

# Madison County Fair Genealogy and History Exhibit

Chairperson: Mike Mahan

## Entry Period

Tues., July 16, 2019 4 -7 p.m.

Wed., July 17, 2019 7:30 - 10:30 a.m.

**Adult Entry Fee: \$.50 per entry, must be paid at time of entry**

**Youth and Junior – no entry fee**

## Judging Schedule

Wed. July 17, 2019 12:00 p.m.

## Premiums

Premiums will be awarded according to the following scale

First: \$2 Second: \$1.50 Third: \$1

Judges Choice Most Outstanding Entry of Show award is \$3.00

Premiums to be distributed upon exhibit check-out.

## Ribbons

If there are three or more entries in a class, one blue, one red, and one white will be given.

If there are two entries in a class, one blue and one red will be given.

If there is only one entry in a class, one blue or red ribbon will be given.

## Divisions

‘Y’ - Youth Up to age 12

‘J’ - Junior ages 13-17

‘A’ - Adult ages 18 and over

All youth and junior entries must include the exhibitors’ age.

Youth, Junior and Adult Divisions will be judged separately.

**Entries will be released Sunday, July 21 AT 2:30 P.M. and  
MUST BE PICKED UP BY 3:00 P.M., due to RAGBRAI preparation.**

**Earlier release is at the discretion of the show chairperson.**

**SUPERINTENDANTS ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR EHIIBITS LEFT AFTER THAT TIME.**

## Rules and Regulations

1. Entrants must be a resident of Madison County or an adjoining county with a connection to Madison County, or have roots in Madison County. (Your entry may be from another state, county or country as long as it connects to you.)
2. **A SEPARATE index card giving a description of the item must accompany each item, please type if possible.**
3. Criteria: Exhibitor **must indicate** the connection the item has to his/her family or ancestry, information about exhibit, presentation of the exhibit, historical data, sources if available and sentimental value if applies. County history exhibits must include the source of information and/or photo.

4. Copies and reproductions are accepted on all paper items/photos and will be judged the same as any originals. Large, difficult to display items may be represented by a photo or series of photos.
5. Items previously receiving an award may not be entered again unless additional information has been added or entered in a different class. If the item has not previously received an award, it may be re-entered in the same or a different class.
6. Genealogy department is designed for items that have genealogical relevance to the exhibitor or county. History of Madison County exhibits may or may not be connected to your family history. Entries will not be judged on the antique or monetary value of items displayed, but rather on the genealogical or historical data contained.
7. Please protect your photos with plastic if not in a frame with glass or Plexiglas.
8. Artifact and heirloom displays are limited to items that have historical or genealogical significance. This class is not meant to be an antique display.
9. Diligence will be used to insure the safety of articles after their arrival and placement, but in no case, will the fair personnel be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur.
10. Superintendents may:
  - a. Reclassify exhibits if necessary for proper placement in a particular class.
  - b. Decide whether or not to display large items or entries that may be easily damaged, although all exhibits will be judged. These items will need to be picked up by the exhibitor immediately after judging is completed.
11. On the last day of the fair, the doors close at 5:00 p.m. to gather entries for pickup at 6:00 p.m. Only the three who have volunteered for this duty will be allowed to be in the room.

<b>Division 1: Records, Legal Papers, Documents (may be copies or reproductions)</b>
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1. DAR, SAR or similar papers
2. Bible records
3. Certificates:
  - a. Birth certificate or birth announcement
  - b. Baptismal/confirmation certificate
  - c. Death certificate
  - d. Marriage certificate/Application for marriage license
4. Generation chart, family group sheet
5. Land grant, deed, mortgage, abstract, patents, leases, or sheriff sales
6. Military: a. Draft/enlistment b. During Service c. Discharge or after
7. Will/Probate papers
8. Old letter
9. School: a. Report cards b. Award certificate c. Diploma d. Degree
10. Migration to United States:
  - a. Immigration b. Passenger list c. Declaration of Intent d. Naturalization/Citizenship
11. Church records
12. Property tax receipt
13. Insurance policies and beneficiaries
14. Family census records (3 or more years)
15. Old map/ atlas/ plat
16. Old contract

17. Old sales item; a. Sales receipt b. Bill of sale
18. Old auction: a. Sale bill b. Advertisement
19. Creative: a. Poem b. Song c. Art by family member or exhibitor
20. Genealogical map showing where ancestors lived
21. Newspaper research
22. Political
23. Century farm certificate
24. Pioneer certificate
25. Organization Award/Certificate
26. Any related item

## Division 2: Books and Stories

27. Personal ledger must be 25 years old or older
28. Keepsake: a. Scrapbook b. Baby book must be 25 years old or older
29. Diary must be 25 years old or older
30. Autograph book must be 25 years old or older
31. Print item: a. Story book b. Book c. Booklet must be 25 years old or older
32. Organization: a. Record b. Book c. Cookbook must be 25 years old or older
33. Autobiography
34. Family history book
35. Scrapbook: a. Family b. Historical
36. Family story
37. History of Madison County or Iowa
38. Family Bible
39. Book of family recipes, may include family stories
40. School:
  - a. Old school text book
  - b. Record books (teachers list of students, teacher's manual and etc.)
  - c. Programs (commencement, class plays, printed programs, etc.)
  - d. Old year books
41. Church: a. Cook books b. Directories
42. Political book or story
43. Any related item

## Division 3: Pictures (Framed and Unframed)

44. Past or present home(s)
45. Family group photo (8x10 or larger)
46. Family group photo (smaller than 8x10)
47. Individual picture of family member (any size)
48. Two or more person photo (any size)
49. Pictorial family history/poster *(removed size limitation)*
50. Family photo album by exhibitor
51. Family album/ collection of family pictures
52. Family church
53. School: a. House b. Student(s)
54. Military
55. Wedding and/or anniversary
56. Baby and/or Child
57. Four or more generation photo
58. Picture of early life in Madison County/Iowa

59. Photo depicting family life in another county, state or country
60. 4-H and/or organizations
61. Political photo
62. Century farm photo
63. Any related item

#### **Division 4 - Heirlooms and Artifacts**

64. Jewelry: a. Item b. Jewelry box
65. Metal ware: a. Silverware b. Other metals
66. Glassware
67. Tableware/Décor: a. China b. Crockery
68. Household: a. Small item b. Tool
69. Small tool: a. Hand b. Carpentry
70. Handwork: a. Needlework b. Quilts less than 36x36 inches
71. Linens
72. Clothing
73. Personal item
74. Religious
75. Small toy
76. Organization memorabilia (4-H, kitchen bands, church societies, scouting, etc.)
77. School:
  - a. Award item (school or extra-curricular activity)
  - b. Memorabilia
78. Military:
  - a. Memorabilia
  - b. Clothing
79. Political Memorabilia
80. Advertisement items
81. Postal cards: a. Postcard b. Postcard collection c. Greeting card d. Greeting card collection
82. Any related item

#### **Division 5 - Funeral and Cemetery**

83. Funeral memorabilia
84. Funeral home record
85. Gravestone: a. Single b. Collection
86. Family stone rubbing
87. Cemetery project (repairs, walking, photos, lists, etc.)
88. Obituary: a. Single b. Collection
89. Cemetery history (no need to be family related)
90. Any related item