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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Fair Members, Happy New Year!

I hope everyone enjoyed the snow! Jimmy Frisco happened to get to the Fairgrounds first and pushed the roads. He and Donnie Gertz have done a great job in keeping the fair roads clear in the past years and I am sure they will continue to do so.

The Covid Pandemic is still with us and not much relief in sight. Numbers are up and with the Governor issuing a State of Emergency and Anne Arundel implementing another masking executive order, I think it will be a while yet before we get back to normal. PLEASE be safe in your travels, and wear your mask.

I was very pleased with the last two Fair events of the year/ Halloween Happenings, and the Fair Family Christmas Lights drive-through. The Christmas Lights event came together nicely. Much was learned and we look forward to a bigger and better event next year! The feedback from the public was very positive and enjoyed by many families.

As the new year starts, we have lots of irons in the fire. The Fair Week committee is starting in earnest getting ready for the 2022 Fair. Lots of details to be worked out, catalogs to be updated, and vendors to be signed up. On January 8th, the 4H and FFA exhibitors will be weighing their steer projects at the

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Fairgrounds. As usual the next nine months will go by quickly!

The Fair also has a number of projects in progress: A new LED sign on General's Highway; refurbishing the Lower Stage; repair and update of the Commercial Building sprinkler system; an automatic gate on Crownsville Road; Fairgrounds-wide WIFI; a new barn in the livestock area, and working out the details on the purchase of a new tractor. A new tractor purchase was much realized during this past year and especially during our Halloween Happening event. I am also looking into the feasibility of a new climate-controlled building. I might as well mention patching the Exhibit and Commercial building roofs and sealing the outer base of both buildings to prohibit water from running into the buildings. A very ambitious list! Lots of good folks working on these projects and I am sure we will make a good dent in the list by year's end!

Speaking of a new tractor, I am overwhelmed with Pat Shema's gracious \$25K donation towards a tractor! Thank you so much Pat and thank you for your continued volunteering!

And the generosity doesn't stop there! Mr. Bereano has donated \$10K towards the tractor purchase! Thank you Bruce!

2022 rentals are shaping up nicely. Most dates are filled and we have some

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MOTIONS

At the November 9, 2021 meeting of the Board of Directors, a motion was approved to place rental information on the Website at a cost of \$300.00.

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## MEMBER UPDATES

Please send any member updates you may have to our Corresponding Secretary Martin Hardy. You may reach Martin by calling him at 443-995-8431, or by email at [caulkhead1@gmail.com](mailto:caulkhead1@gmail.com).

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long-time renters returning as well as some new and exciting rentals.

As always, if you want to take on another task at the Fairgrounds, just let someone know. We have small projects, we have big projects, we have a project for you!

Thanks for everyone's support and I look forward to a successful 2022!

John H. Faber, President
Anne Arundel County Fair, Inc.
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FAIR WEEK TEAM

Once again I wish to thank everyone who helped with the 2021 Fair. No matter what you did, we could not have had a Fair if it were not for all of you and what you do. **THANK YOU!**

SO THIS YEAR, let's get ready **EARLY** for the 2022 Fair, and let's be ready with all of the plans, catalog, and changes in **MAY!!!!** We can do it if we start **NOW!**

The Fair Team is working on the issues below. We **REALLY, REALLY** need a few people to step up and commit to helping with the issues stated. There is not a lot to do now, but just say you can help and we will brief you on what needs to be done, and when.

1. **ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE:** Needs help **NOW!!** (2 people). If you come together with the others and **HELP**, call us **ASAP** please.

2. **EXHIBIT BUILDING:** There are still three areas in the building that did not have enough help during the Fair. If you can help during Fair Week 2022 and can attend just 2 meetings before September, **PLEASE** let us know **NOW** that you can help.

3. **DUCKY GAME:** There is a good chance that we will not be able to have this game! The kids **LOVE** it, but we need at least 3 people for each day the game is open (maybe more on Saturday and Sunday). If you can devote just one day (or more) to the game for the 2022 Fair, please call us now and let us know. We can put you on the schedule. There is nothing else to do before Fair Week, so please just call **NOW** if you can help.

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4-H CORNER

Last November 5th through the 7th, two representatives from Maryland attended the National Dairy Bowl Competition in Louisville. They were Sai Divvela from Montgomery County and our own Elizabeth Karides, who is a member of the AA County Dairy Leasing 4-H Club.

They left BWI on the 5th for Chicago and then on to Louisville Ky where the event took place.

Though the MD team was small, two coaches and two participants, they still had a great time exploring downtown Louisville, a city that neither had seen before.

Although disadvantaged by being a team of only two, thereby not being eligible for bonus questions, Elizabeth and Sai went on to compete in the written exam, and the next day, matches where they would be going head to head with other teams across the nation.

Unfortunately their dream of winning the national title was dashed when they lost to the team from Georgia. Although it was a bit disappointing and even sad knowing that would be their last time competing in Dairy Bowl as 4-Hers, both were glad of the experience and felt that they learned valuable life skills. Elizabeth said that "the experience taught me not only how to be a gracious loser and a reliable teammate, but also to remember the little moments and to capture the fun times there are to be had during the

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MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

The membership application form and the 2022 dues form are attached to this newsletter. Please note that dues for 2022 will be \$20 for regular members and \$10 for associate members.

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Peggy Peffly and Lori Gray will be the Fair Week 2022 office managers.

There will be a Fair Week meeting at the Office/Zoom on Wednesday, January 26, 2022 at 7 p.m. If you can help with any of these issues, please call me/us right away so we can know that they will be covered as the time draws near, and we can give an update at the Fair Week meeting on the 26th.

Thank you all for your love for the Anne Arundel County Fair!!

Sharon - 443-223-1245

Joseph - 410-615-1109

Debbie - 410-615-1109

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wonderful trips like these, because before you know it, you have aged out and are walking out of the conference room, name tag in hand, for the very last time."

Starting off the new year, a Livestock Weigh-In (Steers Only) was held at the Fairgrounds on January 8th.

2021 HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS UPDATE

Our annual Halloween Happenings bounced back from missing the event in 2020, and came off without a hitch. Well, almost no hitches, as we did have some rain and had to close one night, and only had one tractor running.

Michelle Cooper and Nikki Greever have taken over as chairs of the event, and because of their long experience and knowledge of what is to be done and when, it was a seamless transition. Debbie W-K has moved on to the Fair Christmas Lights Display, but is still serving as an advisor. Debbie has been with H.H. since it started many, many years ago.

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### SCARECROW WORKSHOP

It is the middle of January, but before you know it, March will roll around bringing Spring and a return to our Summer clothes. When you sort through your winter items, please put aside some items for the Scarecrow Workshop during Fair Week. We are looking for some of the following:

- Long-sleeved flannel shirts
- Long-sleeved shirts (any type)
- Hats
- Scarves
- Belts/accessories

Drop off in the Office or the Information Booth.

## MEMBER NEWS

Happy Birthday to those who are celebrating their birthday in January and February:

Margaret Gerbers - Jan 7  
Deana Tice - Jan 12  
Sherry Timmons - Jan 13  
Lacy Chenoweth - Jan 14  
Pam Gertz - Jan 14  
Robert Torres - Jan 18  
Mike Carico - Jan 25  
Cody & Justin Tice - Jan 28  
Denise White - Jan 28  
Claudia Ploor - Jan 29  
Elizabeth Molino - Feb 6  
Valerie Bell - Feb 7  
Sydney Wyvill - Feb 8  
Denny Greever - Feb 14  
Gina Degreenia - Feb 17  
Lisa Frisco - Feb 18  
Stacy Eckels - Feb 19  
Jess Armacost - Feb 21  
C. J. Knott - Feb 22  
James Carico - Feb 23  
Jennifer Martin - Feb 25  
Claire Hayward - Feb 28

Anniversary wishes to those couples celebrating their happy day in January or February:

Christine & Anthony Wilinski -  
Jan 16  
Donna Herren & Hubby - Jan  
24  
Michelle & Bill Grimes - Feb 4  
Deana & Josiah Tice - Feb 22

Please keep in your thoughts and prayers, those who are presently dealing with chronic illnesses.

# 2022 CALENDAR

- Jan 1 - HAPPY NEW YEAR!
- Jan 4 - Rental Committee  
7:30 p.m.
- Jan 5 - Junior Board  
7 p.m. Fair Office
- Jan 8 - Livestock Weigh-In  
At the Fairgrounds
- Jan 11 - Board of Directors  
7:30 p.m. Fair Office
- Jan 18 - Membership Meeting  
Swearing in of Officers & Directors
- Jan 22 - Charles County Fair  
Regional Budget Request Meeting
- Jan 26 - Fair Week Committee  
7 p.m. Fair Office
- Feb 1 - Rental Committee
- Feb 2 - Junior Board
- Feb 8 - Board of Directors



## *Membership Meeting*

*Tuesday, January 18, 2022*

### AGENDA

**Winter Events**  
**Approval of Fair Budget**  
**Rentals**  
**Spring Events**

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# 2022 CALENDAR OF FAIR EVENTS



Flea Market - April 9, 2022  
Antique Tractor Pull - April 9, 2022  
Flea Market - May 14, 2022  
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Flea Market - June 11, 2022  
Rodeo - June 11, 2022  
Fair Week - September 14 - 19, 2022  
Halloween Happenings - October 14 -16; 21 -23;  
28 - 30, 2022  
Christmas Display - November 26 - Dec 19, 2022

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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.*

# Anne Arundel County Fair Inc.

## 2022 Current Member Dues Invoice

Your 2022 Membership dues are now due. Please fill out the form below and send to the Membership Committee along with your check.

Dues are: Regular Membership (must be 18 or older) - \$20

Associate (Non-voting) Membership - \$10

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Are you 18 or older? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday (optional) \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Wedding Anniversary (optional) \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

May we send your newsletter by email? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Send this form and your check to:

Anne Arundel County Fair, Inc.

Attn: Membership Committee

P.O. Box 372, Crownsville, MD 21032

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We are not connected with the Anne Arundel County Government.

## The Anne Arundel County New Fair Member Application

Our members, volunteers and fiends are the backbone of our organization. Without our volunteers it would not be possible to have our many fair sponsored events or a County Fair. Please consider giving back to your community by becoming a Fair Member and volunteering at fair sponsored events.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday (Optional): \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

18 or over? : Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_

Wedding Anniversary (Optional): \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Your interests: \_\_\_\_\_

Willing to help with? \_\_\_\_ Ticket Sales \_\_\_\_ Gardening \_\_\_\_ Contests \_\_\_\_ Advertising \_\_\_\_ Helping at Ticket  
Gates \_\_\_\_ Painting \_\_\_\_ Office Help \_\_\_\_ Concessions \_\_\_\_ Tractor Driving \_\_\_\_ Department Chair

Interested in the following events or committees? \_\_\_\_ Building Maintenance \_\_\_\_ Ground maintenance &  
Grass Cutting \_\_\_\_ Flea Market \_\_\_\_ Equipment Maintenance \_\_\_\_ Craft Festivals \_\_\_\_ Rental Committee  
\_\_\_\_ Halloween Happenings \_\_\_\_ Fair Week \_\_\_\_ Rodeo

I hereby apply for membership in the Anne Arundel County Fair Inc. Membership is on an individual basis and entitles me to all privileges of membership in the corporation. This includes one vote per regular membership and one membership pass to the Fair. In return I shall promote the Fair and Fair Sponsored events in any way that I can. I will attend meetings and **volunteer at least four hours of work during Fair Week.**

For questions, please call (410) 923-3400 and leave a message

Someone will return your call as soon as possible

Submit Application to:

Anne Arundel County Fair, Inc. /Membership

PO Box 372 Crownsville, MD 21032

Please make all checks payable to: The Anne Arundel County Fair, Inc.

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