

The Elizabethtown Fair 25 Years of Making Memories

A child's first taste of cotton candy . . . the wonderment of a newborn calf . . . the pride of a blue-ribbon entry — the Elizabethtown Fairgrounds has seen it

The roofs of the Elizabethtown Fair go back to 1950 when the Elizabethtown Kiwanis Club hosted the first community Farm Fair. This event was first held in September 1950 along Poplar Street (with the midway behind the current Elizabethtown Community Center). Booths were located on a lot at the corner of Bainbridge and South Poplar streets.

In 1954 the Kiwanis Club relocated the farm fair across from Lake Placida at Elizabethtown College. This property became known as Kiwanis Park. An office, public restrooms, and a large exhibit building were added to Kiwanis Park.

Due to dwindling support and community interest, the Kiwanis Club replaced its farm fair with a carnival and pet parade in 1961. The event vanished completely sometime in the 1960s.

In the 1970s the fair was "reborn" as an added attraction to the Elizabethtown Jaycees Festival held in the Elizabethtown Community Park. As a result, the present fair was organized by the Jaycees in 1973 and operated under the name "Marketplace Fair."

In 1978, the event officially became known as the Elizabethtown Fair, and moved to the old Kiwanis Park grounds, which had become part of the Elizabethtown College campus. Under the leadership of the Jaycees, the fair continued to grow and the club decided an area was needed for just the agricultural portion of the fair. Elizabethtown Area School District's "land lab," the current site of the Elizabethtown Fair, was selected for the agricultural exhibits. In 1981 the fair activities were split between the Kiwanis Park grounds and the current fair-grounds.

In 1981 Agricultural Hall was opened on the new site and the Jaycees ran the first livestock competition on the current fairgrounds. In the same year the Elizabethtown Fair Association Ad Hoc Committee was formed and assumed the Jaycee duties. At this time, the fair was incorporated as the Elizabethtown Community Fair, Inc. and a board of directors and officers were elected.

Many changes have taken place at the fair since that time. The dairy-beef barn was erected on the fairgrounds in 1983, and Sara Myer Hall in 1985. The main stage was built in 1988 to showcase the live bands and entertainers. The fair office building was renovated in 1989. A large commercial building was constructed adjacent to Myer Hall in 1995.

Under the current direction of the Elizabethtown Fair board of directors, the Elizabethtown Fair remains a permanent, prosperous community event which features many of the original events and contests held at the first fair in 1950. The Elizabethtown Fair now runs Monday through Saturday in late August each year.

This year, the Fair is scheduled Aug. 24-29 10 a.m.-10 p.m. with livestock shows, a midway, and plenty of food and fun.

## 4-H Fair Aug. 13-15

COLLEGEVILLE (Montgomery Co.) — Are you looking for some great family fun at a low price? Come to the Montgomery County 4-H Fair at the 4-H Center on Route 113 between Routes 73 and 29, near Skippack.

The Fair will be Thursday, Aug. 13 through Saturday, Aug. 15. The fair is open to the public on Thursday from 5 p.m.-9:30 p.m., Friday from 9 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

A parking donation of \$3 is requested to benefit the 4-H program. There are no other admission fees. You won't find commercial rides here, but good old wholesome fun — animal shows, exhibits of completed 4-H projects, bands, gamebooths run by the 4-H'ers themselves, and hands-on, get-involved fun.

On Thursday evening, opening ceremonies and the banner parade begin at 6 p.m. followed by the Sheep Show at 6:30 p.m. The

Daisy Jug Band will make its annual appearance from 6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Other highlights of opening night include a Horse Gymkhana, 4-H member recognition, as well as the introduction of the Outstanding 4-H Members and Scholarship presentations.

The giant Fabric Sale returns for extended hours, beginning from 6 p.m.-8 p.m. on Thursday. Indoor exhibits include crafts, foods, vegetables, flowers, woodworking, clothing and a wide variety of 4-H and open class entries. The indoor exhibits are open until 9:30 p.m.

New this year will be a plant diagnostic clinic from 6 p.m.-8 p.m. at the new Horticultural Center, inside the building. The public is invited to bring plants or vegetables with problems to be identified by the fair's horticulturalists.

For more information and a more detailed schedule call the 4-H Office at (610) 489-4315.



## PASA Sponsors 'Grazing for Profit' Field Day

FAYETTEVILLE (Franklin Co.) — Two Franklin County grazing operations will be the focus of an all-day farm field day August 13.

The field day is sponsored by Pennsylvania Association for Sustainable Agriculture (PASA) and the Franklin County Graziers.

According to Titus Martin a dairy grazier and facilitator of the Franklin County group. "This field day presents an excellent opportunity to see how some producers are managing their resources for lower costs and higher returns. We are glad to be working with PASA on this educational effort."

The first stop on the tour will be the dairy operation of Ken Schoenberg beginning at 9:30. The Schoenbergs milk 100 cows in a grass-based system, with 160 acres of their 320-acre farm in pasture and hay. The milking stock feed on pasture during the season and are fed wheat, alfalfa, and hay balage and corn silage during the winter. The Schoenbergs raise all their heifers and dry cows totally on grass. The field day will also explore how they utilize contour strip cropping and cropland terraces. They graze rye, orchardgrass, and ladino clover on hillsides.

In recent years the Schoenbergs have moved from silage to balage as it complements the grazing program better, requires less labor, and less machinery. They are using a round baler with a roto-cut and grind the bales in their TMR mixer for winter feeding. Schoenbergs utilize a flush manure system with a separator using the waste water to irrigate pasture and increase yields.

At 1 p.m. the tour will move to Thistle Glen Farm operated by David Rutherford and Carole Malin. Rutherford and Malin raise Highland beef cattle in a low-cost, grass-based system for direct-to-consumer sales. During the tour of their farm they will discuss.

 Why they chose to become a grass-based operation and how they are "importing grass to the dinner plate."

• How two "non-farm" people have become full-time farmers.

• How they add value to their product by retaining ownership all the way to the consumer's plate.

In addition to a walking tour of the farm and an opportunity to "get up close and personal" with the Highlanders, David and Carole have invited several allied business to discuss their role in supporting this beef business. Their vet will talk about his role in a grass-based system and how it differs from conventional systems. In addition, a local chef who buys their beef will discuss changes he has made to accommodate local beef while benefiting his business. A local processor will describe how he has changed his business to process direct-marketed beef for the producers.

David and Carole will also discuss the designing of a label for secondary sales in order to broaden their focus of value-added marketing.

Call PASA at (814) 349-9856 for more information and directions.



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