

Saginaw County Agricultural Society News

Supporting the Saginaw County Fair and Agriculture

A Message from the President:

The 2019 Saginaw County Fair is quickly approaching. The Fair offers a family friendly atmosphere at an affordable price. It brings friends together from across the county to our beautiful grounds and offers the opportunity to make wonderful memories for both the exhibitors and patrons alike.

My name is Patti Copes and I am your 2019 Fair Board President. I encourage you to consider volunteering with us at the Fair this year as it takes many hands to make this event happen. This year we need ticket sellers, office help and overall buildings and grounds help. There is something for everyone. Volunteering is a very important part of creating a healthy community and crucial to the Fair's very existence.

We have an exciting line up of Grandstand events this year starting with the Dog Agility Show, The Next Generation Leahy Celtic Music and Dance Group, Motocross, Figure 8 and rounding out our week is the crowd's favorite "Lost Nations Rodeo." The exhibitors will wow you with their still exhibits, livestock and horse projects as well as our "top notch" amusement rides by Big Rock Amusements.

I look forward to seeing you all there and appreciate your continued support for the Saginaw County Fair.

Patti Copes, Saginaw County Fair President

Volunteers Needed

It is no secret that it takes an army of volunteers to make the Saginaw County Fair a success. Saturdays in July are designated as work days and anyone is invited to come out and help.

During the fair, help is needed in the following areas:

- Ticket booth - Work the ticket sales window, take tickets at the gate, work the exit gate, put armbands on fairgoers, or charge admission at the grandstand gate.
- Trash crew - Help is needed to pick up trash each morning at 7 am.
- Gate crew - Help is needed at the campground gate, checking for wristbands and stockgate passes.

Membership Passes Enclosed

Ag Society members, your passes to the Saginaw County Fair are enclosed with this newsletter if your 2019 dues have been paid. Your membership pass entitles you and a guest to free admission to the fair each day as well as to the grandstand show, but it does not include amusement rides. Thank you for being a member of the Saginaw County Agricultural Society!

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THE SAGINAW COUNTY AGRICULTURAL
SOCIETY UNITES THE GREATER
COMMUNITY IN A FAMILY-FRIENDLY
SETTING TO CREATE LIFELONG
MEMORIES.

2019 Board of Directors

President - Patti Copes of Chesaning

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of Chesaning

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of Hemlock

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Dick Borm and Donna Felton of Saginaw

Valerie Newton of Hemlock

Board Member Needed

Due to the resignation of board member David LeCureux for health reasons, there is an open seat on the Board of Directors. Anyone who is an Agricultural Society member in good standing who has been a member for at least one year is eligible to serve on the board. Board members are responsible for attending monthly meetings, serving on committees, assisting with fundraisers and special events, and helping during the Fair and Santa's Village. Applications are available on the website or in the Fair office.

Our thanks to Dave for the time he served on the board and as the chair of the buildings and grounds committee!

Ag Heritage Scholarships

The SVAA was able to award two \$500 scholarships again this year through the Saginaw Community Foundation. Congratulations to Hannah Polzin and Katelyn Emmendorfer on being selected to receive the Saginaw Valley Ag Heritage Scholarship. We appreciate all of the hard work that these young ladies have put in during their time at the Saginaw County Fair!

SVAA Harvest Banquet

The 2019 Harvest Banquet will take place on Saturday, October 12 at St. Peter Parish Hall in Chesaning. There are only 200 tickets available for this popular event, so get yours before they are gone. Each \$100 ticket includes a delicious catered meal for 2 people, music, program, silent auction, and entry into a raffle for a top prize of up to \$2,000! Tickets for the Harvest Banquet as well as the SVAA's annual Gun Raffle are available from board members, the fair office, or at the SVAA table during the Fair.

Upcoming Events

July 13 – 4-H horse show

July 30-August 3 – Saginaw County Fair

August 15 – Board of Directors meeting

August 29 – Volunteer Appreciation Picnic

Sept. 12 - Board of Directors meeting

Sept. 28 – Wedding

Oct. 10 - Board of Directors meeting

Oct. 12 - SVAA Harvest Banquet

See the Fair from the Air

Carolina Helicopter Tours will be offering rides above the grounds each day during the Fair, weather permitting. Groups of 3 people will be able to take a short trip or a longer ride and see the Saginaw County Fair from the air. This new attraction is sure to be a hit!



Daily Specials

While the Saginaw County Fair is a great family value on any day of the week, there are some daily admission specials.

On Tuesday we honor our veterans and active military with free admission (with ID).

Wednesday is Senior Day, so seniors age 60 and up pay only \$8 for admission until 5 pm.

Thursday is Toddler Day. Youngsters ages 2-5 pay \$8 admission until 5 pm. In addition, special toddler amusement rides will be running from 11 am -1 pm.

Wednesday Concert

There will be a new act in the grandstand at this year's Saginaw County Fair. A musical act called Next Generation Leahy will be performing on Wednesday night. This high-energy group of 6 children and their parents perform on multiple instruments as well as sing and dance. Bring the whole family and prepare to be awestruck by the talents of these young performers!



Junior Livestock Auction

Looking for a way to support the youth of Saginaw County? Need to fill your freezer for winter? Anyone can be a bidder or buyer at our Junior Livestock Auction on Friday, August 2. Young exhibitors will be showing and selling chickens, rabbits, turkeys, ducks, lambs, steers, feeder calves, and plenty of hogs! Proceeds from the auction go back to the exhibitors, funding future projects and their education. Contact Teresa Kayden at 989-980-6833 to register as a buyer and get your luncheon ticket.



Pay One Price

Admission · Rides · Grandstand · Parking

Just \$10

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday

Just \$15

Friday and Saturday

Mega Passes

Fair lovers, listen up! By purchasing a Mega Pass for just \$40 you can enjoy the Saginaw County Fair for all 5 days! You get unlimited rides, exhibits, and grandstand shows - all for a \$20 savings! Mega Passes are available in the Fair office.

Grandstand Events

Tuesday, July 30

4-H Dog Agility Show

Wednesday, July 31

Next Generation Leahy concert

Thursday, August 1

SJO Motocross

Friday, August 2

UMS Demolition Derby

Saturday, August 3

Lost Nations Rodeo

Fair Week Events

Big Rock Amusements and Midway

Animal Oasis exotic animals

Carolina Helicopter tours

Youth and Open exhibits

Livestock and Horse shows

Bossie Bingo

Dog shows

Live music in the Pavilion

Tuesday - Homemaker of the Year

Friday - Junior Livestock Sale

Saturday - Rich Rehmann Memorial
Firefighters Fun Challenge