

Wisconsin State Fair

August 2 – 12, 2018

Entry Phone: 414/313-2767

Entry Deadline: June 13, 2018

Late Entry Deadline: June 20, 2018



Quilting

Judging Monday, July 16, 2018

Quilt-topia Judging Thursday, June 28, 2018

Exhibitor Handbook and Prize Money List



Welcome Letter

Thyme for Fun! Welcome to the Wisconsin State Fair family! As a competitive exhibitor at this historic Fair you are adding to its rich heritage, which is over 165 years strong.

Blue ribbons await you in Grand Champion Hall, we are looking forward to seeing you and your exhibits at the 2018 Fair. Your pride and talents are on display for over one million visitors to view.

We hope you will have a fun thyme showing off your talents! See you at the 2018 Wisconsin State Fair, presented by U.S. Cellular, August 2-12.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathleen O'Leary". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping "O" at the end.

Kathleen O'Leary
Chief Executive Officer

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QUILT SCHEDULE

Open daily 9:00 am to 10:00 pm during the Fair.

Please review all delivery dates and judging carefully as they are subject to change annually.

All judging takes place in Grand Champion Hall unless otherwise noted.

Entry Deadline June 13, 2018!			
DELIVERY AND JUDGING SCHEDULE			
Category	Location Drop Off	Drop Off Date & Time	Judging Date & Time
Quilt – Quilt-topia Class 235	Mail Square with Quilt Entry Form and W-9	Mail Square with Quilt Entry Form and W-9	Thursday, June 28 10:00 am – Tommy G Thompson Youth Center
Photography Classes 1000 - 1124	Grand Champion Hall	Tuesday, July 10 9:00 am – 6:00 pm	Monday, July 16 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Quilts Classes 200 - 236, 240 - 241	Grand Champion Hall	Tuesday, July 10 Noon – 6:00 pm	Monday, July 16 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Textile & Craft Classes 1 - 159, 240 - 412	Grand Champion Hall	Tuesday, July 10 Noon – 6:00 pm	Wednesday, July 18 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Culinary Day 1 Classes 500 – 685 & 970	Grand Champion Hall	Wednesday, July 25 7:30 am – 10:30 am	Wednesday, July 25 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Culinary Day 2 Classes 700 - 881	Grand Champion Hall	Saturday, July 28 7:30 am – 10:30 am	Saturday, July 28 1:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Culinary Day 3 Thyme for Fun-Fair- Fetti Friday Classes 900 - 908	Grand Champion Hall	Friday, August 3 7:30 am – 8:30 am	Friday, August 3 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Culinary Day 4 Thyme for Bushels of Fun Day Classes 950 – 958	Grand Champion Hall	Sunday, August 5 7:30 am – 8:30 am	Sunday, August 5 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Textile, Craft & Culinary Department phone number:
414/313-2767

ENTRY INFORMATION

ENTRY BLANK WILL BE RETURNED IF NOT FILLED OUT COMPLETELY.

1. ENTRY BLANK and FEE must be postmarked no later than June 13, 2018.
2. FEES: A processing fee of \$12 will be charged to all exhibitors. An additional \$1 fee per item entered will be charged. All fees are non-refundable.
3. LATE FEE (June 14-20, 2018): a \$25 late fee, plus the \$12 processing fee and the additional \$1 per item entered will cover up to a maximum of 5 items entered after the entry deadline of June 13, 2018 has passed. See entry blank.
4. DELIVERY OF EXHIBITS: Deliver exhibits to Grand Champion Hall on the dates and times listed above. A detailed delivery map and information will be mailed to exhibitors in July.
5. TAGS for your exhibits will be ready to be attached by staff when exhibits are delivered.

HOW TO CLAIM EXHIBITS

1. PRIZE WINNERS: All winning and non-winning exhibits must be picked up between noon and 5:30 pm on Tuesday, August 14, 2018 at the Textile, Craft & Culinary (TCC) section in Grand Champion Hall.
2. NON-WINNERS: During the Fair, non-winning exhibits may also be claimed during building hours. Allow 30 minutes for pick-up. When claiming exhibits, present your claim checks to the office in the Textile, Craft & Culinary section in Grand Champion Hall.
3. Any exhibits or prizes not claimed by 5:30 pm Tuesday, August 14, 2018 will be disposed of and/or donated to charity.

No judging results will be given over phone, fax, or email. Please read all instructions carefully! Observe dates and times of entry and pick up. Entries will be processed on a first come first served basis. Be sure to allow enough time when bringing in your exhibit or picking up. Prize-winning exhibits must be exhibited throughout the entire Fair.

QUILT SPECIAL RULES

Read all rules and instructions carefully.

Entry Deadline: June 13, 2018

Judging: July 16, 2018

Exhibitor Information

1. **This is a competition for amateurs.** Commercial enterprises or businesses are not eligible to enter. Exhibitors are limited to 35 entries in the quilt section.
2. An exhibitor will be permitted to submit only one entry in any one class. **No additional items may be added. Classes can be switched within division to another class in the same division, but not added through check-in.**
3. Exhibitors are encouraged to include a 3 x 5 card explaining special techniques or materials used.
4. Youth are encouraged to participate in all classes.
5. Any exhibitor with more than 15 exhibits for any one judging day must arrive at least 2 hours before closing time to allow for accurate registration.

Entry Information

6. All submitted quilts should be finished within the last 2 years.
7. All wall quilts, wall hangings and pictures must be ready to hang with a 4-inch rod pocket on the back side of the quilt.
8. Articles entered and judged in previous years are not eligible for competition.
9. If any article is entered in the wrong class and the mistake is discovered before the judging, the superintendent may make the proper correction.
10. Entries will be disqualified if not entered under the name of the person who made the article. All entries must be made by the exhibitor unless otherwise stated in the entry information.
11. Only clean items will be accepted. Soiled articles and articles showing wear will be disqualified.
12. If an item is of great value it is recommended that it is insured.
13. Entry blanks for mailed items are due before June 13, 2018. Mailed exhibits must be postmarked no later than **June 20, 2018**.
14. Late fee (June 14-20, 2018) is \$25 up to a maximum of 5 items, plus the \$12 processing fee and the additional \$1 per item entered. See Entry Blank.
15. Use the following address for mailing entries:

Wisconsin State Fair
Textile, Craft & Culinary - Quilts
640 S 84 St
West Allis WI 53214

The sender's name and address should be clearly written on the package and included on a card on the inside. Packages sent must have all the shipping charges prepaid to the Wisconsin State Fair; otherwise they will not be accepted.

Exhibitors in Division 100-115 wishing to have their exhibits returned to them via parcel post are to send sufficient money for return postage. Money must be included with exhibits when they are mailed or delivered to the Wisconsin State Fair and placed in a sealed envelope with the exhibitor's name and address and labeled "Money for Return Postage". **No refunds!**

Judging & Awards

16. Only prize winners will be exhibited.
17. Not all items will be behind glass or in a display case. All exhibits will receive the best care and protection in the surroundings. They are at all times subject to owners' risk and in no event will the department be responsible for damage or loss that may occur. All exhibits will be displayed at the discretion of the Textile, Craft & Culinary (TCC) Department.
18. Exhibitors are welcome to attend judging. A tentative judging schedule is listed in the front of each section. Space is limited. Only children with entries should attend judging.
19. Check with the TCC office about picking up special awards.

Pick-Up of Exhibits

20. All winning and non-winning exhibits **must be picked up between noon and 5:30 pm on Tuesday, August 14, 2018** in the Textile, Craft & Culinary Section of Grand Champion Hall.
21. Any exhibits or prizes not claimed by 5:30 pm Tuesday, August 14, 2018 will be disposed of and/or donated to charity.

QUILT CLASSES – Division 104

2018 THEME: Thyme for Fun!

Articles should be finished within last 2 years.

PRIZE MONEY 1st - \$14.00

2nd - \$13.00

3rd - \$12.00

4th - \$11.00

SECTION A – BED QUILTS

Only bed size from twin (63" x 87") to king (108" to 108"). **A 4" rod pocket is required on all quilts.**
All entries need to be completed by exhibitor, except in classes and 202, 204 and 205.

Class

- 200. Appliqued, hand or machine, quilted by hand or machine
- 201. First quilt made by exhibitor, hand or machine quilted**
- 202. Commemorative quilt – Attach to quilt a statement noting inspiration and/or purpose of quilt, hand or machine quilted
- 203. Long arm machine quilting, quilt top and quilting by exhibitor
- 204. Long arm machine quilting, quilt top appliqued done by exhibitor - Include name of person who quilted the quilt on back of your entry blank.
- 205. Long arm machine quilting, quilt top pieced by exhibitor - Include name of person who quilted the quilt on back of your entry blank.
- 206. Pieced, hand quilted
- 207. Pieced, machine quilted
- 208. Scrap quilt, hand or machine quilted
- 209. Scrap quilt, long arm
- 210. Any quilt using conventional home sewing machine for quilting
- 211. Any quilt using two or more construction techniques, hand quilted (ex. pieced & appliqued)
- 212. Any quilt using two or more construction techniques, machine quilted (ex. pieced & appliqued)
- 213. Any other quilt, hand quilted
- 214. Any other quilt, machine quilted
- 215. Two color quilt, machine or hand pieced, machine or hand quilted, by exhibitor, no embellishments

SECTION B – OTHER QUILTED ITEMS

LAP QUILTS

Less than 62" x 86". A 4" rod pocket is required on all quilts.

MINIATURES

Less than 24" x 24". A 4" rod pocket is required on all quilts.

Class

- 216. Christmas tree skirt or stocking
- 217. Crib quilt, hand quilted
- 218. Crib quilt, machine quilted
- 219. Holiday theme wall hanging, Christmas, etc.
- 220. Lap quilt, hand quilted
- 221. Lap quilt, machine quilted
- 222. Miniature quilt, maximum size 24" x 24"
- 223. Purse/bag, quilted
- 224. Wall quilt, appliqued, unframed
- 225. Wall quilt, mix technique, other unframed
- 226. Wall quilt, original/innovative, unframed
- 227. Wall quilt, pieced
- 228. Any quilted garment
- 229. Any table treatment (placemats, runner, etc.)
- 230. Long arm baby quilt
- 231. Long arm lap quilt
- 232. Long arm wall hanging
- 233. Applique, wool, hand or machine quilted
- 234. Wall quilt, modern
- 235. **New!** Wall quilt, Thyme for Fun inspired
- 236. Quilt-topia Barn Quilt Challenge*

***Check out the Quilt-topia Barn Quilt Challenge (class 236) at the end of this section.**

SECTION C – YOUTH QUILTS

CATEGORIES FOR 18 AND UNDER

NOTE: Exhibitor must have own entry blank and list child's age.

Class

- 240. Quilt, may be quilted or tied – any size
- 241. Any quilted item, machine or hand quilted

SPECIAL AWARDS

COMMON THREADS QUILT GUILD AWARD

The Common Threads Quilt Guild is proud to announce an award for the first place winners in the following classes: class 219 – holiday theme wall hanging; class 222 – miniature quilt; class 225 – wall quilt, mix technique, other unframed; class 229 – any table treatment. Each winner will receive \$25 and a ribbon.

<i>Number of Awards</i>	<i>Selected from Classes</i>	<i>Award Type</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>
1	219, first place	\$25 cash prize & ribbon	Common Threads Quilt Guild
1	222, first place	\$25 cash prize & ribbon	Common Threads Quilt Guild
1	225, first place	\$25 cash prize & ribbon	Common Threads Quilt Guild
1	229, first place	\$25 cash prize & ribbon	Common Threads Quilt Guild

CRAZY QUILTERS QUILT GUILD

The Best of Division Award, classes 200-236, is sponsored by the Crazy Quilters Quilt Guild. The winner will receive a \$100 award. Judges will determine all winners.

Two Workmanship Awards will be given to the quilted items that have the quality to merit the award. One ribbon and \$100 will be awarded in Section A – Quilts, and one ribbon and \$100 in Section B – Other Quilted Items. Judges will determine all winners.

Two Youth Quilting Awards will be given to the first place winners in the youth class 240 – quilt, may be quilted or tied and youth class 241 – any quilted item, machine or hand quilted. One ribbon and \$50 award will be given to each winner. Judges will determine all winners.

<i>Number of Awards</i>	<i>Selected from Classes</i>	<i>Award Type</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>
1	200-236	\$100 cash prize	Crazy Quilters Guild
1	200-215	\$100 cash prize & ribbon	Crazy Quilters Guild
1	216-236	\$100 cash prize & ribbon	Crazy Quilters Guild
1	240	\$50 cash prize & ribbon	Crazy Quilters Guild
1	241	\$50 cash prize & ribbon	Crazy Quilters Guild

THE CUTTING BEES

The Cutting Bees Quilting Guild will award \$25 and a blue ribbon to the first place winner in class 212, any quilt using two or more construction techniques (machine quilted). State Fair judges will determine the recipient of this award. The Cutting Bees Quilting Guild meets at Cudahy Library.

<i>Number of Awards</i>	<i>Selected from Classes</i>	<i>Award Type</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>
1	212, first place	\$25 cash prize & ribbon	Cutting Bees Quilting Guild

JUDGES RECOGNITION AWARDS

Dedicated to the promotion of the art of quilting, the “It’s a Stitch Quilt Club” of Jackson, WI will sponsor a special award given to a quilt or quilted item deemed by the State Fair judge that, while not a major ribbon winner, has a quality to merit special recognition. The award consists of a special ribbon and \$25. Up to two awards may be given.

Number of Awards	Selected from Classes	Award Type	Sponsor
2	200-236, judges’ favorite(s)	\$25 cash prize & ribbon	It’s a Stitch Quilt Club

LIGHTHOUSE QUILTERS AWARD

Lighthouse Quilters of Racine will award \$75 and a ribbon to the quilt displaying outstanding artistic endeavor and skill in appliqué. The award will be granted to a first place quilt from class 200 that incorporates applique and is hand or machine quilted. State Fair judges will determine the recipient of this award from class 200 – appliqued, hand or machine, quilted by hand or machine.

Number of Awards	Selected from Classes	Award Type	Sponsor
1	200, first place	\$75 cash prize & ribbon	Lighthouse Quilters of Racine

THE MENOMONEE FALLS QUILTERS AWARD

The Menomonee Falls Quilters will award \$25 and a ribbon to the first place winner in class 208 – scrap quilt, hand or machine quilted. State Fair judges will determine the recipient of this award. The Menomonee Falls Quilters meet at Menomonee Falls Library the first Wed. of each month at 6:45 pm.

Number of Awards	Selected from Classes	Award Type	Sponsor
1	208, first place	\$25 cash prize & ribbon	Menomonee Falls Quilters

PATCHED LIVES QUILT GUILD AWARD

Patched Lives Quilt Guild will award \$50 and a ribbon to each of the first place winners in class 224 – wall quilt, appliqued and class 227 – wall quilt, pieced. State Fair judges will determine the recipient of the award. Patched Lives Quilt Guild meets in Wales, WI on the second Wednesday of each month.

Number of Awards	Selected from Classes	Award Type	Sponsor
1	224, first place	\$50 cash prize & ribbon	Patched Lives Quilt Guild
1	227, first place	\$50 cash prize & ribbon	Patched Lives Quilt Guild

Continue to next page for more Special Awards



PINE TREE NEEDLERS QUILT GUILD

The Pine Tree Needlers Quilt Guild of Mt Morris will award a \$25 cash award to the first place winner in class 215 – two color quilt, machine or hand pieced, machine or hand quilted, by exhibitor, no embellishments. They will also award \$25 for class 223 – purse/bag, quilted.

Number of Awards	Selected from Classes	Award Type	Sponsor
1	215, first place	\$25 cash prize & ribbon	Pine Tree Needlers Quilt Guild
1	223, first place	\$25 cash prize & ribbon	Pine Tree Needlers Quilt Guild

QUILTERS ANONYMOUS OF WAUWATOSA AWARD

Quilters Anonymous of Wauwatosa will award \$25 and a ribbon to the first place winner in class 226 – wall quilt, original/innovative, unframed. State Fair judges will determine the recipient of this award.

Number of Awards	Selected from Classes	Award Type	Sponsor
1	226, first place	\$25 cash prize & ribbon	Quilters Anonymous of Wauwatosa

TOSA QUILTERS GUILD

The Tosa Quilters Guild will sponsor an award of \$25 and a special ribbon to the first place winner, class 216 – Christmas tree skirt or stocking. The Tosa Quilters Guild meets the third Tuesday of the month from September to May at 7 pm. Location: First Congregational Church, 1511 Church St., Wauwatosa WI 53228.

Number of Awards	Selected from Classes	Award Type	Sponsor
1	216, first place	\$25 cash prize & ribbon	Tosa Quilters Guild

WANDERING FOOT QUILT GUILD

Wandering Foot Quilt Guild will sponsor an award and special ribbon to the first place winner in class 234 – wall quilt, modern. The Wandering Foot Quilt Guild meets the third Tuesday of every month at 6 pm in the Oak Creek Library.

Number of Awards	Selected from Classes	Award Type	Sponsor
1	234, first place	\$50 cash prize & ribbon	Wandering Foot Quilt Guild

WE QUILT GUILD AWARD

We Quilt Guild will award \$50, engraved scissors and a “Best of Show” ribbon to the outstanding quilt in Section A – Quilts, classes 200-215. The award will be based on overall color and design, the use of quilting design that is suitable to the quilt and quality of quilting. The first place quilts of the above listed categories will be eligible. State Fair judges will determine the award. Plus, a \$50 prize and a ribbon for the best item in class 218 – crib quilt, machine quilted.

Number of Awards	Selected from Classes	Award Type	Sponsor
1	200-215	\$50 cash prize, engraved scissors & ribbon	We Quilt Guild
1	218, first place	\$50 cash prize & ribbon	We Quilt Guild

WEST SUBURBAN QUILTERS GUILD

West Suburban Quilters Guild is proud to sponsor class 210 – any quilt using conventional home sewing machine for quilting. The winner will receive \$50. West Suburban Quilters Guild meets the second Wednesday of the month at 7 pm at the Brookfield Lutheran Church in Brookfield.

<i>Number of Awards</i>	<i>Selected from Classes</i>	<i>Award Type</i>	<i>Sponsor</i>
1	210, first place	\$50 cash prize	West Suburban Quilters

Best of Division Ribbon – Division 104, Quilts

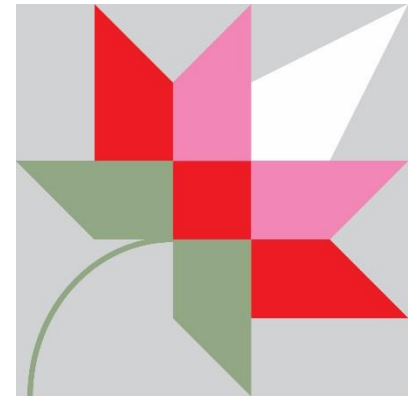
Commemorative ribbon and \$15.00 cash prize.

QUILT-TOPIA BARN QUILT CHALLENGE – THYME FOR FUN!

2018 THEME: Thyme for Fun!

This geometric-based square is the perfect opportunity to funnel your quilting creativity into a show-stopping square that will stop Fairgoers in their tracks. The winning quilt will be reproduced by our Graphic Arts Department and proudly placed on one of the livestock barns.

Barn quilts were originally conceived as a way to encourage economic development by promoting ag-tourism and local businesses while bringing travelers to rural areas. While quilts are usually made up of a series of squares of the same pattern placed together, a barn quilt is always a single square.



Prize Money:

1st Place - \$50 ~and~ the winning design will be featured on a Livestock Barn at Wisconsin State Fair.

2nd Place - \$35

3rd Place - \$25

4th Place - \$15

Contest Details:

- Only one square, with backing, batting and bound should be submitted (must be square).
- The finished square should be no smaller than 12” by 12” and no larger than 18” by 18”.
- The finished square can be quilted or tied.
- The finished square should be pieced, not appliqued.
- The finished square should be made with solid fabrics.
- The finished square can be hand-or machine sewn.
- The finished square must not have curves in the design.
- Entry must be completed by the exhibitor.
- Entry must be family-friendly.
- Judging will take place on June 28, 2018 at 10:00 am in the Tommy G. Thompson Youth Center.
- Judging is open to the public.

Entry Deadline (must be postmarked by this date): June 13, 2018

All quilt squares must be mailed along with quilt entry form and W-9 to:

Wisconsin State Fair
c/o Quilt-topia Barn Quilt Challenge
640 S 84 St
West Allis WI 53214

Score Card for Quilt-topia Barn Quilt Challenge – Thyme for Fun!

Overall Design	40
Creativity	35
Craftsmanship	25
TOTAL	100

Class # 236. Quilt-topia Barn Quilt Challenge – Thyme for Fun!

2018 GENERAL RULES – WISCONSIN STATE FAIR

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Wisconsin State Fair management reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and regulations and to arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions or differences in regards thereto, or otherwise arising out of, connected with, or incident to the Wisconsin State Fair. It further reserves the right to determine unforeseen matters not covered by these rules, to amend or add to these rules as they, in their judgment, may deem advisable.

All exhibitors are expected to conform with the Wisconsin State Fair Rules and Regulations. Any person who violates any of the following of special rules will forfeit all privileges and prize money and be subject to such penalty as the management may order. Failure to comply may result in award(s) and prize money forfeiture; and dismissal from the Fairgrounds, and being barred from competition immediately in the department in which the violation occurred and from all departments entered; and/or in future competition in the Wisconsin State Fair. In the event of conflict between the general rules and the special rules governing the various departments, the special rules will govern.

The following due process will be used in the questions of rule violation: The exhibitor and/or parties involved will be questioned by the Department Superintendent. If it is felt that a violation has occurred, the Department Superintendent will make a ruling. The ruling of the Department Superintendent will be final.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

Any correspondence should be addressed to: Wisconsin State Fair Park, 640 S 84 St, West Allis, WI 53214.

ADMISSION TICKETS

See entry blank to order tickets. Ticket orders will be limited to 50 tickets per exhibitor.

ENTRY QUESTIONS

For information and questions, please call the Entry Office at 414/313-2767.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Application for entries in all departments must be made on the printed entry blank and must be in full compliance with the printed instructions on same.

THERE ARE NO REFUNDS OF ENTRY FEES OR LATE FEES.

Entries will be disqualified if not entered under the name of the person who made the article. All entries must be made by the exhibitor unless otherwise stated in the entry information. Violation of this rule will forfeit any prize money awarded to such exhibitor in all departments at the Fair.

The Wisconsin State Fair management reserves the right at any time to refuse entries or articles entered.

Entry deadlines are specified under each department's rules.

Exhibits that have been erroneously entered in a division, and/or do not meet the specifications of the class can be transferred to a proper class or disqualified by the superintendent prior to judging. If such classes already have been judged, they shall not be reopened.

No employee of the Wisconsin State Fair, or member of his/her immediate family shall be allowed to exhibit in the department in which he/she is employed.

Any exhibitors' check(s) returned from a financial institution for any reason will be charged a \$20.00 service fee.

NOTE: Entry blanks will be returned if not filled out completely.

EXHIBIT RELEASE

Exhibits will be released according to each department's regulations.

The Fair Director or his/her designee may change the time of release in any department at his/her discretion.

Competitive exhibits which have not been claimed by exhibitors by the Tuesday after the Fair, at 5:30 pm, will be disposed of by management as they see fit.

JUDGING OF EXHIBITS

Judges have been carefully selected. All exhibitors submitting exhibits for the Fair accept these judges and agree to abide by their decisions.

The judging schedule is printed at the beginning of each department.

If any exhibitor attempts to interfere with the judge in any manner, the exhibitor shall forfeit all prize money awarded and will be excluded from further competition.

Judges will not be permitted to show in divisions they judge.

Unworthy exhibits will not be placed by the judge.

The decision of the judge will be final in all cases.

PRIZE MONEY/AWARDS

Prize money will be mailed around September 1, 2018.

In paying prize money no evidence of awards will be recognized except the signed Judging Sheets as ribbons frequently become misplaced.

All prize money discrepancies must be mailed to Wisconsin State Fair no later than October 1, 2018. All exhibitors should contact the Wisconsin State Fair in writing at 640 S 84 St, West Allis, WI 53214. Please include your name, Dept., division, class and explain the discrepancy.

All checks are void one (1) year after they are issued. Any checks not cashed causes automatic forfeit of prize money won.

PROTESTS

1. All protests must be made in writing, signed by party or parties making the protest and filed with the Director of Competitive Exhibits. All protests must be accompanied by a \$50.00 protest fee which will be retained by the Wisconsin State Fair if the protest is not sustained.
2. Protests against the exhibition of articles or person entering must be filed at least 12 hours before the awards are made. The exhibitor will then be disqualified from entering the Wisconsin State Fair for the following two years if they violate any general or special rules which govern the exhibits.
3. Protest against awards must be filed with the superintendent within 5 hours after the award has been made. An award is deemed to have been made when the notation of the decision is entered on the official judging sheets. The protest must state plainly and specifically the facts upon which the complaint of appeal is based. The right to appeal will lie when it is charged that the award has been made in violation of the rules governing the exhibit. No protest or appeal based upon the statement that the judge or judges are incompetent or have overlooked an article will be considered.
4. All protests will be considered at a time set by the Director of Competitive Exhibits. Parties involved and if necessary, persons as designated by the Director of Competitive Exhibits will be notified and given the opportunity to submit evidence before a final decision is made. All decisions are final and not subject to appeal.

LIABILITY

The Wisconsin State Fair will take reasonable precaution to protect the safety of the exhibits sent to the Fair, but owners themselves take the risk of exhibiting them, and should any exhibit or portion thereof be injured, damaged, lost or stolen, State Fair Park personnel will give assistance toward recovery of the same, but will not be liable or make any payment for the value thereof.

Neither the State of Wisconsin, Wisconsin State Fair Park, its agents or employees shall be liable for any loss to an exhibitor occasioned by fire, accident, condition of structure, or damage caused by weather to any exhibit, article, equipment or commercial exhibit left in the building or on the grounds after the close of the Fair.

Exhibitors and/or machinery, while stationary or in motion, and any other exhibits or equipment which may cause accidents, injury or damage to persons or property coming in contact with or in proximity to them, shall guard their exhibits or machinery, and protect the public from coming in contact therewith at all times while on the Fairgrounds, and every such exhibitor or owners shall indemnify the State of Wisconsin, the Wisconsin State Fair Park Board, its agents and employees from and against claims and demands, costs, charges and expenses which it or they might incur, suffer or be put to by reason of failure to take the precaution above referred to or failure to comply with Wisconsin State Fair Park rules, policies or directives. Liability insurance to comply with indemnity provisions is required. Presentation of an exhibitors' receipt shall be deemed acceptance of this provision.