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Lt. Governor, Agriculture Secretary Host First Taste of 2020 Farm Show Food Court Menu

Harrisburg, PA – Lt. Governor John Fetterman and Secretary of Agriculture Russell Redding hosted a tasting event to preview new items on the menu in the 2020 Farm Show Food Court. The Food Court opens to the public on Friday, January 3 from noon to 9:00 PM. Admission and parking for the day are free.

“Pennsylvania produces some of the best food available anywhere,” said Lt. Governor Fetterman. “The groups who feed us during the Farm Show represent the producers who feed our families and our economy year-round. This is your chance to have some excellent food and support the future of agriculture while you’re at it.”

“This year’s Farm Show theme is *Imagine the Opportunities*,” said Secretary Redding. “The Food Court is a small slice of the every-day opportunities for consumers to support their neighboring farmers and contribute to a winning economy for Pennsylvania.”

Jessica Darr of PennAg Industries emceed the event and was joined by Gail Ferranto of the Mushroom Farmers of Pennsylvania featuring their Philly Port Sandwich & Blended Burger; Margo Sechler of Bell & Evans featuring Parmesan Breaded Chicken & Mozzarella Meatballs; Dave Andrews of Kreider’s Dairy Chiques Creek Hemp Tea, Dave Smith of PA Dairymen’s Association featuring Grilled Cheese Stix & Milkshakes; Mike Firestine of the PA Livestock Association featuring Gluten Free Meatballs, Flying Porker and Sausage of the Day; and Chef Stephanie Gelbard, of Savor, the Farm Show Complex caterer, featuring the Smokey Cyclone and The Layer.

Sales of many of the items in the Food Court support the non-profit organizations that represent different sectors or producer groups, or educational activities for youth in agriculture.

“I’m so thankful to be a part of the Farm Show Food Court,” said PA Livestock Association President Mike Firestine. “In 2019, we were able to raise \$46,298 to benefit youth who are a perfect example of the bright future of Pennsylvania agriculture.”

The [Pennsylvania Farm Show](#) is the nation’s largest indoor agricultural event, featuring 12,000 competitive exhibits, more than 5,200 of which are animal competitions, plus 300 commercial exhibitors. The show runs January 4 – 11, 2020. Admission is free and parking is \$15 in Farm Show lots. The Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex and Expo Center is easily accessible from Interstates 81 and 83.

Note: Photo and video from the event will be available at pacast.com.

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