

Saginaw County Agricultural Society News

Supporting the Saginaw County Fair and Agriculture

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From the Editor:

Spring is here. The taxes are done. It is time to plant and plans are well underway for the upcoming fair.

The fair book has been sent to the printer and we are starting to put together the fair guide. If anyone is interested in placing an ad in the fair guide please let us know. We will be finishing it up in Mid May.

A new scale has been purchased for the junior livestock department for the small animals. The old scale is for sale and bids may be submitted to the fair office. Questions may be directed to Teresa, Junior Livestock Supt at 989-692-0451.

A change in eligibility has been made in the Junior Livestock Department. This year youth that live in a school district that is part of Saginaw County may exhibit and sell market animals at the Saginaw County Fair. If they have sold the same species at another fair within 1 year of the Saginaw Fair they are not eligible to sell the same species.

Next year the age for youth will be determined as of Jan 1 of the year instead of Dec. 31. Also this year the Swine Breeding Department has been discontinued. All swine exhibited at the fair will be sent to market. No exceptions. (Terminal Show)

Pennie Tomac, director

We are still looking for e-mail addresses. Please pass this along to other members not on our list. Contact me at saginawfair@yahoo.com

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Wanted:

There are a variety of ways that members can help out on the fairgrounds. We are looking for additional volunteers to help in the office. We would like to have someone in the office additional days starting the end of May.

The office is in need of a newer computer. If someone has upgraded to a newer computer lately and the older one came with Windows XP we would be interested in it to replace one that dates to Windows 98.

Work Days:

Work days have been scheduled for May 2nd & 16th, June 13th and 27th. Any one that can make it is welcome. Work starts about 9am.

Some of the things that need to be done:

- Preparing the area in front of the new horse barn and seeding it. ***We could use a donation of grass seed for the project.***
- Fixing the water hydrants
- Cleaning up the back area by the fence
- Raking stones out of the grass and filling in ruts
- General clean-up
- Moving the showcases into the building
- Turning water on in the barns

For additional information contact Francis Sloan at 989-277-7694.

Grounds and Buildings Rental for Events
Contact Teresa at 989-845-2143 or
989-692-0451

Calendar of Events

June 6	SVAA Golf Outing & Auction
June 13	4-H Horse Show
June 20	Chesaning Mud Bog
July 11	4-H Leaders Show
July 26	Greyhound Trials
August 4-8	Saginaw County Fair

Golf Outing

The SVAA is again sponsoring a Golf Outing on June 6th at Twin Brooks Golf Course. Registration starts 8:30-9:30 am with a shotgun start at 9:31 am. Cost is \$ 55 each or a team of four for \$ 220. It includes 18 holes of golf with a cart and a buffet and auction following the 18 holes.

Holes may be sponsored for \$ 100 or co-sponsored for \$ 50.

Those that would like to attend the buffet and auction may do so for only \$ 20.

If you can't attend and would like to help they are also looking for donations for the auction.

This is an opportunity to have some fun, share in some fellowship and help to raise funds to develop the Saginaw County Fairgrounds.

For more information contact:

Ric Rehman at 989-845-6761

Phil Schmiede at 989-751-1375

Ralph Frahm at 989-652-6645

Tentative Fair Week Events (condensed)

Monday: Livestock entries taken

Tuesday: Veteran's Day

Grandstand: Barnyard Pullers Horse Pull - 7 pm

Chili Cook-off returns

Xtreme Shock Dancers - 7 pm

Each day - Lumberjacks return to entertain young and old

Wednesday: Grandparents Day

Grandstand: Lawnmower Races – 7 pm

Memorial Hospital play hospital returns

Blood Mobile, Health fair

Goat Obstacle Course

Martial Arts Demonstration

Thursday:

Grandstand: to be determined

Square Dancers- 5-7 pm

Corn Pone Boys Band playing Old Time Country and Rock-a-Billy

Llamas

Bossy Bingo

Friday: Ag Day

Grandstand: Figure 8 – 7 pm

MMPA Milk Give Away

Channel 25 live broadcasts from 4-6 pm

Livestock Auction

Tim Evan and Silverado Express Band – Country and Blue Grass

Saturday: Kids Day

Grandstand: Fireman Challenge – 11 am

Grandstand: Corn Pone Boys Band – 4-6 pm

Grandstand: M T Pocket Pullers – 6 pm

Antique Appraising – 11 am to 3 pm – free appraisals

Goat Obstacle Course

Bossy Bingo

Sponsors Wanted

We are currently looking for sponsors to help cover the cost of the grandstand events.

Level 1: 27"x72" banner displayed in the Grandstand area, 2 one day passes and listed in the Fair Activities guide. \$ 250

Level 2: Same as level 1, plus name announced at all Grandstand functions, 2 additional passes. \$ 500

Level 3: Same as level 2, plus tagline on 4 Prime radio spots. \$ 1000

This is a condensed version. For more information contact Francis at 989-277-7694

Chesaning Mud Bog

The annual Chesaning Mud Bog will return on Saturday, June 20. Registration starts at 10 am and participants need to be registered by 1 pm.

Mud starts flying at 2 pm.

This event is sponsored by the Concerned Racers 4/WD Club.

Admission is \$ 7 per person, kids 5-10 \$ 1.00.

For more information contact Joe at 989-280-3534 or www.concernedracersclub.com

Meet your Directors:

We want you to get to know your board of directors and feel free to contact them if you have any questions, suggestions or concerns.

Dennis Mahoney, 2nd Vice President

Dennis has been reappointed to the board to fill a vacancy. Dennis and his wife Jennifer own the Riverside Greenhouse in Chesaning. They are the proud parents of a baby girl born in December. Dennis wanted to come back to the fair board to promote the fair and assure the opportunity for his daughter to participate in the fair.

Sara Engelhardt, Secretary

Sara has been involved with the fair since she was a 4-H member. She currently lives in Kawkawlin and teaches middle school.

Teresa Kayden, Treasurer

Teresa is the granddaughter of Mary Lou Nolan and has been involved with the fair for all her life. She is currently handling the duties of the treasurer and often is the contact person at the office. She is married with 2 young sons and lives in Freeland.

Giant Pumpkin Corner

Featuring pumpkin of course
Will return in later issues

