

"Fair Buzz"

Trinity County Fair Monthly Newsletter

March, 2017 Vol. 3

Apoligies all around for getting this March edition of the Fair Buzz out so late, but we've been so busy with many different projects. Here's a sample of what we've been working on:

- 1. Trinity County Fair Association (TCFA) Membership Drive.
- 2. The Fair/HHS Booster Calcutta fundraiser (was March 11). Thanks to all who came and those who volunteered to put on the event! We all had a great time! Both the Fair and the Boosters raised \$3,394.45 each.
- 3. Production of the 2017 Fair Premium Book. Should go to the publisher the week of 3/27.
- 4. Obtaining ads for the Premium Book.
- 5. Obtaining Sponsors for the Premium Book.
- 6. Mailing invitations to past fair vendors for this year's fair.
- 8. Establishing the School Fair Exhibit Participation Program.

Starting to look like a resume!

9. Setup of the Summer Concert Series. Whew!

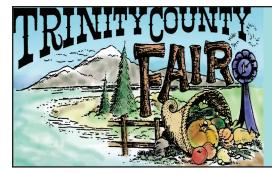
Our Concert Series is shaping up nicely with the first concert on May 13th as a "Merle and Willie Tour Tribute" featuring Merle Haggard's band The Strangers and Scott Joss opening and playing with True Willie (a Willie Nelson tribute band).





(True Willie not Willie Nelson the original - Amazing likeness!!)





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The rest of the concert schedule is:

June 3 - The Malpass Brothers (tentative)

July 8 - A day concert featuring an Eagles tribute. The concert will be followed by the Hayfork Speedway Car Races starting at 6pm with fireworks at 10. Be there!

August is reserved for the Fair

September 9th - Bluegrass all day together with the BigFoot BBQ Fair Fundraiser.

October 7 - Raggae (weather permiting), a day concert followed again by Hayfork Speedway Car Races @ 6.

Stay tuned for ticket information and availability!

From Sacramento:

Assembly Member Gray will once again be working on a bill this year to reintroduce funding for fairs (**AB1499**). This bill will not be based on sales tax revenue as it was last year. Funds will be allocated directly from the General Fund.

State Senator McGuire will be introducing **SB** 368 to reinstate some laws that were eliminated when fairgrounds were defunded in 2011. The language will streamline the process for funding future deferred maintenance projects. Our deferred maintenance projects, (abatement of Dining Hall asbestos siding and fire sprinklers in the offices, Commercial Building and Dining Hall) are tentatively scheduled for late September through early October.

May is Fairgrounds Appreciation Month. The week of May 8th will be California State Capitol Exhibit week and the California Fairs Alliance (CFA) display will highlight the 5 Merrill Award winners and nominees (The Merrill Awards are given to fairs that demonstrate innovation, vision, and excellence).

Nevada County Fair won for their Comminity Involvement Day which connected the community with local charities.

OC Fair won for their "All Our Friends" and "We Care Wednesdays" programs that give a VIP experience at the Fair for guests with special needs and Wednesday of the Fair guests can bring donations in exchange for Fair admission.

The Big Fresno Fair won for their involvement in the creation and management of the Fresno County Historical Museum (a \$3 million project).

Other nominees were the *Marin County Fair* for their fundraiser for Marin County Schools and *San Diego County Fair* for their "Mad About the Fair" theme which transported fair guests to an Alice in Wonderland, 22,000 sq.ft. exhibit for their record breaking 1,609,481 guests.

Requesting help for the 2017 Fair. We are in need of an Exhibits Supervisor, Exhibit Department Managers, Campground Coordinator, and a Data Entry person. If you are interested or know anyone who might be, please contact the Fair Office @ 530-628-5223.

Fair Board Meetings are on the 3rd Thursday of each month @ 7pm.

Hope to see you there!