



2025 Putnam Co. Fair

Adult Open Class

ENTRY
BOOKLET

& Official Rules

Schedule

Tuesday, July 15th	4:00-7:00pm	♦ Enter ALL Non-Food Exhibits (also Just for Fun, Quilt Blocks & Purse Auction purses)
Wednesday, July 16th	9:00am	♦ Quilt judging—will be streamed LIVE on Facebook (Purdue Extension—Putnam County) ♦ CLOSED Judging of Photography
Thursday, July 17th	9:00-4:00pm	♦ CLOSED Judging of Craft Entries
Friday, July 18th	6:00-9:00pm	♦ Exhibit Hall Open
Saturday, July 19th	9:00-11:00am 3:00pm 5:00-9:00pm 5:00-8:00pm	♦ Enter Foods Exhibits, Food Preservation ♦ Open Judging - “ BREADS ” ♦ Exhibit Hall Open ♦ Food Entries Released
Sunday, July 20th	3:00-9:00pm 5:00-6:30pm 7:00pm	♦ Exhibit Hall Open ♦ Enter Kids Baking Contest Entries ♦ Kids Baking Contest Awards
Monday, July 21st	10:00-9:00pm	♦ Exhibit Hall Open
Tuesday, July 22nd	10:00-9:00pm	♦ Exhibit Hall Open
Wednesday, July 23rd	10:00-2:00pm 2:00pm 2:00-9:00pm	♦ Family Fun Day – “Mysteries of Putnam County” (morning program-10am, afternoon program-12:30pm) ♦ Purse Auction ♦ Exhibit Hall Open
Thursday, July 24th	9:00-11:00am 12:00-4:00pm 6:00pm 6:30pm	♦ Enter Baker’s Best Exhibits ♦ CLOSED Judging of Baker’s Best Entries ♦ Exhibit Hall Open ♦ Baker’s Best Awards ♦ Baker’s Best Auction
Friday, July 25th	10:00-4:00pm 6:00pm 7:00-10:00pm	♦ Exhibit Hall Open ♦ AOC Awards ♦ ALL Exhibits Released
Saturday, July 26th	9:00-10:00am	♦ ALL Exhibits Released



INDIANA STATE FAIR

August 1-17, 2024



To enter items in the Indiana State Fair Open Class Exhibit Hall, you must enter before the July 1, 2024 deadline. There is an entry fee to enter.
To download the entry booklet, or for more information, visit www.indianastatefair.com.

It is the policy of the Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service that all persons have equal opportunity and access to its educational programs, services, activities, and facilities without regard to race, religion, color, sex, age, national origin or ancestry, marital status, parental status, sexual orientation, disability or status as a veteran.

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ADULT OPEN CLASS EXHIBITS & RULES

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IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE EXHIBITOR TO BE FAMILIAR WITH AND UNDERSTAND ALL RULES CONCERNING EXHIBITS. IF YOU DO NOT ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES, YOUR EXHIBIT WILL BE DISQUALIFIED AND NO AWARDS WILL BE GIVEN.

GENERAL RULES

1. To exhibit at the Putnam County Fair Adult Open Class, you must be a Putnam County Resident, member of a Putnam County Extension Homemaker Club, a non-resident whose majority of work and activities are in Putnam County, or have a student or 4-H'er in Putnam County schools.
2. Exhibits must be made or prepared by the Exhibitor and shown in his/her own name. Exhibitors must be 18 years of age or older during the current calendar year.
3. Exhibitors may make entries in as many categories as they desire, but only one entry may be made in any one class (except in Photography where entries are limited). Entry will not be accepted for articles in which there is no classification. An article may be entered in one class only. Article will be judged for skills of the particular category. Article should have been made within the past two years and never exhibited at the fair before.
4. Judges shall not award prizes to unworthy exhibits whether there is competition or not, nor shall they give awards on articles incorrectly named. Judges may move an item to a different category, if necessary.
5. Judging will be based on workmanship, preparation of articles for exhibits, suitability for purpose, beauty and originality of design, as well as harmony of colors and materials.
6. Craft items in pairs or sets may be exhibited, but only one may be judged.
7. All paintings, drawings, wall hangings, wreaths and framed needlework, etc., **must be ready to hang with a wire hanger. Wire hanger is required—no "sawtooth" hangers allowed.**
8. In Photography category, all photos must be mounted on the designated size mat board, not cardboard or thin posterboard, and **NO FOAM BOARD**. No frames are allowed. A backing board (heavy paper) to cover the back of the photos is to be attached for the protection of and/or loss of photo. The photo with mat and backing board (heavy paper) may not exceed 3/16 inch thick. Only one entry per category is permitted. Entrants may enter up to six (6) pictures in Photo I and six (6) pictures in Photo II, for a total of 12 photo entries maximum per person.
9. Care of items will be taken, but the fair will not be responsible for articles damaged, lost or broken.
10. Judging of all exhibits will be **CLOSED** to the public except Quilting in which the judging will be streamed LIVE on the Internet for all to view (still not open judged).
11. "Nationally Recognized" holidays are as follows: New Year's, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, President's Day, Valentine's Day, Memorial Day, Juneteenth, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Halloween, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.
12. Overall Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion will be divided up for 2025 as follows:
 - ♦ Knit/Crochet/Handspun
 - ♦ Creative Stitching (to include all exhibits in Hand Techniques and Machine Techniques)
 - ♦ Sewing/Wearable Art
 - ♦ Quilting (judged Live via Internet)
 - ♦ Artwork
 - ♦ Paper Crafts
 - ♦ Holiday Handicrafts
 - ♦ Handicrafts
 - ♦ Photo I & Photo II
 - ♦ Culinary Arts
 - ♦ Food Preservation



JUDGING / AWARDS

Judge may award a first (blue), second (red), and third (white) ribbon for each class.
Judge may also award an Honor ribbon (where he/she sees fit).
Champion and Reserve may be selected for each category.
Grand and Reserve Grand Champions will be selected for each department.
Additional awards are given each year based on contributions from fair sponsors.

TOP EXHIBITOR AWARDS

Top Exhibitor awards are based on the following point system:

- 20 points for each blue ribbon
- 15 points for each red ribbon
- 10 points for each white ribbon
- 5 points for each exhibit
- 25 additional points for Champion in Arts and Crafts & Culinary
- 20 points for Reserve Champion in Arts and Crafts & Culinary
- 25 additional points for Overall Grand Champion in each department
- 15 additional points for Overall Reserve Grand Champion in each department

2025 ADULT OPEN CLASS

NEEDLECRAFTS

Department Chairperson: Jerry Glass

Assistant Chairperson: Diana Pilcher

KNIT, CROCHET AND HANDSPUN

CROCHET:

- 101. _____ Baby Item
- 102. _____ Set of 2 or more baby items
- 103. _____ Clothing Item
- 104. _____ Doily, under 36" diameter
- 105. _____ Accessories (purses, hats, belts, etc.)
- 106. _____ Other, not listed above

CROCHETED AFGHANS

- 107. _____ 48" or smaller
- 108. _____ 48" or larger

HANDKNITTED:

- 109. _____ Baby Item
- 110. _____ Set of 2 or more Baby Items
- 111. _____ Clothing Item (includes a sweater)
- 112. _____ Accessories (purses, hats, belts, etc.)
- 113. _____ Machine Knitted
- 114. _____ Other, not listed above

HANDKNITTED AFGHANS:

- 115. _____ 48" or smaller
- 116. _____ 48" or larger

HAND SPUN FIBER:

- 117. _____ Single Ply Skein (1 skein)
- 118. _____ Plied Skein (1 skein)
- 119. _____ Novelty Skein (1 skein)
- 120. _____ One crocheted item
- 121. _____ One knitted item
- 122. _____ One woven item



Needlecrafts (Creative Stitching & Machine Techniques)

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CREATIVE STITCHING

Hand Techniques

COUNTED THREAD TECHNIQUES:

- 123. _____ Counted Cross Stitch—linen/even weave—framed
- 124. _____ Counted Cross Stitch—Aida Cloth—framed
- 125. _____ Counted Cross Stitch—Miscellaneous—not framed—linen/even weave
- 126. _____ Counted Cross Stitch—Miscellaneous—not framed—Aida Cloth
- 127. _____ Plastic Canvas Needlepoint
- 128. _____ Needlepoint Canvas
- 129. _____ Other varieties of Counted Needlework—not listed above



SURFACE STITCHERY TECHNIQUES:

- 130. _____ Crewel Embroidery
- 131. _____ Regular Embroidery
- 132. _____ Applique Sewing
- 133. _____ Other “Needle” Technique (*i.e. Tatting, Punch Needle, Latch Hook, Rug Hooking, Woven, etc.*)

Machine Techniques (any machine)

IN THE HOOP TECHNIQUES:

- 134. _____ In the Hoop Techniques (*any item totally completed in the hoop, keychains, coin cases, ornaments, silverware holders, coasters, mug rugs, napkin rings, etc.*)

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS & HOLIDAY:

- 135. _____ Household Items (*pillows, pillow toppers, pillow cases, sheets, quilts, bath towels, wash cloths, blankets, etc.*)
- 136. _____ Kitchen Items (*kitchen towels, kitchen dish cloths, scrubbies, table toppers, tablecloths, table runners, bread cloths, potholders, hot pads, coasters, mug rugs, napkins, napkin rings, etc.*)
- 137. _____ Holiday (*anything “holiday” decorated*)

CLOTHING:

- 138. _____ Clothing (*wearables, hats, scarves, gloves, etc.*)
- 139. _____ Accessories (*belts, earrings, necklaces, hair doodads, gloves, broaches, pins, etc.*)
- 140. _____ Baby (*baby bibs, burp cloths, onesies, etc.*)

OTHER:

- 141. _____ Free Standing Lace (*doilies, candle holders, ornaments, silverware holders, etc.*)
- 142. _____ Digitizing – *must include picture of original artwork*
- 143. _____ Specialty (*special thread, special technique, different or difficult embroidery medium such as cork, vinyl, leather, special stitches {i.e. cross-stitch, crewel, trapunto, candle wicking, cutwork, continuous embroidery, or applique, photo stitching, reverse bobbin technique, etc.}*)



SEWING & WEARABLE ART

Department Chair: Sandra Glass

SEWING:

- 201. _____ Activewear
- 202. _____ Costume
- 203. _____ Sleepwear
- 204. _____ Dress
- 205. _____ Special Occasion Dress
- 206. _____ Tops (shirts, blouses, t-shirts)
- 207. _____ Vest
- 208. _____ Jacket or Coat
- 209. _____ Bottoms (slacks, skirts, shorts)
- 210. _____ Suit (2 or 3-piece outfit)
- 211. _____ 2-piece or 3-piece outfit
- 212. _____ Other Clothing item, not listed above
- 213. _____ Non-Clothing Item



CHILDREN'S CLOTHING

- 214. _____ Activewear
- 215. _____ Costume
- 216. _____ Sleepwear
- 217. _____ Dress
- 218. _____ Dress, Special Occasion
- 219. _____ Tops (shirts, blouses, t-shirts)
- 220. _____ Bottoms
- 221. _____ 2-piece or 3-piece outfit
- 222. _____ Other Clothing item, not listed above
- 223. _____ Non-Clothing Item



WEARABLE ART: *the garment needs to be something with added creativity and/or artwork that changes the physical appearance of the garment, such as facial trim, applique work or other embellishments.*

- 224. _____ Sweatshirt
- 225. _____ T-Shirt
- 226. _____ Other Clothing (vest, shirt, jacket, etc.)
- 227. _____ Accessories (purses, hats, belts, etc.)



ARTWORK
Department Chair—Jennifer Romalia
Assist Chair—Tara Baugh

PAINTINGS & DRAWINGS: Paintings & drawings must be no larger than 3 feet in any direction and **MUST** be ready to hang with a **WIRE HANGER**.

- 301. _____ Acrylic
- 302. _____ Sketch—charcoal or pencil
- 303. _____ Tole Painting (1 item)
- 304. _____ Watercolor
- 305. _____ Oil Painting
- 306. _____ Crayon
- 307. _____ Ink
- 308. _____ Pastel
- 309. _____ Charcoal
- 310. _____ Mixed Media
- 311. _____ Abstracts
- 312. _____ Paint Party (any media, done at a Paint Party or Class)
- 313. _____ Other, not listed above



WOODWORK

- 314. _____ Painted or Decorated
- 315. _____ Wood Finished, other than painted
- 316. _____ Hand Carved
- 317. _____ Other, not listed above

LEGOS (can be constructed from a kit or freestyle– please specify on entry tag)

- 318. _____ Vehicles
- 319. _____ Architecture
- 320. _____ Botanical
- 321. _____ Flowers
- 322. _____ Animals
- 323. _____ People
- 324. _____ Art
- 325. _____ Other, not listed above



DIAMOND ART (NO Holiday)

- 326. _____ Animals
- 327. _____ Landscapes
- 328. _____ Art
- 329. _____ Oceans
- 330. _____ People
- 331. _____ Other, not listed above



OTHER ARTWORK

- 332. _____ Ceramics (*handcrafted and hand-painted by exhibitor*)
- 333. _____ Ceramics (*pre-cast / purchased and hand painted by exhibitor*)
- 334. _____ Metal Art
- 335. _____ Other, not listed above

QUILTING

Department Chairs – Amy Sebring & Anita Custis

****Quilts will be defined as being 3 layers stitched all the way through, except for noted miscellaneous items** Quilts must have been made in the last 3 years and never previously exhibited in the Putnam County Fair Adult Open Class.**



HAND PIECED / HAND QUILTED (All hand techniques)

401. _____ all sizes

COMFORTER OR TIED QUILT

402. _____ all sizes

MACHINE PIECED BY EXHIBITOR & DOMESTIC MACHINE QUILTED BY EXHIBITOR

403. _____ all sizes

MACHINE PIECED BY EXHIBITOR & LONG ARM QUILTED BY EXHIBITOR

404. _____ 90" and over

405. _____ 64" - less than 90"

406. _____ less than 64"

MACHINE PIECED BY EXHIBITOR & LONG ARM QUILTED BY SOMEONE OTHER THAN THE EXHIBITOR

407. _____ 90" and over

408. _____ 64"- less than 90"

409. _____ less than 64"

MIXED TECHNIQUES (combination of hand and/or machine piecing, embroidery and/or applique by the exhibitor, quilted by the exhibitor)

410. _____ all sizes

MIXED TECHNIQUES (combination of hand and/or machine piecing, embroidery and/or applique by the exhibitor, quilted by someone other than the exhibitor)

411. _____ all sizes

HOLIDAY THEMES (**NOT** Patriotic, predominantly red, white and blue or July 4th themed)

412. _____ 64" and over

413. _____ less than 64"

BABY OR JUVENILE THEMED QUILT PIECED BY EXHIBITOR & QUILTED BY ANYONE

414. _____ less than 64"

MISCELLANEOUS QUILTED ITEMS must have been pieced and quilted—no pre-quilted fabric

(if appropriate, item can only be 2 layers, i.e. table runners, table toppers, placemats)

415. _____ Art or Wall quilt, all sizes

416. _____ Kitchen/Household items (table runners, toppers, placements, hot pads, mug rugs, potholders, bed runners, pillows etc.)

417. _____ Wearable type (jackets, vests, purses, bags, totes)

Quilt Categories continued on next page

LEGACY QUILT made by Exhibitor, quilted by anyone (made from heirloom materials such as t-shirts, wedding dress, hankies or embroidery. Examples include: T-Shirt Quilts, Wedding Signature Quilt, Memory Quilt)

*Must include story of quilt on 8 1/2 x 11" piece of paper explaining its "heirloom features."

418. _____ 64" and over

419. _____ less than 64"

RESCUED QUILT (This is a "UFQ" quilt category (**UnFinished Quilt**). These are not the exhibitor's unfinished projects. Can be made from blocks, partly constructed quilt tops, unquilted quilt tops, etc. found at flea markets, donation stores, auctions or inherited pieces that you took to a finished quilt. **Must submit an 8 1/2" x 11" sheet of paper explaining what you started with and how you finished it.)**

420. _____ all sizes

RECYCLED MATERIALS QUILT (this category is a quilt made by the exhibitor from recycled fabrics such as Grandpa's shirts, Grandma's aprons, old jeans, Goodwill finds, etc.) Quilted by anyone.

421. _____ all sizes

PANEL QUILT (this is a quilt made with a preprinted fabric quilt panel. Must include piecing, not just straight borders. Can be whole panels of all sizes or attic window technique where panel is cut and sewn into blocks.)

422. _____ all sizes

PATRIOTIC, JULY 4TH (predominantly red, white and blue; suitable for a Quilt of Honor or July 4th)

423. _____ 64" and over

424. _____ less than 64"



This year's theme for JUST FOR FUN is.....

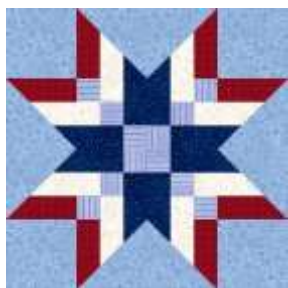
POSTCARDS



Entries can include: A postcards that was sent to you, a collectible postcard you have, whatever!! Start digging up those memories to share with the public!! Postcards aren't being sent anymore and a thing of the past....show us what once was!!

Entries for **Just For Fun** should be entered on **Tuesday evening, July 15th between 4:00-7:00pm** in the York Automotive Community Building, East Side.

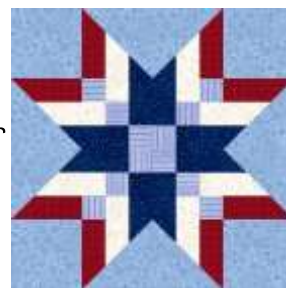
One Entry per person. Open to All.



Quilt Block Contest 2024

To Honor our Veterans and Servicepersons

Sponsored by One Stitch at a Time Extension Club



Entries received Tuesday, July 15th from 4:00—7:00pm

1. Entrants must be 18 years old or older and residents of Putnam County, a member of a Putnam County Extension Club, a non-resident whose majority of work and activities are in Putnam County, or have a student or 4-H'er in Putnam County schools.
2. Blocks must be 12 1/2 by 12 1/2 inches. This will allow 1/4 seam allowance for sewing together. This size is required for judging; smaller or larger will not be allowed.
3. All blocks must be 100% cotton fabric. You may use any "patriotic" color and design of your choice. The fabrics may be a print or a solid or a mixture.
4. Do NOT quilt your block. Do NOT add embellishments to the block (i.e. buttons, lace, etc.)
5. Use and design/pattern of your choice. You may piece the block together, applique, embroider or paper piece. Originality, use of color, fabric, design and workmanship will all be considered in judging.
6. You may enter only one (1) block with a living Veteran's or a Service Member's name.
7. NOTE: entries will have an entry fee of \$5.00. This is to help offset the cost of batting and backing for the quilt, as we will be giving a quilt to a veteran or service member of the winner's choice - only one winner guaranteed.
8. Blocks will be displayed in the Adult Open Class Exhibit Hall during the County Fair.
9. The winning blocks will receive ribbons and prize money. 1st—\$15.00, 2nd—\$10.00, 3rd—\$5.00
10. Prizes will be awarded during the Adult Open Class awards presentation on Friday, July 25th at 7:00pm in the York Automotive Community Building—East Side.
11. All quilt blocks entered in the contest will become the property of "One Stitch at a Time Quilt Club" and will be used in Quilt of Honor.

We will have a box at the time of entry and all through the fair for extra blocks and/or monetary donations if you would like to donate them to One Stitch at a Time for more quilts to be presented to our Veterans.



2025 Quilt Block Contest Entry Form



Name: _____

Club Name or County of Residence: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Living Veteran or Serviceperson's Name: _____

Number of Blocks Donated: _____

PAPER CRAFTS

Department Chairs—Dorothy Wells & Melissa Brown

Assist Chair: Duston Spencer

*Cards can be handmade or with assistance of a machine.

*Scrapbook entries should include a two-page 12"x12" spread in page protectors.

*Pages are to be tied together at the top hole in the page protector.

*Journaling should include who, what, where and when.

*Judging will be based on quality of workmanship, preparation for exhibit, creativity and suitability for purpose, beauty, originality and harmony of color and material.

*Greeting cards are to be in a sealed baggie to protect your work

SCRAPBOOKING

- 501. _____ Special Occasion
- 502. _____ Holiday
- 503. _____ Heritage
- 504. _____ Sports
- 505. _____ Vacation / Travel
- 506. _____ Birthday
- 507. _____ Pet(s) / 4-H Animals
- 508. _____ School / Activities
- 509. _____ Wedding or Anniversary
- 510. _____ Other, not listed above



GREETING CARDS

- 511. _____ Christmas
- 512. _____ Other Holiday
- 513. _____ Birthday
- 514. _____ Sympathy (*Get Well, Thinking of You*)
- 515. _____ Anniversary
- 516. _____ Wedding
- 517. _____ Baby
- 518. _____ Any Season Non-Holiday
- 519. _____ Other, not listed above

KIT CARDS (*Kit Cards: the card and embellishments are premade and the design is based on the Kit directions*)

- 520. _____ Christmas
- 521. _____ Other Holiday
- 522. _____ Birthday
- 523. _____ Sympathy (*Get Well, Thinking of You*)
- 524. _____ Anniversary
- 525. _____ Wedding
- 526. _____ Baby
- 527. _____ Any Season Non-Holiday
- 528. _____ Other, not listed above



OTHER PAPER CRAFTS

- 529. _____ Fun Fold Card
- 530. _____ Treat Holder
- 531. _____ Shadow Box
- 532. _____ Junk Journal
- 533. _____ Gift Card Holder
- 534. _____ Other

HOLIDAY HANDICRAFTS *(Formerly known as Crafts I)*

Department Chairs—Pam Overton & Sue Ryland



CHRISTMAS AT THE FAIR

- 601. _____ Tree Ornament—*any size, ready to hang*
- 602. _____ Angel / Tree Topper (*not to exceed 12" high*)
- 603. _____ Christmas Stocking
- 604. _____ Christmas Tree Skirts
- 605. _____ Table Decoration / Centerpiece—*not to exceed 24" in any direction*
- 606. _____ Christmas Figures, limit 3, free standing (*not to exceed 20" high*)
- 607. _____ Christmas Wreath (*in good taste—MUST be ready to hang*)
- 608. _____ Wall Hanging or Door Decoration (*not to exceed 24" in any direction*)
- 609. _____ Diamond Art (0-12")
- 610. _____ Diamond Art (13-24")
- 611. _____ Diamond Art (25-36")
- 612. _____ Other, not listed above

SNOW/WINTER

- 613. _____ Free-Standing Snowman
- 614. _____ Centerpiece / Table Decoration (*not to exceed 24" in any direction*)
- 615. _____ Wall / Door Hanging (*not to exceed 24" in any direction*)
- 616. _____ Wreath (*MUST be ready to hang and not to exceed 24" in any direction*)
- 617. _____ Diamond Art (0-36")
- 618. _____ Other, not listed above



PATRIOTIC

- 619. _____ Wreath (*in good taste—MUST be ready to hang*)
- 620. _____ Wall or Door Hanging (*not to exceed 24" in any direction*)
- 621. _____ Table Decoration / Centerpiece (*not to exceed 24" in any direction*)
- 622. _____ Diamond Art (0-36")
- 623. _____ Other, not listed above



OTHER HOLIDAYS AT THE FAIR (*"Nationally Recognized" - see rules*)

- 624. _____ Wreath (*in good taste*)
- 625. _____ Wall or Door Hanging (*not to exceed 24" in any direction*)
- 626. _____ Table Decoration / Centerpiece (*not to exceed 24" in any direction*)
- 627. _____ Diamond Art (0-36")
- 628. _____ Other, not listed above



HANDICRAFTS ***(Formerly known as Crafts II)***

Department Chairs—Tanya Pearson & Becky Marksberry

DOLLS AND STUFFED ANIMALS

- 701. _____ Dressed Doll (*outfit made by exhibitor, doll or head may be purchased*)
- 702. _____ Cloth Doll (*must be made and dressed by exhibitor*)
- 703. _____ Stuffed Animal
- 704. _____ Painted Fabric Doll
- 705. _____ Other, not listed above (*i.e. corncob, wood, apple, corn shuck, etc.*)



FLORAL CRAFTS (*artificial or natural—NO HOLIDAY*)

- 706. _____ Wreath (*MUST be ready to hang and not exceed 24" in any direction*)
- 707. _____ Swags
- 708. _____ Artificial or Dried Flower Arrangement
- 709. _____ Artificial or Dried Tabletop Arrangement / Centerpiece (*finished on both the front and the back and no higher than 12"*)
- 710. _____ Decorated Hat
- 711. _____ Bridal Bouquet
- 712. _____ Other Flower Arrangement (Bridesmaid, Boutonniere, Corsage, etc.)
- 713. _____ Other, not listed above

RECYCLED / SCRAP CRAFT** (*turning one item into another form/craft; or made from leftover—must include a written story about what was used and how the new item will be used*)

- 714. _____ Functional
- 715. _____ Wearable
- 716. _____ Decorative
- 717. _____ Denim
- 718. _____ Other, not listed above

MISCELLANEOUS CRAFTS (NO Holiday)

- 719. _____ Baskets; reed, hand-woven
- 720. _____ Baskets; decorated basket (need not be made by exhibitor)
- 721. _____ Woven Textile item
- 722. _____ Stained Glass
- 723. _____ Other, not listed above

JEWELRY

- 724. _____ Bracelet
- 725. _____ Earrings
- 726. _____ Necklace
- 727. _____ Pins
- 728. _____ Other, not listed above



CRICUT / CUTTING MACHINE (*item made from using a Cricut or other cutting machine*)

- 729. _____ Clothing (clothing item can be pre-purchased)
- 730. _____ Accessories
- 731. _____ Household Items
- 732. _____ Mug/Tumbler/Cup
- 733. _____ Other, not listed above

Photography

All photos must be matted on designated size mat board, not cardboard or thin poster board and NO FOAM BOARD. No wooden frames allowed. A backing board (heavy paper) to cover the back of the photos is to be attached for the protection of and/or loss of photo. The photo with mat and backing board (heavy paper) may not exceed 3/16 inch thick. **One entry per category** is permitted. Entrants may enter up to six (6) pictures in Photo I and six (6) pictures in Photo II, for a total of 12 photo entries maximum per person.

PHOTO I

Department Chairs—Barb Lawhorn & Amber Beams

COLOR PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP 1—(5X7 photo)

(All Photo I photos must be mounted on 8x10 mat board, with backing)

- 801. _____ Scenery
- 802. _____ Animals / Wildlife / Birds
- 803. _____ Farm Life
- 804. _____ People
- 805. _____ Action (must show stopped or motion blur action)
- 806. _____ Flowers
- 807. _____ Insects
- 808. _____ Weather
- 809. _____ Night Photography



BLACK & WHITE

- 810. _____ People
- 811. _____ Scenery
- 812. _____ Animals

PHOTO I

Department Chairs—Ellen Davies & Gayle (Baugh) Whitmer

COLOR PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP 2—8x10 photo

(All Photo II photos must be mounted on 11X14 mat board, with backing)

- 813. _____ Scenery
- 814. _____ Animals / Wildlife / Birds
- 815. _____ Farm Life
- 816. _____ People
- 817. _____ Action (must show stopped or motion blur action)
- 818. _____ Flowers
- 819. _____ Insects
- 820. _____ Weather
- 821. _____ Night Photography

BLACK & WHITE

- 822. _____ People
- 823. _____ Scenery
- 824. _____ Animals





44TH Annual Bakers Best Contest



Sponsored by:

The Jack & Shirley Dalton Community Foundation Fund

Thursday, July 24th, 2025

(note change of day of the week!)

RULES:

1. The flavor for this year's contest is.....**CHERRY!**
2. This contest is open to Putnam County residents, member of a Putnam County Extension Homemaker Club, a non-resident whose majority of work and activities are in Putnam County, or have a student or 4-H'er in Putnam County schools. Entrants must be at least 18 years of age. Members of the Putnam County Extension Office and persons in their household are not eligible.
3. The product entered must be made by the individual entering the contest and may not be entered in any other section of the Putnam County Fair. Entries should be neatly covered and in a disposable container as they will be auctioned to the highest bidder.
4. Entries will be accepted Thursday, July 24th between 9:00 and 11:00am. in the Adult Open Class Exhibit Hall in the York Automotive Community Building at the Putnam County Fairgrounds. **(note change of day of the week!)**
 - ➡ **CLOSED JUDGING of entries will begin at 12:30pm with two (2) judges.**
 - ➡ Winners will be announced and awards presented on Thursday evening, July 24th at 6:00pm with Auction beginning at 6:30pm in the Adult Open Class Exhibit Hall.
 - ➡ Cash awards will be presented for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th place winners in each of the four categories.
 - ➡ The Overall Grand Champion, selected from the four first-place winners, will also receive a \$100 award.
 - ➡ The Reserve Champion will receive \$50, donated by Jack Dalton in Memory of Flossie Alexander and Dorothy Toney.
 - ➡ An award will be given to the best entry among first-time participants by the Darwyn Nelson Family in Memory of Ila Nelson.
 - ➡ All entries will be auctioned to the highest bidder.
 - ➡ Proceeds will be used for the Adult Open Class Exhibit Hall's operations and improvement projects.
 - ➡ Winners will not gain any points toward the Top Open Class Exhibitor Award given in the Adult Open Class Exhibit Hall.
5. All entries must be accompanied by the recipe (including crust, fillings, and frostings) on an 8 1/2 x 11" sheet of paper at time of entry. **Entries without complete recipes at cutoff time of 11am will not be considered for prizes.** All entries become the property of the Bakers Best Committee.
6. Each entry must contain flavor stated in recipe. The judge should be able to taste the flavor throughout the finished product.
7. Persons may enter only one item per category. Categories for entry are: COOKIES - 13 cookies; CAKES - 1 cake or 7 cupcakes; PIES - 1 pie; BREADS (yeast or quick bread) - 1 loaf, ring or braid or 7 rolls or muffins. ***Cream pies or any product requiring refrigeration, including cream cheese frosting will NOT be accepted. Raw eggs and uncooked milk are also unacceptable. Home canned ingredients are also not permitted. All eggs and milk MUST be cooked or baked in the product.***
8. The container used at check-in is considered a donation and WILL NOT be returned.
9. **Anyone found not abiding by ALL RULES shall forfeit any awards and will be disqualified.**



CULINARY ARTS

Department Chair— Amanda Miller

Entries received on Saturday, July 19th from 9:00—11:00am

All entries **MUST** be presented with a complete recipe on 8 1/2 x 11" paper at time of entry.
There are **NO EXCEPTIONS** to this rule.

1. Food entries must have your name and variety of product on the bottom of the container.
2. A portion of pies, breads and cakes will be displayed, and the remainder may be picked up from 5:00-8:00pm on July 20th. Items will be disposed of if not picked up.
3. Cream pies or any product that needs refrigeration, including cream cheese frosting, WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED OR JUDGED. Also, raw eggs or milk that is uncooked or not baked in the product WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
4. A cake may be made with butter, margarine or shortening, but not lard and may be any flavor, i.e. strawberry, spice, white, vanilla, yellow, etc.
5. All cookies, candies, rolls and muffins, require that 6 be entered.

PIES (no cream, custard or meringue)

1. _____ Apple
2. _____ Cherry
3. _____ Berry
4. _____ Peach
5. _____ Nut
6. _____ Other

CAKES (no cream cheese frosting)

7. _____ Angel Food – no frosting
8. _____ Frosted Layer Cake – 2 or more layers, any flavor
9. _____ Upside Down Cake, any flavor
10. _____ Bundt—Glazed or Iced, any variety
11. _____ Cupcakes— 6 (any flavor)
12. _____ Other, Cake of your choice (includes non-yeast coffee cakes)

COOKIES

13. _____ Bar—6 (not chocolate)
14. _____ Chocolate Brownie—6
15. _____ Drop Cookie, any flavor—6
16. _____ Rolled, any flavor—6
17. _____ Shaped or cut out, any flavor – 6
18. _____ Filled, any flavor—6
19. _____ Any variety, other than above—6

BREADS (no miniature loaves)

20. _____ Yeast Bread—loaf—white
21. _____ Yeast Bread—loaf—wheat
22. _____ Yeast Dinner Rolls – 6 rolls
23. _____ Vegetable Quick Bread / Fruit Quick Bread, with or without nuts – loaf
24. _____ Sweet Yeast Bread—rings, rolls, twists, etc.
25. _____ Muffins/Scones/Biscuits—6 (no paper liners)

BREADS will be Opened Judged
beginning at 3:00pm
on Saturday, July 19th.

CANDY

- 26. _____ Chocolate Fudge—6 pieces
- 27. _____ Peanut Butter Fudge—6 pieces
- 28. _____ Fudge, not chocolate or peanut butter—6 pieces
- 29. _____ Nut Brittle— 6 pieces
- 30. _____ Caramel Corn – 2 cups
- 31. _____ Caramels – 6 pieces
- 32. _____ Divinity - 6 pieces
- 33. _____ Any variety other than above—6 pieces (*pralines, mints, lollipops, etc.*)

STARTING FROM A MIX

*This category is designed to allow the use of a purchased box mix as one of the ingredients in a recipe. The box mix has to be used with at least 2 other ingredients to create a **new product**. Box mixes can include cake mixes, cookie mixes, brownie mixes, muffin mixes, quick bread mixes, Bisquick mix, etc.*

- 34. _____ Cake
- 35. _____ Cookies—6
- 36. _____ Brownies
- 37. _____ Bread
- 38. _____ Other



8th Annual

Kids Best Baker Contest

(for students in Kindergarten thru 2nd grade)



Co-Chaired by: Amber Beams & Kelly Robertson

Sponsored by: *The Waters of Greencastle*



Contest Rules:

1. Students from Kindergarten through 2nd grade may enter (grade just completed in May)
2. Category for 2025 – **COOKIES (exhibit 6)**
3. Entries should be **baked** by the exhibitor (with help from an adult). No-bake cookies are not allowed. Entries should also include a written recipe.
4. Entries can be brought on **SUNDAY, July 20th in the York Automotive Community Building, East Building (Adult Open Class) from 5:00 – 6:30pm**. Judging will mirror the 4-H judging. Awards will follow at 7:00pm.
5. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Those three (3) placings will also be auctioned off to the highest bidder at the Baker's Best Contest Auction on Tuesday, July 23rd at 6:30pm in the York Automotive Community Building, East Building.

FOOD PRESERVATION

Department Chair—Kelly Robertson

Entries received on Saturday, July 19th from 9:00—11:00am

1. All food preservation entries **MUST** be presented with a complete recipe on an 8 1/2 x 11" piece of paper at time of entry....**NO EXCEPTIONS! *Standard Ball, Kerr or Mason jars should be used (i.e. no colored jars).***
2. Canned entries should be clearly labeled. The exhibitors name should be on the bottom of the jar. The name of the product and the date should be on the side of the jar (i.e. Salsa 9/12/21).
3. **Rings must be left on all food preservation jars.** Pickles, Jams and Jellies will be opened and may be tasted.
4. It is recommended to use recipes from the Ball Blue Book, National Center for Food Preservation or a trusted source (i.e. Purdue, University of Georgia, USDA Complete Guide to Home Canning, etc.). No untrusted recipes will be accepted. **Please site source on recipe.**

VEGETABLES

39. _____ Green Beans
40. _____ Corn
41. _____ Carrots
42. _____ Tomatoes—whole, quartered or crushed
43. _____ Other, not listed above

SAUCES

44. _____ Tomato Ketchup
45. _____ Salsa
46. _____ Spaghetti Sauce
47. _____ BBQ Sauce
48. _____ Other, not listed above

PICKLES

49. _____ Sweet - whole, sliced or chunk
50. _____ Dill - whole, sliced or chunk
51. _____ Bread and Butter
52. _____ Pickled Beets - whole, sliced or chunk

RELISH

53. _____ Sweet
54. _____ Corn
55. _____ Chow Chow
56. _____ Other, not listed above



FRUITS

57. _____ Apples
58. _____ Applesauce
59. _____ Cherries
60. _____ Peaches
61. _____ Pears
62. _____ Pie Filling
63. _____ Other, not listed above



JELLIES AND JAMS *(state the flavor on jar)*

64. _____ Jelly—any flavor
65. _____ Jam / Preserves—any flavor
66. _____ Marmalades—any flavor
67. _____ Fruit Butter—any flavor
68. _____ Other, not listed above

DEHYDRATED / DRIED / FREEZE-DRIED FOODS—recipe must include drying method

69. _____ Fruit
70. _____ Vegetable
71. _____ Meat
72. _____ Herbs
73. _____ Fruit Leather
74. _____ Other, not listed above



PURSE AUCTION

**Join us immediately following
Family Fun Day
on Wednesday, July 23rd
for our annual **Purse Auction!**
A variety of themed purses will be
auctioned off to the highest bidder
by Auctioneer Jeff Rich!**



*Have a Business, Club or Group that wants to
donate a themed purse to the auction?*

Contact the Extension Office
at 765-653-8411 for details.

Or, just bring purse on Tuesday, July 15th
from 4-7pm in the Community Building (East Side).

**Cash, Checks and Debit/Credit cards
accepted!**



2025 Family Fun Day

*Hosted by One Stitch at a Time Extension Homemakers Club
and assisted by Sew Many Stitchers &
Northern Town & Country Lights Extension Homemakers Clubs.*

The Mysteries of Putnam County



Doors Open at 10:00am



Refreshments served from 10-10:30am.

Program starts at 10:30am
with welcome and introductions.

Afternoon program begins at 12:30pm.



Door prizes throughout the day!

