



183rd Chemung County Fair Annual Report
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Building on Success: A Message from the President

This year marked my second as President of the Chemung County Agricultural Society, and once again, it has been a year of learning, teamwork, and growth. Running a fair is no small task; it takes dedicated board members, incredible volunteers, and generous sponsors. Here in Chemung County, we are fortunate to have all three, along with strong support from both our local and county partners.

In this annual report, we'll share highlights from projects completed over the past year, a look back at this year's Fair, and an exciting preview of what's ahead. I'm especially thrilled about the future projects now being discussed, and what's even more inspiring is that members of our community are coming forward with their own ideas for better utilizing the fairgrounds. It's wonderful to see this kind of engagement and shared vision for the future of such a valuable community resource.

A heartfelt thank-you goes out to our Board, whose dedication and hard work never waver, and to the many volunteers who give their time and energy throughout the year. If you've ever thought about getting involved, we would love to have you join us. Volunteers are always welcome and deeply appreciated.

We also extend our sincere gratitude to our sponsors. Their financial support and hands-on assistance make the fair possible each year. Without them, the Fair could not happen. As you read this annual report, I hope you'll see the commitment, passion, and pride that go into making the Chemung County Fair an event our entire community can celebrate. One we can all be proud to be part of.

— Mark Watts
President, Chemung County Agricultural Society

Commissioner Richard Ball Visits Chemung County Fair

The Chemung County Fair had a special guest on opening day this year: New York State Agriculture Commissioner Richard Ball. Known for his strong support of county fairs across the state, Commissioner Ball has been instrumental in providing grant funds for capital improvement projects on fairgrounds, including our own.

Thanks to this support, the Chemung County Agricultural Society secured funding this past year to complete extensive renovations to the Dairy Barn, a significant improvement that fairgoers enjoyed during the Fair.

As President of the Agricultural Society, I reached out to Senator Thomas O'Mara to help make Commissioner Ball's visit possible. With the Senator's assistance, Commissioner Ball joined us and spent over two hours touring the fairgrounds. He was accompanied by his Deputy Commissioner, Katie Howard, and guided by Nikole Watts-Stermer, who showcased the many exhibits, livestock barns, and community displays that make our fair so special.

During his visit, Commissioner Ball spoke with fairgoers and met with several of our dedicated 4-H youth participants. Before departing, he shared a thoughtful compliment that perfectly summed up the spirit of the day: "The feel of the fair was most certainly family and farmer friendly."

That simple statement reflects exactly what we strive to achieve at a fair that celebrates family, farming, and community. We extend our sincere thanks to Commissioner Ball and Senator O'Mara for their continued support and for helping make this memorable visit a reality.



Commissioner Ball, County Executive Moss and Deputy Executive Furman, Senator O'Mara Staff Sara Latin, Ag Society Board, County Legislator and Dairy Princess at the Cutting the Ribbon at the Dairy Barn

Capital Projects: Investing in the Future of Our Fairgrounds

This year was a tremendous one for improvements at the Chemung County Fairgrounds. Thanks to a grant from New York State Agriculture and Markets, funding through the County's American Rescue Plan (ARP), and countless volunteer hours, the Agricultural Society invested nearly \$250,000 into upgrading several fairground buildings.

We're proud to share some highlights from these capital projects, each a testament to teamwork among the Ag Society, Chemung County, local contractors, and volunteers. The County's Buildings and Grounds staff also played an essential role, completing extensive work across the grounds that we'll showcase throughout this report.

New Roof for 4H Building



Building and Grounds painted the Octagon bathrooms.



Building and Grounds replace board and new paint job

Dairy Barn Renovation

The Dairy Barn, a fixture of the fairgrounds for generations, received a much-needed transformation this year. Many of us remember showing cattle there decades ago, and it still looks much the same today!

The project began with removing the old wooden stalls, excavating decades of packed dirt and manure, and preparing for a new concrete floor. The Ag Society members, along with Fairgrounds Caretaker Don Snyder and Tom Snyder, handled the demolition and cleanup.

After a competitive bidding process, LSE Properties was awarded the contract for pressure washing and interior painting—and delivered outstanding results. The concrete work was completed by Edger Enterprises, whose craftsmanship gave the barn a clean, safe, and modern foundation for future exhibitors.

The newly renovated Dairy Barn stands as a proud example of what can be accomplished when community, contractors, and volunteers come together.



Removing old Stalls and Power Washing the Dairy barn



New Paint inside the Dairy Barn



Concrete Floor being Poured



Paint and Concrete Complete



Stalls added to the Barn



Chemung County Building and Grounds Repainted the Dairy Barn



Building and Grounds great job repainting the Dairy Barn

Goat Barn Improvements

The Goat Barn also underwent major upgrades this year, funded through ARP support from Chemung County. Similar to the Dairy Barn, we tore out the old interior and poured new concrete flooring, with Edger Enterprises leading the work to exceptional quality.

Once the concrete was in place, our Ag Society volunteers stepped up to install all-new treated lumber for pens and stalls. A big thank-you goes out to Jeremy Stermer, Josh Stermer, Ryan Bush, Lane Bush, Grayden Stermer, Blake Stermer, Blake Shields, Becca Watts, and Todd Terwilliger for their hard work and dedication to completing this project.

The updated Goat Barn now provides a cleaner, safer, and more functional space for our exhibitors and animals during fair week and other events.



Goat Barn renovations, setting up for concrete, concrete poured and floor sealing

Solar Light Installation at Gate 5

Sustainability and safety took center stage with the installation of a new solar-powered light at Gate 5. The Ag Society secured a grant to purchase the light but relied on valuable partnerships to make the installation possible.

The Chemung County Department of Public Works and Buildings and Grounds crews assisted with setup, while Custom Mix Concrete generously donated the needed concrete. The result is a well-lit, energy-efficient improvement that enhances both visibility and security for evening events.



4-H Rabbit Club Spruces Up Their Pens

Just like in the movie *Field of Dreams*, where "if you build it, they will come," the same spirit has taken root right here at the Chemung County Fairgrounds. As we've continued to improve buildings and facilities across the fairgrounds, that enthusiasm has inspired others to get involved, and our local 4-H Rabbit Club is a perfect example.

While the Agricultural Society Board was busy with larger building projects, members of the Rabbit Club approached us with an idea: they wanted to repaint and refresh the rabbit pens, but needed some help with materials. The Ag Society was happy to provide the paint and supplies, and the club took it from there.

What followed was a wonderful community workday, with parents and kids rolling up their sleeves to brighten and beautify the pens. The result is not only a cleaner, more welcoming space for exhibitors and animals, but also a shining example of what teamwork and pride in our fairgrounds can accomplish.

The 4-H Rabbit Club's efforts show that when we all pitch in big or small, we continue to make the Chemung County Fair better for everyone.



Looking Ahead: 2026 Capital Projects

The Chemung County Agricultural Society is already planning improvements for the 2026 fairgrounds to continue enhancing the experience for exhibitors, fairgoers, and performers alike. Key projects in the works include:

- **Upgraded Sound System:** A new sound system will be installed at the horse end and throughout the fairgrounds, improving announcements, music, and overall event audio for everyone.
- **Drainage Improvements:** Critical drainage work will be completed to ensure safer, drier conditions during events and protect the fairgrounds from stormwater issues.
- **Concrete Work:** Additional concrete pours are planned to upgrade walkways, barn areas, and other high-traffic locations, making the grounds more functional and durable for years to come.
- **New Ticket Booth:** We will be partnering with GST Boces to build a new ticket booth. This much needed upgrade will increase the number of windows, so we can better serve the constituents

These projects continue our commitment to maintaining and enhancing the fairgrounds as a safe, modern, and welcoming space for the entire community.

The 183rd Chemung County Fair: A Great Success

The 183rd Chemung County Fair was a tremendous success, filled with community spirit, great entertainment, and strong partnerships. Each year, we continue to grow not only in attendance and participation but also in the valuable relationships we've built with neighboring fairs and supporters across the region.

This year, we were especially proud of how well we've connected with surrounding fairs to share resources and ideas. The Troy Fair has been an incredible partner, always offering helpful advice and allowing us to rent radios and golf carts at a significantly reduced rate from our usual vendor, saving the fair substantial money.

The Tioga County Fair also extended its generosity by lending us its traveling stage, which provided the perfect setting for our midway bands. Despite not knowing many of us personally, they were eager to help; a true sign of the camaraderie within New York's fair community.

We're also grateful to Nick Pellam from the Steuben County Fair, who once again donated his time to serve as MC for our truck pulls. His enthusiasm and professionalism greatly added to the event and were greatly appreciated by all.

It's clear to our Board that county fairs across the state truly operate like one big family, always ready to lend a hand and help each other succeed. The Chemung County Fair is stronger and better because of these partnerships, and we're proud to be part of such a supportive and passionate fair community.



New Electronic Sign



Truck Pull



Battle of the Bands, Pig Races, Animals and Free Midway bands!

Chemung County Fair "Battle Of The Bands" Returned to the Fair

The event included the following 8 bands: Rocky Burning, Still Kickin', Retro Days, Wally Boys and the Wild Bunch, Snile, Crown Drop, Metaturnal, and So Much Hope, Buried.

All 8 bands put on great performances in the prelims in mid-July, but unfortunately, only 4 could advance to the finals at the Chemung County Fair. The 4 bands that transferred to the finals were Metaturnal, Rocky Burning, Still Kickin', and So Much Hope, Buried.

After all four bands put on inspiring performances in the finals, so much hope, buried came out on top, followed by Rocky Burning in a very close second place.

A special thanks goes out to 94 Rock, Hard Hit Productions (for the excellent sound system and lights), judges, stage workers, and volunteers for the prelims and finals.

The Chemung County Fair "Battle of the Bands" will return in 2026!!



Nel's Tractor: Leading the Way in Sponsorship

A heartfelt thank-you goes out to Nelson, Debbie, and Curtis from Nel's Tractor for serving as our top financial sponsor for the second year in a row. Their incredible generosity and community spirit have made a massive difference for the Chemung County Fair.

This year, Nel's Tractor contributed an impressive \$12,500, becoming the sole sponsor of the Tractor Pulls and helping launch a brand-new fair tradition with our giveaway program. With their support, we purchased custom frisbees that were tossed into the crowd during grandstand events, bringing smiles and excitement to fairgoers of all ages.

The sponsorship also funded specially printed T-shirts for both the Tractor Pulls and the Battle of the Bands. Using a T-shirt launcher generously loaned to us by Bobby-K, we shot the shirts into the stands, and they came with a bonus! Anyone who caught a Battle of the Bands shirt received free admission to the concert, while those who snagged a Tractor Pull shirt earned free entry to that event.

The giveaways were such a hit that we're already planning to do it again next year. We genuinely appreciate Nel's Tractor for their continued support, generosity, and enthusiasm in helping make the Chemung County Fair an event to remember!



Tom and Lori Snyder, rocking the Battle of the Bands and Tractor Pull T shirts that were given out at the Grandstand Event



Sheriff Bill Schrom passing out T-shirts during the Tractor Pull!



Horse Track Work Pays Off in Record-Breaking Style

Each year, the Chemung County Fairgrounds receives a visit from representatives of the New York Sire Stakes, who oversee harness racing at fairs throughout the state. Their expertise and support are invaluable. They not only provide funding but also offer guidance on maintaining and improving our racetrack to ensure it meets top performance standards.

This year's project focused on widening the track to 35 feet and adding new footing to enhance safety and performance. With help from the Chemung County Department of Public Works, which provided a grader and crew to reshape the surface, we were able to restore the track to full width. Then Vestal Asphalt brought in specialized equipment to lay the new footing.

The results spoke for themselves during this year's harness races; the track record was broken for the first time in over a decade! The racing teams were thrilled, and the excitement was felt throughout the fairgrounds.

A big thank-you goes out to the Sire Stakes program, Chemung County DPW, and Vestal Asphalt for their partnership and hard work. Their combined efforts not only improved the track but also helped make this year's harness racing one of the most memorable in recent history.





4-H EXHIBITION

at the Chemung County Fair



YOUTH AND FAMILIES

Over **160** 4-H Exhibitors and their families attended the 2025 Chemung County Fair. Families took part in daily activities, showing animals and volunteering to provide interactive opportunities for fair goers.

500+ PROJECTS

4-H Members displayed over **500** member-made projects such as 3D printing, sewing, woodworking, art, gardening, photography, baked goods, and more at booths hosted by 14 clubs.



460 ANIMALS

The months leading up to fair, 4-H members are breeding and/or raising quality animals to show at fair. Rabbits were this year's largest species with the help of a rapidly growing rabbit club. Also seeing growth were sheep, swine and market poultry projects.

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NEW IN 2025



With the help of the 4-H Advisory Committee, 4-H Clubs, and Teen Ambassadors, new events were added to the fair schedule.

- STEM Egg Drop- youth created vessels to drop an egg from the Skyworks-sponsored lift. Over 40 youth participated!
- Cooking Challenge- 30 youth worked in teams to put their culinary skills to the test.
- Four Species Showmanship- 16 Showmen from all species, and some who do not show tested their skills showing sheep, swine, goats, and poultry.
- Club Run Activities: Clubs hosted interactive activity nights for all youth exhibitors.

4-H BENEFIT SALE

The 4-H Youth Livestock and Benefit Sale is an annual highlight of the exhibition and fair. A collaborative experience of youths' ability to raise and market their animals and clubs' ability to make community connections.

The 2025 sale has been the most successful since the return of in-person auctions in 2023.

57 lots, including animals, baked goods, and baskets, were sold for a total value of over \$15,000.

Funds from the livestock and benefit auction go directly to the youth who raised the animal and the clubs that supported their education.



ON TO STATE FAIR

After showing at the county fair, youth go on to represent Chemung County at the NYS State Fair.

This year the largest group of youth competed at the state fair in the last 5 years.

More than **20** Youth competed with **75** projects, showing animals and in 8 knowledge events.

One of the 75 projects was selected as **Best at State Fair**, Chemung County youth placed top 5 in most competitions and 3 youth qualified for national contests.

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Looking Ahead: Plans Underway for the 2026 Chemung County Fair

The Chemung County Agricultural Society wasted no time getting started on the 2026 Chemung County Fair planning, which began the very next day after this year's Fair wrapped up! The Board has already been hard at work, and we're thrilled to announce that much of the lineup is already set.

Next year's Fair will run from Tuesday, August 4, through Saturday, August 8, and promises to be one of our most exciting yet. From crowd favorites to new attractions, there will be something for everyone to enjoy!

Grandstand Events

- * Tuesday: Battle of the Bands
- * Wednesday: Harness Racing followed by Lawn Mower & Regular Demolition Derbies
- * Thursday: Reese Ranch Rodeo
- * Friday: Truck Pulls
- * Saturday: Tractor Pulls

Free Midway Shows: Throughout the week, fairgoers can enjoy a fantastic lineup of free entertainment, including:

- * Racing Pigs
- * Tinsmithing Demonstrations
- * Chainsaw Carving
- * The Flying Wallendas
- * Magic Shows

With so many significant events already in the works, the 2026 Chemung County Fair is shaping up to be another unforgettable celebration of community, agriculture, and fun. Mark your calendars now; we can't wait to see you at the Fair!

Volunteers: The Heart of the Chemung County Fair

This year, the Chemung County Agricultural Society launched a more formalized volunteer program to support the continued growth and success of the Chemung County Fair. The new system was designed to make volunteering smoother, safer, and more organized for both volunteers and fairgoers alike.

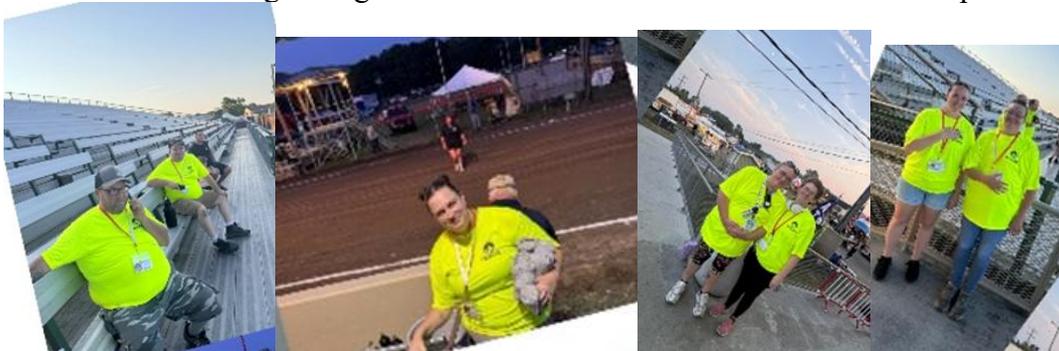
To help manage the effort, a new Volunteer Coordinator position was created to oversee the program, update the application process, and develop a comprehensive Volunteer Handbook outlining safety procedures, expectations, and on-grounds protocols. Everything volunteers need to know is clearly laid out, making the process straightforward to follow from start to finish.

The program welcomes volunteers ages 13 and older (younger participants are welcome in group settings) as well as community groups. This inclusive approach allows younger members of the community to get involved, build connections, and gain valuable skills. Volunteers serve before, during, and after the Fair. Helping with setup and teardown, keeping the grounds clean, selling tickets, answering phones, assisting with parking, and greeting guests at the gates. They also play a key role at grandstand events, ensuring everything runs safely and smoothly for attendees.

This year saw a notable increase in volunteer participation, with approximately 45 to 50 individuals contributing around 750 total hours of work. Among them were long-standing supporters such as the Kiwanis Club, which continues its tradition of assisting with gate admissions, alongside many returning and first-time volunteers eager to support the Fair. To recognize their contributions, several new volunteer incentives were introduced, including discounted meals during shifts, two passes to a favorite grandstand show, Fair "swag," and an end-of-season volunteer banquet. Feedback from this year's rollout was overwhelmingly positive. Volunteers appreciated the clear organization, the helpful handbook, and the added perks. Many have already expressed excitement about returning for the 2026 Fair.

A Heartfelt Thank You

A huge thank-you goes out to all our volunteers. You are one of the most essential parts of the Chemung County Fair, and your dedication helps everything run more smoothly. The Fair wouldn't be possible without the time, energy, and heart you give each year. We appreciate each of you and look forward to growing our volunteer team as the Fair continues to expand.



Sponsor and Volunteer Chicken BBQ

This year, the Board of Directors would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all the sponsors and volunteers who helped make our fair a success. On Sunday, September 21, 2025, we were thrilled to host more than 100 guests at our annual Chicken BBQ.

A special "thank you" goes out to **Matt Davis**, who once again impressed everyone with his delicious chicken! It was a wonderful day of good food, fun, and fellowship.

We truly appreciate the time, energy, and support each of you contributes. The Board recognizes that our Fair wouldn't be possible without your dedication. We plan to continue this event every year to celebrate and thank all who make our fair shine.



New Bookkeeper

Cindy Mastrantonio joined the Agricultural Society as bookkeeper in April 2025. She brought decades of financial experience from her career with Chemung County, where she advanced from Account Clerk in 1980 to Fiscal Officer in 2013. Her background prepared her to take on a complex role that required accuracy, consistency, and modern recordkeeping.

She became the primary user of the online QuickBooks system and strengthened the Society's financial processes. She updated the chart of accounts, created clearer categories, and improved transaction tracking. She also rebuilt the electronic submission forms for expenses and revenues, which resulted in faster approvals and cleaner documentation. These updates support stronger internal controls and help the Board make better decisions.

Her work style is thorough and caring. She focuses on accurate records and looks for improvements at every step. Her approach sets a higher standard for financial stewardship and transparency across the Society. As Board Member Kevin Adams stated, "We are lucky to have Cindy as our bookkeeper. Her attention to detail is only rivaled by her concern that the Ag Society has error-free accounting."



Welcome Our New Board Member Darryl

Darryl is an Elmira Native. He has never missed a Chemung County Fair! My love for our county sparked my interest in being more than just a resident. With my knowledge and experience, I wanted to help contribute back to our community. Being a part of the Fair board will allow me to help and grow with our community.

I am looking forward to what I can contribute and calibrate with my fellow board members. Working together, we can make the Country Fair bigger and brighter each year.

Thank You, Matt Bryant

On behalf of the Board of Directors, we would like to extend our most profound appreciation to Matt Bryant for his dedication and service over the past three years as an active member of our Board.

During his tenure, Matt brought incredible energy, creativity, and commitment to everything he did. He was instrumental in securing Nel's Tractor, our largest sponsor to date, along with many others. Always full of ideas to make the fair even better, Matt not only dreamed big but also followed through from concept to completion. One of his most memorable contributions was the idea to have live bands perform on the midway throughout the week, adding a new level of excitement and entertainment to the Fair.

When we needed an additional stage, Matt didn't hesitate; he rolled up his sleeves and made sure it got built. Beyond the fairgrounds, Matt shared his passion for conservation as a teacher at GST BOCES, where he often involved his students in community projects.

One shining example of his leadership came when we rehabilitated the building now known as The Topsy Cow. The project required excavating six inches of dirt from inside the building, all by hand. Thanks to Matt's coordination and his students' help, the job was completed efficiently and with great teamwork.

Throughout fair week, Matt could always be found working from dawn to dusk, moving vendor trailers, setting up sound systems, and lending a hand wherever it was needed. His hard work and dedication made a lasting impact on our fair and our community.

This past year, Matt decided to retire and move to Alaska to begin the next chapter of his life. While we'll miss his presence and leadership, he will always have a place on our Board and in our hearts.



Chemung County Ag Promotions 2025 Events

First and foremost, we would like to thank the Chemung County Executive and the Chemung County Legislature for their continued support of Chemung County Ag Promotions. Your commitment enables us to share the importance of agriculture with our community year after year.

We'd also like to extend a warm welcome to our new committee members, Mickey Mallory and Kadie Reese. They are an excellent addition to the team, bringing fresh ideas and enthusiasm to our efforts. A huge shoutout goes to Amy Colussy for her outstanding dedication; she goes above and beyond every year, attending all our events and representing Chemung County Ag Promotions with pride.

In 2025, Chemung County Ag Promotions attended and hosted 22 events throughout Chemung County. Each event served as an opportunity to engage with the community and fulfill our mission: to educate the public about the importance of agriculture in Chemung County. We look forward to another great year of promoting local agriculture and connecting people with the farms, families, and food that make our county thrive!

2025 Event Wrap-Up

Chemung County Ag Promotions would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the organizations and communities that invited us to participate in their extraordinary events this year. These partnerships are vital to our mission, and we genuinely appreciate the support, collaboration, and enthusiasm of everyone involved.

In 2025, we were proud to take part in the following events:

- Spencer-Van Etten Outdoor Show
- Eldridge Park
- Erin Wood Festival
- Arnot Mall Sportsman Show
- Conservation Field Days
- Chemung County Fair
- Strong Kids Safe Kids
- Big Flats Community Days
- Oktoberfest in the Heights
- Pumpkin Express
- Lake Grove Campground
- Wisner Market
- Wisner Trunk or Treat
- Town of Southport Recreation
- Reese Ranch Rodeo

Each event provided a valuable opportunity to connect with our community and share the story of agriculture in Chemung County. We look forward to continuing these partnerships and creating new ones in the years to come!



Partnering with 4-H

Chemung County Ag Promotions is proud to continue our strong partnership with 4-H. In 2025, we participated in several key activities to promote agricultural education and literacy:

- * We attended the 4-H Homesteading Workshop, providing informational materials to participants.
- * During Ag Literacy Week, Ag Promotions sponsored books for classrooms and had committee members read to students, leaving the books behind to support continued learning.
- * Ag Promotions co-hosted Ag in the Infield with 4-H at Dunn Field during a Pioneer game, where we educated the public about different types of agriculture.
- * We also sponsored the Buyer Reception at the Chemung County Fair, supporting the local agricultural community.



We are grateful for our ongoing collaboration with 4-H and look forward to many more opportunities to engage, educate, and inspire the next generation about the importance of agriculture in Chemung County.

Fall Festival at the Fairgrounds

On October 18, Chemung County Ag Promotions hosted Fall Fest at the Fairgrounds, an event that truly captured the spirit of autumn.

The day began with a craft show featuring 22 vendors, accompanied by three food trucks from Putman Amusements, as well as Sibly Soda and The Topsy Cow, which provided both non-alcoholic and adult beverages for attendees.

As the festivities continued, excitement built around the pumpkin chucking competition, where five teams competed, and the farthest pumpkin soared an impressive 375 feet. For the kids, two pumpkin slingshots, created by the Chemung County Building and Grounds team, provided a fun and safe way to join in the pumpkin-throwing action.

Families also enjoyed a Trunk or Treat, which led children to the 4-H Fun Barn, full of games and activities designed to engage and entertain. Meanwhile, attendees enjoyed the beautiful fall weather and live music by Alexis Bradford, all while sampling beverages from The Topsy Cow.

The day concluded with a spectacular display from American Fireworks, lighting up the sky and providing a memorable finale for all who attended.

We sincerely thank all the vendors, Trunk or Treat participants, 4-H, Chemung County Building and Grounds, and all the community members who joined us to make this event such a success.



Old McDonald's Farm

In 2025, Old McDonald's Farm expanded to a two-day event, allowing us to reach even more students and community members.

On the first day, schools from the Elmira City School District spent the day exploring nine different educational stations, each highlighting various aspects of agriculture and conservation. To make the day even more enjoyable, Ag Promotions partnered with Giuseppe's Restaurant to provide pizza for the students, and we also offered ice cream for everyone.

On the second day, the event was opened to community residents, allowing families to experience all nine stations and learn about local agriculture firsthand.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all the station presenters. This event would not have been possible without your dedication and expertise. Your efforts help make Old McDonald's Farm an engaging and educational experience for all who attend.



Chemung County Horse Shows

The Chemung County Fairgrounds horse show facilities are some of the best in the state of New York! The facilities offer several show rings, almost 250 stalls, an indoor show arena, and on-site camping hook-ups (full and dry), all of which are easily accessible from I-86. The Chemung County Agricultural Society has successfully hosted horse shows by renting facilities for their events over the past several years. From the first weekend in May through Columbus Day Weekend, there are typically 12+ weekends of horse shows that take place at the fairgrounds.

The shows feature a variety of horse disciplines: open horse shows including Western, English, Speed, Western Dressage, and Ranch Horse; breed shows such as Arabian, Quarter Horse, and Palomino; Hunter Jumper shows; and English Dressage shows. Our local horse show facilities have consistently (over the past 20+ years) brought people to our areas/facilities from Florida, Texas, Canada, Pennsylvania, New York, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Tennessee, Ohio, Michigan, Illinois, Wyoming, Louisiana, and Colorado. The total number of horses that come in for one year is 1000+, and each horse brings 2-3 people, totaling 3000+ visitors to our county each season.

The horse shows are a community of horse enthusiasts that continue to support each other, the sport, the agricultural industry, and local businesses each year. The Twin Tiers Classic Open Horse Show Series, for instance, has grown steadily since its beginning 14 years ago. Our shows (weekend shows) typically bring in 800+ entries per weekend (80+ horses). Our exhibitors support each other, follow the various.



Thank you to Our Sponsors





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Chemung County Agricultural Society Meeting Schedule
Meetings are open to the public 2nd Tuesday of every month
6:30 pm at Fair Office
170 Fairview Ave Horseheads, NY 14845