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ADMISSIONS

GENERAL ADMISSION (ADULTS 13 & OVER) $10.00

SENIOR CITIZENS (60 & OVER) ....$ 3.00

CHILD ADMISSION (12 and Under) (ALL DAYS) . ...FREE

VEHICLE PARKING (SATURDAY & SUNDAY....)..... ....$10.00

VEHICLE PARKING (SUNDAY THRU THURSDAY)..... ....$ 5.00

ADULT COUPON BOOK/10 ADMISSIONS..... ....$60.00

EXHIBITOR AUTO STICKER..... ....$35.00

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11 – PREVIEW NIGHT (GATES OPEN AT 5 pm.)
AGES 13 Thru 59..... ....$5.00
AGES 60 and Older..... ....$2.00

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ILLINOIS STATE FAIR

TWILIGHT PARADE

Each year, the Illinois State Fair Twilight Parade marches proudly through Springfield, announcing the ten day annual showcase of Illinois Agriculture and unique entertainment. This year's parade begins on at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 11th. The parade will step-off at Ninth Street and North Grand Avenue, proceed down Peoria Road to 11th Street and enter the Fairgrounds through the historical Main Gate. Once on the Fairgrounds, the route follows Main Street to Illinois Avenue, merges into Grandstand Avenue and disperses north of the Grandstand. Join us for this big kick-off event and begin your visit to the 2016 Illinois State Fair.

THE ILLINOIS STATE FAIR
TWILIGHT PARADE
HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND COMPETITION

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 2016
5:30 PM

PREMIUM
NUMBER
73001....

PRIZES AND AWARDS

1ST PLACE	$2000.00.....	PLAQUE
2ND PLACE	800.00.....	PLAQUE
3RD PLACE.....	600.00.....	PLAQUE
4TH PLACE.....	500.00.....	PLAQUE
5TH PLACE.....	400.00.....	PLAQUE
6TH-12TH PLACE.....	100.00.....	RIBBON

GENERAL INFORMATION

JUDGES: There will be four judges for this contest. Judges will consist of: showmanship judges, marching and maneuvering judges, and music judges.

SCORING: An average total scoring system will be used. The basis for judging points is as follows:

Showmanship	30 points
Marching and Maneuvering	30 points
Music....	40 points

All judges will use scoring sheets. Directors will receive copies of the scoring sheets at the conclusion of the Awards Ceremony.

1 JUDGING PROCEDURES:

SHOWMANSHIP

General Picture... ....7.5 points possible
(overall appearance, color scheme, total formation personnel)
Band Fronts ....7.5 points possible
Overall effectiveness of Musical Performance..... ....7.5 points possible
Overall effectiveness of Marching Performance ....7.5 points possible
TOTAL ....30.0 points possible

MARCHING AND MANEUVERING

Posture and carriage ....7.5 points possible
Uniformity..... ....7.5 points possible
(Foot angles, marching style, instrument position)
Alignment..... ....7.5 points possible
(Horizontal, vertical, angles)
Spacing. ....7.5 points possible
(Consistency of intervals while moving and holding)
TOTAL ....30.0 points possible

MUSIC

Tone Quality..... ....8.0 points possible
(In brasses, woodwinds and percussion)
Intonation ....8.0 points possible
Interpretation and General
Musicianship ....8.0 points possible
Balance. ....8.0 points possible
(harmonically, instrumentally, melodically)
Precision..... ....8.0 points possible
(attacks, releases, phrasing, rhythms)
TOTAL ....40.0 points possible

4. **COMPETITION AREA**: The competition area will be located in front of the Reviewing Stand inside the Main Gate of the Fairgrounds. It will be indicated by two taped lines; one indicating the beginning and the other indicating the end. The total competition area is approximately 100 yards long. Each band will be held up until the competition area is cleared from other entries in the parade and then given the OK to proceed.

5. **COMPETITION REQUIREMENTS:** All bands are required to play a selection of their choice while marching through the competition area. Bands stopping in front of the Reviewing Stand to perform routines will receive penalty points. This is a moving parade: marching routines are permitted but must be done in an onward motion.

6. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF WINNERS AND AWARDS:** The Awards Ceremony will be held following the Parade. After the Awards Ceremony, Band Directors may pick up their judging sheets. The 2016 First Place Winner will receive $2000.00 and also participate in the 2017 Twilight Parade as the Honor Band.

2016 ILLINOIS STATE FAIR TWILIGHT PARADE GENERAL RULES

Please review the following rules, which apply to entries in the Twilight Parade. **THERE ARE SIGNIFICANT CHANGES FROM RECENT YEARS**. **These rules have been created in the interest of safety of parade spectators and participants. To ensure the best parade possible it is our desire to minimize the length and duration of the parade.**

GENERAL PARADE RULES

All entries must conform to the parade theme. The 2016 theme is:

"PRODUCING OUR FUTURE"

1. A committee will screen all entries for entertainment value and approximately 60 will be selected for participation in the parade. Conformance to the theme or "atmosphere" of the Fair will be a major component for selection.
2. The parade committee will evaluate and select entries based upon information provided in the parade applications. Failure to provide complete information or to comply with the defined rules may result in an entry not being selected. The parade committee reserves the right to limit, or re-categorize entries based upon their discretion. All decisions of the judges are final.
3. A $25.00 entry fee will be required for each selected entry plus an additional fee dependent upon the number of participants. This fee shall be submitted after notification of acceptance by the committee.
4. All applicants will provide detailed drawings and descriptions of their entry. Any major changes to the original entry must be approved by the committee, otherwise the entry is disqualified.
5. No entry will be accepted unless the application is completed on both sides and signed.
6. All entries must be postmarked or hand delivered to the Special Events Office by close of business on July 11, 2016. This deadline will be strictly enforced.
7. Samples, candy or other materials of any type may not be thrown from or distributed from floats or vehicles. Parade walkers may distribute material to parade spectators by walking to the curb and handing the material out. The Police Department, Parade Marshals and Parade Officials will, without warning, remove unit from the parade if this rule is violated.
8. It is the policy of the Illinois State Fair Twilight Parade to highlight Miss Illinois County Fair as queen. No other queens will be allowed to ride in a vehicle as parade entry. Other queens are welcome to participate; however they may not participate as a single entry. They must appear in conjunction with a float.
9. All entries must display their assigned parade number on front of their unit. The Twilight Parade Committee will assign this number to each unit upon acceptance to the parade by the committee
10. Parade judging categories are limited to: Marching Bands, Floats, and Specialty Units.

Entry forms should be submitted to:

ILLINOIS STATE FAIR
TWILIGHT PARADE
P.O. BOX 19427
SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS 62794-9427

ILLINOIS STATE FAIR TWILIGHT PARADE FLOAT ENTRY RULES

1. Float entry applications must include a drawing or photograph of the proposed entry.
2. Each entry should incorporate the **Parade Theme** or an "atmosphere" of the Fair in the design of float.
3. The Twilight Parade Committee encourages all floats be covered with sturdy materials such as vinyl sheeting, enamel paint, or other materials which will hold up under adverse weather conditions. Floats covered with paper napkins or other similar materials will be completely destroyed if rain or strong winds occur. Exposed parts of a float must be completely covered by material including the wheels of the float.
4. Floats must bear the name of the participant and the title of the theme depicted by the float (either on the float or with a banner carried in front of the float). All signs must be of high quality and easily legible.
5. For the safety of participants and viewers, each float may be accompanied by up to eight escort personnel. This will be strictly enforced. Two banner/sign carriers will be allowed per entry. The banner carriers are not included in the escort personnel count.
6. **A float should be no more than 40 feet long, 10 feet wide and 13 feet in height**. These dimensions do not include the tow vehicle.
7. Decorated cars, trucks or vans are not considered floats and should not be entered in the Float category.
8. Commercial Floats are those, which have been designed and built for a business or organization that sells goods or services for a profit. Non-commercial floats are those which that is designed and built for group or organization that is not-for-profit; i.e. charities, volunteer groups etc.

ILLINOIS STATE FAIR TWILIGHT PARADE FLOAT JUDGING CRITERIA

Judges Will Base Their Decisions On The Following:

1. **TITLE AND THEME: 25%** This is the basic idea of the float. By making the basic idea and title conform to the Parade Theme or Fair "atmosphere" it will add to the unity of the parade. The other judging criteria measures how well this basic idea is developed.
2. **INGENUITY: 15%**
3. **PUBLIC APPEAL: 15%** Public appeal is the enjoyment of the float by the audience. People in our audience are of different age groups and of different backgrounds. Quality in all of the first seven criteria will affect their enjoyment.
4. **CRAFTSMANSHIP: 15%** The design will all its ideas, is one part of quality; the other part is craftsmanship. The craftsmanship score will depend on neatness, solid construction, the proper working of mechanical parts and achievement of detail.
5. **PROPORTIONS; BALANCE AND SPACE: 10%** Proportion is the size relationships among the features of the float. However, the basic idea of the float may call for intentional lack of proportion. Balance and space take in two questions; Is the overall design graceful or clumsy? Is the space of the float used to support the basic idea, or is it wasted?
6. **COLOR: 10%** Color brings up two questions; Are the colors and their combinations pleasing? How well do they contribute to the desired effect?
7. **ANIMATION AND SOUND EFFECTS: 10%** These criteria deal with anything on the float that adds to the total effect of the float. Motion and sound are examples of special effects.

AWARDS: The following is a list of the standard categories and general criteria to govern the selection of the recipients:

Premium
Number
73006

GOVERNOR'S SWEEPSTAKES AWARDS

1st Overall..... ....$300.00

1. **NON COMMERCIAL ENTRIES:**

73007	**.....1st .....**	**Grand Marshal's Award**	**.. ....**	**$150.00**
73008	**.....2nd.....**	**Director's Award.....**	**.. ....**	**$ 50.00**
73009	**.....3rd .....**	**Illinois State Fair Award**	**.. ....**	**$ 25.00**

2. COMMERCIAL ENTRIES:

73010	**.....1st .....**	**Grand Marshal's Award**	**.. ....**	**$150.00**
73011	**.....2nd.....**	**Director's Award.....**	**.. ....**	**$ 50.00**
73012	**.....3rd .....**	**Illinois State Fair Award**	**.. ....**	**$ 25.00**

SPECIALTY UNITS

A specialty unit is defined as <u>any</u> other parade unit that is not a float, equestrian, or queen. This can include, but is not limited to specialty vehicles, synchronized walking units and entertainers. The number of walkers accompanying any Specialty Unit will be limited, with the exact number determined by the committee.

1. **CAR CLUBS:** A 10-car limit per each car club constitutes an entry unit.

2. All judging for specialty units will be done during the procession down the Parade route.

3. **JUDGING CRITERIA:** The panel of judges will base their decision on the following:

   A. THEME: 25%
   Conformity with parade theme.
   B. COLOR: 25%
   Costumes props and eye appeal.

C. INGENUITY: 25%
Creativity and originality.

D. PUBLIC APPEAL: 25%
Enjoyment by the audience.

E. AWARDS: The following is a list of the standard categories and general criteria to govern the selection of the recipients:

Premium Number		
	SPECIALTY UNITS:	
73019	**1ST Grand Marshall's Award**	**$150.00**
73020	**2nd Director's Award**.....	**$ 50.00**
73021	**3rd Illinois State Fair Award**	**$ 25.00**

SECTION A - ABE'S AMBLE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 2016

10K RACE

7:30 A.M. - IN FRONT OF GRANDSTAND

GENERAL INFORMATION

In an effort to provide runners with a special event designed for them, the Illinois State Fairgrounds will again be the starting point of the 2016 Abe's Amble, a 10,000 meter race. Racers will run from the Fairgrounds for a distance of 6.2 miles. The competition is coordinated by the Springfield Roadrunners Club and is open to all runners who are physically fit. Entries will be divided into men and women categories, ranging from 14 years and under to 60 years and over. Participants will gather in front of the Grandstand on Sunday, August 23 and the race will start at 7:30 a.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION CONTACT:

Emily Bernardes
Race Director
Abe's Amble 10K Race
217-891-1394
Abesamble10K@gmail.com

Or

Springfield Roadrunners Club at info@srrc.net

SECTION B - AUCTIONEERS' BID CALLING CONTEST

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2016

10:00 A.M. - LINCOLN STAGE

SPONSORED BY
ILLINOIS STATE AUCTIONEERS ASSOCIATION

Premium
Number
73047

AWARDS

FIRST PLACE - $400
Belt Buckle
Plaque
Entry Fee waived for 2016 ISAA Contest
Represent ISAA as Ambassador at Special Functions
Free basic registration ISAA Spring Convention 2016
Name engraved on plaque listing past champions

SECOND PLACE - $200
Plaque
ISAA membership dues paid for 1 year
Entry Fee waived for 2016 ISAA Championship Contest
Act as Ambassador should Champion be unavailable

THIRD PLACE - $100
Plaque
ISAA membership dues paid for 1 year
Entry fee waived for 2016 ISAA Championship Contest

FOURTH PLACE – Plaque

FIFTH PLACE - Plaque

GENERAL RULES

ELIGIBILITY
Any auctioneer who is a member of the ISAA and a resident of Illinois, except past champions and committee members.

REGISTRATION
All contestants who enter must check in 30 minutes before auction time at the auction site to receive identification tags, instructions and selling order.

PERFORMANCE POSITION
Each contestant will sell in the order they draw. Contestants must appear on stage as their number is called. Contestants failing to sell in their assigned order will lose 10 points and shall appear at the next opening as directed by the Master of Ceremonies. Each auctioneer will be allowed a maximum of five (5) minutes to demonstrate his or her ability.

JUDGING
There will be five (5) judges and their decision will be final. Judges shall consist of immediate past president, immediate past bid calling champion and three (3) judges to be determined by ISAA. The high and low score will be dropped and the three remaining scores averaged to determine the score for each contestant.

CONTEST PROCEDURES
All items sold will be furnished by the ISAA. Contestants will have opportunity to sell four (4) items during the preliminary round and three (3) items in the final round. If the entries are less than six (6), only the top two (2) contestants shall qualify for the final round and only two (2) awards will be given. If the entries are six (6) but less then ten (10) the top three (3) shall qualify for the final round and only three (3) awards will be given. If the entries are ten (10) but less than fifteen (15) the top five (5) shall qualify for the final round. If the entries are fifteen (15) or more the top eight (8) shall qualify for the final round. In case of a tie, a run-off will be held. In the final round all contestants' scores will be reset to zero with scoring in the first round having no relevance to the final placing. The final will be held immediately following the first round.

ENTRY FEE AND DEADLINE DATE
The entry fee is $30.00 for each contestant if postmarked on or before July 15, 2016 and $50.00 if postmarked after July 15, 2016. Make checks payable to: Illinois State Auctioneers Association, and mail to: Illinois State Auctioneers Association, Inc., Maxine O'Brien Executive Director, PO Box 620830, Middleton, WI 53562-0830. The deadline for entries is August 8, 2016. No entries will be accepted on the day of the auction. There will be a limit of 25 contestants.

SECTION C - BABY PICTURE CONTEST

PREMIUM NUMBER

73722	Girls, Under 6 Months.....	73727....	Boys, Under 6 Months
73723	Girls, 6 Months to 1 Year..	73728....	Boys, 6 Months to 1 Year
73724	Girls, 1 Year.....	73729 ...	Boys, 1 Year
73725	Girls, 2 Years	73730 ...	Boys, 2 Years
73726	Girls, 3 Years	73731 ...	Boys, 3 Years
73732	Twins, 0 - 23 Months		
73733	Twins, 2 Years to 4 Years		

GENERAL INFORMATION

1 All pictures must be postmarked or hand delivered to the Special Events Office on or before August 1, 2016.

2 Photographs must be 5" x 7", firmly attached to white poster board which is 7" x 9" in size. Photos will not be accepted if mounted on any other material other than white poster board. Photos will not be accepted if framed in any way. Size must be 5" x 7" (no other size will be accepted).

3 All photographs **must** be in full color. Tinted, colorized, or black & white photos will not be accepted.

4 Photographs must have been taken within the past 6 months. Only one entry per child.

5 THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION MUST BE RECORDED ON THE BACK OF THE POSTER BOARD IN THE UPPER LEFT HAND CORNER: PARENTS OR LEGAL GUARDIANS NAME AND ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBER, CHILD'S NAME, AGE (at time of picture) AND BIRTH DATE.

6 Judging will be based on personality and appeal - not on perfection of photography.

7 First, Second and Third place ribbons will be awarded in each age group. Every entry will receive a participation ribbon.

8 ALL photographs will be on display during the entire Illinois State Fair, August 11-21. They will be located in the Kids Korner area, to the south of the Emmerson Building.

9 All photographs may be picked up **beginning Thursday, August 25th** at 9:00 a.m. from the State Fair Administrative Offices located in the Emmerson Building. If you would like your photograph mailed back to you, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped photo mailer (8" x 10" or larger) when submitting contest photo. Photos will be available at the fair until September 15, 2016.

10 Fill out entry form and return to the Emmerson Building on the Fairgrounds. Photos may be mailed to Special Events Office, P.O. Box 19427, Springfield, IL 62794-9427, or hand delivered. Remember, they must be postmarked by August 1, 2016.

SECTION D - BATON TWIRLING CONTEST

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20, 2016

9:00 A.M.

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. National Baton Twirling Association rules, judges, and score sheets will be used for all phases of this contest.
2. All entries must be postmarked by July 31, 2016.
3. Scores will be **POSTED** in the twirling area as soon as possible after each group finishes.
4. Score sheets will be distributed at designated tables and must be picked up the day of the contest.
5. Dressing facilities will be restrooms located nearby the competition area.
6. Lanes and age groups will be posted.
7. Contestants will be competing on a flat surface. There will be seating for family and friends.
8. Contestants cannot compete against themselves in any age division.
9. Once a division is closed, it will not be re-opened to latecomers.
10. Groups with three or less will be combined with Juvenile, Pre-teens, Junior and Senior.
11. Everyone must pay the required admission price at the Gate.
12. Additional Team divisions will be added as needed.

CLASS 1 - DANCE-TWIRL TEAMS
9 A.M.

PREMIUM NUMBER		1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	5TH
73052	Tiny Tot Teams Average Age-0-7.999	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette
73053	Juvenile Teams Average Age 8 thru 10.999	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette
73054	Junior Teams Average Age 11 thru 13.999	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette
73055	Senior Teams Average Age 14 and over	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette

GENERAL INFORMATION

4. All Dance-Twirl Teams must have 4 or more members.

5. Each team must have two (2) cassettes rewound and ready for competition and must provide one person to accompany the tape during the performance.

6. Time Limit - 2:00 to 3:00 minutes.

7. Rosettes will be awarded to all winners.

CLASS 2 - HALF-TIME SHOW TWIRL TEAMS

PREMIUM NUMBER		1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	5TH
73072	Tiny Tot Teams Average Age 0 thru 5.99	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette
73073	Primary Teams Average Age 6 thru 10.999	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette
73074	Junior High Teams Average Age 11 thru 13.999	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette
73075	Senior High Teams Average Age 14 thru 17.999	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette
73076	College Teams Average Age 18 and over	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. All Half-Time Show Twirl Teams must have 4 or more members.

2. Each team must have two (2) cassettes rewound and ready for competition and must provide one person to accompany the tape during the performance.

3. Time Limit - 2:00 to 3:00 minutes.

4. Rosettes will be awarded to all winners.

CLASS 3 - BASIC STRUT
Following Team Competition

PREMIUM
NUMBER

73097, **Novice Division, Basic Strut, Boys and Girls**
73734 - Age...0 - 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17-24
73740 No Time Limit Involved

73098, **Beginners Division, Basic Strut, Boys and Girls**
73741 - Age...0 - 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17-24
73747 No Time Limit Involved

73099, **Advance Division, Basic Strut, Boys and Girls**
73748 - Age...0 - 6, 7 - 9, 10 - 12, 13 - 15, 16 - 24
73750 No Time Limit Involved

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Basic Strut is just what the title implies - basic strutting without footwork, leaps, lunges, backsteps, etc. Corners must be executed in sharp military manner and forward motion at all times is mandatory.

2. Baton shall be carried in either traditional or cradle position.

3. Contestants will be judged on a comparison basis with the following taken into consideration: appearance, posture, gracefulness and timing.

CLASS 4 - SOLO BATON TWIRLING
Following Basic Strut Competition

PREMIUM
NUMBER
73242- **Novice Division, Solo Girls**
73253 Age...0 - 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17-24
Time Limit...:30 to 2:00 minutes
73254- **Beginners Division, Solo Girls**
73265 Age...0 - 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17-24
Time Limit...1:30 to 2:00 minutes
73266- **Intermediate Division, Solo Girls**
73270 Age...0 - 6, 7 - 9, 10 - 12, 13 - 15, 16 - 24
Time Limit... 1:50 to 2:10 minutes
73271 - **Advanced Division, Solo Girls**
73275 Age... 0 - 6, 7 - 9, 10 - 12, 13 - 15, 16 - 24
Time Limit...2:20 to 2:30 minutes
73276- **Boys Solo Division**
73280 Age...0 - 6, 7 - 9, 10 - 12, 13 - 15, 16- 24
Time Limit…2:20 to 2:30 minutes

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. A Novice has never won more than 3 First Places. A Beginner has never won more than 5 First Places. An Intermediate has never won more than eight First Places. An Advance has won eight First Places in Intermediate, five First Places in Beginners, and three First Places in Novice.

2. Each soloist will twirl to the official N.B.T.A. music. **NO SPECIAL MUSIC.**

3. A 1ST, 2ND, 3RD , 4TH, and 5th Place ribbon will be given in each age division.

4. First Place winners in the Novice, Beginners, Intermediate and Advance Division will twirl-off for an overall winner in their division. Plaques will be awarded to each winner.

SECTION E - BENCH PRESS/DEADLIFT CHAMPIONSHIPS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 2016

9:30A.M. - 11:00 A.M. - WEIGH-IN
12:00/NOON - COMPETITION

GENERAL INFORMATION

PREMIUM
NUMBER
73437-73451

1. AWARDS: First through Third place trophies will be awarded in each of the weight classes and division in both the bench press and deadlift competitions. Best lifter awards will also be presented in each competition. All contestants will receive a trophy.

2. CLASSES: 132, 148, 165, 181, 198, 220, 242, 275, SHW, Teenage, Junior, Submaster, Master, Women, Police & Fire, Team.

3. RULES: This will be a touch and go bench press competition and a standard Deadlift competition. One-piece lifting suits and bench shirts are allowed but not required. All standard rules apply.

4. ENTRY FEE: There is a $50.00 fee per division.

5. Participants must pay regular admission prices at the gate.

* There will be a special event following the deadlift competition consisting of a 2-man deadlift competition, a 2-woman deadlift competition and a man-woman deadlift competition. (All by formula)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

BUDDY HULL, Event Coordinator
hullbuddy@yahoo.com

SECTION F – CHILI COOK-OFF

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21, 2016

THE SHED

9:30 A.M.

PREMIUM NUMBER			1st	2nd	3rd
73497	RED.....	..	.....$500 ...	$250	..... $150
73498	VERDE	..	Cook's Jackpot		
73499	SALSA .	..	Cook's Jackpot		

SCHEDULE

8:00 am	.....	Begin Set up
8:30 am	.....	Verde Prep
9:00 am	.....	Cooks Meeting
9:30 am	.....	Verde Starts
11:00 am	.....	Fire Stoves for Red Chilli
11:15 am	.....	Salsa Turn-In
12:30 pm	.....	Verde Turn-In
2:00 pm	.....	Red Chilli Turn-In
4:00 pm	.....	Awards Ceremony

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Contest is a sanctioned Regional Chili Cookoff by the International Chili Society. Red, Verde and Salsa winners advance to the Finals at the ICS World Championship.

2. Contestants shall supply all cooking ingredients, cooking devices, utensils, etc.

3. All Red Chilli entrants must provide at least 1 gallon of Chilli for sampling by the public.

4. All Salsa entrants must provide 1 quart of salsa for sampling by the public.

5. Tables provided. Assistance with transporting supplies will be available.

6. All Chilli cooks must wear hats or hairnets.

7. Public Health Department rules require contestants to have a receipt for all food items.

8. All contestants must be members of the International Chili Society prior to competing. Membership can be processed at the time of the competition. All ICS rules will be enforced.

9. Parking and admission will be provided.

10. The entry deadline is August 15, 2016. Entries are limited and will not be accepted without receiving entry fee.

11. Contestants may enter in 1, 2, or all 3 categories.

ENTRY FEES

Red Chilli	$25.00
Chili Verde	$10.00
Salsa	$10.00

International Chili Society membership (1 year) $60.00

FOR ENTRY FORMS, PLEASE CONTACT:

Illinois State Fair Chilli Cook-Off
Special Events
P.O. Box 19427
Springfield, IL 62794-9427
217/782-0777

or visit our website at www.IllinoisStateFair.info

SECTION G - CUTEST LITTLE FARMER CONTEST

TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2016

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TENT/MAIN AND CENTRAL

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PREMIUM NUMBER	Class 1 - Female Contest	Class 2 - Male Contest	
73777	Girls, 2 - 3 year olds	73782	Boys, 2 - 3 year olds
73778	Girls, 4 - 5 year olds	73783	Boys, 4 - 5 year olds
73779	Girls, 6 - 7 year olds	73784	Boys, 6 - 7 year olds
73780	Girls, 8 - 9 year olds	73785	Boys, 8 - 9 year olds
73781	Girls, 10 year olds	73786	Boys, 10 year olds

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. No entry fee is required to enter the contest.

2. Everyone must pay the required admission price at the Gate.

3. Pre-Registration by August 1, 2016 is suggested. However, contestants may enter on the day of the contest beginning 30 minutes prior to the start of the contest.

4. Contestants will be judged on neatness, creativity, and overall effect.

5. There will be 10 possible points for all three categories in the judging, totaling 30 possible points overall.

6. Contestants may bring one object that will accent his/her costume.

7. After the judging is complete, the winners from each age division in both classes will compete for the title of "2016 Illinois State Fair Cutest Little Farmer(s)".

8. There will be no live animals allowed.

9. Ribbons will be awarded to the winners, along with a general participation ribbons for all contestants.

SECTION H - DECORATED DIAPER CONTEST

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 2016

LINCOLN STAGE

3:00 P.M.

PREMIUM NUMBER		1ST	2ND	3RD
73507	Prettiest Decorated Diaper	Trophy	Rosette	Rosette
73508	Craziest Decorated Diaper	Trophy	Rosette	Rosette

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. All babies must be under the age of 18 months.

2. All babies must be in decorated diaper attire, disposable or cloth. You may design a costume to coordinate with the diaper but the diaper must be visible for judging.

3. Contestants may enter the day of the contest starting at 2:15 p.m., but early registration by August 1, 2016, is highly recommended due to the number of contestants entering.

4. Babies may be registered for **EITHER** Prettiest Decorated Diaper or Craziest Decorated Diaper.

5. Judging for Prettiest Decorated Diaper will be based on originality of design, creativity, attractiveness, public appeal and overall effect.

6. Judging for Craziest Decorated Diaper will be based on originality of design, creativity, humor, public appeal and overall effect.

7. Contestants will be assigned a number at registration which must be clearly in view of the judges at all times during the competition.

8. Two awards will be given; Prettiest Decorated Diaper and Craziest Decorated Diaper.

9. The 1st place winners in both categories will receive a trophy and 1st place ribbon, 2nd through 3rd place ribbons will also be awarded, and all other contestants will receive participation ribbons.

10. Judges decisions are final.

SECTION I - DIAPER DERBY CONTEST

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 2016

4:00 P.M.

LINCOLN STAGE

GENERAL INFORMATION

PREMIUM NUMBER
73513

1. All babies must be in the crawling stage, not over one (1) year in age.

2. If a baby does walk, he or she is then disqualified.

3. All babies must be in diaper attire, cloth or disposable.

4. Contestants may enter the day of the contest starting at 2:15 p.m., but early registration by August 1 is highly recommended due to the number of contestants entering.

5. No more than eight babies will compete at a time.

6. The babies will be lined up in a straight line. Their parents will be lined up directly in front of them. Once started, the babies will have four minutes to crawl from their position to their parents.

7. Parents will be allowed to use verbal persuasion, toys, food, etc., to lure their child.

8. If none of the babies reach their parents within the 4-minute time limit, the baby closest to their parent will win.

9. The winners will then compete for the Diaper Derby Baby.

10. The Diaper Derby Baby will receive a trophy and 1st place ribbon, 2nd through 5th place ribbons will also be awarded, and all other contestants will receive a participation ribbon.

SECTION J – DOG PHOTO CONTEST

PREMIUM NUMBER		1ST	2ND	3RD
73951	Cutest Dog Picture	Trophy	Rosette	Rosette
73952	Craziest Dog Costume	Trophy	Rosette	Rosette

GENERAL INFORMATION

1 All pictures must be postmarked or hand delivered to the Special Events Office on or before August 1, 2016.

2 Photographs must be 5" x 7", firmly attached to white poster board which is 7" x 9" in size. Photos will not be accepted if mounted on any other material other than white poster board. Photos will not be accepted if framed in any way. Size must be 5" x 7" (no other size will be accepted).

3 All photographs **must** be in full color. Tinted, colorized, or black & white photos will not be accepted.

4 Photographs must have been taken within the past 6 months. Only one entry in each category per dog.

5 THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION MUST BE RECORDED ON THE BACK OF THE POSTER BOARD IN THE UPPER LEFT HAND CORNER: OWNER'S NAME AND ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBER, DOG'S NAME, AND APPROXIMATE AGE (at time of picture).

6 Judging will be based on personality and appeal - not on perfection of photography.

7 First, Second and Third place ribbons will be awarded in each category. Every entry will receive a participation ribbon.

8 ALL photographs will be on display during the entire Illinois State Fair, August 11-21. They will be located in the Kid's Korner area.

9 All photographs become the property of the Illinois State Fair and will not be returned (excluding first through 3rd place winners).

10 Fill out entry form and return to the Emmerson Building on the Fairgrounds. Photos may be mailed to Special Events Office, P.O. Box 19427, Springfield, IL 62794-9427, or hand delivered. Remember, they must be postmarked by August 1, 2016.

SECTION K - FIDDLE & BANJO CONTEST

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 2016

11:30 P.M.

LINCOLN STAGE

CLASS 1 - BANJO CONTEST

PREMIUM NUMBER		1st	2nd	3rd
73518	16 & Under	$150	$75	$50
73519	17 - 59	$200	$100	$75
73520	60 & Over	$150	$75	$50

CLASS 2 - FIDDLE CONTEST

PREMIUM NUMBER		1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	5TH
73521	16 & Under	$150	$100	$75	$50	$25
73522	17 - 59	$200	$100	$75	$50	$25
73523	60 & Over	$200	$100	$75	$50	$25

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. No entry fee is required to enter the contest.

2. Everyone must pay required admission price at the Gate.

3. Contestants may enter the day of the contest starting at 9:00 a.m. Registration will close at 10:15 a.m. Pre-registration through the Special Events office is encouraged.

4. Judges will be positioned in front of the stage.

5. Each contestant must play 2 tunes of their choice; one being a hoe down and the other being a waltz.

6. No more than three (3) accompanists will be allowed. No electric amplification allowed.

7. The playing of A Black Mountain Rag©, A Orange Blossom Special©, and A Listen to the Mockingbird©, are not allowed in the fiddle competition.

8. Judging will be on the following abilities; rhythm and timing, creativity, authenticity and taste, expression and execution.

9. The order of performance for contestants will be posted at the Lincoln Stage one hour prior to competition.

SECTION L – HUSBAND AND HOG CALLING COMPETITIONS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 2016

LINCOLN STAGE
3:30 P.M. AND 4:00 P.M.

REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 3:00 P.M.

HOG CALLING CONTEST

PREMIUM NUMBER		**1st**	**2nd**	**3rd**
07721	.	$250	$100	$50

HUSBAND CALLING CONTEST

PREMIUM NUMBER		**1st**	**2nd**	**3rd**
07731	.	$250	$100	$50

1. No entry fee is required to enter the contest(s).

2. All contestants must pay the required admission price at the Gate.

3. Pre-Registration by August 1, 2016 is suggested. However, contestants may enter on the day of the contest beginning 30 minutes prior to the start of the first contest. Each contest will be limited to the first 20 entries.

4. Contestants may use props in the performance of his/her routine.

5. Contestants will have a maximum of 4 minutes to complete his/her routine. Judging will be

8. **JUDGING CRITERIA:** The panel of judges will base their decision on the following:

   a. Originality…….50 points
   b. Appeal……...25 points
   c. Volume and Clearness…….15 points
   d. Assurance..……10 points

SECTION M - PEDAL PULL COMPETITION
OPEN DIVISION

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2016

THE SHED/ILLINOIS AVENUE
1:30 P.M.

REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 12:00 NOON

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PREMIUM NUMBER			1st	2nd	3rd
73592	Class 1	30-45 lbs.	$50	$30	$20
73593	Class 2	46-60 lbs.	$50	$30	$20
73594	Class 3	61-80 lbs.	$50	$30	$20

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. All contestants must pay required admission price at the Gate.

2. Competition is open to all boys and girls weighing between 30 and 80 pounds in attendance the day of the pull. **There will be no advanced entries.**

3. All contestants must register between 12 and 12:45 p.m. No registrations accepted after pull begins.

4. The winner of each contest is determined by who can pedal the tractor down the track the farthest while pulling a weight transfer sled.

5. The decision of the judges is final.

SECTION N - PONYTAIL CONTEST

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 2016

THE SHED/ILLINOIS AVENUE

11:00 A.M.

CLASS 1 - PONYTAIL CONTEST

PREMIUM NUMBER	JUNIOR DIVISION
73611	2 years and under
73612	3 and 4 year olds
73613	5 and 6 year olds
73614	7 and 8 year olds
73615	9 and 10 year olds
73616	11 and 12 year olds
73617	13 to 16 year olds

SENIOR DIVISION

73618	Open Competition, 17 & Over

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Length of hair will be the chief factor in judging and will be measured from the base (rubber band) of the ponytail to the end of the longest hair.

2. In case of tie for first place or overall winner, hair will be judged on neatness and beauty.

3. If the hair is braided, it must be braided as far as possible.

4. Everyone must pay the required admission price at the Gate.

5. Contestants may enter the day of the contest, but early registration by August 1, 2016 is highly recommended due to the large number of contestants for this event.

6. Rosette Ribbons will be awarded to the first Five Places in each division, and all entrants will receive a participation ribbon.

7. One overall champion in the Ponytail Contest Junior Division will be awarded a trophy.

8. The Open Competition (premium number 73618) will not be eligible for the overall prize.

9. No French braid or corn row. Ponytails must be secured by a rubber band and may be located anywhere.

10. A Ponytail is one, either braided or not.

SECTION O - AMATEUR TALENT CONTEST

18 YEARS AND UNDER

AUGUST 13th, 14th, and 15th

PREMIUM NUMBER		1ST	2ND	3RD
(Age 13-18)				
73704	Vocal Solo - Female	$150	$100	$50
73705	Vocal Solo - Male	$150	$100	$50
73706	Vocal Group	$150	$100	$50
73707	Instrumental/Keyboard Solo	$150	$100	$50
73708	Dance Solo	$150	$100	$50
73709	Dance Group	$150	$100	$50
(Age 12 and under)				
73710	Vocal Solo - Female	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette
73711	Vocal Solo - Male	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette
73712	Vocal Group	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette
73713	Instrumental/Keyboard Solo Rosette	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette
73714	Dance Solo	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette
73715	Dance Group	Rosette	Rosette	Rosette

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Everyone must pay the required admission price at the Gate.

2. An act should run no more than 4 minutes. An act running over 4 minutes will be disqualified.

3. **A CONTESTANT MAY ENTER ONLY ONE CATEGORY. ADDITIONALLY, A CONTESTANT UNDER THE AGE OF THIRTEEN MAY CHOOSE TO COMPETE IN THE UPPER AGE CATEGORY, HOWEVER, THEY MAY NOT COMPETE IN BOTH.**

4. Baton Twirlers or similar acts using batons or machetes, knives, etc. will not be accepted.

5. Entries must be postmarked by **August 1, 2016**.

6. Acrobatic or gymnastic movements will be allowed in the Dance Solo and Dance Group, but must be no more than

20% of the routine.

7. In any vocal category, instrumental accompaniment by the persons in the act or others is allowed, but must assume the pure character of accompaniment. The test shall be whether the performance would stand alone if the accompaniment is removed.

8. No voice or voices or record or tape with vocal utterance may be used for accompaniment by the contestants entered in any vocal category. **USE OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED ACCOMPANIMENT WILL RESULT IN CONTESTANT BEING DISQUALIFIED!**

9. In an instrumental solo, accompaniment is allowed, but must assume the pure character of accompaniment. The test shall be whether the solo performance would stand alone if the accompaniment were removed.

10. In an instrumental solo, no instrument of the same nature may be used for accompaniment.

11. In any dance category, accompanists are permitted on stage, but must not assume visual importance in the performance.

12. THIS IS A TALENT CONTEST. THE JUDGING WILL BE DETERMINED BY THE AMOUNT OF TALENT AND PERFORMANCE QUALITY OF THE CONTESTANT, NOT BY AGE.

13. Time, place and date of performances will be mailed to contestants by the first week in August.

14. A CONTESTANT THAT IS CONSIDERED A PROFESSIONAL@ SHALL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR THIS CONTEST. A PROFESSIONAL@ IS DEFINED AS ANYONE WHO IS A UNION MEMBER, WHO HAS A PROFESSIONAL MANAGER, OR WHOSE PRINCIPAL AND/OR SELF-SUPPORTING INCOME IS DERIVED FROM PERFORMING. MUSIC TEACHERS, BAND LEADERS, ETC. ARE NOT ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE.

15. The First Place Winner from each category will **NOT** be eligible for competition in that category the following year.

16. **EACH CONTESTANT WILL BE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT A LIST OF THEIR SELECTION AND HOW IT WILL BE ACCOMPANIED, I.E., TAPE, PIANO, AMPS, MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS, ETC.**

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VOICE/TTY 217/524-6858

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