
2018 FAIR PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Welcome to the 70th Annual Montgomery County Agricultural Fair.

A strong agricultural community is vital to the economic health and security of the United States. Markets home and abroad for American agricultural goods and services create valuable employment and investment opportunities for our communities.

The mission of the Montgomery County Agricultural Center is clear and strong: to promote agricultural education and provide an opportunity for 4-H & FFA to exhibit their projects. Our volunteers and staff present the annual Montgomery County Agricultural Fair. This event provides the opportunity for young people who are 4-H and FFA members to exhibit their livestock, homemaking, and craft projects. We promote the science of agriculture preservation in Montgomery County and educate our patrons about agricultural-related topics. Our Board of Directors takes this mission very seriously. Every decision we make supports our core mission.

As you explore the 2018 Fair, you will witness first hand the depth and vitality of agriculture here in Montgomery County. Our exhibitors will showcase a wide variety of livestock, vegetables, and home arts. Our 4H'ers and open class exhibitors will compete for ribbons all week long. And there's so much more to see and do.

Come to our popular old-timers show. Take your kids to play in the KidZone, check out the STEAM activities we are conducting for our students. Save your appetite for all the great food vendors here, including our popular Big Cheese booth and Dairy Bar for ice cream treats. Stroll through the Powers Great American Midway to enjoy our safe rides and games. Take a seat at our Pepco community stage for free entertainment all week long. Grab seats in the Xfinity Grandstand to cheer for your favorite drivers during the Demolition Derby, and Monster-truck competitions.

I am very proud and thankful for the dedication and hard work of our Board of Directors, staff, and volunteers. Each supports the vision of our founders to promote agricultural education and commerce through a Fair experience you and your family will long remember.

Thank you for attending the 70th annual Montgomery County Agricultural Fair. I hope you come away appreciating the importance of agriculture in today's national economy and to our local community.

Join us this year, next year and every year to experience "A Tradition To Treasure."

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