

Media Alert

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**Treasure the Memories
of Our Roots
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Rooted in the Community for 31 years.**



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A Great Stay-cation with Pure Ag-citement

Schuylkill County residences have an opportunity for a great “Stay-cation,” July 28 through August 2. The 31st annual Schuylkill County Fair will be in your own back yard, Route 895, Summit Station. Come “Treasure the Memories of Our Roots.” We have been rooted in the community building the fair, now you can come to experience the pure Ag-excitement.

Included in a one very reasonably priced admission, you will be entertained by nationally and locally recognized artists. Ride the carnival rides with an unlimited pass put on by Goodtimes Amusement Company. Engage yourself in the many contests, activities, and exhibits that the fair has to offer. Did I mention free parking with all of this?

Young and the young at heart can find something to experience at the Schuylkill County Fair. The Fair has four venues of entertainment to help you sit and relax while being entertained. The Mutville Comix is found in the Amphitheater where they entertain you with the antics of playful dogs. Our own Peggy Hentz of the Red Creek Wildlife Rehabilitation center can be found in the Weston Pavilion under the cool shade of the trees near the Nature Center. Be amazed by the talent found here in Schuylkill County with different acts

nightly participating in the Schuylkill Talent Show Case on Schaeffer Harley Davidson Indoor Stage. Nightly entertainment on the M&T Band Stage include: Monday, Shake Rattle and Soul / Tim Marchetto Show; Tuesday, Twitty Fever Band; Wednesday, Jesse Wade Gang; Thursday, Kevin Chalfant's Journey Experience / John Cafferty & Michael Antune of the Beaver Brown Band backed up with Hybrid Ice; Friday, Exile; Saturday, Brandon Bennett, Ultimate Elvis rounds out the week.

Visit with the old timers in the Farm Museum and learn about agriculture a century ago. Engage in hands on learning with Porcupine Pat, naturalist, in the Shadle Nature Center. Watch Todd Gladfelder carve a sculpture out of a solid block of wood.

Want to really experience learning through agriculture. Then visit the Farming for the Day Tent where children can experience the many hands on activities. Be an Ag Detective as you roam around the fairgrounds finding clues about Alpacas, cows, flowers, grain to wine. Put your hands on Agriculture in the Ag Arena where the science of Agriculture comes alive by making fly wheels, balloon gardens, rain sticks, and felt some fabric with wool. Listen to stories being read about agriculture by members of the Schuylkill County Reading council.

If you are a kid or want to be one again then the Kids Tent is the place for you. Here you can add some color to the kids coloring contest. Fill your tummy with Jell-O, Ice cream, pie and milk in these eating contests. Husk some corn, or use some pedal power in the pedal tractor pull. Something quieter you say then try making some sidewalk chalk and ad your talents to the pavements. Roll that watermelon or relay that egg. Give that bale of hay a toss. Spit that watermelon seed and scramble in the sawdust for pennies and candy. Be a kid again.

You prefer to be active? Engage yourself in a fly fishing or muzzle loader demonstration or put on by the Schuylkill County Sportsman. Walk with noted historian Mark Major as he speaks on the historical significance of the area in and around the fairgrounds.

Did you say you want to come to the fair to see the animals? Come see the alpacas, horses, steers, cows, goats, chickens, baby chicks, rabbits and pigs. See them in action in various shows, judging, fitting and showmanship competitions. Come see a number of notable county celebrities try their hand at showing animals in the Ag Arena. Celebrities can also be found trying their hands on the throttle of a tractor in the Celebrity Tractor pulling competition. See how well trained some of the animals are as they are put through a course. Shown to the best of their ability, exhibitors compete in the Master Livestock Contest. Test your knowledge of agriculture in the family feud.

Roar of the engine is more your speed, then there are two nights of truck pulls. Monday night pulls are for diesel trucks and Tuesday night is for gas powered. A new sled for pulling is being brought in for these events from Crouse Sled Rental out of Newville, PA. There are also the antique tractor pulls, and daily tractor parade.

Line this all up with a couple hours of line dancing with DJ Chicken Nugget on Friday evening. All of this is lined up in your backyard for a “Stay-cation” at the 31st annual Schuylkill County Fair, July 28 through August 2. Come “Treasure the Memories of Our Roots.” More detailed information may be found at www.schuylkillfair.com or by calling 570.739.2627 prior to the Fair and 570.754.3247 during fair week. For the very latest follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

