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Lake County Fair Takes Off on July 25

PAINESVILLE, Ohio, July 24, 2023— The Lake County Fair opens on July 25 and goes through July 30. The Lake County Fairgrounds is located at 1301 Mentor Ave in Painesville Township, Ohio 44077.

The Lake County Fair is an annual event put on by the Lake County Agricultural Society, Inc. which is made up of over 500 Lake County residents. Lake County has a 19-member Fair Board, elected by the society membership. Each of the “original” townships in the county have representation as required by the Ohio Revised Code.

Lake County is one of the only fairs in Ohio that holds a kick off parade. The parade will be on Tuesday, July 25, 2023 at 6 p.m. and begins at First Church of Christ/Zion Lutheran Church on Mentor Ave. to the Fairgrounds. This year’s parade Grand Marshall is going to be Rebekah Hardacre, who is the 2023 Ohio Fairs Queen.

“We are pleased to be a part of the Lake County Fair and all of the wonderful events. The fair truly features something for everyone with offerings throughout the week like Veterans Day, Family Day, Kid’s Day, Senior Day, Donut Day and Latino Day,” said Commissioner John R. Hamercheck.

Each day at the fair will have a different theme:

- Tuesday, July 25: Veteran’s Day
- Wednesday, July 26: Family Day
- Thursday, July 27: Kid’s Day
- Friday, July 28: Seniors Day
- Saturday, July 29: Donut Day
- Sunday, July 30: Latino Day

Last year’s fair was a phenomenal success with 121,772 people in attendance with Sunday breaking the attendance record with 37,528 people in attendance.

The 2023 Lake County Fair Queen is Miss Giselle Scipione, who is a biology major at Ursuline College.

“This is my 46th fair. I don’t remember a time when there was a sense of this much excitement for the fair. The unprecedented amount and type of major capital improvements to the fairgrounds has never been equal and there has been a buzz around this place for a number of months. With new entertainment offerings, another increase in 4-H projects and everyone’s desire to enjoy a fast-moving summer, we have every reason to hope for a great fair. Please plan to come out and join us for six days of fun,” said Lake County Fair Board Director, Bob Dawson.

All three commissioners will participate in being the voice of the fair throughout the week.

“Last year’s Lake County Fair continued to break attendance records with Sunday being the single best attended day in history. People vote with their feet and Lake County loves the Fair! The 4-H livestock auction is one of the best events at our Lake County Fair, and was founded to highlight the importance of agriculture in our community. It’s really the heart of our Lake County Fair. The livestock auction is so exciting because the public generally doesn’t know the champion animals until the auction so it is almost like an unveiling. I want to challenge all of our county elected officials, mayors, managers, trustees and council people to come on out to support the kids and have a great time,” said Commissioner John Plecnik.

“I look forward to the Lake County Fair every year. This year I am very excited to participate as a commissioner! Lake County has a long tradition of cooperation between our Fair Board, local officials, and the agricultural community. The Board is happy to join in the celebration of the hard work of all involved and offer congratulations to our new Lake County Fair Queen and Queens Court,” said Commissioner Richard J. Regovich.

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