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The 33rd annual **Farm Women's Symposium (FWS)** will be held in Lansing, Michigan on Tuesday, March 4 through Thursday, March 6, 2025. You can find more information about our event at www.farmwomenssymposium.org.

Farm Women's Symposium (FWS) is a 100% volunteer non-profit organization which provides professional development for farm women from Michigan and beyond. During this annual, three-day event, participants from a range of ag commodities meet and are motivated by a slate of interesting speakers with a range of topics such as farm safety, estate planning, marketing, healthy living, media communication, and dealing with stress. It is an opportunity to create new and strengthen old friendships, fellowship, and to share challenges and successes. To learn – sometimes about ourselves – and return to our lives, families and farms renewed and invigorated for the season ahead.

I have attended FWS since 1998. Each year another town is selected to host the event, which gives the women a chance to see another part of the state, learn about its history, and meet the ag personnel, government leaders, educators, etc.

For thirty years plus, FWS has been a thriving and important organization for women who represent many ag commodities and supporting industries. We could not continue this non-profit ag program without the continued support of many businesses and groups involved with Michigan agriculture. Generally, 80 - 150 women attend each year.

I am asking for your support of this valuable program with one of these suggestions: Scholarships (to staff and/or customers), Cash Donations or Live Auction. FWS is a 501 (c) 5 educational non-profit organization and your donation may be tax deductible. The tax identification number is #38-3463911. You'll be sent a receipt if requested and will be identified as a donor in future publications. Please see the following page for specific donation information.

Please feel free to call me with any questions at 269-251-7201 or e-mail me at anne_gentz@yahoo.com.

Sincerely,

Anne Gentz, Donation Committee Co-Chair, Crop Farmer, Goldenview Farms LLC



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DIAMOND \$10,000

- FIRST committed Diamond sponsor will have the honor of sponsoring the Keynote Speaker by choosing a representative from your organization to have the privilege of introducing the Keynote Speaker at our event.
- Name/Logo will be prominently displayed on all FWS advertisements such as FWS website, Facebook and print publications
 - Special Facebook Featured Article, prior to event. Sponsor to provide short bio and logo for post
- Includes Four FWS registrations for 4 representatives of your organization or customers (\$800 value- cannot be transferred or gifted)
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 - Special Facebook Featured Article, prior to event. Sponsor to provide short bio and logo for post
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- Name/Logo will be prominently listed on FWS website, Facebook, etc.

BRONZE \$250

- Name will be listed in the FWS Participant Notebook



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- PLATINUM \$5,000**
- GOLD \$1,000**
- SILVER \$500**
- BRONZE \$250**
- OTHER \$**

Live Auction item: _____

For the Live Auction we are asking for new items with at least a \$50.00 value. In the past, we have had gift baskets, weekend getaways, ballpark tickets, restaurant gift cards, etc. - to give you an idea. If you do a gift basket, please attach a list of items in the basket.

Send donor information and payment made out to *Farm Women's Symposium* to:

Keri Bancroft, 5150 Miller Rd., Buckley, MI 49620.

Arrangements can be made for pick-up of items.

Upon donation, we will e-mail a receipt to you.

E-mail a high-resolution company logo to: farmwomenssymposium@gmail.com

For Diamond and Platinum sponsors please submit your article.

THANK YOU for your support and generosity!

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