

## Exhibits, contests and livestock highlight opening days of PC Fair

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“There’s Country in the Air” as Holyoke prepares for the Phillips County Fair Tuesday-Sunday, July 23-28.

Fair action begins Tuesday, July 23 as 4-H members will enter their general and family and consumer science projects. 4-H interview judging and judging of the 4-H projects and club booths will also take place.

Horse shows, open division exhibits and special themes contests join the fun Wednesday, July 24.

The 4-H Horse Show/Gymkhana is set to start at 9 a.m. on Wednesday. There will be an hour-long break in action for lunch from noon-1 p.m., with the show continuing afterward.

Special themes contests will be entered Wednesday between 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Contests include “There’s Country in the Air at the Phillips County Fair” photography contest, decorate a vegetable contest, use your bean contest, scrapbook contest, build your best lego contest, create-a-book-cover contest and the Extension embroidery contest.

The homemade salsa/guacamole contest is set for Saturday, July 27 after the parade between 1-1:30 p.m. in the Phillips County Event Center Exhibit Hall. Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place in each category. There will also be “People’s Choice” award given out after the official judging has taken place.

The Baby Bear Hugs Sweetest Baby-Toddler Contest is already underway as display boards can be found in Phillips County banks, credit unions or cafes. These display boards contain photos of the adorable children. In front of each photo is a donation mason jar. To vote for a contestant, simply place a monetary donation in their jar. Each cent counts as one vote.

The boards will be on display at the fair in the Event Center July 25-27. The contest will close at 8 p.m. Saturday night. Prizes will be awarded to the top three contestants who garnered the

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most votes and the donations will go to Baby Bear Hugs.

All open exhibits will also be entered Wednesday between 9 a.m.-6 pm. Judging will take place Thursday, July 25 beginning at 9 a.m. The exhibit building will be closed during judging.

The open exhibits include work in the following areas: garden, floriculture, baked and preserved goods, needlework, crafts, fine arts and quilts.

Photo fun classes will also be offered. Entries in photo fun classes are not eligible for Best of Show.

New to the fair this year is a Kids' Arts and Craft Show. This division is for children who are pre-kindergarten aged through third graders. Exhibitors may enter any item that is listed in the open crafts and fine arts categories. These exhibits will not be judged, but exhibitors will receive a rosette.

County team roping and open roping at 7 p.m. will bring Wednesday's activities to an end.

### **Livestock judging begins Thursday**

Thursday will bring the livestock portion of the fair into the spotlight.

Livestock judging will begin at 1 p.m. with poultry and rabbits. At 4 p.m., goats and dairy cows will be judged, immediately followed by swine judging. Also at 1 p.m. will be the vo-ag farm mechanics judging.

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Judging continues on Friday with beef at 8 a.m. and sheep at 1 p.m.

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