



Membership Newsletter

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Celebrity Luncheon 2017

We had many Dr. Seuss characters show up to serve at the Calhoun County Fairground's Celebrity Luncheon on February 3rd, 2017. The event was held at Cornwell's Turkeyville and was a great success! From lunch, to raffle prizes and a 50/50 drawing there was a good time to be had by all.

With the help of our volunteers and celebrity's we raised more than \$6,000.00 for the Calhoun County Fairgrounds to be used for Capital Improvements on the grounds.

If you were unable to attend this event, we hope you will join us next year for a good time and great food!

We want to extend a sincere thanks to everyone who helped with the event.

Our Servers this year included:

Kara Beer (Battle Creek Chamber)

Theresa Chaney Huggett (Advisor & Chronicle)

Bill DeSmet (Oaklawn Hospital)

Kathy Fischer (4H, MSU Extension Office)

Scott Fleming (MAEDA)

Steve Frisbee (Calhoun County Commissioner)

Kathy Hamaker (Turtle Dove Holistic Cure and Wellness)

Rich Hazen (Fredonia Grange)

Kara Mead (Southern MI Bank and Trust)

Amy Roberston (Greater Albion Chamber of Commerce)

Matt Saxton (Calhoun County Sheriff's Office)

Win 98.5

George Youngdahl (CCAIS Supporter)



Fairgrounds Survey Now Available Online

We have developed a survey online to gain some general feedback from the public about the fairground. The survey only takes a few minutes to complete but will provide valuable information about our

feature event planning as well as identify the demographic of who took it, the avenues of marketing that are most successful, and other useful information including a section to add any comments or questions.

Please take a moment to review it for yourself. We appreciate your feedback!

The survey is available at the following link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RVSVSD2>

Note to Superintendents:

All non-livestock superintendents should have received their Fairbook section in the mail. Changes are due Monday (2/20), at which time we will proceed with printing.

In the emailed newsletter, I have included **Maintenance Request Forms** to be filled out for your respective areas and returned to the Fair Office BY APRIL 15th. Please make any notations that need to be addressed. Items will be taken into consideration and processed in order of urgency.

Youth/Club Events

Are you a Youth Club or Group that shows at Fair and has events throughout the year? We could publicize for you on our calendar! Send us the event details!

Meeting Minutes Available Online

Did you know that you can read all of the Calhoun County Agricultural & Industrial Society Minutes and our Annual Meeting Minutes through our website?

You can also find what the board plans to discuss at the next board meeting on our home page.

Don't forget our meetings are the 3rd Monday of the Month at Marshall Middle

School Cafeteria. Parking is located in the back of the school. It is handicap accessible.

<http://www.calhouncountyfair.org/about>

FUG, Inc. Shirts for Merry Mile

FUG, Inc. is currently designing a limited print shirt to be sold online.

These shirts will never be printed again. The shirts are selling for \$20 and all the

proceeds will be donated to the Fairgrounds towards the Merry Mile! They will be available soon.

Photographs for Fair Week Badges

We are going to begin working on making access badges for the fair. This year we are again requiring you to have your photo on your badge.

Please stop by the fairgrounds to have your photo taken for these. If you had your photo taken last year and wish to reuse the picture, just let us know.

(THE DEADLINE TO HAVE YOUR PHOTO TAKEN IS APRIL 15th.)



Events Online

Check out Calhoun County Fairgrounds on Facebook for each Event! Then share it with your Friends!

Upcoming Events

Spring will be here soon and so will our busy season! With the warm weather comes a full calendar of events for the Fairgrounds. We have enclosed the current calendar of events for you to review.

We have two events coming up: **Marshall's All Things Vintage Market and the Community Garage Sale.**

Preparation for the fair's second Vintage Market is

underway and we are organizing vendors for this event as we speak. This year we have decided to add a Vintage Camper Show as well and have already had interest from the public! We look forward to building this event this spring and again in the fall. The spring Market will be held on April 23rd from 10:00am – 3:00pm.

The Garage Sale will be held on May 19th and 20th from

9:00am – 5:00pm. If you live too far out of town, would like the walking traffic and want cover from the weather uncertainty, our rental space is a great option! We are beginning our advertising, if you know anyone who would be interested in a space, please send them our way!

For the rest of our events, please refer to the calendar.

Millionaire Raffle

With the combined efforts from community members, local businesses, and several volunteers, the Millionaire

Raffle was able to raise over \$40,000 for the youth premiums that are paid out during fair week.

Thank you to all of our supporters and volunteers who made this possible. We look forward this event in 2017.

Direct Your Dollars

For every \$100,000 in Family Fare receipts we collect, the Calhoun County Fairground will earn \$1,000 check from SpartanNash. With your support - and your receipts - we will be raising money to

fund the King and Queen Scholarships! Please turn your receipts into the Fair Office at any time so we can add them to our count!



Electronic Newsletter

If you wish to receive this newsletter ONLY via email, please let us know. Thank you!