 'Butter Up' contest in the Elementary Division was Ayleigh Mowers with her 'Duck Slide.'

A Virtual Farm Show allowed for visitor tracking, showing very impressive numbers.





## THANK YOU

## 2021 Virtual Pennsylvania Farm Show Sponsors

The Friends of the Pennsylvania Farm Show Foundation, Inc. and Pennsylvania Farm Show wish to extend a huge 'Thank you' to all our sponsors of this year's farm show. They took part in making history and providing the virtual events and opportunities. We are very thankful to work with these sponsors and recognize them for their dedication to the Pennsylvania Farm Show and Pennsylvania agriculture.































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The Friends of the Pennsylvania Farm Show Foundation is a 501(c) (3) non-profit that was developed to stimulate, facilitate, and support educational programs, incentives, and events relating to the annual Farm Show event.

## Commemorative 2021 Pennsylvania Farm Show Pins Still Available

You helped make Farm Show history this year, so now take home a pin to remember the virtual event! Pins can be ordered using the form below or online at www.friendsoffarmshow.com.



### 2021 Virtual Farm Show Lapel Pins Order Form





\$5.00 - 105th Farm Show Pin

\$6.00 - Farm Show Cow Pin

\$10.00 - Combination Order

(Pennsylvania Sales Tax is included with the Purchase Price)

Please send Check or Money Order to the following:

Friends of the Pennsylvania Farm Show Foundation, Inc.

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Questions: Gerry Reichard, Special Advisor Cell Phone: 717-729-7158

If you would like to receive this newsletter via email, please send a request to farmshowfriends@gmail.com

### Farm Show Donuts, Continuing the Mission

The Friends of the Pennsylvania Farm Show Foundation, Inc. is thrilled to have had the opportunity to work with the PA Potato Growers Coop on Farm Show Food Naming Rights for your Farm Show Potato Donuts marketing efforts during the 2021 Farm Show Week. The Foundation recognizes that the loss of the traditional Farm Show Food Court has greatly impacted all Pennsylvania Commodity Organizations and we applaud the efforts of the Coop. Thank you Nathan Tallman for your leadership.



"Pennsylvania Co-operative Potato Growers was happy to provide Pennsylvanians with our Potato Donuts and give them an opportunity to have a taste of Farm Show during its virtual platform this year. We would like to thank our retail partners Giant & Karns for giving us the retail market to supply our Potato Donuts to the greater Harrisburg area it was an amazing success."

Nathan Tallman, General Manager Pennsylvania Co-operative Potato Growers



## Your Dollars are a "Sign" of Importance!

The FOFS is proud to be working with Dauphin County to provide a new electronic message board to be placed on the MaClay St. side of the complex. This new sign will inform visitors of upcoming show information, safety news, Friends of the Pennsylvania Farm Show Foundation, Inc. updates as well as inform those passing buy of important agricultural messages.

Thank you to the Friends of the Pennsylvania Farm Show Foundation, Inc. members and sponsors for making this possible!

### Become a Friend!

An invitation is extended to any person, association, corporation/business, or farm/family interested in assisting with our support of the Pennsylvania Farm Show. Contributions to become a Friend are \$50 annually or \$500 lifetime. Annual contributions from associations are \$500 and farm/family \$500. All Friends will be included on the Friends of the Pennsylvania Farm Show Foundation, Inc. website and will receive a commemorative pin.

As a Friend, you are eligible to participate in the organization of educational programs, events, and incentives throughout the duration of the Farm Show.

For more information, visit our website at www.friendsoffarmshow.com or contact Gerald Reichard at (717) 729-7158 or geraldj.reichard@yahoo.com.

Pictured Right: Your contribution helps the Foundation acheive their mission of providing educational programs, incentives, and events at the annual Farm Show. One such event is the Celebrity Feed Scurry. This picture was taken at the 2020 Farm Show.



