

# 2023 Special Events Department

This department contains both YOUTH and ADULT contests. All contests in this department are held DURING THE FAIR. Please read each division carefully as rules and procedures may vary.

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE:** June 25, 2023.

**On-line entry is available through our website [www.ozarkempirefair.com](http://www.ozarkempirefair.com).**

Registration forms to mail in are available at [www.ozarkempirefair.com](http://www.ozarkempirefair.com) or the Exhibits Office.

Exhibitor tags will be mailed in July to the name and address on registration form.

Receive one (1) FREE admission ticket if you enter 10 or more paid entries (all departments combined).

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**SPECIAL EVENT ENTRY FEES:**  
***ADULTS and YOUTH\*: \$2.00 per entry***  
***Youth Flowers: \$1.00 per entry***

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**CHECK-IN and CHECK-OUT:** All contests in this department take place **DURING** the Fair. Check-in and Check-out dates and times vary. (Be sure you receive your admission ticket for each contest.)

## **REGULATIONS:**

1. All entries are governed by the Life & Arts Rules and the rules for this department.
2. Exhibitor is limited to one (1) exhibit in a class.
3. Allowable age of exhibitors varies in each division. Please read division descriptions carefully.
4. Articles that have been exhibited at any previous Ozark Empire Fair are not eligible for entry.
5. Exhibits must have been completed within the last two (2) years, unless otherwise indicated in specific division rules.
6. Any exhibit to be displayed by hanging must be provided with a suitable hanging device.
7. Superintendents will have the authority to remove and dispose of foods that become unsightly.
8. For any foods competitions, exhibit must be made from scratch (no mixes) unless instructions specifically allow mixes. Read division rules carefully.
9. For any foods competitions that require submitting the recipe, the recipe should be typed on 8½"x11" paper. Exhibitor number and class number must be included on recipe.
10. Prize money will be paid to the number of places indicated for each class, if quality merits. Judges may occasionally award ribbons for additional placings, but no money will be paid for additional ribbons.
11. Champion ribbons will only be awarded to divisions of **three** or more classes in which the average entry per class is **three** exhibitors with at least **one** entry per class.
12. In order to have this exhibit of as high quality as possible, the right is reserved to reject all unsuitable exhibits, to determine that all rules and regulations have been followed and that no identification of the exhibitor in any form is displayed during judging.
13. **Judging Guidelines: see Judging Guidelines link.**

2023 SPECIAL EVENTS		
Date / Time	Contest	Exhibitors
Thursday, July 27		
5 p.m.	Gift Baskets – <b>NEW CLASSES!</b>	adults
Friday, July 28		
1 p.m.	Mason Jar Recipes	adults
3 p.m.	Paint a Plate	adults and youth
5 p.m.	Wings	adults and youth
Saturday, July 29		
1 p.m.	Hammons Products Black Walnut “Bold, wild” Cooking Contest	adults
3 p.m.	Pies	adults
Sunday, July 30		
1 p.m.	Quick Breads	adults
3 p.m.	Muffin Magic	adults and youth
5 p.m.	Quick Canning – <b>NEW!</b>	adults and youth
Monday, July 31		
1 p.m.	Grandparents’ Cookie Contest	Grandparents only
3 p.m.	Heritage Recipes	adults
5 p.m.	Crochet and Knitting Speed Contest – <b>NEW!</b>	adults
Tuesday, Aug 1		
	Flowers Grown by Youth Exhibitors	youth
1 p.m.	Jug-head Planters	adults and youth
3 p.m.	Convenience Dishes	adults and youth
5 p.m.	Floral Suncatchers	adults and youth
Wednesday, Aug 2		
1 p.m.	Creative Cupcakes	adults and youth
3 p.m.	Crafty Cookies	adults and youth
5 p.m.	Toothpick Towers – <b>NEW!</b>	adults and youth
Thursday, Aug 3		
1 p.m.	Healthy Creations	adults and youth
3 p.m.	Casserole Creations	adults
5 p.m.	Cream Cheesy	adults

Friday , Aug 4		
3 p.m.	Summer Squash – <b>NEW!</b>	adults
5 p.m.	Fruits of Summer	adults
Saturday, Aug 5		
3 p.m.	Perfect Picnic	adults
5 p.m.	Cook's Challenge – <b>NEW ingredients!</b>	adults

There will be daily **ON-THE-SPOT** contests open to anyone attending the fair each day. No pre-registration required. On-the-spot contests will be announced daily by grounds announcer, posted on Facebook, and daily contest schedule near our contest stage.

## DIVISION 501 – GIFT BASKETS

THURSDAY, JULY 27, 5 p.m.

### NEW CLASSES

#### CHAMPION RIBBON

Prize money: \$4 - \$3 - \$2

Adults
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#### Additional information:

- Check-in: **THURSDAY, JULY 27**, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. at the East Hall Judging Center. Judging begins at 5 p.m. and is open to the public. (This is during the Fair, so be sure you get an admission ticket from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tags.)
- Basket may be constructed of any material as long as it is a “basket” container – open topped with handle(s).
- Basket and/or items may be made by exhibitor (crochet, leather, sewn, etc.) or exhibitor may purchase and decorate basket and/or purchase items to include in the gift basket.
- Gift basket may be for any occasion or theme as determined by the exhibitor.
- Exhibitors will need to type an explanation of the items in the gift basket as related to the occasion or theme of the basket.
- All exhibits will be displayed for the remainder of the Fair and will be released on regular check-out day, Sunday, August 7, 2022.

#### Class:

- THEME – Bursting at the Seams** – sewing gift basket
- Pet Play Time Basket
- Under the Weather Gift Basket
- Family Fun Basket

## **DIVISION 502 – MASON JAR RECIPES**

**FRIDAY, JULY 28, 1 p.m.**

Prize money: \$4 - \$3 - \$2

<b>Adults</b>
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*Everyone enjoys the convenience of a one-dish meal, but how about a one-jar recipe with all the ingredient in one place. Bring us your best recipe in a mason jar and see how far your creation will go with our judges.*

### **Additional information:**

- a. Check-in: **FRIDAY, JULY 28**, noon - 1 p.m. at the East Hall Judging Center. Competition begins at 1 p.m. and is open to the public. (This is during the Fair, so be sure you get an admission ticket from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tag.)
- b. All ingredients must be contained in the mason jar with the exception of “wet” ingredients (butter, water, milk, eggs, etc.)
- c. Each exhibit must be accompanied by the recipe(s) typed on 8½”x11” paper. All ingredients (fresh fruit, vegetables, crackers, dip, etc.) must be included in recipe. Exhibitor, division, and class number must be listed on recipe. All recipes become the property of the Ozark Empire Fair. The exhibitor, by entering, allows the Ozark Empire Fair to use the recipe in future publications or promotions.
- d. Exhibitor must provide ingredients in a sealed mason jar.
- e. Exhibitor must prepare the recipe for the judge’s to taste. The exhibit must be packaged to maintain proper serving temperature (hot or cold). No refrigeration or heating elements will be available.
- f. Exhibits will be judged for creativity, appearance of ingredients in jar, ease of recipe, appearance of prepared food, flavor, and combination of ingredients.
- g. Perishable prepared food items will be released following judging.
- h. All non-perishable mason jar exhibits will be displayed for the remainder of the Fair and will be released on regular check-out day, Sunday, August 9, 2020.

### **Class**

- 1 Cookies – ingredients in mason jar and six (6) cookies to be tasted and judged.
- 2 Salad – jar will be judged and then be poured into salad bowl for tasting
- 3 Soup – ingredients in a mason jar and prepared soup in separate container.

## **DIVISION 503 – PAINT A PLATE**

**FRIDAY, JULY 28, 3 p.m.**

Prize money: \$4 - \$3 - \$2

<b>Adult and Youth</b>
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*Pick a plate and create a unique serving dish with an original design with items provided by the Life & Arts department!*

### **Additional information:**

- a. Check-in: **FRIDAY, JULY 28**, in the East Hall Judging Center between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. Contest begins at 3 p.m. and is open to the public. This is during the Fair, so be sure you get admission tickets from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tag.
- b. Upon check-in contestant will choose a glass plate provided by Life & Arts.
- c. All work must be completed in 30 minutes.
- d. When contest begins, each contestant will receive a packet of supplies from which to paint the plate. All supplies will be provided. No other supplies may be used. Supplies will include things found in a kitchen, such as: paint, toothpicks, sponges, cotton swabs, fork, spoon, etc.
- e. Contest limited to first eight (8) exhibits to register in each age level.
- f. Plates will be released following judging.

### **Class**

- 1 Youth 10 and under
- 2 Youth 11-18
- 3 Adult

## DIVISION 504 - WINGS

FRIDAY, JULY 28, 5 p.m.

Prize money: \$4 - \$3 - \$2

Adults and Youth

### Additional information:

- Check-in: **FRIDAY, JULY 28**, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. at the East Hall Judging Center. Competition begins at 5 p.m. and is open to the public. Adult competition follows youth. (This is during the Fair, be sure you get an admission ticket from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tags.)
- If your birdhouse or feeder is designed for a specific type of bird, write it on the exhibitor tag.
- Houses and feeders may be made of any material (wood, gourd, etc.). **Kits NOT allowed.**
- All exhibits will be displayed for the remainder of the Fair and will be released on regular check-out day, Sunday, August 7, 2022.

Class	Class	
Youth	Adult	
1	11	Bird house, functional
2	12	Bird feeder, functional
3	13	Bird house, decorative

## DIVISION 505

### HAMMONDS PRODUCTS BLACK WALNUT COOKING CONTEST

SATURDAY, JULY 29, 1:00 p.m.

HAMMONDS PRODUCTS COMPANY, Stockton, will award 1<sup>st</sup> - \$50; 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$30; 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$20.

Adults only



### Additional information:

- Check-in: **SATURDAY, JULY 29**, Noon - 1 p.m. at the East Hall Judging Center. Judging begins at 1:00 p.m. and is open to the public. (This is during the Fair, so be sure you get an admission ticket from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tags.)
- Exhibitor is limited to one recipe of a salad, meat dish, vegetable dish, pasta, etc. using Black Walnuts. None of the following baked goods (cakes, cookies): See Food Department for these items.
- Each recipe must use at least  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup American Black Walnuts.
- Exhibit must be packaged to maintain proper serving temperature (hot or cold). No refrigeration or heating elements will be available.
- Each exhibit must be accompanied by recipe **typed on 8½"x11" paper**. Exhibitor NUMBER must be listed on recipe. All recipes become the property of Hammons Products and the Ozark Empire Fair.
- The exhibitor, by entering, allows Hammons Products Co. or the Ozark Empire Fair to use the recipe in future publications or promotions.

**Class 1:** American Walnut "Bold, wild" Savory recipe – Salad, meat dish, vegetable dish, pasta, etc., using American Black Walnuts.

None of the following baked goods (cakes, cookies, bread, muffins): see Foods Department.

**DIVISION 506 - PIES**  
**SATURDAY, JULY 29, 3 p.m.**  
**CHAMPION RIBBON**  
Prize money: \$5 - \$4 - \$3

**Adults only**

**Additional information:**

- a. Check-in: **SATURDAY, JULY 29**, 1:30 p.m. - 3 p.m. at the East Hall Judging Center. Judging begins at 3 p.m. and is open to the public. (This is during the Fair, so be sure you get an admission ticket from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tags.)
- b. All pies must be made from scratch. Exhibitor's choice to enter whole pie or half pie, in suitable container. Exception is class 8 which must be a whole pie.
- c. All pie entries must not have been entered in any other contest during the 2022 Fair.
- d. Exhibitor tags must be attached to container, not to wrapper.
- e. Each exhibit must be accompanied by the recipe typed on 8½"x11" paper. Exhibitor, division, and class number must be listed on recipe. All recipes become the property of the Ozark Empire Fair. The exhibitor, by entering, allows the Ozark Empire Fair to use the recipe in future publications or promotions.
- f. All non-winning and all custard/cream pies will be released after judging. Winning pies will remain on display through the Fair. The Superintendent reserves the right to dispose of exhibits which become unsightly. Pie plates may be picked up on release day, Sunday, August 7, 2022.

**Class:**

- 1 Custard or cream pie
- 2 Apple pie
- 3 Cherry pie
- 4 Any other fruit pie (not apple or cherry)
- 5 Combination pie (strawberry rhubarb, blueberry peach, cranberry pear, etc. These may include apple and cherry but with other fruit/berries.)
- 6 Berry pie
- 7 Nut
- 8 Vegetable
- 9 Decorative Pie (will be judged for appearance and creativity)

Cheese Cake recipes enter  
Division 527 Cream Cheesy  
on Thursday, August 5.

**DIVISION 507 - QUICK BREADS**  
**SUNDAY, JULY 30, 1 p.m.**

**Champion: Ribbon**  
Prize money: \$5 - \$4 - \$3

**Adults Only**

**Additional information:**

- a. Check-in: **SUNDAY, JULY 30**, NOON - 1 p.m. at the East Hall Judging Center. Judging begins at 1 p.m. and is open to the public. (This is during the Fair, so be sure you get an admission ticket from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tags.)
- b. Each exhibit must be accompanied by the recipe typed on 8½"x11" paper. Exhibitor, division, and class number must be listed on recipe. All recipes become the property of the Ozark Empire Fair. The exhibitor, by entering, allows the Ozark Empire Fair to use recipe in future publications or promotions.
- c. Exhibit must be displayed on white disposable plate or cardboard with no decoration.
- d. All exhibits will be displayed for the remainder of the Fair.
- e. MUFFINS are in the Muffin Magic contest, Division 508.

### Class

- 1 Biscuits, 5
- 2 Cornbread, plain OR "fancy" ( Mexican cornbread, cheddar dill cornbread, confetti cornbread, etc.), 5
- 3 Coffee Cake with topping, whole or half
- 4 Any fruit quick bread, whole or ½ loaf (banana nut, cranberry, apple, etc.)
- 5 Any spice quick bread, not containing fruit, (gingerbread, pumpkin spice, chai, etc.)
- 6 Any other quick bread, ½ loaf (zucchini, carrot, almond, etc.)

## DIVISION 508 - MUFFIN MAGIC

**SUNDAY, JULY 30, 3 p.m.**

**Champion: Ribbon**

Prize money: \$5 - \$4 - \$3

<b>Adults and Youth</b>
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### Additional information:

- a. Check in: **SUNDAY, JULY 30**, 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. Judging begins at 3 p.m. and is open to the public. (This is during the Fair, so be sure you get an admission ticket from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tags.)
- b. Each exhibit must be accompanied by the recipe typed on 8½"x11" paper. Exhibitor, division, and class number must be listed on recipe. All recipes become the property of the Ozark Empire Fair. The exhibitor, by entering, allows the Ozark Empire Fair to use the recipe in future publications or promotions.
- c. Exhibit must be displayed on sturdy white disposable plate or cardboard with no decoration.
- d. All exhibits will be displayed for the remainder of the Fair.

### Class

- 1 Muffins, any variety, 5 - Youth
- 2 Muffins with any fruit, 5 - Adult
- 3 Savory muffins, 5 (rosemary muffins, smoked bacon blue cheese muffins, Greek pizza muffins, etc.) - Adult
- 4 Muffins, any other "sweet" muffin, 5 (Sweet Potato Muffins, Carrot Muffins, zucchini, etc.) - Adult (black walnut muffins are in Hammons Black Walnut Baking, Foods Division 804)

## DIVISION 509 – QUICK CANNING

**SUNDAY, JULY 30, 5 p.m.**

**NEW!**

Prize money: \$5 - \$4 - \$3

<b>Adult and Youth</b>
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*In our face paced society, not everyone has the time to can and process vegetables. Well, whip up a quick and easy refrigerator canning recipe and share it with the Fair. From pickles, to taco vegetables, to sweet and spicy apples, we are sure there is a recipe for anyone.*

### Additional information:

- a. Check-in: **SUNDAY, JULY 30**, in the East Hall Judging Center between 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. Contest begins at 5 p.m. and is open to the public. This is during the Fair, so be sure you get admission tickets from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tag.
- b. Each exhibit must be accompanied by the recipe typed on 8½"x11" paper. Exhibitor, division, and class number must be listed on recipe. All recipes become the property of the Ozark Empire Fair. The exhibitor, by entering, allows the Ozark Empire Fair to use the recipe in future publications or promotions.
- c. Canning must have been done within two days of the contest.
- d. Canned items may be in any sealed container (mason jar, cork stopped jars, repurposed pickle jars, etc.)
- e. Exhibit must be packaged to maintain proper serving temperature (hot or cold). No refrigeration or heating elements will be available.
- f. Exhibits will be displayed the remainder of the Fair.

### Class

1. Pickles, Youth
2. Pickled Vegetables, Youth
3. Pickles, Adult
4. Pickled Vegetables, Adult
5. Pickled Fruit, Adult

## DIVISION 510 – GRANDPARENTS' COOKIE CONTEST

**MONDAY, JULY 31, 1 p.m.**

**Champion: Ribbon**

Prize money: \$5 - \$4 - \$3

**Grandparents Only**

*Whose Grandmother or Grandfather bakes the best cookies? Join us on Senior Citizens Day at the fair and bake your grandkids' favorite cookies and see which ones the judges (who are someone's grandkids!) prefer.*

### Additional information:

- a. Check-in: **MONDAY, JULY 31**, noon - 1 p.m. at the East Hall Judging Center. Judging begins at 3 p.m. and is open to the public. (This is during the Fair, so be sure you get an admission ticket from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tag.)
- b. Exhibitor must be a grandmother or grandfather.
- c. May be any variety of cookies that your grandkids really enjoy, but must be made from scratch.
- d. Judge(s) will be teenage grandkids with a lot of experience eating cookies.
- e. Exhibit to consist of six (6) cookies of one variety on a sturdy disposable white plate.
- f. Please do not enter the same recipe in this division as in other divisions. Example: if you enter a chocolate cake in this section, do not enter the same chocolate cake recipe in any other division.
- g. Each exhibit must be accompanied by the recipe typed on 8½"x11" paper. Exhibitor, division, and class number must be listed on recipe. All recipes become the property of the Ozark Empire Fair.
- h. All exhibits will be displayed for the remainder of the Fair.

### Class

- 1 Cookies made with chocolate or chocolate chips (not Christmas cookies)
- 2 Cookies, any other – NO chocolate or chocolate chips (not Christmas cookies)
- 3 No-bake cookies
- 4 Christmas cookies

## DIVISION 511 - HERITAGE RECIPES

**MONDAY, JULY 31, 3 p.m.**

Prize money: \$5 - \$4 - \$3

**Adults Only**

*Any recipe dating from before 1973. A family favorite passed down from your grandmother. A nostalgic recipe from a cookbook found at the flea market. Make magical memories by revisiting cooking traditions of the past.*

### Additional information:

- a. Check-in: **MONDAY, JULY 31**, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m. at the East Hall Judging Center. Judging begins at 5 p.m. and is open to the public. (This is during the Fair, so be sure you get an admission ticket from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tags.)
- b. Exhibit must be made from scratch (no mixes) and may be served hot or cold. The exhibit must be packaged to maintain proper serving temperature (hot or cold). No refrigeration or heating elements will be available. (No custard or cream pies since we don't have refrigeration.)
- c. Non-winning exhibits will be released following judging.
- d. Each exhibit must be accompanied by the recipe typed on 8½"x11" paper. Exhibitor number must be on recipe (no names, please). **Include date and a brief description of the source of this recipe (family heirloom, etc.)** Recipes become the property of the Ozark Empire Fair and may be used in future publications or promotions.



### Class

- 1 Heritage Recipe – side dish
- 2 Heritage Recipe – main dish
- 3 Heritage Recipe – dessert

## DIVISION 512 – CROCHET AND KNITTING SPEED CONTEST

MONDAY, JULY 31, 5 p.m.

**NEW!**

Prize money: \$5 - \$4 - \$3

<b>Adults Only</b>
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*Bring your crochet hook and knitting needles (size listed below) and let our fingers fly!*

### Additional information:

- a. Check-in: **MONDAY, JULY 31**, 4 p.m. – 5 p.m. at the East Hall Judging Center. Contest begins at 5:15 p.m. and judging begins at 5:30 p.m. and is open to the public. (This is during the Fair, so be sure you get an admission ticket from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tags.)
- b. Exhibitors must use the crochet or knit patterns below.
- c. Winners will be the exhibitors who have completed the greatest number of patterns correctly within 15 minutes, using the directions below and the thread/yarn provided by the Fair.
- d. If a pattern is incorrectly worked or a stitch is dropped, it will be deducted. Workmanship will also be considered.
- e. Crochet and knitted items will be displayed for the remainder of the Fair and will be released on regular check-out day, Sunday, August 6, 2023.

### Class

- 1 Crochet: The Fair will provide size 10, white, Mercerized Crochet Cotton. **Exhibitor must bring crochet hook No. 7.**  
Pattern:  
Step 1: CH 6, DC in sixth chain from hook, to form a ring.  
Row 1: CH 4, DC, CH 1, DC, CH 1, DC, CH 1, DC, CH 2, DC in ring (5 DC and 5 spaces)  
Row 2: CH 4, turn, DC, CH 1, DC, CH 1, DC, CH 1, DC, CH 2, DC in first CH-2 space, leave remaining 4 CH-1 spaces unworked.  
Repeat Row 2 for length.
- 2 Knit: The Fair will provide worsted weight yarn. **Exhibitor must bring No. 8 Knitting needles.**  
Step 1: Cast on 21 ST  
Row 1: K5, P3, K5, P3, K5  
Row 2: P5, K3, P5, K3, P5  
Row 3: K5, P3, K5, P3, K5  
Row 4: P5, K3, P5, K3, P5  
Row 5: K1, P3, K5, P3, K5, P3, K1  
Row 6: P1, K3, P5, K3, P5, K3, P1  
Row 7: K1, P3, K5, P3, K5, P3, K1  
Row 8: P1, K3, P5, K3, P5, K3, P1  
Repeat these 8 rows for length.

## DIVISION 513 - FLOWERS GROWN BY YOUTH EXHIBITORS

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1

NEW DAY

Youth only

Prize money: \$3 - \$2 - \$1

**TUMMONS BERRY PATCH, Willard**, will award a trophy and \$15 to the largest mature sunflower head in Youth Flowers (both age levels competing).

### Additional information:

- a. **Check-in: TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2023.** All exhibits in this division will be checked in Tuesday, August 2, 2022, **8 a.m. - 9 a.m.** in the Flowers Department in the East Hall of the E\*Plex. This is during the Fair, so please be sure you receive admission tickets from the Exhibits Office with your exhibitor tags.
- b. **Check-out: SUNDAY, AUGUST 6, 2023.** All exhibits will check out Sunday, August 7, 2022, **11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.** in the Flowers Department. Any flowers and containers not picked up at this time will be discarded.
- c. Age must be listed on registration form and exhibitor tag.
- d. Variety should be listed on exhibitor tag.
- e. Flowers and plants must have been grown by exhibitor. Plants must have been in the possession of the exhibitor for at least three (3) months.

Class 10/under	Class 11-18	
1	11	Sunflower , 1 stem in water, any color
2	12	Mature sunflower head
3	13	Marigold, 1 stem
4	14	Zinnia, 1 stem
5	15	Any other flower, 1 stem
6	16	Flower Collection - 3 blooms, each a different variety or color, shown in one container
7	17	Container grown plant. Pots are limited to 10" diameter at top.
8	18	Cactus or succulent, grown and shown in a pot not over 10" diameter.
9	19	Planter, three compatible plants grown in single container (cactus garden, terrarium, etc.). No embellishments. Container should not be more than 12" long or wide.
10	20	Miniature garden – a landscape in a container. Must be live plants. Embellishments (tiny chairs, pebbles, etc.) are permitted. No artificial plants or live animals are allowed. Container may not exceed 12" X 12".

## DIVISION 514 – JUG-HEAD PLANTERS

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 1 p.m.**

Prize money: \$5 - \$4 - \$3

**Adults and  
Youth**

Ever look at an empty plastic bottle and see the potential for a face? Well, this contest is for you. Using a recycled plastic jug, create a face or animal to be used as a planter for flowers or succulents. Let your imagination run wild as we create a world of wonder in our gardens.

### **Additional information:**

- a. Check-in: **TUESDAY, AUGUST 1**, Noon - 1 p.m. at the East Hall Judging Center. Judging begins at 1 p.m. and is open to the public. (This is during the Fair, so be sure you get an admission ticket from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tags.)
- b. Entries should be created from plastic jug containers (milk, juice, detergent, oil, etc.) and decorated for exhibit.
- c. Entries will be judged on originality of design, creativity, use of other materials.
- d. The exhibit may contain plant material but that is not a requirement of judging. Plant material may be artificial for display during the Fair.
- e. All exhibits will be displayed during the remainder of the fair and be released on August 7, 2022.

### **Class**

- 1 Youth, ages 10 & under
- 2 Youth, ages 11-18
- 3 Adults

## DIVISION 515 – CONVENIENCE DISHES

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 3 p.m.**

Prize money: \$5 - \$4 - \$3

**Adult and Youth**

*Sometimes the idea of making a meal from scratch is exhausting. Often, a look in the pantry sparks the creativity necessitated by the convenience of throwing together what you have on hand to make a meal that might become a staple in your meal planning. Use prepackaged, canned, boxed items to create side dishes, main dishes, and desserts. Significant alterations must be made to any canned or boxed meal items.*

### **Additional information:**

- a. Check-in: **TUESDAY, AUGUST 1**, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m. Judging begins at 3:00 p.m. and is open to the public. (This is during the Fair, so be sure you get an admission ticket from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tags.)
- b. Exhibit must be accompanied by the recipe typed on 8½"x11" paper. Exhibitor, division, and class number must be listed on recipe. Recipes become the property of the Ozark Empire Fair.
- c. Entries will be judged on taste, ease of recipe, creativity, and combination of ingredients.
- d. All exhibits will be released to the exhibitors following the contest.

<b>Class</b>	<b>Class</b>
<b>Adult</b>	<b>Youth</b>

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| 1 | 4 | Side dish |
| 2 | 5 | Main dish |
| 3 | 6 | Dessert   |

## **DIVISION 516 – FLORAL SUNCATCHERS**

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 5 p.m.**

**Adult and Youth**

Prize money: \$4 - \$3 - \$2

*What a better way to catch the sun than with flower petals grown in the sun! Bring your wonderful imagination to create a one-of-a-kind suncatcher using flower petals and parts.*

### **Additional information:**

- a. Check-in: **TUESDAY, AUGUST 1**, 4 p.m. – 5 p.m. in the East Hall Judging Center. Contest begins at 5 p.m. and is open to the public. This is during the Fair, so be sure you get admission tickets from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tag.
- b. All work must be completed in 30 minutes.
- c. When contest begins, each contestant will receive a packet of supplies from which to create the suncatcher. All supplies will be provided. No other supplies may be used. Supplies may include such things as: permanent markers, flower petals, glitter, etc.
- d. Contest limited to first eight (6) exhibits to register in each age level.
- e. Tiles will be displayed for the remainder of the Fair and will be released on regular check-out day, Sunday, August 7, 2022.

### **Class**

- 1 Youth 10 and under
- 2 Youth 11-18
- 3 Adult

## **DIVISION 517 – CREATIVE CUPCAKES**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2, 1 p.m.**

**Adult and Youth**

Prize money: \$5 - \$4 - \$3

*Calling all kids and kids at heart! Share your favorite cupcake recipe and decorating technique.*

### **Additional information:**

- a. Check-in: **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2**, NOON to 1 p.m. Judging begins at 1 p.m. and is open to the public. (This is during the Fair, so be sure you get an admission ticket from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tags.)
- b. Each exhibit must be accompanied by the recipe typed on 8½"x11" paper. Exhibitor, division, and class number must be listed on recipe. All recipes become the property of the Ozark Empire Fair. The exhibitor, by entering, allows the Ozark Empire Fair to use the recipe in future publications or promotions.
- c. Entries will be judged on taste, appearance, creativity of flavor and decoration.
- d. Design classes will be judged on originality of design using 6 (youth) and 12 (adult) or more cupcakes to create.
- e. Cupcakes will be displayed for the remainder of the Fair and will be released on regular check-out day, Sunday, August 7, 2022.

### **Class**

- 1 Ages 10 & under cupcakes, 5
- 2 Ages 11-18 cupcakes, 5
- 3 Adult cupcakes, 5
- 4 Cupcake design using 6 or more cupcakes – youth
- 5 Cupcake design using 12 or more cupcakes – adult

## **DIVISION 518 – CRAFTY COOKIES**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2, 3 p.m.**

Prize money: \$4 - \$3 - \$2

**Adult and Youth**

*What a better way to celebrate Summer's Biggest Party than decorating cookies! Come join us for this on-the-spot contest and decorate a cookie with your favorite embellishments!*

### **Additional information:**

- a. Check-in: **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.** Judging begins at 3 p.m. and is open to the public. This is during the Fair, so be sure you get admission ticket from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tags.
- b. All work must be completed in 30 minutes.
- c. When contest begins, each contestant will receive a packet of supplies from which to decorate a cookie. All supplies will be provided. No other supplies may be used. In addition to cookie, supplies may include such things as: candy, frosting, sprinkles, marshmallow, etc.
- d. Cookies will be displayed during the remainder of the fair.
- e. Entries judged appearance and creativity.

### **Class**

- 1 YOUTH – 10 and under
- 2 YOUTH – 11-18
- 3 ADULT

## **DIVISION 519 – TOOTHPICK TOWERS**

**NEW!**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2, 5 p.m.**

Prize money: \$4 - \$3 - \$2

**Adult and Youth**

*Use toothpicks and miniature marshmallows to construct the tallest tower in 15 minutes. Use your STEM knowledge to maximize your tower.*

### **Additional information:**

- a. Check-in: **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2, 4-5 p.m.** Contest begins at 5 p.m. and is open to the public. (This is during the Fair, so be sure you get an admission ticket from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tags.)
- b. All work must be completed in 15 minutes.
- c. When contest begins, each contestant will receive a packet of supplies (toothpicks and miniature marshmallows) from which to create a tower. All supplies will be provided. No other supplies may be used.
- d. Towers will be displayed during the remainder of the fair and be released on August 7, 2022.
- e. Entries will be judged on height, construction, appearance, and creativity.
- f. Contest limited to the first six (6) exhibitors to register in each age level.

### **Class**

- 1 Youth, ages 10 & under
- 2 Youth, ages 11-14
- 3 Youth 15-18
- 4 Adults

## **DIVISION 520 – HEALTHY CREATIONS**

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 1 p.m.**

Prize money: \$5 - \$4 - \$3

<b>Adults and Youth</b>
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### **Additional information:**

- f. Check-in: **THURSDAY, AUGUST 3**, Noon - 1 p.m. at the East Hall Judging Center. Judging begins at 1 p.m. and is open to the public. (This is during the Fair, so be sure you get an admission ticket from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tags.)
- g. Entries should be reduced in calories, fat, sodium, etc. Increased fiber content and reduced sugar content are also desirable. Entries could also focus on being allergy-friendly (i.e. gluten-free, dye-free, keto, etc.).
- h. Entries will be judged on Flavor (30%) Reduction of Calories, Fat and Sodium (30%), Appearance (15%), Originality & Creativity (15%) and Ease of Preparation (10%).
- i. The exhibit should be packaged to maintain proper serving temperature (hot or cold). No refrigeration or heating elements will be available.
- j. Each exhibit must be accompanied by the recipe typed on 8½"x11" paper. Exhibitor, division, and class number must be listed on recipe. All recipes become the property of the Ozark Empire Fair. The exhibitor, by entering, allows the Ozark Empire Fair to use the recipe in future publications or promotions.
- k. All exhibits will be released after judging and must be claimed or will be discarded.

### **Class**

- 1 Snacks – Adult
- 2 Snacks – Youth
- 3 Desserts – Adult
- 4 Desserts – Youth

## **DIVISION 521 – CASSEROLE CREATIONS**

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 3 p.m.**

Prize money: \$5 - \$4 - \$3

<b>Adults only</b>
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### **Additional information:**

- a. Check-in: **THURSDAY, AUGUST 3**, 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. at the East Hall Judging Center. Judging begins at 3 p.m. and is open to the public. (This is during the Fair, so be sure you get an admission ticket from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tags.)
- b. Entries should be a one-dish casserole or meal
- c. Entries will be judged on taste, appearance, uniqueness, ease of preparation, and cook time.
- d. The exhibit should be packaged to maintain proper serving temperature (hot or cold). No refrigeration or heating elements will be available.
- e. Each exhibit must be accompanied by the recipe typed on 8½"x11" paper. Exhibitor, division, and class number must be listed on recipe. All recipes become the property of the Ozark Empire Fair. The exhibitor, by entering, allows the Ozark Empire Fair to use the recipe in future publications or promotions.
- f. All exhibits will be released after judging and must be claimed or will be discarded.

### **Class**

- 1 Breakfast
- 2 With meat
- 3 Meatless

## **DIVISION 522 - CREAM CHEESEY**

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 3, 5 p.m.**

Prize money: \$5 - \$4 - \$3

**Adults only**

### **Additional information:**

- a. Check-in: **THURSDAY, AUGUST 3**, 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the East Hall Judging Center. Judging begins at 5 p.m. and is open to the public. (This is during the Fair, so be sure you get an admission ticket from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tags.)
- b. Cream cheese must be a main ingredient in the dish.
- c. The exhibit must be fully prepared at home and brought to the fairgrounds ready to judge.
- d. The exhibit must be packaged to maintain proper serving temperature (hot or cold). No refrigeration or heating elements will be available.
- e. No packaged mixes may be used (i.e. instant cheese cake)
- f. Each exhibit must be accompanied by the recipe typed on 8½"x11" paper. Exhibitor, division, and class number must be listed on recipe. All recipes become the property of the Ozark Empire Fair. The exhibitor, by entering, allows the Ozark Empire Fair to use the recipe in future publications or promotions.
- g. All exhibits will be released after judging.

### **Class**

- 1 Cheese Cake (baked or unbaked)
- 2 Appetizer
- 3 Main or Side Dish
- 4 Dessert (other than cheese cake)

## **DIVISION 523 – SUMMER SQUASH**

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 4, 3 p.m.**

Prize money: \$5 - \$4 - \$3

**NEW!**

**Adults only**

### **Additional information:**

- a. Check-in: **FRIDAY, AUGUST 4**, 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. at the East Hall Judging Center. Judging begins at 3 p.m. and is open to the public. (This is during the Fair, so be sure you get an admission ticket from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tags.)
- b. The exhibit must be packaged to maintain proper serving temperature (hot or cold). No refrigeration or heating elements will be available.
- c. Must use fresh squash in all classes.
- d. Squash quick bread recipes should be entered in Division 507.
- e. Each exhibit must be accompanied by the recipe typed on 8½"x11" paper. Exhibitor, division, and class number must be listed on recipe. All recipes become the property of the Ozark Empire Fair. The exhibitor, by entering, allows the Ozark Empire Fair to use the recipe in future publications or promotions.
- f. All exhibits in will be released after judging.

### **Class**

- 1 Any dish made with butternut squash, at least 2 servings.
- 2 Any dish made with yellow squash, at least 2 servings.
- 3 Any dish made with zucchini squash, at least 2 servings.
- 4 Any dish made with any other summer squash, at least 2 servings.

## DIVISION 524 – FRUITS OF SUMMER

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4, 5 p.m.

Prize money: \$5 - \$4 - \$3

Adults only

*Summer is a magic time for fruit and fruit desserts: apples, peaches, blueberries, gooseberries, etc. Select your favorite fruit and make your favorite cobbler, crisp, crumble, etc.*

### Additional information:

- a. Check-in: **FRIDAY, AUGUST 4**, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. at the East Hall Judging Center. Judging begins at 5 p.m. and is open to the public. (This is during the Fair, so be sure you get an admission ticket from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tags.)
- b. The exhibit must be packaged to maintain proper serving temperature (hot or cold). No refrigeration or heating elements will be available.
- c. A **cobbler** is a fruit filling with a batter made with baking powder and/or soda which forms dumplings within the cobbler as well as a crust on top. Or a cobbler may have a topping of biscuits. (NOT a pie crust.)
- d. A **crisp, buckle, crumble, etc.** is stewed fruit topped with a crumb mixture of butter, flour and sugar. Alternative toppings include rolled oats, nuts, graham cracker crumbs, brown sugar, etc.

### DESCRIPTIONS:

**Crumble:** topping composed mainly of the baking triumvirate of flour, sugar, and butter

**Crisp:** more of a kicked up crumble, with less flour and more bigger bits like chopped nuts and oats

**Brown Betty:** also similar to a crumble, but with bread crumbs rather than flour - think sweet croutons

**Buckle:** actually more of a cake with fruit nestled on the top, which then sinks down into the cake during the baking process

- e. Must be made from scratch. No purchased pie fillings allowed. No box mixes, etc. No pies (see Pie Division).
- f. All exhibits will be released following judging.
- g. Each exhibit must be accompanied by the recipe typed on 8½"x11" paper. Exhibitor, division, and class number must be listed on recipe. All recipes become the property of the Ozark Empire Fair.

### Class

- 1 Any fruit cobbler (apple, peach, cherry, etc.)
- 2 Any berry cobbler (blueberry, strawberry, blackberry, etc.)
- 3 Any other cobbler (may be a combination of fruit/berries and other ingredients such as chocolate)
- 4 Fruit crisp, crumble, Betty, etc.
- 5 Any buckle

## DIVISION 525 – PERFECT PICNIC

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5, 3 p.m.

CHAMPION RIBBON

Prize money: \$5 - \$4 - \$3

Adults Only

*What a better way to create memories than to have a picnic? Whether it is a picnic in the park or a backyard gathering, you will need to pack just the right blend of portable food. What are your favorites? Which ones will create the perfect picnic experience?*

### Additional information:

- a. Check-in: **SATURDAY, AUGUST 5**, 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. at the East Hall Judging Center. Judging begins at 3 p.m. and is open to the public. (This is during the Fair, so be sure you get an admission ticket from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tag.)
- b. The exhibit must be packaged to maintain proper serving temperature (hot or cold). No refrigeration or heating elements will be available.
- c. Entries should be displayed in a picnic basket with portions for two to four people.
- d. To be eligible for the champion ribbon, competitor must enter all four classes.
- e. Non-winning exhibits will be released following judging.



- f. Each exhibit must be accompanied by the recipe typed on 8½"x11" paper. Exhibitor, division, and class number must be listed on recipe. All recipes become the property of the Ozark Empire Fair. The exhibitor, by entering, allows the Ozark Empire Fair to use the recipe in future publications or promotions.

**Class**

- 1 Nibbles – picnic appetizers
- 2 Mains – picnic main dish
- 3 Sweets – picnic dessert
- 4 Drinks – picnic beverage (non-alcoholic)

**DIVISION 526 – COOK'S CHALLENGE**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 5, 5 p.m.**

**NEW INGREDIENTS**

**CHAMPION RIBBON**

**Adults Only**

Prize money: \$6 - \$5 - \$4

**Terry Cornio Memorial Award – \$10 to the Champion**

*Fancy yourself a creative chef? Find out if you have what it takes to win the champion ribbon in our annual Cook's Challenge. Using the list of ingredients given, create your best appetizer, main dish, and dessert to impress our judges and fair patrons.*

**Additional information:**

- a. Check-in: **SATURDAY, AUGUST 5**, in the East Hall Judging Center between 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. Judging begins at 5 p.m. and is open to the public. (This is during the Fair, so be sure you get an admission ticket from the Exhibits Office when you get your exhibitor tag.)
- b. Each dish must include all of the given ingredients. (These should be underlined in recipes.)
- c. Other ingredients may be included (i.e. canned cranberries) but no mixes may be used. All recipes must be from scratch.
- d. To be eligible for the champion ribbon, competitor must enter all three classes.
- e. Exhibit must be packaged to maintain proper serving temperature (hot or cold). No refrigeration or heating elements will be available.
- f. All non-winning entries will be released after judging. Winning entries will remain on display through the Fair. The Superintendent reserves the right to dispose of exhibits which become unsightly.
- g. Exhibitor tags must be attached to container, not to wrapper.
- h. Each exhibit must be accompanied by the recipe typed on 8½"x11" paper. Exhibitor, division, and class number must be listed on recipe. All recipes become the property of the Ozark Empire Fair. The exhibitor, by entering, allows the Ozark Empire Fair to use the recipe in future publications or promotions.

**Class:**

- 1 Appetizers – avocado, bread (does not have to be homemade), cheese
- 2 Main Dish – avocado, bacon, chicken
- 3 Desserts – avocado, banana, chocolate