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Southwest Florida Ag Expo announces 2026 theme: "Roots 'n' Rides: A Celebration of Tradition" Mark your calendar for Feb.26 – March 8 at the Lee County Civic Center Complex

Fort Myers, FL, Sept. 3, 2025 – Lee County is announcing the 2026 Southwest Florida Ag Expo's theme: "Roots 'n' Rides: A Celebration of Tradition."

The upcoming community event celebrates agriculture, family fun and tradition and is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 26, through Sunday, March 8, at the Lee County Civic Center Complex, 11831 Bayshore Road. This year's theme honors the area's agricultural heritage while offering thrills, entertainment and food for all ages.

"The theme reflects both where we've come from and how we continue to grow as a community," said Director Mack Young of Lee County Parks & Recreation. "The Ag Expo remains a place where families can create memories, celebrate our youth in agriculture and enjoy all the traditions that make this event special."

The Ag Expo will continue to spotlight the work of Southwest Florida youth involved in 4-H, FFA and other programs. The event opens with a ribbon-cutting ceremony at 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 26.

Event highlights include livestock exhibitions, creative living displays, midway rides and attractions and a variety of food. Attendees also can watch for the return of the Blue Ribbon Bites competition, in which vendors compete for top honors in sweet and savory food categories.

Sponsorship opportunities are available for the 2026 Southwest Florida Ag Expo, including event and livestock sponsorships. Visit www.swflagexpo.com and click on the "Sponsors" tab for details.

For more information, including the complete schedule of events, special promotions and ticketing, visit www.swflagexpo.com or follow Facebook at www.facebook.com/swflagexpo. Check the site regularly, as event details, ticketing and updates continue to be posted.

For more information about Lee County Parks & Recreation locations, volunteer opportunities, amenities or special events, visit www.leeparks.org, call 239-533-7275, email leeparks@leegov.com or follow Lee County Parks & Recreation on Facebook and Instagram. Residents and visitors can also explore more than 30 sites and earn rewards through Parks, Points & Perks, a free digital pass program available through May 2026. Learn more at www.visitfortmyers.com/ParksPass.

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