



Open Class

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ENTRY RULES AND REGULATIONS:

1. The Board of Directors of the Sarpy County Agricultural Society reserves the right to interpret these Rules & Regulations and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto or otherwise arising out of, connected with or incident to the Fair.
2. While the greatest possible care will be taken by the management to protect patrons of the Sarpy County Fair, each individual will be held personally responsible for his or her own actions, and the management will not be responsible for any injury.
3. The promiscuous distribution of advertising matter is strictly prohibited, and no tacking of advertising matter on buildings will be permitted. Exhibitors may distribute advertising matter from their places of exhibit only.
4. No person will be allowed to do any soliciting for any paper, merchandise or ad articles unless they obtain permission from the Secretary and pay the required fee.
5. All possible diligence or care will be exercised to prevent loss or injury to articles or animals on exhibition or display, but it is hereby expressly stipulated that the management of the Fair will in no way be responsible should any lessor injury occur. All articles not removed by 10:00 a.m. the day immediately following the last day of the Fair will be disposed of by the management.
6. Articles competing for Open Class premiums must be entered in the name of the bona fide growers and owners who must be residents of Sarpy County.
7. Only one article can be entered under each premium number unless otherwise designated.
8. All applications for entries at the Fair must be made from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Tuesday of the Fair, and must specify the name and residence of the exhibitor and the class, lot and premium number for which exhibitor wishes to compete.
9. When there is but one exhibitor competing for a premium, judge may recommend no premium, first, second or third premium or other awards as provided. Only one entry will be recognized in each classification or premium competed for. In some classes, there are exceptions to the above ruling: these exceptions will be noted by special rulings at the head of the class they affect.
10. Open class premium payment and release starting 4:30 p.m. Sunday (no early releases on any articles entered into the Fair.)
11. All protests against the enforcement of these rules must be made in writing and accompanied by a deposit of \$5.00 which will be forfeited if protest is not sustained.

Such protest must state plainly the cause of complaint or appeal, and must be filed with the Secretary by 12:00 o'clock noon of the last day of the Fair.

12. No unauthorized demonstrations, protests or picketing will be allowed on any part of the fairgrounds as defined in Nebraska Statutes Section 28-1317.

EXHIBITORS

The management will use diligence to enable the safety of stock or articles after their arrival and placement, but in no case will they be responsible for any loss or damage that might occur.

PREMIUMS

1. The Board of Managers reserves the right on all Special premiums and classifications published in this premium list to raise or lower the score set for eligibility of contestants to a prorated share in the premium offered.
2. Blue Ribbon denotes First Premium; Red Ribbon, Second Premium; White Ribbon, Third Premium; Green Ribbon, Participation for Child only. All entries must remain in place until 4:30 on Sunday.
3. Where an article in any class does not have competition, the award to be made will be left to the discretion of the judge.

2026 Open Class Guide

2026 THEME – Celebrate America's 250th Birthday

GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT OPEN CLASS

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DEPT. A - FARM

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Premiums:

Best of Show Farm: Plaque & \$20.

Best of Show Garden: Plaque & \$20.

Blue: \$3. Red: \$2. White: \$1. Adult (20 and over); Teen (13 to 19); Child (12 and under)

Class 1 – Threshed Grain

Sample 5 pounds – Must be cleaned

1. Barley
2. Bromus Inermus
3. Grain Sorghum
4. Oats
5. Red Clover For Seed
6. Soybeans For Seed
7. Sudan Grass
8. Sweet Clover For Seed
9. Winter Wheat

Class 2 – Sheaf Display

Tied – Samples No Less Than 3 Inches Across Middle Band

1. Alfalfa
2. Brome grass
3. Oats
4. Red Clover
5. Soybeans
6. Sweet Clover
7. Winter Wheat
8. Field Corn-Dryland (3 stalks with roots)
9. Field Corn-Irrigated (3 stalks with roots)

Class 3 – Previous Year's Crop

1. Best 10 Ears White Hybrid Corn
2. Best 10 Ears Yellow Hybrid Corn
3. Best Ear White or Yellow Corn
4. Best 10 Heads Milo
5. Best Head Milo
6. Best 10 Heads Sorghum
7. Best Head Sorghum

Class 4 – This Year's Crop

1. Best 10 Ears White Hybrid Corn
2. Best 10 Ears Yellow Hybrid Corn
3. Best Ear White or Yellow Corn
4. Best 10 Heads Milo
5. Best Head Milo
6. Best 10 Heads Sorghum
7. Best Head Sorghum

Class 5 – Garden Corn Previous Year's Crop

1. Best 10 Ears Indian Corn
2. Best Ear Indian Corn
3. Best 10 Ears Popcorn
4. Best Ear Popcorn
5. Best 10 Ears Sweet Corn
6. Best Ear Sweet Corn

Class 6 – Garden Corn This Year's Crop

1. Best 10 Ears Indian Corn
2. Best Ear Indian Corn
3. Best 10 Ears Popcorn
4. Best Ear Popcorn
5. Best 10 Ears Sweet Corn
6. Best Ear Sweet Corn
7. Sunflower (1 head)

Garden Products

Class 7 – Vegetables

1. Green Beans (1/2 pound)
2. Lima Beans (1/2 pound)
3. Yellow Wax Beans(1/2 pound)
4. Beets (3)
5. Heaviest Beet (1)
6. Broccoli (3 heads)
7. Brussels Sprouts (5)
8. Green Cabbage (2 heads)
9. Red Cabbage (2 heads)
10. Heaviest Cabbage (1 head)
11. Carrots (3)
12. Heaviest Carrot (1)
13. Cauliflower (2 heads)
14. Eggplant (2)
15. Kohlrabi (3)
16. Heaviest Kohlrabi (1)
17. Okra (3)
18. Other Onions (3)
19. Red Onions (3)
20. White Onions (3)
21. Yellow Onions (3)
22. White Spanish Onions (3)

23. Yellow Spanish Onions (3)
24. Heaviest Onion (1)
25. Parsnips (3)
26. Peas (1/2 lb.)
27. Green Bell Peppers (3)
28. Hot Green Peppers (3)
29. Jalapeno Peppers (3)
30. Red Hot Peppers (3)
31. Ornamental Hot Peppers (3)
32. Red Sweet Peppers (3)
33. Yellow Hot Peppers (3)
34. Yellow Sweet Peppers (3)
35. Yellow Bell Peppers (3)
36. Heaviest Sweet Pepper (1)
37. Heaviest Hot Pepper (1)
38. Other Peppers (3)

POTATOES: 1/4 Bushel (10 lbs) *May Be Washed*

39. Cobblers
40. Kennebec
41. Mayfair
42. Norland
43. Red Pontiac
44. Other Potatoes (not listed)
45. Heaviest Potato
46. Sweet Potatoes (15 lbs)
47. Yams (15 lbs)
48. Heaviest Sweet Potato or Yam
49. Radishes (6)
50. Rhubarb (6 stalks – 12" or longer)
51. Rutabaga (3)
52. Swiss Chard (3 stalks)
53. Catsup/Paste Tomatoes (3)
54. Cherry/Salad Tomatoes (*all varieties*) (12)
55. Large Red Tomatoes (3)
56. Large Yellow Tomatoes (3)
57. Pear Tomatoes (*any color*) (5)
58. Small Tomatoes (*under 2 inches*) (5)
59. Heaviest Tomato (1)
60. Turnips (3)

Class 8 – Vine Products

1. Cucumbers for Pickling (10)
2. Cucumbers for Slicing (4)
3. Heaviest Cucumber (1)
4. Gourds (2) (*all classes*)

5. Collection of Gourds (5)
6. Muskmelon (2)
7. Heaviest Muskmelon (1)
8. Pumpkins (2)
9. Pumpkins for pie (2)
10. Jack-O'-Lantern (2)
11. Mini Pumpkins (5)
12. Heaviest Pumpkin (1)
13. Acorn Squash (2)
14. Butternut Squash (2)
15. Crookneck Squash (2)
16. Cushaw Squash (2)
17. Hubbard Squash (2)
18. Zucchini Squash – small (2)
19. Zucchini Squash – large (2)
20. Other Summer Squash (2)
21. Other Winter Squash (2)
22. Heaviest Squash (1)
23. Watermelon (2)
24. Heaviest Watermelon (1)

Class 9 – Herbs

(Fresh, show in jar/glass of water)

1. Fresh Basil (6 stems)
2. Fresh Chives (*bunch 1 inch diameter, no roots*)
3. Fresh Cilantro (*bunch 1 inch diameter*)
4. Fresh Dill (3 heads)
5. Fresh Horseradish (2 specimens)
6. Fresh Mint (6 stems)
7. Fresh Oregano (6 stems)
8. Fresh Parsley (*bunch 1 inch diameter*)
9. Fresh Sage (6 stems)
10. Fresh Thyme (6 stems)
11. Fresh Other Herbs(not listed) (6 stems)
12. Dried Basil (6 stems)
13. Dried Chives (6 stems)
14. Dried Mint (6 stems)
15. Dried Oregano (6 stems)
16. Dried Sage (6 stems)
17. Dried Thyme (6 stems)
18. Dried Other Herbs (not listed) (6 stems)
19. Garlic Bulbs (3)

Class 10 – Family Garden Display

1. By Family (5 different items)

2. Themed Garden Display
See Open Class Guide “Theme”

DEPT B - FRUITS

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Class 1 – Apples

1. Jelly Crab (5)
2. Whitney Crab (3)
3. Red & Yellow Delicious (3)
4. Jonathan (3)
5. McIntosh (3)
6. Wealthy (3)
7. Winesap (3)
8. All Others (3)
9. Largest Single Apple (1)

Class 2 – Grapes

(Four Bunches)

1. Black
2. Blue
3. Red
4. White

Class 3 – Other Fruits, Etc.

1. Blackberries (12)
2. Other berries (12)
3. Peaches (3) *All varieties competing*
4. Pears (3) *All varieties competing*
5. Plums (3) *All varieties competing*
6. Strawberries (12)

DEPT. C MISCELLANEOUS

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Class 1 – Eggs

1. Best Bantam – Dozen
2. Best Brown – Dozen

3. Best Brown Pullet – Dozen
4. Best Duck – Dozen
5. Best White – Dozen
6. Best White Pullet – Dozen

Class 2 – Honey

Judged on color, purity, aroma and flavor

1. Bees Wax (*best 2 Lb. sample*)
2. Honey Comb (*best single*)
3. Extracted Honey (*best 1 Lb. jar*)

DEPT. D – FOODS

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Sheryl Sue Keefer – Co-superintendent, [402.689.7271](tel:402.689.7271)

Denise Friesen – Co-superintendent, [402.679.1029](tel:402.679.1029)

Premiums:

Best of Show. Plaque and \$20.

Champion Rosettes awarded in children, teen and adult entries.

Superintendents' Choice awarded Trophy

Blue: \$3 Red: \$2 White: \$1

Three ribbons may be given per lot number

No person can enter more than one article in any single entry. No commercial mixes will be accepted. (Exception: decorates cakes, cupcakes and cookies.) Anyone under 20 years of age, put your age on entry tag. Jars may be opened to show their consistency, so have rings to close. Recipes can be helpful, especially in misc. categories but not necessary.

Recipes should be suitable for the fair, nothing that needs refrigeration. All entries must remain in place until 4:30 pm on Sunday.

Class 1 – Breads

(3/4 of A Loaf)

1. White
2. Whole Wheat
3. Rye
4. Raisin
5. French/Italian
6. Specialty or Holiday
7. Sour Dough
8. Sour Dough Discard
9. Miscellaneous

Class 2 – Bread Machine

(3/4 of a loaf – No Box Mixes – Cut Vertical)

1. White
2. Whole Wheat
3. Other

Class 3 – Yeast Rolls

1. Cinnamon Rolls (Sticky, Plain or Raisin) (4)
2. Dinner Rolls (cloverleaf, parker house, etc.) (white) (4)
3. Whole Wheat Rolls (4)
4. Donuts (4)
5. Kolaches (4)
6. Coffee cake (yeast), Braids, Tea Rings *(3/4 of a product)*
7. Crescent Rolls (4)
8. Miscellaneous (4)

Class 4 – Quick Bread

(3/4 of a loaf or 3-inch by 5-inch pan size)

Baking Powder or Soda

1. Banana
2. Carrot
3. Zucchini
4. Pumpkin
5. Misc. Bread
6. Blueberry Muffins (4)
7. Misc. Muffins (4)
8. Coffee cake (over half)
9. Corn Bread or Muffins (4)
10. Miscellaneous

Class 5 – Cakes

(3/4 of a cake)

*Cakes do not need to be frosted. Use suitable frosting for fair if frosting cake. **No cream cheese frosting.***

1. Angel Food
2. White
3. Carrot
4. Yellow
5. Chocolate
6. Chiffon

7. Jelly Roll
8. Miscellaneous

Class 6 – Decorated Cakes, Cupcakes, Cookies

*Best Decorated to be judged on decoration only. Decorating may be done on real cake or cake dummy. Cupcakes and cookies may be a commercial mix, for this class **ONLY**. Cakes including boards not over 11” x 17.”*

1. Cake – Amateur
2. Cake – Professional
3. Cupcakes (4)
4. Cookies (4)
5. Miscellaneous

Class 7 – Cookies & Bars

(4 each)

1. Sugar
2. Oatmeal
3. Chocolate Chip
4. Peanut Butter
5. Refrigerator – sliced
6. Sugar – cut-out
7. Snickerdoodle
8. Miscellaneous Cookies
9. Brownies
10. Miscellaneous Bars
11. No Bake Cookies & Bars

Class 8 – Fruit Pie

(Example: apple, peach, cherry, etc.) No cream or custard pies (no eggs). May use small pie pan.

1. Two Crust
2. One Crust
3. Fruit Turnovers – (2-at least 4”)

Class 9 – Special Diet Foods

(Example: Gluten Free, Diabetic, Cholesterol Free, etc. Specify the special need including a recipe will be helpful to the judge.)

1. Bread (3/4 of a loaf)
2. Quick Bread (3/4 of a loaf or 3-inch by 5-inch bread pan)
3. Yeast Rolls (4)

4. Cakes (3/4 of a cake, suitable frosting or none)
5. Muffins (4)
6. Cookies (4)
7. Bars (4)
8. Candy (4)
9. Miscellaneous

Class 10 – Microwave

1. Cookies (4)
2. Muffins (4)
3. Quick Bread (3/4 of a loaf)
4. Cup Cakes (4)
5. Miscellaneous

Class 11 – Candy

(six pieces)

1. Divinity
2. Fudge
3. Peanut Brittle
4. Mints
5. Chocolate Covered
6. Miscellaneous

CANNING INSTRUCTIONS FOR CLASSES 12 THROUGH 18

Jars may be opened to taste and/or show their consistency so have caps/rings to close. The correct processing method must be used. Boiling water bath for high-acid foods, tomatoes, sauerkraut, jams, jellies, and pickled foods. Pressure Canner Method for low-acid foods, and vegetables.

These methods and canning times must follow directions from the UNL Canning website at: <http://foods.unl.edu/canning> or the NCHFP, National Center for Home Food Preservation <https://www.healthycanning.com/national-center-home-food-preservation>

Products canned after the last fair are eligible for entry. Jars used should be standard colorless canning jars. Altitude in Sarpy County requires more processing time for boiling water canning. The Pressure Canner Method may also need adjustment.

All exhibits should have a label on the side of the jar with the following information: Product Name, Processing Method (Boiling Water or Pressure Canner Method), Processing time, Date of Preparation. **NO decorations on canning jars or lids.**

Class 12 – Canned Fruits

(Will not be opened)(See Canning Instructions – 1 Quart or Pint Canning jar)

1. Peaches
2. Apples
3. Rhubarb
4. Pears
5. Apricots
6. Raspberries
7. Strawberries
8. Plums
9. Red Cherries
10. Bing Cherries
11. White Cherries
12. Applesauce
13. Mixed Fruit
14. Grapes
15. Miscellaneous

Class 13 – Canned Vegetables

(Will not be opened)(See Canning Instructions – 1 Quart or Pint Canning Jar)

1. Tomatoes
2. Beets
3. Green Beans
4. Wax Beans
5. Carrots
6. Corn
7. Mixed Vegetable
8. Tomato Juice
9. Miscellaneous

Class 14 – Pickles And Relishes

(May be opened)(See Canning Instructions – 1 Quart, Pint or half Pint Canning jar)

1. Green Cucumber Pickle (sweet)
2. Dill Pickles
3. Pickled Beets
4. Watermelon Rind Pickles
5. Bread and Butter Pickles
6. Pickled Peppers
7. Pickled Vegetables
8. Miscellaneous Pickles
9. Corn Relish
10. Pickle Relish
11. Miscellaneous Relish
12. Sauerkraut

Class 15 – Sauces & Soups

(May be opened)(See Canning Instructions – 1 Quart, Pint or half Pint Canning jar)

1. Tomato Ketchup
2. Salsa – Sweet
3. Salsa – Savory
4. Barbecue Sauce
5. Spaghetti Sauce (no meat)
6. Miscellaneous Sauce
7. Tomato Soup
8. Miscellaneous Soups

Class 16 – Jellies

(May be opened)(See Canning Instructions – 1 Jelly Canning jar) Juice of fruit boiled with sugar. Clear.

1. Apple
2. Plum
3. Grape
4. Blackberry
5. Chokecherry
6. Cherry
7. Raspberry
8. Strawberry
9. Pepper Jelly
10. Miscellaneous

Class 17 – Jellies (Low or No Sugar)

(May be opened)(See Canning Instructions – 1 Jelly Canning jar)

1. Apple
2. Plum
3. Grape
4. Blackberry
5. Choke Cherry
6. Cherry
7. Raspberry
8. Strawberry
9. Pepper Jelly
10. Miscellaneous

Class 18 – Jams

(May be opened)(See Canning Instructions – 1 Jelly Canning jar) Crushed fruit and juice cooked until thick.

1. Raspberry Jam
2. Strawberry Jam
3. Blackberry Jam
4. Cherry Jam
5. Grape Jam
6. Peach Jam
7. Apricot Jam
8. Blueberry Jam
9. Plum Jam
10. Pear Jam
11. Miscellaneous Jam

Class 19 – Jams (Low or No Sugar)

(May be opened)(See Canning Instructions – 1 Jelly Canning jar) Raspberry Jam

1. Raspberry Jam
2. Strawberry Jam
3. Blackberry Jam
4. Cherry Jam
5. Grape Jam
6. Peach Jam
7. Apricot Jam
8. Blueberry Jam
9. Plum Jam
10. Pear Jam
11. Pepper Jam
12. Miscellaneous Jam

Class 20 – Butters, Conserves, Marmalades And Preserves

(May be opened)(See Canning Instructions – 1 Pint or Jelly Canning Jar)

Butter-Fruit pulp and sugar cooked to a thick consistency that will spread easily. Conserves Jam like with two or more fruits. A true conserve contains nuts and raisins but recipes vary. Marmalades-Contains small pieces of fruit and peel evenly suspended in transparent jelly. Preserves-Fruit retains its shape.

1. Apple Butter
2. Apricot Butter
3. Peach Butter
4. Plum Butter
5. Conserves
6. Marmalades
7. Preserves
8. Miscellaneous

Class 21 - Canned Meat

(Will not be opened)

1. Chicken
2. Beef
3. Other

Class 22 - Dehydrated Foods

1. Dried Fruits - 3 different fruits (6-10 pieces) Minimum of 1/4 cup. Each in a separate bag.
2. Dried Vegetables – 3 different Vegetables (6-10 pieces) Minimum of ¼ cup. Each in separate bag.
3. Dried Leather – 3 different fruit leathers 3-4” sample of each in a separate bag.

Class 23 – THEMED ENTRY

See Open Class Guide “Theme”

DEPT. E – TEXTILES

Only residents of Sarpy County may enter exhibits in Open Class, which is made up of static exhibits.

Rietta Glesmann - Superintendent, [402.895.1354](tel:402.895.1354)

Best of Show: Plaque and \$20 .
Blue: \$3. Red: \$2. White \$1.

RULES:

Entry Day is Tuesday of the fair 3:00-8:00 pm Open Class Building. All entries are to be completed during the recent year August last year to July this year. An exhibitor may enter only **one** item per entry listing.

All entries must have a 3x5 card attached explaining the process used to make the item and any other information that might be helpful to the judge. Exhibitor's name should not be on the 3x5 card.

Claim card/numbers will be given to all textile exhibitors on entry day. You must have this claim card to pick up items on Sunday. **All exhibits MUST remain in place until Sunday of the Fair at 4:30 PM.**

Quilts & Textiles Special Awards

Special awards, including Best in County” will be given in various classes.

Class 1 - Clothing

1. Garment
2. Accessory Item
3. Decorated Purchased Article
4. Appliquéd Article
5. Work of Person Over 75

Class 2 - Embroidery

1. Pillow Cases
2. Tea Towels
3. Wall Hanging
4. Crewel
5. Machine Embroidery
6. Work of Person Over 75
7. Hardanger
8. Pillow

Class 3 - Counted Cross Stitch

1. Framed Picture
 - a. Self-Framed
 - b. Commercially Framed
2. Wall Hanging
3. Work of Person Over 75
4. Tea Towel
5. Pot Holder

Class 4 - Crocheting

1. Luncheon or Tablecloth
2. Bedspread
3. Afghan
4. Doily (under 14 inches)
5. Centerpiece (14 inches and over)
6. Fashion Accessory
7. Work of Person Over 75
8. Garment
9. Rug
10. Other

Class 5 - Knitting

Please designate hand or machine knitting.

1. Wearable Item
2. Accessory Item
3. Afghan
4. Knitting on a Loom
5. Work of Person Over 75
6. Other

Class 6 - Quilting

Please include size of quilt on 3x5 card.

1. Bed Sized Quilts
 - a. Pieced Quilt
 - b. Embroidered Quilt
 - c. Hand Appliquéd Quilt
 - d. Machine Appliquéd Quilt
 - e. Mixed Technique
 - f. Holiday/Special Occasion
 - g. Scrap (25+ fabrics)
 - h. Tied Quilt
 - i. Sampler Quilt
 - j. T-shirt Quilt
 - k. Handquilting
2. Throw/Lap Quilt
 - a. Pieced Quilt
 - b. Embroidered Quilt
 - c. Hand Appliquéd Quilt
 - d. Machine Appliquéd Quilt
 - e. Mixed Technique
 - f. Holiday/Special Occasion
 - g. Scrap
 - h. Tied
3. Crib/Juvenile Quilt
 - a. Pieced
 - b. Embroidered
 - c. Hand Appliquéd
 - d. Machine Appliquéd
 - e. Mixed Technique
 - f. Holiday/Special Occasion
4. Wallhanging
 - a. Pieced
 - b. Embroidered
 - c. Hand Appliquéd
 - d. Machine Appliquéd
 - e. Mixed Technique
 - f. Holiday/Special Occasion
5. Rag Quilt
6. Placemats

7. Table runner or Centerpiece
8. Quilted Garment
9. Group Quilt - Made by more than one person. (Includes all commercially quilted quilts.) Please include name and address of quilter on 3x5 card.
 1. Bed-sized Quilt
 - a. Pieced
 - b. Embroidered
 - c. Hand Appliqued
 - d. Machine Appliqued
 - e. Mixed Technique
 - f. Holiday/Special Occasion
 - g. Scrap (25+ fabrics)
 - h. Tied
 - i. Sampler
 - j. T-shirt
 - k. Paper Pieces
 2. Throw/Lap Quilt
 - a. Pieced
 - b. Embroidered
 - c. Hand Appliqued
 - d. Machine Appliqued
 - e. Mixed Technique
 - f. Holiday/Special Occasion
 - g. Scrap
 - h. Tied
 3. Crib/Juvenile Quilt
 - a. Pieced
 - b. Embroidered
 - c. Hand Appliqued
 - d. Machine Appliqued
 - e. Mixed Technique
 - f. Holiday/Special Occasion
 - g. Scrap 25+ Fabrics
 4. Wallhanging
 - a. Pieced
 - b. Embroidered
 - c. Hand Appliqued
 - d. Machine Appliqued
 - e. Mixed Technique
 - f. Holiday/Special Occasion
 - g. Foundation Paper Pieced
 5. Quilting Bee Group Quilt
 6. Old Blocks/Old Tops
 7. Hand Quilted by Others
 8. Mixed Technique
 9. Generational
 10. Work of Person Over 75

Class 7 - Miscellaneous

1. Weaving
2. Needlepoint
 - a. On Canvas
 - b. On Plastic
3. Stuffed Toy
4. Pillow
 - a. Hooked
 - b. Sewn
5. Serged Item
6. Recycled Item
7. Pillow Case
8. Painted Fabric
9. Fleece Item
10. Holiday Item
11. Work of Person Over 75
12. Sewn Item
13. Felt
14. Latch Hook

Class 8 - Bags & Purses

1. Bags
 - a. Sewn
 - b. Knitted
 - c. Crochet
 - d. Quilted
 - e. Other
2. Purses
 - a. Sewn
 - b. Knitted
 - c. Crochet
 - d. Quilted
 - e. Other

CLASS 9 – Themed Entry See Open Class Guide “Theme”

NEBRASKA STATE FAIR “BEST IN COUNTY” CONTEST RULES

Best in County Quilts & Best in County Textile Arts: These contests will be on display at the Nebraska State Fair.

Each county may select their best quilt to enter in Best in County Quilts and their best Textile arts item (other than a quilt) to enter in Best in County Quilt or Textile Arts.

Important dates: Quilts & Textiles - Forms and information will be available at the Sarpy County Fair.

Exhibit must be entered in appropriate class from Textile Arts or Quilts. Verification form must be attached to Exhibit.

Early release is prohibited - release time on closing night of the State Fair will start at 6 pm.

Information:

www.statefair.org or call [402.460.7988](tel:402.460.7988) (Textiles); [308.390.2335](tel:308.390.2335) (Quilts)

DEPT. F – CUT FLOWERS

Only residents of Sarpy County may enter exhibits in Open Class, which is made up of static exhibits.

Kathleen Pratt – Superintendent [402.592.1026](tel:402.592.1026)

Premiums:

Best of Show: Plaque and \$20.

Blue: \$3. Red: \$2. White: \$1

Flowers must be home grown, not purchased cut flowers. Entries not qualifying to specifications of the following classes will be considered disqualified and shown as display only.

Flowers are to be exhibited in clear glass vases or jars that are sized in proportion to the specimens. No plastic or Styrofoam containers. If foliage grows on the stem, some should be shown, but not in the water. Flowers are judged on condition of bloom, stem, and foliage. Flower variety listed on entry tag correctly would be used to break judging ties. *Daylilies and Hibiscus are short lived - they do not display well and are not accepted.*

Class 1 - Specimens

(1 bloom)

Lot #

1. Achillea (Yarrow) - 1 bloom
2. Annual, (other varieties not listed) - 1 bloom
3. Asiatic or Oriental Lily - 1 bloom (pollen removed)
4. Bachelor Button - 1 bloom
5. Buddleia (Butterfly Bush) - 1 bloom
6. Butterfly Milkweed - 1 stem
7. Cleome - 1 bloom
8. Coleus - 1 bloom

9. Cosmos - 1 bloom
10. Coxcumb (feather) - 1 bloom
11. Coxcumb (crested) - 1 bloom
12. Dahlia (small) - 1 bloom
13. Dahlia (large) - 1 bloom
14. Daisy - 1 bloom
15. Delphinium - 1 bloom
16. Echinacea (Cone flower) - 1 bloom
17. Gaillardia (Blanket flower) - 1 bloom
18. Gladiolus - 1 bloom
19. Gomphrena - 1 bloom
20. Hydrangea - 1 bloom
21. Joe Pyeweed - 1 bloom
22. Lantana - 1 bloom
23. Marigold (small) - 1 bloom
24. Marigold (med.) – 1 bloom
25. Marigold (large) - 1 bloom
26. Naked Lady lily - 1 bloom
27. Perennial, (other varieties not listed) - 1 bloom
28. Phlox - 1 bloom
29. Platycodon (Balloon flower) - 1 bloom
30. Hybrid Tea Rose (single) – 1 bloom
31. Shrub Grandiflora Rose (cluster) - 1 cluster
32. Rudbeckia (Blackeyed Susan) - 1 bloom
33. Sedum - 1 bloom
34. Snapdragon - 1 bloom
35. Sunflower - 1 bloom
36. Zinnia (small) - 1 bloom
37. Zinnia (med.) – 1 bloom
38. Zinnia (large) - 1 bloom

Class 2 - Collection

3 blooms - Need not be all the same color

Lot #

1. Achillea (Yarrow) 3 stems
2. Annuals, other varieties not listed (one variety) 3 blooms
3. Annuals, or other varieties not listed - 5 different varieties 5 blooms
4. Asiatic Lily or Oriental Lily- 3 blooms (pollen removed)
5. Bachelor Buttons- 3 blooms
6. Buddleia (Butterfly Bush) 3 stems
7. Butterfly Milkweed - 3 blooms
8. Cleome - 3 blooms
9. Coleus - 3 blooms
10. Cosmos - 3 blooms
11. Coxcumb (feathered) 3 stems

12. Coxcomb (crested) 3 blooms
13. Dahlia (small) 3 blooms
14. Dahlia (large) 3 blooms
15. Daisy - 3 blooms
16. Delphinium - 3 blooms
17. Echinacea (Cone flower) 3 blooms
18. Gaillardia (Blanket flower) 3 blooms
19. Gladiolus - 3 stems
20. Gomphrena - 3 stems
21. Hydrangea - 3 stems
22. Joe Pyeweed - 3 stems
23. Lantana - 3 stems
24. Marigold (small) 3 blooms
25. Marigold (med.) – 3 blooms
26. Marigold (large) 3 blooms
27. Naked Lady lily - 3 stems
28. Perennial, other varieties not listed (one variety) - 3 blooms
29. Perennial, 5 different varieties - 5 blooms or stems
30. Phlox - 3 stems
31. Platycodon (Balloon flower) 3 stems
32. Roses - 3 blooms
33. Roses (clustered) - 3 clustered blooms
34. Rudbeckia (Blackeyed Susan) - 3 blooms
35. Snapdragons - 3 blooms
36. Sedum - 3 stems
37. Sunflowers - 3 blooms
38. Zinnia (small) - 3 blooms
39. Zinnia (med.) – 3 blooms
40. Zinnia (large) 3 blooms

Class 3 - Arrangements

Need not be in a clear container.

Lot #

1. Arrangement in a Vase
2. Unusual Container
3. Pixie (miniature)
4. Annuals 5 different
5. Perennials 5 different

Class 4 - Potted Plants

Judged on condition of plants. Saucer must accompany pots.

Lot #

1. African Violets
2. Terrarium
3. Cacti or succulent
4. House plant
5. Hanging House plant
6. Flowering Hanging basket - 1 variety or mixed varieties
7. Flowering planter - 1 variety
8. Flowering planter - mixed varieties
9. Planted in an Unusual Container
10. Fairy Garden
11. Themed Garden Display – **See Open Class Guide “Theme”**

DEPT. G - ART

Only residents of Sarpy County may enter exhibits in Open Class, which is made up of static exhibits.

Mary Iverson - Superintendent, [402.253.2978](tel:402.253.2978)

Premiums:

Best of Show: Plaque and \$20.

Blue: \$3. Red: \$2. White: \$1.

All items entered must have been painted or drawn this year. Entries not qualifying to specifications of the following will not be accepted. Adult artwork framed and fitted with a wire hanger only. **No String, No Glass!** Eighteen Years and Younger Sketches - securely mounted on Poster Board or card stock. All framed artwork must be secured in its frames and suitable for hanging with wire hanger. **No String, No Glass! Entries without wire hangers will not be accepted because of the possibility of damage from falling due to wind and bumping.**

Entries are as follows: (Teen and small Child please list age on the entry for judging)

Class 1 - Oil / Acrylic Painting

(One per Lot)

1. Landscape or seascape
2. Still life
3. Human interest
4. Animal
5. Abstract
6. Portrait
7. Other

Class 2 - Water Color Painting

(One per Lot)

1. Landscape or seascape
2. Still life
3. Human interest
4. Animal
5. Abstract
6. Portrait
7. Other

CLASS 3 - COLOR DRAWINGS

(One per Lot)

1. Landscape or seascape
2. Still life
3. Human interest
4. Animal
5. Abstract
6. Portrait
7. Other

Class 4 - Black And White Drawings

(One per Lot)

1. Landscape or seascape
2. Still life
3. Human interest
4. Animal
5. Abstract
6. Portrait
7. Other

Class 5 - Sculpture

All three-dimensional work

Limit 1 per person

Class 6 - Themed Entry – See Open Class Guide “Theme”

DEPT. H - PHOTOGRAPHY

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Mary Iverson - Superintendent [402.253.2978](tel:402.253.2978)

Premiums:

Best Of Show: Plaque And \$20.

Blue: \$3. Red: \$2. White: \$1.

All Items Entered Must Have Been Photographed This Year.

Entries Not Qualifying To Specifications Of The Following Will Not Be Accepted. All Photos Must Be At Least 8"X10" But Not Larger Than 11"X14". All Photos Must Be Mounted On 11"X14" Foam Board That Is At Least 1/8" Thick. Do Not Use Cardboard Or Other Lightweight Backing. (Dry Mounted) Photos Falling Apart Will Be Removed From Competition/Display. Mats Are Optional. Photos Are Judged Not The Mat. All Photos Must Be Unframed. **Do Not Cover With Cellophane, Acetate Or Glass.** No Hooks, Wires, Or Hangers Attached To Photo.*

Entries Are As Follows:

(Teen and small child list age on the entry for judging)

Class 1 - Color Photograph

(One per Lot)

1. Landscape or seascape
2. Still life
3. Human interest
4. Animal
5. Portrait
6. Flowers
7. Abstract
8. Other

Class 2 - Black & White Photograph

(One per Lot)

1. Landscape or seascape
2. Still life
3. Human interest
4. Animal
5. Portrait
6. Other

Class 3 - Digitally Remastered Photography

(One per Lot)

1. Landscape or seascape
2. Still life
3. Human interest
4. Animal
5. Portrait
6. Flowers
7. Abstract
8. Other

** Following State Fair guidelines.*

DEPT. I - Ceramics

Only residents of Sarpy County may enter exhibits in Open Class, which is made up of static exhibits.

Beth Dietz - Superintendent, [402.659.2149](tel:402.659.2149)

Premiums:

Best of Show: Plaque and \$20.

Blue: \$3. Red: \$2. White: \$1.

All classes - Only one article per premium number, per person as stated in Entry Rules & Regulations.

Class 1 - Ceramics

1. Stain
 - 1a. Stain group
 - 1b. Stain (rubbed on gold or metallic)
 - 1c. Stain - Seasonal
2. Dry Brush
 - 2a. Dry Brush - Seasonal
 - 2b. Chalks
3. Under glaze (single piece)
 - 3a. Under glaze group
 - 3b. Under glaze - Seasonal
4. Glaze
 - 4a. Glaze group
 - 4b. Glaze - Seasonal
5. Over glaze (fired gold or silver) - Halos Mother of Pearl

6. Seasonal (other article)
7. By person over 65 yrs old
 - 7a. Single item
 - 7b. Group
 - 7c. Under glaze

Class 2 - Pottery

1. Free Form
2. Wheel Thrown
3. Air Dry Clay
4. Coiling
5. Clay/Baked

Class 3 - Porcelain

1. China Doll
2. Dolls
3. Seasonal
4. Glaze

Class 4 - Age 6 And Under

1. Ceramics
 - 1a. Stain
 - 1b. Glaze
2. Clay
 - 2a. Stain
 - 2b. Glaze

Class 5 - Plaster

1. Free formed
2. Molded pieces

CLASS 6 - THEMED ENTRY – See Open Class Guide “Theme”

DEPT. J - CRAFTS

Only residents of Sarpy County may enter exhibits in Open Class, which is made up of static exhibits.

Beth Dietz - Superintendent, [402.659.2149](tel:402.659.2149)

Premiums:

Best of Show: Plaque and \$20.

Blue: \$3. Red: \$2. White: \$1.

Ages: 6 & Under, 7-12, 13-19, and Adult.

Class 1- Woodworking

1. Hand carved item
2. Machine item
3. Woodworking kit
4. Wood burning item
5. Wooden toy
6. Furniture
7. Antique (refinished)
8. Wood in Nature
9. Miscellaneous

Class 2 - Stained Glass

(no plastic)

1. Stained glass *(large: over 12" dimension)*
2. Stained glass *(small: under 12" dimension)*
3. Sun catcher
4. Miscellaneous

Class 3 - Wall Hangings

1. Seasonal
2. Dried flower
3. Wreath
4. Swag
5. Miscellaneous

Class 4 - Lego

(Each entry must be entered and displayed in a Shoe Box)

(Limit 3 entries per exhibitor/1 per Lot)

1. Car
2. Truck
3. Boat
4. Aircraft
5. Spacecraft or Rocket
6. Action figure
7. Building or Structure

8. Knex
9. Miscellaneous

Class 5 - Decorative Craft Painting

All items to be hand painted

1. Holiday item (wood or metal)
2. Painted wood
3. Painted metal
4. Plaster item
5. Plastic item
6. Painted fabric
7. Miscellaneous

Class 6 - Dolls

1. Soft sculpture
2. Seasonal
3. Puppets
4. Miscellaneous

Class 7 - Pillows

1. Cross Stitch
2. Patchwork
3. Appliqué
4. Seasonal
5. Counted cross stitch
6. Miscellaneous

Class 8 - Leather Work

1. Billfold
2. Purse
3. Coasters
4. Bracelet
5. Miscellaneous

Class 9 - Models

1. Cars
2. Trucks
3. Aircraft
4. Spacecraft or Rocket

5. Group
6. Miscellaneous

Class 10 - Jewelry

1. Necklace
2. Bracelet
3. Earrings
4. Hair Accessory
5. Pendant/Pin
6. Ring
7. Miscellaneous

Class 11 - Paper Art

1. Scrapbook
 - 1a. Scrapbook page
2. Greeting card
 - 2a. Greeting cards (3)
3. Holiday card
 - 3a. Holiday cards (3)
4. Paper mache
5. Miscellaneous

Class 12 - Seasonal Decoration

1. Spring
 - 1a. Spring Holiday
2. Summer
 - 2a. Summer Holiday
3. Fall
 - 3a. Fall Holiday
4. Winter
 - 4a. Winter Holiday

Class 13 - Creative Crafts

1. Lace and/or Ribbon item
2. Silk flowers (arrangement)
3. Dried flowers (arrangement)
4. Beaded or Sequin item
5. Handmade decorated candle
6. Feather item
7. Stenciled article
8. Metal work
9. Dough art

10. Magnet
11. Sand art
12. Decoupage
13. Foam art
14. Picture frames
15. String/yarn art
16. Plastic Canvas item
17. Game or toy
18. Diorama
19. Yard art
20. Garden art
21. Birdhouse
22. Stepping stone
23. Care Center Crafts
24. Soap
25. Miscellaneous

Class 14 - Makeovers And “Flips” Do It Yourself Repurposed Items

1. Wood
2. Glass
3. Jewelry
4. Metal
5. Other

CLASS 15 - THEMED ENTRY – See Open Class Guide “Theme”

DEPT. K - ANTIQUES

Only residents of Sarpy County may enter exhibits in Open Class, which is made up of static exhibits.

Jayne Schram - Superintendent, [402.332.3634](tel:402.332.3634)

Premiums:

Best of Show: Plaque and \$20
Blue: \$3. Red: \$2. White: \$1.

Class 1 – Advertising

Class 2 - Baby Items

Class 3 - Cast Iron

Class 4 - Collections

(5 items or more)

CLASS 5a - Dishes

(China)

CLASS 5b - Dishes

(Pottery, Stoneware)

CLASS 5c - Dishes

(Ceramic)

Class 6 - Family Histories

Class 7 - Farm Primitives

CLASS 8a - Figurines

(Bisque)

CLASS 8b - Figurines

(Porcelain)

CLASS 8c - Figurines

(Ceramic)

Class 9 – Garments

Class 10 – Glass

Class 11 – Heirlooms

Class 12 - Jewelry

Class 13 - Kitchen Items

Class 14 - Military (*No Weapons*)

Class 15 - Music

Class 16 – Needlework

Class 17a – Photographs

Class 17b - Pictures

Class 18a - Books (Children's)

Class 18b - Books (Technical/Manuals)

Class 18c - Books (Religious)

Class 18d - Books (Fiction)

Class 18e - Magazines

Class 18f - Postcards

Class 18g - Newspaper Articles

Class 19 - Silver Items

Class 20 - Tins

Class 21a - Toys

Class 21b - Banks

Class 21c - Games

Class 22 - Tools

Class 23 - Miscellaneous

Class 24 – THEMED ENTRY – See Open Class Guide “Theme”

DEPT. L – KIDDIE PARADE

Tyler at krappfarms@yahoo.com

TIME: Saturday of the Fair at 9:30 am

PLACE: 2nd and Main St.

CHECK-IN: 9:00 am Corner of 2nd & Main, Registration at Springfield Drug.

AWARDS: \$25, \$15, \$10 to each of the 5 divisions as follows:
Pet, Patriotic, Character, Comical and Free For All

*** Pay out for Kiddie Parade will follow Grand Parade at Rodeo Ticket Office**

DEPT. M – GRAND PARADE

Chad Krapp – 402.630.7063
All Fair Board Members

TIME: Saturday of the Fair at 10:00 am

PLACE: St. Joseph Church, 100 9th St, Springfield, NE 68059

CHECK-IN: 8:30 - 10:00 am

AWARDS: 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place Trophies - Over All

[Click here to register for the Grand Parade.](#)