

KANSAS FAIRS & FESTIVALS CONVENTION NEWSLETTER

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ELECTION NOTICE

During the business meeting members will have the opportunity to elect board members to represent their districts.

District 1; District 2; District 4; and District 6 have openings for board members.

If you are interested please let the lead board member know at the election caucus.

A FEW LOCATIONS HAVE CHANGED

One of the first things you will notice at this year's convention is the location of where the meals will be served. To change things up, we are having some of the meals catered in. For logistical reasons all the meals will be served and a few events will take place in the Grand Ballroom. The showcases will remain in the Regency Ballroom as they have in the past. The one exception for meal location will be the Friday evening dinner which will be served in the atrium buffet area.

AUCTION ITEMS (DON'T FORGET)

Don't forget to bring your auction items to the convention. This allows us to raise funding for the Ag Challenge of Champions Competition that is held each year at the Kansas State Fair. Auction items can be big or small, we challenge each fair to bring something from your county. Our goal is to raise \$4500 each year to continue these scholarship opportunities.

SHOW OFF YOUR COLORS

Several county fairs have official shirts they wear during their fair or event. We want to encourage each fair or festival to show us your official apparel. Wear them on **Friday** during the convention, so we can get to know you better and identify who you are with.

2022 Theme - "In search of the new normal"

ALCOLHOL CONSUMPTION

The Ramada is gracious to provide us with a complimentary adult beverage hour on Friday and Saturday evening. We also provide a cash bar during the showcase events. Many participants bring their own beverages for personal consumption. We ask that you respect the rules of the Hotel and refrain from consuming personal alcohol beverages in the public area's of the hotel, (i.e. Atrium, Ballroom and Hallways} You could be putting the hotels license at risk and we could lose the hospitalities of the hotel. PLEASE DON'T BRING PERSONAL BEVERAGES INTO THE SHOWCASES, ENJOY THEM IN YOUR ROOMS.



A draft schedule is online at kansasfairsassociation.com

Thank You

Contact Us

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Convention Door Prizes

Don't forget that door prizes will be given away at the close of the convention during the Sunday Morning final session.

Remember to look at your name tag and tickets when you get your packet.

THIS YEAR PRIZES INCLUDE:

\$100 Cash

External Hard Drive

\$50 Mastercard

Laptop Computer (to attending County Fair/Festival)

2 - \$25 Gift cards (see Rules in Packet)

2 - Free Registrations & 2 nights hotel stay for 2023

BOARD MEMBERS RESIGNING

Recently the following board members have indicated that they will not seek re-election for the upcoming caucus elections in 2022. Jim Hamilton, District 1; Allen Warren, District 2; Darrren Jackson, District 4; and Kathleen Fabrizius, District 6 have resigned from their positions citing health, personal and professional reasons.

The board of directors wish to thank each of them for the support of the fair industry and commitment to the Kansas Fairs & Festivals Association.

SPEAKERS AT THE CONVENTION

Jennifer Giesike, CFE, President/CEO/Fair Manager

Washington Town & Country Fair –

Sparking Joy! – Rediscovering your passion and re-energizing your team!

We all have some days that are more challenging than others. How we handle those days has a major impact on your team and your fairgoers. When your team is energized and focused, almost anything is possible. But when your team's enthusiasm fades, how can you help set the tone to regain the level of energy and passion that our fairs deserve? Let's talk through some strategies to keep you energized and focused on why you work or volunteer for your fair.

John Sprague, Fire Prevention Education Consultant - He has been with the Office of the State Fire Marshal since May 2021, after more than 15 years crafting messaging for public consumption. He has also worked in safety in a manufacturing setting as part of a team of first responders and is the current Fire Prevention Education Consultant. John will be discussing the -
"Top 10 citations and what to expect during an inspection"

Dr. Brad Kinchloe, Principal Park Hill High school,

I began my teaching career in 1975. I taught Mathematics for 15 years. My extra assignments included head wrestling, head track, assistant football, and student council. I was the assistant principal for 7 years and have served as principal (the best job in Platte County) since 1998. I have been married for 30 plus years with 3 children and 8 grandchildren. I am a Park Hill graduate, class of '72 rules!! His topic of discussion at the Hall of Fame Luncheon is titled:
"Navigating the new norm"

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

The Madison Street Diner located in the hotel will not be open during the convention.