

# DEPARTMENT 18 - NEEDLECRAFT

SUPERINTENDENT • Anna Boylstein • 724-841-4136

## COMMITTEE

Beth Flick, Al Grogan, Sue Grogan, Anthony Spadola

### **NEW FOR 2026 SPECIAL STATE CONTEST AMERICAN 250 PA APRON CONTEST CELEBRATING 250 YEARS OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT 22 SECTION 250 (PAGE 139)**

**ENTRY DROP OFF: ONE DAY ONLY  
THURSDAY, JULY 2 - 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM**  
at the Arts & Crafts Building.

*Entry tags are available at the Fair Office in June.*

**JUDGING: FRIDAY, JULY 3**

Judging area will be closed during judging.

**ENTRY PICK UP: SUNDAY, JULY 12 - 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM**

*Anyone removing their exhibits  
before 1:00 PM will forfeit their premiums.*

**Tags with claim checks will be furnished.**

Please print clearly and press hard to go thru the three sheets.

**Exhibitors are to place the tag securely on the article  
and keep the claim check to identify and  
pick up articles at the close of the Fair.**

**GENERAL ENTRY FORMS ARE NO LONGER REQUIRED  
BUT ARE AVAILABLE IN THE BACK OF THIS BOOK OR ONLINE  
IF YOU WANT TO USE ONE FOR PERSONAL REFERENCE.**

**The Fair Association will not be responsible  
for loss or damage of any exhibit,  
or improper entry tags made by the exhibitor.**

Exhibitors must be assigned a "BUTLER FAIR EXHIBITOR  
NUMBER." Please check the registration desk  
or call ahead to the office for your number  
or if you need to be assigned a number.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

1. Any article may be entered in only one class; that is, an article may be judged but once.
2. All clothing must be laundered and ironed.
3. Each exhibit to be judged on workmanship, worth of article, appropriateness of material and design.
4. Articles exhibited in this division of the Home Economics Department must be the personal work of the exhibitor and must be neatly and cleanly laundered.
5. Articles exhibited in this department must have been completed by the exhibitor since last year's Fair, except in the case of antiques and where otherwise stated.
6. Any exhibit deemed ineligible by the committee or judge will be placed on exhibit but will not be judged.
7. Imported, manufactured or machine-made work may be exhibited, but must be excluded from competition.
8. Exhibits will NOT be received in this, or any, department by express, freight or mail; exhibitors must bring their exhibits in person or have someone do it for them.
9. To interfere with the judge will disqualify the exhibitors from their premiums or awards. Judging area will be closed during judging.

## DEPT. 18 SECTION 1 CLOTHING

A rosette will be awarded to the "Best of Show."

1. Each exhibit consists of one garment.
2. Each garment to be judged on material, color, design, suitability, & workmanship.
3. All articles of clothing must have been made since the close of last year's Fair by the exhibitor.
4. Items are to be Fabric/Sewn.
5. Crochet & Knit items are entered in Section 2.
6. Plain sewing—Lingerie or aprons to be judged on:
  - Worth of article
  - Materials and trimmings, appropriateness, quality
  - Workmanship—Method of construction, choice and execution of stitches
7. Dressmaking—Simple house dresses, shirtwaist, or skirt, simple school dress for girl to be judged on:
  - Material—its appropriateness, quality, color and design
  - Design—simplicity of line, harmony of color, appropriateness
  - Workmanship—method of construction, choice & execution of stitches

CLASS	1st	2nd	3rd
1. APRON.....	\$5.	\$3.	\$2.
<b>CHILDREN'S GARMENTS</b> .....	<b>\$6.</b>	<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>
"Outfit" can be one or two piece, boy or girl			
2. Outfit, Infant	6. Blouse or Shirt		
3. Outfit, age 1 - 6	7. Sleepwear		
4. Outfit, age 7 - 12	8. Costume		
5. Coat or Jacket	9. Any other child's wearable not listed		
10. <b>COSTUME - ADULT</b> .....	<b>\$6.</b>	<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>
<b>DRESS</b> (One or two piece).....	<b>\$6.</b>	<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>
11. Cotton or cotton blend	13. Formal dress (long or short)		
12. Other fabric dress	14. Jumper		
15. <b>HAT</b> (Any Fabric).....	<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>	<b>\$2.</b>
16. <b>HOLIDAY APPAREL</b> .....	<b>\$6.</b>	<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>
17. <b>JACKET</b> (Any Fabric).....	<b>\$6.</b>	<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>
18. <b>PANTS</b> (Any Fabric).....	<b>\$6.</b>	<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>
<b>SHIRT/BLOUSE/SKIRT</b> .....	<b>\$6.</b>	<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>
19. Cotton/cotton blend			
20. Silk or silky fabric			
21. Any Other Fabric			
22. <b>SLEEPWEAR - ADULT</b> .....	<b>\$6.</b>	<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>
23. <b>SUIT</b> (Any Fabric).....	<b>\$9.</b>	<b>\$8.</b>	<b>\$6.</b>
24. <b>VEST</b> .....	<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>	<b>\$2.</b>
25. <b>ANY OTHER GARMENT</b> not listed.....	<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>	<b>\$2.</b>

**Thank you, Exhibitors,  
for sharing your talents and  
displaying your products.**



## DEPT. 18 SECT. 2 QUILTS

A rosette will be presented to "Best of Show."

See SPECIAL CONTEST BELOW.

All quilts must be made up and quilted by the exhibitor(s) unless otherwise mentioned. Quilts and other articles, quilted or made by ladies societies and other clubs are eligible for competition when exhibited under the name of the organization which made the articles.

CLASS	1st	2nd	3rd
1. Appliqued .....	\$23.	\$18.	\$15.
2. Pieced .....	\$23.	\$18.	\$15.
3. Embroidered .....	\$23.	\$18.	\$15.
4. Crib Quilt .....	\$23.	\$18.	\$15.
5. Machine Made .....	\$23.	\$18.	\$15.
6. Quilt Block (12" x 12").....	\$23.	\$18.	\$15.
7. Any Other Quilt .....	\$23.	\$18.	\$15.

### DEPT. 18 SECTION 2 CLASS 8 SPECIAL QUILT BLOCK CONTEST FOR 2026 THEME: ALL RED, WHITE, & BLUE

CLASS 8: 1st - \$30. 2nd - \$25. 3rd - \$20.

1. Create a 12 1/2" x 12 1/2" block using all red, white, and blue new fabric. (12 1/2" inch to provide seam allowances.)
2. The block must be made with 100% cotton, prewashed, and treated to prevent bleeding.
3. No buttons, charms, embroidery, or paint can be added.
4. Only 1 entry per exhibitor.
5. Each entry will become the property of the Butler Fair. The blocks will be the highlighted part of a special quilt, celebrating the 170th anniversary of the Butler Fair. The finished quilt will be on display next year in the Arts & Crafts building.
6. The winners will receive a ribbon and premium money.

## DEPT. 18 SECT. 3 NEEDLECRAFT

A rosette will be presented to "Best of Show."

1. Embroidery and Crocheting – Simple designs and edges for trimming will be judged on
  - Worth of article.
  - Material–appropriateness and suitability for use for which it was made.
  - Design–simplicity and appropriateness.
  - Workmanship.
2. Knitting will be judged on
  - Worth of article.
  - Workmanship–execution of stitches, perfection.

CLASS	1st	2nd	3rd
CUSHION AND CUSHION TOP.....	\$5.	\$3.	\$2.
1. Crocheted	5. Counted Cross Stitch		
2. Knitted	6. Quilted		
3. Machine-Embroidered	7. Any Other		
4. Hand-Embroidered			
DOILY, UNDER 12".....	\$5.	\$3.	\$2.
8. Crocheted (solid)	11. Solid Tatting		
9. Embroidered	12. Woven		
10. Knitted	13. Any Other		

Exhibitor Passes are issued for livestock exhibitors ONLY.

**DEPT. 18, SECTION 3 — NEEDLECRAFT (CONT.)**

<b>DOILY, OVER 12"</b> .....		<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>	<b>\$2.</b>
14. Crochet (solid)	17. Solid Tatting			
15. Embroidered	18. Woven			
16. Knitted	19. Any Other			
<b>KNITTING AND CROCHETING</b>				
<b>CARRIAGE ROBE</b> .....		<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>	<b>\$2.</b>
20. Crocheted	22. Woven			
21. Knitted				
<b>COAT</b> .....		<b>\$6.</b>	<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>
23. Crocheted	24. Knitted			
<b>DRESS</b> .....		<b>\$6.</b>	<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>
25. Crocheted	26. Knitted			
<b>HAT</b> .....		<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>	<b>\$2.</b>
27. Crocheted	28. Knitted			
<b>MITTENS OR GLOVES</b> .....		<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>	<b>\$2.</b>
29. Adult's	30. Child's			
<b>NECK SCARF AND HAT</b> .....		<b>\$8.</b>	<b>\$6.</b>	<b>\$5.</b>
31. Crocheted	32. Knitted			
<b>SOCKS, SLIPPERS, BOOTIES</b> .....		<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>	<b>\$2.</b>
33. Adult's	34. Child's			
<b>CHILD'S SWEATER</b> (To age 10).....		<b>\$8.</b>	<b>\$6.</b>	<b>\$5.</b>
35. Crocheted	36. Knitted			
<b>MAN'S SWEATER</b> .....		<b>\$8.</b>	<b>\$6.</b>	<b>\$5.</b>
37. Crocheted	38. Knitted			
<b>WOMAN'S SWEATER</b> .....		<b>\$8.</b>	<b>\$6.</b>	<b>\$5.</b>
39. Crocheted	40. Knitted			
<b>BABY SWEATER WITH CAP OR BOOTIES</b>		<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>	<b>\$2.</b>
41. Crocheted	42. Knitted			
<b>WRAP</b> .....		<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>	<b>\$2.</b>
43. Crocheted	44. Knitted			
<b>45. WEARABLE ART— Knitted and/or Crocheted</b>		<b>\$6.</b>	<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>
<b>NEEDLEWORK</b>				
<b>PILLOW CASES</b> .....		<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>	<b>\$2.</b>
46. Crocheted Edge	48. Cross-Stitch			
47. Embroidered	49. Textile Painted			
<b>TABLE RUNNER</b> .....		<b>\$6.</b>	<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>
50. Crocheted Edge	53. Machine-Embroidered			
51. Crocheted Solid	54. Quilted			
52. Hand-Embroidered	55. Any Other (including cross-stitch patterns)			
<b>TABLECLOTH</b> .....		<b>\$6.</b>	<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>
56. Crocheted Edge	61. Textile Painting			
57. Crocheted Solid	62. Cross Stitch			
58. Embroidered	63. Candlewicking			
59. Chicken Scratch	64. Any Other			
60. Tatting Edge				
<b>TOWEL (1)</b> .....		<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>	<b>\$2.</b>
65. Crocheted Edge	67. Painted			
66. Embroidered	68. Tatting Edge			
<b>USEABLE ITEM</b> NOT ELIGIBLE FOR OTHER CLASS		<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>	<b>\$2.</b>
69. Cross-Stitch	71. Any Other Stitching			
70. Needlepoint				
<b>72. MISCELLANEOUS NEEDLEWORK</b> .....		<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>	<b>\$2.</b>
<b>PLASTIC CANVAS</b> .....		<b>\$6.</b>	<b>\$5.</b>	<b>\$3.</b>
73. Decorative Items	75. Other			
74. Tissue Boxes	76. Useful Items			

**THE BUTLER FAIR BOARD RESERVES THE RIGHT  
TO WITHHOLD PAYMENT OF PRIZE MONEY  
UP TO 30 DAYS FOLLOWING THE FAIR.**



**NEW FOR 2026  
SPECIAL STATE CONTEST  
AMERICAN 250 PA APRON CONTEST  
CELEBRATING 250 YEARS OF AMERICA  
DEPARTMENT 22 SECTION 250 CLASS 1**



**SUPERINTENDENT • Anna Boylstein (724-841-4136)**

**BIG BUTLER FAIR PRIZES:**

1st - \$75. 2nd - \$60. 3rd - \$45.  
4th and 5th places will receive ribbons only.

*The First Place Winner is eligible for the  
2027 PA Farm Show competition.*

**Prizes for the 2027 PA Farm Show Winners:**

1st = \$500.; 2nd = \$250.; 3rd = \$100.;  
4th = Rosette; 5th = Rosette

**ENTRY DROP OFF: ONE DAY ONLY  
THURSDAY, JULY 2 - 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM  
at the Arts & Crafts Building.**

1. Exhibitor must be a resident of Pennsylvania. One entry per person.
2. Entrants may NOT have won 1st place in the PA Apron Contest at any other fair in 2026.
3. Primary fabric should be themed material showcasing farm shows and/or carnivals (fair foods, contests, tents, etc.).
4. Apron may be a BIB apron or a HALF apron. All will be judged in one class with the winner eligible for the 2027 PA State Farm Show.
5. Apron must have been made in 2026.
6. Entries will be judged on workmanship, worth of article, appropriateness of material and design, based on the following point system:

Overall Appearance .....	25 points
Creativity .....	25 points
Workmanship/Suitability.....	30 points
Design/Color .....	<u>20 points</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100 points</b>

