

33rd Annual Farm Animal Frolic at Quiet Valley Living Historical Farm on May 21 & 22 and May 28 & 29, 2022

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Stroudsburg (PA) – Quiet Valley's 33rd annual Farm Animal Frolic is May 21, 22 and May 28, 29, Saturdays 10 am to 4 pm, and Sundays noon to 4 pm. To folks in the 21st century springtime means warmer weather, flowers blooming and the return of robins. In the early 1800s it meant fresh greens became available, a real treat after a bland winter diet. The kitchen garden was planted with such things as peas, onions, beets and carrots. Chickens started laying eggs again and it was also when the animals on the homestead had their babies. At Farm Animal Frolic we celebrate the renewal of life that comes with the season of spring.

Meet the baby farm animals up close and personal. See kid goats and lambs frolicking about. If you've ever wonder where the saying "two shakes of a lamb's tail" came from you can see the reason for yourself. Chicks will be peeping away and some will be hatching in incubators so visitors can watch them crack out of their shells. There will be a new calf for the children to meet and guests of all ages will laugh at the ducklings as they play in the water.

All the mommies of the babies will be on hand as well, keeping a close watch on their young, so folks will get to meet them, too, and learn something about their role on the farm. Our Suffolk Punch draft horses, Jenny and Judy, will take you on a wagon ride to the ice harvest pond and back. In the lower barn make sure to say "Howdy" to the piglets, always a lively bunch.

In addition to the farm animals there are plenty of other fun activities. Twice a day there is a special children's show where youngsters can enjoy puppet shows or storytelling.

Sheep shearing will take place on Saturday May 21nd from 10:30 until all the sheep get a "hair cut". The spinners and weavers will hold a Sheep to Shawl demonstration on the 21nd by taking one of the fleeces and attempt to complete a shawl by the end of the day. Raffle tickets will be sold for the finished shawl with the drawing being held at our Old Time Christmas event. Kathy Uhler, from the Pocono Wildlife Rehabilitation Center, will offer a presentation on local wildlife on Saturday May 21th at 11:30 and 1:30. Some of the Center's residents will be on hand. East Monroe Public Library's Youth Services Librarian Julie Bonser will be on hand Saturday May 21st to share stories and sign up children for the summer reading program. On Sundays the school marm will offer presentations in the One Room Schoolhouse. The outdoor brick bake oven will be in operation during all four days of the event making homemade bread and cookies.

There is nothing more lovable than baby animals, and adults, as well as children will get a kick out of a visit to Farm Animal Frolic. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn about

Admission is \$18.00 for Adults and \$10.00 for ages 3 thru 12, with discounts for on-line preorders. Children under 3 years of age are free. Pony Rides and Horse-drawn Wagon Rides are an additional charge and are weather permitting. Refreshments are available. No Smoking or Pets. Frolic is held Rain or Shine. The schedule and prices are subject to change. All funds raised go to support the mission of the non-profit farm museum.



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