

Ohio State Fair Hall of Fame

47th Luncheon and Induction Ceremony

Founded in 1976



State Fair

JULY 24 - AUGUST 4
2024

Thursday, August 1
11:30 a.m.
Kasich Hall

Ohio State Fair Hall of Fame Luncheon and Induction Ceremony

Welcome	Angela Krile Chair, Ohio Expositions Commission
Pledge of Allegiance	Leah Schuhart Ohio Fairs' Queen
National Anthem	All-Ohio State Fair Band & Youth Choir
Invocation	Gracelynn Harter President, Junior Fair Board
Luncheon	
Concert	All-Ohio State Fair Band
Serenade.....	All-Ohio State Fair Youth Choir
Acknowledgements	Adam Heffron Executive Director
Introduction of Inductees	Angela Krile & Adam Heffron
Presentation of awards.....	Governor Mike DeWine

HISTORY

The Ohio State Fair Hall of Fame was created in 1976 for the purpose of recognizing those individuals who have made outstanding contributions toward making the Ohio State Fair one of our nation's premier expositions.

Enshrinement into the Hall is one way the Ohio Expositions Commission, the management of the Ohio State Fair, and the people of Ohio can express their appreciation to these citizens for their dedicated leadership and untiring service.

2024 Hall of Fame Inductees

Rae Bricker

Ohio Expo Center & State Fairgrounds employee
for 27 years

Glen Carr

Ohio State Fair Supporter and Barn Director for 50 years

Jason Fallon

Ohio Department of Natural Resources
Park Event Coordinator

Lisa Gallagher

Ohio State Fair Supporter and All-Ohio State Fair Band
and Youth Choir employee for 24 years

Todd Osborn

Ohio State Fair employee for 32 years

Donald and Joanne Tracey

Ohio State Fair vendor for 66 years

Past Inductees

2023

George Barhorst

Ohio State Fair Draft Horse Exhibitor/Supporter for 59 years

Ted Barhorst

Ohio State Fair Draft Horse Exhibitor/Supporter for 58 years

John Cooper

Ohio State Fair Supporter/Volunteer for 58 years and Abe Lincoln Impersonator

Rhonda Lawson

Ohio Expo Center & State Fair Rental Department Employee for 30 years

Vickie Noble

Ohio State Fair Creative Arts Exhibitor/Supporter for 47 years

Tom Price

Ohio State Fair former Commissioner and Swine Department/Youth Development Supporter for more than 30 years

Virgil Strickler

Ohio State Fair employee for 30 years, serving as the longest-running general manager for 20 years and agriculture director for all 30 years of employment

2022

Maurice Eastridge

Dairy Cattle Youth Events/Skillathons and The Ohio State University Animal Sciences Department for 38 years

Roger High

Sheep Department Supporter/Youth Development for 31 years

Mike Moore

Ohio Expo Center & State Fair Maintenance Employee for 36 years

Dean Newsom

All-Ohio State Fair Choir Alumni and Supporter for 50 years

Dale Ricker

Swine Department Supporter/ Youth Development for 58 years

Susan Weyrick

Ohio Expo Center & State Fair Human Resources Director for 26 years

2019

Stacey French

Ohio Expo Center & State Fair Agriculture Department Employee for 29 years

Cindi Grover

Ohio State Fair Boer Goat / Sheep/ Swine Supporter and Exhibitor for 51 years

Bill Isler

Ohio State Fair Swine Exhibitor; Supporter for 60 years

Ronald Mack

Ohio State Fair Draft Horse Exhibitor and Director for 38 years

Fred Wilkes

Ohio State Fair Horse Exhibitor and Dairy Goat Director for 66 years

James Zehringer

Ohio State Fair Supporter for 16 years

2018

Allen Auck

4-H Youth Development Superintendent for more than 30 years

David Dunn

Ohio Expo Center & State Fair Maintenance Department Employee for 47 years

Jerry Frame

Sheep Exhibitor and Supporter for 60 years

Gerald Harkness

Draft Horse Exhibitor and Supporter for 72 years

Zale Maxwell

Ag / Hort / Bee Display Exhibitor, Supporter and Volunteer for more than 50 years

Johnny Regula

Livestock Auctioneer and Supporter for 31 years

2017

Brett D. Chance

Ohio Expo Center & State Fair employee for 27 years

Warren Flood

Livestock Exhibitor, Employee and Supporter for 35 years

Jerry Powell

Poultry Exhibitor and Supporter for 35 years

Jack & Donna Moore

Llama Directors, Exhibitors and Supporters
for 25 years

Joe Robertson

Former Commissioner for 27 years

2016**F. Joe Darst**

Ohio Expo Center & State Fair employee
for 33 years

Mark Ferrell

Ohio State Fair Choir Alumni and Supporter
for 35 years

John C. "Jack" Fisher

Ohio State Fair Agriculture/Youth
Development Supporter for 20 years

Elizabeth Ann Mumaw

Ohio State Fair Sheep Department/Youth
Development Supporter for 32 years

Nevin Smith

Ohio State Fair Sheep Department/Youth
Development Supporter for 27 years

John Spreng, Jr.

Ohio State Fair Supporter for 50 years,
former Dairy Director and Commissioner

2015**Jim Brandt**

Sheep Exhibitor and Supporter for 60 years

John & Donna Greiwe

Dairy Cattle Exhibitors and Supporters
for 50 years

Dr. Gene Isler

Swine Supporter for 63 years

Lucinda Miller

Exhibitor and Supporter for 37 years

Barb Stuckey

Swine Supporter for 36 years

Joe Wilson

Ohio Expo Center & State Fair Employee
for 33 years

2014**Charles "Charlie" Andrews**

Swine Employee and Supporter for 50 years

Jeffrey Dillion

Ohio Expo Center & State Fair Employee
for 39 years

Scott Higgins

Dairy Cattle Supporter for 30 years

Luis Perez

Ohio Expo Center & State Fair Employee
for 37 years

George Schmidt

Concessionaire and Supporter for 80 years

Jack Tongring

All-Ohio State Fair Band Employee and
Supporter for 30 years

2013**Kathie Amspau**

Ohio Expo Center & State Fair Employee
for 37 years

Eldrid "E.D." Davis

Ohio Expo Center & State Fair Employee
for 37 years

Ralph Doak

Swine Exhibitor and Supporter for 50 years

Robert Peters

Sheep Exhibitor and
Supporter for more than 28 years

Robert Pierano

Employee and Sheep Exhibitor for 33 years

Nathaniel Terry

Supporter and Boxing Official for more
than 35 years

2012**Lisa Frost**

Sheep Employee and Supporter for 18 years

Bernard (Bernie) M. Heisner

Dairy Cattle Youth Development Supporter
for more than 19 years

Bryan Hetterscheidt

Ohio Expo Center & State Fair Employee
for 32 years

Dr. Bobby Moser

Youth Development Supporter for 21 years

Kay Quinton

Girl Scouts Supporter and Fair Exhibitor for
more than 20 years

Ken & Janet Stiverson

Pork Supporter and Exhibitor for 50 years

Carl D. Williams

Dairy Cattle Supporter for 37 years

Betty Wingerter

Poultry/Youth Development Supporter
for 20 years

2011

John & Bonnie Ayars

Exhibitor of Dairy Cattle for more than 40 years

Joseph Ciacchi

Plasterers' and Cement Masons' Supporter for 18 years

Tim & Glenda Huffman

Youth Development Supporter for 24 years

Mary Miller

Creative Arts Supporter and Exhibitor for 38 years

Christopher Nethers

All-Ohio Youth Choir Supporter for 20 years

Nevin Taylor

Youth Development Supporter for 31 years

2010

Charles Cox

Youth Development Supporter and Concessionaire for 50 years

Dennis Elliott

4-H Youth Development Supporter for more than 35 years

Richard Falter

Beef Cattle and Sheep Supporter for 30 years

Opal Holfinger

Ohio Expositions Commissioner and Educational Program Supporter for 10 years

Richard Indoe

Dairy Cattle and Draft Horse Supporter for 59 years

David Madison

Ohio Expositions Commissioner and Educational Program Supporter for 18 years

Jeff Milgrom

Sponsorship Program and Youth Development Supporter for 26 years

Rose Stough

Agriculture, Horticulture and Poultry Supporter for more than 50 years

2009

James Chakeres, II

Youth Educational Programs, Ag and Hort and Livestock Supporter for 34 years

Doug & Jenny Fenton

Dairy Cattle Exhibitors for more than 40 years

Joan Fernandez

Seasonal Employee and Gates and Human Resources Supporter for 24 years

Paul Mechling

Former Commissioner and Educational Programs Supporter for 20 years

Linda Potts

Boy Scouts Supporter for 30 years

Todd Raines

Beef Cattle Supporter for 25 years

David & Jane Runyan

Swine Supporters for more than 40 years

Robert Taylor

Sheep Supporter for 41 years

2008

Clell Agler

Poultry Department Director for 25 years

Harold Crowe

Ohio Expositions Commissioner and Beef Cattle Supporter for more than 50 years

Robert Gucker

Sheep Exhibitor for 59 years

Elizabeth Harsh

Youth Educational Programs and Beef Cattle Supporter for 20 years

Jean Hauff

Ohio Expo Center & State Fair Employee for 31 years

Dick Isler

Educational Programs and Swine Supporter for 20 years

Steve Rauch

Youth Educational Programs Supporter for 10 years

Richard Ricker

Ohio Expositions Commissioner and Swine Supporter for more than 45 years

Charles Snyder

All-Ohio State Fair Youth Choir for 16 years

Randy Starner

Youth Educational Programs Supporter for 17 years

2007

Edward P. Gallagher

Assistant to All-Ohio State Fair Band for 19 years

Eileen S. Goodin

Girl Scouts Program for 24 years

Mary L. Grover

Employee, Exhibitor and Supporter of Boer Goats, Sheep, Swine Programs for 45 years

Robert C. Kline

4-H Horse Show for 30 years

Joe M. Miller

Dairy Cattle Exhibitor and Volunteer for 35 years

Michael Stichler

Poultry Exhibitor and Volunteer for 40 years

Mary Ann Winfiel

Family Arts and Crafts Exhibitor for 57 years

Donald P. Woods

Ohio Expositions Commissioner and
Supporter for 20 years

2006**Fred Dailey**

Ohio Expositions Commissioner and
Supporter for 15 years

James R. Esswein

Assistant to All-Ohio State Fair Band for 37 years

Joan Hess

Exhibitor and Promoter of Sheep Program
for 57 years

Roy Pollard, Jr.

Gates Department Employee for 11 years

Gary Saunders

Exhibitor and Supporter of Family Arts
and Crafts for 37 years

Alice Wolf

Exhibitor and Supporter of Sheep Program
for 36 years

2005**Ruth Huber Cahill**

Exhibitor and Supporter of Family Arts and Crafts
for 50 years

Carolyn Banbury Nyland

Exhibitor and Supporter of Sheep Program for
52 years

Melanie Ann Stevenson

Camp Fire USA Program for 25 years

Mary Ann Taylor

Ohio Expo Center & State Fair Employee
for 31 years

Mary Lou Topp

Exhibitor and Supporter of Dairy Cattle
for more than 30 years

2004**Thomas P. Brown**

Exhibitor of Sheep and Cattle; Judge of Open &
Junior Sheep Shows for 35 years

Dorothy Jones

Ohio Expositions Commissioner and Strong
Supporter of Dairy Department for 14 years

Peter Spike

Jr. Dairy Superintendent & Assistant Dairy
Superintendent for 23 years

John Sullivan

Employee of the All-Ohio State Fair youth Choir
for 16 Years

L. Charles Wilson

Ohio Expo Center & State Fair Employee for 28
Years; Maintenance Director for 15 years

2003**Dottie Bates**

Exhibitor, Judge, Employee & Supporter of Youth
Gardens Program for 34 years

Jodi Black

Jr. Livestock & 4-H Projects for more than 20
years; Helped Create Skillathon Program

Weldon Arthur Carpenter

Historian & Volunteer for All-Ohio State Fair
Band for 30 years

Glenn A. High

Exhibitor of Shropshire, Targhee & Hampshire
Sheep for 38 years

2002**Walter M. Burns**

Ohio Expositions Commissioner for eight years

E. Denslow Eversole

Exhibitor of Beef Cattle and Other Livestock
for 65 years

Richard "Dick" Lewis

Exhibitor of Holstein Cattle and Dairy Cattle Judge
for 40 years

C. LaVon Shook

Long-time Fair Volunteer and Author of A
History of the Ohio State Fair

Ruth Stackhouse

Ohio Expositions Commissioner for eight years

Esta Lee Strauser

Girl Scouts Program for 31 years

2001**Dan Denney**

Gates Department Employee for 36 years

Jack C. Foust

General Manager for nine and a half years

Irene Goodrich

Exhibitor of Quilts for 26 years

Paul S. Richards

Exhibitor of Maple Syrup Products for 63 years

Dan Zimmerman

Swine Department for 25 years

2000

Helen & Howard Banbury

Exhibitors of Sheep and Wool Products
for 65 years

Madeline Lancione

Ohio Expositions Commissioner for 12 years

John Miley

Supporter of Junior Fair Programs for 30 years

Donald Santa-Emma

All-Ohio State Fair Band Director for 27 years

Wayne E. Sliker

Exhibitor of Brown Swiss Cattle for 26 years

Lowell Stevens

Exhibitor of Jersey Cattle for 25 years

1999

Paul A. Corey

Ohio Expositions Commissioner and Youth
Supporter for 17 years

David Shaw

Gates Department Employee for 40 years

Robert D. Sommers

Exhibitor of Dairy Cattle for 25 years

Donald Van Nostran

Sheep Department for 30 years

George & Janet Voinovich

Former Governor and First Lady of Ohio

Raymond William Wegman

Exhibitor of Draft Horses for 29 years

1998

Bob Highfield

Exhibitor of Polled Dorsets for 25 years

Kenneth Knoop

Exhibitor of Jersey Cattle for 35 years

Bill Lesko

Youth Programs and Sale of Champions
Supporter for 20 years

William A. Schindley

Junior Technology Education
Superintendent for 26 years

Joyce L. Wendel-Smith

All-Ohio State Fair Band and Youth Choir
for 26 years

1997

Dave "Logan" Grueser

Master of Ceremonies and Public Speaker
Announcer for 30 years

Al Kin

Exhibitor of Sheep, Swine and Cattle for 50 years

Edward Soles

Gates Department Employee for 50 years

Carl L. Stough

Exhibitor of Poultry for 43 years

1996

Americus Gabe "A.G." Lancione

Ohio Expositions Commissioner for six years

David Meeker

All-Ohio State Fair Band and Youth Choir for 24
years

Orville H. Potts

Boy Scouts Program for 20 years

Curtis Lafayette Steward

Senior Citizens Programs for 16 years

Ralph E. Turley

Exhibitor of Guernsey Cattle for 51 years

1995

George A. Dix

Exhibitor of Percheron Horses for 47 years

Barbara Dunham

Horse Show Employee for 18 Years; Show
Director for 10 years

Donald L. Klamforth

Exhibitor of Guernsey Cattle for 39 years

Wib Justi

4-H, Grange and Junior Horticulture Programs
for 33 years

Sharon Evans Martin

Sheep Department for 31 years

George H. Wilson

All-Ohio State Fair Band for 27 years

1994

Richard Aschenbrand

Fine Arts Show Director for 17 years

Robert Brown

Exhibitor of Dairy Cattle for 45 years; 4-H
Advisor for 35 Years

Francis Byers

Exhibitor of Agriculture and Horticulture
Products for 38 Years

Sande Haldiman

Special Events, Arts and Junior Fair Office
for 23 years

Allen Ulrich

4-H and Jr. Fair Animal Exhibits Supporter
for 21 years

Gerald "Bud" Westlake

Exhibitor and Judge of Sheep Shows for 39 years

1993

Barry Conrad

Official Photographer for 26 years

Francis W. Eustis

Secretary of Ohio Belgian Breeders Association for 30 years

Jack O. Evans

All-Ohio State Fair Band for 22 years

Thomas Lindsey

Assistant Beef Superintendent for 15 years

Ned A. Parrett

Junior Lamb, Swine and Steer Carcass

Evaluation for 21 years

Fred "Fritz" Penick

Exhibitor of Beef Cattle for 43 years

1992

Ralph Cobey

Charter Member of the Ohio Expositions Commission

Marie Johnson

Senior Citizens Programs for 23 years

Eugene W. Schmidt

Charter Member of the Ohio Expositions Commission

Virgil Shivers

Shiv'o the Information Clown for 18 years

Richard E. Troup

Charter Member of the Ohio Expositions Commission

Ohio Quarter Horse Association

Strong Supporter of 4-H and FFA Programs

1991

Shirley J. Boyd

Farm Bureau Youth Programs for 28 years

Patti Calvert

Director of First Aid Center for 16 years

Roger L. Duncan

Food Concessionaire for 30 years

David B. Gerber

Junior Fair Swine Superintendent for 17 years

Philip L. Grover

Open Show Swine Superintendent

Howard S. Foust

Former General Manager

Eddie Kirk

Ohio Expositions Commissioner for 10 years

Howard Lewis

Member of the Horse Advisory Committee

Charles E. Myers

Exhibitor of Dairy Cattle for 40 years

Max Oren

Concessionaire and Supporter of Sale of Champions for 23 years

Robert Steele

Presiding Judge of Harness Races for 30 years

Warren Squires

Long-time Judge of Junior and Open Class Sheep Shows

1990

Shirley Booth

Baton Director for 25 Years; Cheerleading Director for 10 years

O'Guerta "Greta" Cummings

National Holstein Futurity Manager for 30 years

Bernard Hurst

Instrumental in Landscaping and Grounds Beautification Programs

Martin Janis

Long-time Supporter of Senior Citizens Programs

Arthur Milner

Charter Member of the Ohio Expositions Commission

Ledell Parker

Concessionaire for more than 30 years

Larry Sears

Assisted in Maintenance of Tractor Pull Area for 30 years

Anson B. Smith

Long-time Dairy Cattle Exhibitor and Supporter

Harlow Walker

Exhibitor of Sheep for 48 years

Joseph Worman

Grandstand Stage Manager and Technical Director for 33 years

1989

Rowland Bishop

Former General Manager; Supporter for 57 years

Ronald Guenther

Long-time Sheep Exhibitor and Judge of Sheep Shows

Donald McKay

Long-time Exhibitor of Jersey Dairy Cattle

1988

John Black

Long-time Supporter of Youth Programs

Adam Carfagna

Supporter of Beef and Lamb Sales for 35 years

Edward Carfagna

Supporter of Beef and Lamb Sales for 35 years

Verna Keefer

Horse Show Organist for 25 years

Harry Mykrantz

Exhibitor of Livestock for 40 years

Kenneth Rinehart

Employee for more than 46 years

Clarence Williamson

Exhibitor of Sheep for more than 52 years

1987

Roger Black

Long-time Exhibitor of Dairy Cattle

Choice Culver

Exhibitor, Supporter and Judge for more than 60 years

Richard L. Hummel

FFA and Vocational Agriculture Programs for 36 years

Daniel E. Kline

Exhibitor of Draft Horses for 54 years

John W. Martin

Strong Supporter through News Media

Lawrence E. Neel

Dairy Cattle Superintendent

Fred Pope

Games Concessionaire for 35 years

Richard "Boo" Shepard

Long-Tenured Employee

D.C. Stevens

Strong Supporter for more than 50 years

William Wickert

Long-time Exhibitor of Draft Horses

1986

Seifrid D. Bruny

Former 4-H Livestock Superintendent

Reuben R. Jones

Ohio Expositions Commissioner and Exhibitor of Dairy Cattle for 20 years

J. William Reed

Long-time Exhibitor and Judge of Draft Horse Shows

Cliff Wilson

Draft Horse Superintendent and Exhibitor for 20 years

1985

Eleanor Brands

Assistant Coordinator of Crippled Childrens Days

Beatrice Bumgardner

Assistant Superintendent of Agriculture and Horticulture Building

Floyd E. Gooding

Provider of the Midway for 30 years

Jack K. Judy

Assistant Sheep Superintendent for more than 20 years

Jerry Kaye

Coordinator of Grandstand Entertainment

Frank J. Lausche

Former Governor and Senator of the State of Ohio

James M. Lewis

Exhibitor of Dairy Cattle for 50 years

Wilfred R. Powell

Exhibitor of Agriculture Products for 63 years

Richard O. Smith

Beef Department for 20 years

Lucian Tiberi

Musician and Participant for more than 40 years

Bobby D. VanStavern

Supporter through The Ohio State University for 27 years

1984

Lloyd Fleming

Former Exhibitor and Loyal Supporter

James R. Helt

Associate State Leader of 4-H: Supporter of Fair Youth Programs

Harold & Dorothy Judy

Sheep Department Exhibitors for 50 years

Harold Kaeser

Dairy Cattle Superintendent for 23 years

Paul Loyer

Exhibitor of Draft Horses for 46 years

Warren Ward

Exhibitor of Sheep for 50 years

John Watkins

Volunteer and Supporter for more than 15 years

George Wilson

Beef Department for 30 years

1983

Howard Hackney

Exhibitor of Swine for more than 63 years

Jean Lemmerman

Exhibitor of Dairy Cattle for more than 50 years

James Lorenz

Long-Time Food Concessionaire

Earl Poling

Supporter through American Dairy Association

Barbara Prince

Entry Department Superintendent for 15 years

Norris Young

Exhibitor of Dairy Cattle for more than 40 years

1982

Lee Ault

President of Tri-Advertising, Inc.

Fred Cassel

Harness Racing Superintendent

Bill Cook

Former Superintendent of Agriculture and Horticulture Building

Gene D'Angelo

Strong Supporter as General Manager of WBNS-TV

David Finley

Former Chief of Ohio Department of Transportation Public Information Bureau

Jim Fisher

Commercial Cattle Superintendent

Kathy Foster

Supporter as Staff Reporter for The Columbus Dispatch

Carl Henson

Former Superintendent of Fairgrounds

Sue Ann Jones

Supporter as Staff Reporter for The Columbus Citizen-Journal

Larry Kunkle

Supporter through The Ohio State University

Jay Lawrence

Long-time Exhibitor of Horticulture Products

Mark List

Deputy Director of Ohio Department of Agriculture

Leland McClelland

Director of Fine Arts Show for 10 years

Dick Midden

Former Deputy Director of Ohio Department of Natural Resources

Al Molt

Former Chief of Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Office of Services

Roots Catering

Food Services Operation

Clark Street

Former Assistant Director of Ohio Department of Transportation

Roger Wilson

Livestock Auctioneer

Roy Zimmerman

Former Assistant Director of Ohio Department of Agriculture

1981

Richard Campbell

Editor-in-Chief of The Columbus Citizen-Journal

William Cummings

Coordinator of Boxing Tournament

Carl DeBloom

Editor-in-Chief of The Columbus Dispatch

James Dougan

State Director of Future Farmers of America

James Duerk

Former Director of Ohio Department of Development

Blair Folck

Strong Supporter of Horse Show

Robert Hocker

Executive Secretary of the Ohio Poultry Association

Jerry Kaltenbach

General Manager for four years

Roy Kottman

Former Director of OSU Cooperative Extension Service

Vic Lucas

General Manager for three years

Marie McDannald

Strong Supporter of Horse Show

Earl McMunn

Former Editor of The Ohio Farmer

Tom Moody

Former Mayor of the City of Columbus

James Smith

Ohio Department of Transportation District Operations Engineer

Colonel Jack Walsh

Superintendent of Ohio State Highway Patrol

Larry Weaver

Gates Department Superintendent

1980**Don Bradley**

Livestock Auctioneer

Walter Brady

Former Driver of the Budweiser Clydesdale Team

Haskell Brands

Coordinator of Crippled Childrens Day

Jack Brennan

Strong Supporter of Sale of Champions

Robert M. Chiaramonte

Former Director of Ohio Department of Highway Safety

Major General James C. Clem

Former Ohio Adjutant General

Bea Cleveland

Strong Supporter of 4-H and Junior Fair Programs

Dan Evans

Long-time Supporter of Sale of Champions

Paul E. Gilmore

Minority Leader of the Ohio Senate

Charlie Hess

Exhibitor of Sheep for 25 years

Bill Hoewischer

Exhibitor of Beef Cattle; Former Beef Department Superintendent

Ed Johnson

Radio and Farm News Editor

Earl Lambert

Member of Livestock Complex Construction Committee

Sue Macino

Long-tenured Employee of Ohio Department of Agriculture

Roy Martin

Former Executive Assistant to Governor James A. Rhodes

Timothy Moritz

Former Director of Ohio Department of Mental Health

Corwin Nixon

Minority Leader of the Ohio House of Representatives

Oliver Ocasek

Former President of the Ohio Senate

Vern Riffe

Speaker of the Ohio House of Representatives

John Stackhouse

Former Director of Ohio Department of Agriculture

Andrew Stevens

Editor-in-Chief of The Ohio Farmer

Robert Teater

Former Director of Ohio Department of Natural Resources

Bob Ward

Charter Member of the Ohio Expositions Commission

David L. Weir

Former Director of Ohio Department of Transportation

Merlin Woodruff

Livestock Auctioneer

1979**Fleta Anthony**

Dairy Goat Superintendent for 30 years

Helen Burnside

Long-time Employee of Space and Concessions Rental Office

J. Ronald Castell

Ohio Expositions Commissioner for four years

Ruth Fazeka

Supporter for 20 years

Faye Gebhart

Agriculture, Horticulture and Livestock Shows for 24 years

Dave Haxton

Assistant Horse Show Manager

Richard D. Jackson

Strong Supporter of the Ohio State Fair

Captain Thomas W. Rice

Head of Ohio State Highway Patrol Post 96 for six years

Leo Stacy

Ohio Expo Center & State Fair Employee for 20 years

R. David Thomas

President of Wendy's; Strong Supporter of Sale of Champions

1978**Wilbur Bruner**

Supporter through Ohio Ag Council

Sam Cashman

Former General Manager

John Evans

Ohio Expositions Commissioner for 10 years
and General Manager for seven years

Ralph Grimshaw

Sheep Department Superintendent for 30 years

Karl Kahler

Supporter through Ohio Council of Retail Merchants

Nelson Langel

Exhibitor of Ayrshire Dairy Cattle for 51 years

Glyde Marsh

Poultry Department Superintendent

Louis Pete

Director of the All-Ohio State Fair Band
for 35 years

C. William Swank

Supporter through Ohio Farm Bureau
Federation

Loraine Wilbur

Family Arts and Crafts Superintendent
for 24 years

1977**L.W. "Bill" Burns**

Ohio Expositions Commissioner for 13 years

Gary Hiller

Long-time Supporter of Sales through
Producers Livestock

Art Jordan

Swine Show Superintendent for 12 years

Bob Marvin

Strong Promoter as Flippo the Clown

John McKittrick

Long-time Exhibitor, Judge and
Superintendent of Dairy Cattle

Bob Miller

Strong Supporter through AVCO Broadcasting

Roy D. Pavey

Horse Show Manager for 13 years

James A. Rhodes

Former Governor of The State of Ohio

Col. Raymond Strasburger

Horse Show Manager for 19 years

Tom Tarpy Markets

Strong Supporter of Lamb Sales and Sale of
Champions

Preston Wolfe

Strong Supporter through The Columbus
Dispatch

1976**Omar Blackman**

Director of the All-Ohio State Fair Band

Bob Braun

Strong Supporter through WLWT-TV
Broadcasting

Bob Evans

Strong Supporter of Swine Sales and Sale of
Champions

Glenville Thomas

Director of the State Fair All-Ohio Youth Choir

Bill Zipf

Strong Supporter as Farm Editor of The
Columbus Dispatch

Marty Zwick

Former Assistant General Manager

2024 Ohio Exposition Commission

Brian Baldridge

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Ohio Department of Development Director

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