

## DEPARTMENT L - FLORICULTURE

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Committee: Cindy Gleason, Susan Selenik, Jim and Kaye Wessbecher

TOTAL PREMIUMS: \$1,470.00

1. **ENTRIES IN THIS DEPARTMENT CLOSE AT 4:30 P.M. WEDNESDAY JULY 29.** No entry fee is charged in this department. Exhibitors ticket of \$10.00 must be purchased when entries are made. Online entrants please pick up entry tags in the fair office. Exhibitor passes can be picked up once projects are delivered to the floriculture committee for judging.
2. Each Exhibitor will be allowed one entry in each class.
3. Amateur classes are open to those who grow flowers and plants for pleasure. Members of commercial growers or florist's families are excluded.
4. **Judging will begin at 11:00 A.M. Tuesday August 4 and at 11:00 A.M. Friday August 7.** All entries must be in place at 11:00 A.M. without exception.
5. All entries must be cleaned and well-groomed and kept in good condition during the show. Exhibitors are responsible for keeping water on their entries.
6. Premium money and ribbon will be forfeited by an exhibitor who removes any entry or parts thereof before the time specified below.
7. Exhibits judged Tuesday, **August 4** must remain in place until 4:00 P.M. on Thursday, **August 6** and must be picked up by 6:00 P.M. **August 6** to make room for the Friday show unless special arrangements are made with the show committee. Exhibits judged Friday must remain in place until 12:00 P.M. Sunday, August 9 and must be picked up by 2:00 P.M. Sunday, August 9.
8. Fair assumes no responsibilities for containers during show or for those remaining after removal time. Exhibitors must furnish own containers. Exception: See Rose Section Rules.
9. Included in some arrangement classes are specific types of plant material allowed. Entries in specimen and arrangement classes will be disqualified for not meeting specifications. They may be given a place if the class is not full.
10. As many arrangements as possible will be shown in Triptychs 24 inches wide. All arrangements should fit into the space and should not touch the sides or back. Height of arrangements does not have to fit a space unless otherwise noted.
11. Fresh plant material may not be altered in any way such as painting, dyeing, etc. Where dry material is permissible, it may be treated.
12. No artificial plant material allowed in show.
13. All specimen cut flower entries must be outdoor grown by exhibitor.
14. Plant material should predominate in all arrangements.
15. American flags are not allowed in any exhibit of the floriculture show.
16. If you know the variety name of your entry, please include it on your entry tag, this way the people walking through after judging can learn from your exhibits. For example, in the Petunia Class, write Peppermint Swirl on the tag.
17. In cut flower classes, a stem may include multiple blooms and buds. Except in collections, cut flowers shown in the same vase should be uniform in size, color, and variety.
18. Judging announcements will occur at 2 P.M.
19. Winners of challenge classes are not eligible for Championships. Points will count towards Sweepstakes.
20. Novice classes are open to anyone who has not won a blue ribbon in this division.
21. Any exhibit that wins a blue ribbon in the Tuesday show may not be entered in the Friday show.

### JUDGING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, August 4 at 11:00 A.M. –

Cut Flowers, Arrangements, Gladiolus, Roses and Small Plants (Classes 1095-1173)

Friday August 7 at 11:00 A.M. –

Potted Plants, Cut Flowers, Junior Division, Arrangements, and Herbs (Classes 1174-1250)

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## TUESDAY, August 4, 2026 AT 11:00 A.M.

### CHALLENGE CLASSES

1<sup>st</sup>- \$7.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$5.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>- \$3.00, 4<sup>th</sup>- \$2.00

1095	Illinois Challenge Class – One Herb and one cut flower shown in one container. The entry must include 1 stem of any herb and 1 stem of any cut flower. Special Award given by Farm & Home Supply, Lincoln
1096	Pat LaForge Memorial Challenge Class – When I Heard the Church Bells Ring-A floral arrangement of fresh flowers with a religious theme. Special Award given by her family.

### CUT FLOWERS

One Container for each entry

Flowers in each entry should be uniform in size, color, and variety.

1<sup>st</sup>- \$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>- \$2.00, 4<sup>th</sup> \$1.00

1097	Cosmos, 3 Sprays	1110	Blooming herb, same variety, 3 stems
1098	African Marigolds, 3 blooms, no buds	1111	Sunflower, 5 inches and under, one stalk
1099	French Marigolds, 3 blooms, no buds	1112	Sunflower, 5 inches and over, one stalk
1100	Petunias, single or ruffled, 3 stems	1113	Celosia, 2 plumes
1101	Petunias, double, semi double, 3 stems	1114	Cleome, 2 stems
1102	Gaillardia, 2 blooms	1115	Coneflower, 3 blooms
1103	Snapdragons, 2 stems without branches	1116	Phlox, 2 stalks
1104	Black-Eyed Susans, 3 stems with multiple blooms, 3 inches or under	1117	Gloriosa Daisies, 3 blooms, over 3 inches
1105	Giant Zinnias, over 3 inches, 2 blooms	1118	Specimen Lily, one stalk
1106	Medium Zinnias, 1 inch-3 inch, 2 blooms	1119	Hemerocallis (day lily) one stalk
1107	Miniature Zinnias, less than 1 inch, 2 blooms	1120	Rose, shown by a novice, 1 bloom or spray. Need not be Named
1108	Dahlia, 1 bloom		
1109	Salvia, 3 stems	1121	Any flower other than listed, 1 stem, should be named

### GLADIOLUS

1<sup>st</sup>- \$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>- \$2.00, 4<sup>th</sup>-\$1.00

1122	Any Color Spike
1123	Ruffled Spike, Any Color
1124	Miniature Spike, Any Color
1125	Three Spikes, Any Combination, Any Color

### ARRANGEMENTS FOR ARTISTIC EFFECTS

1<sup>st</sup>- \$5.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$4.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>- \$3.00, 4<sup>th</sup> \$2.00

**“100 Years on Route 66”**

1126	Get Your Kicks on Route 66 – An arrangement inviting bright colors and joyful creativity.
1127	Chicago Beginnings – A design inspired by the bustling city where the journey begins
1128	Prairie Horizons – An arrangement reflecting the wide-open landscapes of Illinois, Missouri, and Oklahoma
1129	Ghost Town Whispers – Honor the quiet beauty of abandoned towns along the old road with the design
1130	Wind and Wheat Country – A gentle, earthy theme drawn from the Great Plains
1131	Cactus and Canyon Country – A design inspired by the dramatic landscapes of New Mexico and Arizona
1132	Motor Court Memories – Recall the vintage motels, roadside cabins and classic Americana with this design
1133	Neon Nights and Diner Lights – A table display incorporating an arrangement not to exceed 18 inches in width. Exhibits will be shown on a table
1134	Main Street of America – Showcase small business, shopkeepers, and general store owners in this arrangement not to exceed 8 inches in any direction
1135	Santa Monica Sunset – A design honoring the peaceful golden finish at the Pacific Ocean

## ROSES

1<sup>st</sup>- \$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>- \$2.00, 4<sup>th</sup> - \$1.00

1. All Roses must be outdoor grown by the exhibitor except roses used in arrangements.
2. Correct variety name must be on entry tag.
3. Judging standards of the American Rose Society will be used in all classes.
4. The Handbook for selecting roses will be final classification authority for the rose section.
5. Specimen containers for roses will be available on a first come, first served basis.

## HYBRID TEA AND GRANDIFLORA

1136	White, Near White and White Blend	1143	Dark Red
1137	Light, Medium and Deep Yellow	1144	Red Blend
1138	Yellow Blend	1145	Orange, Orange Red, Orange Pink & Orange Blend
1139	Light and Medium Pink	1146	Apricot Blend
1140	Deep Pink	1147	Mauve and Mauve Blend
1141	Pink Blend	1148	Any color, fully open
1142	Medium Red		

## MINIATURE OR MINIFLORA

(Bloom or Spray)

1149	White and Yellow	1151	Any other Color
1150	Pink and Red		

## MISCELLANEOUS ROSES

(One Bloom or Spray)

1152	Shrub Rose or Climber, any color	1154	Any Rose not listed
1153	Floribunda, any color		

## SMALL PLANTS

1<sup>st</sup>- \$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>- \$2.00, 4<sup>th</sup> \$1.00

1. Plants in this section must measure 12 inches or less in height from the top of the pot, except class 1164.
2. Potted plants exhibited in this section must have been in the hands of the exhibitor at least 3 months.
3. No plant shine may be used on any potted plant.
4. One variety of plant only to each pot.
5. **Maximum pot size 7 inches tall and 7 inches wide, except class 1163 and 1164 .**

1155	Small Cactus	1160	Potted Herb, should be named
1156	African Violet, any type	1161	Flowering Plant other than listed in this section, should be named
1157	Geranium (should be blooming)	1162	Non-blooming plant other than listed in section, should be named
1158	Succulent	1163	Succulent Dish-a collection of succulents. May be more than 7 inches wide.
1159	Impatiens, any type, blooming	1164	Hanging Plant. May include single or multiple species. No limit on pot size.

## CHAMPIONSHIPS

1165	Grand Champion Arrangement: Rosette, Special Award – The Robert and Phyllis McMath Family.
1166	Reserve Champion Arrangement: Rosette, Special Award – Darlene Begolka
1167	Grand Champion Rose: Rosette, Special Award - Peasley Funeral Homes, Atlanta and Lincoln
1168	Reserve Champion Rose: Rosette, Special Award - Peasley Funeral Homes, Atlanta and Lincoln
1169	Grand Champion Cut Flower: Rosette, Special Award - Johnson's True Value Hardware, Mt. Pulaski
1170	Reserve Champion Cut Flower: Rosette, Special Award -Debbie's Downtown Floral, Lincoln
1171	Grand Champion Glad: Rosette, Special Award – Joan and Andy Dahmm
1172	Grand Champion Small Plant: Rosette, Special Award – Lincoln Women's Club
1173	Reserve Champion Small Plant: Rosette, Special Award – Peasley Funeral Homes Atlanta and Lincoln

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 7, 2026 AT. 11:00 a.m.**

1. Exhibits are to be delivered Friday, August 7 and must be in place for judging by 11:00 a.m. without exception.
2. Exhibits judged Friday, August 7 must remain in place until 12:00 p.m. Sunday August 9.

**CHALLENGE CLASSES**

1<sup>st</sup>- \$7.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$5.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>- \$3.00, 4<sup>th</sup>-\$2.00

1174	Steve Gleason Memorial Challenge Class - 3 stems of cut flowers shown in one container. The entry must include 1 stem each of 3 different cut flowers. Should be named. Special award given by the Gleason Family.
1175	Lorna Kavelman Memorial Challenge Class - 5 stems in one vase to please a flower lover. Special Award given by Verdeen Ingram.
1176	Edith Wibben Memorial Challenge Class – 3-5 stems of assorted herbs. Special award given by her family.

**POTTED PLANTS**

1<sup>st</sup>- \$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>- \$2.00, 4<sup>th</sup> \$1.00

1. Plants Exhibited in this section must have been in the hands of the exhibitor for at least 3 months.
2. No Plant shine may be used on any potted plants.
3. One variety of plant only to each pot except classes 1191 and 1193.
4. If known, the name of the plant should be put on entry tag.

1177	Begonia (blooming)	1185	Coleus
1178	Begonia, tuberous rooted (blooming)	1186	Herb, any type, should be named
1179	Geranium (blooming)	1187	Hanging specimen plant-blooming or non-blooming, may include multiple plants of the same species
1180	Fern		
1181	Non-blooming specimen plant (other than listed), should be named	1188	Kalanchoe
		1189	Succulent
1182	Flowering plant of any kind (other than listed), should be named	1190	Cactus, any type
		1191	Patio Planter (see rule below)
1183	House plant, must be named	1192	Unusual plant of any type - May be one of above varieties, must be named.
1184	Impatiens (blooming), any type		
		1193	Fairy Garden or Terrarium, must include live plant material

\*Patio Pot: Bring your favorite pot from your patio or porch

\*ONLY RULE: You must be able to bring it in without our help. (You may bring a stand or place it on floor)

**CUT FLOWERS**

1<sup>st</sup>- \$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>- \$2.00, 4<sup>th</sup>- \$1.00

1194	Lycoris (surprise Lily) 3 stems	1204	Any other perennial not listed in Friday Show, 1 stem, should be named
1195	Marigolds, any type, 3 stems		
1196	Zinnias, 3 blooms	1205	Collection of Zinnias, assorted varieties, 5 blooms
1197	Cockscomb, crested, one stem	1206	Any bulb, tuber or corm not listed in Friday show, 1 flowering stem, should be named
1198	Rose, 1 bloom or spray, need not be named		
1199	Collection of Marigolds, Assorted varieties 3-5 stems	1207	Flowering Shrub (such as butterfly bush or hibiscus) 1 stem, should be named
1200	Petunias, 2 stems		
1201	Black-eyed Susans, 3 blooms	1208	Hydrangea, 1 stem
1202	Annual or perennial foliage, 2 leaves, should be named	1209	Pollinators - a collection of flowers friendly to bees, butterflies or hummingbirds-3 stems, must be named.
1203	Any other annual not listed in Friday Show, 1 stem, should be named	1210	Collection of Sunflowers, 3 stems

**JUNIOR DIVISION**

17 & Under

1<sup>st</sup> – \$5.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$4.00, 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$3.00, 4<sup>th</sup> - \$2.00, 5<sup>th</sup> - \$1.00

1211	Junior Challenge Class – Potted plants, any size. Include 3 species, at least one in bloom. Use a thriller, filler, spiller combination. Special award in memory of Nora Knight by Susie Bobell Selenik
1212	Annual – 2 stems of the same flower, should be named

1213	Perennial – 2 stems of the same flower, should be named
1214	Specimen Herb – 3 stems, shown without blooms
1215	Next 250 – A design that imagines America’s future using unexpected materials.
1216	Happy Birthday America – An arrangement not to exceed 8 inches in height.

### ARRANGEMENTS

1<sup>st</sup>- \$5.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$4.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>- \$3.00, 4<sup>th</sup>-\$2.00  
**“Happy 250<sup>th</sup> Birthday America”**

1217	Stars, Stripes, and Stems – A patriotic arrangement of red, white, and blue. (No flags permitted)
1218	From Sea to Shining Sea – A floral interpretation incorporating water in the design
1219	Makers and innovators – Give a nod to tinkerers, innovators, and good old American ingenuity in the design
1220	Teaching the Generations – A design inspired by your school day memories
1221	Stitches in the Past – An arrangement incorporating a cloth in the design
1222	From Plow to progress – An arrangement showcasing agriculture
1223	Back to the Moon – Give a nod to Artemis and her crew with this vertical arrangement

### HERBS

1<sup>st</sup>- \$4.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$3.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>- \$2.00, 4<sup>th</sup> \$1.00  
 Culinary herbs should be shown without blooms

1224	Parsley, 3 stems	1229	Mint, any variety, 3 stems
1225	Sage, Any variety, 3 stems	1230	Oregano, any variety, 3 stems
1226	Rosemary, 3 stems	1231	Lavender, any variety, blooming or non-blooming, 3 stems
1227	Thyme, 3 stems	1232	Any Herb not listed, blooming 3 stems (Named)
1228	Basil, Any variety, 3 stems	1233	Any Herb not listed, not in bloom 3 stems (Named)
		1234	Collection of assorted herbs. 3 stems. Should be named.

### HERB ARRANGEMENTS

1<sup>st</sup>- \$5.00, 2<sup>nd</sup>- \$4.00, 3<sup>rd</sup>- \$3.00, 4<sup>th</sup>-\$2.00  
**“The Birthday Party Continues”**

1235	“American Pie” – Add flavor to your ‘pie’ with this arrangement of culinary herbs.
1236	History Never Looked So Fresh – An arrangement featuring herbs and other fresh plant material.
1237	Homegrown – An arrangement of herbs not to exceed 8 inches in height.

### CHAMPIONSHIPS

1238	Grand Champion Cut Flower: Rosette, Special Award – Fricke, Calvert, Schrader Funeral Home
1239	Reserve Champion Cut Flower: Rosette, Special Award – Darlene Begolka
1240	Grand Champion Arrangement (classes 1217-1223): Rosette, Special Award - Janet Dahmm Estill
1241	Reserve Champion Arrangement (classes 1217-1223): Rosette, Special Award –Johnson’s True Value Hardware, Mt. Pulaski
1242	Grand Champion Potted Plant: Rosette, Special Award – Farm & Home Supply, Lincoln
1243	Reserve Champion Potted Plant: Rosette, Special Award – Holland, Barry, and Bennett Funeral Home
1244	Grand Champion Junior Specimen: Rosette, Special Award – In Memory of Jaime Wessbecher
1245	Grand Champion Junior Arrangement: Rosette, Special Award – Jo Ellen Walsh
1246	Grand Champion Herb: Rosette, Special Award – Logan County Herb Guild
1247	Reserve Champion Herb: Rosette, Special Award - Small Town Creations, Lincoln
1248	Champion Herb Arrangement: Rosette, Special Award - Logan County Herb Guild
1249	Champion Exhibitor from Logan County: Logan County exhibitor with most blue ribbons. Includes all classes in both shows. Rosette, Special Award - Paul E. Gleason, Logan County Historian

### SWEEPSTAKES AWARD 2026

1250	William Kavelman Memorial Award: A special award to the exhibitor with the highest point total of both shows. This includes all divisions under Floriculture (championships will not score extra points). Winners will not be eligible for the Sweepstakes Award for the next two fair years after winning. Rosette, Special Award, and \$100 given by his family.
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