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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our first fundraising event for 2020 will be the start of the 2020 Flea Market series on April 18th. Flea Markets will continue in May and June. There will be Antique Tractor Pulls on April 18th and May 16th along with the Flea Markets.

Clean-up of the Fairgrounds is now underway. There is always lots of debris left on the grounds after the winter. We have not had a snowy year, but it sure was windy, and now the results need to be cleaned up.

The 4-H Clubs will be in on April 17th for their annual Garden/Pizza Party. At that time they will be working on cleaning up their gardens and getting everything ready for the summer season.

Our next Membership/Board meeting is on April 14th, at which time we will continue making our plans for the Spring and Summer seasons, and Fair Week in September. The April Membership meeting is also the deadline for turning in proposed bylaw changes. I hope to see you then.

Don't forget to pay your 2020 dues by April 20, 2020, so that you will be eligible to vote at the

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE continued...

Membership meetings.

As always feel free to contact me with any comments and suggestions you might have.

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## 2020 SCHEDULE

April 18 - Flea Market & Tractor Pull

May 16 - Flea Market & Tractor

June 13 - Flea Market & Rodeo

Sep 16-10 - Anne Arundel County Fair

Oct 3 - Antique Tractor Pull

Oct 3 & 4 - Fall Craft Show

Halloween - October 16, 17 & 18,

Happening 23-25 and 30 & 31

*The Sun may not always shine, but  
the Rain will not always fall either.*



## MOTIONS

At the January 14, 2020 meeting of the Membership/Board of Directors, the following motions were approved:

- \*to transfer a percentage of the event profits into the Emergency, Equipment and Restroom Funds

- \*to approve the proposed 2020 Budget as amended.

- \*to allow the Diamond Back rugby team to rent the Fairgrounds for \$200.00.

- \*to have a wet season perc test done at four specific spots in the Barn area.

- \*to become a member of the Maryland Department of Commerce Maryland Nonprofits group.

- \*to have our insurance agent come out to explain our insurance coverage and answer questions.

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## WINTER WEATHER POLICY

All Fair winter meetings will be cancelled if the Snow Emergency Plan is in effect, or AA County Schools evening classes are closed due to snow and/or ice.



## FAIR WEEK COMMITTEE

The Fair Week Committee met on February 26th, 2020 at the Fair Office.

ADVERTISING: Under discussion.

BUDGET: Moved to accept the proposed 2020 Budget as presented.

BARN: Deana Tice is the new Equine chair and John Faber, the Beef chair. There will be a turkey contest this year. Only livestock entries will be online. Discussed online exhibitor fees.

BEER/WINE: Lori Gray is new chair and will be working with Joseph Degreenia. Will still have two locations.

CATALOG: Only a PDF copy available which John K. will convert. Mitzi Hardy volunteered to proofread.

CONTESTS: Working on all, with discussions about Talent Show and Fair Queen decisions still pending.

CONTRACTS: Sharon working on now with only Labor confirmed. Will need contracts for all this year.

ENTERTAINMENT: Debbie has her budget and is working on the line up.

EXHIBIT BLDG: Exh Hall has been broken down into 5 areas, with a person in charge of each area. Next meeting on March 25th at 6 p.m. Ruby will be overall chair.

GATES: Joddi and Sally at Front Gate. Back and Blue gates will need to be covered.

4-H DEPT: Gretchen Sumbrum is the new 4-H Educator.

RIBBONS/TROPHIES: Ribbons are in. Entry tags, tickets, passes and sashes are still pending.

VENDORS: Lacy will be sending out contracts by the middle of March. Billy Gallagher will help. Discussed whether to have the Color Run in 2020.

**NEXT MEETING:** March 25th at 6 p.m.





## 4-H CORNER

All County 4-H'ers and volunteers are busy re-enrolling and planning their 4-H projects and activities for 2020.

4-H Public Speaking will be held this year on March 28, 2020, and will be held at the South River High School.

The Anne Arundel County 4-H Foundation held its annual 4-H Variety Show at the Baldwin Memorial Methodist Church's Educational Building Hall on February 9, 2020.

Four clubs participated in the activity with the following results:

Group Skits: Champion ribbon to Kinder Farm Park 4-H club; Reserve Champion ribbon to Trail Blazers 4-H Club and a Blue ribbon went to the Anne Arundel County Dairy Leasing 4-H Club.

Individual Acts: Champion ribbon went to Evie Guethler from Trailblazers 4-H Club, who sang her rendition of "Six Hours as a Princess." Reserve Champion ribbon to Keith Ivey from Kinder Farm Park 4-H Club, singing "This is It."

Everyone enjoyed the show, the Bake Sale and the Silent Auction, put on by the Anne Arundel County Exchange Club.

## FLEA MARKET SERIES BEGINS IN APRIL

Our 2020 Flea Market series begins in April with the first on April 18th, the third Saturday. Dates have been changed to the third Saturday in April and May. June reverts back to the second Saturday, June 13.

Flea Market #1 - April 18

Flea Market #2 - May 16

Flea Market #3 - June 13

Good news, as the Antique Tractor Club has scheduled its Spring Pulls on April 18th and May 16th, along with the scheduled with Flea Markets.

Also, the Spring Rodeo is scheduled for June 13th, 2020, on the evening of the final Flea Market. More on the Rodeo later.

We always have free admission and parking for the Flea Markets. There is a \$5 admission fee for the Tractor Pulls, but no charge for parking. Food will be available on the grounds at both sites.

Please pick up a flyer and pass along the information on both of these Spring fundraising events at our Fairgrounds.







## MEMBER UPDATES

Please send member updates to our Corresponding Secretary, Joddi Akers. You can call at 410-923-6638 or email her at [joddia@msn.com](mailto:joddia@msn.com).

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## MAAFS SPRING FORUM

The Maryland Association of Agricultural Fairs & Shows will hold its annual Spring Forum at the State Fairgrounds on April 19, 2020.

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## 2020 DUES

Your dues for 2020 are now due. For your convenience, please use the form at the back of the Newsletter to renew them. To be eligible to vote at Membership meetings, your dues must be paid by April 20, 2020.

## MEMBER NEWS

Happy Birthday to those celebrating their birthday in March:

Peggy Peffley - March 1  
Donna Herren - March 2  
Marion Adams - March 5  
Josiah Tice - March 7  
Sharon Shorter - March 12  
Debbie Wolford-Kozenski -  
March 12  
Barbara Nutwell - March 14  
Jonathan Brown - March 17  
Frank Worrell - March 27

No anniversaries in March for Fair Friends.

Get well wishes go out to Andy Bates who is in the hospital and to all who are being treated for chronic health conditions.

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## MAAFS JUDGING SCHOOL

The MAAFS Spring Judging School is scheduled for Saturday, April 4, 2020 and will be held at Hagerstown Community College, in Washington County, MD. Registration information will be sent at a later date and you can also get information at [maafsjudgingschool@hotmail.com](mailto:maafsjudgingschool@hotmail.com)

# 2020 CALENDAR

- Mar 3 - Rental Committee  
7:30 p.m. Fair Office
- Mar 4 - Junior Board  
7 p.m. Fair Office
- Mar 5 - Site/Planning  
7 p.m. Fair Office
- Mar 10 - Board of Directors  
7:30 p.m. Fair Office
- Mar 25 - Fair Week Committee  
7 p.m. Fair Office
- Apr 1 - Site/Planning Meeting
- Apr 7 - Rental Committee
- Apr 8 - Junior Board
- Apr 14 - Membership/Board
- Apr 17 - 4-H Garden Clean-Up
- Apr 18 - Flea Market #1
- Apr 18 - Antique Tractor Pull
- Apr 19 - MAAFS Spring Forum
- Apr 29 - Fair Week Committee

## *Membership/Board Meeting*

*Tuesday, April 14, 2020*

*Social: 7 p.m.*

*Meeting 7:30 p.m.*

*Location: Fairgrounds*

### Agenda Topics:

- \*Spring Events
- \*Submission of proposed  
bylaw changes.
- \*Summer Events
- \*Fair Week

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## 2020 DUES INVOICE

Your 2020 Membership dues are now due. Please fill out the form below and send to the Membership Committee along with your check for \$10. Dues are \$10 per year

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday: \_\_\_\_\_ Anniversary: \_\_\_\_\_

(Both are optional)

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### *Goals of the Anne Arundel County Fair*

*To serve as a showcase for ingenuity, talent and interest in the agricultural life.*

*To serve as a means of educating children and young people to the honorable profession of farming, including the handling of animals from birth to market, the growth, preparation and preservation of food and the creativity of home arts skills.*