



🎃 17TH ANNUAL SCARECROW CONTEST 🎃

Create • Display • Compete!

Join Putnam's favorite fall tradition and showcase your creativity for the community to enjoy.

📅 IMPORTANT DATES

Registration Deadline: October 12

Rotary Park Assignments Available: October 14

Setup Deadline: October 15 by 12:00 PM

Judging Begins: October 15 after 12:00 PM

Display Through: October 31

📍 DISPLAY LOCATIONS

- ✓ Rotary Park (Encouraged)
- ✓ Your Business Location in Putnam

Participants from outside Putnam will be assigned a location in Rotary Park.

🎨 CONTEST GUIDELINES

- Registration is required.
- Each scarecrow must have a name and a visible sign (11" x 17").
- Scarecrows should be weather-resistant and maintained throughout the contest by participants.
- Entries must be family friendly.
- Political, religious, or excessively violent themes are not permitted. The Putnam Business Association reserves the right to reject any scarecrow entry that is deemed inappropriate.
- Please do not drive on the grass at Rotary Park.

🏆 JUDGING CRITERIA

There are 5 judges and will score entries based on:

- 🎨 Creativity
- 🎨 Use of Materials
- 🎨 Adherence to Theme

🎁 PRIZES

Winners will receive redeemable vouchers for gift cards from participating Putnam Business Association member businesses. **The deadline to choose your gift card is November 30, 2026.**

🔔 WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Evening of **October 15**

Results posted at: **discoverputnam.com**
facebook.com/discoverputnam

❓ QUESTIONS?

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🍁 **GOOD LUCK & HAVE FUN!** 🍁

We can't wait to see your creative scarecrow entries!



Disclaimer: Participants are asked to keep in mind that all scarecrow displays will be outdoors and open to both the weather and public access throughout the contest period. While the Putnam Business Association will do its best to maintain a welcoming display area, it **cannot be responsible for any items that become damaged, lost, or missing** from a participant's scarecrow display. Participants are encouraged to construct their scarecrows from materials that can withstand outdoor conditions and to avoid placing valuable or irreplaceable items on their displays.