

## PENNSYLVANIA STATE FAIR QUEEN PROGRAM

SPRING 2019 REPORT

04/24/2019



### BOARD:

The following were elected as officers for the Queen Board for 2019-2020: **Chairman – John Berne; Vice Chairman – Judy Kmetz; Secretary – Karen Dobson; Treasurer – Gary Moore and Director – Ruth Trumbetta. Amy Utegg** was appointed to the position of Contest Correspondence Coordinator. **Amy Hawn and Linda Grove** were appointed to the Fundraising Committee.

**ELECTIONS** need to be held at Fall Zone Meetings - **Zones 1 and 3** to appoint a member to the 2020 PA Fair Queen Board of Directors.

### EVENTS/PUBLICITY:

**2019 PA Fair Queen Mikara Anderson** (Huntingdon County Fair, Zone 3)

**2019 Alternate PA Fair Queen Madison Sickler** (Wyoming County Community Fair, Zone 2)

- PA Fair Queen
  - Attended Cornucopia in February. Did an outstanding job interacting with the legislators
  - Attended several local events including the Jr Holstein banquet, Huntingdon PRIDE, Huntingdon County Farm Bureau's spring meeting
  - Visited with Senator Judy Ward where she received a proclamation acknowledging Mikara's accomplishments
  - Featured on WeAreCentralPA.com with the video of the crowning at Hershey
  - She has created a PA Fair Queen Journey album on social media where she is posting photos and info about her appearances, fairs and agriculture
- Appearance requests for Mikara or Madison must be submitted to Martha Ebersole 2 months in advance of the event. Scheduling will be done on a first-come basis and depending on the Queen/Alternate's availability. **Forms are available at each zone meeting.**

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Ruth Trumbetta & Charlotte Williams, Fundraising

### STATE CONTEST:

- 57 Intent Forms were received so far.
- Missing some fairs that participated last year (*see zone list attached*)
- Prospective new fairs to the program: Bloomsburg, Ox Hill, and Williamsburg Community Farm Show!
- Applications are being distributed at Spring Zone meetings and will also be posted on the PSACF website.
- **Reminder: This year all application paperwork is to be sent to Amy Utegg. Bitsey Kopfinger has retired from the program and is no longer handling the paperwork.**

### FUNDRAISING

- Flyers are being distributed at the zone meetings to solicit gift baskets and auction items. We encourage all fairs to get involved. .
- Any potential sponsor ideas, contact Judy Kmetz (Luzerne County Fair)

At the Fair Queen Coordinators' meeting at Convention, many of the coordinators voiced concerns about the new Miss Agriculture State queen program. These Miss Ag royalty often show up at fairs, unannounced and uninvited, and infringe upon the fair queen's activities. The PA Fair Queen Program is working on a guideline that will be distributed to PA fairs to help them handle these situations in an appropriate manner.



Submitted by: Karen H. Dobson, Board Secretary

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