

# ***112<sup>th</sup> Annual Benton County***

## ***Free Fair***

***July 29<sup>th</sup> – August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025***

FAIR INFORMATION AND OPEN CLASS  
EXHIBITOR HANDBOOK



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The Benton County Agricultural Society Officers and Directors  
welcome you to the  
2025 Annual Benton County Fair -  
112 Years of Fair Fun!

The Benton County Agricultural  
Society Board of Directors  
would like to thank  
everyone who is involved in the Fair.  
Without the involvement of our  
community, we would not be able to have  
the best county fair in Minnesota!

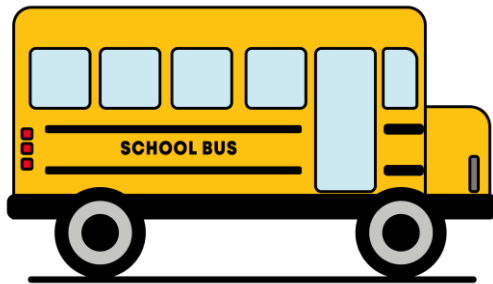
President – Ted Prom – Director, 21 Years  
Vice-President – Ken Bemboom – Director, 4 Years  
Karen Sakry – Director, 24 Years  
Jody Prom – Director, 11 Years  
Jennifer Dingmann – Director, 10 Years  
Scott Morris – Director, 7 Years  
Sam Morris – Director, 5 Years  
Vince Thiel – Director, 3 Years  
Adam Scapanski – Director, 3 Years  
Jimmy Zanardi – Director, 2 Years  
Erich Rothstein – Director, 1 Year  
James Trantina – Director, 1 Year

Staff: Executive Secretary – Jill Zanardi  
Financial Support – Cheryl Scapanski

*Thank You...*

## Benton County Fair General Rules

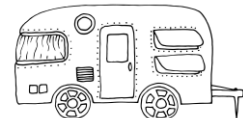
1. Upon entering fairgrounds, be advised that photographs or videos may be taken of the activities or events, and used for future fair promotions, publications, and social media.
2. No person will be permitted to distribute advertising matter on fairgrounds, except from their place of business or exhibit. Posting or distribution of any kind is strictly prohibited.
3. No skateboards, hoverboards, roller skates, in-line skates, bikes, motorized scooters, ATVs or golf carts with the exception of handicap scooters allowed on the fairgrounds. The fair board can authorize acceptance of special needs by stopping at the office for permission. Use of motorized vehicles on fairgrounds during fair week limited only to golf carts, 4-wheelers, gators and the like which are in use by fair board staff will be permitted during the fair.
4. **No pets or animals shall be allowed** on the fairground's premises, unless:
  - a) It is a Bonafide service animal
  - b) Its presence is authorized by the fair board in advance of its attendance and it is either leashed or kenneled at all times while on site
  - c) Its presence is part of an organized and announced fair activity
5. No smoking or vaping inside any of the building, or within 20 feet of any entrance. No marijuana, THC, or CBD is allowed on the grounds.
6. No person shall bring alcoholic beverages onto the fairgrounds during the fair.
7. No refunds for any event on fairgrounds during the fair once the fair has started.
8. The greatest possible care will be executed by the Benton County Fair Board to protect patrons while at the fair; however, each individual will be held personally responsible for his or her actions, and the fair board will not be accountable or responsible for injury.



The **FREE** shuttle bus will be running daily Tuesday thru Sunday from the fairgrounds to the Sauk Rapids VFW



### Winter Storage



The buildings on the Benton County Fairgrounds are available for winter storage for boats, cars, campers and motorcycles from October through April.

For more information, check out the website: [www.bentonfairmn.com](http://www.bentonfairmn.com)  
Or email: [storage@bentonfairmn.com](mailto:storage@bentonfairmn.com)

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## Around the Fair

### Activity Area

July 29 <sup>th</sup>	Vehicle Extraction Demonstration (5:00pm) K-9 Demonstration (7:00pm)
August 1 <sup>st</sup>	Kids Pedal Pull (11:00am) Magic (4:30 – 6:15pm)
August 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Magical Bubble Interactive Display (10:00am – 9:00pm)
August 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Magical Bubble Interactive Display (10:00am – 5:00pm)

**NEW**

**July 30<sup>th</sup> thru August 3<sup>rd</sup> – Jurassic Kingdom 3 shows/day (times to be determined)  
Enjoy Mini Golf All Day!**

### Cottonwood Stage

July 29 <sup>th</sup>	Ron Dropik (Noon-2:30pm) Dave Lumley Duo (6:30-9:30pm)
July 30 <sup>th</sup>	Charlie Roth (Noon-2:30pm) Barbed Wire (3:00-6:00pm) Benjamin Rouge & the Empire Players (6:30-9:30pm)
July 31 <sup>st</sup>	Jorgenson's (11:30am-2:30pm) Alan Godage & Sundown (3:00-6:00pm) Andy Austin (6:30-9:30pm)
August 1 <sup>st</sup>	4-H Pet Show (10:00am-Noon) <i>between lunch stand &amp; Cottonwood</i> Sunflower Puppets (10:00-10:45am & 1:00-1:45pm) Wonderful World of Woody (11:30am-12:15pm & 2:30-3:15pm) 4-H Fashion Review (5:00pm) Andrea Lynn Duo (6:30-9:30pm)
August 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rooster Crowing Contest (10:00am) St Cloud Music Academy (11:30am-1:30pm) Talent Show (2:00-4:00pm) Marshall Star (5:30pm-9:30pm)
August 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Community Church Service (9:30am) The Deputy's (12noon-2:30pm)



## Grandstand Events

Tuesday, July 29<sup>th</sup> - Monster Trucks and Beater Cross  
Show starts at 6:30pm

Wednesday, July 30<sup>th</sup> -  
Draft Horse Hitch Competition - Show starts at 9:00am **FREE SHOW**

Wednesday, July 30<sup>th</sup> -  
Demolition Derby - Show starts at 7:30

Thursday, July 31<sup>st</sup> - Truck Pull  
Show starts at 6:00pm

Friday, August 1<sup>st</sup> - Tractor & Semi Pull  
Show starts at 5:00pm

Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> - Demolition Derby  
Show starts at 6:30pm

Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> - Rodeo: Broncs, Bulls and Barrels  
Show starts at 1:00pm



## Beer Garden Stage

Tuesday, July 29<sup>th</sup> - IV Play  
Music starts at 7:30pm

Wednesday, July 30<sup>th</sup> - Pandemic  
Music starts at 8:00pm

Thursday, July 31<sup>st</sup> - GenX Jukebox  
Music starts at 8:00pm

Friday, August 1<sup>st</sup> - Mason Dixon Line  
Music starts at 8:00pm

Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> - Mallrats  
Music starts at 8:00pm

Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> - Kat Blue  
Music starts at 1:00pm



**NEW**

**Bloody Mary Bar** – 11:00am – 2:00pm – Thursday through Sunday in the Beer Garden

**Music Bingo** in the Beer Garden: Tues. 3:00 – 6:00pm    Thur. 3:00 – 6:00pm  
Fri. 2:00 – 5:00pm    Sat. 1:00 – 4:00pm

## ATTENTION: LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS

**DUE TO STATE OF MN REQUIREMENTS FOR ANNUAL TRACEABILITY,  
NEW LIVESTOCK REGISTRATION FORMS FOR EACH SPECIES  
EXHIBITED CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE AT:  
[WWW.BENTONFAIRMN.COM](http://WWW.BENTONFAIRMN.COM)**

**THE EXHIBITOR IS RESPONSIBLE TO COMPLETE THE REQUIREMENTS  
AND INCLUDE ANY PAPERWORK DOCUMENTATION THAT IS  
REQUIRED WITH YOUR REGISTRATION FORM**

**FOR AN EXPLANATION OF THE HEALTH REGULATIONS GOVERNING  
BOTH 4-H AND OPEN CLASS ANIMAL EXHIBITS, PLEASE READ THE  
FOLLOWING:**

### **REQUIREMENTS FOR LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY ORIGINATING FROM MINNESOTA MUST MEET MINNESOTA REQUIREMENTS.**

Livestock or poultry known by the exhibitor to have an infectious, communicable disease or to have been exposed to an infectious communicable disease, or to be from a quarantined herd or flock may not be entered in an exhibition. Warts and ringworm are considered communicable diseases. Therefore, livestock affected by these diseases cannot be exhibited. A statement from a veterinarian that an animal is being treated for these diseases is not acceptable. All livestock will be inspected by the Official Veterinarian on the opening day of the exhibition and daily during the exhibition. The Official Veterinarian will order the immediate removal to a quarantine facility or removal from the exhibition premises of any livestock with symptoms of infectious or communicable diseases. Animals placed in a quarantine facility must remain there until removed from the exhibition premises. They may not enter a show ring, this includes livestock with warts or ringworm. All testing must be conducted prior to the exhibition, and record of the test results on a test chart or Intrastate Health Certificate must accompany the tested animals. Livestock and poultry entered in a petting exhibit are not exempt from the exhibition rules if the animals are from more than one farm or there are other animals in the exhibit.

**DOGS.** If over 6 months of age, must be accompanied by a Certificate of Rabies Vaccination issued by a licensed veterinarian. The dog must be immunized by or under the supervision of a licensed veterinarian with a vaccine by the USDA and used in accordance with the label and be written within the duration period for that vaccine.

### **REQUIREMENTS FOR LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY ORIGINATING FROM STATES OTHER THAN MINNESOTA:**

**CATTLE, SWINE, SHEEP, GOATS AND POULTRY:** Originating from states other than Minnesota must meet the Minnesota importation requirements in addition to the requirements outlined in this summary. Health certificates must list the Minnesota Exhibition as consignee, and will be accepted if examination and tests are conducted within 90 days prior to the exhibition except swine pseudorabies tests must be made within 30 days prior to the exhibition.

**HORSES AND DOGS:** Requirements are the same for those originating from Minnesota.

**LOCAL FAIRBOARD OPTIONS:** The exhibition management may adopt more but not less restrictive health requirements than required by state rules.

### **GENERAL RULES:**

1. The Benton County Agricultural Society reserves the right to reject or remove any exhibit or individual from the fairgrounds.
2. **No animals will be permitted to be taken away before 5:00pm on the last day of the fair.**
3. All exhibitors with animals must be sure that their stock is entered in the proper class. It will be the duty of the judge to rule out any animals not answering the entry and no change or alteration will be permitted after the entries are placed in the hands of the clerk.
4. The fairboard will take every precaution in its power for preservation of livestock on exhibition, but will not be responsible for loss by theft, fire or damage that may occur in the delivery.
5. No advertising of any kind shall be permitted on the grounds unless space is rented, unless approved by the Board of Directors and signed off by the secretary

6. The management will not be responsible for typographical errors in the list, but should any occur, same will be interpreted by the Executive Committee.

7. No animal will be allowed to compete for cash premiums that is not named and numbered in the premium list.

8. Benton County resident exhibitors will be given priority in limited entry classes. Exhibitors are strongly encouraged to keep their animals at the Fair from Friday through close of fair on Sunday.

9. If the receipts should prove insufficient to meet all demands, the Society reserves the right to first pay all Bonafide expenses of the Fair and pay premiums prorated with the balance on hand.

10. Pens will be assigned by barn supervisors.

11. A parking pass is required to park on-grounds. Passes may be purchased at livestock gate or at the fair office. Livestock trailers **MUST** park in designated areas.

### **SPECIAL RULES GOVERNING COMMITTEES**

1. No person will be permitted to interfere with the committee members or judges while in the performance of their duties. In case of doubt as to their power, committee will refer the matter to the Fair Secretary.

2. Stalls will be provided at a charge of \$10.00 per head for beef and \$5.00 per head for dairy. Pens will be provided for sheep, goats and llamas at \$5.00 per head. Entry/pen fees must be included with registration form and paid in advance.

3. All appeal cases shall be settled by the Executive Committee at a future meeting when all parties interested shall be notified to appear.

4. Awards will be deemed final, unless appealed from the protest and filed with the Secretary before the close of the Fair.

5. No animal shall be entered in more than one class with these exceptions: a) in all divisions as one of the sweepstakes, b) an animal may compete in its regular class and also as one of a herd or pen.

6. No animal will be awarded a prize unless promptly brought into show ring when lot is called. Animals entered and not brought in to the ring at the proper time, unless excused by the Superintendent will be charged \$3 per day for the use of pen/stall.

7. Judges shall give reasons for their decisions, embracing the value of desirable qualities of the animal to whom premiums are awarded.

8. The Superintendent of each department will confirm that the judging reports are correct as reported for their departments.

9. Animals that are leased may only be shown by the person that is leasing the animal. Owner of the leased animal may not show the animal in competition. Exception: Llamas

10. The directors of the Benton County Fair reserve the right to release or take control of any animals that are found to be unsafe or that could cause potential harm to the public. Animals that are found to be unhealthy or have potential infections to other animals or humans by owners or veterinarians will be asked to remove the animals from the grounds. Decisions of the health and safety of the livestock being exhibited will be done by the Boards Consumer Protection committee which oversees the health and safety of all fair attendees.

## **KEEP FOOT – AND – MOUTH DISEASE OUT OF MINNESOTA**

**If you have been out of  
North America in the past 7 days,  
PLEASE DO NOT  
enter livestock facilities.**



# OPEN CLASS LIVESTOCK

## CATTLE

ALL CATTLE EXHIBITS MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED.

DUE TO THE STATE OF MN REQUIREMENTS FOR ANIMAL TRACEABILITY, NEW LIVESTOCK REGISTRATION FORMS FOR EACH SPECIES EXHIBITED BE FOUND ON

OUR WEBSITE AT:

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ENTRY FEES MUST BE PAID WHEN REGISTERED TO RECEIVE PREMIUM MONEY.

CATTLE LIVESTOCK HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC EXHIBITION

(See summary of state rules)

### ATTENTION 2025 CATTLE EXHIBITORS:

PER MN BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH:  
New rules have been drafted with animal traceability in mind. The Board has taken a proactive approach that enhances Minnesota's ability to effectively trace livestock during a disease event. All cattle, including breeding cattle for exhibition must be officially identified upon movement from the herd to another location. All cattle must be officially identified through the State of Minnesota's ID Process.

Please see [www.bentonfairmn.com](http://www.bentonfairmn.com) or for additional information, [www.mn.gov/bah](http://www.mn.gov/bah), call 651-296-2942, <http://tinyurl.com/rules-BAH> for the complete rules

NOTICE: HAY AND STRAW TO BE SUPPLIED BY EXHIBITORS

## DEPARTMENT 1 BEEF CATTLE

Exhibitors may not show over two entries in a single lot and only one entry in herd or group.

### ONE DAY BEEF SHOW

ENTRY FEE \$10.00  
PER HEAD

Beef Cattle Entry Date:  
Monday, July 28<sup>th</sup>

#### SUPERINTENDENT:

Sam Morris 320-980-2625

[Chuckmorris130@gmail.com](mailto:Chuckmorris130@gmail.com)

Close of entries will be enforced to finalize stalling numbers

#### Judging

Sunday, August 3 at 10:30 am

Bulls over one year old **MUST** be shown with a nose lead.

Cattle may be tied out during the period of 9:30 pm to 9:30 am only.

ABSOLUTELY no straw is to be used in the tie-out areas. Sand or shavings may be used.

If entries not sufficient to the number in the lass, the superintendent(s) will, at their discretion, divide or combine classes as they see necessary.

### CLASS A FEMALES

Premiums:

\$20, \$18, \$16, \$14, \$12

#### LOT:

1. Calf – Jan 1 – April 30, 2025
2. Calf – Sept 1 – Dec 2024
3. Summer Yearling -May – Aug 21, 2024
4. Junior Yearling-Jan 1 – Apr 30, 2024
5. Senior Yearling-Sept 1-Dec 2023
6. Cow/Calf

## CLASS A BULLS

#### LOT:

1. Calf-Sept 2024-April 15, 2025
2. Yearling-Aug 2022-July, 2024
3. Two-Yr old – Jan-July, 2023

## CLASS C MARKET STEER/HEIFER

Premiums:

\$20, \$18, \$16, \$14, \$12

#### LOT:

1. Purebred Beef Market Steer
2. Purebred Beef Heifer
3. Dairy/Beef Cross Steer
4. Dairy/Beef Cross Heifer
5. Purebred Dairy Steer

## CLASS D SHOWMANSHIP

Showmanship classes to follow at the end of the beef show.

#### LOT:

1. Junior – Grade 3-5
2. Intermediate – Grades 6-8
3. Senior – Grades 9-12

## CLASS E GROUP CLASSES

Premiums:

\$20, \$18, \$16

#### LOT:

1. Produce of dam-two animals, either sex, from one dam, to be shown in individual classes to be eligible. May be shown by more than one exhibitor.
2. Junior Get of Sire – three animals all by one sire, both sexes to be represented. May be shown by more than one exhibitor. All animals must be shown in their individual classes to be eligible.
3. Get of Sire – four animals, all by one sire, both sexes to be represented. May be owned by or more than one exhibitor. All animals must be shown in individual classes to be represented. This get must have a minimum of two animals born between Sept 1, 2019 for the group to be eligible for the get of sire competition.
4. 5 Head – five animals of either sex, owned by exhibitor from either the calf class, junior classes or senior classes, or any combination.

5. Breeder's Herd – four animals either sex, bred and owned by exhibitor. All animals must be shown in their individual classes to be eligible.

## CLASS F PROSPECT CALF

Premiums:

\$16, \$14, \$12, \$10

#### LOT:

1. Purebred Beef, Prospect Steer
2. Purebred Beef Prospect Heifer
3. Dairy/Beef Cross Prospect Steer
4. Dairy/Beef Cross Prospect Heifer
5. Purebred Dairy Steer Prospect

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## DEPARTMENT 3 DAIRY CATTLE

### ONE DAY DAIRY SHOW

ENTRY FEE \$10.00  
PER HEAD

Entries close on  
Monday, July 28  
at 4:00 pm

#### Judging

Saturday, August 2 at 10:30am

## CLASS A HOLSTEINS (REGISTERED)

Premiums:

\$17, \$14, \$12, \$10, \$8

#### LOT:

1. Junior Heifer Calf, born March 1 to May 31, 2025
2. Winter Heifer Calf, born Dec 1, 2024 to Feb 28, 2025
3. Fall Heifer Calf, born Sept 1, to Nov 2024
4. Summer Yearling Heifer, born June 1 to Aug 31, 2024
5. Spring Yearling Heifer, born March 1 to May 31, 2024
6. Winter Yearling Heifer, born Dec 1, 2022 to Feb 28, 2024
7. Senior Yearling Heifer, born Sept 1 to Nov 30, 2023
8. Junior Champion Female (no premium)
9. Reserve Junior Champion Female (from winners of Lots 1-7; no premium)

**DEPARTMENT 3**  
**CATTLE A**  
**CONTINUED**

10. Junior Best Three Females – all bred and all owned by exhibitor. To consist of 3 animals under 2 yrs. Of age, none of which have freshened. (One entry per exhibitor)

Premium Lots 11 – 17:  
\$25, \$22, \$20, \$18, \$16

11. Jr. 2 Yr Old in Milk, born Mar 1 to Aug 31, 2023  
12. Sr. 2 Yr Old in Milk, born Sept 1 2022 to Feb 28, 2023  
13. Jr. 3 Yr Old in Milk, born March 1 to August 31, 2023  
14. Sr. 3 Yr Old in Milk born Sept 1, 2021 to Feb. 28, 2022  
15. 4 Yr Old in Milk born Sept 1, 2020 and Aug 31, 2021  
16. 5 Yr Old in Milk born Sept 1, 2019 and Aug 31, 2020  
17. Aged Cow in Milk born before Sept 1, 2020  
18. Best Uddered Cow  
19. Top Bred and Owned  
20. Senior Champion Female  
21. Res Sr Champion Female  
22. Grand Champion Female  
23. Res Gr Champion Female

Premium Lots 24 – 26:  
\$17, \$14, \$12

24. 3 Best Females – 3 females any age, all bred, and at least one owned by exhibitor. Each exhibitor limited to one entry.  
25. Produce of Dam – to consist of 2 animals, any age, either sex, the produce of 1 cow, the dam must be named. Each exhibitor limited to one entry from the same dam.  
26. Daughter and Dam (limited to one entry)

**\*\*\* IF NOT MORE THAN THREE (3) ENTRIES IN LOT, THE FOLLOWING LOTS MAY BE COMBINED.**

**Lot 2 & 3, Lot 4 & 5, Lot 6 & 7**

**CLASS B HOLSTEINS (GRADE)**  
Same Lot numbers as Class A

**CLASS C BROWN SWISS**  
Same Lot numbers as Class A

**CLASS D GUERNSEY**  
Same Lot numbers as Class A

**CLASS E JERSEYS**  
Same Lot numbers as Class A

**CLASS F AYSHIRES**  
Same Lot numbers as Class A

**CLASS G MILKING SHORTHORN**  
Same Lot numbers as Class A

**CLASS H RED AND WHITE HOLSTEIN**  
Same Lot numbers as Class A

**CLASS I CROSSBREED**  
Same Lot numbers as Class A

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**DEPARTMENT 5**  
**SHEEP**

**ALL SHEEP EXHIBITS MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED**

**NOTICE: HAY AND STRAW TO BE SUPPLIED BY EXHIBITORS**

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**ENTRY FEES MUST BE PAID WHEN REGISTERED TO RECEIVE PREMIUM MONEY**

**ENTRY FEE: \$5.00 Per head**

**Entries close on Monday July 28<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm**

**Pen fee must accompany entry form**

**Check In: 6:30pm to 9:00pm on Thursday, July 31<sup>st</sup>**

**Judging:**  
**Friday, August 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:30am**  
Release: Sunday, August 3 at 5:00pm

**CLASS A MARKET LAMB**  
Premiums:  
\$15, \$13, \$11, \$9, \$7

**LOT:**  
1. Any Breed

**CLASS B BREEDING**  
Premiums  
\$15, \$13, \$11, \$9, \$7

**LOT:**

1. Yearling Ram (Over 1 yr and under 2 yr)
2. Spring Ram (Born after Jan 1, 2023)
3. Yearling Ewe (Over 1 yr and under 2 year)
4. January Ewe Lamb (Born between Jan 1, 2025 and Jan 31, 2025)
5. February Ewe Lamb (Born between Feb 1, 2025 and Feb 28, 2025)
6. March Ewe Lamb (Born between Mar 1, 2025 and Mar 31, 2025)

**CLASS C GROUP CLASSES**  
Premiums:  
\$10, \$8, \$6, \$5, \$4

**LOT:**

1. Exhibitors Flock-Shall consist of 1 Ram-any age, 2 yearling ewes and 2 ewe lambs.
2. Pair of Rams – the pair can consist of either 2 ram lambs or 2 yearling rams (Max 2 pair per exhibitor)
3. Pair of Yearling Ewes – (Max 2 pairs per exhibitor)
4. Pair of Ewe Lambs – (Max 2 pairs per exhibitor)

**NOTES:**

1. The Judge for each class with the exception of market animals will judge sheep according to its breed standards. The judge will then place all sheep by how they represent their breed standards that day.
2. If entries are not sufficient to the number in the class, the superintendent(s) will at their discretion divide or combine classes as they see necessary.
3. No one exhibitor may enter no more than 8 animals per class.
4. All lambs shown in lamb class must show lambs teeth.
5. All animals **MUST** have scrapie tag.
6. No ewe can be shown in a market class and a breeding class.
7. All sheep competing in group classes **MUST** be shown in regular breed classes.



**DEPARTMENT 6**  
**POULTRY**

**EXHIBITING OF POULTRY AT THE FAIR TO BE DETERMINED BY DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HEALTH DUE TO THE STATUS OF BIRD FLU NO TESTING WILL BE DONE AT THE FAIR**

**Entry forms, blood test of hatchery statement MUST be received by Monday, July 21, 2024**

**Check In:**  
**Monday, July 28<sup>th</sup>**  
**From 5:00pm to 8:30pm ONLY**

**Show: Thursday, July 31<sup>st</sup> at 8:30am**  
**Judging: Friday, Aug 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:00am**  
**Release: Sunday, Aug 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:00pm**

**POULTRY**  
**EXCEPT WATERFOWL/PIGEONS**

Accompanied by an official form indefinitely the fowl by using a leg or wire band and with a record of a negative test for pullorum-typhoid conducted within 90 days prior to entry to the exhibition or a record of origin from parent stock tested negative within 12 months prior to entry to the exhibition. Turkeys must be tested at a laboratory for typhimurium and mycoplasmas or have a statement of origin if less than 5 months old.

**RULES AND REGULATIONS:**

1. Must be free from any infectious communicable disease. A veterinarian will check all birds, and sick birds will be quarantined.
2. All poultry must be negative to the rapid whole blood test for pullorum and typhoid disease applied within 90 days prior to opening date of exhibition. No test required on poultry originating directly from parent stock that is tested and negative.
3. All birds must be banded.
4. Coops will be provided by the fair. Feed and care of the birds will be done by exhibitor.
5. All birds must qualify according to American Standard of Perfection. Birds will be judged by comparison and entrants should take note that the judge is authorized to disqualify birds not meeting the Standard of Perfection.



**DEPARTMENT 6**  
**POULTRY**  
**CONTINUED**

6. Fair board is not responsible for theft, vandalism, or entries left after 6:00pm on Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>.  
7. Only those breeds and varieties listed in State Fair Premium Book will be eligible for cash prizes.

Premium (Lots A – L):  
1<sup>st</sup>-\$3.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$2.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$1.00

**LOTS FOR ALL POULTRY**  
**CLASSES A – L**

1. Cock
2. Hen
3. Cockerel
4. Pullet

**CLASS A**  
**ASIATIC, ALL VARIETIES**  
Cochins, Brahmas, Langshans

**CLASS B**  
**AMERICAN, ALL VARIETIES**  
Plymouth Rocks, Dominques, Wyandotte's, Javas, Rhode Island Reds, Rhode Island Whites, Buckeyes, Chanticleers, Jersey Giants, Lamona's, New Hampshires, Hollands and Delawares

**CLASS C**  
**MEDITERRANEAN, ALL VARIETIES**  
Leghorns, Minorca's, Spanish, Andalusians, Ancona's, Buttercups, and Catalanas

**CLASS D**  
**ENGLISH, ALL VARIETIES**  
Dorkings, Orpingtons, Redcaps, Cornish, Sussex, and Australorps

**CLASS E**  
**CONTINENTAL, ALL VARIETIES**  
Hamburgs, Bamevelders, Campines, Lakenvelders, Welssummers, Polish, Houdana, Crevecoeurs, La Fleche and Faverolles

**CLASS F**  
**ALL OTHER STANDARD, ALL VARIETIES**  
Modern Games, Old English Games, Sumatras, Malays, Shamos, Cubalayas, Phoenix, Yokohamas, Aseels, Sultans, Frizzles, Naked Necks, Araucana's and Ameraucans

**CLASS G**  
**HYBRIDS, ALL VARIETIES**  
Cornish Rock and Indian River

**CLASS H**  
**SINGLE COMB CLEAN LEGGED, ALL VARIETIES**  
Anconas, Andalusians, Australorps, Campines, Catalanas, Delawares, Dorkings, Dutch, Frizzles, Hollands, Japanses, Javas, Jersey Giants, Lakenvelders, Lamona's, Leghorns, Minorcas, Naked Necks, New Hampshire, Orpingtons, Phoenix, Plymouth Rocks, Rhode Island Reds, Spanish and Sussex

**CLASS I**  
**ROSE COMB CLEAN LEGGED, ALL VARIETIES**  
Anconas, Andtwerrp Belgians, Dominiques, Dorkings, Hamburgs, Leghorns, Minorcas, Redcaps, Rhode Island Reds, Rhode Island Whites, Rosecombs, Sebrights and Wyandones

**CLASS J**  
**FEATHER LEGGED BANTAM, ALL VARIETIES**  
Booted, Brahams, Cochins Faverolles, Frizzles, Langshans, Silkies, and Sultans

**CLASS K**  
**ALL OTHER COMBS CLEAN LEGGED, ALL VARIETIES**  
Americana, Araucana's, Buckeyes, Chanticleers, Cornish, Crevecoeurs, Cubalayas, Houdans, La Fleche, Malays, Polish, Shjaos, Bunercups, Sumatras, Yokohamas

**CLASS L**  
**GAME BANTAMS, ALL VARIETIES**  
Modern Games and Old English

**CLASS M**  
**TRIO – BREEDING PEN, ALL VARIETIES**  
Premiums:  
1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00

LOT:  
1. Teio

**CLASS N**  
**CHAMPION**

LOT:  
1. Champion Cock - \$5.00  
2. Champion Hen - \$5.00

3. Champion Cockerel - \$5.00
4. Champion Pullet - \$5.00
5. Champion Standard - \$5.00
6. Champion Bantam - \$5.00
7. Champion Trio - \$7.50
8. Champion Waterfowl - \$5.00

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**DEPARTMENT 7**  
**DUCKS**

**EXHIBITING OF DUCKS AT THE FAIR TO BE DETERMINED BY DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HEALTH DUE TO THE STATUS OF BIRD FLU**

Premiums:  
1<sup>st</sup>-\$3.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$2.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$1.00

**LOTS FOR ALL CLASSES:**

1. Old Drake
2. Old Duck
3. Young Drake
4. Young Duck

**CLASS A**  
**PEKINGS**

**CLASS B**  
**ROUENS**

**CLASS C**  
**MUSCOVY**

**CLASS D**  
**BUFF**

**CLASS E**  
**CAVUGA**

**CLASS F**  
**RUNNER**

**CLASS G**  
**CALL DUCK**

**CLASS H**  
**EAST INDIA**

**CLASS I**  
**ALL OTHER – MUST IDENTIFY**



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**DEPARTMENT 8**  
**TURKEYS**

**EXHIBITING OF TURKEYS AT THE FAIR TO BE DETERMINED BY DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HEALTH DUE TO THE STATUS OF BIRD FLU**

Premiums:  
1<sup>st</sup>-\$3.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$2.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$1.00

**CLASS A**

LOT:  
1. Old Tom  
2. Old Hen  
3. Young Tom  
4. Young Hen



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**DEPARTMENT 9**  
**GEESE**

**EXHIBITING OF GEESE AT THE FAIR TO BE DETERMINED BY DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HEALTH DUE TO THE STATUS OF BIRD FLU**

Premiums:  
1<sup>st</sup>-\$3.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$2.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$1.00

**CLASS A**  
**ALL VARIETIES**

LOT:  
1. Old Gander  
2. Old Goose  
3. Young Gander  
4. Young Goose

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**DEPARTMENT 10**  
**GAME BIRDS**

**EXHIBITING OF GAME BIRDS AT THE FAIR TO BE DETERMINED BY DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HEALTH DUE TO THE STATUS OF BIRD FLU**

Premiums:  
1<sup>st</sup>-\$3.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$2.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$1.00

### CLASS A QUAIL

### CLASS B PHEASANT

### CLASS C PEACOCK

#### LOTS FOR ALL CLASSES:

1. Old Male
2. Old Female
3. Young Male
4. Young Female

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### DEPARTMENT 11 PIGEONS

EXHIBITING OF PIGEONS AT THE  
FAIR TO BE DETERMINED BY  
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL  
HEALTH DUE TO STATUS OF BIRD  
FLU  
No Entry Fee

Check In:  
Monday, July 28  
5:00 pm to 8:30 pm ONLY.

Judging: Friday, August 1 at 9:00 am  
Release: Sunday, August 3 at 5:00 pm  
Not responsible for birds left after 6:00  
pm on Sunday, August 3

#### READ RULLES AND REGULATIONS UNDERR POULTRY DEPARTMENT FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Premiums:  
1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>-\$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00

### CLASS A UTILITY BIRDS

Giant Homer, Careaux., Florentine,  
Hungarians, Show Kings, Runts and  
Strasser

#### LOT:

1. Old Cock
2. Old Hen
3. Young Cock
4. Young Hen

### CLASS B FANCY VARIETIES

Carriers, Dragoons, Pouters,  
Thumblers, Modenas, Owls, Swallows,  
Toy Bird and other rare varieties

#### LOT:

1. Old Cock
2. Old Hen
3. Young Cock
4. Young Hen

### CLASS C FLYING BIRDS

Rollers (any color), Oriental, Tipples,  
Flight and Racing Homers

#### LOT:

1. Old Cock
2. Old Hen
3. Young Cock
4. Young Hen

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### DEPARTMENT 12 RABBIT SHOW

ALL RABBIT EXHIBITS MUST BE  
PRE-REGISTERED.

DUE TO THE STATE OF MN  
REQUIREMENT FOR ANIMAL  
TRACEABILITY, NEW LIVESTOCK  
REGISTRATION FORMS FOR EACH  
SPECIES EXHIBITED CAN BE  
FOUND AT OUR WEBSITE:  
[WWW.BENTONFAIRMN.COM](http://WWW.BENTONFAIRMN.COM).  
No Entry Fee

Check In:  
Monday, July 28  
5:00 pm to 8:30 pm ONLY.

Show: Thursday, July 31 at 11:30am  
Judging: Saturday, Aug 2 at 9:00am  
Release: Sunday, August 3 at 5:00pm  
Not responsible for rabbits left after  
6:00pm on Sunday, August 3

EXHIBITORS ARE RESPONSIBLE  
FOR FEEDING, WATERNG AND  
CLEANING CAGES DAILY.

YOU MUST SUPPLY YOUR OWN  
FOOD.

1. All breeds accepted by American  
Rabbit Breeders Association are  
eligible. Rabbits will be judged  
according to ARBA standards.
2. Exhibit numbers may be limited  
due to space available.
3. Exhibitors must present to show  
rabbits.
4. **MUST specify breed on entry form  
for each lot entered.**
5. Each rabbit must be permanently  
tattooed in the left ear for  
identification purposes.

Premiums:  
1<sup>st</sup>-\$3.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>-\$2.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$1.00

### CLASS A MARKET

#### LOT:

1. Single Fryer, 3 ½ to 5 ½ lbs. not over  
70 days old
2. Pen of three fryers, 3 ½ to 5 ½ lbs.  
not over 70 days old

### CLASS B SMALL BREEDS

4 Class (small) rabbit breeds include:  
Dutch, Florida White, Holland Lop,  
Jersey Woolly, Mini Lop, Mini Rex,  
Netherland Dwarf, Polish, Rex,  
American Fuzzy Lop, American Sable,  
Dwarf Hotot, English Angora, French  
Angora, Satin Angora, Belgium Hare,  
Britannia Petite, Standard Chinchilla,  
English Spot, Harlequin, Havana,  
Himalayan, Lilac, Rhinelander, Silver,  
Silver Marten Thrianta and Tan.

#### LOT:

1. Senior Buck over 6 months
2. Senior Doe over 6 months
3. Junior Buck under 6 months
4. Junior Doe under 6 months

### CLASS C LARGE BREEDS

6 Class (large) rabbit breeds include:  
New Zealand, Satin, American Giant  
Angora, Bevern, Californian,  
Champagne Dargent, Checkered  
Giant, American Chinchilla, Giant  
Chinchilla, Cinnamon, Crème Dargent,  
Flemish Giant, French Lop, Hotot,  
English Lop, Palomino and Silver Fox.

#### LOT:

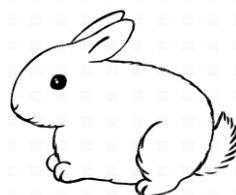
1. Senior Buck over 8 months
2. Senior Doe over 8 months
3. Intermediate Buck, 6-8 months
4. Intermediate Doe, 6-8 months
5. Junior Buck under 6 months
6. Junior Doe under 6 months

### CLASS D CHAMPION

Champion Premium: \$3.50

#### LOT:

1. Champion Fryers or meat pen
2. Champion Doe, all breeds
3. Champion Buck, all breeds



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### DEPARTMENT 13 GOATS

#### SUPERINTENDENT:

Sam Morris: 320-980-2625  
[Chuckmorris130@gmail.com](mailto:Chuckmorris130@gmail.com)

ALL GOAT EXHIBITS MUST BE  
PRE-REGISTERED

NOTICE: HAY AND STRAW  
SUPPLIED BY EXHIBITORS.

DUE TO THE STATE OF MN  
REQUIREMENTS FOR ANIMAL  
TRACEABILITY, NEW LIVESTOCK  
REGISTRATION FORMS FOR EACH  
SPECIES EXHIBITED CAN BE  
FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE AT:  
[WWW.BENTONFAIRMN.COM](http://WWW.BENTONFAIRMN.COM)

ENTRY FEES MUST BE PAID  
WHEN REGISTERED TO RECEIVE  
PREMIUM MONEY

PEN FEE: \$5.00 per head  
Entries CLOSE Monday, July 28 at 4:00  
pm

Check in: Must be in stall by Friday,  
Aug 1 at noon

Judging: Saturday, Aug 2 at 8:00 am  
Release: Sunday, Aug 4 at 5:00 pm.  
The exhibition management has the  
authority to adopt additional  
requirements

Premiums: \$13, \$11, \$9, \$7, \$5

### CLASS A DAIRY GOATS

Animals from the eight recognized  
dairy goat breeds, American or  
Purebred or dairy breed crosses.

Recognized breeds are Alpine,  
LaMancha, Nubian, Oberhasli,  
Toggenburg, Saanen, Sable and  
Nigerian Dwarf.

No meat goat breeding.

#### LOT:

1. Junior Doe Kid, Born April 1 – June  
30, 2025
2. Senior Doe Kid, Born Jan 1 – March  
31, 2025
3. Yearling Doe, Never in Milk – Born  
in 2024

**Champion and Reserve Champion  
Ribbon**

4. Yearling Doe in Milk-Born in 2024
5. 2 Yr-old Doe in Milk-Born in 2023
6. 3 and 4 Yr Old Doe in Milk-Born in 2021 and 2022
7. Aged Doe in Milk-Born in 2020 or Before
8. Junior Buck – Under 1 Yr Old
9. Senior Buck – Over 1 Yr Old

**CLASS B**

**MARKET GOATS**

**Wethers or does, recognized meat goat breeds, dairy/meat breed crosses and dairy breeds. Recognized meat goat breeds are Boer or Kiiko Cannot be animals shown in Class A.**

**LOT:**

1. Market Goat – Meat Breed – Born after Jan 1, 2024
2. Market Goat – Dairy Breeding – Born after Jan 1, 2024

Champion and Reserve Champion – Ribbon

3. Breeding Doe Kid – any meat goat breed born on or after Jan 1, 2024
4. Breeding Dry Yearling – any meat goat breed born in 2024 and has not freshened
5. Breeding Doe – any eat goat breed born on or after Jan 1 2024 and has freshened
6. Meat Goat Breeding Buck, any age

**DEPARTMENT 14**

**LLAMAS AND ALPACAS**

**SUPERINTENDENT:**

Cheryl Pflipsen: 320-310-7804

**IMPORTANT: ALL LLAMAS & ALPACAS EXHIBITS MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED BY MONDAY, JULY 28<sup>TH</sup>.**

**NO EXCEPTIONS! LATE ENTRIES NOT ELIGIBLE FOR GRAND AND RESERVE PLACINGS**

**DUE TO THE STATE OF MN REQUIREMENT FOR ANIMAL TRACEABILITY, NEW LIVESTOCK REGISTRATION FORMS CAN BE FOUND AT OUR WEBSITE: [WWW.BENTONFAIRMN.COM](http://WWW.BENTONFAIRMN.COM)**

**SHOW TIME: Saturday, Aug 2 @ 3:00pm**

**ENTRY FEES MUST BE PAID WHEN REGISTERED TO RECEIVE PREMIUM PAYOUTS**

**ENTRY FEE: \$10 PER HEAD**

**Animals must be in stalls or on the grounds by Noon of the show on Saturday, Aug 2**

1. Llamas and alpacas must be dewormed a minimum of 7 days before the show.
2. The exhibition management has the authority to adopt additional requirements
3. The judge has the right to combine classes as needed.

Premium for Classes A-D: \$15, \$12, \$10, \$9, \$7

**CLASS A  
SHOWMANSHIP**

**LOT:**

1. Junior Youth (exhibitor ages 8-13)
2. Intermediate Youth (exhibitor ages 14-18)
3. Adult (Exhibitor ages 19 & older)

**CLASS B  
HALTER FEMALE –  
ALL FIBER CLASSES**

**LOT:**

1. Juvenile Female – 6-12 mo.
2. Yearling Female – 13-24 mo.
3. 2-Yr Old Female – 25-36 mo.
4. Adult Female – 37 mo. & over

**Ribbon Awarded for  
Grand Champion Female &  
Reserve Champion Female**

**CLASS C  
HALTER MALE (NON-BREEDER  
& INTACT) – ALL FIBER  
CLASSES**

**LOT:**

1. Juvenile Male – 6-12 mo.
2. Yearling Male – 13-24 mo.
3. 2 Yr Old Male – 25-36 mo.
4. Adult Male – 37 mo. & over

**Ribbon Awarded for  
Grand Champion Male &  
Reserve Champion Male**



**CLASS D  
PERFORMANCE COURSE**

**LOT:**

1. Junior Youth (exhibitor ages 8-13)
2. Intermediate Youth (exhibitor ages 14-18)
3. Adult (Exhibitor ages 19 & older)

**DEPARTMENT 17  
FFA FARMYARD**

Entries accepted by Sauk Rapids, Foley and Royalton High School Ag Departments

1. Pens and space are limited.
2. Exhibits in the best condition and with the greatest appeal will be given first consideration.
3. Premiums will be awarded only on worthy exhibits.
4. Facilities will be supervised at all times by FFA members.

**ALL ANIMALS EXHIBITED NEED TO BE IDENTIFIED AS DIRECTED BY THE BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH.**

**ANIMALS SHOULD BE IN GOOD HEALTH AND HAVE PROPER VACCINATION RECOMMENDATION BEFORE EXHIBITING AT THE FAIR.**

**FFA BARNYARD SUPERINTENDENT WILL DETERMINE WHICH ANIMALS WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR THE BARNYARD EXHIBIT AND IF ANIMALS ARE TO BE RELEASED DURING THE FAIR.**

**CLASS A FOWL  
Premium \$10.00**

**LOT:**

1. Duck and ducklings
2. Geese
3. Hen and chicks
4. Rooster

5. Guineaas
6. Turkeys
7. Pheasants
8. Pigeons
9. Bantams
10. Other Fowl

**CLASS B  
SMALL ANIMALS  
Premium \$12.50**

**LOT:**

1. Dog and/or pups
2. Rabbits – doe & litter
3. Pygmy Goats
4. Other Animals

**CLASS C  
MEDIUM ANIMALS  
Premium \$15.00**

**LOT:**

1. Goat and/or Kids
2. Dairy and/or Beef Calves
3. Lambs
4. Ewe and Lamb
5. Other Animals

**CLASS D  
LARGE ANIMALS  
Premium \$20.00**

**LOT:**

1. Cow and Calf (Dairy or Beef)
2. Mare and Foal
3. Other Animals

**CLASS E  
AGRICULTURAL PROMOTION  
Premiums - \$15.00, \$12.00, \$10.00**

**LOT:**

1. Poster must promote agriculture or agricultural products including facts, figures, and statistics.
2. Poster must be 2' x 3' in size, and made on ¼" Masonite or ¼" plywood.
3. All entries become the property of the FFA Chapter to be displayed in the barnyard.

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**DEPARTMENT 18  
SWINE**

Premium \$10.00

\* Static Exhibit; there is NO Show.

**SUPERINTENDENT:**

Sam Morris: 320-980-2625  
[Chuckmorris130@gmail.com](mailto:Chuckmorris130@gmail.com)

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## OPEN CLASS AGRICULTURAL/CRAFTS EXHIBIT INFORMATION

Open Class offers an opportunity for anyone from preschoolers to senior citizens to enter and showcase their talents! You may enter nearly anything from apples to zinnias, cakes to quilts, fairy houses to photographs, stuffed animals to strawberry jam.

You do not need to be a resident of Benton County to exhibit.

**PRE-REGISTRATION** of exhibits is essential for a smooth entry day. Registration forms are available online ([www.bentonfairmn.com](http://www.bentonfairmn.com)), at the end of the printed Premium Book, or at the Fair Office.

Submit registration forms as early as possible - electronically; by mail (P O Box 118, Sauk Rapids, MN 56379); or in person at the Fair Office (1410 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue South, Sauk Rapids, MN 56379).

**ALL REGISTRATION FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY, JULY 21<sup>ST</sup> by 7:00 PM.**

Pre-register everything you think you may bring. Registered items you are unable to exhibit are easy to delete on entry day.

**ENTRY TAGS** may be picked up at the Fair Office on Friday, July 25<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 7 pm, Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup> from 9 to Noon, or Monday, July 28<sup>th</sup> from 2 to 7 pm.

### **NEW for 2025** Early entry for non-perishable exhibits

Non-perishable exhibits will be accepted in the Ag Craft Building on Friday, July 25<sup>th</sup> from 2 to 7 pm and Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup> from 9 to noon. Bring entries ready for display according to the specifications for each exhibit.

**ENTRY DAY** for all remaining exhibits is Monday, July 28<sup>th</sup> from 2 to 7 pm. Earlier is Better!!  
No fee for parking while dropping off exhibits.

Exhibits for **Flower Show 1** will also be accepted on Tuesday, July 29<sup>th</sup> from 9 to 10:30 am.  
Exhibits for **Flower Show 2** will be accepted on Thursday, July 31<sup>st</sup> from 6 - 7 pm, or Friday, August 1<sup>st</sup> from 9 - 10:30 am.

**THE BUILDING WILL BE CLOSED Tuesday Morning** during judging and will re-open when judging and displays are completed.

All exhibits **MUST** remain on display until the end of the Fair.

Building Hours: 10 am - 9 pm Tuesday through Saturday, and Sunday 10 am to 4:30 pm.  
The Ag Craft Building will close at 4:30 pm on Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> so staff can prepare exhibits for release.

### **EXHIBIT RELEASE**

Exhibitors must pick up their exhibits according to the following schedule on Sunday. Schedule is based on last name:

5:00-5:15 A-F; 5:15-5:30 G-M; 5:30-5:45 N-S; and 5:45-6:00 T-Z

**OPEN CLASS AG/CRAFT**  
**GENERAL RULES**

1. All items must have been made, grown, or prepared by exhibitor since the 2024 Fair.
2. Ribbons, including Champion Ribbons, may be awarded per the judge's discretion.
3. Only **ONE** entry per lot per exhibitor except where noted.
4. Limit **ONE** entry per item.
5. Exhibits must contain specified number and size as indicated.
6. Benton County Agricultural Society (BCAS) is not responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged exhibits.
7. Judges' decisions are final.
8. Superintendent reserves the right to deny entries considered to be offensive, family-friendly, or late.
9. Premiums will not be awarded on articles that are inferior or not considered worthy by judges, regardless of number of exhibits.

Questions regarding Ag/Craft items and rules:  
Contact Rhoda Fagerland 320-253-4360. Please text or leave voicemail.

July 21<sup>st</sup> - Pre-registration deadline  
 July 25<sup>th</sup> & July 26<sup>th</sup> - Entry tags ready for pick up  
                                 - Early entry for non-perishables  
 July 28<sup>th</sup> - Entry Day  
 July 29<sup>th</sup> - Judging  
             - Entry for Flower Show 1  
             - Fair Opens  
 July 31<sup>st</sup> - August 1<sup>st</sup> - Entry for Flower Show 2  
 August 3<sup>rd</sup> - Release Day  
             - Fair Closes

Meet us at the East side door for daily creative activities and seminars

Tuesday	3:00-7:00pm	Wrangle a Rope
Wednesday	10:30-11:00am	Seminar: Preparing Flowers for Show
	3:00-7:00pm	Weave with Us
Thursday	3:00-7:00pm	Paper Beads
Friday	10:30-11:00am	Seminar: Bread Making - A modern take on classic breads
	3:00-7:00pm	Eggshell Mosaic
Saturday	10:00am-4:00pm	Scrap Sculpture

**All Week:** Color a Quilt. Pick up and color a paper quilt block for our community Quilt Collage!

The Minnesota State Fair will be held August 21<sup>st</sup> through September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 (Labor Day)

Do you want to enter exhibits at the Minnesota State Fair?

Creative Activities registration is open to anyone, regardless of County Fair awards.

Information is available at: [www.mnstatefair.org/competitions/creative-activities/](http://www.mnstatefair.org/competitions/creative-activities/)

Registration opens Monday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Registration closes Tuesday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 4:30pm

Registration is required for entries in **ALL** categories and must be completed online or received (not mailed) by July 29, at 4:30 p.m.

Dates for the 2026 Benton County Fair: August 4<sup>th</sup> through August 9<sup>th</sup>

*2026 Open Class Theme: "My Own Backyard"*



## AG/CRAFT BUILDING DAILY CULINARY CONTESTS

**No pre-registration is required.**

Bring your entry to the Ag/Craft Building by 12:30 pm (prior to judging).

Must include recipe with your name and source of recipe to enter contest.

A Back Story is nice!

Only one entry per exhibitor per day.

No mixes; Amateur bakers only.

Entries will be judged upon:

Taste Appearance Flavor Creativity

PRIZES;

1<sup>ST</sup> - \$10.00 2<sup>ND</sup> - \$7.00 3<sup>RD</sup> - \$5.00

Coborn's Gift Certificates



**WEDNESDAY**

★ **SENIOR DAY** ★  
**FAVORITES FROM  
GRANDMA'S  
COOKBOOK**

**4 SERVINGS**

**1:00 PM**



*Thank you to  
Coborn's  
Superstore in  
Sauk Rapids  
for sponsoring  
the daily  
culinary  
contests!!*



**THURSDAY**

**MULTI-FRUIT  
COBBLER OR CRISP**  
Fresh takes on Old  
Favorites

**4 SERVINGS**

**1:00 PM**



**FRIDAY**

**FROZEN TREATS FOR  
AUGUST HEAT**

**4 SERVINGS**

**1:00 PM**



**SATURDAY**

★ **KIDS DAY** ★  
**FAVORITE COOKIE**

**8 COOKIES**

**1:00 PM**



## DEPARTMENT 30 FRUITS

Premiums:

1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00

### RULES:

1. All articles must be entered in the name of the grower.
2. Must have number specified for exhibit.
3. An exhibitor may make more than one entry in a lot, only if each is substantially different. This rule applies in each class unless otherwise indicated.

### CLASS A APPLES

Four (4) apples per plate

### LOT:

1. Red, must identify
2. Green, must identify
3. Yellow, must identify
4. Any other not listed, must Identify

### CLASS B CRABAPPLES

Ten (10) apples per plate

### LOT:

1. Any variety, must identify

### CLASS C PLUMS

Ten (10) plums per plate

### LOT:

1. Any variety, must identify

### CLASS D GRAPES

Five (5) bunches per plate

### LOT:

1. Any variety, must identify

### CLASS E OTHER FRUIT

### LOT:

1. Cherries-any variety, must identify - 10
2. Pears-Any variety, must identify - 4
3. Berries-any variety, must identify  
½ pint
4. Muskmelon-any variety - 2
5. Watermelon-any variety - 1
6. Any other not listed, must identify

## CLASS F COBBLED TOGETHER Fruit Collection

Exhibit of all the fruit - at least 3 pieces, two varieties or more - that you would use to make one cobbler recipe. Must attach recipe, with source.

### LOT:

1. Any fruit combination

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## DEPARTMENT 31 JUNIOR DIVISION

### FRUITS

15 years or younger

Classes and Lots the same as  
Department 30

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## DEPARTMENT 32 VEGETABLES & HERBS

Premiums:

1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00

### CLASS A VEGETABLES

PREPARATION FOR EXHIBIT:  
Vegetables may be carefully  
washed, but not scrubbed

**Beans** - Leave stems on

**Root Crops** -Trim Tops to 1 ½" above crown; trim roots to ½".

**Cabbage** - Leave stem on bottom and about 4 wrapper leaves around stem  
**Cauliflower** - Leave stem on and 5-6 leaves trimmed to 1-2"

**Cucumbers** - Uniform size, shape and color with ½" stem

**Kohlrabi** - Trim top 4-6 leaf stems to 2"; trim root off

**Onions** - Twist top off, do not peel to give a slick appearance, but remove outer scales that are broken or discolored. Trim roots to ½". Do not wash.

**Potatoes** - Uniform in size and color

**Rhubarb** - Pull stem out of the ground; cut leaf to 1"

**Sweet Corn** - Leave inner husk on; no kernels should be showing

**Tomatoes** - Uniform in size, shape, and color. Remove stems.

**Zucchini** - 6-8" long; ½ - 1" stem

### LOT:

1. Beans, any - 12
2. Beets, any - 4

3. Broccoli - 1
4. Cabbage, any - 1
5. Carrots, any - 4
6. Cauliflower - 1
7. Celery - 1 potted plant
8. Cucumbers, any - 6
9. Daikon (giant radish) - 1
10. Dill - 1 Plant, including roots
11. Eggplant - 1
12. Garlic - 4
13. Gourds, any - 6
14. Ground Cherries, in husk - 1 quart in zippered bag
15. Kohlrabi, any - 4
16. Lettuce - 3 complete plants in jar of water
17. Onions, any - 4
18. Peppers, any - 4
19. Potatoes, any - 5
20. Rhubarb - 6 stems in jar of water
21. Squash, summer/zucchini - 2
22. Squash, winter/pumpkin - 2
23. Tomatoes, any - 5
24. Tomato, potted plant - 1
25. Any other not listed, must identify - 4 specimens

### CLASS B

#### MN MONSTER VEGETABLES

One entry per exhibitor per lot,  
except Lot 12

May enter multiple specimens in  
Lot 12 if each is substantially  
different

### LOT:

1. Heaviest Beet
2. Heaviest Carrot
3. Heaviest Cabbage
4. Heaviest Cucumber
5. Heaviest Onion
6. Largest Potato
7. Heaviest Pumpkin
8. Largest Pepper
9. Heaviest Kohlrabi
10. Largest Zucchini/Squash
11. Largest Tomato
12. Any unusual vegetable, must identify

### CLASS C

#### HERBS

#### Potted Plants

One variety per pot, except Lot 17;  
pot diameter may be no larger than  
7" top or bottom. Must have bottom  
saucer. One entry/exhibitor/Lot,  
except Lot 18

### LOT:

1. Basil, any
2. Chamomile
3. Chives, any
4. Cilantro
5. Citronella
6. Lambs Ear

7. Lavender
8. Lemon Balm
9. Marjoram
10. Mint, any
11. Oregano
12. Parsley, any
13. Rosemary
14. Sage, any
15. Tarragon
16. Thyme, any
17. Herb collection - 6 or more varieties in long planter
18. Any other not listed, must identify



## CLASS D GARDEN TO TABLE Vegetable Collection

Exhibit of all the vegetables - at least 3 pieces, two varieties or more - that you would use to make one recipe. Must attach recipe, with source.

### LOT:

1. Any vegetable singular combination

## CLASS E FRUIT OF THE LOON Play with your food!

Creatively display your  
Minnesota-grown produce.  
Decorating, dressing, and  
accessorizing is encouraged.

**NOTE:** If produce is cut or pierced,  
consider sealing with clear acrylic  
spray, hair spray, or Neem oil to  
protect from bugs.

Display may be no larger than  
12"x12".

### LOT:

1. Created by individual 6 yrs & under
2. Ages 7 - 12
3. Ages 13 - 18
4. Ages 19 - 65
5. 65 +
6. Group/Family

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## DEPARTMENT 33 JUNIOR DIVISION VEGETABLES & HERBS

15 years or younger

Classes and Lots the same as  
Department 32, except Class E

**Watch for the BCAS President – He will be choosing exhibits for the “President’s Award” throughout the Week!**

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**DEPARTMENT 34**  
**OUTSTANDING IN THE FIELD**

Premiums:  
1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00

**RULES:**

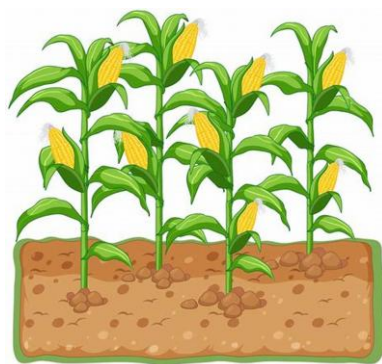
1. All crops must have been grown in Benton, Morrison, Sherburne, or Stearns County by the person in whose name they are entered.
2. All exhibits must be this year’s crop unless otherwise specified.

**CLASS A**  
**CORN**

**Must identify hybrid, planting date and maturity date. Remove husks from ear samples.**

**LOT:**

1. Ear Corn, this year – 6 ears
2. Ear Corn, last year – 6 ears
3. Silage Corn – 6 stalks
4. Tallest Stalk of Corn
5. Largest ear of Corn



**CLASS B**  
**SEED CROPS**

**Exhibit in 1 Quart Zippered Bag**

**LOT:**

1. Small Grains
2. Soybeans
3. Corn
4. Any other not listed, must identify

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**DEPARTMENT 40**  
**FLORAL**

Premiums (Classes A – O):  
1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00  
Class P:  
1<sup>st</sup>-\$5.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$4.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$3.00

**SHOW 1: Glads, Dahlias, Potted Plants**

Bring Exhibits to Ag/Craft Bldg.  
Monday, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2-7 pm OR  
Tuesday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, 9 – 10:30 am

**SHOW 2: Cut Flowers**

Bring Exhibits to Ag Craft Bldg.  
Thursday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 6-7 pm OR  
Friday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, 9 – 10:30 am

**IMPORTANT:** It is impossible to know in advance which flowers will be show- worthy at fair time. Please register everything you may bring. Deletions are easy to make.

**RULES:**

1. All flowers for both shows must be registered by July 21<sup>st</sup>, 7:00 PM.
2. Flowers must be grown by the exhibitor. The exhibitor shall not be in the business of supplying the flower or plant trade or markets in any way.
3. All plants must have been in the possession of the exhibitor at least 3 months.
4. Exhibitors must provide a clear glass bottle, jar or vase to display cut specimens. Foliage may not extend below the water line.
5. Enter only the exact number of specimens listed. There may be more than one bloom on one stem, spike, or stalk in its natural growing form, unless indicated on the schedule.
6. An exhibitor may make more than one entry in a lot **IF** each is substantially different.
7. The schedule is the law of the show.
8. The American flag may not be used in any floral display.
9. Prizes will not be awarded to inferior exhibits, regardless of the number of exhibits.
10. Champion ribbons may be awarded at judge’s discretion. One “Best of Show” for each show.



**FLOWER SHOW 1**

Tuesday, July 29<sup>th</sup> through  
Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Classes A – K

**CLASS A**  
**GLADIOLUS**  
**Standard Size**  
**Single Spike**

See Rule #6 Above

**LOT:**

1. Any color or variety

**CLASS B**  
**GLADIOLUS**  
**Miniature**  
**Single Spike**

See Rule #6 Above

**Lot:**

1. Any color or variety

**CLASS C**  
**GLADIOLUS**  
**3 Spikes**

Three matching spikes in 1 Container

See Rule #6 Above

**LOT:**

1. Any colors, varieties or combinations

**CLASS D**  
**GLADIOLUS**

**Decorative Arrangement**

See Rule #6 Above

**LOT:**

1. Any colors or varieties

**CLASS E**  
**DAHLIAS**

See Rule #6 Above

**LOT:**

1. Large, 8” and over – 1 Bloom
2. Standard, 3” to 8” – 1 Bloom
3. Miniature, under 3” – 1 Bloom
4. Three (3) Blooms, any variety

**CLASS F**  
**DAHLIAS**

**Decorative Arrangement**

One entry per exhibitor

**LOT:**

1. Any dahlias in container

**CLASS G**  
**FLOWERING PLANTS IN**  
**CONTAINER**

Must be in bloom

See Rule #6 Above

**LOT:**

1. Geranium – 1 Plant

2. Geranium collection – 3 containers or 3 plants in 1 container
3. Begonia, any variety – 1 Plant
4. Begonia collection – 3 containers or 3 plants in 1 container
5. Impatiens – 1 Plant
6. Impatiens collection – 3 containers or 3 plants in 1 container
7. Orchid, any variety
8. Pansy, any variety
9. Petunia, any variety
10. Any other not listed, must identify

**CLASS H**

**FOLIAGE PLANTS IN CONTAINER**

See Rule #6 Above

**LOT:**

1. Ivy, any variety
2. Cactus – 1 plant (not Christmas cactus)
3. Cactus collection – 3 containers or at least 3 plants in 1 container
4. Philodendron
5. Topiary/Sculpture
6. Succulent collection – 3 containers or at least 3 plants in 1 container
7. Any other not listed, must identify

**CLASS I**

**HANGING PLANT, ANY**  
**HANGING CONTAINER**

Must be in bloom

See Rule #6 Above

**LOT:**

1. Foliage only
2. Flowering plants only
3. Combination foliage and flowering plants

**CLASS J**

**FAIRY GARDEN**

**Collection of rooted plants in container, with decorative hard goods – All plants in Garden**

**MUST be growing**

One entry per lot, per exhibitor

**LOT:**

1. Terrarium, minimum 3 plants
2. Specialty container, focus on plants

**CLASS K**

**PATIO PLANTER**

**Flowering plants must be in bloom**

See Rule #6 Above

**LOT:**

1. Blooming, Foliage, or Combo
2. Coleus, single plant or collection in one container
3. Any other not listed, must identify

## DEPARTMENT 40

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### FLOWER SHOW 2

Friday, August 1<sup>st</sup> through

Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>

Classes L – P

#### CLASS L

##### CUT FLOWERS

See Rule #6 Above

LOT:

1. Ageratum – 3 stems
2. Bachelor Button – 3 stems
3. Celosia – 3 stems
4. Coneflower – 3 stems
5. Coreopsis – 3 stems
6. Daisy, any variety – 3 stems
7. Dianthus – 3 stems
8. Hydrangea, any variety – 3 stems
9. Liatris – 3 spikes
10. Monarda – 3 stems
11. Marigold, any variety – 3 stems
12. Nasturtium – 3 stems
13. Pansy – 3 stems
14. Petunia, any variety – 3 sprays
15. Phlox, any variety – 3 stems
16. Salvia, any variety – 3 stems
17. Snapdragon – 3 stems
18. Statice – 3 stems
19. Strawflower – 3 stems
20. Sunflower – 3 stems
21. Verbena – 3 stems
22. Yarrow – 3 stems
23. Zinnia, any variety – 3 stems
24. Any other not listed, must identify

#### CLASS M

##### LILIES

Trim off pollen anthers

See Rule #6 Above

LOT:

1. Lily – 1 Scape
2. Tiger Lily – 1 Scape
3. Daylily – 1 Scape
4. Calla Lily – 1 Scape
5. Any other lily variety, not listed, must identify – 1 Scape

#### CLASS N

##### ROSES

All rose varieties must be correctly named on entry tag. Hybrid Teas shall have only one bloom, no side buds.

See Rule #6 Above

LOT:

1. Hybrid Tea Rose - Any, must identify
2. Floribunda, any – must identify, 1 spray

3. Grandiflora – 1 spray or 1 stem
4. Modern Shrub rose – 1 spray
5. Miniature Rose – 1 bloom or spray
6. Any other rose not listed, must identify

#### CLASS O

##### HOSTAS

Leaves measured width-wise

See Rule #6 Above

LOT:

1. Giant, plain over 15" – 1 leaf
2. Giant, variegated over 15" – 1 leaf
3. Large, plain 11"-15" – 1 leaf
4. Large, variegated 11"-15" – 1 leaf
5. Medium, plain 6"-11" – 1 leaf
6. Medium, variegated 6"-11" – 1 leaf
7. Small, plain 2"-6" – 3 leaves
8. Small, variegated 2"-6" – 3 leaves
9. Miniature, plain under 2" – 3 leaves
10. Miniature, variegated under 2" – 3 leaves
11. Hosta flowers – 3 spikes
12. Caladium, large – 1 leaf
13. Caladium, small – 3 leaves

#### CLASS P

##### ARTISTIC ARRANGEMENTS

All fresh and dried flowers must have been garden-grown by the exhibitor, except for Lot 1.

Decorative accents allowed.

One entry per lot per exhibitor

LOT:

1. On the Road Again (wildflowers)
2. Goldfinch
3. Rover, Red Rover
4. Purple Passion
5. Pretty in Pink
6. Night Vision
7. It's Easy Being Green

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## DEPARTMENT 41

### JUNIOR DIVISION

#### FLORAL

9 – 16 Years

Classes and Lots same as Department 40

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## DEPARTMENT 42

### YOUTH DIVISION

#### FLORAL

8 Years and under

Classes and Lots same as Department 40

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## DEPARTMENT 50

### CULINARY

All items must have been prepared by exhibitor. Enter on a small plate in a clear plastic zippered bag. No commercial mixes; no foods requiring refrigeration in any baking class. **MUST** attach recipe, including source of recipe.

Limit one entry per recipe.

Premiums:

1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00

#### CLASS A

##### BREADS/ROLLS

Small whole loaf or 3 rolls

LOT:

1. White Yeast – Not Sweet
2. White Yeast – Sweet
3. Whole Grain – Not Sweet
4. Whole Grain – Sweet
5. Sourdough – Not Sweet
6. Sourdough – Sweet
7. Focaccia
8. Any other not listed, must identify

#### CLASS B

##### QUICKBREADS & MUFFINS

Small whole loaf or 3 muffins

LOT:

1. Fruit
2. Nut
3. Fruit & Nut Combo
4. Vegetable
5. Grain
6. Cornbread
7. Any other not listed, must identify

#### CLASS C

##### CAKES

LOT:

1. Angel Food – ½ Cake
2. Layer Cake – ½ Cake
3. Cupcakes, frosted or not – 3
4. Cake pops, decorated – 3
5. Cake-Vegetable (i.e. carrot) – ½ cake
6. Any other not listed, must identify

#### CLASS D

EAT WITH YOUR EYES  
DECORATED BAKED GOODS  
Will not be cut or sampled

LOT:

1. Cakes
2. Cupcakes
3. Cookies
4. Any other not listed, must identify

#### CLASS E

##### COOKIES

Four (4) Cookies

LOT:

1. Oatmeal
2. Chocolate
3. Chocolate Chip
4. Molasses/Ginger
5. Peanut Butter
6. Brownies
7. No-Bake
8. Sugar
9. Any other not listed, must identify

#### CLASS F

##### PIES

Small Pie

LOT:

1. Lemon
2. Apple
3. Cherry
4. Peach
5. Rhubarb
6. Nut
7. Creative Combo
8. Home-grown Fruit, must identify
9. Any other not listed, must identify

#### CLASS G

##### CANDY

Four (4) Pieces

LOT:

1. Fudge
2. Caramels
3. Molded Candy
4. Any other not listed, must identify

#### CLASS H

##### DIABETIC-FRIENDLY

Four (4) Pieces

LOT:

1. Cakes, Cookies, Bars
2. Candy
3. Any other not listed, must identify

#### CLASS I

##### EGGLESS

Three (3) Servings

LOT:

1. Bread/Muffins
2. Cakes/Cupcakes
3. Cookies/Bars
4. Any other not listed, must identify



## DEPARTMENT 50

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### CLASS J GLUTEN-FREE Three (3) Servings

LOT:

1. Bread/Muffins
2. Cakes/Cupcakes
3. Cookies/Bars
4. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS K DAIRY-FREE Three (3) Servings

LOT:

1. Bread/Muffins
2. Cakes/Cupcakes
3. Cookies/Bars
4. Candy
5. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS L AROUND THE WORLD Identify Country of Origin Three (3) Servings

Lot:

1. Bread/Muffins
2. Cakes/Cupcakes
3. Cookies/Bars
4. Candy
5. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS M NIBBLES One (1) Cup

LOT:

1. Sweet Snack Mix
2. Savory Snack Mix
3. Granola
4. Any other not listed, must identify

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## DEPARTMENT 51 JUNIOR DIVISION

### CULINARY

9 – 16 Years

Classes and Lots same as Dept 50

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## DEPARTMENT 52 YOUTH DIVISION

### CULINARY

8 Years and Younger

Classes and Lots same as Dept 50

**EARLY ENTRY FOR  
DEPARTMENT 60 IS  
STRONGLY ENCOURAGED  
SEE PAGE 11**

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## DEPARTMENT 60 PRESERVED FOODS

All jars must be clear glass and have rings on jars. One-piece rings and seal are accepted. No paraffin or wax seals.

One entry per person per lot unless otherwise noted.

Multiple entries allowed in "any other" lots if each is substantially different.

Premiums:

1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>-\$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00

### CLASS A PICKLES Pint Jars

LOT:

1. Apple Rings
2. Beans
3. Beets
4. Crabapples
5. Cucumber, dill
6. Cucumber, sweet
7. Cucumber, baby dill
8. Onions
9. Peppers
10. Tomatoes, green
11. Watermelon
12. Mixed
13. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS B RELISHES & SAUCES Pretty Counts! Pint Jars

LOT:

1. Beet Relish
2. Corn Relish
3. Chow Chow/Piccalilli
4. Chili Sauce
5. Ketchup
6. Pizza Sauce
7. Salsa
8. Spaghetti Sauce
9. Tomato Paste
10. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS C CANNED VEGETABLES Must be processed using pressure canner method Pint Jars

LOT:

1. Asparagus
2. Beans
3. Beets
4. Carrots
5. Corn
6. Mincemeat



7. Mixed vegetables
8. Mushrooms
9. Peas
10. Pumpkin, one-inch cubes
11. Sauerkraut
12. Tomato Juice
13. Tomatoes, stewed
14. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS D CANNED MEATS Pint or Quart Jars

LOT:

1. Beef
2. Chicken
3. Fish
4. Pork
5. Sausage
6. Venison
7. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS E CANNED FRUITS Pint or Quart Jars

LOT:

1. Apples
2. Applesauce
3. Apricots
4. Blackberries
5. Blueberries
6. Cherries
7. Crabapples
8. Grapes
9. Peaches
10. Pears
11. Plums
12. Raspberries
13. Rhubarb
14. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS F JELLIES Clear, no pulp Jars will be opened Half-pint Jars

LOT:

1. Apple
2. Blueberry
3. Cherry
4. Chokecherry
5. Crabapple
6. Currant
7. Gooseberry
8. Grape
9. Mint
10. Mixed Fruit
11. Plum
12. Raspberry
13. Reduced Sugar
14. Rhubarb
15. Red or Green Pepper
16. Strawberry
17. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS G JAMS & MARMALADES Jams - mashed fruit Marmalades – fruit plus citrus peel or nuts Jars will be opened Half-pint Jars

LOT:

1. Apricot Jam
2. Blackberry Jam
3. Blueberry Jam
4. Gooseberry Jam
5. Grape Jam
6. Mixed Fruit Jam
7. Peach Jam
8. Plum Jam
9. Raspberry Jam
10. Reduced Sugar Jam
11. Rhubarb Jam
12. Strawberry Jam
13. Orange Marmalade
14. Rhubarb Marmalade
15. Tomato Marmalade
16. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS H PRESERVES Whole fruit suspended in jelly Jars will be opened Half-pint Jars

LOT:

1. Blueberries
2. Peaches
3. Strawberries
4. Tomatoes
5. Any other not listed – must identify

### CLASS I FRUIT BUTTERS Fruit pulp run through a sieve, cooked with sugar to a paste consistency. Spices may be added. Half-pint Jar

LOT:

1. Apple
2. Plum
3. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS J DRIED FRUIT Must be half-cup quantity, displayed in half-pint Jar

LOT:

1. Apples
2. Apricots
3. Bananas
4. Pears
5. Pineapples
6. Any other not listed, must identify



## DEPARTMENT 60

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### CLASS K

#### FRUIT LEATHER

Exhibited in 3-inch squares

LOT:

1. Apple
2. Apricot
3. Pear
4. Plum
5. Strawberry
6. Tomato
7. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS L

#### DRIED VEGETABLES

Must be half-cup quantity, displayed in half-pint jar

LOT:

1. Carrots
2. Onions
3. Peas
4. Tomatoes
5. Vegetable Soup Mix
6. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS M

#### DRIED HERBS

Must be ¼ cup quantity, displayed in half-pint or smaller jar

LOT:

1. Basil, any
2. Chives, any
3. Chamomile flowers
4. Cilantro
5. Coriander
6. Dill Seed
7. Dillweed
8. Lavendar
9. Lovage
10. Marjoram
11. Mint, any
12. Oregano
13. Parsley, any
14. Rosemary
15. Sage, any
16. Tarragon
17. Thyme
18. Any other not listed, must identify

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## DEPARTMENT 61

### JUNIOR DIVISION

#### PRESERVED FOODS

15 Years and Younger  
Classes and Lots same as  
Department 60

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## DEPARTMENT 62

### HONEY & BEESWAX

Exhibits may not display  
producer's name labels

Premiums:

1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00

### CLASS A

#### HONEY DISPLAYS

LOT:

1. Honeycomb – 1 Section
2. Extracted Honey – 1 lb. container
3. Creamed Honey – 1 lb. container
4. Three (3) classes of honey – 1 each of light, medium, and dark, each labeled
5. Variety display of three (3) different types or sizes of containers of honey, each labeled

### CLASS B

#### BEESWAX

May enter more than one in Lot 3,  
if each is substantially different

LOT

1. Beeswax – 5 lb. piece
2. Sculptured wax – any
3. Candle, any type – 2

### CLASS C

#### HONEY IN COOKERY

Attach Recipe

LOT:

1. Cake – 1/2
2. Cookies – 4
3. Candy – 4 pieces
4. Yeast bread – ½ loaf
5. Quick bread – ½ loaf
6. Bars – 4
7. Muffins – 4
8. Pie – 5"
9. Any other not listed, must identify

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## DEPARTMENT 64

### MAPLE SYRUP

Premiums:

1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00

### CLASS A

#### SYRUP

LOT:

1. 16 oz. Jar

### CLASS B

#### MAPLE SYRUP IN COOKERY

LOT:

1. Cookies - 4
2. Candy – 4 Pieces
3. Cake – ½
4. Bread – ½ loaf
5. Any other not listed, must identify

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## DEPARTMENT 70

### NEEDLE ARTS & TEXTILES

Exhibits must have been  
completed by the exhibitor since  
the last fair.

Only one item per person per lot.

Premiums:

1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00

### CLASS A

#### HAND CROCHET

LOT:

1. Amigurumi, single piece or set
2. Bedspread/tablecloth
3. Bib
4. Bonnet/cap
5. Booties
6. Decorated garment
7. Dishcloth/dish towel
8. Doily
9. Garment
10. Dresser scarf
11. Mittens/gloves
12. Pillow
13. Pillowcase
14. Picture
15. Purse/bag
16. Rug
17. Scarf/shawl
18. Set – Sweater, cap, booties
19. Socks/slippers
20. Table runner/place mats
21. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS B

#### HAND KNIT

Same Lots as Class A

### CLASS C

#### MACHINE KNIT

Same Lots as Class A

### CLASS D

#### TATTING

Same Lots as Class A

### CLASS E

#### HAND EMBROIDERY

Same Lots as Class A

**Special Awards  
throughout the  
Building**

**Viewer's Choice  
Awards Throughout  
the week!**

### CLASS F

#### MACHINE EMBROIDERY

Same lot numbers as Class A

### CLASS G

#### CROSS STICH

Same lot numbers as Class A

### CLASS H

#### NEEDLEPOINT

Same lot numbers as Class A

### CLASS I

#### HARDANGER

Same lot numbers as Class A



### CLASS J

#### FELTING

LOT:

1. Flat
2. 3-dimensional

### CLASS K

#### AFGHANS

Premiums:

1<sup>st</sup>-\$6.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$5.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$4.00

LOT:

1. Crochet
2. Hand knit
3. Machine knit
4. Original design
5. Any other not listed, must identify

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## DEPARTMENT 71

### JUNIOR DIVISION

#### NEEDLE ARTS & TEXTILES

16 Years and Younger  
Classes and Lots same as  
Department 70

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## DEPARTMENT 72

### SEWING:

#### NON-QUILTED ITEMS

Exhibits must have been  
completed by the exhibitor  
since the last fair.  
Quilts and quilted accessories  
must be entered in  
Department 76-77 only.  
May enter only one item per  
person per lot.

## DEPARTMENT 72 (continued)

Premiums:  
1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00

### CLASS A ACCESSORIES

- LOT:
1. Dresser scarf/table runner
  2. Hat
  3. Napkins – 2
  4. Pillow
  5. Pillowcase
  6. Placemats – 2
  7. Pothead, fancy – 2
  8. Purse/bag
  9. Wall hanging
  10. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS B DOLLS AND TOYS

- LOT:
1. Doll, hand-made
  2. Doll clothes
  3. Stuffed animal, hand-made
  4. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS C INFANT WEAR

- LOT:
1. Bib
  2. Bonnet/cap
  3. Dress
  4. Garment, other
  5. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS D CHILDRENS WEAR

- LOT:
1. Coat/jacket
  2. Dress
  3. Nightgown/pajamas
  4. Pants/shorts
  5. Shirt/blouse
  6. Skirt
  7. Active wear
  8. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS E WOMENS WEAR Bring hanger for display

- LOT:
1. Apron
  2. Blouse/shirt
  3. Coat/jacket
  4. Dress
  5. Formal/wedding dress
  6. Lingerie/PJs/nightgown
  7. Skirt
  8. Slacks/pants/shorts
  9. Suit
  10. Active wear
  11. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS F MENS WEAR Bring hanger for display

- LOT:
1. Jacket/sport coat
  2. Pajamas
  3. Shirt
  4. Slacks/pants
  5. Suit
  6. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS G FLEECE

- LOT:
1. Active wear
  2. Booties/slippers
  3. Bunting/sleeper
  4. Coat/jacket
  5. Hat
  6. Mittens
  7. Nightgown/pajamas
  8. Pants
  9. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS H COSTUMES

- LOT:
1. Christmas
  2. Halloween
  3. Any other not listed, must identify

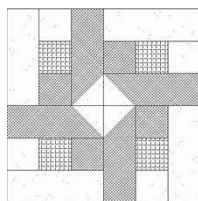
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## DEPARTMENT 73 JUNIOR DIVISION SEWING:

### NON-QUILTED ITEMS

16 Years and Younger  
Classes and Lots same as  
Department 72

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## DEPARTMENT 76 QUILTS AND QUILTED ACCESSORIES

Exhibits must have been  
completed by the exhibitor  
since the last fair

Only one entry per person per lot

Premiums:  
1<sup>st</sup>-\$6.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$5.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$4.00

### CLASS A QUILTS – 1 PERSON Quilts made entirely by one person, except Lot 15

- LOT:
1. Appliquéd
  2. Pieced and quilted
  3. Pieced and tied
  4. Cross stitched
  5. Embroidered
  6. Every stitch by hand - **NEW**
  7. Mixed technique
  8. Original design
  9. Special event quilt
  10. Cheater fabric, hand-quilted
  11. Whole cloth quilt
  12. Fold and finish quilt
  13. Miniature (max 24"x24", max block size 4"x4")
  14. First time quilter
  15. Many hands quilt
  16. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS B QUILTS SHARED CONSTRUCTION/ QUILTING

Quilt top constructed by  
exhibitor and quilted by another  
person

**MUST** identify both quilt makers,  
either on quilt back label or on  
3"x5" card pinned to quilt

Same lot numbers and premiums  
as Class A

### CLASS C WALL QUILTS Must have hanging sleeve plus rod or hanger for display

Premiums:  
1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00

- LOT:
1. Pieced
  2. Appliquéd
  3. Mixed technique
  4. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS D QUILTED ACCESSORIES/APPAREL

Premiums:  
1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00

- LOT:
1. Bag/purse
  2. Hat
  3. Garment
  4. Table cover, appliquéd
  5. Pot holders – 2
  6. Any other not listed, must identify

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## DEPARTMENT 77 JUNIOR DIVISION QUILTS AND QUILTED ACCESSORIES

16 Years and Younger  
Classes and Lots same as  
Department 76

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## DEPARTMENT 80 HOBBY/CRAFT

16 Years and Older

Exhibitor must have  
completed item since the last  
fair. May enter more than  
one exhibit in "any other" lot  
**ONLY** if each item is a  
substantially different art or  
craft

Premiums:  
1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00

### CLASS A HANDICRAFTS

- LOT:
1. Collage
  2. Coloring page, mounted for display
  3. Diamond Dotz – Framed
  4. Dream catcher
  5. Fairy house
  6. Jewelry, mounted for display if small
  7. Legos, kit – mounted for display
  8. Legos, original design – mounted for display
  9. Macramé
  10. Mask – costume, dramatic
  11. Model, kit
  12. Mobile or kite
  13. Mosaic
  14. Nail and string picture
  15. Painted rock
  16. Perlor beads
  17. Quilling
  18. Sculpture, glass
  19. Sculpture, soft
  20. Stamping
  21. Suncatcher
  22. Tye-dye
  23. Wind chimes
  24. Wine cork craft
  25. Zentangle
  26. Origami
  27. Any other not listed, must identify

## DEPARTMENT 80

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### CLASS B WOODWORKING

LOT:

1. Birdfeeder
2. Bird house
3. Cane
4. Carved figure
5. Chainsaw carving
6. Clock
7. Doll house
8. Doll furniture
9. Lawn Figure
10. Lawn Furniture
11. Picture Frame
12. Relief woodcarving
13. Whirligig
14. Woodburning
15. Woodcraft model
16. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS C COLLECTIONS

No part of collection may have been  
previously entered in the Benton  
County Fair.

Mounted or in box for display

LOT:

1. Autographs – famous people (in plastic sleeve)
2. Buttons
3. Nature-related
4. Vintage
5. Any other not listed, must identify



### CLASS D HOMESTEADING CRAFTS

Homemade utilitarian traditional  
crafts

LOT:

1. Basket, any
2. Candles, any – 2
3. Decoys, hand-carved
4. Fishing tackle
5. Furniture
6. Hand dyed fabric or yarn
7. Hand-spun yarn
8. Metal craft, any
9. Mending
10. Toys, games, dolls
11. Rug, any
12. Rope, any
13. Soap
14. Sheep to Sweater; photos & phrases
15. Weaving, any material
16. Whittling
17. Any other not listed, must identify

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### DEPARTMENT 81 JUNIOR DIVISION HOBBY/CRAFT

9 - 15 Years

Classes and Lots same as  
Department 80

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### DEPARTMENT 82 YOUTH DIVISION HOBBY/CRAFT

8 and Younger

Classes and Lots same as  
Department 80

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### DEPARTMENT 83 JUNIOR DIVISION DEV. DISABLED HOBBY/CRAFT

9 - 15 Years

Classes and Lots same as  
Department 80

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### DEPARTMENT 84 YOUTH DIVISION DEV. DISABLED HOBBY/CRAFT

8 and Younger

Classes and Lots same as  
Department 80

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**Watch for the BCAS  
President – He will  
be choosing exhibits  
for the “President’s  
Award” throughout  
the Week!**

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### DEPARTMENT 85 FINE ARTS

Exhibitor must have completed  
item since the last fair. May  
enter more than one item in  
“any other” lot only if each item  
is of a substantially different art  
medium or subject.

Premiums:

1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00

### CLASS A FINE ARTS – 2-D Must be displayed with mat or foam core board

LOT:

1. Calligraphy
2. Drawing, graphite or charcoal
3. Drawing, pen or ink
4. Etched glass
5. Painting, acrylic
6. Painting, oil
7. Painting, tempura
8. Painting, watercolor
9. Print making
10. Any other 2-dimensional art  
medium not listed, must identify



### CLASS B FINE ARTS – 3-D

1. Ceramics/pottery
2. Egg art
3. Glass, stained/leaded
4. Intarsia, knitting
5. Intarsia, wood
6. Marquetry
7. Paper, handmade
8. Paper mâché
9. Sculpture, clay
10. Sculpture, glass
11. Sculpture, metal
12. Weaving, art
13. Woodturning
14. Any other 3-dimensional art  
medium not listed, must identify

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### DEPARTMENT 86 JUNIOR DIVISION FINE ARTS

9 - 15 Years

Classes and Lots same as  
Department 85

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### DEPARTMENT 87 YOUTH DIVISION FINE ARTS

8 and Younger

Classes and Lots same as  
Department 85

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**EARLY ENTRY FOR  
DEPARTMENTS 94-97  
IS STRONGLY  
ENCOURAGED  
SEE PAGE 11**

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### DEPARTMENT 88 JUNIOR DIVISION DEV. DISABLED FINE ARTS

9 - 15 Years

Classes and Lots same as  
Department 85

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### DEPARTMENT 89 YOUTH DIVISION DEV. DISABLED FINE ARTS

8 and Younger

Classes and Lots same as  
Department 85

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### DEPARTMENT 90 SENIOR CITIZENS AGE 75 AND BETTER

Exhibitor must have  
completed item since the last  
fair. May enter more than  
one exhibit in “any other” lot  
ONLY if each item is  
substantially different.

### CLASS A BED COVERING/THROW

Premiums:

1<sup>st</sup>-\$5.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$4.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$3.00

LOT:

1. Every stitch by hand – one  
individual
2. Every stitch by hand – multiple  
makers
3. Quilting bee
4. Fleece
5. Any other not listed, must identify

## DEPARTMENT 90

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### CLASS B ACCESSORIES

Used primarily in listed room

Premiums:

1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00

LOT:

1. Kitchen
2. Dining Room
3. Living Room/Den
4. Bedroom
5. Bathroom

### CLASS C APPAREL, ETC.

Premiums:

1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00

LOT:

1. Head
2. Hands
3. Body
4. Feet
5. Special purpose bag

### CLASS D PLAY TIME

Premiums:

1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00

LOT:

1. Doll
2. Doll clothing/accessories
3. Game
4. Stuffed animal
5. Toy
- 6 Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS E MADE FOR MY GRANDCHILD

Premiums:

1<sup>st</sup>-\$6.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$5.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$4.00

LOT:

1. Doll house, fully furnished
2. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS F FINE ARTS

Premiums:

1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00

LOT:

1. Painting
2. Drawing
3. Ceramics/pottery
4. Sculpture, any
5. Woodcarving
6. Woodturning
7. Leather work
8. Metal work
9. Any other not listed, must identify

### CLASS G ETHNICALLY INSPIRED Any art or craft

Premiums:

1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00

LOT:

1. Any – must identify item and Country of origin

### CLASS H INVENTION

Premiums:

1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00

LOT:

1. Any – must identify

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### DEPARTMENT 91 NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

Classes and Lots same as  
Department 90

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### DEPARTMENT 92 DEV DISABLED ADULT

Classes and Lots same as  
Department 90

4. Limit of five (5) entries per exhibitor

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### DEPARTMENT 94 PHOTOGRAPHY

Premiums:

1<sup>st</sup>-\$5.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$4.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$3.00

RULES:

1. All entries must be the work of the exhibitor.
2. Entries may not have been previously exhibited at Benton County Fair.
3. Limit one entry per exhibitor per lot.



### CLASS A PHOTO COLLECTIONS Five or more prints on single foam core board, 16 x 20, including one-inch border on all sides.

All photos in collection must  
relate to each other.

LOT:

1. B&W - People
2. Color – People
3. B&W – Travel/Landscape/ Scenery
4. Color – Travel/Landscape/Scenery
5. B&W – Animals/Insects/ Birds
6. Color – Animals/Insects/Birds
7. B&W – Architecture
8. Color – Architecture
9. B&W – Still Life/Floral
10. Color – Still Life/Floral
11. B&W – Street Art - **NEW**
12. Color – Street Art - **NEW**
13. B&W – Any other not listed – must identify
14. Color – Any other not listed – must identify

### CLASS B ENLARGEMENTS One print enlarged to 5 x 7, 8 x 10, or larger, on black mat No Frames

LOT:

1. B&W - People
2. Color – People
3. B&W – Travel/Landscape/ Scenery
4. Color – Travel/Landscape/Scenery
5. B&W – Animals/Insects/ Birds
6. Color – Animals/Insects/Birds
7. B&W – Architecture
8. Color – Architecture
9. B&W – Still Life/Floral
10. Color – Still Life/Floral
11. B&W – Street Art
12. Color – Street Art
13. B&W – Available light
14. Color – Available light
15. B&W – Drone Photo
16. Color – Drone Photo
17. B&W – Any other not listed – must identify
18. Color – Any other not listed – must identify

### CLASS C DIGITAL ARTS

LOT:

1. Composite photographic image (not panorama)
2. Photo manipulation (filters and/or special effects)
3. Panorama (mat size to be no more than 24 inches on the longest side)

### CLASS D FOCUS ON THE FAIR Must be 8 x 10 with Black Mat

LOT:

1. Photo from last year's Benton County Fair

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### DEPARTMENT 95 JUNIOR DIVISION PHOTOGRAPHY

14 Years and Younger

Classes & Lots same as Dept 94

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### DEPARTMENT 97 REPURPOSED

Items made by re-using  
something. Include a 3"x5" index  
card listing items that are  
recycled and used in the exhibit.  
Must name finished item on  
entry form. May enter more than  
one exhibit in "any other" lot  
ONLY if each item is substantially  
different.

Premiums:

1<sup>st</sup>-\$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$2.00

### CLASS A NEWLY MADE ITEM

LOT:

1. Toy
2. Game
3. Rug
4. Apparel
5. Picture
6. Picture Frame
7. Wall hanging
8. Decorative item
9. Furniture
10. Any other not listed, must identify

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### DEPARTMENT 98 JUNIOR DIVISION REPURPOSED

9 – 16 Years

Classes and lots same as Dept 97

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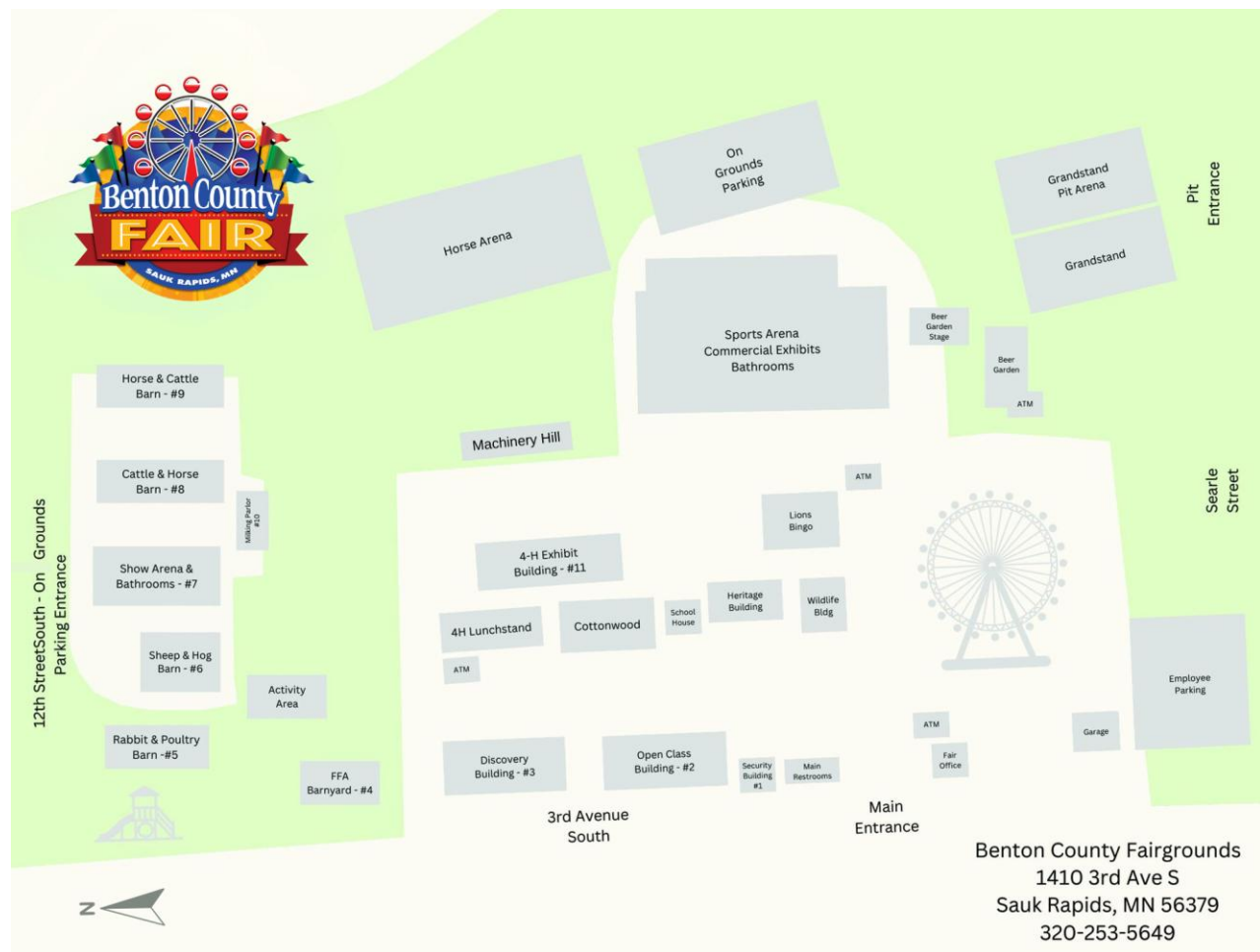
### DEPARTMENT 99 YOUTH DIVISION REPURPOSED

8 Years and Younger

Classes and lots same as Dept 97

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## BENTON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS MAP



**Senior Day – Wed, July 30th**

**Kids' Day – Sat, Aug. 2nd**

**Veterans' Day – Sun, Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Thank you for being a part of the 2025  
Benton County Fair!



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