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June 4-8, 2024

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Thursday - Kids age 5-12 - \$10 • Ages 13 and older - \$20

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Pike County Fair Schedule June 4-8

Tuesday - Queen Pageant - 7 PM, under pavilion • Horse Speed Show • Sheep and Goats - 9 AM

Wednesday - Heartland Garden Tractor Pull - 6 PM • Beef - 1 PM

IFPA Truck and Tractor Pull - 6:30 PM • 2 tracks

Thursday - Swine - 9:30 AM • ITPA Truck and Tractor Pull - 6:30 PM • Pedal Pull - 6:30 PM

Friday - Full Throttle Monster Trucks - 7 PM

Saturday - Baby Contest - 10 AM • Little Mr. & Miss Contest - 11 AM

Domination Motorsports Southern Memorial #9 Tour Demolition Derby - 6:30 PM

LIVESTOCK TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY

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Date	Time	Location	Event
Saturday, June 1, 2024	11 A.M.	Mendon, IL	Tech Day/Test & Tune
Wednesday, June 5, 2024	6 P.M.	Pleasant Hill, IL	Pike County Fair
Sunday, June 23, 2024	12 P.M.	Griggsville, IL	Western IL Fair
Wednesday, July 10, 2024	6 P.M.	Lewiston, MO	Lewis County Fair
Saturday, July 20, 2024	6 P.M.	Pittsfield, IL	Pittsfield Lake Pull
Sunday, July 28, 2024	11 A.M.	Adams Co, IL	Adams Co. Fair
Tuesday, July 30, 2024	6 P.M.	Palmyra, MO	Marion Co. Fair
Saturday, September 14, 2024	11 A.M.	Pittsfield, IL	Pittsfield Lake Pull

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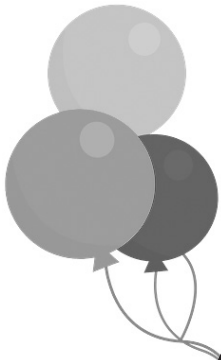
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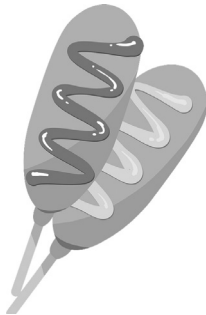
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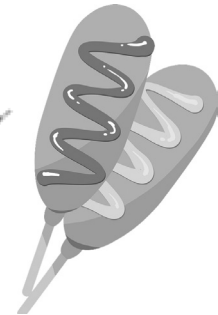
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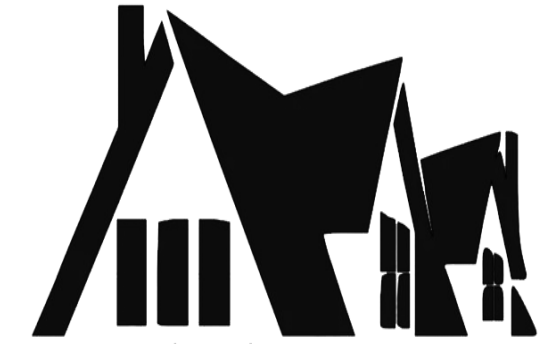
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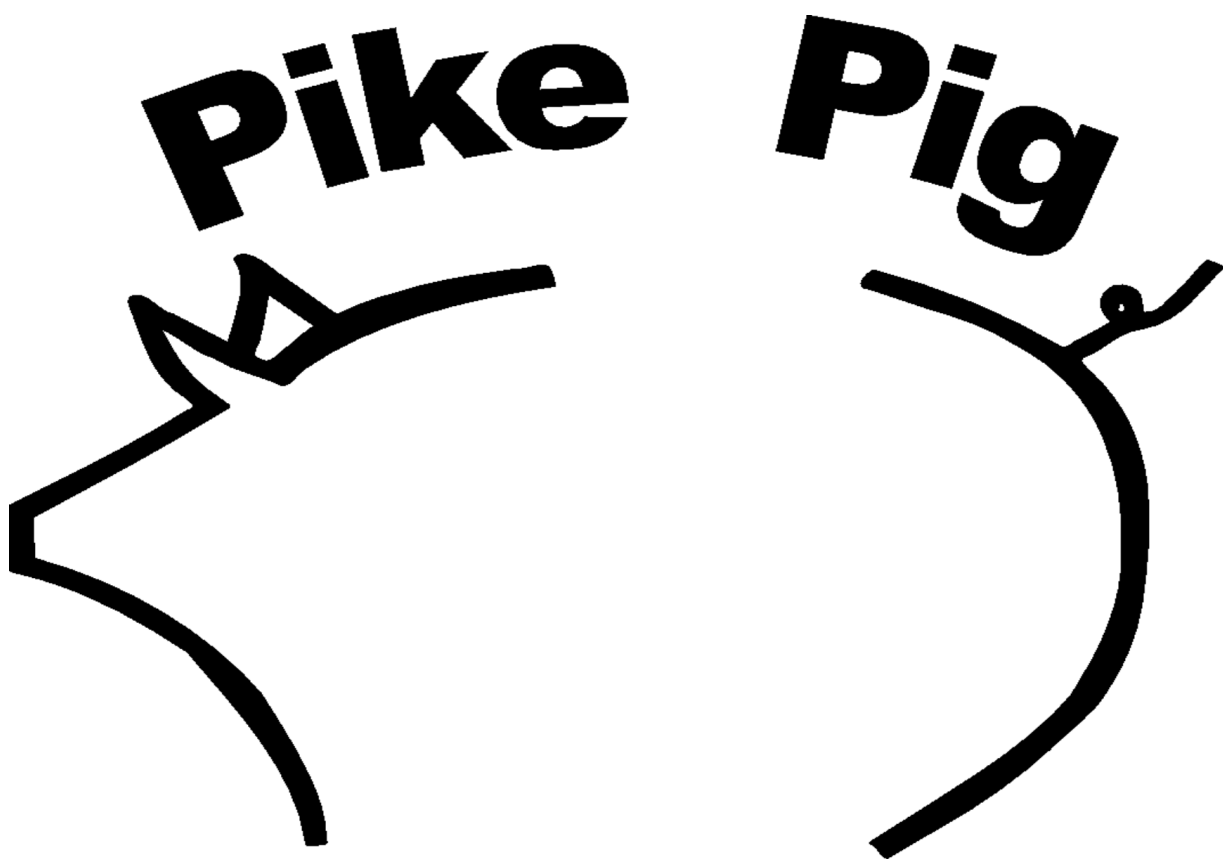


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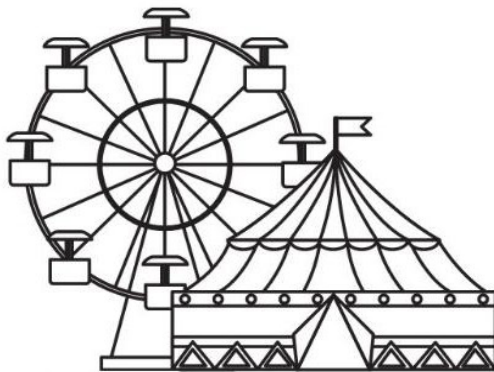
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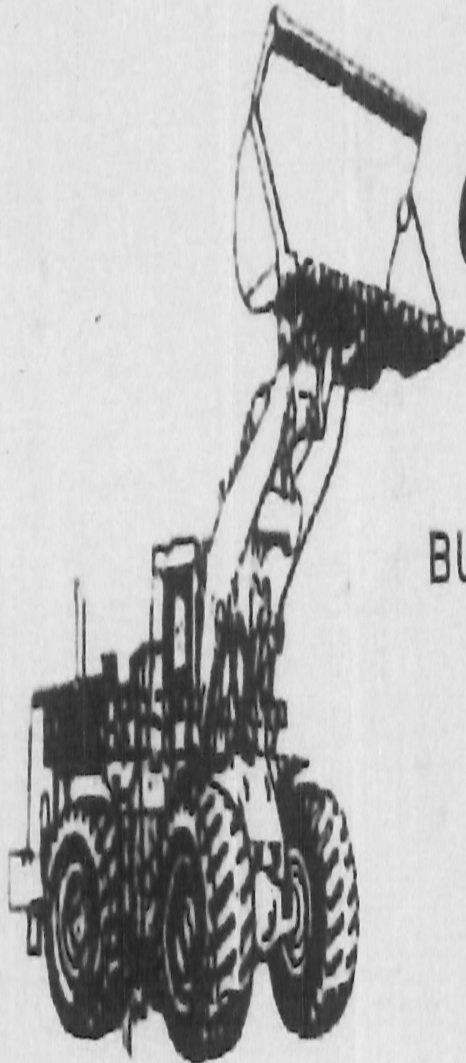
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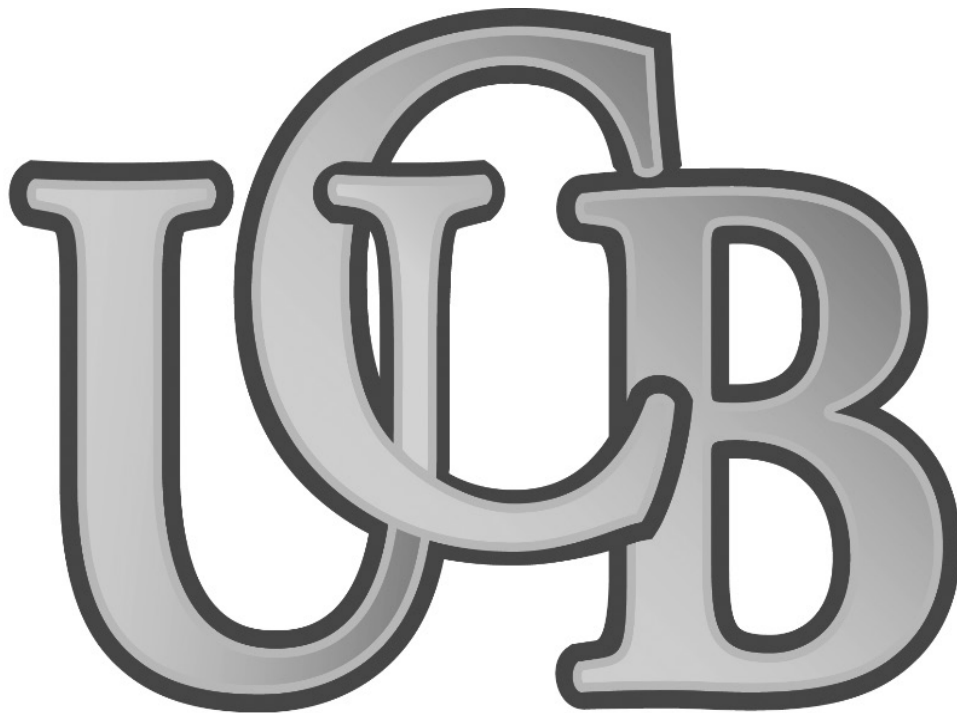
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2024 Exhibition Livestock Health Requirements

County Fairs

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

These Exhibition Health Requirements apply to all livestock present at the fair including those animals that are not entered in competitive events.

1. Exhibitors are required to familiarize themselves with all rules applicable to their exhibits.

All out-of-state animals shall require an entry permit. Entry permit numbers are available online at <https://entrypermit.agr.illinois.gov/Login.aspx>.

2. All animals, except as noted, shall be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) which shows that the animal meets all health requirements for the State of Illinois. CVI's shall be made available to Bureau of Animal Health Personnel on request. If an official electronic CVI is utilized, the exhibitor should be able to log on and show Bureau of Animal Health Personnel the completed CVI.

CVI means a legible record made on an official form from the state of origin which has been issued, signed and dated by an accredited veterinarian and which shows the name and address of the animal's owner or exhibitor and the results of all required tests or vaccinations. A CVI shall list only one animal identification per line; shall be presented on the form on which it was initially issued; and shall not be corrected, changed or altered in any manner.

3. All animals shall be officially identified. The animal(s) official identification shall be recorded on the CVI.

Animal identification number (AIN): A numbering system for the official identification of individual animals in the United States that provides a nationally unique identification number for each animal. The AIN consists of 15 digits, with the first 3 being the country code (840 for the United States or a unique country code for any U.S. territory that has such a code and elects to use it in place of the 840 code).

4. If animals are from tuberculosis accredited, brucellosis certified, pseudorabies qualified, or brucellosis validated herds, the identifying herd number(s) along with the date of the last herd test(s) shall appear on the CVI.

5. CVIs for out-of-state livestock shall be void thirty (30) days after issuance.
6. CVIs for Illinois-origin livestock shall be void ninety (90) days after issuance.
7. All livestock shall be subject to examination upon entry to any Illinois fair or exhibition. Any animal showing evidence of infectious, contagious or communicable diseases shall be immediately withdrawn and held in quarantine at the owner's risk and expense until properly treated and recovered, or until the animal is released to return to the owner's premise.

Any livestock infected with scabies, mange, active lesions of ringworm, soremouth, or multiple warts which are easily visible without close examination shall not be permitted to exhibit and are subject to quarantine or removal from the fairgrounds.

Sheep and goats with caseous lymphadenitis as evidenced by draining abscesses shall not be exhibited and are subject to immediate quarantine or removal from the fairgrounds.

In the event of the suspicion of or diagnosis of a foreign animal disease, emerging animal disease, or other actionable disease, animals may be subject to quarantine on the fairgrounds until such time that it is determined that the disease is no longer a threat.

8. Illinois Department of Agriculture personnel or designee may collect blood, tissue, milk or urine samples from any animal being exhibited and/or raced at any Illinois fair to test for the presence of illegal drugs or banned substances. Examination techniques, such as ultrasound, may also be used at anytime while the animals are on the grounds of any Illinois fair or exhibit.

The Illinois Department of Agriculture or designee may collect urine, blood, tissue or other test samples from exhibition animals at the time of slaughter.

9. All exhibitors of animals at any Illinois fair or exhibition shall comply with the provisions of the Illinois Humane Care for Animals Act. If violations are observed, the animal(s) will be excused from exhibition and ordered removed from the grounds with all awards being forfeited.

Any practice or deviation from normal, accepted care, including physical, medical or mechanical application, shall constitute a violation of show rules and may result in the animal(s) disqualification and removal from the fairgrounds.

10. Any Illinois cattle, bison, cervidae or goats being exhibited in non-accredited free states must be isolated from the remainder of the herd/flock upon return to Illinois and retested for tuberculosis 60-120 days post-entry.

CATTLE

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Individual identification of each animal shall be either a fully healed and legible tattoo, approved official ear tag, registration number (can only be used if the tattoo is recorded on the registration certificate or for breeds where pictures are acceptable), or individual brands, if brand is recorded on the registration certificate.

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Illinois Cattle

Brucellosis

Illinois is a Bovine Brucellosis Class-Free State. Brucellosis testing is not required for Illinois cattle.

Tuberculosis

Illinois is an Accredited Tuberculosis- Free State. Tuberculin testing is not required for Illinois cattle.

Please note: Illinois calves under 6 months of age are not required to have a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.

Out-of-State-Cattle

All out-of-state cattle are to be accompanied by an entry permit. Entry permit numbers are available online at <https://entrypermit.agr.illinois.gov/Login.aspx>.

Brucellosis

1. Female cattle six (6) months of age and older and bulls eighteen (18) months of age and older shall be negative to an official test for brucellosis within thirty (30) days prior to entry, unless exempt by one (1) of the following:
 - A. Originate directly from a certified brucellosis-free herd.
 - B. Official vaccinates of dairy breeds under twenty (20) months of age or official vaccinates of beef breeds under twenty-four (24) months of age.
 - C. Animal originated from a "Class Free" state (if entire state is so classified)
 - D. Steers and spayed heifers are not required to be tested for brucellosis.
2. The negative brucellosis test shall be conducted at a state or federal laboratory within 30 days prior to exhibition.

Tuberculosis

1. Accredited Tuberculosis Free States
 - A. No tuberculin test required. All cattle, including steers, originating from an Accredited Tuberculosis Free State, may enter Illinois for exhibition when

- accompanied by a CVI issued by an accredited veterinarian within 30 days.
2. Non-Accredited Tuberculosis Free Areas or States (Not TB Free)
 - A. Cattle must originate from a herd where a complete herd test was conducted within the past year.
 - B. The individual animals entering Illinois must be negative to an additional tuberculin test conducted **within 30 days prior to exhibition**.
 - C. Cattle that enter Illinois for exhibition and remain in Illinois (animal does not return to the state of origin within 30 days) must be isolated and retested for TB 60-120 days from the last official TB test date.

SWINE

Illinois Swine

Identification

1. Swine shall be identified by an official ear tag, tattoo or recognized breed ear notch.
2. Ear notch identification is acceptable for all barrows, crossbred gilts and breeding swine.

(Note: Ear notch identification of crossbred swine does not satisfy USDA identification requirements for interstate movement or official testing.)

Beginning in 2025, individual identification of each animal shall be by a USDA official animal identification number ear tag, ("840" tag). **The tag must be able to be read both visually and electronically.**

Brucellosis

Brucellosis testing is not required for Illinois swine.

Pseudorabies

Pseudorabies testing is not required for Illinois swine.

Out-of-State Swine

All out-of-state swine are to be accompanied by an entry permit. Entry permit numbers are available online at <https://entrypermit.agr.illinois.gov/Login.aspx>.

Identification

1. Individually identified by an official ear tag, tattoo or recognized breed ear notch.
2. Ear notch identification **is not** acceptable for crossbred animals.

Beginning in 2025, individual identification of each animal shall be by a USDA official animal identification number ear tag, ("840" tag). **The tag must be able to be read both visually and electronically.**

Brucellosis

1. Breeding swine 4 months of age and older shall be negative to an official test for brucellosis within 30 days prior to exhibition unless exempt by one (1) of the following:
 - A. Originate immediately and directly from a validated brucellosis-free herd.

- B. Originate directly from a validated brucellosis-free state.
2. Swine brucellosis tests for exhibition shall be conducted at a state or federal laboratory.

Pseudorabies

1. Swine originating from a Pseudorabies Stage IV or V state are exempt from the pseudorabies testing requirement.
2. Swine originating from a Pseudorabies Stage III state shall be negative to an official test for pseudorabies conducted within thirty (30) days prior to entry or originate immediately and directly from a qualified pseudorabies negative herd.
3. Swine originating from a Pseudorabies Stage I or II state shall be negative to an official test for pseudorabies conducted within the 10 days prior to entry.
4. Barrows and females in market classes must meet the same requirements as breeding swine.

SHEEP

Identification

Individual identification of each animal shall be by an ear tattoo or official metal or plastic tag. A microchip ID is acceptable if the owner provides the reader.

Ear tattoos may be used when a registration certificate, listing the tattoo number, accompanies the animal.

When using ear tags, the tag must indicate the premises ID and state of origin. The tag number must be assigned by a state or APHIS representative and recorded in the Scrapie Record Database.

Market Lambs

All market lambs must be slick shorn (show ring ready) before weigh-in so that show lamb fungus can be identified.

Illinois Sheep

1. Sheep originating from a flock that has previously been classified as either an infected or source flock can be exhibited in Illinois upon the completion of an approved flock plan.
2. The CVI must include the flock of birth and the flock of origin, if different.

Out-of-State Sheep

All out-of-state sheep are to be accompanied by an entry permit. Entry permit numbers are available online at <https://entrypermit.agr.illinois.gov/Login.aspx>.

1. Sheep originating from a flock that has previously been classified as either an infected or source flock can be exhibited in Illinois upon the completion of an approved flock plan.
2. The CVI must include the flock of birth and the flock of origin, if different.

GOATS

Identification

Individual identification of each animal shall be by an ear tattoo or official metal or plastic tag. A microchip ID is acceptable if the owner provides the reader.

Tattoos may be used when a registration certificate, listing the tattoo number, accompanies the animal.

When using ear tags, the tag must indicate the premises ID and state of origin. The tag number must be assigned by a state or APHIS representative and recorded in the Scrapie Record Database.

Ears should be used for tattooing when possible. If there is no space in the ear, the flank or tail fold may be used.

Illinois Goats

1. Goats originating from a herd that has previously been classified as either an infected or source herd can be exhibited in Illinois upon the completion of an approved herd plan.
2. The CVI must include the flock of birth and the flock of origin, if different.

Out-of-State Goats

All out-of-state goats are to be accompanied by an entry permit. Entry permit numbers are available online at <https://entrypermit.agr.illinois.gov/Login.aspx>.

1. Goats originating from a herd that has previously been classified as either an infected or source herd can be exhibited in Illinois upon the completion of an approved herd plan.
2. Tuberculosis- Goats from areas or states that are not Accredited Bovine Tuberculosis Free, must be accompanied by a CVI indicating that the goats originated from a herd where a complete negative herd test has been conducted within the past twelve (12) months and the individual animals are negative to a tuberculin test conducted within thirty (30) days prior to entry. The CVI must include the flock of birth and the flock of origin, if different.

HORSES, PONIES, MULES AND OTHER EQUIDAE

Illinois Equine

1. All horses and other equidae, twelve (12) months of age and older attending an advertised equine event, shall be accompanied by a negative test for equine infectious anemia (EIA) conducted within the last twelve (12) months. A copy of this test shall accompany the animal.
2. AGID (Coggins) or ELISA tests are accepted.
3. An advertised equine event means a show, rodeo, sale, auction, exhibition, trail ride, or horse fair that is posted or media promoted.
4. A CVI is not required for Illinois equine.

Out-of-State Equine

All out-of-state equine are to be accompanied by an entry permit. Entry permit numbers are available online at <https://entrypermit.agr.illinois.gov/Login.aspx>.

1. All horses and other equidae entering Illinois that are twelve (12) months of age or older, shall be accompanied by a negative test for equine infectious anemia (EIA) conducted within the last twelve (12) months. A copy of this test shall accompany the animal.
2. AGID (Coggins) or ELISA tests are accepted.
3. All horses and other equidae shall be accompanied by a CVI issued within thirty (30) days prior to entry.



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DEPARTMENT A – BEEF CATTLE

Show: June 5th - Start 1:00 pm

Superintendents: Mary Barnes 217-473-7091 and Cindy Gerard 217-473-1324

All entries due by May 24, 2024

Total Premium Offered - \$13,315

1st \$50.00, 2nd \$45.00, 3rd \$40.00, 4th \$35.00 5th \$30.00

Entry Fee: \$15.00 – Pen Fee \$10.00 per head

Online Entries will be available by May 1st and the link is :

<https://www.BlueRibbonFair.com/BRFairProd/BlueRibbonStart.aspx?ID=2011> or contact Cindy Gerard at 217-473-1324 or by email at pikecountyilfair@outlook.com

Specific Department Rules

- Exhibitors must own animals 30 days prior to show.
- Health papers must accompany all animals and be shown to the superintendent upon request.
- Champion classes are limited to 1st place animals. No entry fees for champion classes.
- There will be only 2 monies per exhibitor per class.
- Exhibitors must sign receipt of payment for premium checks to be released. Contact Cindy Gerard or Cole McKinnon, Treasurer, for any questions.
- Animals will not be released until June 5 and signed receipts for premium checks received.
- **All animals must be in place by 1:00pm on June 4th, 2024.**
- **Steer weight In 6/4/2024 5:00pm**
- Must have registration papers – No Show, No Refund.
- The superintendent has the right to combine classes if only ONE animal is entered in a class. A minimum of five animals are required for any breed.
- All animals showing in group classes must show in a single class
- Show order Hereford, Angus, Shorthorn, Simmental, Cross/AOB, Miniature

Overall Grand Champion Steer—\$200 and Plaque #14-110

Overall Reserve Grand Champion Steer- \$100 and Plaque #14-711

Overall Grand Champion Female—\$200 and Plaque #15-110

Overall Reserve Grand Champion Female- \$100 and Plaque #15-711

Overall Grand Champion Bull - \$100 and Plaque #19-110

Overall Reserve Grand Champion Bull - Ribbon #19-711

Junior Beef Showmanship—Plaque #16-110

Senior Beef Showmanship—Plaque #17-110

DEPARTMENT A- OPEN BEEF DIVISION

	Hereford	Angus	Shorthorn	Simmental	Cross/ AOB	Miniature
Heifer Calf Born after 11/1 of previous year	A-1-110	A-1-210	A-1-310	A-1-410	A-1-510	A-1-610
Summer Yearling Heifer Born 7/1/23 to 10/31/23	A-2-110	A-2-210	A-2-310	A-2-410	A-2-510	A-2-610
Spring Yearling Heifer Born 4/1/23 to 6/30/23	A-3-110	A-3-210	A-3-310	A-3-410	A-3-510	A-3-610
Junior Yearling Heifer Born 1/1/23 to 3/31/23	A-4-110	A-4-210	A-4-310	A-4-410	A-4-510	A-4-610
Senior Yearling Heifer Born 9/1/22 to 12/31/22	A-5-110	A-5-210	A-5-310	A-5-410	A-5-510	A-5-610
Pair of Heifers	A-6-110	A-6-210	A-6-310	A-6-410	A-6-510	A-6-610
Winter Bull, Born after 9-1-2023	A-7-110	A-7-210	A-7-310	A-7-410	A-7-510	A-7-610
Senior Bull, Born prior to 9-1-2023	A-8-110	A-8-210	A-8-310	A-8-410	A-8-510	A-8-610
Pair of Yearlings (1 heifer and 1 bull born 1/1/23 to 10/31/23)	A-9-110	A-9-210	A-9-310	A-9-410	A-9-510	A-9-610
Cow/Calf Pair	A-10-110	A-10-210	A-10-310	A-10-410	A-10-510	A-10-610
Market Steers Premiums 1st 55.00, 2nd \$45.00, 3rd \$40.00, 4th \$35.00, 5th \$30.00						
Steer -Light Weight	A-11-300					
Steer -Medium Weight	A-11-301					
Steer- Heavy Weight	A-11-302					
Jr. Showmanship- under 13 years old	A-14-400					
Senior Showmanship- 13 and older	A-15-401					



Department F - Sheep Open Show

Show: June 4, 2024 at 10:00 am

Superintendents: Chuck Stephenson

Phone: 217-982-2550

All entries due by May 24, 2024

Total Premiums Offered \$5,274.00

1st-\$25.00; 2nd -\$22.00; 3rd -\$19.00; 4th- \$16.00; 5th- \$14

Entry Fee \$8.00 per class. Pen Rent \$5 per head.

Online Entries will be available by May 1st and the link is :

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contact Cindy Gerard at 217-473-1324 or by email at pikecountyyilfair@outlook.com

Specific Department Rules

- Exhibitors must own animals 30 days prior to the show.
- All sheep must have a scrapie tag and ear tag.
- Health papers must accompany all animals and be shown to the superintendent upon request.
- Any animal showing signs of infections, contagious, or communicable diseases are subject to quarantine or removal from the fairgrounds.
- The fair reserves the right to cancel, revise, or substitute a class for the best interest of the show.
- Exhibitors must sign receipt of payment for premium checks to be released. Contact Cindy Gerard or Cole McKinnon, Treasurer, for any questions.
- Champion classes are limited to 1st place animals. No entry fees for champion classes.
- There will only be two entries per exhibitor per class.
- All animals must be in place by June 3, 2024 8:00 p.m.
- Records and Vet Check and weight on June 4, 2024 8:00 am.
- A ewe/ram lamb born after January 1, 2024
- A yearling ewe/ram is 1 year/or not over 2 years of age.
- Ewes shown in breeding may not be shown in Market classes.
- Must keep pens and areas clean.
- Judging category order: Southdown, Suffolk, Shropshire, AOB/Crossbred, Hampshire
- Show order: Yearling Ram, Fall Ram, Ram Lamb, Yearling Ewe, Fall Ewe, Early Spring Ewe, Late Spring Ewe, Pair of Rams, Pair of Ewes, Market lambs (classes will be based on weights)

Overall Grand Champion Ewe—\$200 and Blanket #13-110

Overall Reserve Champion Ewe—\$50 and Ribbon #14-110

Overall Grand Champion Market Lamb— \$100 and Blanket #17-110

Overall Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb —\$50 Ribbon #18-110

Overall Grand Champion Ram- \$100 and Blanket #117-110

Overall Reserve Grand Champion Ram- \$50 Ribbon #118-110

Jr. Sheep Showmanship— Plaque #116-100

Senior Sheep Showmanship—Plaque #115-100



DEPARTMENT F- OPEN SHEEP DIVISION

Category	Hampshire	Southdown	Suffolk	Shropshire	AOB & Crossbred
Yearling Ram	F-1-110	F-1-210	F-1-310	F-1-410	F-1-510
Fall Lamb -Born between 9/1/22 to 12/21/22	F-2-110	F-2-210	F-2-310	F-2-410	F-2-510
Ram Lamb Born after 1/1/23	F-3-110	F-3-210	F-3-310	F-3-410	F-3-510
Yearling Ewe Born between 1/1/22 to 1/1/23	F-4-110	F-4-210	F-4-310	F-4-410	F-4-510
Fall Ewe Born between 9/1/22 to 12/21/22	F-5-110	F-5-210	F-5-310	F-5-410	F-5-510
Early Ewe lamb Born between 1/1/23 to 2/15/23	F-6-110	F-6-210	F-6-310	F-6-410	F-6-510
Late Ewe lamb Born between 2/16/23 to 3/31/23	F-7-110	F-7-210	F-7-310	F-7-410	F-7-510
Pair of Ewes	F-8 -110	F-8 -210	F-8 -310	F-8 -410	F-8 -510
Pair of Rams	F-9- 110	F-9- 210	F-9- 310	F-9- 410	F-9- 510
Market Lambs Premiums 1st - \$30.00, 2nd - \$27.00, 3rd - \$24.00, 4th - \$20.00, 5th - \$17.00					
Market Lamb Light Weight 50-90#wether or ewe	F-10-110				
Market Lamb Medium Weight 91-130# wether or ewe	F- 10-111				
Market Lamb Heavy Weight 131-150 wether or ewe	F- 11-112				
Sr. Showmanship 13 & older	F-115-110				
Jr. Showmanship under 13	F-116-110				

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Department G - Swine

Open Show June 6, 2024 9:30am

Superintendents: Jeff Gerard 217-473-1323 and
Cody Bowen 217-939-1487

All entries due by May 24, 2024

Total Premiums offered: \$750

1st- \$40; 2nd-\$35.00; 3rd-\$30; 4th-\$25; 5th-\$20

Entry Fee \$15.00 per animal

Market Swine Show Specific Department Rules

- Entries must be made by May 24, 2024. All gilts and barrows will be entered in the lightweight class. Superintendent will correct classes after weight-in.
- All animals on grounds by 9:00 am Thursday, June 6, 2024.
- Weigh-in June 6, 9:00 am. Classes will be broken by weight, when no scale is available, the judge will break classes.
- All animals must comply with the Illinois Livestock Health requirements for fair and exhibits.
- Exhibitors must own animals 30 days prior to show.
- Official veterinary health certificates must accompany all animals and show to the superintendent upon request.
- Exhibitors are allowed to show off the trailer.
- Only 2 entries per exhibitor per class. Only 2 premiums paid per class
- Champions are limited to 1st place animals.
- Exhibitors must sign receipt of payment for premium checks to be released. Contact Cindy Gerard or Cole McKinnon, Treasurer, for any questions.
- Alcohol is prohibited on the ground. No smoking in the barns or show arena.
- Judges' decision final.
- Classes will show as listed.
- **Entries Due: May 24, 2024** - Online Entries will be available by May 1st and the link is :

<https://www.BlueRibbonFair.com/BRFairProd/BlueRibbonStart.aspx?ID=2011> or you may contact Cindy Gerard at 217-473-1324 or by email at pikecountyilfair@outlook.com

Open Swine Show Classes:

Market Hogs	Light Weight	Heavy weight
Market Gilt	G-1-1	G-3-1
Market Barrow	G-2-1	G-4-1
Junior Showmanship- under 13 years old	G-5-1	
Senior Showmanship- 13 and older	G-6-1	

Grand Champion Market Hog- Plaque and \$100 G-7-1

Reserve Grand Champion Market Hog - Plaque and \$50 G-8-1

Senior Showmanship - Plaque

Junior Showmanship- Plaque

Department J- Agriculture Produce

Superintendent: Mary Barnes 217-437-9091

Total Premium offered \$1060

Entry Fee \$2.00

1st \$9.00, 2nd \$8.50, 3rd \$8.00, 4th \$7.50, 5th \$7.00

Online Entries will be available by May 1st and the link is :

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1. Complete entry online by May 24th 2024. Do not mail checks. Payment of entry fees due on entry day. Entry tags will be provided.
2. Entries are brought to the blue building on Sunday June 2nd between 6:00 and 8:00 p.m. or Monday June 3rd between 8:00 and 10:00 a.m.
3. One entry per category per person. Entries must be grown by the exhibitor. Department J is open to any age.
4. All products to be displayed on the items on white paper plates with the correct number of items. Jars must be clean and approved canning jars.
5. Plates, sacks and other display containers shall be furnished by the exhibitor. All small grains in clear containers.
6. Root crops trimmed to 1 inch; leave tap root on. No wax or oils may be used.
7. EXHIBITORS MUST HAVE ENTRIES PREPARED AND TAGGED FOR DISPLAY
8. Entries judged on quality, freshness and attractiveness of display.
9. Crops may be previous year's crop. Product may be canned in pints.

Class No.

J-1-220 Alfalfa

J-1-221 Oats, 1 gallon

J-1-222 Wheat, 1 gallon

J-1-223 Corn shelled, 1 gallon

J-1-224 Ear Corn, 5 ears

J-1-225 Popcorn, 1 qt or 3 ears

J-1-226 Soybeans, 1 gal

J-1-227 Any hay crop 6" bundle

J-1-228 Sweet Potatoes 3 on plate or canned

J-1-229 Potatoes, 5 on plate or canned

J-1-230 Cabbage, 1 head with outer leaves or canned

J-1-231 Broccoli, 2 heads or canned

J-1-232 Beets 5 on plate or canned

J-1-233 Peas, 10 pods or canned

J-1-234 Radish, 5 on plate, with tops or canned

J-1-235 Onions, 5 on plate or canned

J-1-236 Pepper 5 on plate or canned

J-1-237 Tomatoes, 5 on plate or canned

J-1-238 All other Vegetables, 5 on plate or canned

J-1-239 "Let's Make a Salad" - 5 Vegetables in container fresh and/or canned -Premiums: 1st-\$21
2nd-17, 3rd-\$12

J-1-240 Most Freakish Vegetable- Fresh *
PREMIUM- 1st place only- \$5

J-1-241 Flower Gardening I -One bouquet of
Annual flowers, Mixed varieties, and color

J-1-242 Flower Gardening II - One bouquet of
Perennial, Mixed varieties and color

Ag Products

J-1-243 Eggs, White 1/2 dozen

J-1-244 Eggs, Brown, 1/2 dozen

J-1-245 Eggs (Araucana), Blue & Green, 1/2
Dozen

J-1-246 Heaviest Chicken Egg * PREMIUM- 1st
place only- \$5

J-1-247 Beekeeping -Honey 1 pint jar or 12 oz.
cut comb honey

J-1-500 Best of Show Rosette



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Department Show M -1 - Textiles and Fine Arts

Total Premium Offered- \$ 1005.00

Entry Fee \$ 1.50

No show , No refund

1st \$7.50, 2nd \$6.50, 3rd \$6.25, 4th \$5.52

Online Entries will be available by May 1st and the link is :

<https://www.BlueRibbonFair.com/BRFairProd/BlueRibbonStart.aspx?ID=2011> or contact Cindy Gerard at 217-473-1324 or email at pikecountylfair@outlook.com

1. **Exhibitors aged 8 to 21 are eligible** to enter Department -M 1
2. Exhibits will be brought to the blue building Sunday June 2 from 6:00 to 8:00 or Monday June 3 from 8:00 to noon. Judging will start June 3, 2023 at 12:00 noon.
3. Superintendent may make class assignments for exhibits. Ready for judging at 12:00 Monday June 3.
4. All entries must be tagged with the exhibitor name provided by fair and placed in the lower right hand corner. Exhibitor names covered until after the judging
5. Painting, photography and other exhibits requiring framing must be suitably framed and ready for hanging. names covered until after the judging
6. Exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor, must be original, and must be done by an amateur. Exhibits must be recent work. It must be clean and fresh to the senses.
7. Exhibitors are limited to two entries per class and two monies per class.
8. Exhibits are released between 8:00 and 12:00 on Saturday June 8th.
9. Winner's pick up checks Saturday in the office. Exhibitors must sign receipt of payment for premium checks to be released. Contact Superintendent Mary Barnes 217-473-7091 or Cole McKinnon, Treasurer, for any questions.

Class No.

SEWING

M1-1-300	Blouse, ages 8-12
M1-1-301	Blouse, age 13-21
M1-1-302	Skirt, ages 8-12
M1-1-303	Skirt, ages 13-21
M1-1-304	Sport clothes ages 8-14 (shirt, slacks, etc.) One garment may consist of more than one piece.
M1-1-305	Sports clothes ages 15-21 (shirt, slacks, etc) One garment may consist of more than one piece.
M1-1-306	Dress, age 8-14
M1-1-307	Dress, ages 15-21
M1-1-308	Pajamas, ages 8-14
M1-1-309	Pajamas, ages 15-21
M1-1-310	Hat, Purse, Handbags
M1-1-311	Ensemble or outfit, ages 15-19
M1-1-312	Patchwork pillows
M1-1-313	Non-wearable articles-small
M1-1-314	Non-wearable articles-large
M1-1-315	Placemats, table cloth, runner or napkins

KNITTING

M1-2-316	One simple garment or article Using simple garter or stockinette stitch
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M1-2-317	One article or garment with a pattern stitch, or using 4 needles, or using a pattern of two or more colors, no striped
M1-2-318	Scrapbooking
M1-2-319	Counted Cross stitch

ARTS and CRAFTS

M1-3-320	Beading
M1-3-321	Jewelry
M1-3-322	Crocheting
M1-3-323	Quilting - one complete article
M1-3-324	Other Stitchery (crewel, applique-hand, patchwork, candle wicking)
M1-3-325	Embroidery, using Floss
M1-3-326	Latch hook
M1-3-327	Carving/Casting
M1-3-328	Ceramics
M1-3-329	Sketching and Drawing
M1-3-330	Cartooning
M1-3-331	Painting
M1-3-332	Macrame
M1-3-333	Nature Craft
M1-3-334	Printing
M1-3-335	Weaving
M1-3-336	Metalcraft
M1-3-337	Leathercraft
M1-3-338	Any other art or craft exhibit
M1-4- 500	Best of Show Rosette

DEPARTMENT M-2- Art- Open Show

Total Premium offered-\$ 3240.00

Entry Fees: \$3.75

Premiums: 1st \$22.00, 2nd \$15.00, 3rd \$10.00

Attention: Art work is exhibited in 2 different departments M-1 and M-2. Please read the rules in both before entering.

1. Complete entry and payment online by June 3, 2024. Online Entries will be available by May 1st and the link is :

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2. Artwork should be brought to the blue building on Sunday June 2nd between 6:00 and 8:00 p.m. or Monday June 3rd between 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. No show, no refund.

3. Department M2 is open to anyone and non Pike County residents. Superintendent may make class assignments for exhibits.

4. Exhibitors' work must be original, and be amateur. Exhibits must be recent work, clean, and fresh to the senses. Exhibits may be unacceptable and disqualified if this requirement is not adhered to.

5. Only 2 entries per class. Only two monies will be paid to any one exhibitor per class.

6. Paintings and other exhibits requiring framing must be suitably framed and ready for hanging. Watercolors, pastels, or other delegate pieces requiring class must be framed and ready for hanging.

7. Exhibitors competing for premium money will have names covered until after the judging.

8. Pick up exhibits between 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. Saturday June 8th. All exhibits must be picked up. Winners can sign for checks Saturday morning when the artwork is released. Pike County Fair Association is not responsible for entries

M2-1-350 Drawing- Portrait-black and white pencil, pen, and ink, charcoal chalk, chalks, markers of black and white base.

M2-1-351 Drawing- Landscape- black and white pencil, pen, and ink, charcoal chalk, chalks, markers of black and white base.

M2-1-352 Drawing color- Portrait- color pencils, colored pens, and ink, pastel chalk, markers of color base.

M2-1-353 Drawing Color- Landscape- still life-color pencils, colored pens, and ink, pastel chalk, markers of color base.

M2-1-354 Cartoon Characters- black and white, ink, pencil, charcoal

M2-1-355 Cartoon Characters- color- chalk, markers

PAINTING

M2-2-356 Watercolor- Portrait

M2-2-357 Watercolor- Landscape- Still Life

M2-2-358 Acrylic- Portrait

M2-2-359 Acrylic- Landscape-Still Life

M2-2-362 Tole painting- textile, wood, metal, and canvas (based on tole painting technique not oil painting)

M2-2-363 Pets/Animals/Wildlife acrylic oil

Photography

M2-3-364 Black and white- portrait

M2-3-365 Black and white- Landscapes -still life

M2-3-366 Black and white- pets/ wildlife

M2-3-367 Color- portrait

M2-3-368 Color- landscape- still life

M2-3-369 Color- pets/wildlife

M2-3-370 Sepia- Portrait

M2-3-371 Sepia- Landscape-still life

M2-3-372 Sepia-pet/wildlife

M2-3-373 Action Photography- Black and White

M2-3-374 Action photography- color

M2-3-375 Action photography- Sepia

Sculpture

M2-4-376 Sculpture- sculpture, collage.assemblies, 3-D forms of various medias

Weaving Three Dimensional

M2-5-377 Baskets

Weaving Flat

M2-6-378 Textiles

Wall Hangings

M2-7-379 Cross stitch and embroidery

M2-7-380 Counted cross stitch

M2-7-381 Wreath or swag

Flower Arrangement (not wall hanging)

M2-8-382 Fresh flower arrangement

M2-8-383 Silk and dried flower arrangement

Hand Quilts

M2-9-384 Patchwork

M2-9-385 Applique

M2-9-386 Cross stitch

M2-9-387 Embroidery

M2-9-388 Other

Baby Quilts

M2-10-389 Patchwork

M2-10-390 Applique

M2-10-391 Cross stitch

M2-10-392 Embroidery

M2-10-393 Other

Hand Tie Quilt

M2-11-394 Hand tie quilt

Drawing

Afghans

M2-12-395 Crocheted Afghan

M2-12-396 Knitted afghan

M2-12-397 Baby afghan

Sewing

M2-13-398 Garment, fabric dolls, fabric toys, soft sculpture. Only (Based on overall construction)

Wood Working

M2-14-399 Furniture

M2-14-400 Wood projects- not furniture

M2-14-401 Carving and whittling

Trash to treasure

Transform -recycled-repurposed

M2-15-402 Decorative

M2-15-403 Useful

M2-15-404 Toys

Other Exhibits-not listed above

M2-16-405 Crochet items

M2-16-406 Knitted items

M2-16-407 Piecework, patch and applique items

M2-16-408 Cross stitch and embroidery items

M2-16-409 Counted cross stitch items

M2-16-410 Jewelry

M2-16-411 Crochet purses

M2-16-412 Quilted purses

M2-16-413 Other purses

M2-16-414 Decorated clothing

M2-16-415 Decorated- beaded items clothing, shoes, purses, hats

M2-16-416 All other projects

Machine Quilts

M2-17-417 Patchwork

M2-17-418 Applique

M2-17-419 Cross Stitch

M2-17-420 Embroidery

M2-17-421 Other

M2-18-500 Best of Show Rosette

Department N - Education

Superintendent: Mary Barnes 217-437-9091 or mbarnes63a@gmail.com
Total premium offered- \$2,236.00 Entry Fee: \$1.00, online fee \$2.25
1st \$11.25, 2nd \$10.00, 3rd \$9.50, 4th \$9.00, 5th \$8.86

1. Exhibitors must be enrolled in schools of Pike County, Illinois during the 2023-2024 school year This includes tuition students from private schools in the county.
2. Exhibits must be the work of individual student exhibitors, and all the work must have been done at school during the 2023-2024 school year. Entries are due May 15, 2024, Items will be picked up May 15,2024 from school office.
3. All tags should be placed on the lower right hand front corner of paper exhibited. Email mbarnes6a@gmail .com for entry tag, and entry sheets
4. One individual project will be accepted in classes per exhibitor. Exhibitors must sign receipt of payment for premium checks to be released. Contact Mary Barnes or Cole McKinnon, Treasurer, for any questions.
5. **Handwriting** must have all words spelled correctly to be eligible for a prize. Entries from 5th grade must be in blue or black ink. Handwriting entries shall consist of 1 sheet of 8 1/2" by 11" paper containing any expression chosen by the exhibitor. Both cursive or manuscript writing are acceptable. Specimens will be judged on neatness, form, alignment, and spacing, including provisions for a margin. All entries must be mounted on 9-in by 12 in construction paper using the following colors:

Pre-K–Light blue; Kindergarten- pink; Grade 1- red; Grade 2 orange; Grade 3- yellow; Grade 4- green; Grade 5- blue; Grade 6- purple; Grade 7- brown; Grade 8 - white.
6. The above colors will also be used for the tags, that is, whatever color is listed for your grade above will also be used for the tags for your grade. The fair will provide teachers with templates for tags. Entries will be made through the school. Teachers will be responsible for collection of entry fee and completion of entry sheet with Child's Name and address. Spreadsheet for entries will be provided.
7. **Creative writing** (story and poem) Cannot exceed four pages (8.5" x 11"). If in book form turn in that way, if not then mount on colored construction paper as noted in number 5 rule. Poetry books must be less than 5 poems, but more than 2.
8. Maximum size posters shall be 24x28, smaller posters will be accepted.

Pre-K Individual

N-1-301 Creative Writing
N-1-302 Handwriting
N-1-303 Holiday Decoration
N-1-304 Art

Kindergarten- Individual

N-2-401 Creative Writing
N-2-402 Handwriting
N-1-403 Holiday Decoration
N-2-404 Art

First Grade- Individual

N-3-411 Creative Writing
N-3-412 Handwriting
N-3-413 Holiday Decoration
N-3-414 Art

Second Grade- Individual

N-4-421 Creative Writing
N-4-422 Handwriting
N-4-423 Holiday Decoration
N-4-424 Art

Third Grade- Individual

N-5-431 Creative Writing
N-5-432 Handwriting
N-5-433 Holiday Decoration
N-5-434 Art

Fourth Grade Individual

N-6-441 Creative Writing
N-6-442 Handwriting
N-6-443 Holiday Decoration
N-6-444 Art

Fifth Grade Individual

N-7-451 Creative Writing
N-7-452 Handwriting cursive
N-7-453 Holiday Decoration
N-7-454 Art

Sixth Grade- Individual

N-8-461 Creative Writing
N-8-462 Handwriting cursive
N-8-463 Holiday Decoration
N-8-464 Art

N-8-465 Math

N-8-466 Science

Seventh Grade-Individual

N-9-471 Creative Writing
N-9-472 Handwriting cursive
N-9-473 Art
N-9-474 Math
N-9-475 Science
N-9-476 Social Studies

Eighth Grade Individual

N-10-481 Creative Writing
N-10-482 Handwriting cursive
N-10-483 Art
N-10-484 Math
N-10-485 Science
N-10-486 Social Studies

Department U - Goat Open Show June 4, 2024, following Sheep Show

Superintendent: Kaylee Harrison 217-730-2109

All entries due by May 24, 2024

Total Premium Offered \$ 1,480.00

1st -\$26; 2nd -\$23; 3rd- \$20; 4th - \$17; 5th -\$14

Entry Fee \$8.00 per class Pen Rent \$5 per head

Specific Department Rules

- Exhibitors must own animals 30 days prior to the show.
- Health papers must accompany all animals and be shown to the superintendent upon request.
- Any animal showing signs of infections, contagious, or communicable diseases are subject to quarantine or removal from the fairgrounds.
- The fair reserves the right to cancel, revise, or substitute a class for the best interest of the show.
- Champion classes are limited to 1st place animals. No entry fees for champion classes.
- There will only be two entries per exhibitor per class.
- All animals must be in place by June 3, 2024, by 8:00 pm
- Exhibitors must sign receipt of payment for premium checks to be released. Contact Cindy Gerard or Cole McKinnon, Treasurer, for any questions.

Online Entries will be available by May 1st and the link is :

<https://www.BlueRibbonFair.com/BRFairProd/BlueRibbonStart.aspx?ID=2011> or you may contact Cindy Gerard at 217-473-1324 or by email at pikecountylfair@outlook.com


Grand Champion Doe - \$ 55, Plaque and rosette
 Reserve Grand Champion Doe - \$ 40 rosette
 Champion Meat Wether - \$ 60, Plaque and rosette
 Reserve Champion Meat Wether - \$ 40, rosette
 Grand Champion Buck- \$55 ,Plaque and rosette
 Reserve Grand Champion Buck - Rosette
 Junior Showmanship - Plaque
 Senior Showmanship- Plaque

Open Goat Show

Late Junior Kid Does– April 1 to Show Date	U-1-1
Junior Kid Does – January 1 to March 31	U-1-2
Fall Kid Does– September 1 to Dec 31	U-1-3
Yearlings 1 Year and Under 2 Years Does	U-1-4
2–3-year-old Does	U-1-5
Pair of Does – Any age.	U-1-6
Junior Kid – January 1 to Show Date Bucks	U-2-1
Fall Kid – September 1 to Dec 31 Bucks	U-2-2
Pair of Bucks - any age	U-2-3
Meat Wethers- Lightweight 80-100 lbs.	U-3-1
Meat Wethers- Medium weight 101-110 lbs.	U-3-2
Meat Wethers – Heavyweight 111 And Up	U-3-3
Goat Showmanship Senior- 13 and older	U-4-1
Goat Showmanship Junior- under 13	U-4-2

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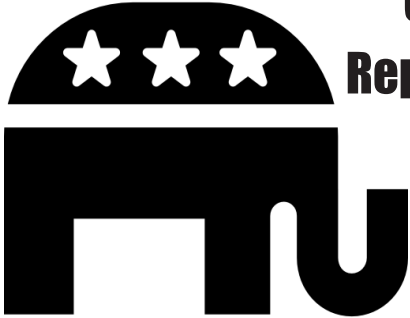
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By COLE MCKINNON

There is no shortage of history in Pike County when it comes to the topic of Truck and Tractor Pulling. To name a few, there is the Noble Harrison shop, the Rodhouse Sled, the McKinnon family, among many others. But on this day we are going to head to the Mississippi River bottoms, just north of "Monster Road", near the railroad tracks that some thrill seekers have been known to jump for a good time. Today we get to go pay a visit to Larry Hill (we were going to meet Ronnie as well but he was vacationing in the Ozarks) where we get to hear about going to the first National Farm Machinery Shows in Louisville, KY, a rainy mess in Minnesota, some historical facts about pulling in Pleasant Hill, IL, the advancement of safety features through the years, among many others.

Let's start with today. It was a breezy, "warm for March in Illinois" day. Farmers are getting the planters ready, and some are planting roadside beans to stir up buzz at the coffee shop. I pull into the Hill residence, and we waste no time talking about the pulls of yesteryear. I think an important point to bring up is what led up to Larry and I's conversation today. Larry's cousin Matt and I have been great friends since about 3rd grade. We've farmed acres of carpet together, went to a lot of motorsports events together, Macon, MO in the 90's, the drag races in Madison, IL, Tomah (and the Leinenkugel's Brewery), Henry, IL, Louisville, and many others. Something that was always a topic of conversation were the "Larry and Ron-



SPENCER SMITH AND RONNIE HILL loaded up with the FFA project Wards Tractor heading to Louisville.

nie clutches". So naturally the first question I asked Larry was, "Tell me about these clutches I have heard about for years". He wasted no time on his answer. "Well, we ended up exchanging information with Ron Schaefer from Texaco, IL. He had a 560 with a Crower Clutch and told us a few things about them. I think we ended up with one of the first Crower's in a 460 Farmall." That answered my first question and started the day's conversation.

Larry started pulling in 1964/1965 on a Wards Tractor. "I bought this tractor for \$600 and actually fixed it up as an FFA project in high school". This would be the tractor Larry piloted when he was 18-19 years old at the 1st National Farm Machinery Show in 1969, taking 1st place in the 5,000

(light) class. "The tractor had a flathead Chrysler 6-cylinder engine" according to Larry. I think it's relevant to mention that when everyone from the area was first going to Louisville, Interstate 64 did not exist. There were no cell phones or other modern conveniences (Like Google Maps). I asked Larry to take us through the first trip. "I think it took probably close to 10 hours on the road. Every road was 2 lane, and I don't think my truck went more than 50-55 MPH. I remember stopping in Vincennes, IN to stay at a hotel, and then started driving the next day". For comparison to today, you can make that trip from Pleasant Hill in 5 hours if you keep your foot in it and only stop when necessary. Larry made it to Louisville and took 1st place at the first trac-

tor pull. When asked about the track, he mentioned what every puller still says to this day. "It always had a hard bite. Set the gear lower than what you thought and let it go". He also mentioned that "Sleds back then were not like they are today. Back then they started heavy, and they stayed heavy". He also mentioned that Broadbent arena as we know it today was not there in the early years. "In the early years we pitted outside, the whole time. That cold weather was rough on the alcohol tractors". In 1970 the Wards Tractor returned, and Ronnie drove that one to another 1st place finish. Larry was unable to be there as he signed up for the National Guard in Fort Bragg, NC around that time. Larry was able to return in 1971, but this time with a new tractor, a Farmall 460. The 460's first appearance ever was in Bethany, MO where the tractor took 1st place, but he burnt the clutch out. That tractor went to Louisville and did not place in 71. In 1972 that same 460 took 1st place, and he got a 2nd place there either the next year or year after. Larry says they always did well (at least in the top 8) when they went to Louisville. He thinks their last year was in the early 1980's. At that last pull, there were around 8 460's there, and he thinks about 6 of them blew the rear ends or axle housings. Before Louisville, the Hill's removed their cast iron decks off, and replaced with aluminum. They did not blow theirs apart, but he said it definitely took some damage from that biting track.



LARRY, Mother Lois, Father Willie, Brother Ronnie Hill.



LARRY winning 1972 with Haywood Hale Broun.

The 1st pull Larry remembers going to was when he was a child, and his dad pulled "A W6 International at Pleasant Hill. The sled (which was a pan) had sandbags piled on it, and the tractors basically jerked the sled 20-30 ft. 40 foot was a long pull for that time. You'll have to double check this, but I'm fairly sure the tractor then hooked back on to the other side of the sled and pulled it the other way, and they measured that distance too, but I'm not 100% sure on that". When asked about more early pulling days, Larry says "there were stakes, roughly 10 feet apart going down the track. A guy stood at each stake, and as the sled went past, people stepped on the sled." He then went on to mention that the Rodhouse's built one of the early weight transfer sleds to help with that. I asked them about one of the crazier stories they had to share,

which was an interesting one. He mentioned that they recall "all the local pullers finished pulling at a local show (they think Hardin, IL), and a bunch of them loaded up that night to head to Mankato, MN. It was a 4 day event, and we pulled on day #1. I backed up to the sled and it started to downpour and rained out the rest of the pull. It rained so much everyone got stuck in the muddy pits, and we stayed in Ron Schaefer's travel bus. Finally, bulldozers came in to help clear roads, clean the mud off the grounds, and they were ready to go. Instead of going home though, Darrel Richards and Ed Dreidsen told us to follow them to Spencer, Iowa. They said if you make the cut on day 1 you'll get a chance to hook a second time. There were 54 tractors there in my class, and I ended up getting 2nd place."

Larry also mentioned that he

tried for years to win the M&W pull, because the first-place trophy was "a large silver cup. When I finally won the M&W they switched from the big silver cup to a regular trophy. I was happy to win, but disappointed in the trophy switch." When asked about some of the guys he competed with in the Light Tractor Class, Donald McKinnon's 180, "Which you can find on YouTube if you search Alton, IL NTPA 1973" "Russel Miner was one of the only guys I knew that ran the Wards tractor with the Wards tires, which were their own type of tire similar to a road grader". Other friends and competitors noted were "Ron Schaefer, Lloyd/Steve Wiewell, PC Long, the Brabec's, Doug Leek, Henry Piper, the Carroll family's Levee Leeper, Dave Marino, Roy Talon's 4010, and Kimber Wilson of Smithfield."

The last part we talked about

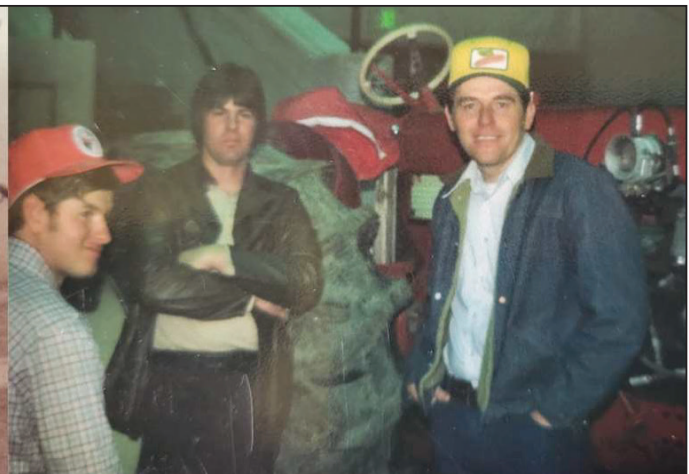
was the evolution of safety and safety equipment. He remembers watching "the guy in front of me at Louisville who had a bucket seat. He took off, and the tractor kept coming up and he never let off of it. The tractor came over on top of him (this is pre-wheelie bars) and the steering wheel was stuck up under his ribs, I thought he was dead when we got there." When they lifted the tractor off him, he was pretty banged up, but overall ok. "He ended up getting some plastic ribs or something, but he made it". In Kansas City, he witnessed another tractor come over on top of a puller and this guy "had to lay on a board while we waited on an ambulance. This was before EMS was required to be on the grounds during an event".

And the most notable was the modified tractor in the early 70's where the flywheel came out of the tractor in Pleasant Hill (next page bottom left). "There was a woman leaning against a post, and the flywheel/shrapnel hit her in the foot and she lost part of her foot".

Toward the early 80's, Larry said they converted to diesel, and went with port injection. From there they began staging turbo chargers, and then start-ed blowing the bottom ends out of the engines. They tried heat treating rods, and that didn't work. It became apparent that they'd have to start upgrading the lower end, and he started with a new set of Crower rods. The rods took a long time to get to him, and by that time, the tractor had been sitting long enough that he realized it was probably the end of tractor pulling.



BELIEVED to be Pleasant Hill in the early 1970s



LARRY, Al Hagen and Frank Hoagin.

Larry's tractor sold off in parts, with the frame and chassis going to Missouri. Ronnie's 460 ended up in Canada. They hauled it to the border in Minnesota, and that was it. Finally, as our conversation drew to a close, I had to ask if they were still primarily a Case IH farm family. "We've pretty much switched to John Deere for farming, but

I've still got the 1206 (Bottom-right) in the shed".

They still work on the family farm that Willie Hill started in 1942. Larry and Charlotte's home remains on site and Larry's grandson Kendrick lives in their old homeplace and works on the farm full time. Willie passed in 1988 and the heritage continued. Larry's late son Bri-

an and wife Marsha live just a few miles away. Brian worked at Titan Wheel for a few years after school and helped farm during busy season. Brian went full-time farming in 1998. Brian loved tractor pulling from an early age and that continued throughout his life. If there was a pull in the area, he was probably there, and was always the

life of the grandstands, someone that was fun to be around. Unfortunately, Brian lost his fight with kidney cancer in August 2022. I'd like you to take the next few moments and remember Brian Matthew Hill - 7/24/1972-8/13/2022.



L-R Charlotte and Brian leaving for Kansas City Royal Arena, 1975, Brian in Kansas City, Roseville, IL tractor pull.



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Dept Q1 - Truck and Tractor Pull

Wednesday, June 5 - 6:00 p.m. - IFPA Classes

Total Premium Offered: \$4,050 – paid by IFPA

Entry Fee: \$0

Class	Name	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	Total Premium
Q1-05	5500 Classic Outlaws	\$ 130	\$ 110	\$ 90	\$ 70	\$ 50	\$ 450
Q1-06	5700 Classic Modified	\$ 130	\$ 110	\$ 90	\$ 70	\$ 50	\$ 450
Q1-07	9500 Pro Farm	\$ 130	\$ 110	\$ 90	\$ 70	\$ 50	\$ 450
Q1-08	10000 Pro Farm	\$ 130	\$ 110	\$ 90	\$ 70	\$ 50	\$ 450
Q1-09	11500 Altered Farm	\$ 130	\$ 110	\$ 90	\$ 70	\$ 50	\$ 450
Q1-10	12500 Altered Farm	\$ 130	\$ 110	\$ 90	\$ 70	\$ 50	\$ 450
Q2-02	6200 Pro Street	\$ 130	\$ 110	\$ 90	\$ 70	\$ 50	\$ 450
Q2-03	6200 Pro Stock	\$ 130	\$ 110	\$ 90	\$ 70	\$ 50	\$ 450
Q2-04	6500 Modified 4x4	\$ 130	\$ 110	\$ 90	\$ 70	\$ 50	\$ 450

Dept Q1 –Truck and Tractor Pull

Thursday, June 6 – 6:30 PM – ITPA Classes Total Premium offered: \$20,500 – Paid by fair

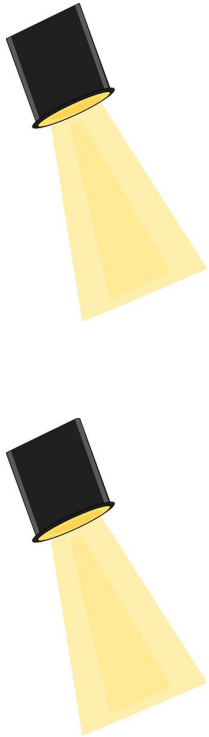
Class	Q1-01	Q1-02	Q1-03	Q1-04	Q2-01
Name	8500 Limited Pro Stock	Light Modified	Light Super Stock	Heavy Super Stock	2WD Trucks
Entry	\$ 30	\$ 30	\$ 30	\$ 30	\$ 30
1st	\$ 625	\$ 675	\$ 1,000	\$ 775	\$ 1,000
2nd	\$ 500	\$ 555	\$ 850	\$ 675	\$ 850
3rd	\$ 425	\$ 435	\$ 700	\$ 575	\$ 700
4th	\$ 375	\$ 365	\$ 600	\$ 475	\$ 600
5th	\$ 300	\$ 305	\$ 500	\$ 375	\$ 500
6th	\$ 250	\$ 245	\$ 350	\$ 325	\$ 350
7th	\$ 200	\$ 185	\$ 275	\$ 225	\$ 275
8th	\$ 130	\$ 135	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200
9th	\$ 125	\$ 100	\$ 150	\$ 175	\$ 150
10th	\$ 120	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 100	\$ 100
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Total Premium	\$ 3,050	\$ 3,100	\$ 5,225	\$ 3,900	\$ 5,225

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Local Business Spotlight



Business Name:
Sugar & Smoke
Location: 1258 W Washington St, Pittsfield, IL

Owner Name(s) and family: Marvin & Leah Wilke; John and Robin Brummell

Industry/Product: BBQ Restaurant

What inspired you to enter this business?

We started with a food truck business prior to 2020 and recognized a need in our area for a sit down restaurant with this type of food.

What is one thing you love about owning a business in Pike County?

The people in Pike County are what keeps us doing what we do! They are supportive of us being locals and they love good BBQ!

What is something that has surprised you the most about this business (or being in business in general)?

Probably the biggest surprise is how fast we have grown in 6 months. We love being able to serve the people of Pike County and the surrounding areas!

What would you like to say to your customers and local residents? Thank you for supporting us! We see you and feel the love and could not be more proud to be residents and business owners in Pike County!

How do people reach you or learn more about your business? We do a lot with social media and are currently working on a website or reach us at 217-922-0067

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SATURDAY - 11 A.M. TO 2 P.M. & 4 P.M. TO 9 P.M.
SUNDAY - CLOSED

Local Business Spotlight

Business Name:
The Pearl Diner
Location: Pearl, IL

Owner Name(s) and family:

Everett and Polly Bugg. Everett is from Pearl and attended East Pike Schools. His grandfather Milford owned the feed store in Pearl and his uncle Brace Blair owned the grocery store.

Industry/Product: The Pearl Diner is a small hometown restaurant that serves home cooked meals to include plate lunch specials such as burgers, chicken and noodles, soups, smothered pork chops, meat loaf. Our customers particularly like our pork tenderloins and fritters, omelets, fried chicken and of course local tradition of catfish fritters and buffalo on Friday. Sundays we serve fried chicken dinners with all the trimmings. It has become a place for fiends to meet, we've held family reunions and birthday parties. We hold bible study on Thursday night after we close. Recently we held a steak dinner with musical entertainment to celebrate our 1 year anniversary Feb 14.

What inspired you to enter this business? Our inspiration was "coming home". My husband being from Pearl and both of us retired wanted to come back and give back to his hometown and be with his family and friends. We thought opening the diner

was the best way to do that. So we did and it has been a blessing. The town has opened up to us and so many have pitched in to help with everything from construction to cooking! Plus, this part of Illinois and Pike County is truly beautiful.

What is one thing you love about owning a business in Pike County? Well I love it for my husband because it's home. I think we all feel a "pull" to come home sometime in our lives especially if that home and growing up was as memorable and beautiful as he describes being a kid and growing up in Pearl. It wasn't always "roses" but they survived together and are proud of the traditional all American values they leaned on to get through and still live by today. Some of the stories these folks can recall to you are absolutely fascinating!

What is something that has surprised you the most about this business (or being in business in general)? What has surprised me?? I Don't know if surprises me would be the right sentiment but, in this day and age that longing for the old fashioned values we had years ago is hard to find in a community. Sadly, most young people won't experience that at college or in the places they choose to start their families. In many

places that simply died became old fashioned and obsolete. We hoped we'd still find it in Pearl and it's still here.

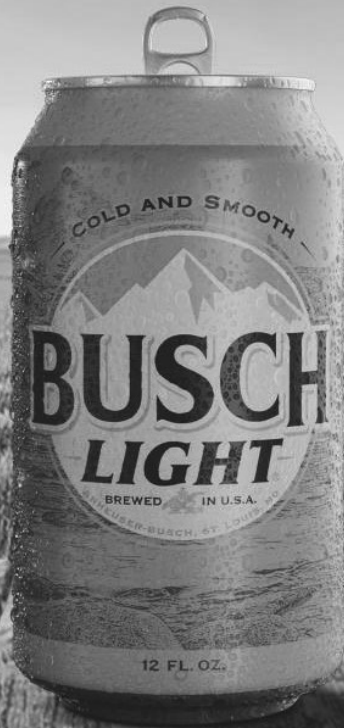
What would you like to say to your customers and local residents? What I'd like to say to our customers and residents is the biggest thank you!! Without you none of this would work. Talking and collaborating with you every day is the true reason people are part of a community and call a place home and Pearl is home. One last thing I'd like to say. People come to the Diner and always ask "what did this building used to be??" Most of them know before they ask, but they try to be polite! I tell them the truth the Diner is in the former Hanks and Grueber funeral home. But that is another story!!!!

How do people reach you or learn more about your business? To reach us come on down!! We are open Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 6-6. Friday 6-8. Saturday and Sunday 6-4. Closed Tuesdays. Call 217 285 3510. We have carry-out as well. The address is 305 Front St. in Pearl.





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