Are you ready? The fair will be held August 7 - 12 this year.

As in other years, junior animals must be checked in by 3:00 on Monday – there will also be an exhibitor's meeting in the show ring at that time. Open animals may come in after the junior show on Wednesday, the 9<sup>th</sup>, and must be checked in by Thursday, the 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. As much flexibility as possible will be observed. We will check health charts AND registrations as the animals get off the truck. Please have them with the animals.

2. **ENTRIES** Entry fees for the open shows are \$4.00 per class including group classes.

The entry deadline will be July 24, 2023, and will be strictly adhered to. To enter the your dairy animals in the fair, go directly to <a href="https://www.fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/18453">https://www.fairentry.com/Fair/SignIn/18453</a> or Go to Fairentry.com and click on "Find a Fair" Type in search Box "Tioga" and then find the 2023 Tioga County Fair. You will see the Tioga County Fair Dairy Open show and the Tioga County Fair Youth Dairy show. Youth exhibitors may also sign up for the showmanship contest on this page.

Youth exhibitors will need to enter their dairy show animals in <u>BOTH</u> shows. The \$4 per class entry fee applies to the open show entries for youth exhibitors. For the youth show there is no fee.

Dairy show entries will open June 10<sup>th</sup> and close July 24<sup>th</sup>. You can find all of the rules of the show in the fair book or online at the Tioga County PA Fair facebook page.

When you enter online, payment can be made to Ernest Norman at the fair. You may, of course, enter by paper as in other years and send it and payment to Ernest at 7147 Route 414, Liberty, PA 16930. Please call Janelle Davis at 570-376-2816 or email Craig Williams at <a href="mailto:jcw17@psu.edu">jcw17@psu.edu</a> if you have any questions.

- 3. The milking parlor will be open on Monday night when the animals arrive. Rules for putting milk in the fair bulk tank are the same you can find them in the fair book or at the fair's website/facebook page
- 4. One thing that we've neglected to remind exhibitors of is that on Thursday morning of the fair, the beef exhibitors will need to use the wash rack it's their show day and they need to get ready. Please do not use the rack between 6 a.m. and 9 a.m. If you are bringing animals in on Thursday, please be considerate of the beef exhibitors waiting to show when moving your trucks and using the wash rack. This has become a bit of a bone of contention, so please, please! be considerate!
- 5. This year we're doing a different good housekeeping award. Each day the person who is doing the most work at keeping the barn clean will be awarded a milkshake. There will also be

an award for the nicest display among the clubs and individual exhibitors. This is to encourage us all to make the barn look nice for fairgoers...

6 <u>Lastly, we will be having a work day on Saturday, July 15<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. We will be removing the tie rail on the northeast end of the barn, for those of you who have those kinds of skills and tools. For the rest of us, we will be cleaning out the manger areas and cleaning the milking parlor and milkhouse. Pizza and chocolate milk will be provided. There will be another workday on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of July to replace the rail.</u>

Thank-you and spread the word!

The Dairy Committee - Ernest, Janelle, Aaron, Daryl, Derick, Simone, Dr. Reese, Jason, J. Craig