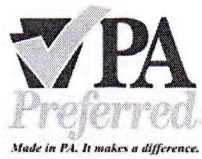


Zone Meeting Report



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Fairs are to submit their Special Baking Contest Summaries either by mail, email or the online Google form by November 15.

In visiting Fairs it was noted that some still used their PA Preferred contest banner. A reminder that this banner can no longer be used since it indicates a “chocolate baking contest” and chocolate is not a PA Preferred item. PA Preferred cannot be associated with a “chocolate” baking contest. Please be sure your Baking Chairperson understands that the banner needs to be repurposed or thrown out.

1st place winners from each of the 4 baking contests are now eligible to go to the state competition at the PA Farm Show. There are new contest times for the PA Preferred Junior Baking and the Chocolate Cake at the Farm Show due to a change in stage setup. All winners will be contacted by postcard to reinforce the contest dates, times and requirements.

At this time, we are still awaiting confirmation from the PA Egg Quality Assurance Program and PA Preferred about sponsorships for Angel Food Cake and Junior Baking contests for the 2018 Fair season.

The PSACF Board of Directors approved a motion concerning the disbursement of baking contest premiums for 2018. Checks will be sent to fairs after the Nov 15th Contest Summary deadline and will be calculated based on the winners’ summaries (i.e.

if an award was not given, that amount of premium will be deducted from the check amount). This is similar to how Fairs receive their Operating Reimbursement checks after they submit their applications by Nov 15.

Non-reporting Fairs' checks will not receive their check until their contest summaries are received. Please let your Fair Treasurers know to expect payments after November 15 if your Fair's fiscal year ends before then.