

THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Dear Fairgoers:

Welcome to the 2019 Montgomery County Agricultural Fair!

This year's theme -- "Feed Your Senses" -- is as boundless as your imagination. We celebrate the men, women and young people whose lives revolve around farming in the County and whose dedication to sustaining our agricultural economy and way of life have been passed through generations.

We celebrate their hard work as we purchase fresh-from-the-fields produce to take home to enjoy or take time to savor some of the traditional country meals served at the Fair.

We educate ourselves about all that the farmers in our County do as we have fun watch them tend their animals or speak about their crops.

There are sights, sounds, flavors that create an unforgettable experience at the Fair for all ages, interests, and backgrounds. It is the best of our rural lifestyle and economy on display for all to enjoy. I hope you all leave the Fair with a better understanding of and appreciation for the tremendous impact that our agricultural community has upon our lives.

I look forward to seeing you, your family and friends at the 2019 Montgomery County Fair.

Sincerely,



Marc Elrich
County Executive



THE MAYOR OF GAITHERSBURG

Who can resist all of the fun at the Montgomery County Fair, right here in the backyard of the greatest City in the world, Gaithersburg, Maryland? This year's theme, Feed Your Senses, couldn't be more appropriate. Bleating goats, the aroma of kettle corn, the whoosh of the air when you're on a carnival ride. It's all good, and it's all in Gaithersburg.

We are proud to be the host city of the Montgomery County Fair, and we're equally proud of Gaithersburg's agricultural heritage. With the coming of the railroad in 1884, local farmers found new markets for their products. Canneries sprung up around town, eager to produce goods for the burgeoning DMV and even shipping their goods throughout the world.

Our historic buildings have been repurposed for 21st century uses, and our wonderful City is now known far and wide as a hub for biotechnology. And yet we've managed to keep our connection to the past, nurturing the small town feel that makes this such an inviting place for a widely diverse and exciting population.

We hope you enjoy coming to Gaithersburg for the Fair, and we hope you'll come back for all the great events taking place all year long, like the amazing Gaithersburg Book Festival in May, a fabulous SummerFest with fireworks and a SummerGlo after party the Saturday before the 4th of July, summer fun at a Water Park and Miniature Golf course, Oktoberfest in the fall, and the enchanting Winter Lights Festival during the holidays.

Explore all this and more at www.gaithersburgmd.gov, and stay on top of the action on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and YouTube @ GburgMD.

So Feed Your Senses at the Fair, August 9 – 17, then don't be a stranger. You can come back and feed them all year long in beautiful Gaithersburg, Maryland.

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