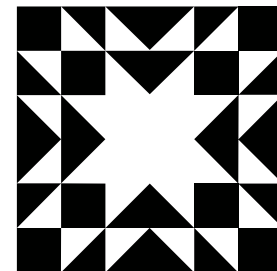


NEW! Southern Iowa Fair Quilt Block Contest



Join the Quilt Block Contest by creating a block using the fabric provided! Blocks will be displayed in the Exhibit Hall at the Southern Iowa Fair, July 14-19, 2025.

How to Enter:

- **Contestants can enter by paying a \$5.00 fee to receive a packet of materials for constructing one quilt block.**
- **The blocks become the property of the Southern Iowa Fair and will be made into a quilt to be auctioned off at next year's fair.**

Materials:

- **Each packet contains four different fabrics, totaling approximately 3/8 yard.**
- **All four fabrics must be used in the block. No additional fabric may be used.**

Block Requirements:

- **Finished block size: 12½ x 12½ inches (unfinished)**
- **Blocks must be pieced (no quilting, appliqué, or embellishments allowed).**
- **You may use an established pattern or create an original design.**

Voting & Prizes:

- **Blocks will be displayed in the Exhibit Hall during the Fair, and the public will vote for their favorite block.**

Prizes:

- **1st Place: \$40**
- **2nd Place: \$20**
- **3rd Place: \$10**

Packet Availability:

- **Pick up your packet at Quilted Treasures and Retreats Quilt Shop or the Fair Office.**
- **Only 35 packets available!**
- **Oops! Made a mistake? Additional fabric is available at the quilt shop at your expense.**

Block Submission:

- **Drop off your finished block at the Fair Office before the Fair or bring it to the Exhibit Hall during these times:**
 - **Sunday, July 13: 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM**
 - **Monday, July 14: 8:00 AM – 10:00 AM**



PIGTAIL CONTEST
Tuesday July 15th
1:30 PM
Free Stage
Sponsor: Expressions Hair Studio

Think you have the best pigtails around? Join us for some braided fun!

Registration:

Opens 30 minutes before the contest at the Free Stage.

Categories:

(Ages 0-5 & 6-10)

- Longest or Shortest Pigtails
- Blondest, Darkest, or Reddest
- Most Creative/Unique
- Best Use of Theme
- Curliest Ends
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Contest Rules:

1. Pigtails must be braided and braided as far as possible. No French braids.
2. Pigtails can be one, two, or more!
3. For the Longest Pigtail category, the braid must be one continuous tail, secured with rubber bands at both the top and bottom. No loose strands will be measured.
4. Pigtails may be placed anywhere on the head.
5. Judging will consider neatness, beauty, and creativity based on the category.
6. Contestants may register on the day of the contest during registration time.
7. One entry per person – choose your best category!
8. Prizes awarded to the First Place Winner in each category.

Bring your best braids and show off your pigtail pride!

Joke Telling Contest

Tuesday, July 15th

3:00 PM

Free Stage

Superintendent: MaKayla Stittsworth

Registration: Begins 30 minutes before the contest start time.

Age Groups:

- 4-7 years

- 8-12 years

Contest Details:

- Contestants will perform one at a time in front of the judges.
- Each participant will tell one joke.
- Judges will score the jokes based on delivery, creativity, and audience reaction.
- 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners will be announced for each age group.
- Participation ribbons will be awarded to all contestants.
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Important:

- Jokes must be appropriate for all ages. Inappropriate jokes will result in disqualification and no score.
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Come prepared to share your funniest, family-friendly joke! We can't wait to hear your laughter!



Coloring Contest

Wednesday, July 16th

3:00 PM

Free Stage

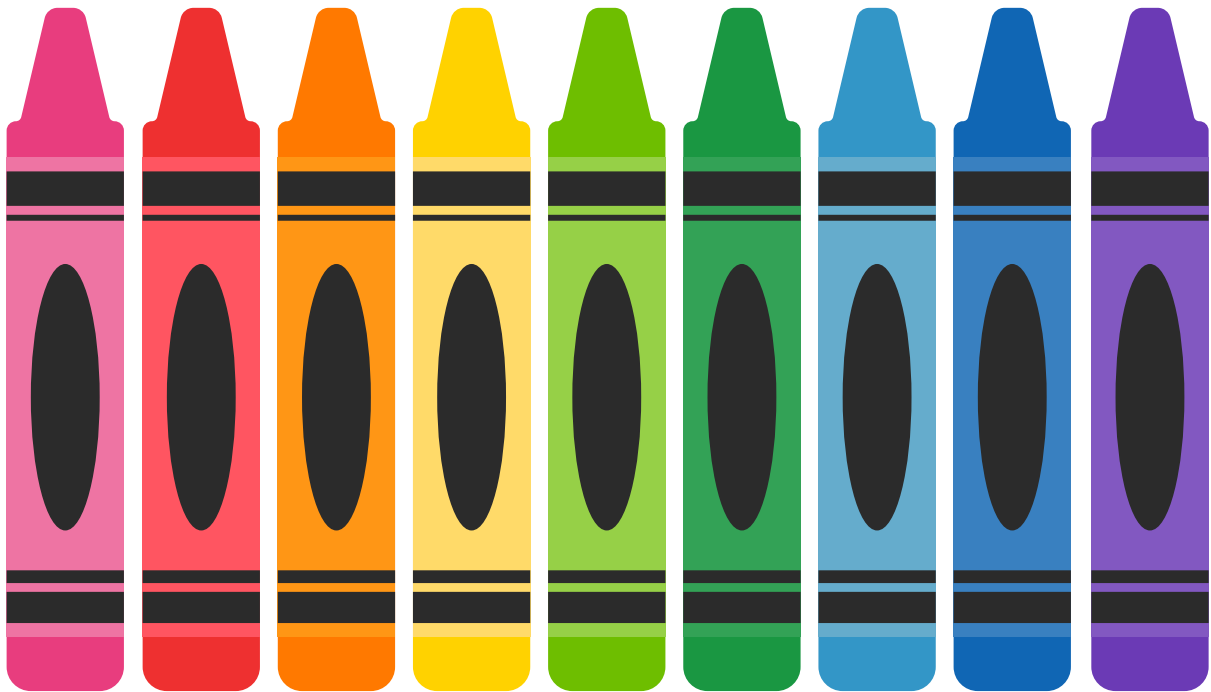
Superintendent: MaKayla Stittsworth

Age Categories:

- 3 & 4 years old
- 5 & 6 years old
- 7 & 8 years old
- 9 & 10 years old
- 11 & 12 years old
- 13-17 years old
- Adults

Contest Rules:

1. Each age group will be provided with a designated picture to color.
2. Participants will have a set amount of time to complete their coloring.
3. All coloring must be done during the contest time.
4. Contestants must complete their coloring independently without assistance.
5. Judging will take place immediately after the contest ends.
6. A trophy will be awarded to the winner in each age group.



Cookie Decorating Contest

Thursday, July 17th

10:00 AM

Free Stage

Superintendent: Linda Van Donselaar

- **Registration Time: Begins at 9:30 a.m.**

- **Age Groups:**
- **2–3 years**
- **4–6 years**
- **7–9 years**
- **10–12 years**
- **13–16 years**

Decorating Time:

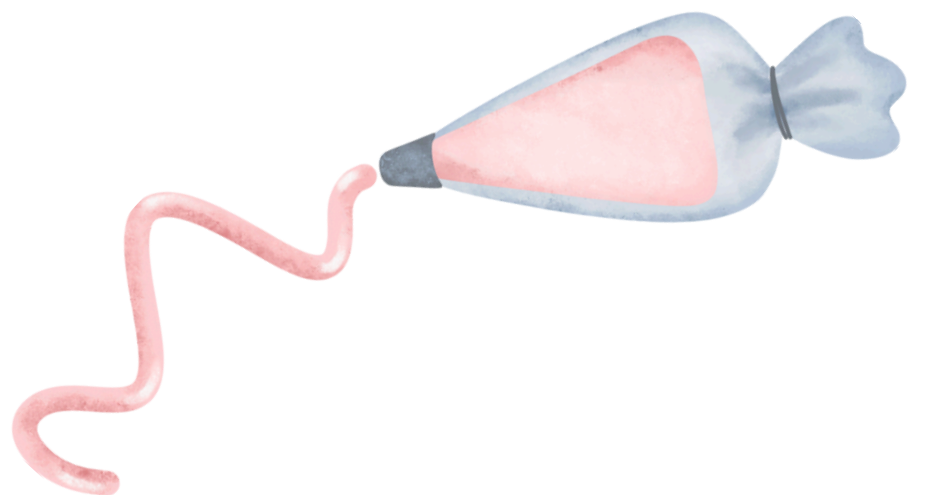
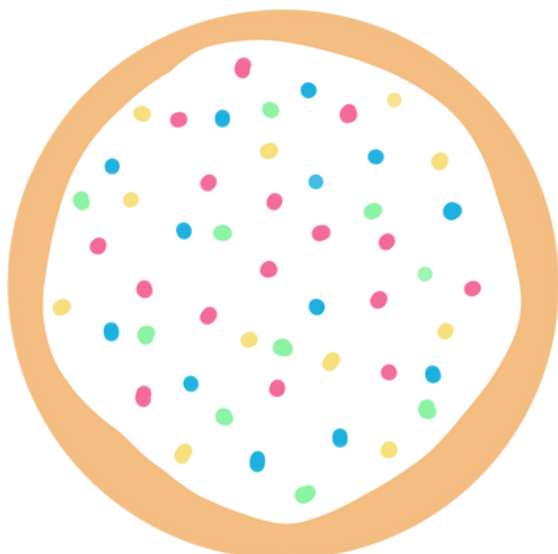
- **Each child will have a set amount of time to decorate their cookie.**

Judging Criteria:

- **Cookies will be judged by age category based on neatness and originality.**

Awards:

- **Ribbons will be awarded to all participants.**
- **A trophy will be awarded to the overall winner in each age group.**



Cookie Stacking Contest

Friday, July 18th

9:00 AM

Free Stage

Superintendent: Kathleen Rempe

0-3 Years Old
4-6 Years Old
7 to 9 Years Old
10 to 12 Years Old
13 Years Old & Up

- **Time Limit:** Contestants have 30 seconds to build the highest single stack of cookies.
- **Cookie Organization:** Cookies must not be pre-arranged before stacking begins.
- **No Supports or Adhesives:** No adhesives, supports, or pyramid structures are allowed in the stack.
- **Cookie Integrity:** Cookies cannot be broken or twisted apart during the competition.
- **Final Stand Test:** At the end of the 30 seconds, contestants must remove their hands, and the stack must remain standing on its own for three seconds.
- **Knockdown Rule:** If a child's stack is knocked over by another stack during the 30-second wait time, it will still count. If it is knocked down during the actual stacking, the competition will restart.
- **Awards:** Trophies will be given out in each category.



Lego Masterpiece Contest

Friday, July 18th

1:00 PM

Free Stage

Superintendent: MaKayla Stittsworth

Registration: Begins 30 minutes before the contest start time.

Age Groups:

4 to 6 Years Old

7 to 9 Years Old

10 to 12 Years Old

Rules:

Each participant will receive Legos.

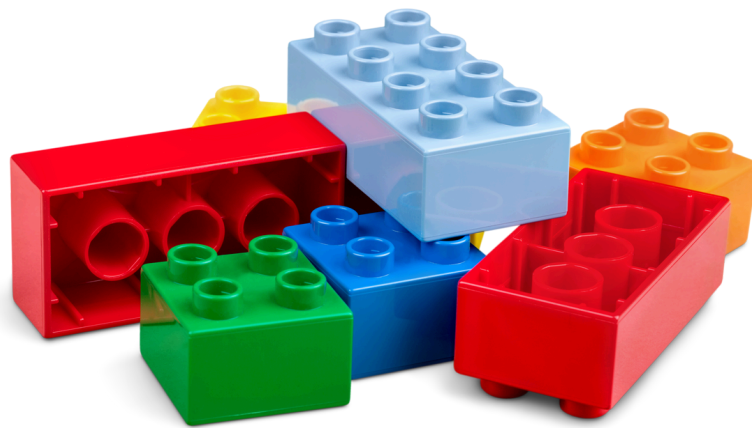
You will have 20 minutes to create your Lego “masterpiece.”

Be creative — build anything you like, such as a house, barn, food item, or something imaginative!

Judging will be based on appearance and creativity.

Ribbons will be awarded to all participants

A trophy will be awarded to the overall winner in each age group.



Civics Quiz

Kids & Adults

Free Stage

Friday, July 18th

3:00 PM

Family Look-Alike Contest
All Ages Welcome
Friday, July 18th
Registration: 5:00 PM
Contest Start: 5:30PM
Free Stage

Contest Categories:

Participants can enter in one or more of the following categories:

- **Father/Son**
- **Father/Daughter**
- **Mother/Son**
- **Mother/Daughter**
- **Cousins**
- **Brother/Brother**
- **Sister/Sister**
- **Sister/Brother**

Judging Criteria:

Judges will evaluate contestants based on how much they look alike.

Additional Information:

- **Contestants are encouraged to dress alike to enhance their chances of winning.**
- **A trophy will be awarded to the winner of each category.**



DIAPER DERBY

Saturday, July 19- 9:00 AM

Location- Free Stage

Sponsored By: Mahaska Drug, Fareway & Modern Floor

Age Groups:

Crawlers

Walkers

RULES:

All contestants must be less than two years of age as of July 19, 2025.

Contestants can register the day of the contest beginning at 8:30 am.

Contestant can enter only one of the two categories–crawler or walker.

(If a contestant in the crawler category walks, they will be disqualified.)

Contestant cannot be touched once the race begins.

First contestant to completely cross the finish line will be declared the winner.

Prizes will be awarded to every contestant.

First Place trophy awarded to the winner of each category. Second and

Third Place ribbons will be awarded in each category.

Decision of judges will be final



DECORATED DIAPER CONTEST
Saturday, July 19 - 9:00 AM
(Following the Diaper Derby Contest)
Sponsored By: Mahaska Drug, Fareway
& Modern Floor

CATEGORIES:

Most Creative

Decorated Diaper

Best Use of Theme Diaper– Barn To Be Wild

RULES:

All contestants must be less than two years of age as of July 19, 2025.
All contestants must be in decorated diaper attire, disposable or cloth.
(You may design a costume to coordinate with the diaper, but the diaper must be visible for judging.)

Contestants register the day of the contest beginning at 8:30 am.
Judging for the Most Creative Diaper & Best use of Theme Diaper will be based on originality of design, creativity, public appeal and overall effect.
Contestants will be assigned a number at registration which must be clearly in view of the judges at all items during the competition.

Prizes will be awarded to each contestant.

First Place trophy awarded to the winner in each category. Second and Third Place ribbons will be awarded in each category.

Decision of the judges will be final.



Hula Hoop Contest Saturday, July 19th Noon Free Stage

Superintendent: MaKayla Stittsworth

This will be a timed contest to determine who can hula hoop the longest.

Contestants are only allowed to hula hoop around their waist.

The contest will have a set cut-off time, which will be announced.

In case of a tie, the contestants will perform an additional hula hoop trick for as long as they can to break the tie.

Age Groups:

- **4-6 Years Old**
- **7-9 Years Old**
- **10-14 Years Old**
- **15 & Up**

Prizes:

Trophies will be awarded to the winner of each age group!

Additional Info:

Hula hoops will be provided for all contestants.



Ohana Kids Pedal Tractor Pull

Saturday, July 19th

Registration: 4:30 PM

Start Time: 5:00 PM

The Kids Pedal Power Pull is open to all children ages 4 to 11.

This is a state-sanctioned event, and the top two finishers in each age group will qualify for the Iowa State Pedal Pull Championship.

