

MEDIA RELEASE

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Agrarian Country, Caretaker of The Star Barn Complex, Announces its Musical Production of *Broadway, Down on the Farm*: To be performed at the 2010 Pennsylvania Farm Show

Agrarian Country's founder and CEO, Dr. Robert S. Barr, announced today that the 2010 Pennsylvania Farm Show will feature its inaugural performance of the musical, *Broadway, Down on the Farm*. The show, produced by Agrarian Country's Executive Director of the Arts, Jim Moyer, will perform a live dress rehearsal for the media on Friday, January 8, 2010, at 5:30 p.m. The musical – a first for the Pennsylvania Farm Show – will conduct four live performances daily.

Dr. Barr will conduct a press conference at 5:15 p.m. on Friday, January 8, 2010, at the Pennsylvania Farm Show performance site (Main Hall, Family Living Area). Updates on The Star Barn project and other Agrarian Country projects will be given at this time. The best access to this location is from Maclay Street.

Moyer is pleased that the Farm Show management was open to the innovative concept of live performances during the week-long event: "When the idea of an agricultural-related review was presented to Farm Show executives, they quickly realized that a live musical with songs from everybody's favorite Broadway shows like *Annie Get Your Gun* and *Oklahoma!* would be entertaining for the crowd – young and old alike. We'll be performing in the Main Hall, near everybody's favorite exhibit, the butter sculpture. It doesn't get any better than that!" Moyer said.

Agrarian County plans to build a 400-seat dinner theater called the Heritage Arts Center during the course of the next two years. In the interim, Agrarian Country established Fishing Creek Playhouse and Dinner Theater, located at the Fishing Creek Exit along Interstate 83 in northern York County. The theater will officially open in March of 2010 with *Oklahoma!* The cast will also perform six free performances of *Broadway, Down on the Farm* in February as part of its open house and anticipated grand opening. For details, go to www.FishingCreekPlayhouse.com.

Agrarian Country's exhibit (Booth 130 in the Expo Hall), will feature a working 1919 Avery Grain Thresher/Separator and an 1899 Gruber Wagon. Literature and photographs will also be on display to update the public about a variety of Agrarian Country projects; namely, The Star Barn project, the disassembly and relocation of the 1906 Waterloo United Methodist Church, the recently-acquired Star Barn Thoroughbreds farm, Fishing Creek Playhouse and Dinner Theater, and the Heritage Arts Center.

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