

EXHIBITION HALL

INFORMATION & RULES

2026

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Entries must be registered at the Exhibition Hall:

Tuesday, June 16 from 10:00 AM -7:00 PM or

Wednesday, June 17 from 9:00 AM- 1:00 PM

No exhibits will be accepted after 1:00 PM on Wednesday.

Premiums: 1st- \$8, 2nd - \$6, 3rd- \$4

Premiums for Best of Hall \$35 (award given to best exhibit in the Hall)

Best of Department \$25 (award given for best exhibit in each department)

Honorable Mention \$15 (awards given in each department)

RULES AND REGULATIONS:

1. **Exhibitors are limited to a total of 25 entries.** No limit on the number of items an exhibitor may enter in each class, **except for a limit of 10 photographs and 10 paintings per exhibitor.**
2. Items previously exhibited at Pittston Fair will NOT be accepted.
3. The superintendent may refuse any article deemed unacceptable for exhibition.
4. All articles must be made by the person under whose name they are exhibited.
5. Care will be taken to prevent loss or damage, but in no case will the Pittston Fair Association be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur.
6. Judging will take place on Wednesday and Thursday, June 17 & 18. All judges' decisions are final.
7. All exhibits will remain on display until 3:00 PM Sunday, June 21. **Exhibitors must pick-up entries from 3:00 – 5:00 PM.** Premiums will be paid at this time.
8. All paintings must be framed and ready to hang. Please use eyelets on the frame and wire for hanging. NO tape, string or yarn will be accepted for hanging.
9. Photographs must be framed and either ready to hang or be free-standing

4-H Hall Exhibits

1. Exhibit Set-up is Tuesday, June 16 from 10 AM – 7 PM.
2. Hall Exhibits Open to Kennebec County 4-H Clubs Only.
3. 4-H Exhibits must remain on display until 3:00 PM Sunday, June 21
4. **Exhibits must be picked up between 3:00 - 5:00 PM on Sunday, June 21**
5. Each club will be judged for Overall Display. Three Premiums, \$25 each, will be awarded for the 3 best overall displays.

Premiums: 1st- \$4, 2nd- \$3, 3rd- \$2

Grange Exhibits

Exhibits must be set-up on Tuesday, June 16 between 10 AM -7PM or Wednesday, June 17, between 9AM – 1PM.

Exhibits must be picked up between 3:00 - 5:00 PM Sunday, June 21. Grange

Premiums: 1st- \$100, 2nd- \$75, 3rd- \$60

CHILDREN'S EXHIBITS

1. The Children's Exhibition is open to children aged 16 and younger.
2. Each exhibitor is limited to a total of 15 entries.
3. Exhibits in all departments/classes are welcome and will be judged separately from adult exhibits.
4. Paintings, drawings and photographs must be framed or mounted and ready to hang or be free standing.

Entries must be registered at the Exhibition Hall:

Tuesday, June 16 from 10:00 AM -7:00 PM or

Wednesday, June 17 from 9:00 AM- 1:00 PM

No exhibits will be accepted after 1:00 PM on Wednesday.

Exhibits must be picked up between 3:00 - 5:00 PM Sunday, June 21.

Premiums 1st- \$5, 2nd- \$4

Exhibition Hall Contests

Fairy Garden Contest

Adult category (age 17 and up).

Children category (age 16 and younger).

Winners will be chosen by judges.

Rules:

1. Entries will be accepted Tues, June 16 from 10:00 AM-7:00 PM and Wed, June 17 from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM at the Exhibition Hall.
2. Exhibitors may enter 1 fairy garden, which must include live plants and fairy friendly decorations in a container. The fairy gardens may be displayed outside for ease of watering.
3. The garden must be designed by the exhibitor.
4. **Entries must be picked up on Sunday, June 21 between 3:00-5:00.**

Prizes: 1st- \$20, 2nd – \$15, 3rd- \$10

All other participants will be awarded a \$5.00 premium

Best Dressed Doll Contest

For children aged **12** and younger.

Winners will be chosen by the judges.

Rules:

1. Entries will be accepted Tues, June 16 from 10:00 AM-7:00 PM and Wed, June 17 from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM at the Exhibition Hall.
2. Exhibitors may enter 1 dressed doll, any type or size from “Barbie” to 18” American Girl style. No accessories that are not part of the outfit. Doll clothing can be handmade or store-bought.
3. Dolls must be dressed by the exhibitor.
4. **Entries must be picked up on Sunday, June 21 between 3:00-5:00.**

Prizes: 1st- \$20, 2nd – \$15, 3rd- \$10

All other participants will be awarded a \$5.00 premium

Lego Contest

For children aged 16 and younger.

People's Choice Judging - winners will be chosen by the public.

Rules:

1. Entries will be accepted Tues, June 16 from 10:00 AM-7:00 PM and Wed, June 17 from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM at the Exhibition Hall.
2. Exhibitors may enter 1 Lego item (structure). Size of the Lego item is limited to a **12"x12" footprint. This will be strictly enforced**
3. Lego entries must be built by the exhibitor.
4. **Entries must be picked up on Sunday, June 21 between 3:00-5:00.**

Prizes: 1st place - \$20, 2nd - \$15, 3rd - \$10

All other participants will be awarded a \$5.00 premium

Mobile Contest

For adults: aged 17 and older.

People's Choice Judging - winners will be chosen by the public.

Rules:

1. Entries will be accepted Tues, June 16 from 10:00 AM-7:00 PM and Wed, June 17 from 9:00 AM-1:00 PM at the Exhibition Hall.
2. **Exhibitors may enter 1 mobile for judging.**
3. Entries must be ready to hang.
4. Entries must be made by the exhibitor.
5. **Entries must be picked up on Sunday, June 21 between 3:00-5:00.**

Prizes: 1st place - \$20, 2nd - \$15, 3rd - \$5

FREE: KID CRAFTS

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, JUNE 19 & 20 AT 2:00

IN THE EXHIBITION HALL

These classes are for children aged 12 and younger. Mabe Small will help the children create a pinwheel. The pinwheel will be theirs to take home. All supplies will be furnished.

Space is limited. Sign up in the Exhibition Hall for these classes, but walk-ins are welcome if space is available.

Thursday, June 18

King Arthur Flour Baking Contest



**We're looking for delicious
Biscuits**

For adults and children

1. Contestants must enter 6 biscuits, any flavor, made with a King Arthur flour product.
2. **Your recipe and an empty King Arthur flour bag or UPC code must accompany your entry.**
3. Bring your entry to the Exhibit Hall on Thursday, June 18 by 6:00 PM.
4. Judging will be at 6:30 PM.

The 2026 prizes are:

Adult Category (age 17 and older)

1st place: \$75 gift certificate to the Baker's Catalog/kingarthurfLOUR.com

2nd place: \$50 gift certificate to the Baker's Catalog/ kingarthurfLOUR.com

3rd place: \$25 gift certificate to the Baker's Catalog/ kingarthurfLOUR.com

Child Category (age 16 and younger)

1st place: \$40 gift certificate to the Baker's Catalog/kingarthurfLOUR.com

2nd place: \$25 gift certificate to the Baker's Catalog/ kingarthurfLOUR.com

3rd place: \$25 gift certificate to the Baker's Catalog/ kingarthurfLOUR.com

Friday, June 19

Cake Decorating Contest

Categories: adult (age 17 and up) and children (age 16 and younger)

1. Entries will be accepted before 3:30 PM on Friday, June 19.
2. Judging will be at 4:00 PM on Friday, June 19.
3. Cakes will be judged on quality of decoration only, not on taste.
4. Contestants may enter one cake.
5. Cake must be made and decorated by the exhibitor.
6. **All entries must come with a card that identifies the flavor and a “name” for your cake.**
7. Cake entry – maximum size - 9” two-layer or 9x13” sheet cake. Shape cakes are welcome. Must be presented on a disposable cake board.
8. **Entries become property of Pittston Fair and will be used for the CakeWalk Contest.**

Prizes: 1st prize – \$35, 2nd prize - \$25, 3rd prize - \$15

CakeWalk Contest

At least 20 cakes will be offered, including cakes from the decorating contest.

The contest will begin on **Friday, June 19 at 5:00 PM** in the Exhibition Hall.

Entry fee is 50 cents per round.

Saturday, June 20

NEW: Pie Eating Contest

Children only ages 5-16

Saturday, June 20 – at 12:00 PM

Do you love eating pie? Are you a fast pie eater?

Enter this contest and find out!!

Rules:

1. 5 contestants will be randomly selected for each age group: ages 5-8, 9-12 and 13-16 for a total of 15 contestants.
2. All pies are weighed before the contest. Pies will be weighed at the end of the five-minute time limit. The winner will be the child who eats the most pie during the 5 minute time limit.
3. NO HANDS MAY BE USED.
4. The first contestant to finish his/her pie and STAND upright in under 5 minutes will be the winner. The other contestants will continue to eat until they finish their pie or time runs out. JUDGES WILL DECIDE IF THE PIE IS ACTUALLY FINISHED.
5. In the event of a tie - whichever one of the tied contestants who, in the opinion of the judges, ends up wearing the most pie and the biggest smile will be winner of the contested award.
6. ANY VISIBLE SIGNS OF SICKNESS WILL CAUSE DISQUALIFICATION.
7. PERMISSION AND WAIVER FORMS MUST BE SIGNED BY THE CONTESTANT'S PARENT. A PARENT OR GUARDIAN NEEDS TO BE PRESENT DURING THE CONTEST.

**PRIZES: 1st Place - \$35, 2nd Place - \$25, 3rd Place- \$15,
4th & 5th places - \$5**

Strawberry Dessert Contest

Adults only (ages 17 and up)

Saturday, June 20 – Judging at 1:30 pm

RULES:

1. Desserts must be entered by 1:00 PM on Saturday, June 20 at the Exhibition Hall.
2. NO Strawberry shortcakes. All other desserts must include strawberries, (but may include other fruits or berries as well) are welcome- pies, trifles, jelly rolls, cobblers, etc.
3. Entrant's name must be written on the bottom of the serving dish. Pickup serving dish by 5:00 on Saturday, June 20.
4. Recipe must be included with the entry. Do not put your name on the card.
5. Fresh or frozen strawberries may be used to make desserts.
6. All entries become the property of Pittston Fair.
7. Decisions of judges are final.

PRIZES: 1st Place - \$35, 2nd Place - \$25, 3rd Place- \$15

Sunday, June 21

Fudge Contest

Adults only (ages 17 and up)

Sunday, June 21- Judging at 12:00 pm

Rules:

1. Fudge must be entered by 11:30 AM on Sunday, June 21 at the Exhibition Hall.
2. Judging will be at 12:00 PM on Sunday, June 21
3. Fudge may be any flavor.
4. Contestants must bring 6 pieces of fudge on a paper plate with the entrant's name on the bottom.
5. Recipe must accompany the entry on a note card. No name on the card.
6. Limit one entry per exhibitor.
7. Entries must be made by the contestant.
8. Decision of the judges is final.
9. All entries become the property of Pittston Fair and will not be returned to the contestant.

Prizes: 1st- \$35, 2nd- \$25, 3rd- \$15

Children's Cookie Contest

For children aged 16 and younger

Sunday, June 21 at 2:00 PM

Rules:

1. Entries must be at the Exhibition Hall by 1:30 PM on Sunday, June 21.
2. Entries must be made by the contestant.
3. Any type of cookie will be accepted.
4. Bring in 6 cookies on a paper plate with the contestant's name on the bottom.
5. Entry must be accompanied by the recipe written on a plain note card. No name on the card.
6. Limit of one entry per contestant.
7. Decision of the judges is final.
8. All entries become the property of Pittston Fair and will not be returned to the contestant.

Prizes: 1st- \$15, 2nd- \$10, 3rd- \$5

Exhibition Hall Departments and Classes

Premiums: 1st - \$8, 2nd - \$6, 3rd - \$4

NEW: 250th Birthday Category

If your exhibit reflects a love for our country and celebrates our nation's birthday, it will be displayed in a special area of the Exhibition Hall. The above premiums will be awarded.

Dept. 10: Dairy & Poultry Products

- Class 1 – Butter, 1 pound
- Class 2 – Eggs, 1 dozen
- Class 3 – Milk & Milk Products
- Class 4 – Other

Dept. 15: Fresh Produce

- Class 1 – Vegetables
- Class 2 – Fruits
- Class 3 – Berries
- Class 4 – Herbs
- Class 5 - Other

Dept. 20: Canned Fruits, Vegetables, Honey, Maple Syrup

Must use clear jars, with label identifying contents and date canned

Judges may open jars to taste products.

- Class 1 – Vegetables
- Class 2 – Fruits
- Class 3 – Jams, Jellies, Marmalades
- Class 4 – Meat & Fish
- Class 5 – Pickles, Relishes
- Class 6 – Maple Syrup
- Class 7 – Honey & Honey Products
- Class 8 – Other

Dept. 30: Home Baked Foods

- Class 1 – Biscuits, 3
- Class 2 – Muffins, 3
- Class 3 – Coffee Cake, 3 pieces
- Class 4 – Quick Bread, 1 loaf, any size
- Class 5 – Bars, Brownies, 3 pieces
- Class 6 - Yeast Bread, 1 loaf
- Class 7 – Yeast Rolls, 3
- Class 8 - Cake, 1
- Class 9 – Cupcakes, 3
- Class 10 – Candy, Fudge, 3 pieces

Class 11 – Cookies, 3

Class 12 – Donuts, 3

Class 13 – Pie, 1

Class 14 – Other

Dept. 40: Flowers & Plants

Class 1 – Display of Cut Flowers

Class 2 – Display of Dried Flowers

Class 3- Houseplants

Class 4 – Herbs (plants)

Class 5 - Container gardens, vegetable and flowers

Class 6 - Terrariums, fairy gardens

Class 7 - Other

Dept. 50: Paintings

Paintings must be framed and ready to hang using eyelets and wire.

Class 1- Acrylics, Tempura

Class 2- Crayon

Class 3 – Oil

Class 4 – Paint by Numbers

Class 5 – Pencil, Charcoal

Class 6 – Watercolors

Class 7 - Other

Dept. 55: Photographs

Photographs must be framed and ready to hang or stand.

Class 1- Animals

Class 2- Buildings

Class 3 – Landscapes

Class 4 – Portrait

Class 5 – Still Life

Class 6 – Other

Dept. 60: Arts & Crafts

Class 1 – Basketry, Caning

Class 2- Beadwork

Class 3 – Candle

Class 4 – Ceramic, Plaster, Pottery

Class 5 – Computer Art

Class 6 - Fiber Art

Class 7 - Jewelry

Class 8 - Leather Crafts

Class 9 – Metal Craft

Class 10 – Models

Class 11 - Paper Crafts

Class 12 – Soap

Class 13 – Stained Glass

- Class 14 – Stenciling
- Class 15 – Tole/Acrylic Painting
- Class 16 – Lego
- Class 17 - Other

Dept. 70 Needlework

- Class 1 – Afghan – Knit
- Class 2 – Afghan – Crochet
- Class 3 – Baby Sets – Crochet
- Class 4 – Baby Sets – Knit
- Class 5 – Christmas Decorations (ornaments, stockings, tree skirts, etc)
- Class 6 – Doilies
- Class 7 – Garments, Crochet
- Class 8 – Garments, Knit
- Class 9 – Garments, Sewn
- Class 10 - Hat/Mitten Set – Crochet
- Class 11 – Hat/Mitten Set – Knit
- Class 12 – Household Items (aprons, placemats, pillow cases, etc)
- Class 13 – Hat or Mittens, 1 pair – Crochet
- Class 14 –Hat or Mittens, 1 pair – Knit
- Class 15 – Needlework Pictures - Crewel, Needlepoint, Cross Stitch, Embroidery
- Class 16 – Pillows (any medium)
- Class 17 - Quilts – Hand Sewn/ Quilted
- Class 18 – Quilts – Machine Sewn/ Quilted
- Class 19 – Quilts – Tied
- Class 20 - Quilts - Wall hangings
- Class 21 – Table runners, Tablecloths – embroidered, applique, etc
- Class 22 – Wall Hangings – applique, embroidered, etc
- Class 23 – Plastic Canvas
- Class 24 – Hooked Rugs
- Class 25 - Totes, purses
- Class 26 - Dolls
- Class 27 - Other

Dept 80 Woodworking

- Class 1 – Benches
- Class 2 – Bureaus
- Class 3 - Chairs
- Class 4 – Tables
- Class 5 – Wood Carving
- Class 6 – Woodworking, small items
- Class 7 – Woodworking, large items
- Class 8 - Other