



The Fair Facts



WHO CAME?

TODAY is PATRIOT'S DAY in which guests in the military (active and reserve) as well as law enforcement and fire personnel receive FREE admission. Thank you for all that you do! Yesterday we had 18,042 guests visiting us compared to 10,476 in 2017. Tonight's concert is country artist Josh Turner. Carnival all-you-can-ride bracelets are discounted through Thursday night at \$30. As a reminder, the animals in the livestock area are being switched out today (youth go home, adults come in) so be sure to visit the Livestock Area this morning!

AROUND THE GROUNDS

TODAY IS PATRIOT'S DAY

- 10:00 All Buildings Open
 - 11:00 Wreath Laying Ceremony (Main Gate)
Tandy Make & Take Craft (Bay 4)
 - Noon Kiddyland Carnival Opens (S. Lawn)
 - 2:00 Antique Tractor Pull (South Lawn)
 - 3:00 Main Carnival Opens (Main Lawn)
 - 4:30 Cirque Zuma Zuma (Family Fun Stage)
 - 6:00 Drop-In Painting Class (Bay 4)
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- 6:15 Mark Yuzuik / Hypnotist (N. Stage)
 - 7:00 Josh Turner Concert (Grandstand)
Sea Lion Encounter (North Lawn)
 - 7:30 Branch and Dean (North Stage)
 - 8:45 Mark Yuzuik / Hypnotist (N. Stage)
 - 10:00 All Buildings / Booths Close

For a full listing of all entertainers and demos, please see your daily program.

DAILY COMPARISONS

	2018	2017
Day 1	13,371	9,308
Day 2	29,508	25,150
Day 3	21,426	17,988
Day 4	18,042	10,476
Day 5		19,722
Day 6		12,583
Day 7		13,018
Day 8		17,284
Day 9		32,419
Day 10		20,322
Cumulative	82,347	178,270

ASK US

I WAS able to get out of my booth a little yesterday and ran across some really fun things happening in the Ag Buildings. Can you tell me a little more about it?

Absolutely! This year, we have partnered with the Spokesman Review to bring some really-amazing educational aspects to the Interstate Fair. Under the direction of their editor, Rob Curley, the Spokesman has put together an educational display in Ag Building A (along with a screen presentation). They are beautifully done and tie wonderfully into the remarkable articles on agriculture that the Spokesman has been publishing over the last year. If you happened to have gone into Ag Building B, you would have seen a stage set up with seating. This is where some real magic is going to take place and we don't want you to miss out so we're going to provide today's schedule to you...what a huge educational opportunity this is!

11:30 a.m. – Livestock Forum by Debbie and Mark Wieseler of Flying W Farms with Northwest Editor John Stucke

1:00 p.m. – Press Box Podcast with host Larry Weir, voice of EWU athletics, with Sam Adams of SWX and SR sportswriter Jim Meehan, discussing Zags and other northwest sports

4:00 p.m. – There are Pictures All Around You with staff photography Colin Mulvaney

5:00 p.m. – Spokesman Review Photo Contest Awards with photographers Kathy Plonka, Dan Pelle, and photo editor Liz Kishimoto

If you would like a full schedule for the remainder of the week...stop by the Fair Office.

MARKET SALE

We would like to thank any of you that supported the Market Stock Auction sale Sunday. Whether purchasing an animal, adding in support money, or "turning" an animal...every dollar is truly appreciated and will help many of these kids purchase projects for next year and/or assist with their college expenses. Thank you to the Spokane Interstate Livestock Booster Club members – they did an outstanding job again this year producing the sale and their tireless efforts are truly appreciated! If interested in volunteering for next year's sale, please attend the next SILB meeting in the Fair Office in October. Watch the SILB Facebook page for more information. Grand Champions this year were:

Beef – Olivia Hansen of Newport WA with Isaac Ballew of Post Falls ID taking Reserve.

Pork – Koyes Reedy of Elk WA with Josie Hamilton of Helena MT taking Reserve.

Lamb – Kathryn Lyden of Spokane WA with Koyes Reedy of Elk WA taking Reserve.

Goat – Alaina Barger of Cascade MT with Tanner Gerdes of Cheney WA taking Reserve.

Rabbit – Deacon Hardenbrook of Spokane Valley.

Poultry – Adalgisa DeCaro of Spokane.

VENDOR SPLENDOR

UNCLE SAM'S FLAGS AND GIFTS are celebrating their 16th year with us here at the Interstate Fair. They are located in booths 223 / 224 in Bay 1 and the owner, Lance Johnson, works the booth almost entirely by himself all 10 days of the fair engaging the public at every turn.

UNCLE SAM'S FLAGS AND GIFTS carries telescoping flagpoles, flags, ball caps, t-shirts, and other assorted gift items...some as low as \$5.00. Outside of the fair, Lance carries custom shadow boxes, lapel pins, metal signs, coins, and license plates / frames for veterans.

Lance started his business in the Puget Sound area at Washington and Oregon State Fairs then moved to Spokane in 2005. He opened a small store in the Valley and then moved to the Northtown Mall from 2008 to 2015. He has returned to the Spokane Valley and is located opposite Big Lots at 14109 East Sprague Avenue. The business itself began as a father-son venture after he retired from the Navy but Lance states, "Dad soon realized that it was too much work and bailed out." For years, Lance's booth at the Interstate Fair was on the west wall of the building but after many years of waiting, he moved to a booth along the east wall. He states that he was finally able to "move closer to the huckleberry ice cream booth". We're so glad that we were able to help with that move knowing your love of ice cream.

Lance has previously participated in the Evergreen State Fair, Oregon State Fair, North Idaho Fair, Central Washington Fair, and the Puyallup Fair but enjoys now staying close to home and being a part of the Interstate Fair only.

We want to also thank Lance for his continued help in making sure that we have a flag up for the National Anthem each morning. Thank you for being here again this year Uncle Sam's Flags and Gifts!

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

First Aid: Located south of the Main Grandstand and northwest of Bay 1 (operated by the Spokane Valley Fire Department).

Phones: Located at the east end of the Plaza by the ATM.

Guest Services Booths: Information / guest services booths are located just inside the west entrance of the Plaza (operated by the Kiwanis of East Spokane).

Janitorial Needs: Contact 509.342.6577.

Lost and Found: Located in the Security Office.

Security Needs: As all event staff / security officers carry radios, contact ANY event staff personnel. If an event staff member cannot be located, please call 509.998.4595 (Purple Gate Modular Trailer).

Vendor Superintendent: Dennis at 509.992.6504.

WELCOME ABOARD

INLAND NORTHWEST WILDLIFE & AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVE (The Lands Council) makes their first appearance at this year's Interstate Fair.

Chris Bachman leads the team of 3 that are staffing the booth this year. The council has 10 employees year-round. The group participates in various local events within the community and hosts Reforest Spokane and the Spokane River Clean-Up each year.

Their office is located at 25 W Main Ste 222 in downtown Spokane. They are an environmental non-profit that works to preserve and restore the forests, water, and wildlife of the Inland Northwest. They have worked collaboratively with multiple stakeholder groups for the past 25 years to preserve and protect Inland Northwest forests and watersheds. They advocate for the protection and recovery of native wildlife!

At the Fair, the council is providing information on adaptive animal husbandry for predator co-existence. If you have a day off from the Fair this Saturday, join them as 600 volunteers participate in the 15th Annual Spokane River Clean-up. This year's event is planned to cover locations in the Spokane Valley, University District, and more. Visit their website at www.landscouncil.org – it is fantastic and full of TONS of information. Welcome to this year's Fair, we're glad you are here sharing your message.

FROM THE STAFF

Food Vendors – if you are utilizing the F.S.A. trailer, please be sure you (or your employees / volunteers) are taking product that is YOURS. One of your fellow vendors is missing 10 cases of chicken (disappeared Saturday night / Sunday morning). If you grabbed another's product by accident, please see Jessie in the office and she will direct you to who is missing the product so that you can replace it.

Also, if you are utilizing the wash / scrub room under the grandstand remember that it is your responsibility to clean up the area after each use. Our staff cleaned the room at the start of the fair to ready it for your use and well...it is a disaster! If it is not cleaned today, we will close it for the remainder of the Fair and those using it will need to provide wash areas / 3-compartment sinks within their own booth space.

WHERE AM I ?



Found this? The **PINK** rosette is on the backside of a nearby machine. Bring it to the Fair Office to win a 2018 Fair t-shirt and a shout-out for your booth! Yesterday's winner was Blaine Brown of the Exotic Animal Department. The photo was taken at the FREE photo booth in the Ag Building (specifically 4-H Still Life area)! Climb aboard!

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

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ARTICHOKE	CORN	ONION
BEANS	CUCUMBER	PEAS
BROCCOLI	GREEN BEANS	PEPPER
BRUSSEL SPROUTS	KALE	POTATO
CABBAGE	LETTUCE	SPINACH
CARROTS	LIMAS	SQUASH
CAULIFLOWER	MUSHROOM	TURNIPS
CELERY	OLIVE	ZUCCHINI

EXTRA MILE AWARD WINNERS

Let's start telling you about all the amazing people that have been noticed going the Extra Mile this year. Thank you for helping to make the guest's experience one they will always remember. If you see someone deserving of this award, please let us know so that we can recognize them. The Grand Prize winner (chosen by a random drawing of all recipients) receives a trophy and their name is inscribed on the perpetual plaque that hangs in the Fair Office.

Krystal Cordill – Krystal serves as our 1st Half Beef Barn Superintendent. Her nominator states, "She is new in this position, dedicated, and is an asset to the livestock area."

Patricia McGinty – Patricia works in Bay 4 and they state that she is a great team worker and helped making sure the dahlia display was brought up smoothly.

Anna Murphy – Anna is a new clerk in Bay 4 and joined the 3-member dahlia team doing an outstanding job.

Joan Schmoker – Joan works in the 4-H Life area and her nominator states that Joan is "Amazing, always goes the extra mile, and helped design our layout."

Miki Whitlow – Bay 4 Clerk. Miki is another member of the dahlia team that made this year's transition from judging area to display floor smooth.

SPECIAL GREETINGS

Happy Birthday Darcy Bentley and Dan Gadd!

Hope your day is super special!

MYSTERY SHOPPERS

Commercial Vendors may be asking, "Who was that person that stopped by to visit and evaluate my booth?" The answer...one of our Advisory Board Members! They are currently in the process of completing this year's booth reviews. Staff members are also out taking photos of this year's new booths and the judges are working on selecting this year's "Best Booths". Additionally, we have some mystery shoppers out watching for proper procedures in ringing up sales and cash handling at the food booths. Watch for us to be visiting you soon!

THOSE THAT HELP MAKE IT HAPPEN

FOUR ambassadors were selected in March to represent the Spokane Interstate Fair. The opportunity is open to youth 17 to 20 from all over the region. During the ten-day run of the Fair their duties can be summed up as "an extension of our public relations department". This year's ambassadors are Maggie Bailey, Maddie Gendreau, Taylor Johnson, and Annika Redell. We'll introduce you to two of them in today's edition and the other two later in the week.

Maggie Bailey is the 17-year-old daughter of Sam and Anne Bailey of Spokane Valley. Maggie is currently a senior at Freeman High School and a Running Start student at Eastern Washington University. Her future plans include attending Carroll College in Helena MT to major in biology with an emphasis in pre-dental studies. She hopes to aspire to be a pediatric dentist and own her own practice. She is a member of Camp Fire Inland NW and obtained her WoHeLo Award in May of this year. She is an FFA member, FBLA public relations officer, NHS member, National Art Honor Society member, and a member of the Conservation Club. She plays basketball, participates in track and field and is a trap shooter on the FFA team. She has received the PACE Character Trait Award for Diligence and has a GPA of 3.957. Maggie is a member of the Spokane County Fair and Expo Center Junior Advisory Board, National Camp Fire Youth Advisory Cabinet Member, Chase Youth Commission, Leadership Spokane Board, and has volunteered with many more organizations as well. This summer she lifeguarded at the South Side Aquatic Center. Maggie has been asked to speak at various organizational events due to her grace, excellence, and commitment to others. She is a natural-born leader and serves in many leadership roles as well.

Maddie Gendreau is the 17-year-old daughter of Craig and Leora Gendreau of Spokane. She is currently a Senior at Mead High School and looks to attend college in WA, ID, or CA double majoring in chemistry with a focus in marketing. She hopes to one day own her own business and make a positive impact with her contributions. She participates in DECA, is a member of the Student Alternative Leadership Team, National Honor Society, and Fashion Club. She has participated in Poetry Out Loud and maintains a 4.0 GPA while taking honors and advanced placement classes. She has been a member of the year-round competitive swim team the Spokane Waves practicing about 1,100 hours a year. Maddie is a member of the SCF&EC Junior Advisory Board and has been in Girl Scouts since she was in 1st Grade earning the Bronze Award in 2013. She is currently one of the Co-Chairs on the Junior Advisory Board and has been instrumental in helping to put together this year's Make and Take Kids Craft Events.

Thank you Maggie and Maddie for helping the Fair, "Make it Happen"!

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