

GENERAL RULES FOR ALL HOME & GARDEN DEPARTMENTS GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT – JEANETTE TRADER

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Anyone can enter items in the home and garden department contests at the Greene County Fair, August 7-14, 2011. The department accepts entries under numerous categories, including fruits and vegetables, canned goods, baking, flowers, sewing, needlework, art, photography, crafts, eggs, grain, wine and apiary. Many new classes have been added in both the junior division for exhibitors 19 and younger and for the senior division for exhibitors 20 and older. Many of the craft classes have been divided into three divisions according to the exhibitor's age. The divisions are ages 8 and younger, 9-13 and 14-19. Vocational categories also have been added for those 20 and older who are enrolled in a vocational/special needs program.

- There is an entry fee of \$.25 per item per entry in these departments, which must accompany the entry blank!
- **All exhibits should be pre-registered by June 30, exhibitors are encouraged to list every entry that they may have available to bring.**
- Entries for exhibitors 19 and under should be entered in Department XI. **Entries received in any other home and garden departments will compete with adult entries.**
- *****Some classes have been divided into "Traditional" and "Vocational" categories.** Only persons 20 years of age and older who are enrolled in a vocational/special needs program may enter the **"Vocational"** category.
- Actual items to be exhibited will be accepted **ONLY** between 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM on Sunday, August 7, 2011.
- Fair management reserves the right to refuse to accept any entry deemed by fair management to be in poor taste.
- **Only one entry per category per exhibitor will be accepted.** It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to decide in which category an item will be entered.
- Judging for the Home & Garden classes will take place on Monday, August 8. No exhibitors or spectators will be permitted in the hall during the judging.
- Any entry not deemed worthy will not be placed. *Judges' decisions are final.*
- "Best of Show" rosettes will be awarded at the discretion of the Judges.
- Exhibits will be guarded; every effort will be made to protect them from damage. However, neither the Fair Board nor the management is responsible for accidents, loss or damage.
- Fair management may at any time order the removal of any exhibit or part of any exhibit that has become unfit for the show.
- Exhibits will be removed from the hall only on Sunday, August 14, 2011 between the hours of 1:00 PM and 3:00 PM. No exceptions will be made. Perishable items will be destroyed if not picked up at this time; others will be kept for one week.
- If you have any questions contact Jeanette Trader.

Winners of traditional special contests will qualify to compete at the 2012 Pennsylvania Farm Show in Harrisburg. These include the Hershey Classic Chocolate Cake Contest; Hershey Cocoa Classic Cookie Brownie or Bar Contest; Angel Food Cake Contest; and the Blue Ribbon Apple Pie Contest.

Judging will take place at 9 a.m., August 8 for the home and garden entries. Exhibitors and spectators will not be permitted in the halls during judging of these contests.

With regard to photography entries, no picture frames or matting will be accepted in any photography class. Exhibitors may place photographs on plain white 8"x 11" paper or cardboard. All pictures not brought in on white paper or cardboard will be placed on plain white paper for display. Pictures will not be marked, but the white paper or cardboard on which they are mounted may be punched for hanging.

Exhibitors are reminded that crafts or needlework from kits is acceptable but must be accompanied by the original kit instructions.

Items entered for judging are to be taken to the Home and Garden Hall between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on August 7, 2011. During fair week, the halls will be open to the public from 5 to 10 p.m., except August 11, senior citizens day.

More information regarding the contests is available on the Greene County Fair website (www.greenecountyfair.org), the Greene County Fair Booklet, or by calling Jeanette Trader at 724-627-5161. The deadline for all entries is June 30.