

2026

Baxter County Fair



RIBBONS, RIDES, & AMERICA UNITES

**On-Line Entries accepted August 3rd thru September 8th at
baxter.fairwire.com**

For detailed revision history, see last page

Revised: 8/26/2026 - Entertainment, Service Animals, Kids Day, Swine classes.

Revised: 8/12/2026 - Updated Lawnmower Race Rules.

NEW for 2026 - Check out changes for 2026 on the last page of the Fair Book (Fair Theme in Creative Arts, Stock/Broth in Canned Meats, Guinea Pigs, & Trophy Steers)

2026
Baxter County Fair
September 15th-19th

Gate Admission

Adults- \$7.00

Students (Grades 1-12)- \$7.00

5 & Under FREE

Tuesday Night free admission for everyone- Sponsored by Evans United
Shows Carnival

Only Fair Printed Passes Accepted at Gate

No Refunds

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Baxter County Fair Board

2026 Officers

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Tammy Barnes - Pageant
Andy Marts - ShoWorks & Technology Support
Sandy Priebe

General Rules

1. The Baxter County Fair Association reserves the right to change and modify the rules and regulations governing the fair at any time.
2. Any deviation from these General Rules or Division-specific rules will make the exhibitors ineligible for cash prizes.
3. No cash premiums will be awarded for articles not listed in fair book.
4. No unworthy articles shall be eligible to receive a premium. Final decision made by supervisor of division.
5. Judges will be provided and the judge's decision will be final.
6. All exhibit awards will be on the point basis.
7. An exhibitor may enter one article in each class unless stated otherwise.
8. Precautions are taken to prevent damage to or theft of articles entered in the fair; however, the Fair Association will not be responsible in case of theft or damage.
9. State Matching premium money will only be awarded to exhibitors who are Baxter County residents.
10. Exhibitors must be a resident of Baxter County or an active member of a Baxter County 4-H, FFA, EHC Club, Masters Gardeners, members of MH Saddle Club, and N.A. Woodcarvers.
11. Baxter County Fair Officers and Board Members are eligible to enter any contest for prizes.
12. Junior Livestock Sponsorship checks will be available thirty (30) days after the last day of the fair. All checks must be cashed within 90 days of issue or will be forfeited.
13. No carnival ride tickets can be used the following year. All tickets must be used during the year in which they were purchased.
14. All vehicle deliveries inside the gate must be before 5:00 PM.
15. No pets are allowed on the fairgrounds. Only medical purpose animals will be allowed on Fairgrounds. (See #25 Service Animals)
16. No public address systems are to be used except by the Fair Association.
17. **There will be no parking inside the fairgrounds on either side of the livestock barn. This will be strictly enforced!**
18. Handicapped parking will be provided outside the North Gate (off Wade Street).
19. See individual Divisions for Division Rules.
20. Livestock requirements: See Livestock General Rules and Livestock Health Requirements.
21. No food may be prepared or stored in the Livestock Barn.
22. We allow service animals that are certified under the ADA definition, The ADA defines a service animal as an animal that has been specifically trained to work or perform tasks for an individual with a disability, The animal must be trained to take a specific action when needed to assist the person with a disability,

PLEASE NOTE: Because Therapy/Emotional Support Animals have not been trained to perform a specific job or task, they do NOT qualify under the ADA guidelines as service animals and will NOT be permitted in our Fairgrounds.

Under the ADA (Title III) Exclusion and Exceptions:

Animals must be **Housebroken, Harnessed, Leashed, or Tethered**, unless it prohibits the service animal from performing the tasks for which it is trained.

It is the sole responsibility of the service animal owner to always maintain control of their service animal. Service animals are not permitted to be at a table while eating (*must remain under the table*) or be fed from a table while eating. Uncontrollable barking and behaviors will not be permitted, and you will be asked to remove your service animal from the Fairgrounds. The service animal owner will be allowed to return.

Under the ADA, service animals must be harnessed, leashed, or tethered, unless these devices interfere with the service animal's work or the individuals' disability prevents using these devices. All service animals are to be "housebroken". The Fair Board will continue to enforce the "No Animals Allowed on the Fairgrounds" unless the Fair has a pet day or animal show during the Fair week.

Commercial Exhibits

Don't Forget!!!!

Commercial Buildings C2 and C3 are air conditioned! Please help us keep costs down by making sure doors are closed!

Commercial Exhibit Booth Hours for 2026

Wednesday, September 16..... 5:00 PM-9:00 PM
Thursday, September 17..... 10:00 AM-9:00 PM
Friday, September 18..... 10:00 AM-9:00 PM
Saturday, September 19..... 10:00 AM-9:00 PM

Commercial Exhibit Booth/ Space Rules

- See Commercial Exhibits in the Baxter County Fair Book.
- Exhibitors must provide their own tables, chairs, props, etc.
- Commercial Exhibits must be in place by 5:00 PM Wednesday of fair week.
- Commercial Exhibits must remain in place until 9:00 PM Saturday of fair week.
- Exhibits removed prior to 9:00 PM Saturday forfeit the right to reserve a booth space the following year.
- Exhibitors may remove exhibits on Sunday after the fair from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. All props, etc must be removed by 3:00 PM Sunday after the fair; anything left in the buildings will be discarded.
- Indoor Booth/Space: 9X9 \$300; Outdoor Booth/Space 12X12 \$250. A TOTAL OF 12 DAILY passes will be given to each booth rented.
- Commercial Exhibit Booths and Spaces will be reserved on a first-come, first served basis until full. To reserve a space or booth, call the fair office at 870-425-6828. Exhibitors will be sent a confirmation and statement for their reservation.
- No refunds on Commercial Booths/Space rentals.

Entertainment

Date	Performer(s)	Time	Location
Wednesday, September 16	BASIC (Brothers & Sisters in Christ)	6:30 PM -9:30 PM	Outdoor Stage
Thursday, September 17	Nothin' Knew	7:00 PM -10:00 PM	Outdoor Stage
Friday, September 18	Leslie Williams Band	7:00 PM -10:00 PM	Outdoor Stage
Saturday, September 19	The Table Worship Band	7:00 PM -9:00 PM	Outdoor Stage

Schedule of Events

Saturday, August 29th

Event/ Activity	Location	Time
Baby Pageant	Dunbar Auditorium	2:00 PM
Baxter Co. Fair Pageant	Dunbar Auditorium	6:00 PM

Thursday, September 10th

Event/ Activity	Location	Time
Enter Home Economics, Art, & Photography NO Baked Goods or Horticulture accepted until Tuesday	Education Building	12:00 PM-5:00 PM

Saturday, September 12th

Event/ Activity	Location	Time
Parade	Begins at Hospital Drive & Ends at 9 th Street	10:00 AM

Sunday, September 13th

Event/ Activity	Location	Time
Enter Home Economics, Art, & Photography NO Baked Goods or Horticulture accepted until Tuesday	Education Building	2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Tuesday, September 15th

Event/ Activity	Location	Time
Enter Home Economics, Art, Photography, Baked Goods, & Horticulture	Education Building	2:00 PM-6:00 PM
Cattle, Swine, Goats, & Lambs May Arrive	Livestock Barn	4:00 PM-7:00 PM
Carnival	Fair Grounds	5:00 PM-9:30 PM

Wednesday, September 16th

Event/ Activity	Location	Time
Horticulture Judging	Horticulture Room (Closed)	8:00 AM-5:00 PM
Home Economics, Art, & Photography Judging	Education Building (Closed)	8:00 AM-5:00 PM
Poultry & Rabbits May Arrive	Critter Barn	8:00 AM- Noon
Poultry Blood Testing	Lot By the Fair Office- 1507 Fairgrounds Drive	8:00 AM- Noon
Livestock Must Be In Place	Livestock Barn	Noon
Livestock Check-In/ Weigh-In	Livestock Barn	Noon-4:00 PM
Commercial Booth Open		5:00 PM-9:00 PM
Carnival	Fair Grounds	5:00 PM-Close
4-H Poultry Hen Silent Auction Bidding Opens	Critter Barn	5:00 PM
Swine Show & Showmanship (Breeding Gilts/ Market Hogs)	Livestock Show Arena	6:00 PM
Horse Show	Saddle Club Arena	7:00 PM
BASIC (Brothers & Sisters in Christ)	Outdoor Stage	6:30 PM -9:30 PM

Thursday, September 17th

Event/ Activity	Location	Time
Dairy Cattle/ Dairy Goats Show/ Showmanship	Livestock Show Arena	9:00 AM
Poultry/ Rabbit Judging	Critter Barn (Closed)	9:30 AM-Noon
Senior Citizen Day (Fair admission to Seniors over 65 courtesy of Troy Garland Insurance- Call 870.425.0303 for FREE PASS)		10:00 AM-9:00 PM
Veterans Day (fair admission to Veterans courtesy of Jim Brown Co.- complimentary tickets available at the gate)		10:00 AM-9:00 PM
Commercial Booths Open		10:00 AM -9:00 PM
Senior Bingo Bash	Indoor Stage	10:30 AM-12:30 PM
Breeding Goats	Livestock Show Arena	10:30 AM
Breeding Sheep	Livestock Show Arena	11:30 AM
Senior Breeding Cattle	Livestock Show Arena	1:00 PM
Junior Breeding Cattle/ Commercial Heifer Show	Livestock Show Arena	2:00 PM
Rabbit Showmanship for Youth	Critter Barn	3:00 PM
Meat Rabbit Show	Livestock Show Arena	Weigh-in at 3:45 PM Show at 4:00 PM
Guinea Pig Show	Livestock Show Arena	Following Meat Rabbit Show
Carnival	Fair Grounds	5:00 PM-Close
Market Steers, Beef Cattle, Bottle Calf, Market Goat, Wether Dam Goat, Meat Goat, Market Lamb & Sheep, Wether Dam Sheep Show/ Showmanship	Livestock Show Arena	6:00 PM
Nothin' Knew	Outdoor Stage	7:00 PM-10:00 PM

Friday, September 18th

Event/ Activity	Location	Time
Cattle, Goat and Sheep Grooming Contest	Livestock Show Arena	9:00 AM-Noon
Commercial Booths Open		10:00 AM-9:00 PM
Livestock Skill-A-Thon	Livestock Show Arena	1:00 PM
All-Around Showman	Livestock Show Arena	Immediately Following Livestock Skill-A-Thon
Carnival	Fair Grounds	5:00 PM-Close
Leslie Williams Band	Outdoor Stage	7:00 PM -10:00 PM

Saturday, September 19th

Event/ Activity	Location	Time
Kids Day ***	Education Building	10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Commercial Booths Open		10:00 AM-9:00 PM
Carnival	Fair Grounds	Noon-Close
4-H Poultry Hen Silent Auction Bidding Ends	Critter Barn	Bidding Ends at Noon
Parade of Champions	Livestock Show Arena	1:00 PM
Livestock Releases (not Rabbits or Poultry)	Livestock Barn	Immediately Following Parade of Champions
Chainsaw Contest	Livestock Show Arena	4:00 PM
Lawn Mower Races	Saddle Club Arena	5:00 PM
The Table Worship Band	Outdoor Stage	7:00 PM-9:00 PM

*** Subject to change - Planning is still in progress.

Sunday, September 20th

Event/ Activity	Location	Time
Home Economics, Art & Horticulture Checkout	Education Building	10 AM-3:00 PM
Poultry/Rabbit Check Out	Critter Barn	8:00 AM-2:00 PM

Monday, September 21st

Event/ Activity	Location	Time
Check out of all remaining Entries		9:00 AM-Noon

EVENTS

2026 Baxter County Fair Pageant

Saturday, August 29th, 2026, 6:00 pm Dunbar Auditorium, Mtn. Home High School

All contestants must be residents of Baxter County and must register by the child's legal name. Contestants must not be, or have been, married or have children. There is no entry fee.

Divisions for all ages: Girls 3-23; Boys 3-5.

Reigning winners may not compete in the same category the following year. They may compete if they are eligible to move up a category due to age. However, they must choose to crown or compete.

Admission to Dunbar Auditorium is \$5 for adults and students, children 5 and under free.

Registration will be taken **ONLINE ONLY** through Wednesday, August 26th, 2026. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

The Baxter County Fair Pageant is conducted by the Baxter County Fair Association. Please print and read rules and regulations provided online, as changes have been made. You may register 24 hours a day. Registrants may be contacted with any question about applications via email. Pageant questions should be directed to Tammy Barnes at tammyb66@live.com or via text at 870-404-7211.

Rules/Regulations:

There will be NO rehearsals before the pageant.

The Baxter County Fair Pageant will begin at 6:00 pm on Saturday, August 29th, 2026 at Dunbar Auditorium. Divisions will run concurrent as time allows. BE THERE EARLY!

Divisions are as follows:

- Ages 3-5 - Tiny Tot King
- Ages 3-4 - Tiny Tot Queen
- Ages 5-6 - Tiny Miss
- Ages 7-8 - Petite Miss
- Ages 9-10 – Little Miss
- Ages 11-13 – Princess Miss
- Ages 14-17 – Junior Miss
- Ages: Senior in High School- 23 – Miss Baxter County

Age Requirements:

Contestants enter the age division he or she will be on the day of the pageant (August 29th, 2026).

OPTIONAL SIDE AWARDS

For a fee of \$25 you can purchase a Side Award Package. The package includes all 4 categories:

- Best Personality
- Prettiest Hair
- Best Dressed
- Prettiest Smile

Winners will be recognized on stage

Please send payment to:

Tammy Barnes
2293 CR 46
Henderson, AR 72544

OR

We will invoice you through your email!
Question: Text or call Tammy Barnes at 870-404-7211

AUDIENCE CHOICE AWARD

We will have an Audience Choice Award in each category again this year. The public will be able to vote for their favorite contestant. A table will be set up in the lobby to cast your vote. Votes are \$1 each. You may vote as many times as you wish. Winners will be recognized on stage.

OVERALL AUDIENCE CHOICE AWARDS

We will have three overall Audience Choice Awards.

The categories are:

- (Tiny Tot king, Tiny Tot Queen and Tiny Miss)
- (Petite Miss, Little Miss, and Princess Miss)
- (Teen Miss and Miss Baxter County)

Winners will be recognized on stage.

CONDUCT: There will be **NO TOLERANCE** of any unsportsmanlike behavior or language by contestant, parent, or guardian. Such behavior will result in immediate disqualification of the contestant and all involved will be escorted from the premises.

PAGEANT CONTESTANTS are judged on the following:

1. BEAUTY: Physical appearance.
2. POISE AND STAGE PRESENCE: Grace and carriage of body.
3. APPROPRIATE DRESS FOR AGE: Gown, make-up and overall appearance.
4. PERSONALITY: Smile; friendliness.

JUDGES are from outside Baxter County and are experienced & qualified. We strive to be sure the contest is unbiased.

ONE ADULT PER CONTESTANT will be allowed in the dressing area and will pay an admission price of \$5.00.

NO MALES ALLOWED IN THE BACKSTAGE DRESSING AREA. One adult is required to be on stage and escort their child across the stage during the pageant.

**** NO ONE IS ALLOWED IN THE WINGS OF THE STAGE EXCEPT THE CONTESTANTS AND MEMBERS OF THE PAGEANT COMMITTEE.**

**** YOUNGER SIBLINGS AND BABIES NOT IN THE CONTEST ARE NOT ALLOWED BACKSTAGE AT ANYTIME.**

**** PAGEANT PERSONNEL ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR CHILD AFTER BEING DISMISSED FROM THE STAGE.**

PICTURES: Contestants' pictures need to be taken BEFORE going on stage. Only the winners' pictures will be taken afterwards.

Only first names will be announced from the stage (no last names).

No hand-held items: flowers, purses, umbrellas, etc. No gum, food or drinks in the building. NO SMOKING ON SCHOOL PROPERTY. No use of glitter, in hair or on clothing, will be allowed (auditorium regulations).

CONDUCT: ANYONE causing a problem will be escorted off the premises by Security Personnel.

The pageant personnel are NOT RESPONSIBLE for lost or misplaced items and contestants may NOT store items in the dressing rooms.

PARADE – Guidelines for the parade have changed this year. More information will be given the night of the pageant to those that qualify. Winners will need to supply their own vehicle and signage for the parade.

The Junior Miss will have an onstage question. We will send out a list compiled of 3 questions to all the contestants, but the contestant will only draw one from a bowl the night of and answer on stage.

The Miss Contestants will also have an onstage question. We will send out a list compiled of 20 questions to all of the contestants, but contestants will only draw one from a bowl the night of and answer on stage.

TEEN MISS & MISS BAXTER COUNTY DUTIES:

You need to help at the:

1. Saturday morning with the Kid's activities, etc.
2. Attend the Parade of Champions and present trophies
3. Promote the fair at events during the year We would appreciate your presence as much as possible during the fair.

Teen and Miss Baxter County Fair Queens are eligible to go to the Arkansas State Fair Pageant this year. Please see Tammy Barnes for all of the requirements and details for the State Pageant.

NOTE: By accepting these rules, you grant the Baxter County Fair Association, the Fair Pageant organizers, and the owners of baxtercountyfair.org permission to use any picture or likeness of you or your child taken at the pageant in any reasonable print or electronic publication. This may include, but is not limited to: NEWSPAPERS, FAIR PROGRAM, NEWSLETTERS, PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS, WEB SITES, FACEBOOK, INSTAGRAM, AND TWITTER.

2026 Baxter County Baby Contest

Saturday, August 29th, 2:00 pm

Dunbar Auditorium, Mtn. Home High School

1. All contestants must be residents of Baxter County and must register by the child's legal name.
2. There is no entry fee.
3. Admission to Dunbar Auditorium is \$5 for adults and students, children 5 and under free.
4. Registration will be taken **ONLINE ONLY** through Wednesday, August 26th, 2026. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**
5. You may register 24 hours a day. Baby contest questions should be directed to Tammy Barnes at tammyb66@live.com or via text at 870-404-7211.

Rules/Regulations:

Divisions are as follows:

- Ages 0-12 months girls – Baby Miss
- Ages 0-12 months boys – Baby Mr.
- Ages 13-24 months girls – Wee Miss
- Ages 13-24 months boys – Wee Mr.
- Ages 25-35 months girls – Toddler Miss
- Ages 25-35 months boys – Toddler Mr.

Age Requirements:

Contestants enter the age division he or she will be on the day of the baby contest (August 23rd, 2025).

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- Prettiest Hair
- Best Dressed
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Baxter County Fair Parade

Saturday, September 12th – 10:00 AM

Baxter County- Celebrate and Educate

Chairperson – Charles Grinder

The Baxter County Fair Parade will be held on Saturday, September 12th at 10:00 AM. The parade will start at Long Chiropractic, 506 Hospital Drive, and will be led by the Baxter County Fair Queen. All entries must be in line for judging at 5:15 pm. No registration is required to enter the parade.

ATTENTION GROUP PARTICIPANTS, INCLUDING THOSE RIDING ON FLOATS, MARCHING IN BANDS, DANCE TEAMS, GIRL SCOUTS, BOY SCOUTS, ETC: Marching Bands will line up by 1st Security Bank on Hwy 5 N & Hospital Drive. If you are dropping off a child, please make arrangements ahead of time and to meet with your group at Hwy 178 & Buttercup Road by Cardiovascular Associates prior to Buttercup & Burnett, then come as a group to your designated parade line-up location.

Throwing candy IS allowed, although please use discretion, safety is always priority.

Floats

No pre-registration is required. Floats will be judged by category at 9:45 AM. Floats will be the only participants judged in two categories: General and Religious. Political floats will be for exhibition only. Horses, bicycles and children's dress-up will not be judged.

1. Business and/or Civic Division Float: 1st Place-\$100.00 2nd Place-\$50.00
2. Religious Division Float: 1st Place-\$100.00 2nd Place-\$50.00

Lineup Locations

Participant	Enter At	Lineup At
Political Cars & Floats	Bucher Drive by the Methodist Church	Corner of Burnett & Beard
Fire Trucks	Hospital Drive ONLY	Medical Plaza
Floats	Bucher Drive by Methodist Church (Meet at Church & assemble prior to entry)	Corner of Barnett & Buttercup
Horse, Bicycle, & any other participants	Hwy 178 at Buttercup (Cardiovascular Associates)	Corner of Burnett & Beard
2025 Baby Contest Winners	Methodist Church	Hospital Drive in Front of Kirby & Family
2025 Baxter County Fair Winners	Methodist Church	Hospital Drive in Front of Kirby & Family
Marching Bands/ Color Guard	Hwy 5 North	1st Security Bank Parking Lot

Horse Show

Wednesday, September 16th– 7:00 PM
Mountain Home Saddle Club Arena

- Register on-line between Aug 3rd and Sept 8th at baxter.fairwire.com.
- See DEPARTMENT 26 DIVISION 82: HORSE SHOW
- There will be events for Buckaroos, Juniors, and Seniors.
- \$5.00 entry fee per event and books open at 6:00 PM.
- Events include: Poles, Stakes, Big T, Barrels, Flags, Speed, and Keyhole.
- Contestants compete for ribbons, banners, and fair premium points.
- Reference Department 26, Division 82 for rules and award details.
- Awards will be presented at the Parade of Champions on Saturday.

For more information on classes and rules, contact: Sonya Rand @ 870-404-8203.

Cattle, Goat & Sheep Grooming Contest

Friday, September 18th– 9:00 AM
Livestock Show Arena

Rules:

- Contest will begin promptly at 9:00 am on Friday
- Teams will consist of 2 members
- Both team members must be a livestock exhibitor.
- Animals must be brought to the wash rack to be wet down by officials at 9:00 am – 1 hour time limit to groom animals.
- Teams will be judged on fitting & grooming techniques, use of equipment, and overall appearance of animals.
- The winning team will receive banners.
- Classes: 1. Pee-wee (up to age 8) 2. Junior (ages 8 thru 13) 3. Senior (ages 14 thru 19)
Age determination will be the exhibitor's age as of the opening day of the fair

Livestock Skill-A-Thon Contest

Friday, September 18th– 1:00 PM

Livestock Show Arena

Rules:

1. Contest open to any Baxter County youth ages 5 to 19.
 - a. Cloverbuds 4-H Ages: 5 - 8,
 - b. Jr. Division Ages: 9 – 13
 - c. Sr. Division Ages: 14 -19
2. Awards given to the highest score for 4-H Cloverbuds, Junior, and Senior participants.
3. There will be 4 categories:
 - a. Breed ID of beef cattle
 - b. Swine sheep and goats
 - c. Feedstuffs ID, Equipment ID
 - d. Body part ID.

Any questions, contact Amanda Rychtarik at 870-425-2335.

Kids Day***

***Subject to change as we are still in the planning stages.

Saturday, September 19th– 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Education Building

- A detailed list of activities and times will be posted closer to the date of the fair on Facebook.
- All events open to youth up to 13 years old.
- Events include:
 - Crafts, Home Depot building activity, NAEC magician, Ponca Nature Center wax paw exhibit, stick horse rodeo(time permitting), and much more starting at 10:00am in the Education Building.

Chainsaw Contest

Saturday, September 19th – 4:00 PM

Livestock Show Arena

Superintendent: Buddy Bodenhamer

Rules

- Contestants must be Baxter County residents.
- \$3 entry fee per class
- Each contestant will have one cut which consists of two down cuts and one up cut in a 6" space of log.
- Cutting of the space marker is automatic disqualification.
- Timing is from first chip to last chip.
- Contestants will have one minute to start their saws.

Saw Classes	
1. 0 to 2.3 cubic inches	5. 4.0 to 4.9 cubic inches
2. 2.4 to 2.9 cubic inches	6. 5.0 cubic inches and above
3. 3.0 to 3.3 cubic inches	7. Open Class
4. 3.4 to 3.9 cubic inches	8. Green Class (Battery & Electric)

Lawnmower Races

Saturday, September 19th– 5:00 PM

Mountain Home Saddle Club Arena



Sponsored by Greg Farm Services

As the sponsor of the Lawnmower Races, the rules for the Lawnmower Races are hosted on Greg Farm Services website at the following link:

<https://greggfarmservices.com/lawn-mower-races>

Please note: There have been some rule changes this year and the entry fee costs have changed since originally published in the 2026 Fair Book.

Baxter County Fair Scholarship

- The Baxter County Fair Board and First Security Bank will award one \$1,250.00 college scholarship to one Baxter County youth.
- The scholarship awarded will be the: Ossie Robertson Memorial Scholarship sponsored by Evans United Shows and the Baxter County Fair Board.
- Applications may be picked up at all local schools or completed online at www.baxtercountyfair.org.
- Completed applications must be returned to the fair office by noon, Wednesday of fair week.

FAIR THEME

DEPARTMENT A – FAIR THEME

Department A Rules

- All entries must represent the theme of the fair: Ribbons, Rides, & America Unites.
- Entries may be any item included in Departments 01 thru 14, **excluding** Departments 07 & 11.
- All entries must have been created within the previous 12 months.
- All items must be appropriate for viewing by all ages.
- All items must be of an appropriate size for display. Items too large will not be accepted.
- Exhibitors may enter **ONE** entry.
- Items will be judged against appropriate standards (see appropriate division and class requirements for submitted item) and adherence to the theme.

DIVISION 99 – RIBBONS, RIDES, & AMERICA UNITES

- A Best of Show will be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior Exhibitor, at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter **ONE** entry per class, unless otherwise stated.
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per class.

Ribbons, Rides, & America Unites	
CLASS	
1.	Ribbons, Rides, & America Unites

HOME ECONOMICS

Co-Superintendents – Marjie Jones & Tammy Marts

On-Line entries OPEN August 1st and CLOSE on September 8th at baxter.fairwire.com.

Exhibits will be accepted on:

Thursday, September 10th from 12 pm to 5 pm (excludes Departments 02, 12, 13, & 14)

Sunday, September 13th from 2 pm to 4pm (excludes Departments 02, 12, 13, & 14)

Tuesday, September 15th from 2 pm to 6 pm

NOTE: Food Preparation (Department 02) and Horticulture (Departments 12, 13, 14)- will only be accepted on Tuesday.

All entries must be in place by 6 pm Tuesday. Removal of exhibits prior to Sunday will forfeit all premiums due.

Exhibits may be picked up on:

Sunday, September 20th from 10 am to 3 pm

Monday, September 21st from 9 am until noon

All articles entered must be the work of the exhibitor and never have been entered before.

ALL ITEMS MUST BE CLEAN AND DEBRIS FREE.

Exhibitors must be a resident of Baxter County or a member of a Baxter County EHC, FFA, 4-H Club, or Hill 'N Hollow Quilt Guild.

Exhibitor Age Categories

- Adult: 19 years and older
- Junior: 14 thru 18 years
- Youth: 5 thru 13 years
- Pre-K: up to 5 years

Cash premiums are paid to 1st place winners for Adult, Junior, and Youth. Ribbons ONLY will be awarded to 2nd and 3rd place winners and pre-K (ages up to 5 years old).

A Judge's Best of Show award may be presented to Adult and Junior exhibitors whose entries are selected by the judges as specified in each division.

Junior Achievement Award

A Junior Achievement Award will be given to the Junior exhibitor with the highest number of combined points in all Departments in the Education Building (Home Economics, Creative Arts and Horticulture). The Junior exhibitor must enter items in at least 5 different divisions to be eligible (divisions 1 thru 55). Presentation of the award will take place Saturday in the Livestock Barn Arena during the Parade of Champions.

DEPARTMENT 01 – FOOD PRESERVATION

Department 01 Rules

- All entries must have been preserved within the previous 12 months.
- Exhibitors may enter **one** entry per class unless otherwise stated.
- Headspace requirements: Fruit – ½”; vegetables – see vegetable characteristics; jellies – ¼”; pickled and fermented – ½”. Headspace for canned goods must follow current USDA guidelines.
- These guidelines may be found online at nchfp.uga.edu/.
- Due to safety reasons, no canned squash including summer, zucchini, spaghetti, pureed or mashed pumpkin, or sweet potatoes will be judged. Pickled summer squash and zucchini are allowed.
- Exhibitors' names may not be displayed on exhibit.
- Exhibits are not required to be labeled with the date or method of food preservation.
- Canned breads and cakes are not allowed.
- **No food coloring** may be used in the canning department.
- Unsealed exhibits or products showing signs of spoilage will not be judged.
- Judging will be done by comparison to recognized standards of quality and safety first.
- For judging and safety reasons, **jars must be clear glass** with Mason or other standard/recognized name imprinted on the jar with a clean metal lid and ring, vacuum sealed and of acceptable size per recipe instructions – typically quart, pint, or smaller.

DIVISION 01 – CANNED FRUIT

- A Judge's Best of Show for Divisions 1, 2, 3 & 4 combined, may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior Exhibitor, at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter **ONE** entry per class, unless otherwise stated.
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per class.

CANNED FRUIT			
CLASS	CLASS	CLASS	CLASS
1. Apples	5. Mincemeat	9. Plums	13. Juice, Blackberry
2. Applesauce	6. Peaches, white	10. Rhubarb	14. Juice, Grape
3. Blackberries	7. Peaches, yellow	11. Raspberries	15. Juice, Other
4. Cherries	8. Pears	12. Strawberries	16. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5

DEPARTMENT 01 – FOOD PRESERVATION (cont.)

DIVISION 02 – JAMS, JELLIES, PRESERVES, BUTTERS & SYRUP

- Entries must be in standard 6 ounce jelly glasses, half pints, or pints.
- Jars must be sealed with rings/flats, no paraffin.
- A Judge's Best of Show for Divisions 1, 2, 3, & 4 combined may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior exhibitor at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter **ONE** entry per class, unless otherwise stated.
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per class.

JAMS, JELLIES, PRESERVES, BUTTERS & SYRUPS			
JAMS	JELLIES	PRESERVES	SYRUP
CLASS	CLASS	CLASS	CLASS
1. Blackberry	11. Apple	22. Apple	30. Berry
2. Blueberry	12. Blackberry	23. Blackberry	31. Maple
3. Cherry	13. Blueberry	24. Blueberry	32. Mint
4. Grape	14. Elderberry	25. Peaches	OTHER
5. Mixed Berry	15. Grape	26. Pears	33. Chutney
6. Peach	16. Jalapeno Pepper	27. Strawberry	34. Conserve, Any Kind
7. Pear	17. Muscadine	BUTTERS	
8. Plum	18. Peach	28. Apple	
9. Raspberry	19. Plum	29. Pumpkin	
10. Strawberry	20. Red Currant		
	21. Strawberry		
35. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5			

DIVISION 03 – CANNED VEGETABLES & SAUCES

- A Judge's Best of Show for Divisions 1, 2, 3 & 4 combined may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior Exhibitor at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter **ONE** entry per class, unless otherwise stated.
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per class.

CANNED VEGETABLES & SAUCES			
VEGETABLES		SAUCES	JUICE
CLASS	CLASS	CLASS	CLASS
1. Beets (not pickled)	10. Potatoes	18. Chili Sauce	25. Tomato
2. Carrots	11. Pumpkin	19. Hot Sauce	26. Vegetable
3. Corn	12. Sauerkraut	20. Pizza Sauce	
4. Corn creamed	13. Soup Mixture (5 veggies)	21. Spaghetti Sauce	
5. Field Peas	14. Tomatoes, mixed colors	22. Taco Sauce	
6. Green Beans	15. Tomatoes, stewed	23. Tomato Sauce	
7. Hominy	16. Tomatoes, whole	24. Salsa	
8. Mixed Veggies (2-4)	17. Yellow Beans		
9. Okra			
27. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5			

DEPARTMENT 01 – FOOD PRESERVATION (cont.)

DIVISION 04 – PICKLES & RELISHES

- A Judge's Best of Show in Divisions 1, 2, 3 & 4 combined may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior Exhibitor at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter **ONE** entry per class, unless otherwise stated.
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per class.

PICKLES & RELISHES	
PICKLED THINGS	RELISHES
CLASS	CLASS
1. Bread & Butter Pickles	15. Corn Relish
2. Beets	16. Cucumber Relish
3. Dill Pickles or Garlic Dill	17. Mixed Relish
4. Garlic	18. Pepper Relish
5. Green Beans	19. Tomato Relish
6. Green Tomatoes	20. Zucchini Relish
7. Mixed Pickles	
8. Okra	
9. Onions	
10. Peppers	
11. Sour Cucumber Pickles	
12. Sweet Cucumber Pickles	
13. Squash	
14. Watermelon Rind Pickles	
21. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5	

DIVISION 05 – APIARY (HONEY)

- Pint jars only. Jars do not need to be sealed.
- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior Exhibitor for Divisions 5, 6, 7 & 8 combined at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter **ONE** entry per class.
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per class.

APIARY (HONEY)		
CLASS	CLASS	CLASS
1. Comb Honey	2. Extracted Honey	3. Other (not listed elsewhere)

DEPARTMENT 01 – FOOD PRESERVATION (cont.)

DIVISION 06 – FLAVORED VINEGARS

- Vinegars must be displayed in a clear jar or bottle (32 ounce or smaller) with a screw or clamp type closure. It is not necessary to seal the bottle.
- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior Exhibitor in Divisions 5, 6, 7 & 8 combined at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter **ONE** entry per class, unless otherwise stated.
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per class.

FLAVORED VINEGARS			
CLASS	CLASS	CLASS	CLASS
1. Fruit	2. herb	3. Vegetable	4. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5

DIVISION 07 – DRIED FOODS

- Dried foods must be displayed in standard jars with unsealed rings and flats.
- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior Exhibitor in Divisions 5, 6, 7 & 8 combined at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **THREE** entries per class.
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per entry.

DRIED FOODS			
CLASS	CLASS	CLASS	CLASS
1. Fruits	3. Jerky	5. Vegetables	6. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5
2. Herbs	4. Mixture		

DIVISION 08 – CANNED MEAT & FISH

- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior Exhibitor in Divisions 5, 6, 7 & 8 combined at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **THREE** entries per class.
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per entry.

CANNED MEAT, FISH, & STOCK/BROTH	
CLASS	CLASS
1. Meat	3. Stock or Broth
2. Fish	

DEPARTMENT 02 – FOOD PREPARATION

Entries for this Department will **ONLY** be accepted on Tuesday, September 15th.

Department 02 Rules

- An ingredient list must accompany each entry.
- Please note if the entry was made from scratch or if a box mix was used.
- If entering more than one entry per class, each needs to be a different recipe.
- Entries in Divisions 9, 10 & 11 will be displayed on a plate and covered with a sealable bag provided by the Fair Board.
- No refrigerated items will be accepted in Divisions 9, 10, 11 & 12.

The refrigerated case is used for Division 13 only.

DIVISION 09 – BAKED PRODUCTS

- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior Exhibitor in Divisions 9, 10, 11 & 12 combined at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter **TWO** entries per class, unless otherwise stated. Each entry must be a different recipe.
- Number of items listed below in each class is per entry.
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per entry.

BAKED PRODUCTS	
CLASS	CLASS
1. 2 Fried Pies	13. 3 Rolled Cookies
2. 2 Turnovers	14. 3 Yeast Rolls
3. 3 Biscuits	15. ½ Angel Food Cake (not iced)
4. 3 Bar Cookies	16. ½ Loaf of Bread Machine Bread
5. 3 Bread Machine Rolls	17. ½ Loaf Quick Bread
6. 3 Brownies	18. ½ Loaf Yeast Bread
7. 3 Cinnamon Rolls	19. ¼ Cake
8. 3 Cornbread Muffins/Sticks	20. ¼ Coffee Cake
9. 3 Drop Cookies	21. ¼ Fruit Cobbler
10. 3 Filled Cookies	22. ¼ Pie Crust
11. 3 Muffins	23. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5
12. 3 No Baked Cookies	

DEPARTMENT 02 – BAKED PRODUCTS (cont.)

DIVISION 10 – SPECIAL DIET BAKED GOODS, CANDIES ETC.

(Diabetic, Gluten Free, Keto, Vegan, Low Sodium, etc.)

- Please note which special diet the item is for (Diabetic, Gluten Free etc.).
- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult, and Junior Exhibitor in Divisions 9, 10, 11 & 12 combined at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **THREE** entries per class.
- Number of items listed below in each class is per entry.
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per entry.

SPECIAL DIET BAKED GOODS, CANDIES ETC.	
CLASS	CLASS
1. 3 Brownies	4. ½ Loaf of Bread
2. 3 Pieces of Candy	5. ¼ Cake
3. 3 Cookies	6. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5

DIVISION 11 – CANDIES

- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior Exhibitor in Divisions 9, 10, 11 & 12 combined at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **TWO** entries per class, unless otherwise stated.
- Number of items listed below in each class is per entry.
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per entry.

CANDIES	
CLASS	CLASS
1. 3 Pieces Candy, molded or shaped	6. 3 Pieces Fudge
2. 3 Pieces Dipped Candy	7. 3 Pieces Nut Brittle
3. 3 Pieces Drop Candy	8. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5
4. 3 Pieces Carmel	
5. 3 Pieces Divinity	

DEPARTMENT 02 – BAKED PRODUCTS (cont.)

DIVISION 12 – SNACK MIX/GRANOLA, MIXES IN A JAR

- Snack Mix AND Granola must be entered in a clear pint or quart jar with a tightfitting lid. Entries will be taste-tested. Homemade mixes in a jar will not be taste-tested, but will be judged on visual presentation.
- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior Exhibitor in Divisions 9, 10, 11 & 12 combined at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **TWO** entries per class, unless otherwise stated.
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per entry.

SNACK MIX/GRANOLA, MIXES IN A JAR	
CLASS	CLASS
1. Granola	4. Sweet Snack Mix
2. Mixes in a Jar	5. Other, (not listed elsewhere) limit 5
3. Salty Snack Mix	

DIVISION 13 - DECORATED CAKES, CUPCAKES AND COOKIES

- Cakes CANNOT exceed 12" x 12" x 12" in size. This includes decoration and plate.
- Cakes can have a real or form base.
- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior and Youth exhibitor at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **TWO** entries per class, unless otherwise stated.
- Number of items listed below in each class is per entry.
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per entry.

DECORATED CAKES, CUPCAKES AND COOKIES	
CLASS	CLASS
1. 3 Decorated Cookies	3. Decorated Cake
2. 3 Decorated Cupcake	4. Other, (not listed elsewhere) limit 5

DEPARTMENT 03 – SEWING

DIVISION 14–CLOTHING & ACCESSORIES

- All entries must be sewn items.
- Best of Show may be awarded a \$25.00 gift certificate from the ***Remember Me Fabric and Quilt Shop*** to an Adult exhibitor for Best Workmanship.
- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to a Junior exhibitor at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **THREE** entries per class.
- First place winners will receive 3 premium points per entry.

ADULT CLOTHING	
CLASS	CLASS
1. Apron	8. Skirt
2. Dress	9. Sleepwear
3. Purse (sewn)	10. Sportswear
4. Quilted Clothing	11. Tote Bag
5. Scarf (sewn)	12. Vest (fabric)
6. Shirt	13. Accessories – Belts, Hat, etc.
7. Shorts	14. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5
CHILDREN'S CLOTHING	
15. Costume	20. Shorts
16. Dress	21. Skirt
17. Jumper	22. Sleepwear
18. Pants	23. Accessories
19. Shirt	24. Other(not listed elsewhere) limit 5
INFANT CLOTHING (0-24 MONTHS)	
25. Baby dress	29. Changing Pad
26. Bib	30. Christening Gown
27. Blanket	31. Hooded Towel
28. Burp Cloth	32. Hat, cap, bonnet or booties
	33. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5
SEWN ACCESSORIES	
CLASS	CLASS
34. Bowl Koozie	39. Tote Bag
35. Cord Keeper	40. Walker Organizer
36. Pillowcase	41. Water Bottle Holder
37. Potato Bag	42. Zippered Bag
	43. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5

DEPARTMENT 03 – SEWING (cont.)

DIVISION 15 – MACHINE EMBROIDERY

- Best of Show may be awarded a \$25.00 gift certificate from the *Remember Me Fabric and Quilt Shop* to an Adult exhibitor for Best Workmanship.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **THREE** entries per class.
- First place winners will receive **3** premium points per entry.

MACHINE EMBROIDERY	
CLASS	CLASS
1. Bag	8. Mug Rug
2. Bib	9. Napkin
3. Blanket	10. Placemat
4. Burp Cloth	11. Stuffed Animal
5. Clothing	12. Stuffed doll
6. Door Hanger	13. Towel
7. In the Hoop	14. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5

DEPARTMENT 04 – HOUSEHOLD ARTS

DIVISION 16 – QUILTS (LARGE)

- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 prize from the Baxter County Fair Association to Adult and Junior Exhibitors at judge's discretion.
- The **Hill 'N Hollow Quilt Guild** will award a \$50.00 gift certificate for the Best Workmanship in Division 16 & 17 combined.
- Exhibitors may enter **ONE** entry per class, unless otherwise stated.
- First place winners will receive premium points as shown in the table.

QUILTS (Larger than 70 x 90)			
MACHINE QUILTED		HAND QUILTED	
CLASS	POINTS	CLASS	POINTS
1. Hand applique	12	16. Hand applique	14
2. Machine Applique, free hand	12	17. Machine applique, free hand	14
3. Machine applique, auto	12	18. Machine applique, auto	14
4. Hand embroidered	12	19. Hand embroidered	14
5. Machine embroidered	12	20. Machine embroidered	14
6. Hand pieced	12	21. Hand pieced	14
7. Machine pieced	12	22. Machine pieced	14
8. Group quilt	12	23. Group quilt	14
9. Holiday quilt	12	24. Holiday quilt	14
10. Made from a Kit	8	25. Made from a Kit	10
11. Patriotic quilt	10	26. Patriotic quilt	12
12. Personal info quilt	10	27. Personal info quilt	12
13. Photo/Memory quilt	10	28. Photo/memory quilt	12
14. Pre-printed design	8	29. Pre-printed design	10
15. Whole Cloth quilt	8	30. Whole Cloth quilt	12
31. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 3			8

DEPARTMENT 04 – HOUSEHOLD ARTS (cont.)

DIVISION 17 – BABY, CHILD, LAP & THROW QUILTS

- Best of Show may be awarded a \$25.00 Gift Certificate from the *Remember Me Fabric and Quilt Shop* to an Adult Exhibitor.
- The *Hill 'N Hollow Quilt Guild* will award a \$50.00 gift certificate for the Best Workmanship in Division 16 & 17 combined.
- Exhibitors may enter **ONE** entry per class, unless otherwise stated.
- First place winners will receive premium points as shown in the table.

BABY, CHILD, LAP & THROWS			
MACHINE QUILTED		HAND QUILTED	
CLASS	POINTS	CLASS	POINTS
1. Hand applique	10	13. Hand applique	12
2. Machine applique, free hand	10	14. Machine applique, free hand	12
3. Machine applique, auto	10	15. Machine applique, auto	12
4. Hand embroidered	10	16. Hand embroidered	12
5. Machine embroidered	10	17. Machine embroidered	12
6. Hand pieced	10	18. Hand pieced	12
7. Machine pieced	10	19. Machine pieced	12
8. Made from a Kit	8	20. Made from a Kit	8
9. Personal info quilt	10	21. Personal info quilt	12
10. Photo/Memory quilt	10	22. Photo/memory quilt	12
11. Pre-printed design	8	23. Pre-printed design	8
12. Whole Cloth quilt	8	24. Whole Cloth quilt	12
25. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 3			8

DIVISION 18 – QUILT TOPS & BLOCKS

- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 prize from the Baxter County Fair Association to Adult and Junior Exhibitors at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter **ONE** entry class.
- First place winners will receive premium points as shown in the table.

TOPS & BLOCKS			
CLASS	POINTS	CLASS	POINTS
1. Block, hand pieced	3	3. Quilt Top, hand pieced	5
2. Block, machine pieced	3	4. Quilt Top, machine pieced	5

DEPARTMENT 04 – HOUSEHOLD ARTS (CONT.)

DIVISION 19 – QUILTED HOUSEHOLD ACCESSORIES

- Best of Show may be awarded a \$25.00 gift certificate from *Remember Me Fabric and Quilt Shop* to an Adult exhibitor in divisions 19 & 20 combined.
- Exhibitors may enter **ONE** entry per class, unless otherwise stated.
- First place winners will receive premium points as shown in the table.

QUILTED HOUSEHOLD ACCESSORIES			
CLASS	POINTS	CLASS	POINTS
1. Table Runner	8	4. Wall Hanging, pieced	8
2. Table Topper	8	5. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 3	3
3. Wall Hanging, pre-printed panel	8		

DIVISION 20 – QUILTED ACCESSORIES

- Best of Show may be awarded a \$25.00 gift certificate from *Remember Me Fabric and Quilt Shop* to an Adult exhibitor in divisions 19 & 20 combined.
- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to a Junior exhibitor at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter **ONE** entry per class, unless otherwise stated.
- First place winners will receive premium points as shown in the table.

QUILTED ACCESSORIES			
CLASS	POINTS	CLASS	POINTS
1. Doll Quilt	3	4. Placemat	3
2. Mug Rug	3	5. Purse or Tote	8
3. Pillow	5	6. Other (not listed elsewhere) Limit 3	3

DIVISION 21–HOUSEHOLD ACCESSORIES

- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to Adult and Junior Exhibitors at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **THREE** entries per class, unless otherwise stated.
- First place winners will receive **3** premium points per class.

TABLE LINEN		
CLASS	CLASS	CLASS
1. Napkin	3. Tablecloth	5. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5
2. Placemat	4. Table Runner	
PILLOWCASES		
6. Decorated	7. Hand Embroidered	8. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5
TOWELS		
9. Bath towel, decorated	11. Hanging kitchen towel	12. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5
10. Guest towel, decorated		

DEPARTMENT 04 - HOUSEHOLD ARTS (cont.)

DIVISION 22 – NEEDLEWORK

- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 cash prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to Adult and Junior Exhibitors at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter **ONE** entry per class, unless otherwise stated.
- First place winners will receive premium points as shown in the table.

HAND NEEDLEWORK			
CLASS	POINTS	CLASS	POINTS
1. Candlewicking	4	7. Felting	5
2. Chicken Scratch	3	8. Hardanger	6
3. Christmas Counted Cross Stitch	5	9. Monk's Cloth (Hock or Swedish)	5
4. Counted Cross Stitch	5	10. Needle Punch	5
5. Cross Stitch Pillow	4	11. Ribbon Embroidery	5
6. Crewel	6	12. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5	4

DIVISION 23 – CROCHET AND KNITTING

- A Judge's Best of Show will be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to Adult and Junior Exhibitors, in memory of Mrs. Nettie Lueck.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **TWO** items per class, unless otherwise stated.
- First place winners will receive premium points as shown in the table.

CROCHET AND KNITTING			
CLASS	POINTS	CLASS	POINTS
1. Afghan, Adult	8	18. Placemat	3
2. Afghan, Child/Baby	5	19. Pothead or Hot Pad	3
3. Animals/Toys	5	20. Purse or Clutch	5
4. Baby Booties	3	21. Rug	5
5. Bedspread	10	22. Scarf	3
6. Cap or Hat	3	23. Scrubby	3
7. Cape or Poncho	5	24. Shawl	5
8. Coasters	3	25. Slippers	3
9. Dishcloth	3	26. Socks	3
10. Doilies	5	27. Sweater, Adult	8
11. Doll	5	28. Sweater, Child	5
12. Doll Clothes	3	29. Tablecloth	8
13. Gloves or Mittens	3	30. Table Runner	3
14. Kitchen Towel	3	31. Vest	5
15. Lap Robe	5	32. Wall Hanging	5
16. Layette Set (2 or 3 Pieces)	5	33. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5	3
17. Pillow	3		

DEPARTMENT 05 – HANDICRAFTS

DIVISION 24 - CRAFTS

- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to Adult and Junior exhibitors at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter **TWO** entries per class unless otherwise stated.
- First place winners will receive **3** premium points per entry.

CRAFTS		
CLASS	CLASS	CLASS
1. Angel (any medium)	27. Egg Art	53. Ribbon Weaving
2. Autumn Decoration	28. Flower Pot, Decorated	54. Shadow Box
3. Basket, Decorated	29. Fly Lures, Hand Tied (set of 3)	55. Silk or Dried Flower Arrangement
4. Bead Work	30. Frames, Decorated	56. Snowman
5. Box, Decorated	31. Folk Art Painting	57. Soap, Handmade
6. Button Covers (set of 3)	32. Free-From Plaster	58. Sports Theme
7. Button Crafts	33. Gift Bag, Decorated	59. Stained Glass
8. Candles, Handmade	34. Gourd, Decorated	60. Stenciling
9. Candy Bouquet	35. Halloween Decorations	61. Stuffed Animals, Handmade
10. Ceramic (not plaster of Paris)	36. Latch Hook Items	62. Suncatcher
11. China Painting	37. Mask, Decorated	63. Swags
12. Christmas (not listed elsewhere)	38. Metal Craft	64. Tile, Decorated
13. Christmas Ornament	39. Mosaic Art	65. Tole Painting
14. Christmas Stocking	40. Origami	66. Toys, Handmade
15. Christmas Tree Skirt	41. Painted Plaque	67. Weaving
16. Clay	42. Paper Craft	68. Woodwork (not carving)
17. Clock, Handmade	43. Paper Weight	DESIGNER TOUCHES READY TO WEAR
18. Coasters (not crochet or knitted)	44. Patriotic or Americana	69. Accessories
19. Collages	45. Pin Cushion	70. Clothing
20. Cookie Jar	46. Plastic Canvas	71. HTV (heat transfer vinyl)
21. Decoupage	47. Plate, Decorated	
22. Diamond Art	48. Potholder or Hot Mat	72. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5
23. Doll Clothes	49. Potpourri	
24. Dolls, Handmade (not China)	50. Pottery	
25. Doorstop	51. Purse or Tote, Decorated	
26. Easter Decorations	52. Refrigerator Magnets	

DEPARTMENT 05 – HANDICRAFTS (cont.)

DIVISION 25 – KIDS CRAFTS

FOR YOUTH AND PRE-K ONLY

(AGES 13 YEARS AND UNDER)

- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association.
- Remember Me Fabric and Quilt Shop will award a \$25.00 gift certificate to a Youth exhibitor for Best Workmanship for machine sewn exhibits only.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **TWO** entries per class, unless otherwise stated.
- First Place Winners will receive **3** Premium Points for each class. Pre-K (up to 5 yrs.) will receive a participation ribbon.

CRAFTS		
CLASS	CLASS	CLASS
1. Barn Quilt	18. Gourd Art	35. Quilted Items
2. Basket, Decorated	19. Greeting Card	36. Recycled Craft
3. Bead Craft	20. Hat, Decorated	37. Rock, Painted
4. Candle	21. Holiday Item	38. Sewn Items
5. Candle Holder	22. Jewelry	39. Scrapbook (single page 12"x12")
6. Centerpiece	23. Legos (not bigger than 12x12")	40. Scrapbook (double page 12"x12" each page)
7. Ceramic Painted Piece	24. Loom Craft	41. Suncatcher
8. Clay	25. Models (cars, planes etc.)	42. Table Decoration
9. Diamond Art	26. Nature Craft	43. Tissue Box Cover
10. Doll Clothes	27. Paper Craft	44. Tie Dye
11. Doll, Handmade	28. Paper Mache	45. Wall Hanging
12. Felt Craft	29. Pillowcase	46. Windsock
13. Flower, Dried or Pressed	30. Pipe Cleaner Craft	47. Wreath
14. Flower, Handcrafted	31. Pom Pom Craft	48. Yarn Craft
15. Flower Pot, Decorated	32. Popsicle Stick Craft	
16. Frame, Decorated	33. Pottery	
17. Friendship Bracelet	34. Puppet	49. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5

DEPARTMENT 05 – HANDICRAFTS (cont.)

DIVISION 26 – CREATIVE RECYCLING

- Entries should consist primarily of materials which would otherwise be discarded, having fulfilled its initial use. The entries' alteration should serve a purpose other than that for which it was originally designed or created.
- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 cash prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to a Junior and Adult Exhibitor at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **TWO** entries per class, unless otherwise stated.
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per entry.

CREATIVE RECYCLING		
CLASS	CLASS	CLASS
1. Aluminum	5. Metal	9. Tin
2. Cardboard	6. Mixed	10. Wood
3. Cloth	7. Paper	11. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5
4. Glass	8. Plastic	

DIVISION 27 – BARN QUILTS

- Must be hand painted. Cannot be on paper or poster board. Name of quilt pattern must be noted on the entry form. Must be 2' x 2' or smaller. Does not need a hanger.
- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 cash prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to a Junior and Adult Exhibitor at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter **ONE** entry per class.
- First Place Winners will receive **3** Premium Points for each entry.

BARN QUILTS		
CLASS	CLASS	CLASS
1. Canvas	3. Metal	5. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 3
2. MDF (medium density fiberboard)	4. Wood	

DIVISION 28 – WREATHS

- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 cash prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior Exhibitor at judge's discretion.
- Limit **FIVE** entries per exhibitor.
- First place winners will receive **3** premium points for each entry.

WREATHS		
CLASS		
1. Wreath, Decorated		

DEPARTMENT 05 – HANDICRAFTS (cont.)

DIVISION 29 – JEWELRY

- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 cash prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior Exhibitor at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter **ONE** entry per class, unless otherwise stated.
- First Place Winners will receive **3** Premium Points for each entry.

JEWELRY		
CLASS	CLASS	CLASS
1. Bracelet	5. Keychain/Fob	9. Seasonal
2. Brooch/Lapel Pin	6. Necklace	10. Set (2 piece)
3. Earrings	7. Pendant	11. Set (3 piece)
4. Hair Jewelry	8. Ring	12. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5

DIVISION 30 – PLACE SETTINGS

- Entry **MUST** be set up by the exhibitor. A place setting is described as: The items that would be set for one person to use on a table at a meal. Setting **MUST** include: placemat (not to exceed 18' x 24"), dinnerware, utensils, drinking glass and napkin.
- Judging will be based on Emily Post Guidelines.
- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 cash prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior Exhibitor at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter **ONE** entry per class.
- First place winners will receive **3** premium points.

PLACE SETTING	
CLASS	CLASS
1. Casual	3. Holiday
2. Formal	4. Other (not listed elsewhere)

DIVISION 31 – LEATHERWORK

- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 cash prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior Exhibitor at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **TWO** entries per class, unless otherwise stated.
- First Place Winners will receive **3** Premium Points for each entry.

LEATHERWORK		
CLASS	CLASS	CLASS
1. Belt	4. Jewelry	7. Sheath
2. Keychain	5. Holster	8. Wallet
3. Hat	6. Purse	9. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5

DEPARTMENT 05 – HANDICRAFTS (cont.)

DIVISION 32 – COLLECTIONS

- Each collection should have 3 to 7 items.
- Items must be arranged in or on something so they can easily be moved if necessary.
- Collections of value **MUST** be exhibited in a locked or secure case provided by the exhibitor.
- There is no Best of Show in this Division.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **ONE** entry per class, unless otherwise stated.
- First place winners will receive **2** premium points for each entry.

COLLECTIONS	
Class	Class
1. Arrowheads	6. Old Family Photos (prior to 1970)
2. Coins	7. Stamps
3. Entomology (Insects)	8. Vintage Collections
4. Indian Artifacts (other than arrowheads)	9. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 3
5. Modern collections	

DIVISION 33 – WOODCARVING

- All woodcarving must be original and be the sole work of the person entering the exhibit.
- No kits are allowed, including pre-cut and ready-to-assemble projects.
- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 cash prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult Exhibitor at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **THREE** entries per class.
- First place winners will receive **5** premium points for each entry.

WOODCARVING		
CLASS	CLASS	CLASS
1. Cane/Walk Stick	5. Found Wood in Bark	9. Relief
2. Caricature Animal	6. Holiday	10. Stylized
3. Caricature Human	7. Realistic Animal, Bird or Fish	11. Wood Burning
4. Chip	8. Realistic Human	12. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5

DEPARTMENT 06 - HOME FURNISHINGS & OUTDOOR ACCESSORIES

DIVISION 34 – FURNITURE

- Furniture must be homemade by the exhibitor.
- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 cash prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior Exhibitor at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **TWO** entries per class, unless otherwise stated.
- First place winners will receive premium points as shown in the table.

FURNITURE			
CLASS	POINTS	CLASS	POINTS
1. Homemade Furniture – Large (ex. Blanket Chest)	10	3. Homemade Furniture – Small (ex. Footstool)	4
2. Homemade Furniture – Medium (ex. Chair)	6	4. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5	3

DIVISION 35 – OUTDOOR ACCESSORIES

- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 cash prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior Exhibitor at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **TWO** entries per class.
- First place winners will receive **3** premium points.

OUTDOOR ACCESSORIES	
CLASS	CLASS
1. Bird House/Feeder	3. Stepping Stone, mosaic or decorated
2. Planter Box, decorated	4. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 5

DEPARTMENT 07 – CLUB CRAFTS

DIVISION 36 – CLUB CRAFTS

- Each club entry must have at least THREE items per class.
- There is no Best of Show in this division.
- First place winners will receive **5** premium points per class.

CLUB CRAFT	
CLASS	CLASS
1. Adult (19 yrs. and older)	4. Nursing Home
2. Junior (14 – 18 yrs.)	5. Other (not listed elsewhere)
3. Youth (5 – 13 yrs.)	

CREATIVE ARTS

Superintendent – Marjie Jones

Creative Arts includes the Divisions of Art, Photography, Cards, Scrapbooking, Poetry and Educational Booths.

On-Line entries OPEN August 1st and CLOSE on September 8th at baxter.fairwire.com.

Exhibits will be accepted on:

Thursday, September 10th from 12 pm to 5 pm

Sunday, September 13th from 2 pm to 4pm

Tuesday, September 15th from 2 pm to 6 pm

All entries must be in place by 6 pm Tuesday. Removal of exhibits prior to Sunday will forfeit all premiums due.

Exhibits may be picked up on:

Sunday, September 20th from 10 am to 3 pm

Monday, September 21st from 9 am until noon

- All articles entered must be the work of the exhibitor and never have been entered before.
- Necessary information for entering items is provided in each individual division description.
- Exhibitors must be a resident of Baxter County or a member of a Baxter County EHC, FFA or 4-H Club.
- Cash premiums are paid to 1st place winners for Adult, Junior and Youth. 2nd and 3rd place winners and Pre-K (ages up to 5 years old) will be awarded ribbons only.
- A Judge's Best of Show award may be presented to Adult, Junior/Youth exhibitors whose entries are selected by the judges as specified.

Exhibitor Age Categories

Adult: 19 years and older

Junior: 14 thru 18 years

Youth: 5 thru 13 years

Pre-K: up to 5 years

Junior Achievement Award

A Junior Achievement Award will be given to the Junior exhibitor with the highest number of combined points in all Departments in the Education Building (Home Economics, Creative Arts and Horticulture). The Junior exhibitor must enter items in at least 5 different divisions to be eligible (divisions 1 thru 55). Presentation of the award will take place Saturday in the Livestock Barn Arena during the Parade of Champions.

DEPARTMENT 08 – CREATIVE ARTS

All artwork MUST be the work of the exhibitor and be original art.

- Open to amateur artists **ONLY!**
- No colored-in posters on poster board.
- No wet artwork will be accepted.

DIVISION 37 – ADULT & JUNIOR ART

- The actual picture may be no larger than 30" X 30" in any class.
- No artwork over 3 years old will be accepted.
- Entries in division 37 must be framed or have finished edges ready for hanging. Pencil or colored pencil must be matted with no more than a 1" border.
- Name and/or date must be hidden for judging.
- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 cash prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior Exhibitor at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter **TEN** entries total in this division.
- First place winners will receive **5** premium points.

ADULT & JUNIOR ART	
CLASS	CLASS
1. Watercolor	7. Scratch Board
2. Oil	8. Pointillism
3. Acrylic	9. Pen and Ink
4. Pastel	10. Pencil or Colored Pencil
5. Mixed Media	11. Other (not listed elsewhere)
6. Drawing/ Graphic	

DIVISION 38- YOUTH ART

- Entry may be no larger than 10" X 12".
- Entry **MUST** be framed or mounted on cardstock, poster board or construction paper and it can have a border of no more than 1".
- Name of the artist and date must be hidden for judging.
- For safety of returning items, the name of the entrant must be on the back of the artwork.
- Artwork over 2 years old will not be accepted.
- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 cash prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to a Youth Exhibitor at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter a total of **TEN** items in this division.
- First place winners will receive **3** premium points.

YOUTH ART	
CLASS	CLASS
1. Watercolor	7. Scratch Board
2. Oil	8. Pointillism
3. Acrylic	9. Pen and Ink
4. Pastel	10. Pencil or Colored Pencil
5. Mixed Media	11. Crayon
6. Drawing/ Graphic	12. Other (not listed elsewhere)

DIVISION 39 – PRE-K ART

- Entry may be no larger than 10" X 12".
- Entry **MUST** be mounted on cardstock, poster board or construction paper and can have a border of no more than 1".
- For safety in returning items, the name of the entrant should be on the back of the artwork.
- Entries will receive a pink participation ribbon.
- Exhibitors may enter a total of **ONE** item in this division.

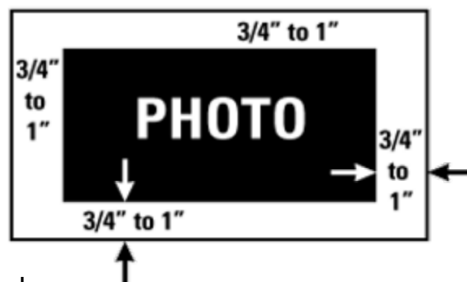
PRESCHOOL ART	
Class	1. Preschool Art

DEPARTMENT 09 - PHOTOGRAPHY, CARDS, & SCRAPBOOK PAGES

DIVISION 40 – PHOTOGRAPHY

Rules and Regulations for Photography Entries:

- Open to amateur photographers only.
- Entries **MUST** be mounted on White or Black cardstock or poster board. The border around photography **MUST BE**: 1/2 to 1 inch top, bottom and each side. No construction paper. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**



- Framed entries will not be accepted.
- Entries must be 4X6 or 5X7.... **ONLY.**
- Entries may not have the exhibitor's name, a title or date visible for judging.
- A date stamp on the photograph will prohibit an entry from receiving a blue ribbon (1st place).
- Entry **MUST** be the work of the exhibitor.
- For safety in returning photos, put your name on the back of cardstock.
- No nude or revealing photos will be accepted. The Superintendent's decision is final!

Factors Used in Judging Photographs

- Exposure: Good Lighting
- Focus: Overall Sharpness
- Composition:
 - A Clear Subject of Interest
 - Placement of Subject
 - Good Framing
 - Free of Distractions
 - Tells a Story
- No duplicate entries allowed. Example: Same photo, one in color and one in black/white.
- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 cash prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior/Youth Exhibitor in each class at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter a total of **Twelve** items in each class.
- First place winners will receive **3** premium points

Photography
Class
1. Black & White, Sepia, Monotone
2. Color

DIVISION 41 - CARDS

Rules and Regulations for Card Entries:

- Adult cards cannot be made of construction paper.
- Junior/Youth cards may be made of construction paper.
- Greeting cards are judged on a combination of originality, visual appeal, and execution. They should be put together neatly without visible glue or tape.
- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 cash prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior/Youth Exhibitor at judge's discretion.
- A Best of Show will be awarded a card class (\$20.00 value) by **Truby Allen of Stampin' Up**.
- Limited to a total of **FIFTEEN** entries per exhibitor (no duplicate cards).
- First Place Winners will receive **3** Premium Points for each entry.

CARDS	
CLASS	CLASS
1. Cards	2. Computer Generated Cards

DIVISION 42 - SCRAPBOOK PAGES

Rules and Regulations for Scrapbook Entries:

- Scrapbook pages **MUST** include photographs.
- Scrapbook pages are judged on a combination of neatness, creativity, and storytelling. Judges look for clean legible handwriting, proper placement of photos and memorabilia, and the ability to convey a clear narrative through both visuals and journaling.
- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 cash prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior/Youth Exhibitor at judge's discretion.
- Limited to a total of **TEN** entries per class.
- First Place Winners will receive **3** Premium Points for each entry.

SCRAPBOOK PAGES	
CLASS	CLASS
1. Single page (12 x 12)	2. Double Page (12 x 12 each page)

Department 10 - Poetry

DIVISION 43 – POETRY

Adult & Junior & Youth

Rules and Regulations for Entering Poetry:

- Open to Amateurs Only!
- Unacceptable language will not be allowed in any entry.
- Length of poem is limited to **ONE** typed page.
- Font size must be 12 or 14 points in a style that is easy to read.
- Entries must be matted or framed, with or without glass.
- Entries must be original and never published with an IBN number.
- Entry must be the work of the exhibitor.
- Exhibitor's name must not be visible.
- Entries cannot have been previously entered in the Baxter County Fair.
- A Judge's Best of Show will be awarded a \$10.00 cash prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to an Adult and Junior/Youth Exhibitor.
- Limited to a total of **TWO** entries per exhibitor.
- First Place Winners will receive **3** Premium Points for each entry.

POETRY	
Class	
1. Humor	
2. Serious	
3. Religious	

Department 11 - Educational Booths

DIVISION 44 – EDUCATIONAL BOOTHS

All entries must be pre-registered at the Baxter County Fair Office before September 15th.

- In the case of no competition in any class, or where there are fewer exhibits shown in any class than the number of premiums offered, the judges may at their discretion award a prize or prizes of such grade as the exhibit deserves.
- Display should be no larger than 3'W x 3'D x 4'H.

Guidelines:

Appropriateness of Theme

- Educational and/or Promotional Message
- Timely, Important, Practical
- Message Suited for the Viewing Audience

Presentation

- Attracts Attention - Light, motion, sound, color, size, etc.
- Title of Exhibit - Attractive, catchy, easy to read, appropriate placement
- Design - Good use of color, center of interest, unity and movement, contrast, balance, proportion and scale.
- Printed Visuals - Appropriate size, appropriate placement, neat and easy to read

Effectiveness

- The message is accurate, concise, and simple.
- Only one subject covered with unnecessary material eliminated.
- Educational or Promotional Effectiveness - Increases knowledge, changes attitudes, and/or creates a desire for involvement.
- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 cash prize by the Baxter County Fair Association for entries in each class at judge's discretion
- Limit to **ONE** booth per organization.
- First place winners will receive **10** premium points.

EDUCATIONAL BOOTHS	
Class	
1. Adult: Extension, Civic Groups, & Garden Clubs	
2. Junior: 4-H Clubs, FFA, FCCLA, & Schools	

HORTICULTURE

Superintendent- Baxter County Master Gardeners (BCMG)

On-Line entries OPEN August 1st and CLOSE on September 8th at baxter.fairwire.com.

Exhibits will be accepted on Tuesday, September 15th, from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

All Entries must be in place by 6:00 pm. Removal of exhibits prior to Sunday will forfeit all premiums due.

Entries may be picked up on Sunday, September 20th, between 10:00 am and 3:00 pm, and Monday, September 21st, between 9 am and noon.

Exhibitor Categories:

Adult: 19 years & older

Junior: ages 14 thru 18

Youth: ages 5 thru 13

Pre-K: up to age 5

(Pre-K exhibitors will receive a participation ribbon only.)

Cash premiums are paid to first place winners for Adult, Junior and Youth. Ribbons ONLY will be awarded to 2nd and 3rd place winners and pre-K.

A Judge's Best of Show award will be presented to Adult, Junior and Youth exhibitors whose entries are selected by the judges as specified for each division.

Junior Achievement Award

A Junior Achievement Award will be given to the Junior exhibitor with the highest number of combined points in all Departments in the Education Building (Home Economics, Creative Arts and Horticulture). The Junior exhibitor must enter items in at least 5 different divisions to be eligible (divisions 1 thru 55). Presentation of the award will take place Saturday in the Livestock Barn Arena during the Parade of Champions.

Exhibit Rules

- For specific exhibit recommendations and additional information, see the BCMG booklet **Exhibiting Flowers and Plants**, available at the Baxter County Extension Office, or Baxter County Fair Office OR online at www.baxtercountyfair.org or www.baxtercountymg.com.
- Exhibits that do not meet the exhibit guidelines and class descriptions may be entered for display only and will not be judged or eligible for prize money.
- Exhibits of harmful invasive plant material will not be accepted.
- The exhibitor must have grown all entries.
- No leaf shine, oils, paint, etc.
- Any entry chosen for Best of Show in previous years will not be considered for Best of Show again.

DEPARTMENT 12 - FLOWERS & PLANTS

DIVISION 45- CUT FLOWERS

- All cut flowers must be exhibited with foliage attached, if attached foliage is naturally present.
 - **Exceptions:**
 - Large-crested celosia/ cockscomb, gladiola, and cannas may be exhibited without foliage
 - Class 5 No foliage.
- Flowers 3" or more in diameter - exhibit one flower. Flowers less than 3"-exhibit 3 flowers on separate stems.
- Exhibit 1 stem or spike from flowers.
- Exhibits must be in a clean, clear container with a narrow neck to support the stem.
- All foliage below the waterline **MUST** be removed.
- A Judge's Best of Show for Divisions 45 & 46 combined, may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to Adult and Junior/Youth Exhibitors, at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **THREE** entries per class.
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per class.

CUT FLOWERS	
Class	Class
1. Annual	8. Ornamental Grass (1 plume with foliage attached)
2. Perennial or Biennial	9. Chrysanthemum (1 spray cushion type; 1 stem/ large type)
3. Cana	10. Aster (1 stem or 1 spray)
4. Rose (1 stem)	11. Flowering Shrub (1 branch with foliage; must be in bloom)
5. Rose Displayed in Clear Bowl (1 flower) (must float freely without touching sides of bowl) No foliage	12. Shrub Featuring Berries (1 branch with foliage & Fresh berries)
6. Orchid Displayed in Clear Bowl (1 flower) (must float freely without touching sides of bowl) No foliage	13. Vine with Flower
7. Dahlia	14. Other (not listed elsewhere- please describe)

DIVISION 46- CUT FOLIAGE

- No bloom.
- Exhibits must be in a clean, clear container with a narrow neck to support the stem.
- All foliage below the waterline **MUST** be removed.
- A Judge's Best of Show for Divisions 45 & 46 combined, may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to Adult and Junior/Youth Exhibitors, at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **THREE** different varieties per class, unless stated otherwise.
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per class.

CUT FOLIAGE	
Class	Class
1. Coleus (1 stem)	5. Small branch with foliage, no flowers
2. Hosta- Large (5" wide or more, exhibit 1 leaf)	6. Vine Foliage only
3. Hosta- Small (Less than 5" wide or more, exhibit 3 leaves)	7. Other (not listed elsewhere - please describe) Limit 4
4. Caladium (1 leaf)	

DIVISION 47- HOUSEPLANTS

- One plant variety per pot (Exception: Class 7. Collection).
- Plants must have been in possession of the exhibitor for a minimum of 3 months.
- Houseplants summered outdoors should be exhibited as Houseplants.
- Exhibition in clean pot/container no larger than 12" wide (inside measurement) x 12" high.
- No decorative/structural accessories such as statuary, ribbons, flags, garden stakes, feathers, etc.
- A Judge's Best of Show for Divisions 47 & 48 combined, may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to Adult and Junior/Youth Exhibitors, at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **THREE** different varieties per class unless stated otherwise.
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per class.

HOUSEPLANTS	
Class	Class
1. Grown for Foliage (no bloom)	6. Dahlia
2. Grown for Bloom (must be in bloom)	7. Collection (3-5 different varieties; collection must have been designed & planted by exhibitor)
3. Cactus or Succulent	8. Hanging Basket (no larger 12" wide X 12" high)
4. Vine	9. Other (Not listed elsewhere) Limit 4
5. Violet (one plant per root; must be in bloom)	

DIVISION 48 - OUTDOOR POTTED PLANT

- One plant variety per pot (Exceptions: Class 1.Collection, Class 4.Creative Miniature Landscape Collection).
- Plants must have been in possession of the exhibitor for a minimum of 3 months.
- Plants grown in containers for outdoor use should be exhibited as Outdoor Potted Plants.
- Exhibit in a clean pot/container no larger than 12" wide (inside measurement) X 12" high.
- No decorative or structural accessories such as statuary, ribbons, flags, garden stakes, feathers, etc. (**Exception:** Class 4 – Creative Miniature Landscape Collection – natural/handmade/non-purchased decorative accessories only).
- A Judge's Best of Show for Divisions 47 & 48 combined, may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to Adult and Junior/Youth Exhibitors, at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **THREE** different varieties per class.
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per class.

OUTDOOR POTTED PLANTS	
Class	Class
1. Collection of 3 or more different varieties of Plants (collection must have been designed and planted by exhibitor)	4. Creative Miniature Landscape Collection (arranged to create a miniature landscape or garden; <u>natural/ handmade/ non-purchased decorative accessories may be used</u> ONLY)
2. Grown for Bloom (must be in bloom)	5. Hanging Basket- One or more varieties (see dimensions above)
3. Grown for Foliage (no bloom)	6. Other (not listed elsewhere)

DEPARTMENT 13- FIELD CROPS

DIVISION 50- VEGETABLES

BEST OF SHOW – GIANT PUMPKIN

- A Judge's Best of Show Award may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to Adult and Junior/Youth Exhibitors, at judge's discretion, whose entries are selected as the Best Giant Pumpkin.
- Judging will be based on weight.

BEST OF SHOW – GIANT WATERMELON

- A Judge's Best of Show Award may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to Adult and Junior/Youth Exhibitors, at judge's discretion, whose entries are selected as the Best Giant Watermelon.
- Judging will be based on weight.

VEGETABLE SPECIFIC RULES

- A Judge's Best of Show in Division 50 may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to Adult and Junior/Youth Exhibitors, at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **TWO** entries per class unless otherwise stated
- Entries must be of different varieties. (**Exceptions:** Class 64. Heirlooms –exhibitor may enter two different heirloom varieties per listed vegetable class; Class 65. Other – exhibitor may enter more than two entries as long as each entry is of a different non-listed vegetable – entries must be different varieties).
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per class.

VEGETABLES	
Class	Class
1. Bean, Bush Snap (exhibit of 5)	16. Onion, red (exhibit of 3)
2. Bean, Bush Wax (exhibit of 5)	17. Onion, white (exhibit of 3)
3. Bean, Pole Snap (exhibit of 5)	18. Onion, yellow (exhibit of 3)
4. Beets (exhibit of 3)	19. Pea, black-eyed/black eyed crowder (exhibit of 5 pods)
5. Cantaloupe (exhibit of 1)	20. Pea, Purple hull (exhibit of 5 pods)
6. Carrot (exhibit of 3)	21. Pea, Other (exhibit of 5 pods)
7. Cucumber, pickling (exhibit of 3)	22. Pepper, Anaheim (exhibit of 3)
8. Cucumber, other (exhibit of 3)	23. Pepper, Banana, Hot (exhibit of 3)
9. Eggplant (exhibit of 1 large or 3 small varieties)	24. Pepper, Banana, Sweet (exhibit of 3)
10. Garlic (exhibit of 3)	25. Pepper, Bell – Green (exhibit of 3)
11. Gourd, large (6" in diameter & length- exhibit of 1; no dried gourds)	26. Pepper, Bell – Yellow (exhibit of 3)
12. Gourd, Small (less than 6" in diameter & length- exhibit 3; no dried gourds)	27. Pepper, Bell – Red (exhibit of 3)
13. Leek (exhibit of 3)	28. Pepper, Bell – Orange (exhibit of 3)
14. Okra, Green (exhibit of 3)	29. Pepper, Bell – Other (exhibit of 3)
15. Okra, Other (exhibit of 3)	30. Pepper, Cayenne (exhibit of 3)

VEGETABLES - CONTINUED

Class	Class
31. Pepper, Cherry (exhibit of 3)	49. Squash, Yellow (exhibit of 3)
32. Pepper, Habanero (exhibit of 3)	50. Squash, Zucchini (exhibit of 3)
33. Pepper, Jalapeno (exhibit of 3)	51. Sweet Corn (exhibit of 3)
34. Pepper, Poblano (exhibit of 3)	52. Sweet Potato (exhibit of 3)
35. Pepper, Ornamental (exhibit of 3)	53. Tomato, Cherry (exhibit of 3)
36. Pepper, Serrano (exhibit of 3)	54. Tomato, Grape (exhibit of 3)
37. Pepper, Other (exhibit of 3)	55. Tomato, Large Type, Pink (exhibit of 3)
38. Potato, Red (exhibit of 3)	56. Tomato, Large Type, Red (exhibit of 3)
39. Potato, White (exhibit of 3)	57. Tomato, Large Type, Yellow (exhibit of 3)
40. Potato, Other (exhibit of 3)	58. Tomato, Pear (exhibit of 3)
41. Pumpkin, Field (exhibit of 1)	59. Tomato, Plum (exhibit of 3)
42. Pumpkin, Giant (exhibit of 1)	60. Tomato, Roma (exhibit of 3)
43. Squash, Acorn (exhibit of 1)	61. Turnip (exhibit of 3)
44. Squash, Butternut (exhibit of 1)	62. Watermelon, Large/Giant (exhibit of 1, 10 lbs. or more)
45. Squash, Cushaw (exhibit of 1)	63. Watermelon, Small (exhibit of 1, less than 10 lbs.)
46. Squash, Hubbard (exhibit of 1)	64. Heirloom Varieties of any listed vegetable (exhibit may enter 2 different heirloom varieties per listed vegetable class; exhibit number of specimens specified in listed vegetable class)
47. Squash, Scallop/Patty Pan (exhibit of 3)	65. Other (not listed elsewhere) Limit 4
48. Squash, Spaghetti (exhibit of 1)	

DIVISION 52- CUT HERBS

- Exhibit in a clean, clear container with a narrow neck to support stems.
- All foliage below the waterline **MUST** be removed. Herbs may be exhibited in bloom, but foliage must be present.
- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to Adult and Junior/Youth Exhibitors, at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **TWO** entries per class
- Entries must be of different varieties. (**Exception** – Class 24. Other – exhibitors may enter more than two entries as long as each entry is different, non-listed herb – entries must be different varieties).
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per class.

CUT HERBS	
Class	Class
1. Basil, Purple (exhibit of 3)	13. Mint, Spearmint (exhibit 3 stems)
2. Basil, Sweet (exhibit of 3)	14. Oregano, Greek/Common (exhibit 3 stems)
3. Bay, Sweet (exhibit of 1 stem, 3 leaves)	15. Parsley, Curly (exhibit 3 stems)
4. Chives (exhibit of 3)	16. Parsley, Italian Flat Leaf (exhibit 3 stems)
5. Chives, Garlic, NO flowers (exhibit 3 stems)	17. Rosemary, Common (exhibit 3 stems)
6. Dill (exhibit 3 stems)	18. Rosemary, Creeping (exhibit 3 stems)
7. Fennel, Common (exhibit 3 stems)	19. Sage, Garden/Common (exhibit 3 stems)
8. Fennel, Bronze (exhibit 3 stems)	20. Sage, Golden/ Common (exhibit 3 stems)
9. Lavender, English/ Common (exhibit 3 stems)	21. Sage, Purple (exhibit 3 stems)
10. Lavender, French (exhibit 3 stems)	22. Thyme, Common (exhibit 3 stems)
11. Marjoram, Sweet (exhibit 3 stems)	23. Thyme, Lemon (exhibit 3 stems)
12. Mint, Peppermint (exhibit 3 stems)	24. Other (exhibit 3 stems; not listed elsewhere)

DIVISION 53- FRUITS

- Fruits may not be treated with wax, oil, polish, etc.
- A Judge's Best of Show for Divisions 53 & 54 combined, may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to Adult and Junior/Youth Exhibitors, at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **TWO** entries per class
- Entries must be of different varieties. (**Exception:** Class 7 Other, exhibitor may enter more than two (2) entries as long as each entry is of a different non-listed fruit – entries must be different varieties).
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per class.

FRUITS	
Class	Class
1. Apple, Any Variety (exhibit of 3)	5. Pear (exhibit of 3)
2. Fig (exhibit of 3)	6. Plum (exhibit of 3)
3. Grapes (exhibit of 3)	7. Other (not listed elsewhere) (exhibit of 3)
4. Peach (exhibit of 3)	

DIVISION 54- OTHER FIELD CROPS

- A Judge's Best of Show for Divisions 53 & 54 combined, may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to Adult and Junior/Youth Exhibitors, at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **TWO** entries per class; entries must be different varieties. (**Exception:** Class 10. Other – exhibitors may enter up to 4 entries as long as each entry is of a non-listed field crop – entries must be different varieties).
- First place winners will be awarded **3** premium points per class.

OTHER FIELD CROPS	
Class	Class
1. Grain Sorghum (exhibit 3 heads)	6. Yellow Corn (exhibit 3 ears)
2. Popcorn (exhibit 3 ears)	7. Ornamental Corn (exhibit 3 ears)
3. Sunflower (exhibit 1 head)	8. Cotton (exhibit 3 balls)
4. Sweet Sorghum (exhibit 3 stalks)	9. Peanuts (exhibit 1 to 2 stalks)
5. White Corn (exhibit 3 ears)	10. Other (not listed elsewhere) limit 4

DEPARTMENT 14 – FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS

DIVISION 55 – FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS

- No purchased, artificial or dried flowers or foliage.
- No wax, paint, oil, polish, etc.
- Arrangement may not exceed 36" in height.
- No decorative accessories such as statuary, ribbons, flags, garden stakes, feathers, etc.
- A decorative container may be used for arrangements.
 - In general, clear containers are the LEAST desirable for arrangements; however, clear vases may be used with submerged decorative elements, which become part of the vase
 - decorative elements are limited to rocks, glass beads or shells.
- Vases may not include submerged vegetable/fruit/plant material.
- Vases may not be made from or include fresh vegetable/fruit/plant material (i.e. pineapple or coconut).
- All foliage below the waterline MUST be removed.
- A Judge's Best of Show may be awarded a \$10.00 prize by the Baxter County Fair Association to Adult and Junior/Youth Exhibitors, at judge's discretion.
- Exhibitors may enter up to **ONE** entry per class.
- First place winners will be awarded **4** premium points per class.

FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS	
Class	Class
1. Mass Arrangement (arrangement featuring closed shape)	11. Holiday Arrangement (featuring any holiday)
2. Line Arrangement (arrangement featuring lines)	12. Arrangement combining Wild Plant Material & Garden Flowers or Foliage (no dried plant material)
3. Line-Mass Arrangement (combination of line & mass styles)	13. Arrangement in Novelty Container (i.e. shoe, seashell)
4. Foliage Arrangements (3 or more kinds of foliage; no blooms)	14. Arrangement Featuring Flowering Shrub (or fresh berries)
5. Arrangement Featuring Roses	15. Creative Arrangement (exhibitor must provide descriptive name, theme or title for arrangement; Division 55 size limitations apply)
6. Arrangement in Coffee Mug	16. Miniature Arrangement (not to exceed 5" in height, width, or depth)
7. Arrangement Combining Fruits and/or Vegetables with Flowers and/or Foliage	17. Miniature Cup & Saucer Arrangement (not to exceed 5" in height, width or depth)
8. Arrangement Featuring Zinnias	18. "Lonesome" (one flower & leaves from a different plant)
9. Herb Arrangement (3 or more herbs, some blooming)	19. Other (not listed elsewhere)
10. Autumn Arrangement (featuring Fall colors)	

LIVESTOCK

All entries will be made online and all entry fees will be paid online. All entry fees must be paid by September 8th. Visit baxter.fairwire.com to register.

On-Line entries OPEN August 1st and CLOSE on September 8th at baxter.fairwire.com.

GENERAL LIVESTOCK RULES

1. All animals are required to be in good health and will be inspected by a veterinarian upon arrival.
2. Animals must be removed from the fairgrounds if requested.
3. Health papers must be presented to barn superintendents before animals are unloaded.
4. Livestock must be in place by Wednesday at Noon.
5. Livestock may be checked out immediately after the Parade of Champions on Saturday.
6. Failure to comply with check out times will result in forfeiture of cash premiums.
7. In the case of no competition in any class, or where there are fewer exhibits shown in any class than the number of premiums offered, the judges may at their discretion award a prize or prizes of such grade as the exhibit deserves.
8. All owners of livestock, or others in charge, shall care for, guard, protect and preserve the same. The Baxter County Fair Association does not undertake to do so and it shall not be held responsible for any loss or damage to said property to the owners thereof.
9. Exhibitors must validate the animal by the State Fair validation date for the current year.
 - a. All market animals must be validated by FFA instructor or the Baxter County Extension Office agent **prior to August 1st**. This applies to all market animals with the exception of meat rabbit division (see meat rabbit rules).
 - b. This does NOT apply to breeding animals, including wether dam sheep and goats.
 - c. Market animals that are not validated are not eligible to enter those market classes.
 - d. For more information, please contact your FFA instructor, your 4-H leader, or the Baxter County Extension Office agent (870-425-2335).
10. **Livestock stall/tack spaces will be assigned by Baxter County Fair Board.** Do not pre-mark spaces.
11. All animals are restricted to the livestock barn area.
12. Tie-out time will be 9:00 pm to 8:00 am at the designated tie-out area on the east side of the livestock barn. **Livestock that leave the Baxter County Fairgrounds are subject to disqualification.**
13. Exhibitors will supply their own bedding for the livestock.
14. All livestock, including poultry and rabbits, must be owned and raised by the exhibitor who is a resident of Baxter County or an active member of a Baxter County 4-H or FFA chapter and have proof of ownership and/or lease agreement form for the current show season year.
15. Junior Livestock Sponsorship Awards Presentation checks will be available on or after an awards program to be held at a later date. Livestock checks will NOT be available for pickup at the fair office. Check with your 4-H or FFA advisor for pickup.
16. **Livestock Entry Fees** - Entry fee per animal will be as follows:
 - a. Cattle - \$10.00
 - b. Goats, Sheep, Lambs, & Hogs - \$7.00
 - c. For Meat Rabbits see Meat Rabbit rules below.
 - d. **NOTE:** Animals shown in multiple classes must pay entry fees for each class.

17. Fitting & Grooming: No hair coloring of any type will be allowed to be used on any exhibit above the flank of the animal. Added hair or other material natural or man-made (excluding false switches, paints or glues) may not be used in the grooming of any exhibit. Painting of switches, tail heads, and top knots are permissible. Any attempt to change the composition or appearance of any animal in an unnatural manner will result in disqualification.
18. The act of artificially filling animals internally, which would include stomach pumping or any other method per os (by esophagus) is prohibited. Silicone injection or other injections (air) for cosmetic purposes is prohibited. Disqualification will result from these acts for this fair and possibly future fairs. Drenching of animals using appropriate methods is allowed in designated areas including wash racks, tie-outs, and in grooming chutes/stands.
19. **PENALTIES FOR INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS AND EXPOSITIONS (IAFE) CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS VIOLATIONS.** Any exhibitors and all other parties found in violation of IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics will be prohibited from participating in the Baxter County Fair for that year, and possibly future years.
20. **All livestock exhibitors must complete and submit an Exhibitor Affidavit/IAFE form to the Fair Manager, Cindy Johnson. This must be on file PRIOR to placing your exhibits (or by 4:00 pm on Wednesday of the fair).**
21. Only 1 animal per exhibitor may be sold at the Livestock Sponsorship Awards Presentation. (If an exhibitor shows more than one species of animal during the fair, he/she must pick only ONE of those animals for the Livestock Sponsorship Awards Presentation.)
22. Any challenge or grievance by an exhibitor must be presented to the Livestock Superintendent one hour prior to the start of show for that class. A \$100.00 fee will be assessed. If the complaint is verified, the \$100.00 fee will be refunded.
23. During the fair, any medicine or vaccine must be approved and administered by the Livestock Superintendent or a Veterinarian.
24. **Exhibitors ONLY are allowed in the showing arena when showing any market class.**
25. **Exhibitors ONLY are allowed in the showing arena for showmanship. An exception will be made for peewee exhibitors where an assistant may accompany the child.**
26. Baxter County Fairboard will abide by all ADA regulations.
27. Any items or concerns not listed in this section will be considered by the Livestock committee and their decision will be final.

IAFE

(INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FAIRS AND EXPOSITIONS)

CODE OF SHOW RING ETHICS

Exhibitors of animals at livestock shows shall at all times deport themselves with honesty and good sportsmanship. Their conduct in this competitive environment shall always reflect the highest standards of honor and dignity to promote the advancement of agricultural education. This code applies to junior as well as open class exhibitors who compete in structured classes of competition. This code applies to all livestock offered in any event at a livestock show. In addition to the "IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics," fairs and livestock shows may have rules and regulations which they impose on the local, county, state, provincial and national levels.

All youth leaders working with junior exhibitors are under an affirmative responsibility to do more than avoid improper conduct or questionable acts. Their moral values must be so certain and positive that those younger and more pliable will be influenced by their fine example. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers and absolutely responsible persons who violate the code of ethics will forfeit premiums, awards and auction proceeds and shall be prohibited from future exhibition in accordance with the rules adopted by the respective fairs and livestock shows. Exhibitors who violate this code of ethics demean the integrity of all livestock exhibitors and should be prohibited from competition at all livestock shows in the United States and Canada.

The following is a list of guidelines for all exhibitors and all livestock in competitive events:

1. All exhibitors must present, upon request of fair and livestock show officials, proof of ownership, length of ownership, and age of all animals entered. Misrepresentation of ownership, age, or any facts relating thereto is prohibited.
2. Owners, exhibitors, fitters, trainers, or absolutely responsible persons shall provide animal health certificates from licensed veterinarians upon request by fair or livestock show officials.
3. Junior exhibitors are expected to care for and groom their animals while at fairs or livestock shows.
4. Animals shall be presented to show events where they will enter the food chain free of violative drug residues. The act of entering an animal in a livestock show is the giving of, consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer and/or absolutely responsible person for show management to obtain any specimens of urine, saliva, blood, or other substances from the animal to be used in testing. Animals not entered in an event which culminates with the animal entering the food chain shall not be administered drugs other than in accordance with applicable federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules. Livestock shall not be exhibited if the drugs administered in accordance with federal, state and provincial statutes, regulations and rules affect the animal's performance or appearance at the event. If the laboratory report on the analysis of saliva, urine, blood, or other sample taken from livestock indicates the presence of forbidden drugs or medication, this shall be prima facie evidence such substance has been administered to the animal either internally or externally. It is presumed that the sample of urine, saliva, blood, or other substance tested by the laboratory, to which it is sent, is the one taken from the animal in question, its integrity is preserved and all procedures of said collection and preservation, transfer to the laboratory and analysis of the sample are correct and accurate and the report received from the laboratory pertains to the sample taken from the animal in question and correctly reflects the condition of the animal at the time the sample was taken, with the

burden on the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to prove otherwise. At any time after an animal arrives on the fair or livestock show premises, all treatments involving the use of drugs and/or medications for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal shall be administered by a licensed veterinarian.

5. Any surgical procedure or injection of any foreign substance or drug or the external application of any substance (irritant, counterirritant, or similar substance) which could affect the animal's performance or alter its natural contour, confirmation, or appearance, except external applications of substances to the hoofs or horns of animals which affect appearance only and except for surgical procedures performed by a duly licensed veterinarian for the sole purpose of protecting the health of the animal, is prohibited.
6. The use of showing and/or handling practices or devices such as striking animals to cause swelling, using electrical contrivance, or other similar practices are not acceptable and are prohibited.
7. Direct criticism or interference with the judge, fair or livestock show management, other exhibitors, breed representatives, or show officials before, during, or after the competitive event is prohibited. In the furtherance of their official duty, all judges, fair and livestock show management, or other show officials shall be treated with courtesy, cooperation and respect and no person shall direct abusive or threatening conduct toward them.
8. No owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person shall conspire with another person or persons to intentionally violate this code of ethics or knowingly contribute or cooperate with another person or persons either by affirmative action or inaction to violate this code of ethics. Violation of this rule shall subject such individual to disciplinary action.
9. The application of this code of ethics provides for absolute responsibility for an animal's condition by an owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or participant whether or not he or she was actually instrumental in or had actual knowledge of the treatment of the animal in contravention of this code of ethics.
10. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person to have disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show for violation of this Code of Show Ring Ethics and any other rules of competition of the fair or livestock show without recourse against the fair or livestock show. The act of entering an animal is the giving of consent that any proceedings or disciplinary action taken by the fair or livestock show may be published with the name of the violator or violators in any publication of the International Association of Fairs and Expositions, including Fairs and Expos and any special notices to members.
11. The act of entering of an animal in a fair or livestock show is the giving of verification by the owner, exhibitor, fitter, trainer, or absolutely responsible person that he or she has read the IAFE Code of Show Ring Ethics and understands the consequences of and penalties provided for actions prohibited by the code. It is further a consent that any action which contravenes these rules and is also in violation of federal, state, or provincial statutes, regulations, or rules may be released to appropriate law enforcement authorities with jurisdiction over such infractions.

LIVESTOCK SHOW

Exhibitors:

When arriving with livestock enter through the South Gate by rodeo arena & exit through East Gate on to Arena Drive.

Exhibitor Divisions:

- Junior: 5 years thru 18 years or active member of Baxter County 4-H or FFA Chapters.
- Senior: all other exhibitors.

SHOWMANSHIP:

All entries for a showmanship class must enter online through ShoWorks prior to closing of on-line entries. Showmanship classes in livestock will include:

- Pee-wee (up to age 8)
- Junior (ages 8 thru 13)
- Senior (ages 14 thru 19).

Age determination will be the exhibitor's age as of the opening day of the fair. All animals must comply with health requirements outlined in individual livestock divisions below.

For cattle, goats, sheep and swine showmanship, exhibitors must own the animal that is shown. An exception will be made for peewee exhibitors.

Awards:

Showmanship awards in livestock will be presented to pee-wee, junior and senior exhibitors. Awards will also be presented to poultry Best Of Show and rabbit Best Of Show junior and Senior exhibitors.

A herdsman award and runner-up award will be presented to two junior exhibitors in the livestock division.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS FOR LIVESTOCK

All animals entering the grounds must meet the requirements of their particular species. Arkansas livestock (except for Arkansas sheep, goats, horses, steers and rabbits) must be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection issued within 90 days prior to exhibition, showing the following:

Cattle Health Requirements:

1. If Arkansas is a class free state, Arkansas cattle are exempt from brucellosis testing. If Arkansas is not a Class Free State, then the following testing requirements must be met: Negative brucellosis test within ninety (90) days prior to exhibition, for females and bulls eighteen (18) months of age and over. All heifers that have calved or are bred must be tested. Animals originating from a Certified Brucellosis Free Herd are exempt if the Certified Free Herd number is shown on the certificate.
2. All heifers that are 4-12 months of age shall be vaccinated before entering the show.
3. Heifers that were born on or after January 1, 1986, that are over 12 months of age and are not officially calf hood vaccinated will not be allowed to show (unless they are from a Brucellosis Certified Free Herd.) This will not apply if Arkansas continues as a Brucellosis Free State.
4. Cattle with excessive warts will not be allowed on fairgrounds.

Sheep and Goat Health Requirements:

1. Fair personnel, veterinarians, or state-federal personnel may examine sheep and goats on grounds.
2. No sheep or goats showing symptoms of disease, particularly foot rot, sore mouth, sheep pox, evidence of fungal infection, evidence of abscesses or with draining abscesses will be allowed to show and may be released by fair officials, veterinarians, or state-federal personnel.
3. Goats showing evidence of any other disease may be removed from fairgrounds.

Swine Health Requirements:

1. As of July 1, 2003, all swine must have an official premise identification.
2. Animals 6 months old or older to be tested negative for brucellosis within 90 days of exhibition or originate out of a Validated Herd, with Validation number and date of last herd test shown on certificate (barrows exempt from brucellosis testing, but must be pseudorabies tested.)
3. Animals to be tested negative for pseudorabies within 90 days of the exhibition on a test approved by the State Veterinarian or originate directly out of a Qualified Pseudorabies Free Herd, with Qualified Herd number and date of last test shown on certificate.
4. Free of other contagious, infectious, and communicable diseases (erysipelas, atrophic rhinitis, etc.); otherwise they will not be allowed to show and will be removed from fairgrounds.

Poultry Requirements:

1. All in-state poultry, which includes domesticated game birds, quail, pheasants, peafowl, guineas, and turkeys, present at exhibitions in Arkansas shall have originated from the U.S. Pullorum-Typhoid Clean or equivalent flocks or have had a negative pullorum-typhoid test within ninety (90) days of the movement to the exhibition (pullorum-typhoid testing on fairgrounds during the fair is prohibited.) This information will be documented on a NPIP Form VS 9-3, 90 Day Certificate, NPIP Flock Certification Form or similar certificate which will accompany the poultry during exhibition.

2. All non-certified birds must be banded (leg or wing band), with a sealed band. Wrap- around plastic bands are not acceptable. In state waterfowl are exempt from pullorum- typhoid requirements.

NOTE: All backyard chickens and turkeys must be blood tested. Testing will take place Wednesday of the fair from 8 am to Noon at the lot next door to the Fairground Office, 1507 Fairgrounds Drive, prior to entry.

3. Any poultry showing evidence of infectious or contagious disease or insect infestation will not be permitted to exhibit.

Sheep Health Requirements:

1. Sheep will be inspected on grounds.
2. No sheep showing symptoms of disease, particularly foot rot, sore mouth, and sheep pox will be allowed to show.

Horse Health Requirements:

1. All horses must be healthy and serviceably sound.
2. A negative Coggins test conducted within 12 months is required for all animals.

IDENTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR SHEEP AND GOATS

All sheep and **all market goats** must have a Scrapie Identification Tag upon arrival on the fairgrounds. All registered goats entered in breed shows must possess a legible tattoo that is recorded on registration certificate and do not require a Scrapie ID Tag. Any registered animal participating in the Market Goat Show must also wear a Scrapie ID tag.

If you need a Scrapie ID call 1-866-USDA-Tag for free tags and tagger.

Any sheep or goat showing clinical symptoms of scrapie shall be immediately quarantined in isolation and required to undergo any approved diagnostic tests and shall be consigned to slaughter or destruction with submission of tissues to an approved diagnostic laboratory at the exhibitor's expense. Commingling (as defined by the Arkansas Scrapie Regulation) of sheep or goats of different flock status as defined by the Voluntary Flock Certification Program (VFCP) is prohibited and must be reported to the VFCP state official and State Veterinarian.

DEPARTMENT 18: SWINE

Superintendent: Alex Jennings

DIVISION 56 – BREEDING SWINE

- Classes 1, 2, & 3 are open to ALL recognized breeds. Class 4 is open to All recognized breeds and crossbreds.
- See General Livestock Rules. See Swine Health Requirements.
- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

BREEDING SWINE			
Class	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1. Junior Spring Gilts, farrowed on or after 3/15 & before 6/1 of current year	18	12	8
2. Senior Spring Gilts, farrowed on or after 2/1 & before 3/15 of current year	18	12	8
3. Senior Gilts, farrowed on or after 8/1 of previous year & before 2/1 of current year	18	12	8
4. Commercial Gilts	18	12	8
Grand Champion Commercial Gilt	Award		
Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Gilt	Award		

* Gilts shown in classes 1, 2 & 4 are eligible to show in the market show.

DIVISION 57 – MARKET HOGS & SWINE SHOWMANSHIP

Junior Division Only

- Minimum weight will be 140 lbs.
- Only one market hog per exhibitor will be sold.
- Classes will be determined after weigh-in.
- Animals failing to make weight will instead be shown in a feeder class and therefore will not be eligible for Grand or Reserve Overall.
- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

MARKET HOGS & SWINE SHOWMANSHIP - Junior Division Only		
Class	Choice No. 1 & 2	Choice No. 3
1. Market Hogs	25	20
Reserve Champion	Award	
Champion	Award	
OVERALL CHAMPIONS		
Reserve Grand Champion of Show	Award	
Grand Champion of Show	Award	
SHOWMANSHIP AWARDS		
Pee Wee Showmanship	Award	
Junior Showmanship	Award	
Senior Showmanship	Award	

DEPARTMENT 19: POULTRY,RABBITS, & CAVY

Superintendent: Charles Grinder

General Rules:

- Poultry and rabbits must be owned and raised by the exhibitor. Exhibitors must be a resident of Baxter County or an active member of Baxter County 4-H or FFA chapter.
- All animals must comply with health requirements. All animals are required to be in good health, subject to veterinarian inspection, and must be removed from the fairgrounds if requested. Health papers must be presented to critter barn superintendents before animals are unloaded.
- Rabbits must arrive on Wednesday, the week of the fair from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm
- Poultry must arrive on Wednesday, the week of the fair from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. Poultry and Rabbit exhibits must be checked out between 8:00 am and 2:00 pm Sunday, the week of the fair. Failure to comply with check out times will result in forfeiture of cash premiums.
NOTE: All backyard chickens and turkeys must be blood tested. Testing will take place Wednesday of the fair from 8 am to 2 pm at the lot next door to the Fairgrounds Office, 1507 Fairground Drive, prior to entry.
- In the case of no competition in any class or where there are fewer exhibits shown in any class than the number of premiums offered, the judges may at their discretion award a prize or prizes of such grade as the exhibit deserves.
- Only 4-H/FFA Pens of 4 Pullets are allowed in the Egg Production Contest. Starting at 7:00 am Thursday and ending at 12 Noon on Saturday.
- 4-H Hen Sale will not be as in the past but rather will be a silent auction that lasts all week. Saturday at noon will be the deadline to place bids. All chickens must be picked up on Sunday!

DIVISION 58: POULTRY

- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit. See health requirements.
- Ribbons will only be awarded to birds that deserve a ribbon based on breed characteristics, appearance and health at the judge's discretion.
- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

POULTRY			
Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Pen of 1 Hen	5	3	2
2. Pen of 1 Rooster	5	3	2
3. 4-H Pen of 4 Pullets	5	3	2
4. Other (Pen of 1)	5	3	2
Best of Show Poultry	Award		

DIVISION 59 – EGGS

- Eggs are entered at the Critter Barn during poultry registration. Eggs will be displayed in the Critter Barn. Egg judging takes place at the same time as poultry judging. Eggs must be exhibited in 1/2 of an egg crate with the point of the egg down. Exhibitors may enter one entry per class.
(**Exception:** Class 5. Other: Exhibitors may enter more than one entry as long as each entry is of a different non-listed egg.)
- Only domesticated bird eggs are allowed to be exhibited (no pigeon eggs).
- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

EGGS			
Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. White Eggs (exhibit 6 eggs)	2	Ribbon	Ribbon
2. Brown Eggs (exhibit 6 eggs)	2	Ribbon	Ribbon
3. Blue/Green Eggs (exhibit 6 eggs)	2	Ribbon	Ribbon
4. Bantam Eggs (exhibit 6 eggs)	2	Ribbon	Ribbon
5. Other Eggs (not listed elsewhere)	2	Ribbon	Ribbon
6. Goose or Duck (exhibit 3 eggs)	2	Ribbon	Ribbon
Best of Show	Award		

DIVISION 60- TURKEYS

- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit. See health requirements. Marketing condition and quality will be given a major emphasis in judging turkey class.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

TURKEYS			
Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Pen of 1 Hen 4-H	5	3	2
2. Pen of 1 Tom 4-H	5	3	2
Best of Show 4-H Hen	Award		
Best of Show 4-H Tom	Award		
3. Open Hen	5	3	2
4. Open Tom	5	3	2
Best of Show Open Hen	Award		
Best of Show Open Tom	Award		

DIVISION 61: WATERFOWL

- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

WATERFOWL			
Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Pen of 1 Duck, any breed	5	3	2
2. Pen of 1 Drake, any breed	5	3	2
3. Pen of 1 Goose, any breed	5	3	2
4. Pen of 1 Gander, any breed	5	3	2
5. Pen of 1 Duck Pair, any breed (young)	5	3	2
6. Pen of 1 Geese Pair, any breed (young)	5	3	2
Best of Show	Award		

DIVISION 62 – MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY

(Guineas, Peacocks, Quail, etc.)

- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY			
Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Male	5	3	2
2. Female	5	3	2
3. Pair	5	3	2

DIVISION 63 – PIGEON

- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

PIGEON			
Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Pen of 1	5	3	2
Best of Show, Senior	Award		
Best of Show, Junior	Award		

RABBITS

General Rules for Rabbits:

- It is the responsibility of the exhibitory to provide proper care for each rabbit.
- No injured or diseased rabbit will be permitted to enter.
- Exhibitors must bring your own feed & water bottles. You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Rabbits are to have access to water at all times. NON- SPILLABLE water containers or bottles must be able to hold at least 16 ounces.
- Food dishes must be secured to the cage wall as well.
- There will be separate classes for purebred and mixed breed rabbits.
- There will be a rabbit showmanship for youth Thursday at 3:00 pm in the Critter Barn. An award will be given to the winner.

DIVISION 64 - RABBITS

OPEN DIVISION

- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

RABBITS - OPEN DIVISION	
Class	1st Place
1. Junior Doe (under 6 months)	5
2. Senior Doe (over 6 months)	5
3. Junior Buck (under 6 months)	5
4. Senior Buck (over 6 months)	5
Grand Champion Rabbit	Award

MEAT RABBIT SHOW

Superintendent: Hannah Walker

(Breed Date for 2026 is June 7 thru June 9)

All entries will be made online and all entry fees will be paid online. All entry fees must be paid by September 8th. Visit baxter.fairwire.com to register.

**On-Line entries OPEN August 3rd and CLOSE on September 8th at baxter.fairwire.com.
NO day-of-show entries will be accepted - not exceptions.**

Entry Fees - \$10 per meat pen, \$5 per single fryer and \$5 per roaster

- Rabbits are released at the conclusion of the show.
- Breeds recognized
 - New Zealand
 - Californian
 - All other breeds
- Each class may be shown if there are 3 or more entries per breed.

Entries Requirements

- Rabbits in each entry must be of the same breed and variety, but do not have to come from the same litter.
- There is no limit to the number of entries an exhibitor can make.
- Rabbits used in the meat pen are not allowed to show in the single fryer class.

Exhibitor Eligibility

- Any active, dues paying member of Baxter County 4-H or a Baxter County FFA program is eligible to show. Exhibitor age will not be a factor but only the exhibitors and the judge are allowed to handle the rabbits once the show begins until the placings are made.

Ownership

- Exhibitors must own and care for the animals starting 4 weeks prior to the show.

Identification

- Rabbits must have a permanent tattoo in the left ear. Each meat pen rabbit must have a different tattoo.

Diseases

- Any rabbit showing symptoms of any contagious disease will be removed from the show and will not be judged. Those entries will be forfeited.

Check-in process

- Rabbits may begin weighing in 30 minutes prior to the show. Scales will be provided. All rabbits will be weighed in the presence of a judge or a show official. Rabbits may be re-weighed by the judge during the show.

DIVISION 65: RABBIT MEAT PEN DIVISION

Thursday, September 17th at 4pm (Weigh-in at 3:45pm)

Livestock Show Arena

- A Meat pen will consist of three (3) rabbits of Commercial type
- Animals must not be over 10 weeks of age.
- Each animal must weigh between 3.5 to 5.5 pounds.
- Rabbits entered as part of a Meat Pen will NOT be shown in any other class.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

RABBIT MEAT PEN DIVISION			
Class	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1. New Zealand	15	12	10
2. Californian	15	12	10
3. All Other Breeds not listed	15	12	10
Grand Champion	Award		
Reserve Grand Champion	Award		

DIVISION 66: RABBIT SINGLE FRYER & ROASTER

SINGLE FRYER RABBIT RULES

- Rabbit will be of Commercial type.
- Animals must not be over 10 weeks of age.
- Each animal must weigh between 3.5 to 5.5 pounds.
- Rabbits entered as part of a Single Fryer will NOT be shown in any other class.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

RABBIT SINGLE FRYER			
Class	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1. New Zealand	10	8	6
2. Californian	10	8	6
3. All Other Breeds not listed	10	8	6
Grand Champion	Award		
Reserve Grand Champion	Award		

ROASTER RABBIT RULES

- Rabbit will be of Commercial type.
- Animals must not be over 6 months of age.
- Animals must weigh 5.5 to 9 pounds each.
- Rabbits entered as Single Roaster will NOT be shown in any other class.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

RABBIT SINGLE ROASTER			
Class	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
4. New Zealand	10	8	6
5. Californian	10	8	6
6. All Other Breeds not listed	10	8	6
Grand Champion	Award		
Reserve Grand Champion	Award		

DIVISION 66A - CAVY (GUINEA PIG) SHOW

Thursday, September 17th following the Meat Rabbit Show

Superintendent: Adriane Watts

All entries will be made online and all entry fees will be paid online. All entry fees must be paid by September 8th. Visit baxter.fairwire.com to register.

On-Line entries OPEN August 3rd and CLOSE on September 8th at baxter.fairwire.com. NO day-of-show entries will be accepted - not exceptions.

Entry Fees - \$4.00 per Cavy (Guinea Pig) | Free for Showmanship

- Entries must be made on-line at baxter.fairwire.com and paid by September 8th.
- Fees are NON-refundable.
- Cavies are released at the conclusion of the show.
- Breeds recognized
 - Abyssinian, American, Coronet, Peruvian, Silkie, Teddy, Texel, White Crested, etc.
- Each class may be shown if there are 3 or more entries per breed.

Entry Limit

- Divisions will be divided according to the number of entries.
- There is no limit to the number of entries an exhibitor can make.

Exhibitor Eligibility

- Any active, dues paying member of Baxter County 4-H or a Baxter County FFA program is eligible to show. Exhibitor age will not be a factor but only the exhibitors and the judge are allowed to handle the cavies once the show begins until the placings are made.

Check-in process

- Please arrive between 8:00am and 9:00am on the day of the show.

Competition Rules

- Definition and judging procedures as prescribed in the latest edition of the Fair Book & the Standard of the American Rabbit Breeders Association, Inc.
- Competitors must have owned and cared for their Cavy (Guinea Pig) at least 30-days PRIOR to the Competitive Exhibits Entry Deadline.
- A Judge or Fair Management may remove a Cavy (Guinea Pig) from competition if it appears to be fatigued or out of condition.

Showmanship Rules

- Cavies used for Showmanship must be entered in at least one other class (Classes 1–6).
- Divisions - as defined below

Liability

- The Baxter County Fair in the Arkansas county of Baxter, and/or its contractors will not be responsible for loss or damage OR illness or death of a pet which may occur from any cause.

GUINEA PIGS (CAVIES)			
Class	1st	2 nd	3 rd
1. Senior Boar over 32 ounces	10	8	6
2. Senior Sow over 32 ounces	10	8	6
3. Intermediate Boar over 22oz up to 32oz, up to 6mo age	10	8	6
4. Intermediate Sow over 22oz up to 32oz, up to 6mo age	10	8	6
5. Junior Boar over 12oz up to 22oz, up to 4mo age	10	8	6
6. Junior Sow over 12oz up to 22oz, up to 4mo age	10	8	6
Showmanship			
7. PeeWee Showmanship Ages 5 - 8	Award		
8. Junior Showmanship Ages 9 -12	Award		
9. Senior Showmanship Ages 13 - 18	Award		

DEPARTMENT 21: GOAT

Dairy Goat Superintendent: Adriane Watts

Meat Goat Superintendent: Carson White

General Rules for Goats:

- See General Livestock Rules, Health Requirements for Livestock, Identification Requirements for Sheep and Goats.
- Goats must be owned and raised by the exhibitor. Exhibitors must be a resident of Baxter County, or an active member of Baxter County 4-H or FFA chapter.
- Breeds will be shown as follows: Alpine, Nigerian Dwarf, Nubian, all other purebred, grade, Boer and market goats (Purebred and grade animals will be shown separately).
- Animals will be placed in class according to age on show date.
- Bucks ages 1 year or older must be washed daily.
- Exhibitors will be limited to 6 entries and/or a total of 12 entries per family.

DIVISION 67 - BREEDING GOATS

- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

BREEDING GOATS			
Class	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1. Does under 4 months	18	12	8
2. Does 4 month & under 8 months	18	12	8
3. Does 8 months & under 12 months	18	12	8
4. Does 12 months & under 24 months (not in milk)	18	12	8
Junior Champion Doe	Award		
Reserve Junior Champion Doe	Award		
5. Does under 2 years (has freshened)	18	12	8
6. Does 2 years & under 3 years	18	12	8
7. Does 3 years & under 5 years	18	12	8
8. Does 5 years & older	18	12	8
Senior Champion Doe	Award		
Reserve Senior Champion Doe	Award		
Grand Champion Dairy Doe	Award		
Reserve Grand Champion Dairy Doe	Award		
Grand Champion Meat Doe	Award		
Reserve Grand Champion Meat Doe	Award		
9. Fullblood/Purebred Bucks under 6 months	18	12	8
10. Fullblood/Purebred Bucks 6 months to under 12 months	18	12	8
11. Fullblood/Purebred Bucks over 12 months	18	12	8
Grand Champion Buck	Award		
Reserve Grand Champion Buck	Award		

DIVISION 68 - JUNIOR MARKET GOATS

- Both does and wethers will be allowed to show.
- Does shown in other classes may not be shown in market class (exception: wether dams can be shown in both market and wether dam classes).
- Any breed of goat or cross may be shown.
- Minimum weight will be 40 lbs.
- All goats must have baby teeth.
- Must be shorn 3/8 inch or less above the knee and hock.
- Only one market goat per exhibitor will be sold.
- Judged on Danish System.
- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

JUNIOR MARKET GOATS			
Class	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1. Market goats	25	20	18
Grand Champion Market Goat	Award		
Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat	Award		
Pee Wee Meat Goat Showmanship	Award		
Junior Meat Goat Showmanship	Award		
Senior Meat Goat Showmanship	Award		
Pee Wee Dairy Goat Showmanship	Award		
Junior Dairy Goat Showmanship	Award		
Senior Dairy Goat Showmanship	Award		

DIVISION 69 - WETHER DAM GOATS

- Any breed or cross breed may be shown and NO registration papers are needed.
- Doe kids must have baby teeth. Yearling Does may have 2 or 4 permanent teeth.
- Horns are allowed but may be tipped for safety.
- Classes will be determined based on the weight of the goat.
- Goats must have a scrapie ear tag from the herd of origin and must be on the entry form.
- Bracing is allowed; however, goat's feet must remain on the ground during judging.
- Does shown in the wether dam class may also show in the market show.
- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

WETHER DAM GOATS			
Class	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1. Wether Dams Slick	25	20	18
Wether Dams Slick Champion	Award		
2. Wether Dams Hair	25	20	18
Wether Dam Hair Champion	Award		
Overall Wether Dam Grand Champion	Award		
Overall Wether Dam Reserve Grand Champion	Award		
3. Wether Dam Yearlings	25	20	18
Wether Dam Yearling Grand Champion	Award		
Wether,Dam,Yearling,Reserve,Grand Champion	Award		

DEPARTMENT 22: SHEEP

Superintendent: Jacquie Albright

Sheep Rules:

- Sheep must be owned and raised by the exhibitor. Exhibitors must be a resident of Baxter County, or an active member of Baxter County 4-H or FFA chapter.
- See General Livestock Rules, Health Requirements for Livestock, Identification Requirements for Sheep and Goats.
- This show is open to all recognized breeds; each breed will be shown separately.
- All animals must be clean, slick shorn, or neatly trimmed at time of show.
- Individuals in lamb classes must have lamb teeth and be born after May 1st of previous year. Yearlings may have four teeth.
- Animals shown in group classes must be entered in individual class competition.
- Minimum weight will be 60 lbs.
- Only one sheep per exhibitor will be sold.
- Animals failing to make weight will instead be shown in a prospect class and therefore will not be eligible for Grand or Reserve Overall.
- Awards to Best Ram in Show, Best Ewe and Grand Champion Market Lamb in Show will be presented to Jr. Exhibitors only.
- Market lambs judged on Danish System.

DIVISION 70: BREEDING SHEEP

- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

BREEDING SHEEP			
Class	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1. Yearling Ram	18	12	8
2. Senior Ram Lamb (9-12 months of age)	18	12	8
3. Junior Ram Lamb (Less than 9 months of age)	18	12	8
4. Pair of Ram Lambs (Classes 2 or 3)	18	12	8
Grand Champion Ram	Award		
Reserve Grand Champion Ram	Award		
Best Ram in Show	Award		
5. Yearling Ewe	18	12	8
6. Pair of Yearling Ewes	18	12	8
7. Senior Ewe Lamb (9-12 months of age)	18	12	8
8. Junior Ewe Lamb (Less Than 9 months of age)	18	12	8
9. Pair of Ewe Lambs (Classes 7 or 8)	18	12	8
Grand Champion Ewe	Award		
Reserve Grand Champion Ewe	Award		
Best Ewe in Show	Award		
10. Best Pair (Ram & Ewe of same age class)	18	12	8
11. Exhibitor's Flock (1 Ram, under 2 years, 2 Yearling Ewes; & 2 Ewe Lambs)	18	12	8
12. Pen of Four Lambs (Both sexes represented from entries in classes 2, 3, 7, or 8)	18	12	8
Pee Wee Showmanship	Award		
Junior Showmanship	Award		
Senior Showmanship	Award		

DIVISION 71 - MARKET LAMBS

- Classes will be determined after weigh-in.
- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

MARKET LAMBS			
Class	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1. Market Lambs	25	20	18
Grand Champion Market Lamb	Award		
Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb	Award		
Pee Wee Showmanship	Award		
Junior Showmanship	Award		
Senior Showmanship	Award		

DIVISION 72 - WETHER DAM LAMBS

- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

WETHER DAM LAMBS			
Class	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1. Wether Dams	25	20	18
Wether Dam Grand Champion	Award		
Wether Dam Reserve Grand Champion	Award		
2. Wether Dam Yearlings	25	20	18
Wether Dam Yearling Grand Champion	Award		
Wether Dam Yearling Reserve Grand Champion	Award		

DEPARTMENT 24: DAIRY CATTLE

Superintendent: Matthew Pendergrass

DIVISION 73: BREEDING FEMALES, MALES, AND DAIRY

- Classes 13, 14, 15, & 16 – No animal may be entered into more than one of these classes.
- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

DAIRY CATTLE - BREEDING FEMALES, MALES, AND DAIRY SHOWMANSHIP			
Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Bull Calf, born after 9/1 of previous year & at least 4 months old	45	35	25
Grand Champion Bull	Award		
Grand Reserve Champion Bull	Award		
2. Junior Heifer Calf, born 3/1 of current year or later & at least 4 months old	45	35	25
3. Intermediate Heifer Calf, born 12/1 to 2/28 of previous year	45	35	25
4. Senior heifer calf, born 9/1 to 11/30 of previous year	45	35	25
5. Junior yearling heifer, born 3/1 to 8/31 of previous year	45	35	25
6. Intermediate Senior yearling, born 12/1 two years prior to 2/28 of previous year	45	35	25
7. Senior yearling heifer, born 9/1 three years prior to 11/30 two years prior	45	35	25
Junior Champion Female	Award		
Reserve Junior Champion Female	Award		
8. Junior two-year old, born 3/1 to 8/31 two years prior	45	35	25
9. Senior two-year old, born 9/1 three years prior to 2/28 two years prior	45	35	25
10. Three year old cow, born 9/1 four years prior to 8/31 three years prior	45	35	25
11. Four year old cow, born 9/1 five years prior to 2/28 four years prior	45	35	25
12. Aged cow, 5 years old & over, born before 9/1 five years prior	45	35	25
Senior Champion Female	Award		
Reserve Senior Champion Female	Award		
Grand Champion Female	Award		
Reserve Grand Champion Female	Award		
13. Produce of dam (two animals from same dam)	Award		
14. Best three females	Award		
15. Dam & daughters	Award		
16. Get of Sire (consists of three animals of either sex, not more than one bull, sire must be named)	Award		
Pee Wee Showmanship	Award		
Junior Showmanship	Award		
Senior Showmanship	Award		

DEPARTMENT 25: BEEF CATTLE

Superintendent: Matthew Pendergrass

DIVISION 74: BREEDING FEMALES

- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

BEEF CATTLE - BREEDING FEMALES			
Class	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1. Junior Heifer Calves, born on or after 1/1 of current year	45	35	25
2. Winter Heifer Calves, born between 11/1 & 12/31 of previous year	45	35	25
3. Senior Heifer Calves, born between 9/1 & 10/31 of previous year	45	35	25
Champion Heifer Calf	Award		
Reserve Champion Heifer Calf	Award		
4. Late Summer Yearling Heifers, born between 7/1 & 8/31 of previous year	45	35	25
5. Early Summer Yearling Heifers, born between 5/1 & 6/30 of previous year	45	35	25
6. Late Junior Yearling Heifers, born between 3/1 & 4/30 of previous year	45	35	25
Junior Champion Heifer	Award		
Reserve Junior Champion Heifer	Award		
7. Early Junior Yearling Heifers, born between 1/1 & 2/28 of previous year	45	35	25
8. Senior Yearling Heifers, born between 9/1 & 12/31 two years prior	45	35	25
9. Senior Female calved before 8/31 two years prior	45	35	25
10. Aged Cow that has calved	45	35	25
Senior Champion Female	Award		
Reserve Senior Champion Females	Award		
Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Females (Champion heifer calf, junior heifer, and senior female winners compete)	Award		
* Supreme Heifer – All breed winners plus commercial winners will return for Supreme Heifer Show.	Award		

DIVISION 75: BREEDING MALES

- Only purebred stock may show in male breeding classes
- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

BEEF CATTLE - BREEDING MALES			
Class	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1. Junior Bull Calves, born on or after 1/1 of current year	45	35	25
2. Winter Bull Calves, born between 11/1 & 12/31 of previous year	45	35	25
3. Senior Bull Calves, born between 9/1 & 10/31 of previous year	45	35	25
Champion Bull Calf	Award		
Reserve Champion Bull Calf	Award		
4. Late Summer Yearling Bulls, born between 7/1 & 8/31 of previous year	45	35	25
5. Early Summer Yearling Bulls, born between 5/1 & 6/30 of previous year	45	35	25
6. Late Junior Yearling Bulls, born between 3/1 & 4/30 of previous year	45	35	25
Junior Champion Bull	Award		
Reserve Junior Champion Bull	Award		
7. Early Junior Yearling Bulls, born between 1/1 & 2/28 of previous year	45	35	25
8. Senior Yearling Bulls, born between 9/1 & 12/31 two years prior	45	35	25
9. Bulls calved before 8/31 three years prior	45	35	25
Senior Champion Bull	Award		
Senior Reserve Champion Bull	Award		
Grand Champion & Reserve Grand Champion Bull (Champion bull calf, junior bull, and senior bull winners compete)	Award		
10. Trophy Steers (not eligible for market classes)	45	35	25

DIVISION 76: GROUP CLASSES

- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

BEEF CATTLE - GROUP CLASSES			
Class	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
1. Cow/Calf Pair – Cow with calves born between 3/1 & 5/31 of current year	45	35	25
2. Produce of Dam (two animals, either sex)	Award		
3. Get of Sire (three animals, either sex)	Award		

DIVISION 77: BOTTLE CALVES

- This class is to provide youth up to 8 years of age, who are a resident of Baxter County, an opportunity to show a bottle calf. All breeds will be shown together, and classes will be divided according to the number of entries.
- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

BEEF CATTLE - BOTTLE CALF CLASS			
Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Bottle Calf	10	8	5
Grand Champion Bottle Calf	Award		
Reserve Grand Champion Bottle Calf	Award		

DIVISION 78: PROSPECT STEERS

- This class is designed to encourage local breeders and exhibitors to display new prospect steers that are intended for use as projects for the upcoming year.
- Prospect steer class will be open to juniors and seniors.
- Prospect steers must weigh 749 lbs. or below.
- All breeds will show together.
- Classes will be divided by weight depending on the number of entries.
- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

BEEF CATTLE - PROSPECT STEER CLASS			
Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Prospect Steer	45	35	25
Grand Champion	Award		
Reserve Grand Champion	Award		

DIVISION 79: FEEDER STEERS

- This class is designed to encourage local breeders and exhibitors to display new feeders steers that are intended for use as projects for the upcoming year.
- Feeder steer class will be open to juniors and seniors.
- Feeder steers must weigh 750 lbs.- 999.
- Classes will be divided by weight depending on the number of entries.
- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

BEEF CATTLE - FEEDER STEERS			
Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Feeder Steer	45	35	25
Grand Champion	Award		
Reserve Grand Champion	Award		

DIVISION 80: MARKET STEERS

- Steer must be owned by the exhibitor by the State Fair validation date of the current year to be eligible to show and participate for the sponsorship awards.
- Steers must have an 840 ear tag by State Fair validation date of current year.
- Steers will be divided into classes by weight.
- All cattle must be halter broken and under control of the exhibitor at all times. Any animal that presents risk due to lack of control may be removed from the show.
- Minimum weight is 1000 lbs.
- Steers will be graded Prime or Choice, Select or Standard according to USDA Slaughter Standards.
- Steers must grade at least Select to be eligible for the Junior Livestock Sponsorship Awards Presentation.
- Only one steer per exhibitor will be entered in the Livestock Sponsorship Awards Presentation.
- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

BEEF CATTLE - MARKET STEER CLASS			
Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Market Steer	45	35	25
Grand Champion	Award		
Reserve Grand Champion	Award		

DIVISION 81:COMMERCIAL HEIFERS

- Heifers will be placed in class by breed groups and may be further divided in classes by weight.
- Breed classes will be combined into the following groups by visual observation of dominant characteristics:
 - American (i.e. Santa Gertrudis, Barngus)
 - European/Exotic (i.e. Limousin, Maine Anjou)
 - British (i.e. Angus, Hereford, Shorthorn)
- Registered animals are NOT allowed to show in commercial class.
- All cattle must be halter broken and under control of the exhibitor at all times. Any animal that presents risk due to lack of control may be removed from the show.
- Age limit of commercial heifers: not under 6 months & not over 2 years of age at date of show.
- **Exhibitors must bring your own feed.** You are responsible for feeding & watering your exhibit.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

BEEF CATTLE - COMMERCIAL HEIFER CLASS			
Class	1st	2nd	3rd
1. American	45	35	25
Breed Division Grand Champion	Award		
Breed Division Reserve Grand Champion	Award		
2. European	45	35	25
Breed Division Grand Champion	Award		
Breed Division Reserve Grand Champion	Award		
3. British	45	35	25
Breed Division Grand Champion	Award		
Breed Division Reserve Grand Champion	Award		
Grand Champion Commercial Heifer	Award		
Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Heifer	Award		
4. Commercial Cow/Calf Pair	45	35	25
Grand Champion Commercial Cow/Calf Pair	Award		
Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Cow/Calf Pair	Award		

BEEF SHOWMANSHIP

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Class	1st	2nd	3rd
Pee Wee Showmanship	Award		
Junior Showmanship	Award		
Senior Showmanship	Award		

ALL-AROUND SHOWMAN

- Senior Showmanship winners from each species (Beef Cattle, Dairy Cattle, Dairy Goat, Meat Goat, Sheep, & Swine) will compete with one helper of their choosing.

ALL-AROUND SHOWMANSHIP			
Class	1st	2nd	3rd
All-Around Showman	Award		

DEPARTMENT 26: HORSE SHOW

Superintendent: Doug Small

DIVISION 82: HORSE SHOW

- All horses must have a negative EIA test within the past twelve (12) months for all animals over six (6) months of age. Nursing foals under six (6) months of age are exempt from testing if accompanied by negative tested dams. Photocopies of test papers will not be accepted; carbon copies are acceptable.
- \$5.00 entry fee per event.
- **Divisions:**
 - Age 0 thru 12 - Buckaroos
 - Age 13 thru 18 - Juniors
 - Age 19 & up - Seniors
- Divisions will be based on the age of the rider, not the size of the horse. The contestant's age will be counted as his/her age on the date of the show. Contestants must be Baxter County residents, Easy Rider 4-H members, or Mountain Home Saddle Club members.
- **Events** – order of events as listed
 1. Poles
 2. Stakes
 3. Big T
 4. Barrels
 5. Flags
 6. Speed
 7. Keyhole
- Books open at 6:30 pm
- Contestants compete for ribbons, banners, and fair premium points.
- Awards will be presented at the Parade of Champions on Saturday.
- For more information on classes and rules, contact: Sonya Rand @ 870-404-8203.

- Awards: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd receive ribbons in addition to premium points.
- Premium points awarded as shown in the table.

BUCKAROOS HORSE SHOW					
Class	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
1. Poles	10	6	4	2	1
2. Stakes	10	6	4	2	1
3. Big T	10	6	4	2	1
4. Barrels	10	6	4	2	1
5. Speed	10	6	4	2	1
6. Flags	10	6	4	2	1
7. Keyhole	10	6	4	2	1
JUNIORS HORSE SHOW					
Class	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
8. Poles	10	6	4	2	1
9. Stakes	10	6	4	2	1
10. Big T	10	6	4	2	1
11. Barrels	10	6	4	2	1
12. Speed	10	6	4	2	1
13. Flags	10	6	4	2	1
14. Keyhole	10	6	4	2	1
SENIORS HORSE SHOW					
Class	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
15. Poles	10	6	4	2	1
16. Stakes	10	6	4	2	1
17. Big T	10	6	4	2	1
18. Barrels	10	6	4	2	1
19. Speed	10	6	4	2	1
20. Flags	10	6	4	2	1
21. Keyhole	10	6	4	2	1

LIVESTOCK EXHIBITOR AFFIDAVIT

As a livestock exhibitor, I understand that I have an obligation to be a responsible exhibitor/producer.

I agree to abide by the IAFE Code Of Showing Ethics.

I certify that the animal and/or animals at the herd of origin have not exhibited any signs of illness in the past seven days prior to the exhibition.

I understand that during the fair, any medicine or vaccine must be approved and administered by the Livestock Superintendent or a Veterinarian.

If my animal(s) get sick during the event, I will notify show officials immediately. I will quickly and quietly remove my animal(s) if the show officials deem necessary.

Exhibitor Name (please print)

City and State (please print)

Exhibitor Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature
(if exhibitor is under age 18)

Date

Date

Revisions

Revision History:

6/1/2026 - Original Release

6/10/2026 - DEPARTMENT 18: SWINE: DIVISION 56 – BREEDING SWINE - Removed Class 5 Aged Sows.

There hasn't been an entry in this class in many years and our pens are not set up for sows.

8/12/2026 - Updated Lawnmower Race Rules: Now located on Greg Farm Services Website

8/26/2026 - Updated General Rule 22 about service animals

- Updated the Entertainment for Thursday Sept. 17th. Replaced "Flip" Side with "Nothin' New".

- Updated information about Kids Day

- Division 56 – Breeding Swine - clarified which class crossbreeds are allowed to compete in.

In On-Line entries, there is now an option for "Cross(Commercial Only)"

New for 2026

- Department A Division 99 Fair Theme - we added a new division for items created specifically to match the fair theme. There are few limitations to what can be entered. See Fair Theme rules.
- Department 01 Division 08 Added Stock or Broth in Canned Meats..
- Department 09 Division 40 Photography - We opened up the allowed card stock border around photos. Previously it was a fixed 3/4" and now it is a range from 3/4" to 1"
- Department 19 Division 66A - Cavy(Guinea Pigs) - Last year we piloted a Cavy(Guinea Pig) show. This year it is not an official category in the fair book. Because it is judged by Rabbit rules it is included in the Rabbit section.
- The Schedule of Events for Livestock was duplicated (already included in the main Schedule of events) so the Livestock Schedule of Events in Livestock portion of the fair book has been removed...refer to the main Schedule of Events
- Department 25 Division 75 Class 10 Beef Cattle Breeding Males - a class has been added for Trophy Steers.