PAID TAILGATE VENDORS: 41

The meeting was last Saturday and there were 37 vendors present. Everything is holding till the city does their process. But get ready for April 17. Attached is some information and application about the Appalachian Growers’ Fair coming up April 17. Also there is info and application for the 4-H Turkey Show in September. Any kids interested can also contact Mary Arnaudin at 884-3109. Another blog that may be of interest to gardeners from Cliff Ruth, Extension Area Agent, is http://transylvaniagardens.blogspot.com/

EVENTS:

*3/20 Transylvania Heritage Museum has moved to 189 West Main Street. Hours 11AM - 6PM
*3/20 BANFF Mountain Film Festival. 700 tickets at Brevard College 7 PM. Cost $10 for one show. Tickets can be obtained from Porter Center Box Office (884-8330) or Looking Glass Outfitters Pisgah Forest.
*3/20 Events at the Forge Valley Event Center. Lonesome Road Band. 3/26 Buddy Davis Band & Southern Appalachian Cloggers. 3/27 Carolina Blue. Shows 7-10:30 and cost is $8.
*3/22 4H Raising Small Livestock 6 -7PM At Extension Office. More info call Mary 884-3109
*3/23 Women’s Business Alliance 5:15 - 6:15. They are doing a series of programs from Entrepreneur Magazine 10 web marketing trends for 2010. If you want more information go to http://www.blueridge.edu/business_person/sbc/wba_transylvania.php or call Elaine Handville at 828-694-1779
*3/27 Master Gardener Spring Conference from 10 - 1. See attachment for info.
*3/28 Brevard Philharmonic Marimba Day 3PM at The Porter Center. Tickets or more info http://brevardphilharmonic.org or call 929-884-4221.
*3/30&31 Develop a New Food Business. Haynes Building, A-B-Tech, Enka Campus, cost $95. Contact Cathy_hohenstein@ncsu.euf
*4/20 Food Marketing in the Real World. This is a training and networking opportunity for Food Entrepreneurs 8:30 - 4:30, Asheville WNC Ag Center, Fletcher. Cost $30 and open to 40 individuals. Application can be obtained from www.ncagr.gov/markets/agbizmarketing.htm.
* 4/21 A successful Season Training for Farmers Market Managers and Vendors. Schedule and Registration Form available upon request.

**Newsletter Copies:**
Anyone having items to put in the Newsletter or wanting an e-mail copy should give it to Marlin Dixon on a piece of paper or e-mail me at marlind@citcom.net
Dear Potential Vendor:

The time is fast approaching for the 3rd Annual Appalachian Growers’ Fair. The date is April 17, 2010. This is the first festival of the year in our area. This festival will give you the opportunity to get the cobwebs out of your goods and goodies and start the year off with a bang.

The 2009 Growers’ Fair was a booming success. It was a fun filled day of activities with all vendors appearing to be happy with their sales. There were 31 vendors on hand which appealed to a crowd of over 1,000 visitors. To make the day flow smooth, there were many entertainers present to play, sing, dance and even paint and tell stories about APPALACHIAN living.

This year the advertisements are going out to our neighboring counties and as far away as Tennessee, Georgia, and South Carolina. So, we are expecting more vendors and more people. There will be more entertainment and some of it will be new. So, don’t wait, return your application and vendor fees today.

Remember the reason for this event is to bring attention and hopefully, financial contributions for the renovation of the Appalachian Women’s Museum.

The Monteith Community Park will open on the day of the festival at 7:00 AM. The time of the festival will be from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. After your application has been submitted and approved you will receive free passes for yourself and your helpers to get you through the gate. There will be an admission fee of $1.00 per person or $3.00 per car. This will help us defray the costs of advertising.

Thanks for helping us grow and helping sustain Appalachian agriculture and customs and traditions of the mountain folks.

Sincerely,

Calvin Smith
2010 Appalachian Growers' Fair
Saturday, April 17, 2010 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Vendor or Business Application

This event is a fund-raiser for the Monteith Farmstead Restoration Project, a community effort to restore the historic Monteith Farmhouse, future home of The Appalachian Women’s Museum. The Growers’ Fair will celebrate the spirit of agriculture in Appalachia from our founding families to our modern farmers. The centerpiece of the day is an open air plant and produce Market. A seed exchange, Horticultural Demonstrations and Educational Programs of interest to farmers, horticulturists, hobby gardeners, environmentalist, and providers for and protectors of our native animals, birds and wildflowers will also be featured. Performances by musical and dance groups will round out the day. We look forward to continuing this yearly tradition honoring those in our communities who make sustainable agriculture in our region possible, and hope you’ll join us for this event.
For more information contact: Calvin Smith. Phone 828-631-0683. E-mail fyshhook16@yahoo.com.

Application Deadline: April 3, 2010 Mail to: Calvin Smith, 66 Pacific Drive, Sylva, NC 28779.

Name ____________________________________________ Farm/Business Name ________________________________
Address __________________________________________ City __________ State __________ Zip __________
Telephone ___________________________ Website __________________________ E-mail __________________________

Business Description: Please circle the type of business you are. NURSERY: Annuals, perennials, vegetables, herbs, trees, shrubs, heritage trees and plants, honey, garden related merchandise (garden tools, flower planters, water catchment systems, etc.) CRAFT: Merchandise must be garden related and handmade by the artist. No Manufactured Goods. FOOD: Must have current insurance and meet Health Department’s current temporary food vendor regulations.

On a separate piece of paper tell us about your Farm, Business, Craft, Food and what you will be selling.

FEES: Make checks payable to Appalachian Women’s Museum.
+ $15.00 donation fee for those providing education/informational demonstrations only
+ $20.00 business vendors providing demonstrations of their products only.
+ $30.00 plants, crafts, and/or merchandise
+ $40.00 commercial vendors
+ $40.00 food vendors

General Information:
+ Booth spaces are 12 ft. by 12 ft.
+ The committee reserves the right to accept or reject any applicant. If applicant is rejected, fee will be refunded.
+ Appalachian Growers’ Fair is held at The Monteith Farmstead Community Park in Dillsboro, NC
+ All vendors/Business are responsible for collecting and paying North Carolina sales tax.
+ The sponsor provides no insurance. Insurance, if any, must be placed and paid for by the vendor.
+ Park will open at 7:00 AM day of event for vendors to set up.

Liability Release:
I hereby release and forever discharge the Town of Dillsboro, the Appalachian Women’s Museum, the Appalachian Growers’ Fair and everyone connected to the Appalachian Growers’ Fair from any responsibility, personal liability, claims, loss or damage arising out of or in conjunction with any injury sustained by vendor/business/demonstrator or guests while within the space designated for exhibits. Further, I understand that I store anything I bring onto the fair site at my own risk without exception or limitation.

My signature indicates acceptance of all conditions and rules of this prospectus. Application form without signature will not be accepted. I have enclosed all the necessary information and payments. The attached sheet accurately represents all my work and/or items to be sold.

Signature: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________
Entry Deadline: March 24, 2010
Participation Fee: $20.00 for 4 pouls due at pick-up
Poul pick-up: Workshop and pick-up May 1, 2010 Livestock Sales Arena 10:00a.m.
Check-in: September 18, Saturday 8:00am – 10:00am, F Barn
Location: Gate 3, F Barn
Show: September 18, Saturday 12:00pm
Release: NO Release, Market show is terminal.

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Competition is open to all North Carolina youth residents under the age of 19 as of August 30, 2010. Entries are limited to the first 70 exhibitors with completed forms turned in.
2. Each exhibitor is limited to 1 tom and 1 hen for show. The other 2 may be shown in the Open Heritage Turkey Show if so desired.
3. Exhibitor must have raised the turkeys from pouls and from the same hatch as all other exhibitors. Fair will set up arrangements with a supplier to ensure same hatch is provided to register exhibitors.
4. This show is an end show. Exhibitors are not allowed to take turkey home.
5. General Rules and Regulations, Judging, and Health Regulations for poultry show listed in fair catalog will apply. (www.mountainfair.org)
6. Classes will be limited to 10 per class.
7. Maximum of 7 classes for Tom and Hen each.
8. On judging day all exhibitors must be present to bring their turkey to the judge. Assistance will be available for smaller exhibitors that may need help with their turkey. Exhibitors and fair staff only allowed in show ring while judging is going on.
9. FFA and 4-H groups are encouraged to participate but will need individual names on entry forms at time of pick-up.

JUDGING

Judging criteria:
Judging will be based on market qualities of turkey, presentation, and knowledge of exhibitor.

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Grand Champion Tom $50 (Banner) Reserve Champion Tom $25 (Banner)
Grand Champion Hen $50 (Banner) Reserve Champion Hen $25 (Banner)
Example questions that could be asked by judge:

What is a Heritage Turkey?

What breed turkey are you showing? Is it a heritage breed or commercial breed?

Where and/or how was this breed generated?

What is the maturity rate of this breed of turkey?

What is the average maturity weight of a tom or hen of this breed?

What is the difference between Heritage, Commercial, and Wild turkeys?

What do you feed your turkey? How often? Watering?

What do you look for in a show turkey? How did you go about choose which turkey to show?

What was the funniest part of raising your turkey?

What was the most challenging part of raising your turkey?

Turkey Terms:

Beard-

Brooder Box-

Caruncle-

Gizzard-

Hen-

Meleagris Gallopavo-

Poul-

Shank-

Snood-

Tom-

Wattle-
2010 North Carolina Mountain State Fair  
Department XH  
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Name: ________________________________________________________________

First MI Last

Address: __________________________________________________________________

City / State / Zip: __________________________________________________________________

County: __________________________ Phone / Cell: __________________________

Social Security #: __________________________

(NO Premiums will be released without social security number. The above number must match the above name.)

Youth Birth date: __________________________

Email: __________________________________________________________________

FFA / 4-H Club: __________________________________________________________________

Manager, North Carolina Mountain State Fair:  
Please accept the following entries, subject to the Rules and Regulations of the North Carolina Mountain State Fair, as published in catalog, by which I agree to be governed in exhibiting. All statements made in connection with said entries are true. I understand that any prize money will be made payable to the name indicated below and may be subject to being reported to the IRS on a Form 1099. I certify the birds that I have herewith entered in the poultry show of the North Carolina Mountain State Fair have been in my possession for sixty days prior to the entry deadline. I further affirm and certify to the best of my knowledge and belief my entries in the above mentioned show are from a flock that is free from any evidence of Newcastle disease or any other infectious or communicable disease of recent exposure to same and are free of lice and mites.

SIGNATURE OF OWNER OF AGENT: ____________________________________________