# NEW YORK STATE ASSOCIATION OF AGRICULTURAL FAIRS, INC.

The 131st annual Convention of the New York State Association of Agricultural Fairs, Inc. was held January18-21, 2019 at the Joseph A. Floreano Rochester Riverside Convention Center, Rochester, NY. On behalf of the Officers and the Board of Directors, I would like to take this opportunity to extend sincere thanks to each of you for your participation and cooperation. You have made it possible for us to once again experience a successful convention. We hope you enjoyed the convention and we wish you a successful 2019 season!

## All Officers, Directors and Committees of the Association All Associate Members who participated

**Scholarship Auction**: All fairs, individuals and associate members who participated, contributed and purchased auction items. The Auction Committee, Auctioneer Randy Moyer and all those who helped with the auction.

### **President's Reception and Hospitality Room:**

Essex County Fair Board of Directors and Staff.

<u>Past Presidents' Reception on Saturday</u> – Sponsored by The Joseph A. Floreano Rochester Riverside Convention Center and Visit Rochester

Signs: Supplied by the Dutchess County Fair, Andy Imperati

Saturday & Sunday Breakfast, Banquet, Saturday Buffet: NYS Association of Agricultural Fairs, Inc., Lewis County Fair, Franklin County Fair, and Variety Attractions.

Saturday Evening Buffet: Steuben County Fair

<u>Door Prizes:</u> All those donating door prizes; Board and Staff members of the Essex County Fair and friends for distributing tickets and prizes.

Memorial Service & Display: Dr. Marilyn Trainor

Showcase Acts: Davisson Brothers Band, Variety Attractions, Chris Yantek, The Cincinnati Circus

**Emcees**: John Burr and Glenn Gillespie

#### Personnel from:

Visit Rochester – Amanda Pfeil, Brianna McEnroe, Alicia Gazda NICA – represented by Jody Conklin New York Showpeople's Association – Joseph Zutter, President& Jeff Lloyd, Vice President OABA – represented by Marc Janis

#### Speakers:

Aaron Alejandro – "Live your Brand" Mark Mayfield – "Momma Told Me There'd Be Days Like This" **Breakout Sessions:** All speakers and facilitators

#### Sponsors:

<u>Gold Plus</u> Sponsor Allied Specialty Insurance Inc., Treasure Island, FL; Amusements of America, Tennett, NJ; Dreamland Amusements, Lake Tahoe, NV; Powers Great American Midways, Corfu, NY.

**Bronze Sponsor:** Erie County Fair, Hamburg, NY; Franklin County Fair, Malone, NY; Lewis County Fair, Lowville, NY, Steuben County Fair, Bath, NY, Variety Attractions, Inc., Zanesville, OH, Visit Rochester, Rochester, NY.

Contributing Sponsors: Afton Driving Park & Ag Association, Afton, NY; Automated Cash Technologies, Ballston Spa, NY, Boxall's Concessions, Lancaster, NY, Gillette Shows, Pittsfield, MA, Herkimer County Fair, Frankfort, NY; Horses, Horses, Horses, Sarasota, FL; Oswego County Fair, Sandy Creek, NY; Polar Bear Ice Cream, Otego, NY; Seneca County Fair, Waterloo, NY, Utter Delights-Soft Serve, Canastoda, NY.

#### **Acknowledgements:**

**<u>Badges & Tickets</u>**: The Fair Publishing House; National Ticket Company; Visit

Rochester.

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**Sound**: Lloyd Sound Inc.

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President's Plaque: Don Peck

**Trade Show:** Northeast Decorating, Bill Newman; Holly Holevinski and our Trade Show participants. To those who participated in the "Fairy Tails" Parade and the committee: Gerry Elthorp, Nelson Eddy, John Burr, Doug Hanno.

#### **Trade Show Luncheon Coupons**

Sponsored by NYS Association of Agricultural Fairs, Inc. & The Joseph A. Floreano Rochester Riverside Convention Center

**Refreshment Breaks**: Upstate Milk Cooperative, New England Coca Cola

**Staff of:** The Joseph A. Floreano Rochester Riverside Convention Center, Rochester Riverside Hotel and the Hyatt Regency Rochester.

<u>Sale of 50/50 Tickets</u>: Melissa Beardslee, Chairperson, and all those who sold tickets. Polar Bear Homemade Ice Cream, Otego, NY for tickets.

<u>Registration Desk</u>: Jane Luskin, Norma Saville and the Visit Rochester staff; Melissa Beardslee, Treasurer; Recording Staff: Connie Sciolino, Erie County Fair and Lauren Rowland, Saratoga County Fair

For all those who helped to make the convention a success, we truly appreciate it.

Thank you!

Russell L. Marquart, CFE NYSAAF Executive Secretary

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