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August 3-9, 2026

HAY BALE DECORATING CONTEST

- Set up by 7p.m. on Sunday, August 2.
 - Judging: Monday, August 3.
- Applications may be filled out on the fair website under Participant Information.
- **Theme “Celebrating America 250” Be creative on showcasing America turning 250!**

RULES:

1. Open to anyone; groups, clubs, businesses, individuals.
2. An entry form is due to the Fair Office by July 20 at 4p.m. to let us know you will be bringing an entry.
3. Entries are limited to the first 10 organizations/individuals who apply.
4. Decorated hay bales must be set up by Sunday, August 2, 2026, at 7p.m.
5. Judging is Monday, August 3, 2026.
6. If you want your decorations and/or bales, they must be removed no later than Tuesday, August 10, 2026.
7. Bales must remain at the Fair through Sunday, August 9, 2026.
8. You will set the bales, and you must stabilize to avoid tipping or rolling. Anything deemed unsafe will be removed. The Fair will determine the location of where the display will be set.
9. Displays may be no more than 10 feet high and no larger than 12 feet wide and 15 feet long.
10. Entries will be placed throughout the Fairgrounds at our discretion.
11. No lights or illumination is allowed except solar lighting.
12. You must furnish all bales and decorating materials. Bales may be round or square and straw or hay.
13. Judges' decision is final.

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