



ANTRIM COUNTY FAIR

2017 Antrim County Fair Wrap-up

2017 was another great year at the Antrim County Fair.

After much discussion, it was decided to invite Schmidt Entertainment to bring their carnival to our fair. The carnival proved to be a nice addition and we will be investigating other companies for future fairs.

The concession stand, which includes the pancake breakfast, ice-cream social and the movie night popcorn sales, continues to be profitable.

Participation in the 5K run/walk continues to increase, making it an event that is drawing visitors into Antrim County from other areas.

The beef and side cook-off on Saturday evening proved to be extremely successful. Next year the cook-off will feature chicken.

The silent auction, held all 3 fair days, generates major excitement amongst the loyal bidders and is a profitable event.

As the fair board, we strive to raise funds to meet the increasing financial needs of maintaining and improving our county fair.

We encourage everyone from pre-school to elderly to come and enjoy the fair through exhibiting their hobbies to participating in the many activities we offer.

We have numerous popular activities and demonstrations throughout the three fair days, including:

1. Livestock show and auction
2. Still exhibits
3. Horse show and horse pull
4. Dog Show
5. Live music
6. Movie night
7. Lego build a car and race
8. Covered wagon rides
9. Fire departments – smoke house and jaws-of-life
10. Kids games
11. Bingo
12. 5K run
13. Vendors
14. Lots of food options

The communities of Antrim County are exceptional in their support of this county wide event, providing both donations and volunteers.

We extend a special thank you to the Board of Commissioners for your continued support.

Please join us for the 2018 fair this August 9, 10, and 11.

Sincerely,

Antrim County Fair Board

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April 2018

To the friends and supporters of the Antrim County Fair:

The Antrim County Fair invites you to come and experience our “Homemade or Homegrown” family-style fair. There are always lots of livestock including rabbits, chickens, goats, pigs, cattle, and more. But don’t forget the horse show, dog show, still exhibits, and many other activities available during our 3-day event!

This year we are excited to bring two new events this year! An all new farmer’s market with live music on Wednesday, August 9th from 4:00-7:00 pm and a hobby horse cowboy round-up and ice cream social on Thursday, August 10th from 11:00-1:00 pm. Hobby horse obstacle courses are huge events in Europe and it looked like the perfect thing to introduce at our fair. Find more about the upcoming hobby horse activities by search “Hobby Horse” on YouTube.

We are also excited to continue offering our annual 5K run/walk, as both a fundraiser and a fun, healthy event. Don’t miss our chicken restaurant cook-off, LEGO build and race, covered wagon rides through Bellaire, pancake breakfast, family fun activities, movie, and MUCH more! We’ll also offer an activity tent, children’s games, and BINGO throughout the three days, making every day a new adventure for young and old alike.

While you are at the fairgrounds, don’t forget to stop at our concession stand which is open daily! Serving your favorite foods, snacks, drinks, and other treats at a low cost, the proceeds from the concession stand go back into building the Fair and bringing you additional events each year!

The Antrim County Fair would not be possible without strong community support and funding from Antrim County and our advertisers. We appreciate our volunteers, guests, and everyone who helps make our fair a success year after year. Because of our community support, we are able to offer almost all of our activities FREE or very low cost!

We have many great things to share at the Antrim County Fair this year. Bring your family, bring a friend, and don’t miss this family entertainment opportunity that is like no other!

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Dear Friends:

Welcome to the 2018 fair season! Our county fairs are a family tradition for many Michiganders. It's an entertainment staple celebrating our agricultural heritage and showcasing the diversity and innovation of our growing food and ag sector.

Millions of Michigan citizens and tourists attend county fairs every year. In fact, agriculture has always been an integral part of our state and its future has never been brighter. It uses cutting-edge technology, incorporates environmental practices, and is an industry filled with career opportunities.

I am proud of Michigan's 4-H program and the tremendous accomplishments of our FFA peers. Thanks to Michigan's local and county fairs, Michigan youth have the opportunity to showcase their hard work while educating fairgoers about the state's food and agriculture industry. Careers in food and agriculture are limitless – everything from veterinarians, soil scientists, and microbiologists to metrologists, food scientists, engineers, and more!

Our county fairs are full of local charm, family fun and agricultural traditions. This year, be sure to visit a local or county fair as part of your Michigan summer travel plans.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rick Snyder".

Rick Snyder
Governor

EVERYONE MAKES A DIFFERENCE AT THE FAIR!

EXHIBIT: ANYONE CAN ENTER EXHIBITS AT THE FAIR*

THINGS YOU MAKE, THINGS YOU GROW, ANIMALS YOU CARE FOR. BROWSE THROUGH THE FAIR BOOK AND FIND A CATEGORY THAT MATCHES YOUR HOBBIES OR INTERESTS, AND COME JOIN US AT THE FAIR!

SPONSOR: WE DEPEND ON YOUR SUPPORT

THE FAIR BOARD AND FAIR FAMILIES GREATLY APPRECIATE OUR SPONSORS WHO HELP MAKE OUR FAIR POSSIBLE. THESE FINE BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS HELP US MAKE IMPROVEMENTS ON THE GROUNDS, BUY EQUIPMENT FOR THE CONCESSION STAND, PROVIDE PRIZES FOR EVENTS, AND EVEN PAY SOME OF THE BILLS. THANK YOU!

SUPPORT FUND-RAISERS:

THE SILENT AUCTION, ADS IN THE FAIR BOOK, EVEN THE CAKE WALK AND VOTES FOR THE SELFIE PHOTO CONTEST, ALL HELP ADD MUCH-NEEDED FUNDS TO OUR BOTTOM LINE. THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING ALL OF OUR FUND-RAISING EFFORTS.

VOLUNTEERS: OUR FAIR IS ORGANIZED BY VOLUNTEERS WHO DONATE THEIR TIME ALL YEAR ROUND. WE NEED YOU!

WE ALWAYS NEED MORE DEDICATED PEOPLE TO SIT ON THE FAIR BOARD, TO COME UP WITH IDEAS FOR THE FAIR, HELP TO MAKE PHONE CALLS, AND GET THE WORK DONE THAT IT TAKES TO PUT ON THE FAIR. WE NEED SUPERINTENDENTS, JUDGES, PEOPLE TO MAKE CAKES, PEOPLE TO SUPERVISE GAMES, RUN CONCESSIONS, AND MORE, MORE, MORE. IF YOU LOVE THE FAIR, PLEASE LEND US A HAND!

* ONLY REGISTERED MEMBERS OF 4-H CLUBS IN ANTRIM COUNTY MAY SELL ANIMALS AT THE 4-H LIVESTOCK AUCTION.