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Celebrating 100 Years of Ohio Fairs: A Special

Welcome from the OFMA President

Welcome to the 100th OFMA Convention. We have a great line up with many educational sessions, training sessions, and full trade show. Friday will be a day to remember with rides, games, BBQ buffet, and finishing the evening with a concert by Jo Dee Messina. All of this excitement and fun for just an extra \$25.00 cover charge. We hope you join us!

I am honored to be your president for such a memorable convention. My love for the county fair started many years ago. My dad was on our local fair board for 33 years. When I was seven or eight, I would go with him on work days at the fairgrounds. When I turned nine I joined 4-H and showed sheep and completed a few still projects at the fair. I was a member of the Junior Fairboard for five years. In 1993 I became a member of our sale committee.

During my time on the committee I was president from 1995 to 1999 and committed to have a good sale at our local fair and to also raise our packer bids. In 1999 I was elected to our county fair board. I have served on the horse, sheep, goat, grounds and demolition committees. I am currently the treasurer for the Morgan County Agricultural Society.

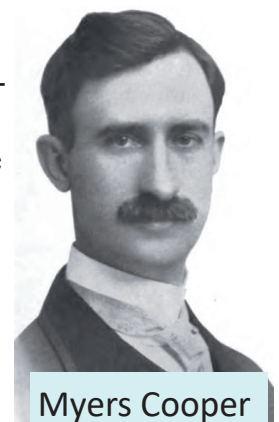
With this background and history, my love and passion for all Ohio Fairs began early and continues to grow. I 'Keep Moving Forward' in my Ohio Fairs experiences. I am proud to serve as the OFMA president and truly excited about this 100th Convention!

Stanley Strode President

History of the Ohio Fair Managers Association

Alfred Putnam Sandles was Ohio's eleventh Secretary of Agriculture. The Ohio State Fair helped organize the Ohio Fair Managers' Association around 1922 and **Myers Cooper** was the First President of the Ohio Fair Managers. During the early years the OFMA the emphasis was largely on education and agriculture expositions. Harness Racing in Ohio began its growth in the late 1930's and after World War II the Ohio Harness industry grew rapidly and in the late 1950's the Ohio Fairs Fund was developed and approved by the Legislature to establish funding for racing and fairs.

Today, the OFMA represents 95 Fairs in Ohio, and more than 240 associate members from allied fields and will hold the 100th Annual Convention in Columbus, Ohio January 2-5th, 2025. Throughout the years, the OFMA has remained true to its purpose of promoting and encouraging the development and improvement of agricultural fairs, shows, and expositions. The OFMA is actively engaged and supports the International Association of Fairs and Expositions as well as the Federation of State and Provincial Association of Fairs.



The Organization Objectives are: 1. To represent and promote the general welfare of the County, Independent and State Fairs of the State of Ohio 2. Encourage closer cooperation among the Fairs of Ohio 3. To promote Agriculture and its related fields to our fairs and their customers 4. To provide for our annual meeting or convention of all Fairs, associated groups and businesses at least once each year. 5. To promote cooperation among all agricultural related educational and commodity organizations 6. Follow the Established 990 Practice of the OFMA Board



100th Annual Ohio Fair Managers Convention 2024 OFMA Board of Directors

President	Stanley Strode Morgan Co Fair	<i>Chair, Auction Extravaganza Evening</i>
1st Vice President	Tom Stocksdales Wayne Co Fair	<i>Chair, Audit</i>
2nd Vice President	Paul Lease Columbiana Co Fair	<i>Chair, Market Place Tradeshow</i>
Treasurer	Robert Dawson Lake Co Fair	<i>Chair, Talent & Budget</i>
Executive Director	Howard Call, CFE Summit Co Fair	<i>Chair, Hotels & Banquet</i>
OFMA Office Manager	Theresa Call Summit Co Fair	<i>Coordinator Office and Staffs</i>
OFMA Education Director	Bev Fisher, CFE Salem, OH	<i>Coordinates Training on Financials</i>
District 1	Alan Aichholz Attica Independent Fair	<i>Chair, Logistics</i>
District 2	Thomas Higbie Hancock Co Fair	<i>Auction, Tradeshow, Sponsorships</i>
District 3	Wade Flory Montgomery Co Fair	<i>Chair, Harness Racing</i>
District 4	Doug Marine Fayette Co Fair	<i>Chair, Awards Committee</i>
District 5	Kim Meyers Lorain Co Fair	<i>Chair, Long Range Planning & 100th Anniversary</i>
District 6	Roger Smith Hartford Independent Fair	<i>Chair, Junior Fair</i>
District 7	Ron Llewellyn Athens Co Fair	<i>Logistics, Tradeshow</i>
District 8	Deb Hukill Jefferson Co Fair	<i>Chair, Program</i>
District 9	Tracey Koszalka Portage Co Fair	<i>Awards, Program, Queen Program</i>
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Director At-Large	Heath Ward Vinton Co Fair	<i>Credentials, Sponsorship, Junior Fair</i>
Director Emeritus	Virgil Strickler	<i>Junior Fair</i>
Immediate Past President (2022-2023)	Paul Harris* Geauga Co Fair	<i>Vice-Chair, 100th Anniversary</i>
Past President (2020-2021)	Rodney Arter Hartford Independent Fair	<i>Chair, Resolutions</i>
Past President (2018-2019)	Dan Bullen Greene Co Fair	<i>Chair, Guest Activities</i>
Past President (2016-2017)	Robert Buxton Coshocton Co Fair	<i>Credentials, Resolutions, Registration</i>
Past President (2012-2013)	Dan Kimmet Allen Co Fair	<i>Queen Program, Talent, Tradeshow</i>
Past President (2010-2011)	Dan Martin Butler Co Fair	<i>Queen Program, Resolutions, Auction</i>
Past President (2008-2009)	Tim Massie Gallia Co Fair	<i>Chair, Queen Program</i>
Past President (2000-2001)	Jon Overmyer Ottawa Co Fair	<i>Auction</i>
Past President (1998-1999)	Doug Guinsler* Muskingum Co Fair	<i>GOSA Coordinator</i>
Past President (1996-1997)	Howard Call, CFE Summit Co Fair	
Past President (1994-1995)	Harold Crowe Montgomery Co Fair	



OFMA Past Officers & Hotels

Presidents

Myers Cooper Hamilton Co	1922-1929	Tom Jordan Mahoning Co	1978-1979
Judge I.L. Holderman Montgomery Co	1929-1939	Gage Van Horn Montgomery Co	1980-1981
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N.E. Stuckey Van Wert Co	1944-1945	W.G. (Mike) Wharton Perry Co	1986-1987
Walter J. Buss Wayne Co	1946-1947	Eddie Newlon Hartford Independent	1988-1989
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Dr. Clyde W. Fields Putnam Co	1964-1965	Tim Massie Gallia Co	2006-2007
L. Wm. Burns Scioto Co	1966-1967	Dan Martin Butler Co	2008-2009
Henry Curtis Knox Co	1968-1969	Dan Kimmet Allen Co	2010-2011
Henry C. Thompson Delaware Co	1970-1971	Darrel Cubbison Muskingum Co	2012-2013
Russel Tiery Clermont Co	1972-1973	Robert Buxton Coshocton Co	2014-2015
Dr. Kline Scioto Co	1974-1975	Dan Bullen Greene Co	2016-2017
Eddie Kirk Fayette Co	1976-1977	Rodney Arter Hartford Independent	2018-2019
		Paul Harris Geauga Co	2020-2021
			2022-2023

Management Positions

Don Detrick Secretary	1929-1933
Mrs. Don Detrick Secretary	1934-1950
Goldie Sheible Secretary	1961-1964
David Ruby Secretary	1965-1969
Mrs. David S Ruby Secretary	1970
Merril Cowgill Executive Secretary	1971-1983
Ed Newlon Executive Secretary	1984
Mark List Executive Secretary	1985-1990
Andrew Stevens Secretary	1991
Mark List Executive Secretary	1992
Don Klingler, CFE Executive Secretary	1993
Howard Call, CFE Executive Director	2002-Present

Treasurers

Dick Huffman	1929-1933
W.B. Richmond	1934-1939
B. U. Bell	1940-1949
Henry Richards	1964-1973
Elizabeth Goddard	1976
Robert Rose Mahoning Co	1984-2002
Robert Dawson Lake Co	2002-Present

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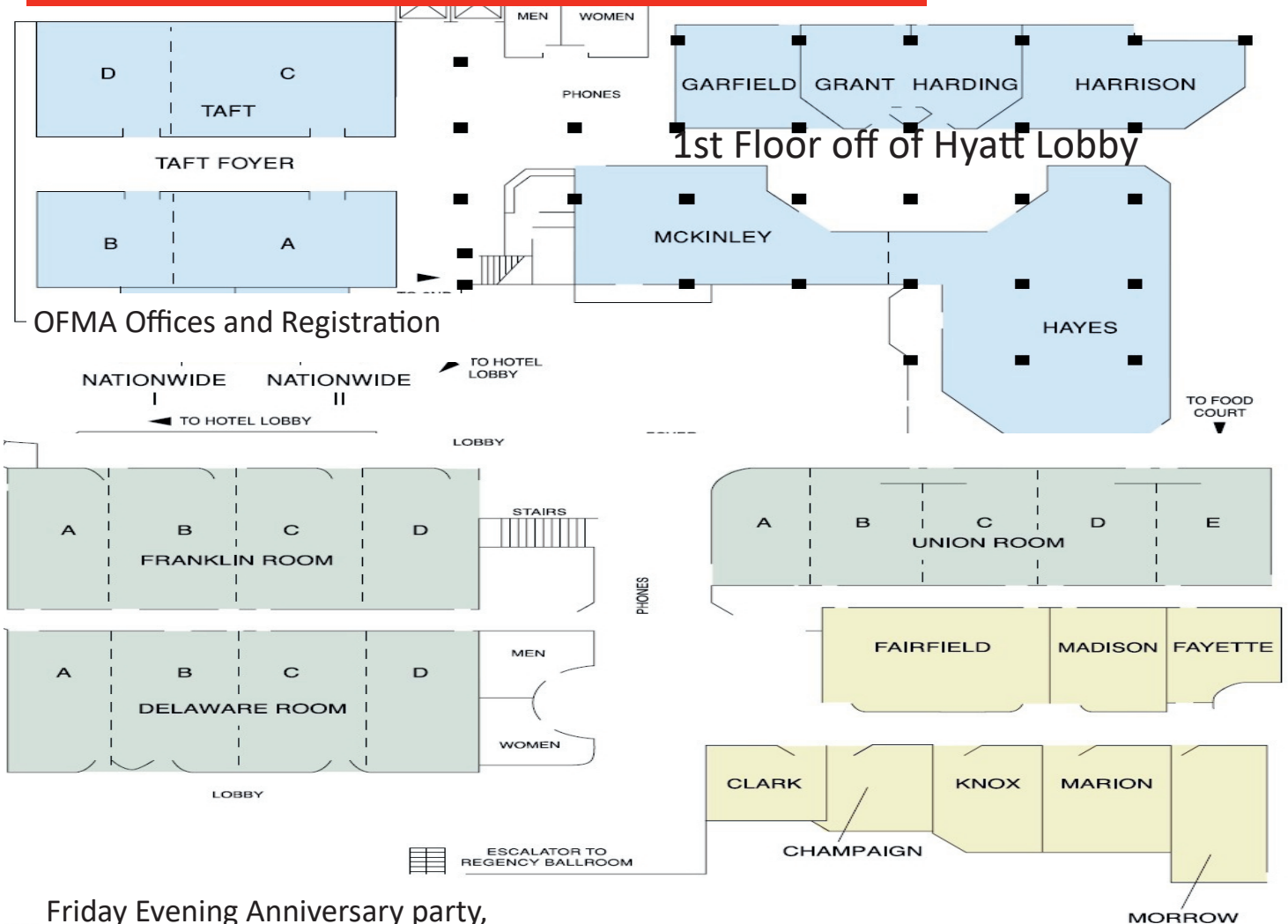
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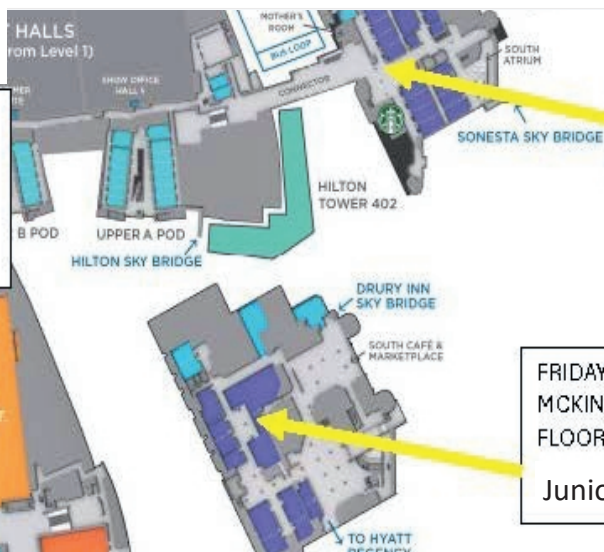
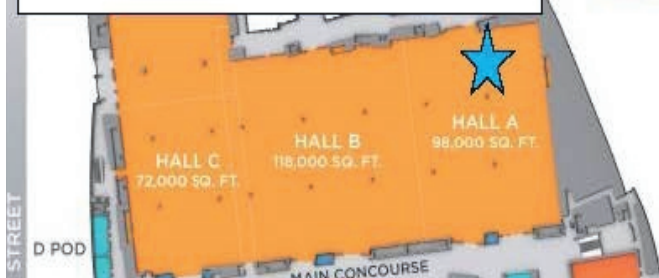


Meeting Rooms 2025 Ohio Fair Managers Convention



Friday Evening Anniversary party,
Dinner, Concert and More

2025 Ohio Fair Managers Convention
General Session for Junior and Senior
Fair boards Saturday January 4, 2025
9:30 AM HALL A



LEVEL 2
JUNIOR FAIR CREDENTIALS
PICKUP SATURDAY
MORNING 8 AM

FRIDAY NIGHT EARLY ARRIVALS
MCKINLEY HAYES ROOMS 1ST
FLOOR NEAR THE FOOD COURT
Junior Fair Participants

Legend: ■ = Ballrooms

Ohio Fairs' Queen Leah Schuhart Final Thoughts

This year has been a wild ride. I cannot say enough how much of a blessing it has been to have the opportunity to travel to fairs all across the state and meet so many amazing people. After 6,953 miles and 51 different fairs, it is so rewarding to be able to look back at everything I learned and all of the fun I had. I would be completely remiss if I did not thank those who made this experience possible for me. First and foremost, a huge thank you goes out to Fairs.com who were my travel sponsor this year! None of this would have been possible without their generous support. And of course I also must thank the Ohio Fair Managers Association for this opportunity and for all of their guidance this past year. Beyond that, I want to thank my parents and my Fairboard back home in Muskingum County for all that they have done for me this year to help make it the experience that it has been. And thank you to everyone who I met during my travels that were so kind, inviting, and friendly. The people I have been surrounded by this year are what have meant the most to me out of this experience. *Fairs.com* was my *Summer Travels Sponsor* and wish to thank Jeff and the team for their support. I am so looking forward to the convention, and am so excited to see many of the county fair queens there! I want to give them all one more wish of good luck as they are preparing for what will be a super fun weekend and an experience that they will not soon forget! It has been such a blessing and honor to have spent this year serving as the 2024 Ohio Fairs' Queen. I am left with so many memories and enough photos to fill up an art museum, but I wouldn't have had it any other way. Best wishes for a happy holiday season and looking forward to all that is to come!



Leah,





100th Annual Ohio Fair Managers Convention 2025 Ohio Fairs' Queen Candidates

Adams Co Fair
Allen Co Fair
Ashtabula Co Fair
Athens Co Fair
Auglaize Co Fair
Barlow Ind / Washington Co Fair
Belmont Co Fair
Brown Co Fair
Butler Co Fair
Carroll Co Fair
Champaign Co Fair
Clark Co Fair
Clermont Co Fair
Columbiana Co Fair
Coshocton Co Fair
Darke Co Fair
Defiance Co Fair
Delaware Co Fair
Erie Co Fair
Fairfield Co Fair
Fayette Co Fair
Franklin Co Fair
Fulton Co Fair
Gallia Co Fair
Geauga Co Fair
Greene Co Fair
Guernsey Co Fair
Hancock Co Fair
Hardin Co Fair
Hartford Independent Fair
Highland Co Fair
Hocking Co Fair
Holmes Co Fair
Huron Co Fair
Jackson Co Fair
Jefferson Co Fair
Knox Co Fair
Lake Co Fair
Lawrence Co Fair
Logan Co Fair

Antoinette Grimes
Delaney Jones
Bridget Darby
Eden Scali
Chloe Pax
Taylor Starkey
Jenna Duvall
Cecelia Clubb
Emma Puckett
Roselle Fisher
Darby Ayars
Ellen Getz
Mackenzie Specht
Alexis Timmons
Taryn Tumblin
Sophia Aultman
Cheyenne Zeedyk
Isabelle Lazar
Makayla Canino
Sophia Preston
Amberly Szczerbiak
Kyra Bradshaw
Phoebe Oyer
Emma Clary
Avery Taylor
Gracelyn Heider
Avarie Wellman
Rebecca Betts
Aidra Preston
Melinda Wesley
Alexis West
Trinity Rafferty
Jenna Sheldon
Anessa Ruggles
Natalie Allison
Alayna Starr
Reagan Ward
Audrey Pealer
Isabella Kerns
Addison Huffman

Lorain Co Fair
Lucas Co Fair
Madison Co Fair
Mahoning Co Fair
Marion Co Fair
Medina Co Fair
Meigs Co Fair
Mercer Co Fair
Miami Co Fair
Monroe Co Fair
Montgomery Co Fair
Morrow Co Fair
Muskingum Co Fair
Noble Co Fair
Ottawa Co Fair
Paulding Co Fair
Perry Co Fair
Pickaway Co Fair
Pike Co Fair
Portage Co Fair
Preble Co Fair
Putnam Co Fair
Richland Co Fair
Richwood Independent Fair
Ross Co Fair
Sandusky Co Fair
Scioto Co Fair
Seneca Co Fair
Shelby Co Fair
Stark Co Fair
Summit Co Fair
Trumbull Co Fair
Tuscarawas Co Fair
Union Co Fair
Van Wert Co Fair
Vinton Co Fair
Warren Co Fair
Wayne Co Fair
Williams Co Fair
Wood Co Fair
Wyandot Co Fair

Kyleigh Klingshirn
Hannah Schultz
Addison Reeves
Grace Maltonic
Reagan Fitsko
Jillian Sohar
Shayla Hysell
Riley Lefeld
Chloe Shellenberger
Radisson Norman
Poppy Colston
Sophia Hinkle
Avarie Tedrick
Grace Chandler
Gracie Sprague
Hannah Molitor
Jada May
Eva Merritt
Callie Farmer
Brianne Parker
Elaine Rhoades
Erica Kahle
Gracie Rodman
Josie Ufferman
Nora Beery
Kayla Schwochow
Addison Mullins
Erin Brian
Alexandria Gaerke
Cora Wines
Emily Moore
Christina Haycox
Morgan Miller
Lily Klein
Ella Davis
Gabrielle Champion
Emma Collins
Marley Snyder
Ingrid Hoffman
Madelayne Lee
Taylor Fredritz



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Thursday January 2 8am–1:30pm Workshops & Meetings

2025 Convention Presenting Sponsor: Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association

TIME:	ROOM:	TOPIC:	PRESENTER & MODERATOR:
8:00-5:00	Nationwide A&B	OFMA-ODA Office	
8:00-10:00	Nationwide Foyer	Welcome to Columbus Hospitality	Sponsored by: <i>Adams-Endsley Concessions</i> <i>Queens Gift Tote Sponsored by: Syngenta</i>
8:00-12:00	Hayes Foyer	Ohio County and Independent Fairs Queen Registration <i>Presenting Sponsor: Eagle Golf Cars</i>	
8:00-12:00	Hayes	Queen Hospitality Queen Social	Supporting Sponsor: <i>Otter's Concessions</i> Sponsored by: <i>The Fair Publishing House</i>
8:00-5:00	Nationwide Foyer	Convention Registration	
9:00-1:00	Queen Interviews	Ohio Fairs' Queen Contest Interviews	
9:00-6:00	Fayette	Open Meeting Room - Networking	
9:00-6:00	Champaign	Fairs Merchandise and Exhibits	
9:00-5:00	Clark	GOSA Office	Bill Sterling President
10:00-9:00		TRADESHOW set up	
10:00-2:00	Union D	Ride Safety Meeting	<i>David Miran, ODA</i>
10:00 –9	Taft A	Visiting Past Queens Social Room	Presenting Sponsor:
10:30-12:00	Fairfield	“Keeping your Event Safe” <i>Focus is for Fair Managers/Presidents/Security Directors to assist in Planning for your fair. Jeff Cotney is the director of security for the State Fair of Texas, and a retired deputy chief of the Dallas Police Department.</i>	Speaker: Jeff Cotner, Sponsored by IAFE Moderator: Dan Bullen, OFMA Past President Hospitality snacks Provided by: Adams-Endsley Concessions
10:30-12:00	UNION A,B,C	“Leadership in Changing Times” <i>This session is focused on the Leadership team of the county fair including the Secretary & Treasurer. IAN: I believe with all my heart that every individual, every neighborhood, every organization, and every community-is just one thought, one idea, one voice, one action-away from being better tomorrow than it was yesterday. And YOU can be that person!</i>	Presenter: Ian Hill Chief Executive Officer The Changing Point Moderator: Bob Dawson, OFMA Treasurer Hospitality snacks Provided by: Experience Columbus
12:15-1:15	Fairfield	Gun Bash Round Table the Do's And Don'ts	Presenters: Medina Co. Fair, CAO Amanda Shenberger, Jason Ehrman, Ron Baker Perry Co. Fair Moderator: Kim Meyers, OFMA District 5 Director
1:00-4:00	Union E	Person in Charge Training for food operations. Must be registered with GOSA	Greater Ohio Showman Association Training Presenter: Mike Tedrick
1:30-2:30	Fayette Room	Software for Fair Management	Presenters: Cathy Cunningham, Fair Manager/Secretary, Summit Co. Fair, Kolt Buchenroth Marketing & Communication Director Hardin County Fair. Moderator: Howard Call, CFE, OFMA ED

Thursday Programing 1:30pm –5:30 pm Workshops & Events

1:30-2:30	Madison	Workers Comp How and What do we Need	<i>Presenter: Julia Bowling, Business Development Manager</i> Moderator: Heath Ward, OFMA Director at Large
1:30-2:30	Morrow	Fraud what are the trends and how do we protect our Fairs \$s	<i>Presenters: Cara Yoder –Forensic Audit Manager. Special Investigation Unit Auditor of State’s office and Erin Kelly, Auditor of State’s office</i> Moderator: Amanda Sines
2:30	Regency Ballroom	Queens Dress Rehearsal	Tim Massie – Chairman
2:30-3:15	Fairfield	Conflicts of interest – <i>what is included in a good conflict policy? Statutes/rules about credit cards – How does an ag society pre-cure one and what are the rules? Who is authorized to use the credit card and how are credit card rewards handled.</i>	<i>Presenter: Vance Pulley, Quality Assurance and Technical Specialist Ohio Auditors Office</i> Moderator: Amanda Sines, Government Advantage Group
2:30-3:15	Morrow	Review Your By-Laws and Code of conduct	<i>Presenter: Christy Lucas, Brown Co Fair, Don Jones, State Representative</i> Moderator: Stanley Strode
3:30	Fayette	MOU – Junior Fair Partnerships document	<i>Presenter: Lisa D. McCutcheon Extension Educator - 4-H Youth Development OSU Extension - Licking County</i> Moderator: Roger Smith OFMA District 6 Director
3:30	Hayes	Queen Dinner <i>Each Queen applicant receives 1 ticket, additional tickets ordered from the OFMA office</i>	Tim Massie – Chairman Supporting Sponsor: <i>Haas & Wilkerson Insurance</i>
3:30-4:30	Union A,B,C	Rubber Band Resilience: Stretch without Snapping. <i>“Embrace change & thrive amidst disruption with this transformative session. You will learn how a disruption-friendly mindset is crucial for serving visitors, retaining personnel & meeting budgets.” “Through the 3-R method (React, Reframe, Re-energize) you will gain tools to stretch without snapping, leading to greater retention and productivity</i>	<i>Presenter: Kathy Parry</i> Moderator: Bob Dawson, OFMA Treasurer Secretary/ Treasurer Training Certificate Program Hospitality snacks Provided by: <i>Linville Foods</i>
4:45-5:30	Fairfield	First Time Attendees Reception and meeting for Thursday arrival attendees <i>Hospitality Sponsored by: EGO Amusements</i> <i>Cups Supplied by Nutrien Ag Solutions</i>	<i>Presenters: Stanley Strode, OFMA Paul Lease 2nd Vice President, Rod Arter, OFMA Past President</i>

100th Anniversary Single Barrel Jack Daniels Engraved Bottle and 2 Sipping Glasses
\$100 Donation
at the OFMA office



Thursday Ohio Fairs' Queen Pageant Evening

Introduction of Candidates and Selection to 5 semi finalists

Hyatt Regency Ballroom Doors Open 6:00pm

Program introductions 6:30 pm by 2024 Ohio Fairs Queen Leah Schuhart &
Queen Committee Chair Tim Massie OFMA Past President



Welcome to the Past Ohio Fairs' Queens in Attendance this Evening

Ohio Fairs' Queen Presenting Sponsor Eagle Golf Cars, Carroll, Ohio

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Queens Gift 31 Bag Sponsored by Syngenta

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506 Big O Amusements

509 Holmes County Fair

Convention Sponsor:

Friday Night Celebration Showman of Showman Sponsor

515 Primetime Shows

520 Durant Amusements

Convention Sponsor:

Hall of Fame Awards
Friday Night Celebration Amusement Rides

523 Bates Brothers Amusements

Convention Sponsor:

Corn Hole Tournament and Snacks

528 Auglaize County Fair

531 Lisko Family Amusements

Convention Sponsor:

Associates, Guests, and Spouse Drawing
Market Place Tradeshow
Friday Night Celebration Amusement Rides

537 EGO Amusements

Convention Sponsor:

First Time Attendees' Meeting

542 Nutrien Ag Solutions

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Communication Awards
Convention Catalog
Special Event Hospitality Cups

544 Albanese Amusements

644 Ohio Carnival Company

1244 Klein's Entertainment, LLC

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Spouse and Guest Activities

1905 Hartford Independent Fair

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1925 Ohio State Tractor Pullers Association

1938 Variety Attractions

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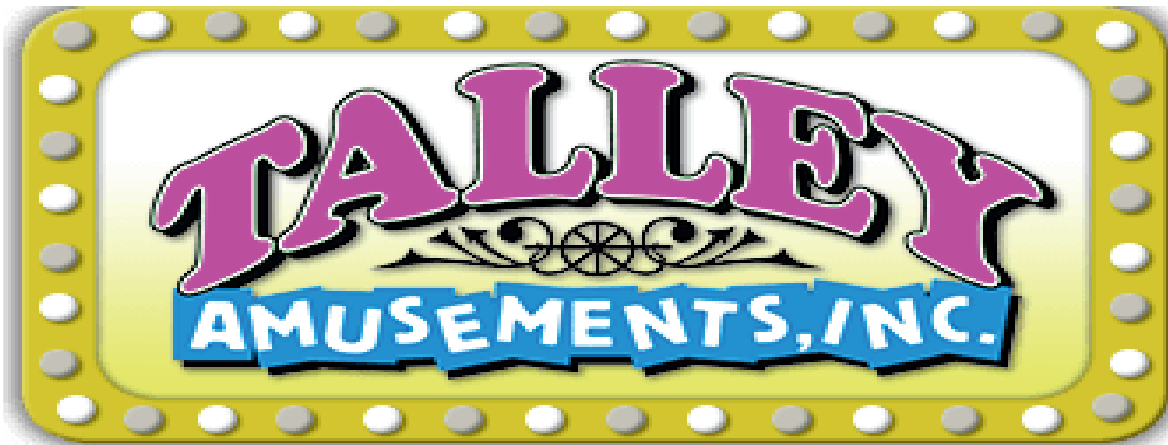
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TIME: ROOM: TOPIC:
7:00-5:00 Nationwide Foyer **Convention Registration**
8:00-5:00 Nationwide A&B **OFMA-ODA Office**
8:00-10:00 Nationwide Foyer **Welcome to Columbus Hospitality**

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8:45 OFMA President Stanley Strode Presiding
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9:00-12:00 Clark	GOSA Office	
9:00-6:00 Garfield	Open Meeting Room - Networking	
9:00-10:00 Marion	Update on Fire Suppression rules for food trailers GOSA Session Open to all	Presenter: Chief Smith, Columbus, Ohio Moderator: David Drake
9:00-6:00 Grant	Open Meeting Room - Networking	
10:00-4:00 Champaign	Fairs Merchandise and Fairs Exhibits	Great Geauga Co. Fair
10:15-11:15 Marion	Working with your local food inspector - Food inspectors will discuss their inspection process and answer questions. GOSA Session Open to all	Presenter: Joe Stacey, Franklin County Health Dept Moderator: Mike Tedrick

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Friday, January 3rd & Saturday, January 4th

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*Final Drawing: 5 pm**
Friday, January 3rd
100th Anniversary Evening Event
Saturday, January 4th
at the Extravaganza Evening Event

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OFMA No. 0001
Directors & Officers Drawing
Friday, January 5th, 2024 and Saturday, January 6th, 2024

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Directors & Officers Drawing
*Qualifying Drawings held Fri. & Sat. with Final Drawing: Winners will be notified**
Friday, January 5th, 2024
at the President's Reception & Showcase of Bands
Saturday, January 6th, 2024
at the Extravaganza
Time: 5:00PM

FILL OUT AND DROP IN THE DIRECTORS GOLD DRUM IN THE TRADESHOW

Friday Programing 10am-10:45am Workshops & Meetings

2025 Convention Presenting Sponsor: Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association

10-5pm Grand Opening of the Market Place Tradeshow

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Ohio Fairs District Meetings

10:45- 12:00	Taft A&B	District 1 Meeting	Alan Aichholz Presiding
10:45- 12:00	Morrow	District 2 Meeting	Thomas Higbie Presiding
10:45- 12:00	Fayette	District 3 Meeting	Wade Flory Presiding
10:45- 12:00	McKinley	District 4 Meeting	Doug Marine Presiding Election Moderator Dan Kimmett
10:45- 12:00	Union A,B,C	District 5 Meeting	Kim Meyers Presiding Election Moderator Dan Bullen
10:45- 12:00	Hayes	District 6 Meeting	Roger Smith Presiding Election Moderator Dan Martin
10:45- 12:00	Union D	District 7 Meeting	Ron Llewellyn Presiding Election Moderator Tim Massie
10:45- 12:00	TAFT C&D	District 8 Meeting	Deb Hukill Presiding
10:45- 12:00	Fairfield Room	District 9 Meeting	Tracey Koszalka Presiding



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1:00-3:00	Taft C&D	Ohio Harness Horsemen's Meeting	<i>Presenters: Frank Haas Director OHHA, Susan Schroeder, Ashley Dailey, Kim Porta</i> Moderator: Wade Flory, OFMA District 3 Director
1:00-2:00	Union A,B,C	ODA Veterinarian Meeting A-L Fairs	<i>Presenters: Dr. Dennis Summers, DVM and Staff</i> Moderator: Tim Massie, OFMA Past President
1:00-2:15	Drury Hotel Atrium	Bourbon Production and the Agricultural Impacts with Educational Session Ticket Required Sponsored by: <i>Klein's Entertainment, LLC.</i>	<i>Dan Bullen Co-Chair, Tom Stocksdale Co-Chair, Roger Smith, OFMA District 6 Director, Tracy Koszalka, OFMA District 9 Director</i>
1:00-4:00	Fairfield	Greater Ohio Showman Annual Meeting	<i>William Sterling, President</i>
1:00-2:00	Taft A&B	Joy Jolt: Ignite Your Culture, Is your team drained and struggling to stay engaged? Discover how to elevate the motivator behind energy: Joy. In this address, Kathy provides a powerful jolt to ignite joy, fostering purpose and transforming your culture. Learn how joy increase team loyalty, engagement and the drive to serve at the highest level.	<i>Presenter: Kathy Parry</i> Moderator: Bob Dawson, OFMA Treasurer <i>Hospitality snacks Provided by: Hacker Livestock</i>
1:00-2:00	Union D	Advertising that works & Promotions that are tied to your campaign <i>Round table Discussion Bring Handouts on your fair's advertising planning</i>	<i>Presenter Jess West Ohio State Fair and Expo Center Staff</i> Moderator: Doug Marine, OFMA District 4 Director
1:00-2:00	Morrow	People with Disabilities <i>Winning 4H Plan Task Force Working with those " People with Disabilities "students at your Co. Fair and getting these People into the show ring</i>	<i>Presenters: Pam Montgomery & Angie Allison, Mimi & Anna Ault Jefferson Co.</i> Moderators: Deb Hukill, OFMA District 8 Director, Stanley Strode OFMA President
1:00-2:00	Union E	Prepare your Co. and Independent Fair queen for the Ohio Fair Managers Convention Queen program	<i>Presenter: Rebekah Hardacre 2023 Ohio Fairs Queen</i> Moderator: Kendra Von Lehmden-Wentz, OFMA Director At Large
1:00-2:00	Fayette	Successful Membership Sales and Management. Understanding the Law http://codes.ohio.gov/orc/1711.01 & http://codes.ohio.gov/oac/901-5-03	<i>Presenter: David Miran, ODA</i> Moderator: Alan Aichholz, OFMA District 1 Director
1:00-2:00	Harrison	Large Fair Round Table	<i>Presenter: Troy Elwer, Fair Manager Allen Co. Fair</i> Moderator: Dan Kimmel, OFMA Past President
1:00-2:00	McKinley	Big Strategies for Small Budgets: Manage and Market Like the Majors Fairs.com Digital Ticketing	<i>Presenter: Jeff Cole VP Marketing Sponsor & Vendor Presentation</i>



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1:00-2:00	Marion	Small Fair Round Table	Presenters: Garth Ruff, Morgan Co Fair, Scott Simons, Athens Co Fair, Jeremy Barth, Barlow Ind Fair Moderator: Ron Llewellyn, OFMA District 7 Director
1:00-2:00	Hayes	Medium Fair Round Table	Presenters: Stephen Heppe, Portage Co. Board Member, David Kurtzman, Portage Co. Board Member Moderator: Tracey Koszalka, OFMA District 9 Director
2:15-3:15	Fayette	Pullorum Testing Issues	Presenter: Jenna Gregorich Ohio Poultry Association Bird Health Programs Manager Moderator: Rod Arter OFMA Past President
2:15-3:15	Taft A&B	"Recruiting and retaining Volunteers in the 21st Century" Join us for an insightful workshop tailored for leaders of Co. fairs and expositions, where we delve into the strategies and challenges of recruiting and retaining volunteers in the 21st century. This interactive session will equip you with practical tools and innovative approaches to enhance volunteer engagement and sustain a thriving community-driven event culture.	Presenter: Ian Hill Chief Executive Officer- The Changing Point Moderator: Paul Lease OFMA 2nd Vice President
2:15	Tradeshow Delaware, Franklin, Hallway 1st Floor	Keg Beer, and snacks Attendee must have 2025 OFMA Convention Name Tag to be served. Servers reserve the right to verify legal age for alcoholic service.	Hospitality snacks Provided by: BASF, Adams-Endsley Concessions, Beverage cups Sponsor: Nutrien Ag Solutions
2:15-3:15	Union A,B,C	ODA Veterinarian Meeting L-W Fairs	Presenters: Dr. Dennis Summers, DVM and Staff Moderator: Tim Massie, OFMA Past President
2:15-3:15	Union D	Saffire: Website Ticketing for Events, Fairs, Festivals & More Sponsor & Vendor Presentation	Presenter: Jennifer Puente VP of Marketing Saffire
2:15-3:15	McKinley	Your Fairs Performance Audit	Presenter: Dorinda Byers Ohio Auditors Office Deputy Director of Operations Moderator: Bob Dawson, OFMA Treasurer
2:15-3:15	Harrison	How do we as a Co. Fair support our community and be a good Business Partner	Presenters: Chasitie Euler, District Manager Agricultural Solutions for BASF, Steve Emery, Division Manager Nutrien Ag Solutions Southern Ohio Moderator: Greta Gray, OFMA Director at Large
2:15-3:15	Morrow	Fair Manager Round Table What the term means to Fair Boards, 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	Presenter: Allen Co. Fair Troy Elwer Fair Manager, Brian Langhals Allen Co. President Moderator: Tom Higbie, OFMA District 2 Director

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2:15-3:15	Marion	Emergency Operations Planning, Incident Action Planning <i>The Presenter has an expansive background in EOP and incident management.</i>	Presenter: Diana Woolf OFE, FSI, CPSI Senior Risk Services Consultant, Public Entities Pool of Ohio Moderator: Heath Ward, OFMA Director At Large
2:15-3:15	Hayes	Sunshine Law Review and Update on Agricultural Society Responsibilities under the Ohio Laws	Presenter: Attorney Susan McDonald Moderator: Dan Martin, OFMA Past President
2:30-3:45	Drury Hotel Atrium	Bourbon Production and the Agricultural Impacts with Educational Session Ticket Required. <i>Sponsored by: Klein's Entertainment, LLC.</i>	<i>Dan Bullen CO-Chair, Tom Stockdale Co-Chair, Roger Smith, OFMA District 6 Director, Tracy Koszalka, OFMA District 9 Director</i>
3:30-4:30	Union A,B,C	Official ID/Rfid session	Presenter: Ohio Department of Agriculture
3:30-4:30	Marion	Preparing for an Audit. <i>Mercer Co. Fair and Cuyahoga Co. Fair will layout their procedures</i>	Presenters: Mercer Co. Fair Manager, Cara Muhlenkamp CFE, Tessie Collins Mercer Co. Fair Office Manager, Susan Bachie Cuyahoga Co. Fair Treasurer Moderator: Tom Higbie, OFMA District 2 Director
3:30-4:15	Union D	New Director Orientation <i>The laws; the does and don'ts</i>	Presenter: Bob Buxton, OFMA Past President
3:30-4:15	Union E	How do you motivate or eliminate non-working board directors	Presenter: Darl Evans Harford Ind. Fair Moderator: Heath Ward At Large Director
3:30-4:15	Fayette	What constitutes sexual harassment; how to deal with it, board and vendors	Presenter: Diana Woolf OFE, FSI, CPSI Senior Risk Services Consultant Public Entities Pool of Ohio Moderator: Deb Hukill, OFMA District 8 Director
3:30-4:15	Harrison	Gate Worker Contracts groups or individuals	Fayette County Fairboard Staff Moderator: Doug Marine, OFMA District 4 Director
3:30-4:15	Hayes	Secretary/ Treasurers Round Table	Presenters: Evelyn Lieb Secretary Sandusky Co. Fair, Rick Holland Treasurer Sandusky Co. Fair, Kathy Thomas Secretary/Treasurer Wood Co. Fair Moderator: Alan Aichholz, OFMA District 1 Director
3:30-4:15	Knox	Recruiting young people as fair board directors	Presenters: Ian Van Kirk Hartford Fair Board Member, Lana Poe Hartford Board Member Moderator: Roger Smith, OFMA District 6 Director



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Friday continued 3:15pm-11pm Workshops & Evening Activities

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3:30-4:15 McKinley

How do you handle non-payment livestock sales

Presenter: Debi Heppe, Portage Co. Junior Fair Advisor

Moderator: Tracey Koszalka, OF-MA District 9 Director

4:45

Tradeshow Closes for Friday

**The drums will be collected and winning tickets drawn and winners announced
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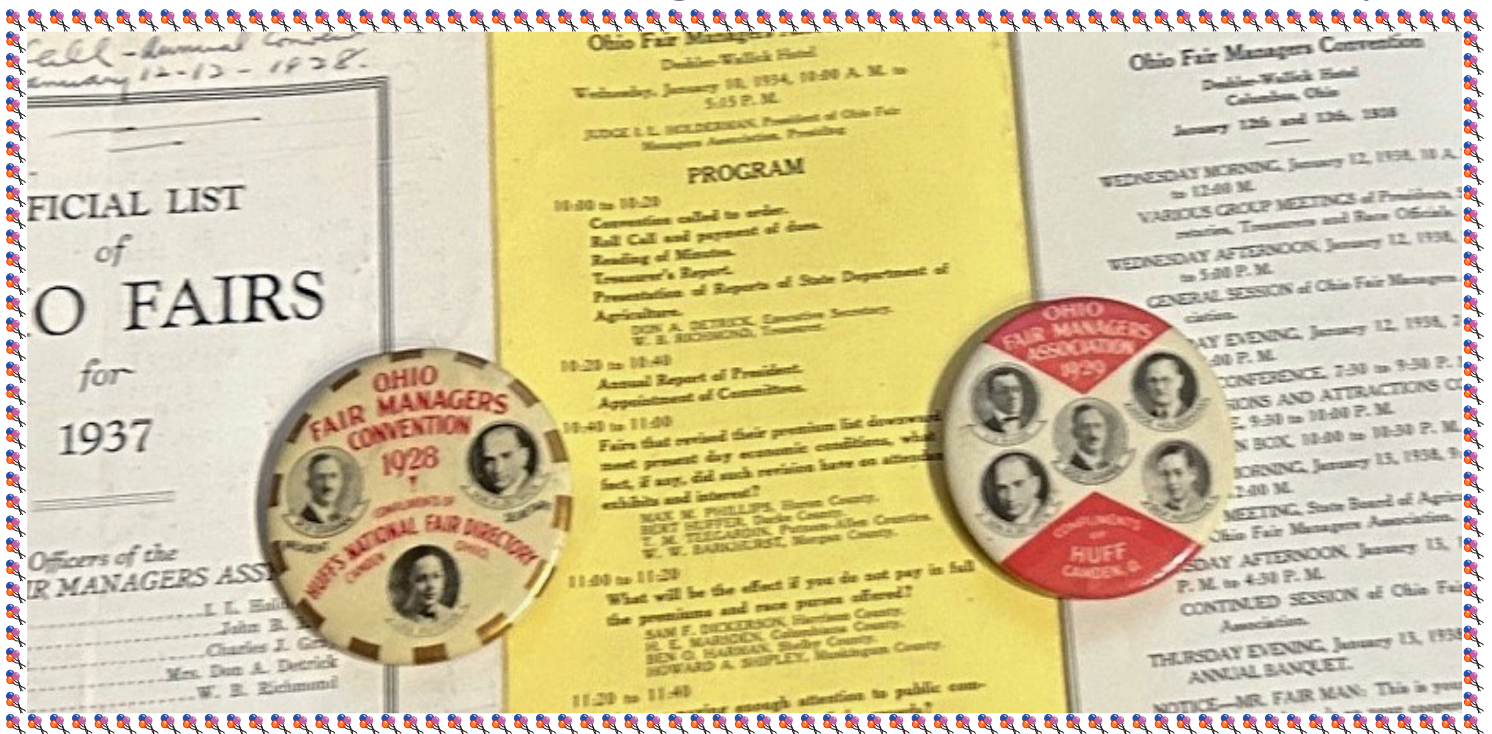


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Saturday Programing 8am-8:15 am

2025 Convention Presenting Sponsor: Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association **Welcome Junior Fair Boards from our Ohio Agricultural Fairs**

TIME:	ROOM:	TOPIC:	PRESENTERS & MODERATORS:
8:00-5:00	Nationwide A&B	OFMA-ODA Office	
8:00-5:00	Nationwide Foyer	Convention REGISTRATION <i>Sponsored by: The Fair Publishing House</i>	Wade Flory- Chairman Bob Buxton-Vice Chairman
8:00-10:00	Nationwide Foyer	Welcome to Columbus Hospitality	<i>Sponsored by: Adams-Endsley Concessions</i> <i>Roger Smith-Chairman, Deb Hukill-Vice Chairman</i>
8:00-10:00	Union Foyer New location for 2025	Junior Fair REGISTRATION <i>New Location</i> <i>Union Foyer 2nd Floor</i>	<i>Roger Smith-Chairman, Deb Hukill-Vice Chairman</i>
8:00-10:00	County Hallway Foyer by the Restrooms and the Staircase	Hospitality Coffee break provided by <i>Hyatt Regency Staff</i> <i>New location for 2025</i> <i>County Foyer 2nd Floor</i>	<i>Roger Smith-Chairman, Deb Hukill-Vice Chairman</i>
8:00-8:45	Madison	How to co-exist with multiple generations in the work place	<i>Presenter: Melinda J. Hill, Extension Educator, OSU Extension, Wayne Co.</i> Moderator: Tom Stocksdales, OFMA 1st Vice President
8:00-8:45	Taft A&B	Harness Racing Round Table	<i>Presenter: Frank Fraas Interim Director of Marketing and Outreach, Susan Schroeder Project Coordinator</i> Moderator: Dan Kimmet, OFMA Past President
8:00-8:45	Taft C&D	Ohio Livestock Exhibition Rules	<i>Presenter: Dr Larry Summers DMV Ohio Department of Agriculture</i> Moderator: Doug Marine, OFMA District 4 Director
8:00-8:45	Knox	Round Table on Grandstand Entertainment; <i>What Works and What Doesn't</i>	Paul will kick off, Bring your thoughts Moderator: Paul Lease, OFMA 2nd Vice President
8:00-8:45	Fairfield	Hiring, supporting and succession planning of office staff	<i>Presenter: Jo Ellen Albanese Human Resources Administrator Ohio State Fair & Expo Center</i> Moderator: Kim Meyers, OFMA District 5 Director
8:00-8:45	Marion	Easier to do yourself?? Delegate!!	<i>Presenters: Malissa and Ed Campbell Belmont Co.</i> Moderator: Deb Hukill, OFMA District 8 Director
8:00-8:45	Union A,B,C	Elections, Directors Petitions and Selling Memberships Raffle Do and Don'ts	<i>Presenter: David Miran, ODA</i> Moderator: Stanley Strode, OFMA President

9:30 General Session Junior/Senior Fair General Session
Hall A Doors Open 9 AM Convention Center, follow the signs
from the Union Hallway past the Hilton down the escalators



Ohio State University Extension proudly celebrates the 100-year anniversary of the Ohio Fair Managers Association (OFMA). We are deeply grateful for OFMA's unwavering commitment to representing and promoting fairs and special events across Ohio.

For a century, OFMA has been a cornerstone in the fair community, ensuring that county and independent fairs, as well as the Ohio State Fair, are supported and successful. The association's dedication extends beyond organizing fairs and festivals; it fosters cooperation among agricultural, educational, and commodity organizations, creating a collaborative environment that benefits all stakeholders – including Ohio 4-H members who exhibit their projects at county and independent fairs across the state.

In addition, we express our deepest appreciation for OFMA's commitment to providing an annual Junior Fair Conference to support our state's teen leaders who are serving as Junior Fair Board members. This premier event provides educational and networking opportunities while enhancing life skills development among the youth who will be tomorrow's leaders. Ohio's Junior Fair Conference is indeed an undertaking that is held up as an example to other fair industry organizations across the country.

As we honor OFMA's centennial milestone, our Extension professionals look forward to continuing our work alongside your members. Together, we will keep advancing agricultural education, community engagement, and the overall quality of Ohio's fairs for generations to come.

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Saturday Junior Fair Workshops 8:15am-9:15am

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JUNIOR FAIR SESSIONS EXPANDED TOPIC DESCRIPTION

Road Trip Adventures: Absolutely Priceless! | ROOM: UNION E 2ND FLOOR

Hartford Junior & Senior Fair Board Members & OSU Extension Staff – Licking County

Traveling together to visit other fairs in small groups or as part of an organized bus trip helps Junior and Senior Fair Boards develop stronger relationships while gathering new ideas. Learn about different formats and ways to incorporate road trips into your Fair Board experience.

Ohio 4-H Animal Sciences Program Update | ROOM: MORROW 2ND FLOOR

MacKenzie Dore, Youth Program Educator – OSU Animal Sciences

Come learn what's new with 4-H Animal Sciences programming including: Youth Quality Assurance, state livestock judging, upcoming clinics and contests, state-level Skillathons, and other Ohio State Fair youth livestock opportunities.

Setting the Stage for a Successful Meeting | ROOM: UNION D 2ND FLOOR

Jenna Hoyt, Extension Educator – Ashtabula County

Through this interactive session, Youth Leaders will learn tips for handling officer positions and tips for officers on using time together efficiently and effectively.

Junior Fair Board in Training, Getting the Younger Youth Involved Early! ROOM: MCKINLEY 1ST FLOOR

Molly Avers Extension Educator Ottawa County, Angie Rahm, Jr. Fair Board in Training Members

Have younger youth looking to help, following Junior Fair Board members, eager to do more?! We will share how we started Jr. Fair Bboard in Training; the youth help at fair, hold meetings, have responsibilities, and help the Junior Fair Board!

Don't Forget to Say Thank You | ROOM: HAYES 1ST FLOOR

Lydia Leeds, Extension Educator – Marion County & Frances Foos, Educator – State 4-H Older Youth and Civic Engagement The value of the words "Thank You" can go a long way for donors, supporters, volunteers, and parents. Come and share ideas for the best ways to thank our people that make the county fair happen.



Saturday 9 AM Doors Open Hall A Convention Center

Junior/Senior Fair General Session



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9:30 General Session

Stanley Strode OFMA President Presiding

Pledge of Allegiance 2024 Ohio Fairs Queen Leah Schuhart

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Keynote: Coty Back

“Leading with Humble Confidence”

**Ohio Fairs Queen Leah Schuhart Presiding and Introducing
2025 Ohio Fairs’ Queen & Court Announcement**

Keynote: Coty Back

Presented by: Ohio Soybean Council



Coty believes passionately in the potential of people both as individuals and in their collective. Coty believes passionately in the potential of people both as individuals and in their collective power as teams. For the past 6 years he has invested his life into developing leaders who develop leaders. He considers himself a leader multiplier, and through his efforts, those he has led have impacted more than 500,000 leaders directly and more than one million indirectly.

Coty has been responsible for the coaching and development of young people on a national stage. Through his coaching he has enabled young leaders to identify and set meaningful goals, establish rhythms to increase effectiveness, and learn how to successfully pursue their purpose and unleash their potential. Those young leaders have gone on to be named Rhodes Scholars, become collegiate mascots, landed dream jobs, but most importantly have transformed their patterns to be successful in life as well-balanced leaders.

An adept communicator, he has traveled the country entertaining audiences with humorous stories that have meaningful lessons. Whether it's a group of middle school students or professional adults, Coty uses his fun-loving personality to connect with the audience in order to deliver maximum impact. As a former sales representative, he used his gifts as a communicator and relationship builder to bring million-dollar growth to his territory.

Saturday Programing 9am–11:30am Senior Fair Workshops

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9:00-5:00	Clark	GOSA Office	
9:00-12:00	Grant	Open Meeting Room - Networking	
10:00-4:00	Champaign	Fairs Merchandise and exhibits	<i>Great Geauga Co. Fair</i>
10:00-5:00	1st and 2nd Floor of the Hyatt Hotel Meeting Space	Market Place TRADE SHOW	Paul Lease – Chairman Alan Aichholz – Vice Chairman
10:15-11:15	Garfield	Debit/credit card, and digital payment platforms. <i>Best practices so it works for all.</i>	Brian Linville, VP Greater Ohio Showman Presentation
11:30 - 12:30	Garfield	Concession and ride contracts with your fairs & festivals. <i>What should be included in your event contracts.</i>	Presenters: Annie Bair, Jennifer Ramsey Greater Ohio Showman Presentation
11:30-12:30	TAFT A&B	Secretary/ Treasurers Round Table	Michelle Byram, Secretary/ Treasurer Moderator: Paul Lease, OFMA 2nd Vice President
11:30-12:30	Union A,B,C	Introduction to FairEntry <i>Are you looking for an online entry system to manage your fair or need a refresher of using FairEntry? Come check out what FairEntry has to offer! The FairEntry Support Team will highlight the features of the FairEntry system and will answer all your questions.</i>	Presenters: Amy Alderson, Christy Blomeke Representing FairEntry Moderator: Alan Aichholz, OFMA District 1 Director
11:30-12:30	Marion	Insurance Needs-Are You Prepared?	Presenters: John & Barb Ackerman Monroe Co. & Bonnie Randolph Jefferson Co. Moderator: Deb Hukill, OFMA District 8 Director
11:30-12:30	Knox	Securing your fair; <i>Do you have a plan, do you run drills, get prepared. & Sexual Offenders. Mike has 33 years of Law Enforcement and is a Summit County Fair Board Member.</i>	Presenter: Mike Hawsman, Summit Co. Fair Vice President. Moderator: Tracey Koszalka, OFMA District 9 Director
11:30-12:30	Fairfield	Do you Need a Fair Manager: <i>When is the timing right</i>	Presenters: Amanda Shenberger, Medina Co Fair CAO, Amy Fleshman, Franklin Co Fair Secretary Moderator: Rod Arter, OFMA Past President
11:30-12:30	Harrison	Fair Presidents Round Table	Round table Opening Thoughts, Von Cremeans Pickaway County Fair: Board President, Moderator: Dan Bullen, OFMA Past President

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. JUNIOR FAIR SESSIONS

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Repping the Red Jacket | ROOM: MORROW 2ND FLOOR

Leslie Cooksey, Extension Educator – Fairfield County & Fairfield County Junior Fair Board Members
You're on the Board, fair is coming, now what? In this session, discover roles and responsibilities for fair week as a Junior Fair Board Member. Learn how to prepare yourself as a JFB member with the expectations adults, exhibitors, and show committee members have of you in your role.

Building Partnerships, Forging Relationships, and Opening Doors to Make the Fair Accessible for All | ROOM: UNION D 2ND FLOOR

Kara Colvin, Extension Educator – Warren County & Tracie Montague, Extension Educator – Clinton County
Explore innovative ways to engage people with disabilities in the fair experience. Our programs are a partnership with Extension, 4-H, Fair Boards, and volunteers to provide individuals with disabilities the opportunity to experience caring for and showing an animal at fair.

Junior and Senior Fair Boards: Making Partnership a Priority | ROOM: UNION E 2ND FLOOR

Hartford Junior & Senior Fair Board Members & Lisa McCutcheon, Extension Educator – Licking County
During this session, participants will learn how building friendships and respect between the JFB and SFB can bring great benefits. Junior and Senior Fair Board members of the Hartford Independent Fair will explain the ways that they have worked together so as to make for a successful fair season. Through joint meetings, trainings, a bi-annual road trip and simple name games and mixers, these two boards have learned to work together so that each of them reap rewards. If you are looking for new opportunities, and are willing to make the effort to create them, this is your session.

Ohio 4-H Horse Program Update | ROOM: FAYETTE 2ND FLOOR

Kim Cole, Professor – OSU Animal Sciences & Dani Seitner, State Program Coordinator - Equine Join us to learn about the state 4-H horse events and program updates for 2025!

Fight the Hunger, Stock the Trailer – How to get involved and take your fair to the next level. | ROOM: HAYES 1ST FLOOR

Lindy McLaughlin, Jennie Schultice, Kari Burkey – Farm Credit Mid-America The Fight the Hunger, Stock the Trailer contest inspires junior leaders to impact their communities and offers a chance to win funds for your junior fair board. Discover more about the contest and ways to gain a competitive edge.

Farmer Town USA! | ROOM: TAFT C/D 1ST FLOOR

Butler County 4-H, Emily Masters and Erin Simpson-Sloan Come learn about a new fair event called "Farmer Town USA" created for Cloverbuds and younger members. This interactive event gives kids an activity to participate in, so they feel a sense of belonging during the fair.

All About the Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Board | ROOM: MCKINLEY 1ST FLOOR

Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Board Members Serving on the Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Board (JFB) is an experience of a lifetime. It's a fun and exciting opportunity to work alongside many different people, as well as network with youth and adults from across Ohio



Saturday Programing 11:30am–1:45 Workshops

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11:30-12:30	Madison	Digital Marketing Blueprint: Craft a Winning Strategy for Your Fair: <i>In this session, you'll learn how to develop a comprehensive digital marketing plan for your fair's online campaigns. Discover how to refine your messaging, effectively budget your advertising dollars, and optimize your approach to timing and targeting. We'll explore top platforms like email, Meta (Facebook/Instagram), TikTok, and Google Ads, and cover key topics such as budget management, performance tracking, and analytics. Leave with actionable insights and a clear strategy to enhance your fair's digital presence and increase ticket sales.</i>	Presenting: Maddie Warren Director of Marketing Service Etix/Rockhouse Partner Sponsor and vendor presentation ETIX TICKETING PLATFORM Educational Marketing
12:45-1:45	Madison	Fair & Concession Communications – <i>How fairs and concessionaires can communicate more effectively</i>	Presenter :Annie Bair, Jennifer Ramsey, Greater Ohio Showman Presentation
12:45-1:45	Grant	Co. Fair Competition Round Table	Presenters: Bonnie Randolph, Matt Randolph, and Makara Eich, Deb Hukill, Jefferson Co. Fair Moderator: Kendra Von Lehmden Wentz, OFMA Director at Large
12:45-1:45	Fairfield	Utilizing Pit Passes to add revenue to the bottom line of the event. <i>Benefits, Admission Cost and what does that admission give the customer</i>	Presenter: Joe Aungst President Medina Co. Fair, Amanda Shemberger Medina Co. Fair CAO Moderator: Tim Massie, OFMA Past President
12:45-1:45	Marion	New Secretaries 3 years or less Round Table	Moderator: Bev Fisher, OFMA Educational Coordinator
12:45-1:45	Union A,B,C	FairEntry Software Going One, Going Twice: Running your Sale in FairEntry <i>Join the FairEntry Team as we discuss setting up a sale order and sale day tasks, such as recording bids and add-ons, adding buyers, resale, destinations and flooring, bulk adjustments and taking payments. We will also touch on several sale reports available in the system.</i>	Presenters: Amy Alderson, Christy Blomeke Moderator: Alan Aichholz, OFMA District 1 Director
12:45-1:45	Knox	Off Season Grounds Rentals	Presenters: Clark County Fair Staff Moderator: Doug Marine, OFMA
12:45-1:45	Harrison	New Fair Treasurers 3 years or less, Lets share and learn	Presenter: Michelle Bryam Secretary Treasurer Moderator: Howard Call, CFE, OFMA Executive Director
12:45-1:45	Taft A&B	Improving Upon Domestic Arts Programs and increasing entries Round Table	Presenter & Moderator: Bob Buxton, OFMA Past President

12:45-1:45 JUNIOR FAIR SESSIONS

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It's Show Time! | ROOM: MORROW 2ND FLOOR

Leslie Cooksey, Extension Educator – Fairfield County

“Now entering the ring, Market Gilts Class 1.” It’s time for the show to begin and you are asked to step up to the microphone. Are you ready? Learn more about you can develop skills to enhance your public speaking and recordkeeping skills to be an effective youth member of your Show Committee that adults can trust and depend upon to get the job done. Learn how to effectively coach your peers to enrich their public speaking experiences while understanding the process for announcing a Junior Fair Show.

Extra Ordinary Days in the Ring - Making your fair accessible to people of all abilities | ROOM: UNION D 2ND FLOOR

Dee Jepsen, Laura Akgerman and Rachel Jarman – Ohio AgrAbility

A successful fair requires careful attention to accessibility - buildings, facilities, walkways, show arenas, entrances, exits. Join us to explore everything you need to ensure that your fairground and show arenas are accessible and welcoming to attendees of all abilities.

Are We Creating Strong Values or Unethical Behavior in our Exhibitors? ROOM: UNION E 2ND FLOOR

Judy Villard Overocker, Extension Educator – Richland County

Embracing the spirit of integrity sets the foundation for Junior Fair exhibitors to make ethical decisions, take responsibility for their actions, and demonstrate honesty. Learn how Junior Fair leaders can deal with situations when unethical behavior is tempting and practiced.

Sustaining Growth: Balancing Change, New Ideas, and Tradition | ROOM: FAYETTE 2ND FLOOR

Ross County Junior Fair Board & Kate Wells, Extension Educator – Ross County

Fairs are rich in tradition, yet evolution is essential. Culling something that isn’t working, trying new things, and valuing traditions requires balance. Join in hearing our JFB’s experiences—including epic fails—so you can evaluate, eliminate, and improve your own fairs!

Managing Stress as a Jr. Fair Board Member | ROOM: HAYES 1ST FLOOR

Becky Barker, Extension Educator – Morrow County & Russ Mayer, Morrow County JFB Advisor

Fair can be stressful for everyone, including animals. As fair board member you have added another level to the busy, best part of your summer “fair” and possibly more stress. Come learn some easy strategies to balance everything and destress before and during fair.

Veteran Junior Fair Board Member...Now What? | ROOM: MCKINLEY 1ST FLOOR

Andrea Rees, Extension Educator – Knox County & Joy Sharp, Extension Educator – Pickaway County

After being a Junior Fair Board member for a couple of years, what more can you do? How can you contribute? How might you be able to mentor younger members? This session will help you to explore how older members can stay engaged, and how they can connect with younger members to make a difference.

Running The Show | ROOM: TAFT C/D 1ST FLOOR

Jacci Smith, Extension Educator – Delaware County

Session covers the who, what, when, where, and why of behind the scenes at livestock shows. Topics for success include the staffing, positions, and procedural steps.

What is Buzzin' in Medina County | ROOM: GARFIELD 1ST FLOOR

Gabriella Izzo, Berkeley Craddock, Kaley Sheppard, Carter Kavolik and Domonique Yatsko – Medina County Junior Fair Board

Join the Medina Jr. Fair Board to explore events like showmanship clinics, the Showman’s Closet, and Fair Friends. We invite you to participate in a round robin discussion to share ideas and inspire new initiatives!



Saturday Programing 2:00-3pm Workshops & Tradeshow Hospitality

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2:00-3:00 Knox Room	H2B Visa Roundtable – How this issue impacts carnivals, concession companies and fairs. Legislative Update on all pending rules.	Presenters: <i>Greg Chiecko OABA, Katie Linville, Jennifer Ramsey</i> Greater Ohio Showman Presentation
2:00-4:00 Taft A&B	Wine, Bingo & Trail Bologna Fling, Prizes and Two glass of Wine with each ticket Ticket required <i>Sponsored by: Klein's Entertainment, LLC.</i>	Dan Bullen Co-Chair, Tom Stocksdale Co-Chair, Roger Smith, OFMA District 6 Director, Tracy Koszalka, OFMA District 9 Director
2:15 Tradeshow Rooms Delaware, Franklin, Hallway 1st Floor	Keg Beer, and snacks Attendee must have 2024 OFMA Convention Name Tag to be served <i>Servers reserve the right to verify legal age for alcoholic service</i>	Hospitality Sponsored by: <i>Hacker Livestock , Fairs.com, Linville Food Service, Kolar Concessions, Beverage cups sponsored by Nutrien Ag Solutions</i>
2:00-3:00 Union A,B,C	Using Influencers and other outside the box thinking as advertising for fair	Presenter: <i>Marla Werner – Board President, Laura Ahrens – Fair Manager, and CJ Jasenski – Digital Marketer. Candyce Traci, Consultant Cuyahoga County Fair</i> Moderator: Kim Meyers, OFMA District 5 Director
2:00-3:00 Harding	Free Midway Shows, How do you attract fairgoers from Noon to 5 pm	Presenters: <i>Ray Hilderbrand Jefferson Co., Josh Stiers President Guernsey Co. Fair</i> Moderator: Deb Hukill, OFMA District 8 Director
2:00-3:00 Fairfield	What's trending in Social Media	Presenters: <i>Racheal Ungruhn Mercer Co, Dan Brown Gallia County Fair</i> Moderator: Ron Llewellyn, OFMA District 7 Director
2:00-3:00 Madison	Annual Reports, getting it together, meeting deadlines and importance of getting it done	Presenter: <i>David Miran, ODA</i>
2:00-3:00 Garfield	Small Market Fairs: how do we draw fairgoers	Presenters: <i>Brittney Kruger Morrow Co. Fair Secretary, Cody Johnston Richwood Independent Fair Board Member</i> Moderator: Roger Smith, OFMA District 6 Director
2:00-3:00 Marion	Handling the new Marijuana Laws on your fairgrounds private verses Co. owned different laws	Presenter: <i>Amanda Sines, Government Advantage Group</i> Moderator: Bob Dawson, OFMA Treasurer
2:00-3:00 Grant	Sponsorships: How to attract, retain and show appreciation	Presenter: <i>Haley Reese, Hancock County fair</i> Moderator Kendra Vo Lehmden, OFMA Director at Large

2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. JUNIOR FAIR SESSIONS DESCRIPTIONS

Junior Fair Programming Sponsored by Ohio State Fair, Encino Energy, Willandale Golf Cart, COSI, Ohio Soybean Council

I can do that! | ROOM: MORROW 2ND FLOOR

Leslie Cooksey, Extension Educator – Fairfield County

What do you need as a Junior Fair Board Member? Do you need to know where things are if a fairgoer stops you on the midway? Are you asked to give a radio interview on a whim? How about the last-minute fair tour when another county's JFB shows up?! In this session, learn how you can help plan and prepare your peers for the extra things outside of running shows and judging events.

Mini Gardens and Big Impacts | ROOM: UNION D 2ND FLOOR

Lucas County Junior Fair Board

Lucas County Extension office and the Fairgrounds has worked together for over 50 years to give youth (age 5-18) an opportunity to grow tomatoes and marigolds in their backyard, then exhibit at fair.

Dealing with Challenging People at the County Fair | ROOM: UNION E 2ND FLOOR

Judy Villard Overocker, Extension Educator – Richland County

Participants will learn a practical approach to understanding, preparing for and dealing with exhibitors, parents, observers, volunteers and other people who pose difficult situations for the Junior Fair. Session includes role-playing and discussion of various potential Junior Fair program situations.

Navigating No: Skills for Difficult Conversations at County Fairs | ROOM: FAYETTE 2ND FLOOR

Ross County Junior Fair Board & Kate Wells, Extension Educator – Ross County

Challenges with difficult conversations pop up at fairs. This session will highlight strategies for navigating “no” with a balance of compassion and firmness regardless of your role. They’ll share best practices for when, where, how, and who to include when having hard conversations.

Empowering Tomorrow: Older Youth Opportunities in 4-H and FFA | ROOM: HARRISON 1ST FLOOR

Ohio Teen Council – Animal Sciences Committee, Kathryn Ogden, Chair

In this session, we will present some of the many older youth opportunities available to 4-Hers and FFA members. Opportunities such as camps, leadership events, and councils organization system for the Lorain County Fair.

Lorain County JFB - Developing Today's Leaders to Meet Today and Tomorrow's Needs | ROOM: TAFT C/D 1ST FLOOR

Jillian Stannard, Andrew Krupka, Kyleigh Klingshirn, Scotty Hook, Holden Harker, Amy Gerber, Nolan Norman, and Nathan Sword – Lorain County Junior Fair Board Members

This is an overview of our selection process (for the Executive committee, board members, assistant members, and adult consultants), department structure, our methods of communication within the board, and the overall organization system for the Lorain County Fair.

Your Digital Footprint | ROOM: MCKINLEY 1ST FLOOR

Andrea Rees, Extension Educator – Knox County

Your digital footprint can have a powerful impact on your future....it is your public appearance. This can be a scary thought, given that what's in your digital footprint isn't always in your control. There are many factors that can lead to leaving a negative imprint. This can be on an individual or even bigger level. Digital footprints are an opportunity to showcase our best selves and craft a footprint that leads to future success.

Get Up, Get Moving, Get to Know Others! ROOM: REGENCY BALLROOM FOYER 3RD FLOOR

Hartford Junior Fair Board Members & Adrienne Anderson, Program Assistant – Licking County

Looking for a chance to get up, move around and meet Junior Fair Board members from other counties? This is your chance! Hartford Junior Fair Board members will share a few of their favorite mixers and name games for you to enjoy, and then take them back to use in your county! We look forward to meeting you!

Saturday Programing Workshops & More 3:15-11pm

2025 Convention Presenting Sponsor: Ohio Harness Horsemen's Association

3:15-4:15 Garfield	Insurance – <i>What types and levels of insurance should every concessionaire carry. Do you need Cyber insurance? Umbrella policy?</i>	Presenter: Phil Teague, Hummel Greater Ohio Showman Association Session Open to all
3:15-4:15 Grant	Grandstand Entertainment: <i>Promoting your shows/ events</i>	Presenter: Todd Slone, Wayne Schott Clermont County Ag Society Board Directors Moderator: Greta Gray, OFMA Director at Large
3:15-4:15 Madison	Using Promotions to Promote Special Days at Fair to increase attendance	Presenter: Amy Fleshman - Franklin Co. Fair Manager Moderator: Roger Smith, OFMA District 6 Director
3:15-4:15 Harding	Managing Gates: <i>Scheduling, Hiring Help, Handling Money</i>	Presenter: Tuscarawas Co. Moderator: Deb Hukill, OFMA District 8 Director
3:15-4:15 Fairfield	Motivating or eliminate non-working/ participating Board Directors	Presenter: Mike Gall Medina County Fair Director Moderator: Kim Meyers, OFMA District 5 Director
3:15-4:15 Taft C&D	Requesting Funds from the State Budget	Presenter: Amanda Sines, Government Advantage Group Moderator: Dan Martin, OFMA Past President
3:15-4:15 Union A,B,C	Working Partnership between Fair Board and Concessions/Vendors	Presenter: Theresa Call, Summit Co. Fairboard President & Concessions Team Manager Great Geauga Co. Fair, Brian Linville, Linville Food Services Moderator: Dan Bullen, OFMA Past President
3:15-4:15 Marion	Ride Safety Round Table	Presenter: David Miran, ODA
3:15-4:15 Morrow	Convention Wrap-Up	Presenters: OFMA Executive Team



Saturday 6 PM Doors Open Regency Ballroom

Extravaganza Evening No ticket Required
Auction Silent Bidding 6pm 50/50 Drawing

GOSA & OFMA Reverse Raffle Drawing starts 7pm –10:30

Live & On Line Auction, Dancing to DJ John spinning the tunes

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Sunday Programing 8am-Noon

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8:00-9:15 Nationwide A&B **OFMA-ODA Office Registration Pickup**

Sponsored by The Fair Publishing House

8-8:45 Delaware A-D **Church Services Stanley Strode Minister**

Ripley Church Praise Team will provide
Song and Music

A collection for the **Stephany Spielman
Breast Cancer Research Fund** will be gathered during this service

Moderated by Tom Stocksdales,
OFMA 1st VP

Sponsored by: Linville Food Service

2025 Ohio Fair Managers Association Awards Breakfast

Hyatt Regency Ballroom Doors open 9 AM Ticket Required

Breakfast Served by the Hyatt Regency Staff

Awards Chairman Doug Marine, District 4 Director

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Ohio Fair Managers Annual Business Meeting of the Member Fairs

Presenting Sponsor: Prowant Specialty Company, Dupont, Ohio

Mandatory attendance by each fairs delegate for this Meeting

10:45 AM Delaware A-D rooms 2nd Floor Hyatt Meeting Space

President Stanley Strode Presiding on the Business Meeting

2024 Ohio Fairs' Queen Leah Schuhart Final Thoughts

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Spring Meeting Dates 2025

District 1&2 Saturday March 29 Putman County Fairgrounds

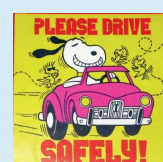
District 5&9 Sunday March 30 Wayne County Fair Event Center Lunch

District 7-8 Saturday April 5 Zanesville Fairgrounds Dinner

District 3-4-6 Sunday April 6 Washington Courthouse Lunch

Future Conventions (Thurs-Sun)

January 14-18, 2026 January 7-10, 2027 January 5-9, 2028





100th Annual Ohio Fair Managers Convention

Inductee & Sponsor

1999 Class

Jack Isler, Stark Co. Fair
Merle Miller, Auglaize Co. Fair
William "Bill" Gibbons, Clermont Co. Fair
Robert P. Hamilton, Portage County Fair

2000 Class

Robert C. Sidley, Lake Co. Fair
James D. Cramblett, Carroll Co. Fair
Joseph E. Parrish, Noble Co. Fair
Carl Rufener, Portage Co. Fair

2001 Class

Wayne F. Cryder, Ross Co. Fair
Alfred C. Rhonemus, Brown Co. Fair
(Past President, Ohio Fair Managers Association)
Willis Fravel, Hartford Independent Fair
Charles E. Call, Summit Co. Fair

2002 Class

Fred L. Arnold, Allen Co. Fair
(Past President, Ohio Fair Managers Association)
Kenneth H. Albrecht, Medina Co. Fair
Chester Wm. Arter, Hartford Independent Fair
Robert J. Cebula, Trumbull Co. Fair

2003 Class

Carl M. Schmid Wayne Co. Fair
Nancy Levensgood, Stark Co. Fair

2004 Class

H. C. "Hank" Thompson, Delaware Co. Fair
(Past President Ohio Fair Managers Association)
Doc W. C. Field's, Putnam. Co. Fair
(Past President, Ohio Fair Managers Association)
James "Butter" Crawley, Ross Co. Fair
Chester T. Rotroff, Fairfield Co. Fair
(Rotroff Cavalcade of Thrills)

2005 Class

Donald Klingler, CFE, Allen Co. Fair
(Retired Executive Secretary OFMA)
Audre Blair, Great Geauga Co. Fair
Jack Woods, Woods Concessions, Brown Co. Fair
(Woods Concessions)

Inductee & Sponsor

2006 Class

Morris Van Gorden, Butler Co. Fair
Eddie Kirk, Fayette Co. Fair (Past President, Ohio Fair Managers Association)
Ray and Joanne Prowant, Allen Co. Fair (Durant Amusements)

2007 Class

Richard Moss, Great Geauga Co. Fair
Davis McInturf, Morgan Co. Fair

2008 Class

Dave Howard, Hardin Co. Fair
(Past President, Ohio Fair Managers Association)
Lawrence Walkden, Medina Co. Fair
Dominic Albanese, Albanese Conc, Muskingum Co. Fair

2009 Class

Charles Swartz, Stark Co. Fair
Edward Valentine, Medina Co. Fair
George Moffett, Variety Attractions Allen Co. Fair

2010 Class

Mary Ann Arter, Hartford Independent Fair
James Tressel, Stark Co. Fair

2011 Class

Richard Parker, Lake Co. Fair
Virgil Hite, Marion Co. Fair
Howard Stahl, Wayne Co. Fair
Vernon and Mario Howard, Great Geauga Co. Fair
Peggy Kaltenbach, Klein's Attractions Fulton Co. Fair

2012 Class

Gordon Green, Lorain Co. Fair
Carl Buehrer, Fulton Co. Fair
Tom Ansteatt, Clermont Co. Fair

2013 Class

Robert Dawson, Lake Co. Fair
John McDavid, Hartford Independent Fair
William Locker, Stark Co. Fair
Yvona Stahl, Cavalcade of Thrills, Great Geauga Co. Fair

2014 Class

Robert Toth, Medina Co. Fair
Jon Overmyer, Ottawa Co. Fair (Past President, Ohio Fair Managers Association)
James McClure, Coshocton Co. Fair
Howard Call, CFE, Summit Co. Fair
(Past President, Ohio Fair Managers Association)



Ohio Fairs Hall of Fame Roster

Inductee & Sponsor

2015 Class

Keith Sheridan, Greene Co. Fair
(Past President, Ohio Fair Managers Association)
 Virgil Strickler, CFE, Ohio State Fair
 William "Bill" Fulmer, Ashland Co. Fair
 Paul Oechsle, Van Wert Co. Fair
(Past President, Ohio Fair Managers Association)

2016 Class

James Martin, Medina Co. Fair
 Robert Bland, Carroll Co. Fair
 Geary and Eric Bates, *Bates Amusements & Bates Bros. Amusements*, Muskingum & Jefferson Co. Fair

2017 Class

Doug Guinsler, Muskingum Co. Fair
(Past President, Ohio Fair Managers Association)
 Allan Hess, Clark Co. Fair
 J. Donald Stauffer, Ashland Co. Fair
 Bob Nash, Warren Co. Fair
 Daniel McClelland, County Sherriff Geauga Co. Fair

2018 Class

James Long, Carroll Co. Fair
 Ray Davis, Hardin Co. Fair
 Fred Piehl, Auglaize Co. Fair
 Russell "Sonny" & Barb Kissel, Kissel Bros Shows, Green County Fair.

2019 Class

Darrell "Cubby" Cubbison, Muskingum Co. Fair
(Past President, Ohio Fair Managers Assoc.)
 Mel Hagemeyer, Warren Co. Fair
 Jack & Jackie Woods, *Woods Family Concessions* Warren Co. Fair

2020 Class

Cathy Cunningham Summit Co. Fair
 Larry Hughes Hartford Independent Fair
 Curtis Johnson Fulton Co. Fair
 Jerry Schaffner Shelby Co. Fair
 Dan Stone Ashland Co. Fair
 Charles "Charlie" Cox *Concessions by Cox*
 Curtis Johnson Fulton Co. Fair

Inductee & Sponsor

2021 Class

Charles "Chuck" Stiver Medina Co. Fair
 Jay Begg Allen Co. Fair
 Dr. Donald Kaeser Ashland Co. Fair

2022 Class

Bob Reidenbach, Ashland Co. Fair
 James Ridenour, Meigs Co. Fair

2023 Class

Harold Crowe, Montgomery County Fair, *(Past President Ohio Fair Managers)*
 Ronald Grosjean Wayne County Fair
 Robert Dreher, Medina County Fair
 David Niley Dark County Fair
 Wayne Arnold Fayette County Fair
 Pat Bush *Service Member Bush Concessions* Summit County Fair

2024 Class

Bev Fisher CFE Mahoning County Canfield Fair
 Candy Tripp Marin County fair
 Cindy Woodman Lake Country Fair
 Bob Buxton, Coshocton County Fair
 Dan Kimmett Allan County Fair



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