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*99th Annual Ohio Fair Managers  
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## **Ohio Fairs and Service Members Gather in Columbus January 4-7, 2024**

### **2 Continuing Education Certificate Programs**

**Thursday 10:30-12 noon. Union A,B,C Secretary and Treasurers Training, "Ready for Action: Lori Firsdon, Founder & Owner, Forte Organizers, LLC.**

**Friday 2:15-3:15 *The Critical Elements of Property & Casualty Insurance Coverage and Risk Management.* McKinley Room, *Provided by Burnham Flower Team***

**And 130 other Workshops, Round Tables and Events  
Complete Program in this edition  
Officers Nominated Bios, and much more**

**Thursday 3:30-4:30 p.m. Union A, B, & C Competitive Exhibits, the Unsung Stars of Your Fair "IAFE Speaker Jessica McLaughlin CFE, Spokane Co. Washington Interstate Fair**

**THURSDAY \$10,000,000 State Grants available 2024 Morrow Room by Ohio Development**

**Friday Your Fairs Performance Audit Marion Room *Ohio Auditors Office***

**President Paul Harris and your Board of Directors with suggestions from our fairs and issues surfacing since 2022, have brought forward a program to help improve operations, share knowledge and have fun.**

**Mark Mayfield will give the Keynote Address Saturday morning with all attendees in Battelle Hall and his Topic is "MORPH", and following Marks Presentation Ohio Fairs' Queen Rebekah Hardacre will introduce the 2024 Ohio Fairs Queen Royalty.**

**ODA has Meetings Friday and Saturday for fairs to gain insight on the animal commodity review of 2023 and the going forward outlook for 2024**

**The workshops and round tables are staffed with Fair Officers, Directors, Staff, Extension Specialist and Junior Fair Board Members who have raised their hand to help spread knowledge for our guests.**



**Fun Things & The Entire 2024 Program is in this issue**

**Friday Night Presidents Dessert Reception and Showcase of Acts and More**

**Bourbon Education Sessions and Sampling, Wine and Bingo**

**Annual Gala Extravaganza with Live and Silent Auction, Dancing, 50/50, Side Boards and the BIG PIZZA BASH Lots of Hospitality Thursday—Sunday Morning**



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## Paul Harris, President

Seems like yesterday we were kicking the door open on the 2023 fair season, and here we find ourselves at the end of the run closing the books and thinking of Christmas.

This year, just like all years, had its ups and downs. If we could just find a way to control the weather, we would have it made. Nonetheless our great Ohio fairs continue to clear every hurdle and celebrate the successes'. You all strive to provide an agricultural based event with just the right combination of youth education and entertainment. The value you provide your community is priceless.

As we near the end of the season PLEASE keep an eye on getting your books closed and the annual report completed for ODA. We simply cannot have a repeat of last year with delinquent reports. We have the best working relationship with ODA in David Miran and Director Baldrige and ALL need to be mindful of that, if you need help or have a question we can address, please call.

Your OFMA board is working to finalize the details for this year's convention, and it looks to be another fantastic event. This year's theme is "Change" as hard as it can be we all have to be able to accept change. It is often hard and sometimes doesn't work, but we don't know unless we try. We must continue to look at new ideas for success in this ever-changing industry and world.

The Program developed by the team is filled with sessions requested, suggested from the various agencies that support our fairs and coming trends that can support our fairs. There is a lot of FUN thing to do as well. The tradeshow is SOLD out again and offers about every product that fairs need.

As I come to the end of my term as president of OFMA I want to thank you all for your support and encouragement along the way. Your enthusiasm for our fair industry is contagious.

Have a great holiday season and I look forward to seeing you in January as always if you need anything give me a call.

Paul Harris, OFMA President *Paul*



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Thursday 10:30-12 noon. Union A,B,C  
Secretary and Treasurers Training **"Ready for Action: Certificate of Participation Workshop"**

Friday 1:00 –2:00  
**"Blue Ribbon Organizing"**

**McKinley Room**

**Lori Firsdon**

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Thursday 3:30-4:30 p.m. **Competitive Exhibits- the Unsung Stars of Your Fair** Union A,B, & C

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## ***Stanley Strobe Morgan County Nominee for President OFMA***

Stanley Strobe currently resides on the family sheep farm where he was born and raised. His Father was a Fair-board director for 33 years and instilled a life of enjoyment in all thing's agriculture. Like his father, Stanley has been a director of the Morgan County Agricultural Society since 1999.

His membership began in 1993 when he returned to Ohio with his wife of 41 years. He met Cathy at the Ohio State Fair when their sheep pens happened to be next to one another. Stanley has three children who are all members of the Morgan County Agricultural Society and 7 adorable grandchildren.

Stanley continues his role as a director and has also been the boards Treasurer since 2014. Stanley has continued his leadership as the OFMA District 7 Director, and as 1st Vice President representing fairs since 2010.

By day, Stanley has just retired as the Wool Manager at Mid-States Wool Growers in Canal Winchester where he has formed many collaborations since he began working there in 1993. Stanley is also a Pastor at McDougal Church in Millfield Ohio.



*Stanley*

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**Ohio Director of Agriculture Brian  
Baldridge will Host the ODA Annual  
Meeting of all Fairs Friday Morning Hyatt  
Regency Ballroom Doors open 7:45**





## ***Paul Lease Columbiana County Nominee for 2nd Vice-President***

My name is Paul Lease, and I am running for 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President of OFMA. I currently serve on the OFMA representing District 9, where I have served on entertainment and trade show committees as well as January Convention committee. I sit on the Columbiana County Fair Board and have done so for 31 years. Before retiring from Columbia Gas after 41 years, I served as a measurement and regulation technician.

During my time on the fair board, I have held the following positions: President; Vice President and Secretary for two terms each. I served as Treasurer for one term. Junior Fair, Grounds, Parking, Entertainment Manager, Security as well as Concessions.

As a working Columbiana County Fair Board member, I am always there on fair board workdays. Focusing on making political connections to assist in raising money for capital improvements in Columbiana County and working to help and support District 9 stay at the front of the numerous issues that have come up over the last few years has been an immense pleasure of mine.

As 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, I look forward to continuing to work for all fairs through my knowledge of the OFMA and the fair industry. Serving on the Red Book Committee with current president Paul Harris, I feel I have learned so much about the ODA and the legal process to assist in making changes when needed. Partnering with Government Advantage Group and Amanda Sines, I continue to have resources to help answer questions that may come up.

My wife Sue and I have a small farm and have time to enjoy crops and the beef we raise. We have one son and daughter-in-law and two granddaughters and find spending time with them is one of our greatest joys.

I would appreciate your support as I run for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President of OFMA



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## ***Bob Dawson Lake County Nominee for Treasurer***

Bob Dawson has been affiliated with the Lake County Fair for the past forty-six years. Bob started his fair career when he was hired to be Concession Manager at the age of twenty-six, a position he held for twenty-two years. When the Lake County Agricultural Society voted to increase the size of their Fair Board in 1991, Bob was appointed as Director at Large. The following year, Bob was elected President of the Board, a position he held for twelve consecutive years.



Bob was elected to the position of OFMA District Nine Director in 1999. He has served on the Long-Range Planning, Nominating, Grievance, Convention, Credentials, Budget, Registration, Showcase and Trade Show Committees. In 2002, Bob was appointed Treasurer when past Treasurer Bob Rose became ill. He was elected Treasurer of the OFMA in January 2004 and has held the position for the past twenty-three years. Bob serves as chairman of the OFMA Budget Committee and as Treasurer for the OFMA/GOSA PAC where he is active on the political front on behalf of the Fairs Industry.

In 2003, Bob retired early after twenty-four years in management with the RW Sidley Company of Painesville, finishing his career as their Group President. He then started a new public sector career serving as the Lake County Workforce Director for seventeen years. Bob is currently serving his 3<sup>rd</sup> four-year term as a Perry Township Trustee.

Bob is a member of the Lake County Fair and the OFMA Hall of Fame. He and his wife Dawn live in Perry Township. They have three adult children and six grandchildren.

*Bob-*

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## 2023 MARKET PLACE TRADESHOW

Paul Lease, Chairman

The Annual Market Place is Sold out 7th year in a row. The 135 Vendor spaces are filled with the verbal alphabet soup of products. Hours are Friday and Saturday from 10 am to 5 pm.

The Vendors have kicked in \$1000 in moneys for the Fair Officials Drawings and the Guest/Associate Drawings of Gift Cards which will be announced Friday evening at the Presidents Reception and Saturday Night at the Gala. Winners need not be present to win. Look for the two Gold Tumblers to deposit your ticket stubs from your registrant packet.

Numerous Sponsors are sponsoring Hospitality in the tradeshow, (you must have a 2024 Name Badge to receive) each afternoon with Free Keg Beer and snacks in the Franklin Rooms, County Hallway and the 1st Floor Taft Foyer snacks as well as Welcome to Columbus Hospitality in the Nationwide Foyer 1st Floor. I encourage the Fairs to support those Vendors and Members who Support Ohio's Fairs by being a member of the OFMA



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## **Tom Stocksdales Wayne County Nominee for 1st Vice President**

Thomas R. Stocksdales of Wayne County is well known for his expertise in agricultural financial services across Ohio. His skill as a manager with keen insight into the specific needs of clients has empowered many successful endeavors.

His efforts within the rural community include many years in leadership with the Wayne County Fair Board, the Ohio Fair Manager Association, Buckeye Agricultural Museum & Education Center, Wayne -Ashland Dairy Service Unit, Wayne County Ag Leaders, Wayne County Ag Success Team, Friends of the Wayne County Fair, Wayne County Rural Youth, Ohio 4-H Foundation at OSU, OSU 4-H Advisory Committee Extension Advisory, 4-H Advisor, Kiwanis Club, Valley College Grange, and the Shreve Business & Community Association.

He held or still holds leadership positions achieving a multitude of objectives with his contributions. Stocksdales is the drummer for the “Mel Stocksdales Square Dance Band,” has clerked for the Wayne County Junior Fair for 35 years, was the District 5 Director of the Ohio Fair Manager Association for 13 years with oversight of 12 local and independent fairs of North Central Ohio, and has been the Ohio Fair Manager Association 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President for the past 2 years.

He is the director of Triway Capers, serves the Ripley Church of Christ as a deacon, and operates a small farm with his wife, Connie. They have three children, 6 grand children and 2 great grandchildren. He holds a BS degree in Agricultural Economics from Cornell University during which he played four years of football. The Triway graduate currently schedules in time to watch his grandson play for The OSU Buckeye football team.



## **Guest Activities Report**

**Tom Stocksdales** Chairman Guest Activities  
For 2024 the committee has the following activities

1. Thursday afternoon visit the ODA Campus at Reynoldsburg, Transportation included Cost \$10.00. Buses will be leaving Hyatt at: 1:00pm
2. Friday 3 Bourbon Education Seminars with Sampling Cost \$50 limited to 120 seats. Sessions at 1:00, 2:30 & 4:00
3. Saturday BINGO and WINE, each person receives 2 glasses of wine and Gift Cards will be given as prizes Cost is \$30
4. Riff Rye Whiskey Limited Edition Engraved, Numbered Bottle for sale only 212 available \$80 available in the OFMA Office Nationwide rooms 1st Floor



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# Ohio Fairs' Queen Report

Rebekah Hardacre [ohiofairsqueen2023@gmail.com](mailto:ohiofairsqueen2023@gmail.com)

## My Year as Ohio Fairs' Queen

As the last of the fairs came to an end I made sure to get to as many as I was possibly able to. I attended around 50 fairs this year in my travels and some of the last few were so amazing to see the fall fairs and the wonderful fall colors and incorporation that the fall season brings to the fairs!

Even though some days were cold and rainy, I enjoyed traveling to all the fairs I was able to go to this fair season! And it somehow worked out that if I was not able to attend a fair, I met the majority of the other fair royalty at county fair royalty get together and luncheons! I have had an absolute blast being the 2023 Ohio Fairs' Queen and I am honored that I got to serve as this year's queen for the fairs of Ohio!

I am so excited for the competition and convention coming up and I can not wait to see you all and your competing queens at the convention in January!



## 2023 Ohio Fairs' Queen Rebekah Hardacre

### Queens Mom Jennifer Hardacre and her Amazing Story

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Quote from Mom, "Once the chores are done, we might end out painting outside and then hold on to those projects and finish them inside the barn on a rainy day," said Jennifer Hardacre, who also owns and founded The H.A.R.D. Acre Farm. "Daily programs are also based on the ability of our farmers. For instance, gardening for someone that has full range of mobility might include weeding the garden at the ground level, where someone who may not be able to bend over would be weeding at one of our raised beds or planting seeds at a high table top. We can plan a program for anybody and make it a meaningful day on the farm." Check out the Farm: <https://thehardacrefarm.org/>





# Nostalgia

- “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”*



***Bob Dawson Showcase Chairman***

**2024 OFMA SHOWCASE Friday Evening Regency Ballroom**

**The following acts will Showcase after a Special  
Presentation Sponsored by the Ohio Fair Managers;  
3 Redneck Tenors**

**The 6 Bands Selected**

**THE AUBREY REY BAND** Presented by Yugar Productions Tradeshow Space: # 317

**CRUSH THE BON JOVI CONCERT EXPERIENCE** Presented by ERG Tradeshow Space: #22

**JAKE HOOT** Presented by Klein's Entertainment Tradeshow Space: #24

**ALEX MILLER** Presented by Variety Attractions Tradeshow Space: #30 –31

**ADAM CALVERT** Presented by Adam Calvert Music Tradeshow Space: #61

**RECESS** Presented by Recess Productions Tradeshow Space: # 75

**In addition:**

**Friday ODA Breakfast National Anthem Presented by: Jake Binegar Music**

**Saturday General Session National Anthem: Hello Sister Music**

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## 2024 OFMA Junior Fair Conference January 5 & 6, 2024

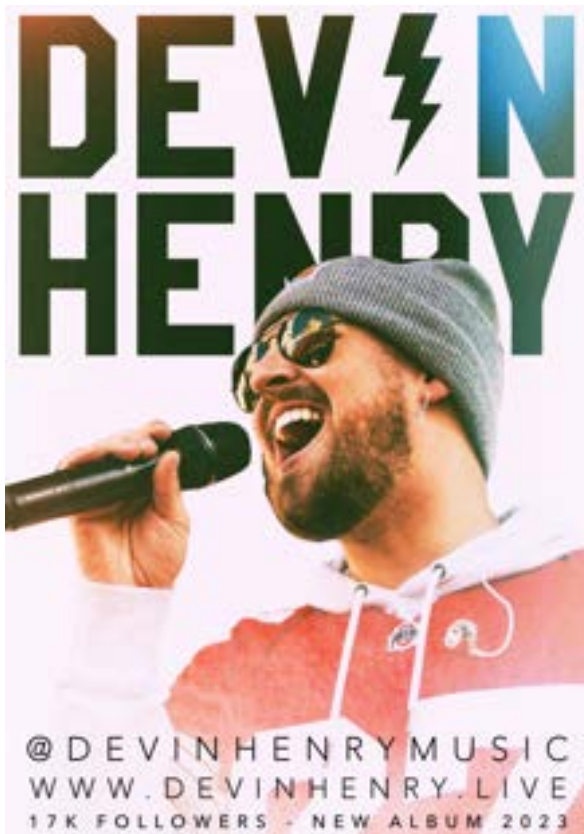
Roger Smith, Chairman

Junior Fair Boards from county fairs around the state gathered in Columbus for the Junior Fair Conference. The weekend swill start with a reception on Friday evening for Junior Fair Boards traveling to Columbus on Friday in preparation for Saturday's activities. Social evening is planned with all the pizza you can eat.. After eating Extension staff in attendance will lead the members in some mixers to allow them to connect with others from around the state.

Saturday morning, kick off with a General Session with **Mark Mayfield** as the keynote speaker. His presentation will be followed by the crowning of the **2024 Ohio Fairs' Queen**, by **2023 Ohio Fairs' Queen Rebekah Hardacre** from Clark County. The general sessions will follow with the educational sessions for the junior fair attendees. Throughout the day, there are nearly 30 sessions for them to attend, all of them offering practical advice on dealing with their roles as junior fair board members and some of the situations that they will likely encounter. Sessions are facilitated by extension personnel.

**Junior Fair Conference Chairman**  
**Roger Smith, OFMA District 6**

*ROGER*





## **Thursday 8:00a.m.-4:00p.m.**

8:00-12 noon Queen Registration **Hayes Foyer**

Chairman: Tim Massie OFMA Past President  
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8:00-10:00. Welcome to Columbus Coffee and Snacks **Nationwide Foyer**  
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8:00-12 noon. Queen Hospitality Room **Hayes Foyer**  
Chairman: Tim Massie OFMA Past President  
Sponsored by: Bush Concessions, Leanne and Bill Bush

8:00-5:p.m. OFMA-ODA Office Open **Nationwide Rooms**

8:00-5:p.m. Convention Registration **Nationwide Foyer**  
Chairman: Wade Flory, OFMA District 3 Director  
Sponsored by: Fair Publishing House Norwalk, Ohio

9:00-6p.m. Open For Meetings & Networking 2 rooms  
**Champaign Room and Fayette Rooms 2nd Floor**

9:00-5:00 p.m. GOSA Office Open **Clark Room**

9:00-1:00 p.m. Ohio Fairs' Queen Contest Interviews  
**Garfield, Grant, Harding, Taft D, Harrison Rooms**  
Chairman: Tim Massie OFMA Past President

10:00-9:00 p.m. Trade Show Set Up **Delaware, Franklin, 2nd floor foyer, 1st floor Nationwide foyer,**  
Chairman: Paul Lease, OFMA District 9 Director

10:00-2:00 p.m. Ride Safety Meeting **Union D**  
Meeting Facilitator: David Miran-ODA Chief

10:30-12 noon. Secretary and Treasurers Training **Union A,B,C**

"Ready for Action: Tackle Paperwork, Priorities and Projects" In this session, Lori Firsdon from Forte Organizers will help you gain new organizational insights that leave you confident in finding actionable paperwork, while helping you successfully move forward on your projects.

This is an OFMA Continuing Education session: participants will receive a training certificate for their professional portfolio.

Presenter: Lori Firsdon. Founder & Owner, Forte Organizers, LLC.

Moderator: Robert Dawson, OFMA Treasurer.

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12:30-2:00 p.m. Fair Officers Round Table **Fairfield Room**  
Presenters: Paul Harris, OFMA President, Howard Call CFE, OFMA Executive Director

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1:00-4:00 p.m. Visit ODA Reynoldsburg Campus Tour  
Catch the bus at the Franklin Foyer  
Chairman: Tom Stocksdale, OFMA 2nd Vice President

## **Thursday 1:00-8:45p.m.**

### **GOSA Training for PIC**

1:00-4:00 p.m.

Person in Charge Training for Food Operations. **Union E**  
Presenter: Mike Tedrick, GOSA Trustee and retired Columbus Health Department

1:00-4:00 p.m. CPR Class Register with the GOSA **Fayette Room**  
Presenter: Jill Sterling

Moderator: Doug Guinsler, OFMA/GOSA Past President

1:00-2:00 p.m. Advertising that works & Promotions that are tied to your campaign **Madison Room**

Round table Discussion Bring Handouts on your fair's advertising planning

Moderator: Virgil Strickler, CFE, OFMA Director at Large

1:00-2:00 p.m. Storage, Planning, Executing & What Software can be used **Fairfield Room**

Presenters: Meg Noah & Bob Stack, Geauga Co. Fair

Moderator: Doug Marine, OFMA District 4 Director

2:15-3:15 p.m. State Grants available 2024 **Morrow Room**

Department of Commerce will detail & explain the process

Presenter: Department of Development Grant Administrator

Moderators: Amanda Sines Government Advantage, Robert Dawson, OFMA Treasurer & Howard Call, CFE, OFMA ED

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2:30 p.m. Queens Dress Rehearsal **Regency Ballroom**  
Chairman: Tim Massie, OFMA Past President

3-9 p.m. Queens Storage & Changing Room **McKinley Room**  
(Please leave no valuables in room while unattended)

3:30 p.m. Queens Dinner **Hayes Room**  
(Each Queen applicant receives 1 ticket, additional tickets must be ordered from OFMA office)

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3:30-4:30 p.m. Competitive Exhibits- the Unsung Stars of Your Fair **Union A,B, & C**

"Every entry from quilts to jams, goats to llamas, cupcakes to giant pumpkins can educate the public, entertain the guest, and offer a reward to the exhibitor."

Presenters: LAFE Speaker Jessica McLaughlin, CFE Spokane Co. Washington Interstate Fair

Moderator: Paul Harris OFMA President.

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**Thursday Evening, 3rd Floor Regency Foyer**



## Thursday 4:45 -8:45p.m.

4:45-5:30p.m. First Time Attendees Reception Fairfield Room  
Moderators: Rodney Arter, OFMA Imm. Past President,  
Paul Harris OFMA President.  
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### 6:30 p.m. Ohio Fairs' Queen Pageant

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Chairman: Tim Massie, OFMA Past President

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7:00 p.m. Corn Hole Contest  
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Coordinator: Dan Bullen, OFMA Past President,  
Randy Kissel GOSA, President  
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## Friday 7:00 a.m.-Noon

7 a.m.-5 p.m. Convention Registration **Nationwide Foyer**  
*Sponsored by: Fair Publishing House Norwalk, Ohio*  
Chairman: Wade Flory, OFMA District 3 Director  
7:45 a.m. ODA Breakfast doors open **Regency Ballroom**  
(Meal Ticket required and can be ordered from OFMA Office)  
8:00-5:p.m. OFMA-ODA Office Open **Nationwide Rooms**  
8:00 -10 am Welcome to Columbus Coffee and Snacks  
**Nationwide Foyer**  
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### Director of Agriculture Breakfast Meeting

8:15-9:45 a.m. **Regency Ballroom**  
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9:00- 5:00 p.m. GOSA Office **Clark Room**  
9:00-6:00 p.m. Open Meeting Rooms for Networking  
**Garfield and Grant Rooms 1st floor**  
9:00 -10:30 a.m. **Madison Room**  
Details on Changing Fire Regulations Mobile Units  
with the Ohio State Fire Marshal  
Presenter: Chief Smith  
Moderator: David Drake, Bill Sterling GOSA

### 10:00-5:00 p.m. Grand Opening of the Market Place Tradeshow

**1st and 2nd Floor of the Hyatt Hotel Meeting Space**  
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to win gift certificates at Friday &  
Saturdays Tradeshow Drawings.  
Badge Required for Admission and Hospitality*  
10:45- 11:45 a.m. Working with your Food Inspector

**Madison Room**  
State of Ohio food inspectors discuss their inspection process & answer questions in this informative roundtable. Greater Ohio Showman Workshop open to all Fairs & Service Members.  
Presenter: Mike Tedrick, GOSA Trustee  
Moderator: Doug Guinsler, OFMA/GOSA Past President

### 10:45- 12 noon **OFMA District Business Meetings**

Dist. 1 Presiding: Alan Aichholz	<b>Taft A&amp;B</b>
Election Moderator: Dan Kimmett	
Dist. 2 Presiding: Kendra Von Lehmden-Wentz	<b>Morrow Room</b>
Election Moderator: Dan Bullen	
Dist. 3 Presiding: Wade Flory	<b>Fayette Room</b>
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Dist. 6 Presiding: Roger Smith	<b>Harding Room</b>
Dist. 7 Presiding: Ron Llewellyn	<b>Marion Room</b>
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## Friday 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.

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#### Harness Horse Workshop Taft C&D

##### 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Ohio Harness Horsemen Meeting

Ohio Fair Racing Meeting Roundtable Sessions will Cover (1) Co. Fair Finance (2) Co. Fair Regulatory and Rules (3) Co. Fair Marketing, Promotion, and Grants (4) Co. Fair Pari-Mutuel Wagering, Racetrack Care and Maintenance"

*Presenter: Renee Mancino Executive Director OHHA*

*Moderators: Wade Flory, OFMA District 3 Director, & Rod Arter OFMA Immediate Past President*

*Roundtable Participants: Opening remarks Executive Director Renee Mancino, OHHA Ohio State Racing Commission - Deputy Director, Tanya Boulmetis United States Trotting Association - COO, Director of Registry and Member Services - T.C. Lane, Outreach and Membership Enrichment Coordinator - Jessica Schroeder Chief Operating Officer, Buckeye Fair Racing Consortium & Home Talent Colt Stakes - Elwood "Woody" Woolman President, Ohio Colt Racing Association - Robert Schwartz President, Southern Valley Colt Circuit - Steve Swatzel President, The Signature Series, Secretary-Treasurer Ohio Colt Racing Association - Lisa Schwartz Ohio Fair Racing Conference Regional Coordinator- Bill Peters"*

##### 1:00-2:00 p.m. ODA Veterinarian Meeting Fairs A-L Union A,B,&C

*Presenter: Dr. Dennis Summers, DVM and Staff*

*Moderator: Tim Massie, OFMA Past President*

##### 1:00-2:15 p.m. Bourbon Production and the Agricultural Impacts with Educational Session Drury Hotel Atrium

*Presenters: Team of Experts on this Fine Agricultural Distilled Product*

*Moderator: Tom Stocksdales, OFMA 2nd Vice President*

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#### Greater Ohio Showmen's Annual Meeting

##### 1:00- 4:00 p.m. Fairfield Room

*Randy Kissel, President GOSA Presiding*

##### 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. Table Topics and Workshops

##### 1. ODA Veterinarian Meeting Union A,B,&C (Fairs A-L Highly recommended that all fairs attend)

*Presenter: Dr. Dennis Summers, DVM & Staff*

*Moderator: Tim Massie, OFMA Past President*

##### 2. Successful Junior Fair Queens Contest Union D

*Presenter: Bonnie Randolph- Jr. Fair Coordinator, Jefferson Co. Fair*

*Moderator: Deb Hukill, OFMA District 8 Director*

##### 3. Do you have a Fairgrounds Property Lease Union E

*Presenters: Chuck Stiver Board Director Medina Co. Fair, Lori Berger VP Medina Co. Fair*

*Moderator: Kim Meyers, OFMA District 5 Director*

##### 4. Successful Membership Sales and Management. Understanding the Law Fayette Room

*Presenter: Christy Pence, Pickaway Co. Fair Event Sales Coordinator*

*Moderator: Rodney Arter, OFMA Immediate Past Pres.*

## Friday 1:00 p.m.- 3:15 p.m.

##### 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. Table Topics and Workshop (Continued)

### Red topics are on the 1st Floor

##### 5. Medium Fair Round Table Harrison Room

*Presenter: Portage Co. Fair*

*Moderator: Tracey Koszalka, OFMA Director at Large.*

##### 6. "Blue Ribbon Organizing" McKinley Room

Lori Firsdon from Forte Organizers will present a short course on how to create files so you never forget important documents and deadlines and how to manage your "To Do" list effectively.

*Presenter: Lori Firsdon, Forte Organizers*

*Moderator: Robert Dawson, OFMA Treasurer*

##### 7. Digital Ticketing Marion Room

*Presenter: Meg Noah, Geauga Co. Fair*

*Moderator: Kendra Von Lehmden-Wentz, OFMA District 2 Director*

##### 8. Small Fair Round Table, Where do we go from Here? Hayes Room

*Presenter: Tonya Elliot, Hamilton Co. Fair Treasure and Director.*

*Moderator: Wade Flory, OFMA District 3 Director*

2:15p.m.

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##### 2:15 p.m.- 3:15 p.m. Table Topics and Workshops

##### 1. ODA Veterinarian Meeting Union A,B,&C

(Fairs M-W Highly recommended that all fairs attend)

*Presenter: Dr. Dennis Summers, DVM and Staff*

*Moderator: Tim Massie, OFMA Past President*

##### 2. The Critical Elements of Property & Casualty Insurance Coverage and Risk Management. McKinley Room

Having a well-rounded risk management program is extremely important for Co. Agricultural Societies today. This session will highlight important property & casualty coverage elements, considerations when completing the annual application and key risk control initiatives.

*Presenters: Thomas Welsh, Director, Ohio Governmental Programs, Burnham & Flower Insurance Group Diana Woolf, PEP Risk Services Consultant, Sedgwick*  
*Moderator: Robert Dawson, OFMA Treasurer*

##### 3. Safety and Security: What do we need in today's World Harrison Room

*Presenters: Representative Don Jones and Supporting Sheriffs Deputies*

*Moderator: Stanley Strode, OFMA 1st Vice President*



## Friday 2:15 p.m.– 4:30 p.m.

### 2:15 p.m.– 3:15 p.m. Table Topics and Workshops (Continued)

#### Red topics are on the 1st Floor

4. **Your Fairs Performance Audit** **Marion Room**  
*Presenter: Dorinda Byers Ohio Auditors Office Deputy Director of Operations*  
*Moderator: Tom Stocksdale, OFMA 2nd Vice President*
5. **Fair Manager Round Table: What the term means to Fair Boards.** **Morrow Room**  
The advantage of having that focus for the Fairs biggest event and revenue stream. Can the Board relinquish the reins to the Fair Manager to Manage? *Mod-erator: Von Cremeans, OFMA Director at Large*

- 2:30-3:45 p.m. **Bourbon Production and the Agricultural Impacts with Educational Session** **Drury Hotel Atrium**  
*Presenters: Team of Experts on this Fine Agricultural Distilled Product*  
*Moderator: Tom Stocksdale, OFMA 2nd Vice President*  
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### 3:30 p.m.– 4:30 p.m. Table Topics and Workshops

1. **Let's Talk About Drug Use Notification Forms (DUNF's)** **Union A,B,&C**  
*Presenter: Elizabeth Share, Program Specialist- OSU Extension & Cindy Bodie, Ohio Department of Agriculture*  
*Moderator: Tim Massie, OFMA Past President.*
2. **Be a Good Neighbor to the neighboring Fair** **Union D**  
*Presenters: Ed Campbell, Richard Eberhart, Ray Hilderbrand.*  
*Moderator: Deb Huckill District 8 Director*
3. **Round table, Fair Books Printed verses Digital** **Union E**  
Please bring a copy of your Fair Book or books if you have them to share. Discussion will be on Cost to print and mail verses Digital Process and entry systems.  
*Presenter: Amanda Shenberger, CAO, Medina Co. Fair*  
*Moderator: Tom Stocksdale, OFMA 2nd Vice President*
4. **Sunshine Law Review & Update on Agricultural Society Responsibilities under the Ohio Laws** **Fayette Room**  
*Presenter: Attorney Susan McDonald*  
*Moderator: Ron Llewellyn, OFMA District 7 Director*
5. **First Time Attendees Reception** **Marrow Room**  
*Moderators: Rodney Arter, OFMA Immediate Past President, Paul Harris, OFMA President*  
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6. **Livestock Exhibition Rules Proposed Changes for the 2024 Exhibition Season** **McKinley Room**  
*Presenters: Dr Summers, & David Miran ODA*
7. **Service Dogs/Therapy Dogs The Laws that govern this designation** **Marion Room**  
*Presenter: Amy Fleshman, Franklin Co Fair Manager*  
*Moderator: Roger Smith, OFMA District 6 Director*

## Friday 3:30 p.m.—6:00 p.m.

### 3:30 p.m.– 4:30 p.m. Table Topics and Workshops (Continued)

8. **Large Fair Round Table** **Hayes Room**  
*Moderator: Virgil Strickler, OFMA Director at Large*
- 4:00 p.m. **Bourbon Production and the Agricultural Impacts with Educational Session** **Drury Hotel Atrium**  
*Presenters: Team of Experts on this Fine Agricultural Distilled Product*  
*Moderator: Tom Stocksdale, OFMA 2nd Vice President*  
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## **Tradeshow Closes**

- 5:00 p.m.  
Tradeshow Drawings will be pulled in the OFMA Office at the Close of the Tradeshow Each Day, Winners Will be Announced Friday and Saturday at the Gala and Extravaganza and Those Not Present Will be Notified by Mail.

Coordinator: Paul Lease, OFMA Tradeshow Chair  
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## **Junior Fair Reception Pizza & More**

- 7:30 p.m.-10:00 p.m. **Hayes/McKinley Rooms**  
Junior Fair Activities for those arriving Friday,  
**Must be registered to ofmaform@att.net by December 10**

Chairman: Roger Smith, OFMA District 6 Director

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## Friday 7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.

### **President Paul Harris Dessert Reception**

6:45 p.m. Doors Open **Regency Ballroom 3rd Floor**

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- 6:45 p.m.-7:15 p.m. Each person entering will receive a door prize drawing ticket  
6:45 p.m. Desserts, Snacks, Coffee, Iced tea stations  
6:45 p.m. Cash bars available in the Ballroom  
7:15 p.m. **3 Redneck Tenors**  
8:00 p.m. Drawings for 4 \$100 Gift certificates  
8:00 p.m. Video Presentations of non-music acts  
8:00 p.m. Drawing for the Winning Reserved Table  
8:15 p.m. Showcase of Acts

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## Saturday 8:00 - 9:15a.m. Junior and Senior Fair Day

8:00-5:00 p.m. **Senior Fair Registration** **Nationwide Foyer**  
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8:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. **OFMA- ODA Office Nationwide Rooms**

8:00-9:30 a.m. **Junior Fair Registration**  
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### Senior Fair Table Topics and Workshops

#### Red topics are on the 1st Floor

8:30 a.m.-9:15a.m.

1. **Red Book Round Table** **Madison Room**  
Bring Your questions, possible language adjustments?

*Presenter: David Miran, ODA Chief*

*Moderator: Alan Aichholz, OFMA District 1 Director*

2. **Gate admission/Grandstand Pricing** **Taft A&B**

A small, Medium and Large Fair will provide their insight

*Presenters: Troy Elver, Allen Co. Fair Manager, Ed Doenges Auglaize Co. Fair Manager, Linda Rooker, Treasurer Fayette Co.*

*Moderator: Dan Kimmett, OFMA Past President*

3. **Advertising, What's the Best Spend** **Taft C&D**

*Presenters: Cathy Cunningham Summit Co. Fair Manager, Michelle Byram, Secretary/Treasurer*

*Moderator: Doug Marine, OFMA District 4 Director*

4. **Dairy Beef Feeders, Managing this class with Guidelines and more** **Knox Room**

*Presenter: Doug Leith*

*Moderator: Paul Lease, OFMA District 9 Director*

5. **Monthly reporting of the Agricultural Society Finances to the Board of Directors** **Fairfield Room**

Are you preparing a budget for the Board to approve? Are you getting board approval on your Annual Report? Are you providing the Monthly Financial information under your fiduciary responsibility as a Business.

*Presenter: Malissa and Ed Campbell Belmont Co. Fair*

*Moderator: Kim Meyers, OFMA District 5 Director*

6. **Extension... Junior Fair Board... Senior Fair, Working Together To Be A Winning TEAM!** **Marion Room**

Teamwork makes the dream work! Join us as we share insights & highlight key areas that help make our team work. We have had great success in keeping old traditions while also moving forward with new ideas, including new junior fair opportunities. We hope hearing about our successes inspire others to work together to create amazing memories, leadership development opportunities, and incredible community engagement - during the fair & after. *Presenters:*

*Emily Gilliland, Seneca Co. Jr. Fair Board Coordinator;*

*Katie Cole, Extension Educator - Seneca Co.; Seneca Co. Sr.*

*Fair Board Members; Kirk Bloir, State 4-H Leader*

## Saturday 8:30 - 9:15a.m.

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## Junior Fair Sessions

### Red topics are on the 1st Floor

8:30a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

1. **Showman of Showman: Giving the Best, Your Best**

**Morrow Room**

*Presenter: Amanda Fulk, Jonathan Barrett and Mackenzie Lowe, Extension Educator - Meigs Co.*

2. **What's your Fruit? Are you a Grape, Orange, Banana or Melon?** **Champaign Room**

*Presenter: Audrey Dimmerling, Extension Educator - Columbiana Co. & Jamie Stacy, JFB Coordinator - Columbiana Co.*

3. **Walk the Walk**

**Union D**

*Presenter: Jenna Hoyt, Extension Educator - Ashtabula Co.*

4. **Destressing During the Fair!**

**Union E**

*Presenters: Becky Barker, Extension Educator - Morrow Co.; Russ Mayer, Morrow Co. 4-H Volunteer & Morrow Co. Junior Fair Board*

5. **Engaging Junior Fair Youth Who Do Not Show Animals** **McKinley Room**

*Presenter: Angie Allison, Extension Educator - Jefferson Co.*

6. **It's Show Time!**

**Hayes Room**

*Presenter: Leslie Cooksey, Extension Educator - Fairfield Co.*

## Senior Fair

9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. **GOSA Office**

**Clark Room**

9:00 a.m.- 12 noon. **Open Meeting Room for Networking**

**Garfield Room**

9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. **Open Meeting Room for Networking**

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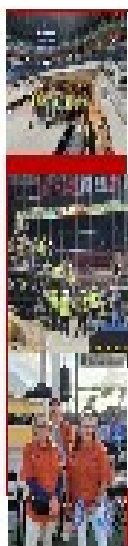
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Saturday 9:00 - 10:30a.m.  
Grand General Session Junior and Senior Fairs

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Saturday, 11:30-12:30

### Senior Fair Topics

#### Senior Fair Table Topics and Workshops

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11:30a.m. - 12:30p.m.

- 1. Insurance Needs- Are You Prepared?** Union A,B,&C  
*Presenters: John and Barb Ackerman-past Monroe Co. Pres and Ofma district rep. nationwide insurance agency*  
*Moderator: Deb Hukill, OFMA District 8 Director*
- 2. Society Elections Rule 901-5-05** Marion Room  
Terms of office for society directors and officers and conduct of election  
*Presenter: David Miran, ODA*  
*Moderator: Paul Harris, OFMA President*
- 3. Preparing for an Audit** Knox Room  
Procedure, Notifications by the Auditing authority & timing  
*Presenter: Bev Fisher, CFE, Mahoning Co. Fair Manager*  
*Moderator: Tracey Koszalka, OFMA Director at Large*
- 4. "Beyond Basic Rain Insurance: what you should Know"** Fairfield Room  
*Presenter: Robert Holmes, President/Meteorologist/IFMG*  
*Moderator: Von Cremeans, OFMA Director at Large*
- 5. Ride Safety Round Table** Champaign Room  
*Presenter: Chief Inspector Ron Dean, ODA*
- 6. Managing your gates/re-entry/restrictions** Madison Room  
*Presenter: Dean Blair, Clark Co. Fair Manager*  
*Moderator: Dan Bullen, OFMA Past President*

### Junior Fair Sessions

Red topics are on the 1st Floor

11:30a.m.-12:30p.m.

- 1. Find the Bang to your Buck: Making the Most from your JFB Donations!** Marrow Room  
*Presenters: Meigs Co. Junior Fair Board, Amanda Fulk and Mackenzie Lowe, Extension Educator - Meigs Co.*
- 2. Running Meetings Effectively using Parliamentary Procedure** Union D  
*Presenter: Jenna Hoyt, Extension Educator - Ashtabula Co.*
- 3. Community Service with Line Dancing!** Union E  
*Presenters: Butler Co. Junior Fair Board*
- 4. A Guide to Fair Royalty** Fayette Room  
*Presenter: Abby Winslow - Lucas Co. Fair*
- 5. All About the Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Board** Hayes Room  
*Presenters: Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Board Members*
- 6. Oh, the Places You'll Go!** Taft C&D  
*Presenters: Hartford Junior Fair Board Members*
- 7. Ohio 4-H Horse Program Update** McKinley Room  
*Presenters: Kim Cole, Professor - OSU Animal Sciences & Dani Seitzer, State Program Coordinator - Equine*

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**Saturday 12:45 - 1:45p.m.**  
**Sessions Sponsored by: Ohio State Fair,**  
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**Senior Fair Table Topics and Workshops**

**Red topics are on the 1st Floor**

12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

1. **Handling Livestock Tagging** **Fairfield Room**  
*Presenters: Jerry Sanders - President Defiance Co. Fair, Mark Beat - Director Attica Independent*  
*Moderator: Alan Aichholz, OFMA District 1 Director*
2. **Off Season Rentals and Management and What is the cost to those Events** **Grant Room**  
*Presenter: Troy Elwer, Fair Manager Allen County Fair*  
*Moderator: Kendra Von Lehmden-Wentz, OFMA District 1 Director*
3. **Quick Books Training: Desktop and Online Version** **Marion Room**  
*Presenter: Bev Fisher CFE, Mahoning Co. Fair Manager*  
*Moderator: Paul Lease, OFMA District 9 Director*
4. **Do you Need a Fair Manager?** **Union A,B,&C**  
*Presenter: Cara Muhlenkamp, Manager Mercer Co. Fair*  
*Moderator: Roger Smith, OFMA District 6 Director*
5. **Successful Relationships with your Ride Company** **Harrison Room**  
 What are you doing to maintain and increase the ride gross or guarantee to increase interest in your Fair. Promotions, Special Discount days, free till 3 or \$3. till 3 and more.  
*Presenter: Drew & Kyle Kissel*  
*Moderator: Von Cremeans, OFMA Director at Large*
6. **Fairs and GOSA Members Debit/credit card, and digital payment platforms.** **Champaign Room**  
 When the customer is ready to spend, be ready to take their money. Greater Ohio Showman Workshop open to all Fairs and Service Members.  
*Moderator: Doug Guinsler, OFMA/GOSA Past President*

**Junior Fair Sessions**

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12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

1. **Show Binders: Utilizing FairEntry.** **Knox Room**  
 Using Fair Entry's show programs and judging sheets, you can make entering results and announcing at shows easy. Our 2-step recording system, utilization of the bar code scanners, and our show binder table of contents will be shared.  
*Presenters: Delaware Co. & Delaware Co. Junior Fair Board Members, Jacci Smith, Extension Educator - Delaware Co.; Laryssa Hook, Extension Educator*
2. **Strangers to Family: Friendship on the Junior Fair Board.** **Morrow Room**  
*Presenters: Kate Wells, Extension Educator - Ross Co. & Ryan Kline, Extension Educator - Ross Co.*

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**Junior Fair Sessions**

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12:45 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. (Continued)

3. **Veteran Junior Fair Board Member... Now What?** **Union D**  
*Presenters: Andrea Rees, Extension Educator - Knox Co. & Joy Sharp, Extension Educator - Pickaway Co.*
4. **Cloverbud No-Bake, Bake-In** **Union E**  
*Presenters: Butler Co. Junior Fair Board & FCS Department*
5. **Animal & Me- Building Partnerships and Forging Relationships.** **Fayette Room**  
*Presenters: Kara Colvin, Extension Educator - Warren Co. & Warren Co. Animal & Me Committee*
6. **Divide and Conquer: Sharing the Workload** **Hayes Room**  
*Presenters: Kristy Watters, Extension Educator - Adams Co. & Adams Co. Junior Fair Board*
7. **Junior Fair Cloverbud Activities** **McKinley Room**  
*Presenters: Amy Gerber, Peyton Lumm & Jacki Baca, Extension Educator - Lorain Co.*
8. **Ohio 4-H Animal Sciences Program Update** **Taft C&D**  
*Presenters: Elizabeth Share, Program Specialist - OSU Extension & MacKenzie Dore, Program Assistant - OSU Animal Sciences*
9. **Being the Best Character** **Garfield Room**  
*Presenters: Beth Guggenbiller, Extension Educator - Mercer Co. & Alicia Knapke*

**Senior Fair**

- 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. **Wine and Bingo** **Taft A&B**  
 (Prizes and Two Glasses of Wine with each ticket)  
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2:00 p.m.

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**Senior Fair Table Topics and Workshops**

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2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

1. **Utilizing Pit Passes to add revenue to the bottom line of the event Benefits, Admission Cost and what does that admission give the customer.** **Harding Room**  
*Presenters: Brian Langhals Director/President Allen Co. Fair, Troy Elwer, GM Allen Co. Fair, Bart Leining er President Mercer County Fair*  
*Moderator: Kim Meyers, OFMA District 5 Director*

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## Saturday 2:00-3:00 p.m.

### Senior Fair Topics

#### Senior Fair Table Topics and Workshops

##### Red topics are on the 1st Floor

2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. (Continued)

2. **Raffles Under the New Law what Can we do & Cannot Do** Union A,B,&C  
*Presenter: Paul Harris, OFMA President*
3. **Using RFID Readers at the Fair – Panel Discussion** Fairfield Room  
*Presenters: Cindy Bodie and ODA Vets*  
*Moderator: Tim Massie, OFMA Past President*
4. **New Secretaries 3 years or less Round Table** Grant Room  
*Moderator: Rodney Arter, OFMA Immediate Past Pres.*
5. **Free Midway Shows, What is the fair providing for the paying customer to attract them to the fair** Knox Room  
*Presenter: Steve Neff, Lorain Co. Fair*  
*Moderator: Paul Lease, District 9 Director*
6. **501 C-3 Last Chance** Garfield Room  
ODA Blanket Closes June 2024 Round Table Discussion for fairs who have not received their confirmation of approval from IRS  
*Presenters: Stanley Strobe, OFMA 1st Vice President, and Angela Drake*
7. **Concession and ride contracts with your fairs & festivals** Marion Room  
What should be included in your event contracts. Greater Ohio Showman Workshop open to all Fairs and Service Members  
*Presenter: Jennifer Ramsey, GOSA Trustee*  
*Moderator: Doug Guinsler, OFMA/GOSA Past President*

### Junior Fair Sessions

##### Red topics these are on the 1st Floor

2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

1. **Facing the Public** Morrow Room  
*Presenters: Kate Wells, Extension Educator – Ross Co. & Ryan Kline, Extension Educator – Ross Co.*
2. **Your Digital Footprint** Union D  
*Presenter: Andrea Rees, Extension Educator – Knox Co.*
3. **Am I Prepared for the Challenging People at Our Fair?** Union E  
*Presenter: Judy Villard Overocker, Extension Educator – Richland Co.*
4. **Engaging Cloverbuds... Without Reinventing the Wheel** Fayette Room  
*Presenter: Allison Cooper, Extension Educator – Crawford Co.*
5. **Fun, Interactive Activities at your Co. Fair** Harrison Room  
*Presenters: Jo Williams, Extension Educator – Scioto Co. and Rachael Slone, Program Assistant – Scioto Co.*

## Saturday 2:00– 5 p.m.

### Sessions Sponsored by: Ohio State Fair, Willandale Golf Cart Sales & Syngenta

#### Junior Fair Sessions

##### Red topics are on the 1st Floor

2:00 p.m.– 3:00 p.m. (Continued)

6. **Junior Fair Board—WHY Do You Do It?** Taft C&D  
*Presenters: Jessica Rockey, Extension Educator – Perry Co. & Perry Co. Junior Fair Board Advisors and Members*
7. **Roles, Responsibilities, and Relationships** McKinley Room  
*Presenters: Joy Bauman, Extension Educator – Pike Co.; Brandon Greene, Pike Co. Fair Board President & Pike Co. Junior Fair Board Member*
8. **Get Up, Get Moving, Get to Know Others!** Ballroom Foyer  
*Presenters: Hartford Junior Fair Board Members*

#### Senior Fair Table Topics and Workshops

##### Red topics are on the 1st Floor

3:15 p.m.– 4:15 p.m.

1. **New Treasures Less than 3 years Round Table** Grant Room  
*Presenter: Robert Dawson, OFMA Treasurer*
2. **Sponsorships, What do I sell and How much can I get for that Barn Door** Madison Room  
*Presenter: Cara Muhlenkamp and the Mercer Co. Team*  
*Moderator: Kendra Von Lehmden-Wentz, OFMA Dis. 2 Director*
3. **Controlling Electric Costs KWH rates rising, How do I recover costs?** Harding Room  
*Presenter: Brad James – BJS Electric, Inc. Jason Watts - McNaughton Electric*  
*Moderator: Ron Llewellyn, OFMA District 7 Director*
4. **Utilizing QR Codes** Fairfield Room  
*Presenter: Mike Gerhart, Wayne Co. Fair*  
*Moderator: Tom Stocksdale, OFMA 1st Vice President*
5. **What's trending in Social Media** Garfield Room  
*Presenter: Cathy Cunningham Fair Manager Summit Co. Fair, Kelsey Sedlak, Office Assistant Secretary*  
*Moderator: Virgil Strickler, CFE, OFMA Director at Large*
6. **Small Market Remaining Successful** Union A,B,&C  
*Presenters: Mike Monroe, Warren Co. Fair, Dana Letner President Warren Co. Fair.*  
*Moderator: Wade Flory, OFMA District 3 Director*
7. **Convention Wrap-Up** Morrow Room  
*Moderators: OFMA Executive Team*

## **Market Place Tradeshow**

### **Final Drawings**

#### **Tradeshow Drawings**

Tradeshow Drawings Will be Pulled in the Office at the Close of the Tradeshow Each Day, Winners Will be Announced Saturday at the Extravaganza and Those Not Present Will be Notified by Mail.



**Saturday 6:00 p.m.-Midnight**

**Fun Night Free to all**

**Presenting Diamond Sponsor**  
***Extravaganza Evening and***  
***9PM Pizza Blitz***



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**OFMA Auction and Extravaganza Event**  
**Coordinators: Stanley Strobe OFMA 1st VP**  
**& Randy Kissel, GOSA President**  
***Drew Kissel on the Numbers Call***  
***Free Admission no ticket required***  
**Regency Ballroom**

***6:00p.m. Auction Registration and Preview***  
***7:00p.m. Drawing Begins on the big screens***  
***After the Final Draw of the winning ticket DJ***  
***John will spin the tunes till Midnight***

**Table & Chair Seating in the Balcony**  
**Supporting Sponsors: OFMA, GOSA**

**Snacks Sponsored By:**  
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**Food carry in allowed**  
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**Sunday 8:00– 10:45a.m.**

**8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. OFMA/ODA Office** **Nationwide Rooms**

**8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m. Convention Registration**  
**Nationwide Rooms**

**8:00 – 8:45a.m.**

**Church Service:** **Delaware Rooms**

**Officiating: Stanley Strobe, OFMA 1st Vice President**

**Moderator: Tom Stocksdale, OFMA 2nd Vice President**

**Music Provided by: ??**

***During the Morning Church Service a collection will be***  
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### **Awards Breakfast**

**9:00 – 10:15a.m.** **Regency Ballroom**

**Hall of Fame Awards**

**Presenting Sponsor: Durant Amusements Company**  
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***Ohio Fairs Communication Awards***

***Presenting Sponsor: Nutrien Ag Solutions,***  
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**Awards: Doug Marine, OFMA District 4 Director**

**Meal: Hyatt Staff**  
***(Ticket Required).***

**10:45 – 12:00p.m. OFMA Annual Meeting**

**Delaware Rooms**

**Presiding: Paul Harris, OFMA President**

**Minutes, Financials, Election of Officers**

**Committee Reports**

**Transition of the Queens:**

**Tim Massie OFMA Past President**

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**in order to receive**

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**Spring District Meetings**

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