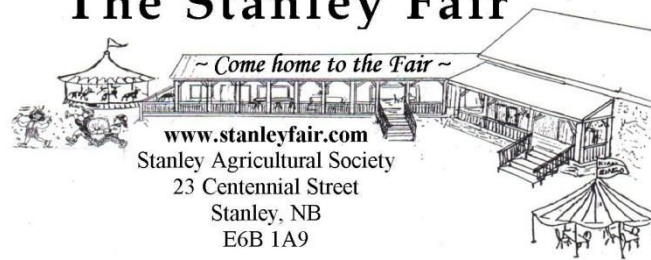


The Stanley Fair



Greetings from the 2017 Stanley Fair Fund Raising Committee

For more than 165 years the good people of Stanley and surroundings have come together to celebrate their community. In October 1851 settlers from all around gathered in "Logan's Field" for fellowship and friendly competition. According to the "Secretary's Report for 1851" prizes were awarded to 32 different exhibitors in a variety of areas and so began the Stanley Fair. It has been held in a few different locations but the Stanley Fair Grounds in the heart of the village has been its home for generations. The Stanley Fair has been held every year since 1851.

The Dance Hall is one of the heritage buildings built around 1888 and still in use. It has served a variety of purposes over the decades: dances every night of the Fair in the early days, an exhibit hall and in recent years it is the main stage area for Stanley Fair entertainment including a local variety show, the Saturday afternoon Ploughman's Pub, the traditional Saturday night Stanley Fair Dance and the Sunday afternoon Gospel Show. Fair goers of all ages enjoy the variety of entertainment.

The longevity of the Stanley Fair would not be possible without the support of devoted Agricultural Society members, community volunteers and sponsorship from the Province of New Brunswick, Village of Stanley, generous businesses, area service clubs and churches.

Can we count on your support this year? You can make cash donations to the general fund, donate to the specific area of the fair that is of special interest to you or donate items or products to be used as auction items or prizes. Make cheques payable to Stanley Agricultural Society #35. Please send a business card(s) or logo along with your donation to be included in our sponsor recognition display on site.

In the words of our forefathers "All roads lead to the Stanley Fair". We hope you plan to attend this year's Stanley Fair to experience the traditions of the past and to enjoy some new and exciting events. For more information go to www.stanleyfair.com

Thank you for taking the time to consider this request. If you have any questions, concerns, ideas or suggestions please don't hesitate to contact Ross Barnet 450-1883 or any Stanley Agricultural Society member.

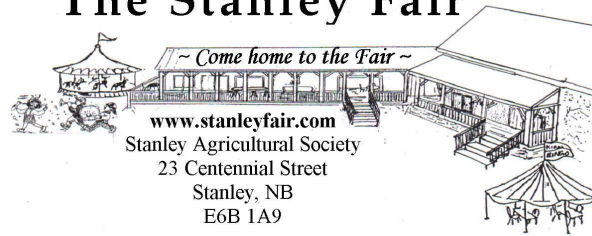
Regards,

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The gates on the 167th Stanley Fair will open on Friday, August 18, 2017. Every year we try to honour our past but also keep things current.

We will continue to offer the regular fair events, the perennial favourites. As always competitions between exhibitors will be highlighted and displays of quilts and other handiwork, flowers and vegetables as well as art, crafts and children’s work will fill the Root House exhibit area. The entire 200 feet of the former Horse Barn will be filled with animal displays and Agricultural Awareness exhibits. The very popular horse haul will be held on Saturday afternoon. As in recent years the Dance Hall will be filled with music and other entertainment throughout the fair. The entertainment in this venue has become a highlight of recent fairs. Through support of our sponsors we have been able to offer entertainers of all ages the opportunity to perform on a “main stage” with professional light and sound to enthusiastic audiences.

Over the next weeks and months we will confirm other attractions and events for the fair. Watch for details around the community and on our website www.stanleyfair.com.

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