All sponsors are in place for all four contests. Pennsylvania Egg Farmers will again be sponsoring the fair premiums and the PA Farm Show competition for the Angel Food Cake contests. PA Preferred® contests will remain a sponsor for the Junior Baking Cookies, Brownies and Bars competitions. PSACF will be sponsoring the PA Farm Show prizes for the Homemade Chocolate Cake and the Blue Ribbon Apple Pie contests.

Fairs were requested to sign up to be included in the 2022 database by either using the online form or the paper form. This list will be used to keep coordinators updated throughout the year. Fairs were also asked to confirm that they still have the Angel Food Cake and PA Junior Baking sponsor banners.

The 2022 Special Baking Contest Packet can be accessed from the PSACF website. This packet contains the updated 2022 contest rules, press releases and contest summary submission instructions.

## **Updates and Changes for 2022!**

- The "acceptable ingredients" rule has been clarified with a
  definition of "scratch baking". The entire entry must be made from scratch. No prepackaged ingredients may be use (ex: cake or pudding mixes, store bought cookie
  dough, pie crusts or frosting).
- PA Preferred has broadened the sourcing of PA Preferred ingredients. Ingredients may be labeled as PA Preferred or can be purchased from local sources such as community farms and markets.
- Contest Summary reports are requesting winners' email addresses so we can contact them directly with PA Farm Show information.
- **THE BIGGEST CHANGE!** Fairs are <u>no</u> longer responsible for filling out the Farm Show Certification Entry forms. This will now be handed by the PA Special Baking Contest Committee. Fairs will be contacted if no summary report has been received within thirty (30) days of their fair.
- The contest time for the PA Farm Show Angel Food Cake competition has been changed to 10:00 AM. This change will be communicated in the Certification Entry Form sent to eligible Angel Food Cake winners.

We now have a Facebook page. Follow us at @pafairsbaking where we will share information about different fairs' contests and the PA Farm Show. Fairs are encouraged to "like" and "share" the page to generate excitement about the special baking contests.