



Friends of the Farm Show News



Linda Wilhide was presented with a plaque and shadow box with Farm Show Pins by Chairman William Piper, Friends of Farm Show Foundation Inc, for her years of service to the organization.

Linda Wilhide honored by Friends of the Farm Show

The Friends of Farm Show Foundation honored Linda Wilhide for her service to the organization at the July Board meeting held at the Farm Show Complex in Harrisburg.

Wilhide has been with the Friends of Farm Show for 7 years serving as the Administrative Assistant. Chairman William Piper described her as dedicated, and the hub of the wheel that kept us all moving. Piper went on to elaborate, "Linda was there to assist in whatever our operational needs were. Her expertise was invaluable as the Friends of the Farm Show grew and evolved into the very successful organization that it is today.

Gerald Reichard, Special Advisor to the Friends of the Farm Show Foundation spoke of Wilhide's knowledge and kindness. Reichard had recently stepped into the position of Special Advisor and shared, "Linda was a delight to work with and she made my transition into the Liason position easier with her helpfulness, knowledge, and resources.

FOFS board member Larry Weaver shared, "I was so appreciative of all the work that Linda did for the foundation. I enjoyed working with her."

Wilhide said, "I came to the FOFS Foundation in 2014, and I loved being in the Farm Show building, it seemed right for me. as I had a history here. I showed horses with 4H when I was younger. She also spoke very fondly of the foundation in working with great people.

The FOFS Foundation has generated 1.3 million dollars which flows back through the Farm Show for educational programming, incentives, and events. Wilhide shared, "It is important to be part of an organization. There are many non-profits that are the backbone for a lot of organizations to be successful. The growth was phenomenal over the years with the Friends of the Farm Show Foundation. My time with the foundation was very interesting and it kept me busy, but I enjoyed the work." When asked what she plans on doing in retirement, Wilhide replied, "VACATION". Everyday life keeps her busy but she is looking forward to relaxing!



L-R: Larry Weaver, Gerald Reichard, Linda Wilhide, William Piper, Mark Keller.

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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.

Welcome retired State Representative Mark Keller

Welcome to the Friends of the Farm Show Foundation Board, retired State Representative Mark Keller.

Mark was a Representative from Cumberland, Franklin, and Perry Counties; born in Carlisle, Cumberland County, Pa., January 14, 1954; graduated, West Perry High School, 1972; graduated, Missouri Auction School, 1982; attended, The Pennsylvania State University; farmer; auctioneer; auditor, Spring Township (1978-1983); supervisor, Spring Township (1984-1995); elected, commissioner, Perry County (1996-2004); elected as a Republican to the Pennsylvania House of Representatives to the 2005 term; reelected to the House for 7 more consecutive terms; appointed, Deputy Whip (2009-2018); Retired from the house December 2020.



Friends of Farm Show Chairman William Piper shares, "We are honored to have Representative Keller join our board. Mark has been a friend of Farm Show Supporter for numerous years. We look forward to working with him to continue his good work and support of Pennsylvania Agriculture".

Jurassic Encounters



Local people are used to seeing an array of animals at the Farm Show, but recently, heads were turning to take a gander at these pre-historic creatures perched in the complex parking lot.

The Jurassic Encounters set up over 55 life-sized dinosaurs and fossils from 26 species and offered fun and educational drive-thru tours.

PA Farm Show Complex Is Hiring!!!

- Administrative Assistant
- Clerk Typist 2
- Electrician
- Laborer
- Security Officer 1
- Maintenance Repairman
- Equipment, Groundskeeping and Operations Supervisor
- Building Maintenance/Trades Manager
- Equipment Operator A

We'd love for you to be part of our team. Check out our job postings and apply today!

<https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/pabureau>



Ag Progress Days August 10 - 12, 2021

Ag Progress Days (APD), Pennsylvania's largest outdoor agricultural exposition is to be held August 10-12, 2021 in person.

Friends of the Farm Show is excited to share that their booth will be located in the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture's building. They will be providing information about the initiatives and information on ways to show your support for the Farm Show through the Friends of the Farm Show Foundation.

Since the inception of the Friends of the Pennsylvania Farm Show Foundation, Inc. over 11 years ago, nearly 1.3 Million Dollars have been raised in support of Educational Programs, Incentives, and Events relating to the annual Pennsylvania Farm Show.

Representatives from the Foundation Board of Directors and Farm Show Staff will be available to answer questions about the organization and to promote sponsorship opportunities for the 2022 Pennsylvania Farm Show.

Show hours: Tuesday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, 9:00 a.m. -7:00 p.m. and Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. The show is held annually for three days in August, at The Pennsylvania State University's - Russell E. Larson Research Center.

Ag Progress has a website to provide more information about the event: <https://agsci.psu.edu/apd/events>



Farm Show Summer Fest a Big Success!



Thank you to all!

The PA Farm Show held its third Food Fest on July 16-18, 2021 with a couple thousand people in attendance! The fest had 18 vendors, along with the Dairy Princess, Dept. of Health offering vaccines and The Friends of the Farm Show,



The Farm Show is an incredible community asset and getting people back in the building was just one of the goals. Supporting the commodity groups, Farm Show Vendors and concessionaires who use the annual Farm Show as an organizational fund raiser was important.

Attendees found many of their favorite foods like milkshakes, donuts, bloomin onions, breaded mushrooms, sausages, french fries, funnel cakes and so much more!



We would like to thank the following vendors for their participation in making this event a big success!

PA Dairymen's Association
The American Mushroom Institute
MFPA
PA Cooperative Potato Growers Inc.
Snyder's Concessions - Providing PA Mushrooms and Potatoes in addition to a full menu of items.
Nana's Cookies
Sherri's Crab Cakes
Blind Spot Nutbutters
Cheers to You
CM Bars LLC
Hillbilly's Jerky
Lancaster Trading House, Inc.
Little Specialty Foods
Stroopies, Inc.
Tastie Teas
Whiskey Hollow Maple
Whispering Brook Farm
Wild LLC
Uglie Acres
PA Department of Health
PA Dairy Princess Program

Friends of the Farm Show Friendship

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

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 \$65.00 annually or \$500.00 to become a lifetime friend.

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Our county dairy princesses join together with their alternates, junior promoters, and county committees to promote across the state on local, regional, and state levels to deliver the dairy message to the public: Pennsylvania's official beverage, MILK – contains 13 essential nutrients to help keep the body healthy! They communicate the importance of the dairy industry and its products to the economic well-being of our state's economy and remind consumers to Choose Pennsylvania Dairy – Goodness that matters! The mission of Pennsylvania Dairy Princess & Promotion Services, Inc. is:

- To work with local county committees in their promotional efforts and their dairy princess



2020-2021 Pennsylvania State Dairy Royalty: PA State Alternate: Katerina Coffman - Huntingdon, PA, PA State Princess: Gabrielle Swavely - Centre, State Alternate: Kristin Johns - Berks

programs to promote the sale and consumption of milk and dairy products at the grassroots level throughout the state of Pennsylvania.

- To plan and conduct the training of young people to serve as dairy industry promoters now and the agricultural leaders of the future.

- To coordinate the selection and activities of the State Dairy Royalty Team.

We believe that by communicating and working with grassroots promotion efforts and regional dairy promotion programs that we can combat the health crisis that many of Pennsylvania's consumers are suffering; have a healthier, happier public; and create a stronger, more productive dairy industry.

Milk Punch Recipe

- 1 1/2 quarts of soften vanilla ice cream
- 3 cans (46 fl. oz.) of pineapple juice
- 1/2 cup orange juice
- 1 tbs lemon juice
- 1 quart of cold milk

In a punch bowl combine all ingredients and stir until blended. Serve and enjoy!

To request a Princess to attend an event email: linda@padairy.org

Upcoming Events at the Farm Show Complex

- 8/7-8/21 Harrisburg Gun Show
- 8/21/21 PA Flavor
- 9/18-22/21 All American Dairy Show
- 10/1-10/21 Keystone International Livestock Show
- 10/14-23/21 PA National Horse Show

Please visit the PA Farm Show website at:

<https://www.farmshow.pa.gov/events/Pages/Calendar.aspx>

Send us your news articles! Please review the submission deadlines below.

We are looking for articles and pictures to publish in the Friends of the Farm Show News.

- Oct./Nov. - Deadline is September 1
 - Dec./Jan. - Deadline is November 1
 - Feb./March - Deadline is January 1
 - Apr./May - Deadline is March 1
- Questions? Please call (717)254-9550.

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