



## **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Senior Citizens' Program at the Fifth Third Bank Michigan State Fair, Thursday, September 1, 2016 Suburban Collection Showplace, Novi**

*Novi, MI:* The Fifth Third Bank Michigan State Fair, along with **Oakland County Parks and Recreation** and media sponsor the **Oakland Press**, are proud to offer a very special day honoring the elders of our great state. The second annual **Michigan State Fair Senior Citizens' Program** will be **Thursday, September 1, 2016 from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm** at the **Suburban Collection Showplace, 46100 Grand River Ave in Novi, Michigan**. The Senior Citizens' Program recognizes and celebrates all of our grand Michigan traditions, including those established at the original Michigan State Fair, one of the nation's oldest Fair events. There will also be a special award ceremony, honoring the distinguished **Michigan Honored Senior Citizen of the Year**. Nominations for the Michigan Honored Senior Citizen of the Year Award are due August 5, 2016. This event will feature enjoyable entertainment in the air-conditioned Diamond Banquet Center at the Suburban Collection Showplace, plus lots of fun with contests and door prizes, too! A limited number of continental breakfasts and box lunches will be provided to those who have registered in advance, early registration is encouraged.

**On Honored Citizens' Day, Thursday, September 1, 2016, all individuals age 62 and older will enjoy Free Fair Only Admission to the State Fair. The Senior Citizens' Program is a separate complementary ticketed event where individuals ages 50-61 may also join for just \$6.00 with a registered group or senior center, or \$8.00 for an individual.** Upgrade tickets to enjoy the Detroit Shrine Circus will also be available for just \$17.00. **Seniors must register for this program at <http://www.michiganstatefairllc.com/#!citizen-day/cl5d>. Walk-ins will not be accepted.**

"The enthusiasm and attendance for the debut of the Senior Citizens' Program was tremendous in 2015," says **State Fair Executive Director Steve Masters**, "It was a very proud moment for us, as we cherish the elder members of the community and wish for them to enjoy a wonderful time at the State Fair. We enjoy watching so many heart-warming multi-generational family gatherings each year at the Fair, so we decided to dedicate this special day with signature attractions for those who have the most and longest Michigan State Fair memories to share. We are particularly grateful to **Oakland County Parks and Recreation**, who generously provide the funding for this special day, along with **St. John Providence Health Systems, Kroger of Michigan, US Foods, Epoch Catering**, and the **Oakland Press -Digital First Media Group**."

Complete information about the Fifth Third Bank Michigan State Fair, with an extra day of fun this year, September 1-5, 2016 and the Senior Citizens' Program is available at [www.MichiganStateFairLLC.com](http://www.MichiganStateFairLLC.com) or by calling 248.348.5600 ext. 245.

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