

DEPT. K – TEXTILE-2026



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Quick Reference Textiles

- Entry form deadline: Monday, August 10, 2026 at Steele County Free Fair office on a non-livestock entry form or online at www.scff.org
- Entries accepted Friday, August 14th from 5-7 p.m. and Saturday, August 15th from 9 a.m. to noon in the Textile Department
- Entry pick up is Monday, August 24th from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

RULES & REGULATIONS

1. ALL ENTRIES MUST BE PRE-REGISTERED BY **Monday, AUGUST 10th! Only PRE-REGISTERED ITEMS WILL BE ACCEPTED ON ENTRY DAY.** Please refer to the pre-registration Section in this book and use the "Entry Blank Non-Livestock." Entry forms are also available on the SCFF website at www.scff.org. Please mail the entry form to SCFF at PO Box 650 Owatonna, MN 55060 or drop off at the fair office by August 10th.
2. All pre-registered entries will be accepted Friday, August 14th from 5-7 p.m. and Saturday, August 15th from 9 a.m. to noon in the Textile Department. **No early entries will be accepted.**
3. **No entry will be returned until Monday, August 24, the day after the fair closing** from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
4. Exhibitors will be grouped as follows; Juniors (age 12 and under), Adults (age 18 to 64), Seniors (age 65 and over), Teens (age 13-17). Each age category will be judged separately. **Exhibitors are limited to 2 Entries per lot.**
5. Articles that have been judged in open class at the fair previously or duplicates of these articles are not eligible for premiums.
6. Entries must be the work of the exhibitor, be made within the last 3 years and be appropriate for display.
7. The management will use diligence to ensure the safety of the articles after their arrival but in no case will they be held responsible for any loss or damage which may occur. **NAME LABELS MUST BE COVERED.**
8. Entries will be coordinated with Hobbies for best placement. **All framed items and wall hangings should be entered into the Hobbies Department. ENTRIES MUST NOT BE MOUNTED.**
9. Prize winners will be selected from each class where judges feel an outstanding item exists. These items will compete for an additional \$4.00 Reserve Champion and \$6.00 Champion prize. One \$8.00 Reserve Grand Champion prize and one \$10.00 Grand Champion prize will be awarded to the top two exhibits in each Division. In addition, the Superintendents' Choice Award will receive a \$5.00 prize.
10. Premiums for Textile. All Lots. 1st - \$4.00, 2nd -\$3.00, 3rd \$2.00

DIVISION I

QUILT CLASSES AWARDS: The Grand Champion awards are a free 1-year membership in the Heritage Quilt Guild and a \$50 gift card from Calico Hutch Quilt Shop in Hayward, MN. The Reserve Grand Champion award is a \$35 gift card from Calico Hutch Quilt Shop in Hayward, MN.

CLASS 1-HAND QUILTED – TWIN SIZE OR LARGER

(over 249" perimeter)

Lots

1. Hand appliquéd
2. Machine appliquéd
3. Hand embroidered
4. Machine embroidered
5. Hand pieced
6. Machine pieced
7. Paper pieced
8. Memory (includes T-shirt, photo, etc.)
9. Whole cloth
10. Other

CLASS 2-MACHINE QUILTED – TWIN SIZE OR LARGER

(over 249" perimeter) Entire quilt construction by entrant with quilting done on a stationary household sewing machine
(not a longarm) by the entrant.

Lots

1. Hand appliquéd
2. Machine appliquéd
3. Hand embroidered
4. Machine embroidered
5. Hand pieced
6. Machine pieced
7. Paper pieced
8. Memory (includes T-shirt, photo, etc.)
9. Whole cloth
10. Other

CLASS 3-MID OR LONG-ARM QUILTED - TWIN SIZE OR LARGER

(over 249" perimeter) Quilt top constructed by entrant but may be quilted by someone else.

Lots

1. Hand appliquéd
2. Machine appliquéd
3. Hand embroidered
4. Machine embroidered
5. Hand pieced
6. Machine pieced
7. Paper pieced
8. Memory (includes T-shirt, photo, etc.)
9. Other

CLASS 4 -TIED QUILT - TWIN SIZE OR LARGER

(over 249" perimeter) Entire quilt constructed & tied by entrant.

Lots

1. Hand appliquéd
2. Machine appliquéd
3. Hand embroidered
4. Machine embroidered
5. Hand pieced
6. Machine pieced
7. Paper pieced
8. Memory (includes T-shirt, photo, etc.)
9. Other

CLASS 5 -HAND QUILTED – CRIB/YOUTH/LAPSIZE

(under 249" perimeter) Entire quilt constructed by entrant with quilting done entirely by hand by the entrant.

Lots

1. Hand appliquéd
2. Machine appliquéd
3. Hand embroidered
4. Machine embroidered
5. Hand pieced
6. Machine pieced
7. Paper pieced
8. Memory (includes T-shirt, photo, etc.)
9. Whole cloth
10. Other

CLASS 6-MACHINE QUILTED – CRIB/YOUTH/LAPSIZE

(under 249" perimeter) Entire quilt construction by entrant with quilting done on a stationary household sewing machine (not a longarm) by the entrant.

Lots

1. Hand appliquéd
2. Machine appliquéd
3. Hand embroidered
4. Machine embroidered
5. Hand pieced
6. Machine pieced
7. Paper pieced
8. Memory (includes T-shirt, photo, etc.)
9. Whole cloth
10. Other

CLASS 7-MID OR LONG-ARM QUILTED - CRIB/YOUTH/LAPSIZE (under 249" perimeter) Quilt top constructed by entrant but may be quilted by someone else.

Lots

1. Hand appliquéd
2. Machine appliquéd
3. Hand embroidered
4. Machine embroidered
5. Hand pieced
6. Machine pieced
7. Paper pieced
8. Memory (includes T-shirt, photo, etc.)
9. Other

CLASS 8 -TIED QUILT - CRIB/YOUTH/LAPSIZE

(under 249" perimeter) Entire quilt constructed & tied by entrant.

Lots

1. Hand appliquéd
2. Machine appliquéd
3. Hand embroidered
4. Machine embroidered
5. Hand pieced
6. Machine pieced
7. Paper pieced
8. Memory (includes T-shirt, photo, etc.)
9. Other

CLASS 9-GROUP QUILT

Lots

1. Group quilt-pieced, appliquéd or mixed, hand or machine quilted. Must be made by at least 3 people.

CLASS 10-OTHER QUILTED ITEMS

Lots

1. Table runner
2. Pillow
3. Placemats-set of 2
4. Tote or purse
5. Vest or jacket
6. Potheadler/hot pad-set of 2
7. Other

DIVISION II

CLASS 11-SPONSORED CHALLENGES

Farm to Fair Challenge-Use your creativity to create the specified item with a farm theme. You may use any method or combination of methods-quilting, embroidery, crochet, knit, etc. Each year the item will change. The item to enter in 2026 is an apron with red, white, and blue in the fabric(s). The winner will receive a \$25 gift certificate for the Blooming Prairie Dairy Queen, donated by Balzer Family Dairy.

Lots

1. All entries

Creating Sew Much Challenge-Using a seed packet for inspiration, pick a feature or color scheme from the packet and make any item listed in the Textile Department Lots. You may use any method or combination of methods-quilting, embroidery, crochet, knit, etc. The seed packet must be entered with the item it inspired. The winner will receive a \$25 gift certificate from challenge sponsor, Creating Sew Much, in Albert Lea. All entrants will receive a coupon for 15% off a store purchase.

Lots

1. All entries

CLASS 12-CROCHET

The class champion, as selected by the judges,
will receive a \$35 gift card from Northfield Yarn, Northfield, MN

1. Scarf
2. Head wear (hat, cowl, etc.)
3. Hand wear
4. Footwear
5. Set of two or more: hat, scarf, hand wear, footwear, sweater
6. Vest
7. Sweater
8. Shawl
9. Dress
10. Handbag
11. Christening outfit
12. Infant afghan
13. Combination of afghan and other infant wear
14. Afghan or lap throw
15. Bed cover
16. Pillow
17. Doily - up to 21"
18. Doily - 21-30"
19. Place mats - set/pair 2
20. Table runner
21. Tablecloth-up to 50"
22. Tablecloth-over 50"
23. Dresser scarf-1 or more pieces
24. Potholders, hot pad, or dish clothes-set of 2

CLASS 13-HAND KNIT

The class champion, as selected by the judges,
will receive a \$35 gift card from Northfield Yarn, Northfield, MN

Lots

1. Scarf
2. Head wear (hat, cowl, etc.)
3. Hand wear
4. Footwear
5. Set of two or more: hat, scarf, hand wear, footwear, sweater
6. Vest
7. Sweater
8. Shawl

9. Dress
10. Handbag
11. Christening outfit
12. Infant afghan
13. Combination of afghan and other infant wear
14. Afghan
15. Potholders, hot pad, or dish clothes-set of 2
16. Other

CLASS 14-HARDANGER

Lots

1. Doily - up to 21"
2. Doily - 21-30"
3. Table runner, dresser scarf, or luncheon cloth - up to 50"
4. Tablecloth - over 50"
5. Christening outfit
6. Other

CLASS 15-EMBROIDERY

Lots

1. Napkins - set/pair of 2
2. Pillowcases - set/pair of 2
3. Kitchen/bath linens - set/pair of 2
4. Pillow
5. Table runner, dresser scarf or luncheon cloth - up to 50"
6. Tablecloth - over 50"
7. Baby Blanket
8. Swedish weaving
9. Other

CLASS 16-MACHINE EMBROIDERY

Lots

1. Napkins - Set/Pair of 2
2. Kitchen/bath linens - set/pair of 2
3. Table runner or luncheon cloth - up to 50"
4. Clothing
5. Pillow
6. Other

CLASS 17-GARMENTS AND ACCESSORIES

Lots

1. Dress or jumper
2. Slacks
3. Shorts
4. Skirt
5. Blouse or shirt
6. Vest
7. Sports/fitness garment (sweatshirts, yoga pants, etc.)
8. Two-piece outfit - top with skirt or pants/shorts
9. Two-piece suit
10. Coat, blazer, or jacket - unlined
11. Coat, blazer, or jacket - lined
12. Formal wear, such as wedding or prom dress
13. All infant wear - to size 18 months except Lot 14
14. Christening outfit
15. Appliquéd or embellished purchased garment
16. Purse or tote bag
17. Apron

18. Nightgown or pajamas
19. Costume
20. Head wear (hat, cowl, etc.)
21. Hand wear
22. Upcycled wearables (mittens from sweaters, etc.)
23. Other

CLASS 18-MISCELLANEOUS

Lots

1. Woven rug
2. Braided rug
3. Hooked floor rugs
4. Tatting
5. Non-quilted pillow
6. Pillowcase
7. Non-quilted bag (toiletry, pencil, etc.)
8. Other

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