

#### **OHIO FAIR** MANAGERS ASSOCIATION

Convention Sponsored by:

Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association



#### OFMA CONVENTION #98 JANUARY 12-15, 2023

#### 2023 Features "ALL STAR' lineup of guest speakers and meeting topics

The Program Committee spearheaded by President Paul Harris has created a dynamic and participation style program with both Presenters and Round tables for coaching and sharing.

- **Senior Fair:** Over 70 Educational Session with 140 presenters
- Junior Fair: 30 Workshops produced by your Ohio Extension Specialists and JR Fairs
- Junior Fair Fun Night for early arrivals Friday Evening, Entertainment and Food
- Greater Ohio Showman presents 5 topics for fairs and service members
- Larry Berry will give 2 Workshops on "Leadership and Communications" & "How to Sell a Budget" Both are Certificate of Participation Sessions for officers and managers.
- Bill Ogg CFE will present "Elephant Ears and Corn Dogs".
- Tim Moffett, Farmer, Agriculture Comedian will entertain in the Regency Ballroom Friday.
- Judson Laipply Saturday morning in the Battelle Ballroom ""Lead Your Evolution".
- OABA President Greg Chiecko and Kate Turner, CMP Director of Meetings for IAFE
- Ohio Fairs Queen Events Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday
- **Ohio Director of Agriculture Breakfast Meeting Friday**
- Guest and Spouse Ag Education Sessions; Learn about Bourbon and Wine and Paint tickets remain, contact the ofma office at ohiofairs@att.net
- District Meetings on Friday Morning after ODA
- The Annual Tradeshow of 143 spaces is **SOLD OUT** and will be in the Delaware Rooms, Franklin Rooms, County and Franklin Hallways and the Nationwide and Taft Foyers on the 1st floor
- Annual Presidents Dessert Reception and Showcase of Acts with Tim Moffett Opening
- Joint Junior and Senior Fair General Session Saturday Morning in Battelle Hall Keynote address; Lead Your Evolution and Announcing the 2023 Ohio Fairs Queen and Court
- Annual Extravaganza Evening in the Regency Ballroom hosted by GOSA and OFMA

#### Other Notes of interest:

- Hyatt Regency has lodging except Friday Evening
- Sonesta has lodging all nights
- Table reservations for Friday and Saturday are limited contact the OFMA office for availability
- All suits and hospitality rooms are sold out. There are several Deluxe King rooms "44" are available
- 36 raffle tickets remain to be purchased, going fast.....
- Service Members are providing a lot of Hospitality
- Bourbon Tasting and Wine and Paint tickets remain **Merry Christmas and Happy New Year**

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#### **2023 OFMA Convention Program Report**

Paul Harris, Program Chairman

All reports are once again we have had a fantastic fair season. All of you continue to provide a value packed entertainment package with an agricultural education element that is second to none. Your dedication and commitment are priceless and you should all be very proud.

Looking to the start of the new year, the OFMA Board is busy putting together the annual meeting and convention. The program committee has a packed topic list of sessions to help as you review what has worked and look to build for the future. We will be hosting multiple presenters from IAFE, as well as a new speaker prior to the Friday night showcase, as **Tim "The Dairyman" Moffett** joins us. I think you will find his humor refreshing and enjoyable. The featured speaker Saturday morning will **be Judson Laipply** and we will be back in the Battelle Hall.

The ODA Directors meeting will remain a breakfast again this year. Special thanks to Director of Agriculture Dorothy Pelanda as ODA have come on board with a financial sponsorship to the breakfast.

This year's convention theme is "Communication is Key, Please Please Talk to Me". Thank you to Ross County Fair Director and good friend Sandy Free for helping with the theme. I am convinced that most of our issues can be addressed or solved with ample communication.

In closing, thank you for allowing me the opportunity to work with you for the 2022 season. Questions, comments or concerns please don't hesitate to contact me at 330.606.2194 or at <a href="https://harrisp@geaugafair.com">harrisp@geaugafair.com</a>

Paul Harris, OFMA President

Paul





#### Lawrence Berry to Lead training Sessions at OFMA Convention

by Bob Dawson, Talent Chairman

Larry Berry, CPM will lead two training sessions on January 12th, opening day of the 2023 OFMA Convention. Larry has been a professional speaker/ trainer for over 25 years. His background has included being the Manager of the Kissimmee Valley Livestock Show and the Osceola County Fair in Kissimmee, Florida. Larry held upper-level leadership positions in facilities and property management, was in leadership for Walt Disney Parks and Resorts, and is a Certified Property Manager with the Institute of Real Estate Management. He is President of Wizardy Enterprises, LLC, and combines his skills as a presenter with magic and illusion making his presentations a memorable and informative experience. He has been a keynote presenter for groups such as the International Association of Fairs and Expos, the National Apartment Association, and hundreds of national state and associations, corporations, and management companies. Larry has a passion for both sharing information and helping others exceed and excel in whatever they do. He was in leadership as well as a trainer for Walt Disney World Parks and Resorts, and his book on leadership, "Leadership – Finding the Leader in You," has sold copies in 16 countries. Levitate your next conference or training opportunity to new heights.

Larry's first session will take place from 10:00 AM until 11:30 AM. The session, "Leadership and Communications" is designed to help us to understand the critical characteristics of leadership and how communications play a part in the leadership equation. This session is designed for all board officers and others wanting to improve their leadership skills.

Larry's second session is entitled "How to Sell a Budget". This session is targeted to treasurers and other board members involved in the budgeting process. His session will run from 12:00 PM until 1:30 PM and will offer tips on good budgeting practices

including how to take the suspense and stress out of the budgeting process.

Both sessions will be held in Union ABC and all participants will receive a Certificate of Training issued by the OFMA.





#### 2023 Ohio Fair Managers Association 98th Annual Convention and Market Place Tradeshow Presenting Sponsor:

#### Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association

#### WEDNESDAY JANUARY 11, 2023 Hyatt Regency Hotel Columbus, Ohio

1/11/2023	Time	Room	Meeting description	Presenter:	Moderator:
Wed	8:00-6:00	Nationwide Room	OFMA-ODA Office		
Wed	8:00-5:00	Nationwide Hallway Foyer	Registration Setup	1st floor meeting rooms	Junior Fair Sessions Saturday
Wed	noon-5:00	Clark Room	GOSA Office		
Wed	6:00 - 6:30	Taft Foyer	Queen Registration <i>Presenting</i> Sponsor: Eagle Golf Car		Queen Committee
Wed	6:30 -9	Taft C& D	Queen Social <i>Sponsored By</i> <i>Dippin Dots, Jeff Otterbacher</i>		Queen Committee
Wed	7:00 pm-9	Taft A & B	Queens Support Group, escorts, parents Meeting		Queen Committee

#### THURSDAY JANUARY 12, 2023 Hyatt Regency Hotel Columbus, Ohio

Thur.	<u>Time</u>	ROOM:	TOPIC:	Presenter:
Thur.	7:30-10	Nationwide Hallway Foyer	Morning Hospitality Provided by: Italian Eatery-Linville Food Service, Wintersville, Ohio	
Thur.	8:30-6:00	Nationwide Hallway Foyer	Convention Registration Sponsored by Fair Publishing House	
Thur.	8:00-5:00	Nationwide Rooms	OFMA-ODA Office	
Thur.	8:30-Noon	Hayes Foyer	Queen Registration Presenting Sponsor: Eagle Golf Car Queen Gift Bags Sponsored by Syngenta	•
Thur.	8:00-Noon	Hayes Room	Queen Morning Hospitality <b>Sponsored By Dippin Dots,</b> <b>Jeff Otterbacher</b>	

Thur.	<u>Time</u>	ROOM:	TOPIC:	Presenter:	Moderator:
Thur.	9:00am 1pm	5 Queen Interviews rooms Garfield, Grant, Harding, Harrison, McKinley Rooms	Queen Interviews		
Thur.	9 am to 6	Fayette Room	Open Meeting Room - Net- working		
Thur.	9 am to 6	Champaign Room	Open Meeting Room - Networking		
Thur.		Clark Room	GOSA Office		
Thur.	10:00- 7:00	Delaware, Franklin, 2nd floor foyer, 1st floor Nationwide foyer, Un- ion A&B	Market Place TRADE SHOW Setup for Vendors Sponsored by Concessions by Cox set up, Vendor move in 10 am to 7pm		
Thur.	10am- 2pm	Union D	Ride Safety meeting	David Miran	
Thur.	10:00- 11:30	Union ABC	Leadership and Communications Workshops for Fair Board Directors and more <u>Certificate of Participation Program.</u> Refreshments Sponsored by Lisko Family Amusements		
Thur.	12:00- 1:30	UNION A B C	How to Sell a Budget <u>Certificate of Participation Program</u> Refreshments <i>Sponsored by Lisko Family Amusements</i>	Larry Berry, CPM, Wizardry Enterprises, LLC	
Thur.	12:00- 1:30	Fairfield	Fair Officers Round Table Refreshments Sponsored by GLO Concessions		
Thur.	1:00-4:00	Union E	Person in Charge Training Food training	Mike Tedrick	GOSA Food Service Training
Thur.	1:00-2:00	Madison	Digital Advertising/Promotions	PRESENTED BY BLUE LA- SER DIGI- TAL OF CO- LUMBUS	Doug Marine
Thur.	1:00-2:00	Morrow	Director Responsibilities/requirements		Kim Myers
Thur.	2:00-4:30	Nationwide Foyer 1st Floor	Welcome to Columbus Hospitality <i>Sponsored by: Italian Eatery-Linville Food Service Wintersville, Ohio</i>		
Thur.	2:30 PM	Regency Ballroom	Dress rehearsal Queens	Queen Committee	Queen Committee

Thur.	<u>Time</u>	ROOM:	TOPIC:	Presenter:	Moderator:
Thur.	2:15-3:15	Madison	Explain and Educate new Fair board members On the Check off Process for Fairs	Elizabeth Harsh Executive Director OAC	
Thur.	2:15-3:15	Fairfield	Entertainment Round Table 2 fair boards and 1 Professional Talent Production company will lead off this round table with their experi- ence	Holmes County Fair, Dave Stahl,	Tom Stocksdale
Thur.	2:15-3:15	Morrow	Secretary/Treasurer Round Table		Von Cremeans
Thur.	3-9pm	McKinley Room	Queens storage and Changing Room DO NOT LEAVE VALU- ABLES IN THE ROOM		Queen Committee
Thur.	3:30	Hayes	Queen Dinner Each Queen applicant receives 1 ticket, additional tickets ordered from the OFMA office <i>Sponsored By Dippin Dots, Jeff Otterbacher</i>	Hosted by the Ohio Fairs Queen Commit- tee	Queen Committee
Thur.	3:30-4:30	Union A B C	Corn Dogs & Elephant Ears Refreshments Sponsored by GLO Concessions	IAFE Speaker Bill OGG, Nebraska State Fair General Manager	Paul Harris
Thur.	4:45-5:30	Fairfield	First Time Attendees Reception Sponsored by Lisko Family Amusements		Paul Harris Rod Arter
Thur.	6:30	Regency Ballroom	Queen Program introductions, final selection to 5 semifinalist Evening <i>Presenting Sponsor: Eagle Golf Car</i>		
Thur.	7:00	Regency Ballroom Foyer	Corn Hole Tickets available \$15 from the OFMA office <i>Presenting Sponsor Bates Brothers</i> Amusement Company		

Thursday afternoon Bill Ogg CFE will present "Elephant Ears and Corn Dogs. For every staff, board or service member perennially committed as vocation or labor of passion, the fair business is addictive — and can be tiring. To remain effective professionally and relatively sane, we must reenergize our internal personal batteries. Many of us rely on our "Fair Family" for this support and attending state and zone conventions is a great opportunity to reconnect with a vital power source. This keynote or motivational workshop is guaranteed to make you think some, laugh a lot and excitedly squeal "we, we, we" all the way home - eager to work hard and cooperate to make the upcoming fair your best fair ever. Bill uses life experiences, quotes, and humor to share his contagious enthusiasm and love for fairs to make others feel genuinely good about themselves and their contribution to the success of their fair



#### **2023 MARKET PLACE TRADESHOW**

Paul lease CHAIRMAN

The Annual Tradeshow is Friday and Saturday January 13-14 remaining in the Delaware Rooms, Franklin Rooms, Hallways and 14 spaces on the first floor near registration and the Taft Foyer.

The Union rooms are being returned to meeting space for larger meetings, workshops seating 200+. Meetings are in place on the first floor to ensure traffic for those exhibiting.

Be sure to drop your participation ticket in the appropriate tumbler for the Tradeshow Drawings. Winners will be announced and if not present we will mail them out.

The drawings will be an held in the office instead of in the Hallways as we did in the past. The concerns with trying to quickly and effectively handle this at 5pm was hindering attendees to get to their dinner reservations and get back for the

Showcase and Extravaganza evening.

A total of \$1800 in gift certificates will be handed out for door prizes and drawings.

Paul TRADESHOW SOLD OUT November !!!









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#### **Ohio Department of Agriculture Reports**

Whether we're visiting in person, talking with you on a monthly call, or internally reviewing our operations to make things easier and more efficient, fairs are always on our minds at the Ohio Department of Agriculture.

As this fair season is fresh on our minds, it is the perfect time to roll up our sleeves and figure out ways that we can better serve you so that you can have the best season possible. I am proud of the work that Dave Miran and his team have done in streamlining the mandatory reporting process to make things easier for you. I would also like to thank you for working with us this past year as High Path Avian Influenza became an issue later in the fair season.



I look forward to seeing you at the OFMA convention in January. ODA will play an active role in assisting our fairs in the areas of animal health and amusement ride safety. I would also like to encourage each fair to submit an Outstanding Fair Supporter to be considered for the Director's Award for Innovation and Excellence. This year I am pleased to announce we will be choosing one person from each district as a winner, as ODA used to do in the past.

Thank you for your leadership and for your commitment to Ohio agriculture. Wishing each of you a safe and happy holiday season.

Dorothy Pelanda, Director Ohio Department of Agriculture

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- REMINDERS

  The convention is a closed by registration event, name badges must be worn to enter meetings, tradeshow and ticketed events

  Saturday Extravaganza Fun Evening is open to the public, no badge needed

  Tickets for events are available at ohiofairs.org until January 2

  ID;s for alcohol are mandatory for Friday and Saturday hospitality and all cash bars. No personal alcohol can be brought into any setting

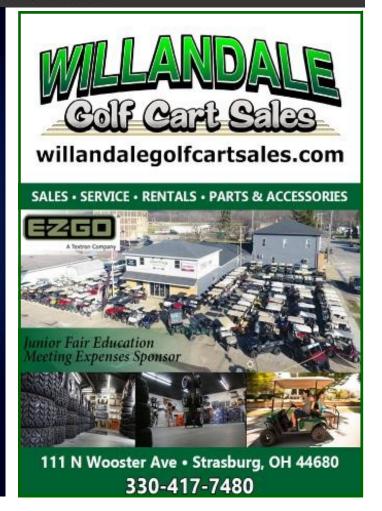
  Food can be brought in to any non meal event

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- "its delicate, but potent. In Greek nostalgia literally means the pain from an old wound.' It's a twinge in your heart far more powerful than memory alone. This device isn't a spaceship, it's a time machine. It goes backwards, and forwards... it takes us to a place where we ache to go again. It's not called the wheel, It's called the carousel. It let's us travel the way a child travels – around and around, and back home again, to a place where we know are loved."

"Mad Men Don Draper"





#### Come Early to the President's Showcase for some live Comedy

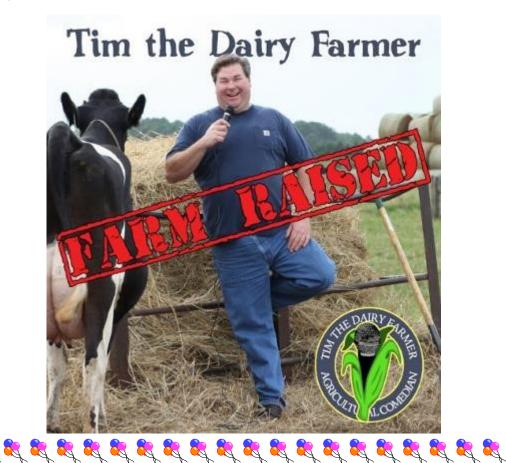
By Bob Dawson Talent Chairman 💐

The Friday night President's Showcase will add a new flair this year when Tim the Dairy Farmer brings his down-home humor to the stage as the opening act. Tim is a Florida dairy farmer and a comedian who has traveled North America entertaining crowds for over twenty years at clubs, agriculture events, local and state fairs. You don't have to live on a farm to understand Tim's laughper-minute style of comedy.

Doors to the Hyatt Ballroom will open at 6:45 PM for this special evening. Your convention badge will be your ticket into this event with desserts, coffee and ice tea stations available while supplies last. Each person entering by 7:30 PM will receive a door prize ticket for the chance to win one of four gift cards. Tim the Dairy Farmer will present from 7:15 PM – 8:00 PM followed by six traditional Showcase Acts.



Reserved tables will be available with your convention registration. Proceeds from table sales will be used for a 50/50 raffle to support our newly formed 100th Anniversary Fund. This event is made possible in part through the generous sponsorship support of the Burnham & Flower Insurance Group. Don't miss this fun and entertaining evening.





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Friday	7:00-6:00	Nationwide Hallway Foyer	Convention Registration Sponsored by Fair Publishing House		
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Friday	8:00-5:00	Nationwide Room	OFMA-ODA Office		
Friday	7:45	Doors Open ODA Meeting with Breakfast Plated Meal,			
		Ticket required and can be ordered from the OFMA Office until January 5, 2023 Presenting Sponsor Ohio Department of Agriculture, Supporting Sponsor Concession by Cox. Concession by Cox will draw two gift card winners prior to the meeting from the meal ticket holders	Preforming: Julia No people through song. ville.entertainment@Neville Country Artist Preforming the Nation Julia Neville	(614) 699-2379 julianeville.com st.	9. ne-
Friday	8:30AM –10	This meeting is mandated by Ohio Revised Code. One Member of each AGS is required to attend and at- tendance will be taken			
Friday	9:00-5:00	Clark Room	GOSA Office		
Friday	9 am to 6 pm	Garfield Room	Open Meeting Room - Networking		
Friday	9-10 am	Marion	open room		
Friday	9 am to 6 pm	Grant Room	Open Meeting Room - Networking		
Friday	10 - 5pm	Grand Opening of the Market Place Tradeshow,  Presenting Sponsor:  Concessions by Cox  Be sure to drop your tickets in the respective tumblers to win gift certificates Friday and Saturdays  Tradeshow Drawings	Delaware, Franklin, 2nd floo foyer, 1st floor Nationwide foyer	r	

<u>Friday</u>	<u>Time</u>		TOPIC: Pro		Moderator:
Friday	10:45 to noon	Taft AB Room 130	District 1 Meeting Richard King presiding Election Moderator: Dan Bullen		
Friday	10:45 to noon	Morrow Room 170	District 2 Meeting Kendra Von Lehmden-Wentz presiding		
Friday	10:45 to noon	Fayette Room 110	District 3 Meeting Wade Flory presiding		
Friday	10:45 to noon	McKinley Room 140	District 4 Meeting Doug Marine Presiding		
Friday	10:45 to noon	Union ABC Room 280	District 5 Meeting Kim Meyers Presiding		
Friday	10:45 to noon	Harding Room 126	District 6 Meeting Roger Smith Presiding		
Friday	10:45 to noon	Marion Room 126	District 7 Meeting Bruce Gillogy Presiding Election Moderator Tim Massie		
Friday	10:45 to noon	TAFT CD Room 150	District 8 Meeting Deb Hukill Presiding Election Moderator Dan Martin		
Friday	10:45 to noon	Fairfield Room 250	District 9 Meeting Paul Lease Presiding Election Moderator Rod Arter		
Friday	1pm to 3pm	Taft C&D	S	Bill Peters, Northwest Ohi Colt Racing As sociation	•
Friday	1pm to 2pm	Union ABC Room	Livestock Exhibitions Workshop	Dr. Dennis Sur mers is Chief of the Division of Animal Health	f
Friday	1:00	Fairfield	Greater Ohio Showman Annual Meeting	Randy Kissel President	
Friday	1:00-2:00		International Association Fairs & Exhibitions & Outdoor Amusement Business Association will bring their industry specifics to the session Kate will present "How does IAFE Fit with my Fair Needs"?  Greg will present the H2B Federal Sessional Workers Program and the current state, the importance to our fair industry ser-	International A sociation of Fairs & Expos	i-

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Friday	1:00-2:00	Union D	Creating Special Event	Days at Fair	Rosanna Scott, Allen Co. Fair Promotions Co- ordinator	Lehmden-
Friday	1:00-2:00	Union E	Membership Sales/Manaretary	agement by Sec-	Rich Eberhart, Harrison Coun- ty, John Acker- man Retired OF- MA District Di- rector	Deb Hukill
Friday	1:00-2:00	Harrison	Preparing for an Audit		Michelle Kuhlwein	Roger Smith
Friday	1:00-2:00	Fayette	Fairboard Elections and Amendments A refreshed what is and what's not re- law regarding fair board Constitutional Amendment best practices.	er course on equired by Ohio l elections and	David Miran, Chief Division of Amusement Ride Safety & Fairs	
Friday	1:00-2:00	McKinley	Security 101 Hear the D on the Canfield Fair Fig brif and how Planning a with various private and ties handled this inciden	ht/Shooting De- nd coordination public authori-	Mahoning County Sheriff Depu-	
Friday	1:00-2:00	Marion	Monitoring your Midwa cess	y to Ensure Suc-	Mike Vartorella, Ohio Expo Cen- ter & State Fair; Ron Dean, Ohio Dept. Agricul- ture.	Virgil Strickler
Friday	1:00 -2:30	Drury Hotel 1st floor con- ference room near front en- trance doors	Bourbon Tasting and Ed Distilling of this wonder Sponsored by Klein's A	rful beverage	Each participant will receive a souvenir glass, Door Prizes	Tom Stocks- dale, Dan Bul- len
Friday	1:00-2:00	Hayes	Poultry Exhibits & Round Gregorich with Ohio Pous up to date on the currhealth concerns and the Round table	ultry will bring ent status of	Jenna Gregorich Ohio Poultry Council	Bruce Gillogly

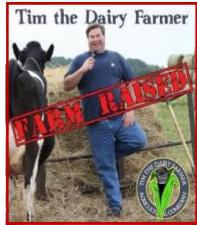
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Friday	2PM	I	Tradeshow Beverage Hospitality Keg Beer, Ice tea, Lemonade, Chips & Dips Convention Name badge	Tresenter.	Moderator.
Friday	2:15-3:15	Madison	Etix, Ticket Vendor will Promote and demonstrate their Ticketing Platform Service Member Product Demonstration. Sponsored by Etix	set as rounds AV needed	Etix Staff
Friday	2:15-3:15	Union ABC Room 280	ODA Vetenerarian Meeting <b>Fairs L-W</b> : Livestock Exhibitions Workshop – 2023 Update: What to Know and What to Do.	Summers	
Friday	2:15-3:15	Fayette	Red Book Round Table	David Miran, ODA	Stanley Strode
Friday	2:15-3:15	Harrison	Monthly Financial Statement to the Board	Matt Martin and Rich Mairs Wayne County Executive Board	Tom Stocks-dale
Friday	2:15-3:15	McKinley	Premiums - How Much?	Dave Stahl, Wayne County Fair	Tracey Koszalka
Friday	2:15-3:15	Morrow	Sunshine Laws for Fairs	Attorney Susan McDonald, Partner in the firm of Gottlieb, Johnston, Beam & Dal Ponte, P.L.L Za- nesville, Ohio, Former 4-H youth	
Friday	2:15-3:15	Marion	Policies to Help Manage Your Fair		Kim Myers
Friday	2:15-3:15	Hayes	1-3-7 Districts Round Table		Richard King, Wade Flory, Bruce Gillogly
Friday	2:15-3:15	Champaign	Parking Shuttles/Senior Transport	Canfield Fair and Troy Elwer, Allen County Fair	Dan Kimmet

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Friday	2:30-4:30	Nationwide Foyer 1st Floor	Welcome to Columbus Hospitality <i>Sponsored by: Glo Concessions</i>		
Friday	3:30-4:30	Union ABC Room	Explain and educate new Fair board members On the Check off Process for Fairs		
Friday	3:30-4:30	Union D	This Session will focus on the check off systems		Doug Marine
Friday	3:30-4:30	Union E	Hourly Wages/What It Takes To Get Employees		Roger Smith
Friday	3:30-4:30	Fayette	Junior Fair Round Table	Ed & Malissa Campbell Bel- mont County	Deb Hukill
Friday	3:30-4:30	Harrison	Focusing on Facebook for Promotions		
Friday	3:30-4:30	McKinley	Planning for a CELEBRA- TION	Paul Harris and the Great Geau- ga County Fair- board	Paul Harris
Friday	3:30-4:30	Hayes	2-5-9 Districts Round Table		Kendra VLW, Kim Myers, Paul Lease
Friday	3:30-4:30	Marion Room	Promotions Using Electronic Technology Top Ways to Digitally Promote your Fair and Grandstand Events and the Tickets that Go with Them! Got Social?!? This Marketing Duo will share best practices to increase awareness, participation, and ticket sales for all your events. We will review many digital resources and today's effective approaches, along with examples of how fairs across the country are using digital tactics to promote ticket sales.	Certificate Program Advisory Board of Directors - Ohio Christian University Scott Taylor - Director, Marketing Activation at HomeTown	Bruce Gillogly

TRADESHOW CLOSES Note: TRADESHOW DRAW-Friday 5:00 p.m. INGS WILL BE PULLED IN THE Sponsored by Conces-OFFICE AT THE CLOSE OF sions by Cox THE TRADESHOW EACH DAY AND THE WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED SATURDAY AT THE EXTRAVAGANZIA AND THOSE NOT PRESENT WILL BE NOTIFIED BY MAIL Friday 6-10pm Esti- Junior Fair Reception e-mail will be going out with Pizza and More Hayes/ a request for an estimate for mated McKinley Foyer Sponfood and planning mid Desored by cember 6-10pm Esti- Hayes Rooms Entertain- Hayes 1st floor for Junior Fair Friday ing *Mr Puppet*, *Ventrilo*- activities for those arriving Friday mated quist Act No Cost, Provided by the Ohio Fair Managers Friday 6-10pm Esti- McKinley Room *Magic* McKinley 1st floor for Junior of Eli Magic Show Fair activities for those arriving mated Friday No Cost, Provided by the Ohio Fair Managers Friday 6:45 p.m.-Regency Ballroom Presi- Sponsored By Burnham & dents Paul Harris Des-Flower Insurance Group 7:15 p.m. sert Buffet and Showcase of Talent Evening Thomas Welsh Director Ohio Governmental Programs

Drawing for the Winning Comedian Sponsored By Reserved table Registration name tag required

Drawings for 4 Gift certifi-Governmental Programs cates with the tickets handed out 6:45-7:15 pm Registrarequired for admission to tion name tag required



7:15 p.m.-

8:00 p.m.

8:15 p.m.

Friday

Friday

Showcase of Acts Master of Ceremonies: Robert Dawson Treasurer **OFMA** 

Tim the Dairy Farmer

Burnham & Flower In-

surance Group, Thomas Welsh, Director Ohio

Registration name tag

the Ballroom

Presented by L!VE, Columbus Ohio

**Production:** ERG, Steve Cover

Registration name tag required for admission to the Ballroom

#### 2023 OFMA SHOWCASE ACTS

**CODY CLAYTON EAGLE** presented by David Yugar **Productions** 

LEETWOOD GOLD, THE FLEETWOOD MAC EX-PERIENCE presented by ERG Entertainment **OUTLAW APOSTLES** presented by Klein's Entertain-

ment

**CHASE MCDANIEL** presented by Variety Attractions **DIRECT ENERGY** presented by Direct Energy Band **ASHLEY BARRON** presented by Artists & Attractions



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#### 2023 OFMA Junior Fair Conference

Roger Smith, Chairman

The OFMA Board and members from around the state are looking forward to the 2023 Junior Fair Conference rapidly approaching in January during the OFMA convention in Columbus.

This has become an opportunity for Junior Fair Boards from around the state to get together, network and share experiences and insights with one another. The overriding goal of the conference is provide the Junior Fair Boards with information that will cause them to think about their roles at their fairs and to also help them gain skills that they can use, not only as a Junior Fair Board member, but also later in life in their chosen careers or possibly as a future Senior Fair Board member.

With the help of Lisa McCutcheon and a number of her colleagues, an interesting and challenging day is being planned by the Junior Fair Committee.

The opening session will be back in Battelle Hall this year with **Judson Laipply** "*Lead Your Evolution*" delivering the Keynote address. Then a full day of sessions and the trade show will follow.

For those Junior Fair Boards arriving into Columbus on Friday to attend the session on Saturday a Pizza Party with Entertainment is planned 1st Floor Harding Foyer. A reservation form will be forth coming. Ohio Fair Managers and the Junior Fair Sponsors are Sponsoring this even at no charge to the participants.

Looking forward to seeing you in Columbus in January and please make it a point to include your Junior Fair Boards in plans for the Convention.

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#### 2023 Ohio Fair Managers Association 98th Annual Convention and Market Place Tradeshow Presenting Sponsor:

#### Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association

	<u>Time</u>	ROOM:	TOPIC:	Presenter:	Moderator
Sat	8:00-5:00	Nationwide Room	OFMA-ODA Office		
	7:30-11	Junior Fair Convention REGISTRATION Sponsored by: Fair Publishing House	Hyatt Regency Ballroom Foyer 3rd Floor Foyer		Junior Fair Committee
Sat	7:30-10	Nationwide Hallway Foyer	Morning Hospitality Provided by: <i>Bates Brothers</i> Amusements		
Sat	8:00-3:00	Nationwide Hallway Foyer	Convention REGISTRA- TION <i>Sponsored by Fair</i> <i>Publishing House</i>		
Sat	9:00-5:00	Clark Room	GOSA Office		
Sat	8:30-9:15	Marion Room	H2B Visa and Seasonal Update for 2023. How continued staffing challenges will impact Ohio's Fairs this season. Greg Chiecko will bring the National Perspective in this important workforce issue along with the Ohio Service Members who use this Federal Program for workforce support	GOSA Presenters: Jennifer Ramsey, Katie Lindville, Greg Chiecko President OABA gregc@oaba.org	Randy Kissel, President GO- SA
Sat	8:30-9:15	Knox Room	Successful Free Midway Shows	Cathy Cunning- ham, Summit County Fair Man- ager	Von Cremeans
Sat	8:30-9:15	Madison Room	Pie Auctions/Fundraisers During Fair	Cara Muhlen- kamp, Mercer County Fair	Dan Kimmet
Sat	8:30-9:15	Marion Room	Sponsorship Perks to Gain Interest. What enticements do you give to attract that cash or trade sponsor	Tracey Koszal- oka - Portage County Fair, , Paul Harris - Great Geauga County Fair Bob Dawson, Lake County Fair	Tracy Koszalka,

	<u>Time</u>	ROOM:	TOPIC:	Presenter:	Moderator
Sat	8:30-9:15	Taft A B	Communicating to Your Board for Success	Brad Murphy & Kolt Buchenroth Hardin County Fair	Lehmden-
Sat	8:30-9:15	Taft C D	Chart of Accounts Review/ Quick Books	Bev Fisher CFE Manager Ma- honing County Fair	Paul Lease
Sat	8:30-9:15	Fayette	ODA Reporting	David Miran and the ODA Staff	Tom Stocksdale
Sat	8:30-9:15	Fairfield Room	4-6-8 Round Table		Doug Marine, Roger Smith, Deb Hukill
Sat	8:30-9:15		It's Show Time!	Leslie Cooksey, Extension Edu- cator – Fairfield County	
Sat	8:30-9:15	Champaign	Engaging Future Showmen at the Junior Fair!	Aubry Fowler, Extension Edu- cator – Fairfield County	
Sat	8:30-9:15	UNION D	Show us your Showmanship and Extra Shows	Beth Gug- genbiller, Exten- sion Educator – Mercer County & Alicia Knapke	
Sat	8:30-9:15	UNION E	Road Trip Adventures: Absolutely Priceless!	Lisa McCutcheon, Extension Educator – Licking County and Hartford Junior & Senior Fair Board Members	
Sat	8:30-9:15	MCKINLEY	Don't Forget to Say Thank You	Lydia Flores, Extension Edu- cator – Marion County	
Sat	8:30-9:15	Hayes	Walk the Walk	Jenna Hoyt, Ex- tension Educator – Ashtabula County	

	<u>Time</u>	ROOM:	TOPIC: Pr	resenter:	Moderator	
Sat		Fireboards	Queen Program Sponsors: Presenting Eagle Golf Car, r Queen Dinner: Dipping Dots, Queen Gift Bags Syngenta			
		Presenting Sponsors: Ohio State Fair, Ohio Soybean Coun- cil & Willandale Golf Cart Sales	Entertaining this Morn piece roving party band tha	t brings the fun, & movie theme s	and then some!	
Sat	9:00-10:30	Battelle Ballroom Doors open at 9 Program starts 9:30	Senior and Junior Fair At- tendees: <u>General Session</u> <u>Speaker Judson Laipply, An-</u> <u>nouncing the 2023 Ohio Fairs</u> <u>Queen</u>	KEY NOTE: Judson Laip ' "Lead Your		
Sat	10:00-5:00	10 - 5pm	Market Place Tradeshow, Presenting Sponsor: Concessions by Cox Be sure to drop your tickets in the respective tumblers to win gift certificates Friday and Saturdays Tradeshow Drawings			
Sat	10:00-5:00	Delaware, Franklin, 2nd floor foyer, 1st floor Nationwide foyer	TRADE SHOW			
Sat	9am - Noon	TBD	Open Meeting Room - Net- working			
Sat	9am-noon	Grant Room	Open Meeting Room - Net- working			
Sat	11:30- 12:30	Harding Room 1st floor	sion Amusement Ride Safety Session: ODA will be presenting a general recap on Ohio's 2022 amusement ride safety season as well as a discussion of Tyler's Law two years later. A refresher course on what is and what's not required by Ohio law regarding fair board elections and Constitutional Amendments, including best practices. Amusement Ride Safety Session:	Chief Division	Stanley Strode	
Sat	11:30- 12:30	Union A B C	Livestock Sales Round Table How do we promote, Are we on line as well as live?		Dan Martin	
Sat	11:30- 12:30	Madison	Keeping Your Fairgrounds Safe	Mike Vartorel- la, Ohio Expo Center & State Fair;	Virgil Strickler	

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Sat	11:30- 12:30	Marion	Electronic Ticketing	Tiffany Ander- son at Pickaway County will be doing the ses- sion on electron- ic ticketing	Roger Smith
Sat	11:30- 12:30	Garfield Room	Campgrounds Round Table		Rod Arter
Sat	11:30- 12:30	Champaign	Sheep/Goat Exhibits	Jeremy Carr, Carr Show Goats, David Rowe, General Manager Mid State wool nd Sheep Judge, Jim Brandt Ohio State Fair Sheep Supt,	Stanley Strode
	11:30-	Knox Room			
Sat	12:30 11:30- 12:30	Taft AB	GOSA Presents: How to have a successful partnership with your ride company and concessionaire. What a proper mix of concession products and their location on the midways important for maximum success for everyone. Some concessionaire will be selling their business in the near future how will this impact your fair an what is your process/policy to ensure a smooth transition.	Bullen OFMA Past President,	
Sat	11:30- 12:30	Harrison	Princess for a Day Program – Cloverbud Opportunity	Morgan McCutcheon, Junior Fair Roy- alty Coordinator – Hartford Fair / 2018 OFMA Queen	
Sat	11:30- 12:30	MORROW	Repping the Red Jacket	Leslie Cooksey, Extension Edu- cator – Fairfield County	
Sat	11:30- 12:30	UNION D	Passing the torch – actual learning by doing	Holmes County Extension Office and Junior Fair Coordinators	
Sat	11:30- 12:30	UNION E	Your Digital Footprint	Andrea Rees, Extension Edu- cator – Knox County	

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	<u>Time</u>	ROOM:	TOPIC:	Presenter:	Moderator
Sat	11:30- 12:30	FAYETTE	Horse Show Headaches?	Kim Cole, Professor – OSU Animal Sciences & Dani Seitner, State Program Coordinator - Equine	
Sat	11:30- 12:30	HAYES	Fair Friends is a pre-fair event for 4-H age kids (4-18) with developmental disabilities. Junior Fair Board members work with Senior Fair Board members to volunteer their time to plan and work this annual event.	Junior Fair	
Sat	11:30- 12:30	Taft C D	Fair Friends is a pre-fair event for 4-H age kids (4-18) with developmental disabilities. Junior Fair Board members work with Senior Fair Board members to volunteer their time to plan and work this annual event	Masters, Extension Educator – Butler County &	
Sat	11:30- 12:30	MCKINLEY	All About the Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Board	Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Board Members	
Sat	1:30pm - 4pm	TAFT AB	Wine and Paint Ticket Par- ticipation, includes all sup- plies and 2 glasses of Wine	Tom Stocksdale and Committee	
Sat	12:45	Garfield	New Exhibits Round Table	Portage, Summit and Wayne County Fairs will have repre- sentatives to kick this Round table off	Tracey Koszal- ka
Sat	12:45-1:45	Harrison	Off Season Rentals/Pricing vs. Benefits	Nick Shellen- berger President Miami County Fair, Julie Mill- house Miami County Fair Sec- retary	Wade Flory

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Sat	12:45-1:45	Madison	Dairy/Beef Cattle Exhibits	Steve Moff Director of Dairy for the Ohio State Fair, Doug Leith superintendent of AG and Livestock OSF.	Paul Lease
Sat	12:45-1:45	Grant	Requirements To Become a Fairboard Director	Diane Wise Secretary and Linda Kisamore Treasurer, Portage County Fair	Tim Massie
Sat	12:45-1:45	Marion	Managing Grandstand Pit/ Passes	Bob Phillips, Great Geauga County Fair	Stanley Strode
Sat	12:45-1:45	Fairfield	High Path Avian Influenza and Biosecurity Practices	Dr. Dennis Summers is Chief of the Division of Animal Health	
Sat	12:45-1:45	UNION A B C	Guns/Open Carry/Concealed Carry - How To Manage Secu- rity at Gates, Wanding or metal detectors and the law		Dan Bullen
Sat	12:45-1:45	Knox Room	GOSA Presents this inside look at Food Inspectors, OFMA Concession Managers & Con- cessionaires roundtable to dis- cuss food safety at the Fair	GOSA Presenters: Mike Tedrick, Doug Guinsler, Tyler Pigman,	
Sat	12:45-1:45	Morrow	Dealing with Challenging People	Judy Villard Overocker, Ex- tension Educator – Richland County	
Sat	12:45-1:45	UNION D	From clothing to executive board, lets chat about JFB layers	Holmes County Junior Fair Board & Execu- tive Committee Members	
Sat	12:45-1:45	UNION E	Veteran JFB Member Now What?	Andrea Rees, Extension Educator – Knox County & Joy Sharp, Extension Educator – Pickaway County	

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Sat	12:45-1:45	FAYETTE	Ohio 4-H Animal Sciences Program Update	Elizabeth Share, Program Spe- cialist – OSU Extension & Dr. Benjamin Wen- ner, Associate Professor – OSU Animal Sciences	
Sat	12:45-1:45	Hayes	Getting Rest to Maximize Performance Fair Week	Travis West, Extension Educator – Vinton County	
Sat	12:45-1:45	MCKINLEY	Prevention at the Fair	OSU Extension - Meigs County, Meigs County Fair Board Members & Meigs County Prevention Coalition Members	
Sat	12:45-1:45	Taft CD	Exploring and learning about your fair and agriculture.	Russ Mayer, Morrow County Junior Fair Vol- unteer	
Sat	12:45-1:45	Regency Ball Room Foyer NW corner	To Get the Best, You Gotta Give the Best!	Kate Wells, Extension Educator  – Ross County	
Sat	2:00-3:00	Harding	"Utilizing Ohio's Biennial Capital Budget" How can my fair receive capital funds for vital projects?	Howard Call CFE Grounds Committee Sum- mit County Fair, Paul Harris Sec- retary Manager Great Geauga County Fair	Bob Dawson
Sat	2:00-3:00	Grant	Off Season Fundraising/Raffles		Doug Marine
Sat	2:00-3:00	Madison	Tips to Managing a Successful Election	Stanley Strode OFMA 1st VP	Tim Massie
Sat Sat	2:00-3:00 2:00-3:00	Garfield Marion	Fair Pricing and Profitability Animal Release Time - Fair Closing	Howard Call CFE	Von Cremeans
Sat Sat	2:00-3:00 2:00-3:00	Fairfield UNION A B C	OPEN Managing Exhibitors/Junior Fair Parents Who Break the Rules	Kyle Culp, Scott Alexander Wood County Fair	

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Sat	2:00-3:00	Knox Room	GOSA Presents this inside look at Technology for Todays Modern Midway. How to use surveillance camera's, tracking devices on trailers, other tech- nology to monitor and protect your business. How to use POS systems to increaser revenue at your concession location	GOSA Presenters Cheryl Downey and Brian Linville		
Sat	2:30-4:00	Tradeshow Beverage Hospitality Franklin Rooms, Taft Foyer 1st Floor, County Hallway Foyer Sponsored by: Na- tional Tractor Pullers Association, Greater Ohio Showman Associa- tion	Tradeshow Beverage Hospitality Keg Beer, Ice tea, Lemonade, Chips & Dips Convention Name badge required to be serviced			
Sat	2:00-3:00	Morrow		Judy Villard Overocker, Ex- tension Educator – Richland County		
Sat	2:00:3:00	UNION D	Responsibility and Memories: The Junior Fair Board Experience	Kristy Watters, Extension Edu- cator – Adams County & Ad- ams County Jun- ior Fair Board Members		
Sat	2:00-3:00	UNION E		Jo Williams, Extension Educator – Scioto County; Abbie Mowen, Extension Educator – Scioto County & Scioto County Junior Fair Board		
Sat	2:00-3:00	FAYETTE	The Still / Life Skills Project Auction	Christine Ulman & Katrina Nitz, Extension Edu- cator – Carroll County		
Sat	2:00-3:00	HARRISON	You Won the Crown & Sash Now What?	Joy Sharp, Ex- tension Educator – Pickaway County		
Sat	2:00-3:00	Taft C D	Thinking Outside the Box to Tackle Fair Entry Programs	Erin Dailey, Extension Educator  – Gallia County		

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Sat	2:00-3:00	MCKINLEY	Tough Stuff	Rachael Fraley, Extension Educator – Lawrence County & Michelle Stumbo, Extension Educator – Meigs County	
Sat.	2:30-4:30	Nationwide Foyer 1st Floor	Welcome to Columbus Hospitality Sponsored by: Glo Concessions		
Sat		BALLROOM FOYER	Teamwork Makes the Dream Work	Rachel Stone- burner, Program Coordinator – Franklin County; Beth Boomer- shine, Extension Educator – Franklin County and Sara Lewis, Extension Edu- cator – Fulton County	
Sat	3:15-4:15	Harding	Updating Your Constitution When is the need, how do we do this.	Tom Stocksdale OFMA 2nd VP, Wayne County Fair	Roger Smith
Sat	3:15-4:15	Grant	Advanced Social Media Promotions		Kendra Von Lehmden- Wentz
Sat	3:15-4:15	Madison	Secretary Round Table	Donna Spicer- Noble County	Deb Hukill
Sat	3:15-4:15	Garfield	Safety Training/Lockdowns	Doug Cope, Retired Xenai Firefighter, Consultant for Green Cunty Sheriffs Office	Wade Flory
Sat	3:15-4:15	Marion	Fair Networking: Buy/Sell/ Trade/Rent	FAYETTE & CLIN- TON COUN- TY'S Fair Members	Doug Marine
Sat	3:15-4:15	Fairfield	OPEN		

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	<u>Time</u>	ROOM:	TOPIC:	Presenter:	Moderator
Sat	3:15-4:15	UNION A B C	Contracting/Managing Your Ride Company	David Miran, ODA Chief division of Fairs and Rides, Mike Vartorella, Vir- gil Strickler, Ohio Expo Cen- ter & State Fair; Howard Call & Virgil Strickler CFE	
Sat	4:15p.m.	Morrow	Convention Wrap-Up		Paul Harris, Stanley Strod Tom Stocksd
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Sat 5PM

2023 Ohio Fair Managers Market Place Tradeshow Closes

THANK YOU TO ALL THE SERVICE MEMBERS FOR PARTICIPATING & THANK YOU FOR SHOPPING.

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**EXTRAVAGANZA** 6:00 Regency Ballroom Sat

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Sat	6:00	Regency Ballroom	6:00 p.m. Auction Preview, Registration and Music By DJ John	
Sat	7:00	Regency Ballroom	Extravaganza Evening; Presenting Sponsor Variety Attractions, Refreshment Spon-	Randy Kissel President GOSA & Stanley
		breeders	sors: Bates Brothers Amuse- ments & Dippin Dots Dual	Strode 1st VP OFMA
1		world	reverse Raffle, Auction and more with DJ John Hobdy	Supported by Breeders World



Note: The Evening will be streamlined to allow for additional entertainment, Table 50/50, 50/50 raffle, 1 live auction with on line bidding, 1 pull of the silent auction prior to the live auction to allow for those bids to be entered into each buyers file and after the 300th ticket is drawn DJ John will close the evening out with music for dancing. No carrying alcohol, food is allowed to be brought in

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#### **Auction and Extravaganza Evening 2023**

Stanley Strode, 1st Vice President

For January the Annual Extravaganza will be on Saturday night and the doors open at 6:00 PM and the early bird drawing of the reverse raffle will happen at 7:00 PM.

Our annual auction will also be online this year so we will run it start to finish with no breaks. We need each district to bring one large item for the auction. If you would send a picture of the items via email to ohiofairs@att.net, we can get them posted online before the auction.

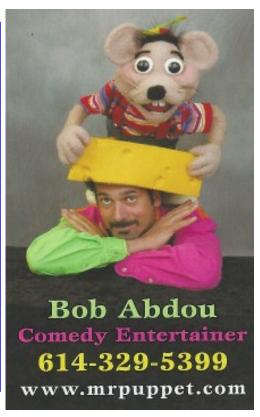
We are looking forward to coming together again at our 98th Annual Convention.



#### **Stanley**

- ⇒ Notes:
- ⇒ Please submit those item descriptions and pictures for the early on line to Ohiofairs@att.net
- ⇒ The auction will be live on line bidding as well as floor bidding that evening and will be 1 set of sales midway thru the evening
- ⇒ Silent auction items will be closed slightly earlier in the evening to allow for clerking
- ⇒ The Photo Booth returns, it was a big hit
- ⇒ TICKETS REMAIN AT ohiofairs@att.net







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SUNDAY JANUARY 15, 2023 Hyatt Regency Hotel Columbus, Ohio

TIME: ROOM: TOPIC: PRESENTER

Sunday 8:00-10:00 Nationwide Room OFMA-ODA Office

Sunday 8:00-10:00 Nationwide Room Convention REGISTRATION

Sunday 8-8:45 Delaware A-D Church Services Stanley Strode
Sunday 9:00-10:15 Ballroom Breakfast and Awards Ohio Fairs Doug Marine

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Sunday 10:45 Delaware A-D Annual Meeting of Ohio Fair Man- Paul Harris

agers Association. All delegates will receive a participation gift from: *Presenting Sponsor: Pro-*

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2023 Spring Meetings: Easter Sunday April 9

District 7-8 Saturday April 1 Zanesville Fairgrounds

District 3-4-6 Sunday April 2 Washington Courthouse Fairgrounds

District 1&2 Saturday April 15 Wood County Fairgrounds

District 5&9 Sunday April 16 The Lodge of New Russia 46300 Butternut Ridge Rd Oberlin, Oh

IAFE Zone 3 Meeting Holmes County Fairgrounds Thursday April 27-29, 2023

Future Convention Dates (Thurs-Sun)

January 4-7, 2024 99th Annual

Each Member Fair is required to attend one of the spring meetings, their choice.

#### My Year as Ohio Fairs' Queen

As my travels for the year are slowly coming to a close, I reflect on all the great memories that I have made thus far when visiting fairs, attending meetings, helping out with fair king and queen competitions, and so much more. If someone were to ask which fair has been my favorite, I could not just pinpoint one. Each fair had something unique. Whether it is a tradition that is carried out each year or a special food concession stand, every fair was different in its own way. Being Ohio Fairs' Queen has given me so many opportunities to make new friends, interact with the community, and enjoy new experiences. The 2022 Fair Season is definitely one that I will remember.

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We will see you in Columbus for the 2023 Ohio Fairs' Queen events. Do not miss the Saturday General Session where I will announce the 2023 Queen and Court.

#### Maya



#### 2023 Ohio Fairs' Queen Program

Tim Massie, Chairman

Hello Ohio Fairs,

The 2023 Ohio Fairs' Queen forms are on line and PDF writable with a payment method for on line payment of the registration fee on a separate document and submittable on line to the Ohio Fair Managers Office. Cost \$100 remains the same and the meal costs are \$36 per meal.

2022 Ohio Fairs' Queen Maya Kidd, Butler County Fair has been out to the Fairs and is enrolled in college in Mount Vernon.

The committee is in the process of judge selection and we look forward to every fair sending their queen for the program. November 30 is the Deadline for Queen application form.

Tim



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