

Preview County 4-H Fair entertainment tomorrow

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BELMONT — The 74th annual Belknap County 4-H Fair, which will be held Saturday and Sunday Aug. 12-13 at the fairgrounds on Mile Hill Road, will offer a special entertainment preview in Friday, Aug. 11, starting at 6 p.m.

Entangled Strings, a local bluegrass band, will take to the entertainment stage at 6 p.m. with the performance showcase, a challenge talent competition, getting underway at 7 p.m.

Entangled Strings features Steve Macdonald, Liz Kantz, David Greenwood, and Nick and Sharon Pangaro, made their world premier performance last year. Together they emphasize tight harmonies and play folk, country and Americana songs. Each player is a veteran of the local acoustic music scene, having played in prior string bands and community events. Their songs reflect the times and trials of everyday people navigating the paths and choices of life on earth.

The Fair begins Saturday morning at 9 a.m. and will run through Sunday at 5 p.m. There is free admission for children under 10 and active military and veterans with ID. General admission is \$7.

The Belknap County 4H Fair has been providing fairgoers with great animal exhibits like ox pulls, draft horse demonstrations, and 4-H youth animal displays. The historic Colonial Barn is full of the craft and educational projects done by area youth with the 4-H program.

New this year is a car show on Saturday and a tractor show featuring old-time "doodlebugs" on Sunday. There will also be demonstrations of old time engines, a blacksmith, and yarn spinning and monster trucks will be on display both days.

Both Saturday and Sunday feature traditional free kids' games like bubble gum blowing, pie eating contests, jello eating and water balloon throwing.

Visitors can browse the exhibits, crafts and entertainment, check out the pulls and all those delicious traditional fair foods like Italian sausage subs, fries, onion rings, ice cream, fried dough and great grilling items.



Perhaps you, too, will get to kiss a pig at the Belknap County 4-H Fair this weekend. (Courtesy photo)

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