



62nd Anniversary

July 19-26, 2026

Open Class Book

Ottawa County Agricultural Society

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OPEN CLASS HOME ECONOMICS

Department 101 through 108

July 19 through 26, 2026

Premiums HOME ECONOMICS

1st - \$3.00 2nd - \$2.00 3rd - \$1.00

RULES & REGULATIONS

- ◆ Exhibitors must be at least 18 years old and have purchased a Fair Pass for \$25.00. The child of an adult who holds a Fair/Season Pass may enter as a student. **NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT PROOF OF PASS!!!!!!**
- ◆ Student and adult exhibits will be judged separately.
- ◆ **PRE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED** – Registration is available using Fair online or forms are available in Senior Fair office. All entries must be in by **FRIDAY, July 17, 2026.**
- ◆ **CANNED GOODS, NEEDLEWORK, QUILTING, ARTS & CRAFTS & CHILDREN'S CONTEST** exhibits will be received between 2:00 and 6:00 p.m. on **SUNDAY, July 19** in Exhibit Barn (D-1).
- ◆ **BAKED GOODS** will be received between 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 23. The department will be closed during judging. Premiums and ribbons will be awarded.
- ◆ All exhibits can be collected on Sunday, July 26 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. All premiums not picked up at this time will be considered donated to the fair and cannot be claimed later. **Anyone removing their exhibits before 6:00 p.m. Sunday will forfeit their premium.**
- ◆ The Ag Society will not be responsible for stolen or damaged entries.
- ◆ **PROFESSIONAL** exhibits will not be eligible in all departments for Grand Champion awards. This includes any instructor, demonstrator, dealer, etc.
- ◆ The judges will, in making awards, be governed by design and workmanship and are requested to pass-by all articles which are not worthy in their judgment. It is the quality of the work to be considered, not the size it is in competition with.
- ◆ Department will be closed during all judging.
- ◆ **ARTICLES MUST BE HANDMADE BY THE EXHIBITOR AND FINISHED SINCE LAST FAIR.**

SPECIAL JUDGES AWARD

- AMERICA 250 -

In recognition of the 250th anniversary of the United States, a special judge's award will be presented to an Open Class exhibit in departments 103-108 that best exemplifies the spirit of America 250.



CANNED GOODS - DEPT. 101

Judging Monday, July 20, 2026

- ◆ Must follow ALL general Open Class Home Economics Rules in addition to the following:
- ◆ All entries must be in pint or quart **CLEAR** glass jars. **NO** blue jars or mayonnaise jars will be accepted.
- ◆ Entries in Classes 30-40 must be in pint or standard jelly jars. **NO** freezer jams will be accepted.
- ◆ Exhibitors may not enter more than one in each class or subclass if available. (e.g. Bread & Butter and Dill Pickles)



DEPT. 101 - CLASSES 1 - 30

1. Applesauce
2. Cherries, Sour
3. Cherries, Sweet
4. Peaches
5. Pears
6. Misc. Fruits - named
7. Misc. Fruit Juice - named
8. Beans, Green
9. Beans, Wax or Yellow
10. Beets
11. Beets, Pickled
12. Carrots
13. Corn
14. Corn, Chowder or Relish
15. Mixed Vegetables
16. Misc. Vegetables – named
17. Misc. Vegetables, pickled – named
18. Peppers, Hot
19. Peppers, Sweet
20. Pickles, Bread & Butter
21. Pickles, Dill
22. Pickles, Sweet
23. Pickles, Misc. - named
24. Pickled Relish - named
25. Tomatoes
26. Tomato Juice
27. Tomato Sauce
28. Salsa
29. Misc. Sauces - named
30. Jams, Strawberry
31. Jams, Strawberry Combination
32. Jams, Grape
33. Jams, Peach
34. Jams, Misc. - named
35. Jellies, Grape
36. Jellies, Apple
37. Jellies, Strawberry
38. Jellies, Misc. - named
39. Apple Butter
40. Misc. Butters - named

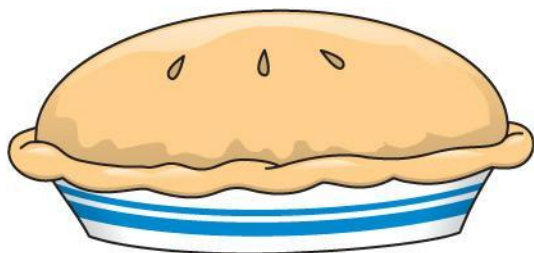
DOMESTIC BAKING - DEPT. 102

Judging Thursday, July 23, 2026 - 11:30 a.m.

- ◆ Must follow ALL general Open Class Home Economics Rules in addition to the following:
- ◆ Each exhibitor may not enter more than one in a class
- ◆ All entries must be well covered. Plastic bags with twist ties or that "zip" shut are best for the directors and judges to handle. Items must be in disposable containers. List on entry form what KIND for Misc. Classes. NO REFRIGERATED ITEMS.
- ◆ BAKED GOODS should be brought to the Exhibit Barn next to Babyland (D-1) Thursday, July 23 between 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Judging will be at 11:30 a.m. All baked goods will be sold following the judging. Proceeds will be donated to the Fair.
- ◆ All entries must be baked within 24 hours.

DEPT. 102 CLASSES 1-12

1. Breads, White Yeast
2. Breads, Banana Nut
3. Breads, Zucchini
4. Sweet Rolls (6)
5. Yeast Rolls (6)
6. Muffins, any type, named (6)
7. Misc. Bread, named
8. Cake, Angel Food
9. Cake, Chocolate
10. Cake, Coffee
11. Cake, Bundt
12. Cake, Misc. - named
13. Cupcakes, Frosted (6)
14. Cookies, Molasses (8)
15. Cookies, Chocolate Chip (8)
16. Cookies, Oatmeal (8)
17. Cookies, Peanut Butter (8)
18. Cookies, Sugar (8)
19. Cookies, Misc., - named (8)
20. Pie, Apple
21. Pie, Berry
22. Pie, Cherry
23. Pie, Peach
24. Pie, Pumpkin
25. Pie, Misc. - named
26. Candy, named - if pieced (8)
27. Brownies (8)
28. All American - well loved family recipe



NEEDLEWORK - DEPT. 103

Judging Monday, July 20, 2026

- ◆ Must follow ALL general Open Class Home Economics Rules in addition to the following:
- ◆ Only three articles will be accepted in a class from one exhibitor. Specify on entry blank what the article is, e.g. wall hanging, doily, scarf, etc.
- ◆ Please specify size of exhibit on entry blank and if exhibit is to be hung.

DEPT. 103 - CLASSES 1 - 16

1. Embroidery, Hand or stamped embroidery
2. Embroidery, Counted Cross Stitch
3. Embroidery, Misc.
4. Crocheted, Afghan
5. Crocheted, Clothing
6. Crocheted, Misc. - named
7. Knitted, Hand Knitted – Afghan
8. Knitted, Hand Knitted – Any other
9. Knitted, Misc. – named
10. Felting – Knitted or Crocheted
11. Amigurumi – Knitted or Crocheted
12. Hooked
13. Home Sewing, Children sized item
14. Home Sewing, Adult sized item
15. Home Sewing, Doll Clothes
16. Home Sewing, Misc. – named

QUILTING - DEPT. 104

Judging Monday, July 20, 2026

- ◆ The same rules will be followed as in Dept. 103.

DEPT. 104 - CLASSES 1-14

1. Appliquéd, Crib Size
2. Appliquéd, Any other size
3. Pieced, Crib Size
4. Pieced, Any other size
5. Whole Cloth Quilt, Crib Size
6. Whole Cloth Quilt, Any other size
7. Combination Quilt, Crib size
8. Combination Quilt, Any other size
9. Clothing, Appliquéd
10. Clothing, Pieced
11. Clothing, Quilted Only
12. Tote bags
13. Purses
14. Group – Any quilted item created and worked on by more than one person.



ARTS & CRAFTS - DEPT. 105

Judging Monday, July 20, 2026

- ◆ Must follow ALL general Open Class Home Economics Rules in addition to the following:
- ◆ Three exhibits in each class of arts & crafts per exhibitor will be accepted.
- ◆ Exhibitors are asked to have plaques, wreaths and swags **READY TO BE HUNG** with appropriate hooks/wires. We are **NOT** responsible if an item falls due to improper hanger.
- ◆ All paint and glue must be dry.

DEPT. 105 - CLASSES 1 - 29

1. Basket weaving
2. Sea Glass Art
3. Folded book
4. Ceramics
5. Handmade soap
6. Stained glass
7. Graphic sketches
8. Hand-built pottery
9. Handmade greeting card
10. Jewelry
11. Painting, water
12. Painting, oil
13. Painting, acrylic
14. Painting, painting party creation – any painting made at a one- time painting party
15. Decorated clothing
16. Diamond Painting Art
17. Paper craft
18. Origami
19. 3D printer design
20. Scrapbooking - 1 page not to exceed 12" x 12"
21. Sculpture
22. Swags
23. Wreaths
24. Woodworking
25. Wood Carving
26. Fused Glass
27. Misc. – named



COLORING CONTEST - DEPT. 106

Judging Monday, July 20, 2026

- ◆ Must follow all general Open Class Home Economics Rules in addition to the following
 - ◆ **ONLY** The Special Edition Ottawa County Coloring page will be accepted. This can be found online or at the Sr. Fairboard Office.
1. Youth Coloring Page –Ages 5 and under
 2. Youth Coloring Page – Ages 6-10
 3. Youth Coloring Page – Ages 11-16
 4. Adult Coloring Page - Ages 11-16
 5. Adult Coloring Page- Ages 17 and up

PHOTOGRAPHY - DEPT. 107

Judging Monday, July 20, 2026

- ◆ Must follow ALL general Open Class Home Economics Rules in addition to the following
- ◆ Amateurs only. **NO PROFESSIONALS**
- ◆ All exhibits must be 8" x 10". Not to exceed 11" x 14" overall dimensions with matting.
 - ◆ All photos must be on **WHITE OR BLACK** mount board or poster board, **NO FRAMED PRINTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
- ◆ Two (2) photographs in each class of photography per exhibitor will be accepted.
- ◆ Same photograph cannot be entered in more than one (1) category.
- ◆ Entry tags will be attached on bottom right corner.

DEPT. 106 - CLASSES 1 - 9

1. Still Life/Figure
2. Animals
3. Flowers
4. Insects/Bugs/Reptiles
5. Landscape/Scenery
6. People
7. Selfie
8. Altered
9. Misc other

CHILDREN'S CONTEST - DEPT. 108

Judging Monday, July 20, 2026

- ◆ Must follow all general Open Class Home Economics Rules

2-liter bottle sculpture

- ◆ Make a sculpture using up to three 2 liter soda bottles.
- ◆ May be decorated with paint, paper, fabric, etc.
- ◆ Please name your creation on a 3 x 5 index card.

Red White & Brew

- ◆ Make a creation using up to 3 disposable Styrofoam coffee cups.
- ◆ You may use glue, paint, stain, felt, buttons, etc. to complete and decorate your creation.
- ◆ Please name your creation on a 3 x 5 index card

DEPT. 108 - CLASSES 1 - 4

1. 2-liter bottle Sculpture - Ages 5 and under
2. 2-liter bottle Sculpture – Ages 6-10
3. Red, White & Brew – Ages 10 and under
4. Red, White & Brew – Ages 11-16

OPEN CLASS HORTICULTURE

Exhibit Barn D-1

1st SHOW A – TUESDAY, JULY 21:

2nd SHOW B – FRIDAY, JULY 24:

Specimen & Arrangement entries accepted

8:00 - 10:30 a.m. day of show

Silk arrangements accepted - TUESDAY ONLY.

All Judging - 12:00 noon

SUNDAY, JULY 26: Pick up containers and awards between 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

AWARDS

Best of Show - Artistic - Junior and Senior Divisions

Best of Show - Horticulture - Junior and Each Senior

Division if judge warrants

PREMIUM SCHEDULE

Horticulture 1st - \$3.00 2nd - \$2.00 3rd - \$1.00

Artistic 1st - \$5.00 2nd - \$4.00 3rd - \$3.00

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

- ◆ NO ENTRIES ACCEPTED WITHOUT PROOF OF PASS!!!!!!
- ◆ **ENTRIES ARE LIMITED TO 3 PER SPECIMEN and must be different varieties or color.**
- ◆ Pre-registration (Artistic only) by Friday, July 17, 2026. Horticulture pre-registration is optional.
- ◆ Exhibitor's tags may be picked up prior to the fair for completion of information.
- ◆ No valuable articles are to be brought. Agricultural Society is not responsible for stolen or damaged articles.
- ◆ All specimens must be clean and free of spray materials, disease, and insects
- ◆ We reserve the right to re-classify an entry if the item has been mislabeled.
- ◆ Vases furnished for all flowers except
- ◆ Specimens must be grown by exhibitor.
- ◆ Exhibits with variety named/labeled place higher.
- ◆ No prize awarded unless entry is worthy.
- ◆ No Best of Show unless variety is named.
- ◆ Judge and directors reserve the right to sub-divide, eliminate or group classes.
- ◆ Please label all "Any other class entries."
- ◆ Wedges of wood or other material should be used to keep bloom erect.
- ◆ All exhibits of single round blooms must be disbudded unless noted, including spikes.
- ◆ Sprays are not disbudded.
- ◆ Points for foliage are lost when foliage is removed above waterline.
- ◆ Arrangements and specimens must be in place by 10:30 a.m. the day of the show. Exhibitors must be

out of judging area by 11 a.m. Exhibits not conforming to schedule will be disqualified.

Horticulture - Dept. 110

CLASS A – ROSES

HYBRID TEA ROSES - 1 bloom - must be disbudded

1. White
2. Yellow
3. Yellow Blend
4. Pink
5. Pink Blend
6. Red or Red Blend
7. Orange-red or Apricot Blend
8. Orange, Orange-pink or Orange Blend
9. Lavender, Mauve or Blend
10. Full Blown Rose - showing center
11. Display of 3 Hybrid Tea Roses of same varieties - named
12. Display of 3 Hybrid Tea Roses of different varieties - named

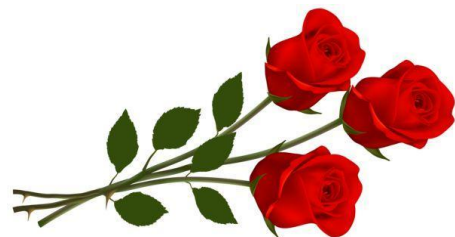
NOTE: Displays must use individual containers and placed in basket or on tray

ANY OTHER ROSES - any color

13. Floribunda - 1 bloom - disbudded
14. Floribunda - 1 spray - not disbudded
15. Polyantha - 1 spray - not disbudded
16. Grandiflora - 1 bloom - disbudded
17. Grandiflora - 1 spray - disbudded
18. Old-fashion, English or Shrub Rose - 1 stem - not disbudded
19. Any other rose not listed

MINIATURE ROSES - 1 stem - no side buds

20. White
21. Yellow or yellow blend
22. Pink or pink blend
23. Red or red blend
24. Orange, Apricot or Blend
25. Any other miniature 1 stem rose
26. Miniature Spray-1 spray - not disbudded - WHITE
27. Miniature Spray-1 spray-not disbudded -Yellow or blend
28. Miniature Spray-1 spray-not disbudded- Pink or blend
29. Miniature Spray-1 spray-not disbudded -Red or blend
30. Miniature Spray-1 spray-not disbudded -Orange or blend
31. Miniature Spray-1 spray-not disbudded -Any other



CLASS B – GLADIOLUS

Gladiolus - 1 spike - disbudded with foliage
Exhibitor may provide large clear bottle.
Each class may have different blends, varieties and must be LABELED.

1. White
2. Green
3. Yellow
4. Orange
5. Pink or Salmon
6. Red
7. Lavender or Purple
8. Mini – Novelty
9. Best Display – Five Different Colors – each in a container, placed on a tray or basket

CLASS C - ANNUALS

1. Calendulas - 1 bloom - disbudded
2. Cleome - 1 stem
3. Bachelor Button - single bloom
4. Coleus - 1 stem without flowers
5. Cosmos – spray
6. Marigold -Yellow - large - over 2 inches across - 1 bloom – disbudded
7. Marigold -Orange - large - over 2 inches across - 1 bloom – disbudded
8. Marigold -White- large - over 2 inches across - 1 bloom – disbudded
9. Marigold - small - 1 spray -Yellow/Yellow Blend
10. Marigold - small - 1 spray -Orange/Orange Blend
11. Petunia - single - at least 2 blooms
12. Petunia - double - at least 2 blooms (Petunias - no seed pods)
13. Salvia
14. Snapdragon - 1 spike - no seed pods
15. Zinnia - small - 3 inches & under
16. Zinnia - large - over 3 inches
17. Dahlia - cactus - 1 bloom - disbudded
18. Dahlia - decorative - 1 bloom - disbudded
19. Dahlia - pompon - 1 bloom under 2 inches - disbudded
20. Dahlia for bedding - 2 blooms
21. Larkspur - 1 stalk
22. Sunflower - 1 bloom - disbudded
23. Annual Statice - 1 stalk
24. Celosia

Any other annual not listed - must be labeled

25. Round Form - limit to 3 entries
26. Spike - limit to 3 entries
27. Spray - limit to 3 entries

CLASS D – PERENNIALS

1. Hosta - 1 mature leaf - named
 2. Coreopsis - 1 spray
 3. Daisy - Shasta - 1 bloom – disbudded
 4. Black-eyed Susan – 1 bloom – disbudded
 5. Daylily - 1 scape - need container – named
 6. Delphinium - 1 spike
 7. Gaillardia - 1 bloom – disbudded
 8. Echinacea (Coneflower) - 1 bloom - disbudded Pink/Purple
 9. Echinacea (Coneflower) - 1 bloom - disbudded White
 10. Echinacea (Coneflower) - 1 bloom - disbudded Yellow
 11. Echinacea (Coneflower) - 1 bloom - disbudded Any color not listed
 12. Hollyhock - 1 spike
 13. Liatris - 1 spike
 14. Phlox - 1 spike
 15. Balloon flower - 1 stalk
 16. Allium - 1 stalk
 17. Astilbe - 1 spike
 18. Yarrow - 1 stem
 19. Perennial Statice - 1 stem
 20. Lily - 1 stalk - need container
 21. Globe Thistle - 1 stem
 22. Sea Holly- 1 stalk
 23. Any flowering bush or tree- 1 stem
- Any other perennial
24. Round Form - limit to 3 entries
 25. Spike - limit to 3 entries
 26. Spray - limit to 3 entries

CLASS E – HERBS

1. Basil - 1 stem - named - fresh cut
2. Lavender - 1 stem - named - fresh cut (in bloom)
3. Mint - 1 stem - named - fresh cut
4. Sage - 1 stem - named - fresh cut
5. Any Annual - 1 stem - named - fresh cut - limit to 3 entries
6. Any Perennial - 1 stem - named - fresh cut - limit to 3 entries
7. 3 Herbs in a basket w/recipe -

CLASS F - EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT of CHOICE

1. Exhibitor to provide own card table, covering, handouts if appropriate, etc...



ARTISTIC FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS –

DEPT. 111

THEME: “AMERICA 250”

- ◆ One entry per class.
- ◆ Flowers used in artistic arrangements must be the work of the exhibitor, not exceeding 24" in width.
- ◆ All plant material must be named on a 3" x 5" card.
- ◆ Accessories may be used in any arrangements.
- ◆ NO artificial material to be used, unless noted.
- ◆ No fresh materials to be painted or dyed.
- ◆ Dried material is allowed.
- ◆ Fruits or vegetables used in arrangements should not be cut.

Show A “America the Beautiful”

Tuesday, July 21, 2026 - Senior Division

1. O beautiful for spacious skies – horizontal design
2. For amber waves of grain – showing movement
3. For purple mountains majesties – incorporating purple flowers
4. Above the fruited plain – own interpretation (please specify)
5. From sea to shining sea – not to exceed 5" in any direction

Show B – God Bless America

Friday, July 24, 2026 - Senior Division

1. Stand beside her, and guide her – symmetric arrangement
2. Thru the night with a light from above – incorporating yellow flowers
3. From the mountains, to the prairies – shows movement
4. To the oceans, white with foam – own interpretation (please specify)
5. God bless America, My home sweet home - More than 5" and less than 12" in any direction

ARTISTIC SILK

ARRANGEMENTS – DEPT. 113

Senior or Junior Division

Show A – This land is your land, and this land is my land

Tuesday, July 21, 2026

1. From California to the New York Island – shows movement
2. From the Redwood Forest to the Gulf Stream Waters – own interpretation (please specify)
3. This land was made for you and me – set of 2 matching arrangements

JUNIOR DIVISION – DEPT. 112

FOR AGES 5-17 YEAR OLDS

SPECIMENS -- SHOW A & B

1. Marigold - small
2. Marigold - Large
3. Petunia - single
4. Petunia - double
5. Coneflower - 1 bloom
6. Daylily - 1 scape - named
7. Zinnia - large - 1 bloom over 3 inches
8. Zinnia - small - 1 bloom under 3 inches
9. Cosmos - 1 stem
10. Hosta - 1 mature leaf
11. Bachelor Button- single bloom
12. Sunflower
13. Daisy
14. Celosia
15. Dalia

Any other annual not listed - must be labeled

16. Round Form - limit to 3 entries
17. Spike - limit to 3 entries
18. Spray - limit to 3 entries

JUNIOR ARTISTIC ARRANGEMENTS

DEPT 113

Yankee Doodle

Show A

Tuesday, July 21, 2026 - Junior Division

1. Yankee Doodle went to town – shows movement
2. A-riding on a pony – own interpretation (please specify)

Show B

Friday, July 24, 2026 - Junior Division

1. Stuck a feather in his cap – includes feathers
2. And called it macaroni' – own interpretation (please specify)



