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Dutchess County Fair places 1st in the General Display Photo Series for International Association of Fairs and Expositions Competitive Exhibits

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Rhinebeck, NY – IAFE is the International Association of Fairs & Expositions. Their purpose is to promote and encourage the development and improvement of agricultural fairs, shows and expositions. Currently, IAFE represents more than 1,100 Fairs around the world. IAFE has an Annual Convention and Trade show and many other events such as Management Conferences and Specialty Seminars to encourage us to bring you the best County Fair we can.

This year's IAFE convention will be held in San Antonio, TX moving from Las Vegas, NV where the convention has been held since the 1970's. Recipients of the awards in Communications, Competitive Exhibits, Agricultural Awards, and Innovation in Sponsorship categories will be given out during the convention.

Liz Tegtmeier, Entry Superintendent and Agriculture Education Coordinator, submitted entries into this awards program for the first time, on behalf of the Dutchess County Fair. We are very pleased to announce that our Competitive Exhibit Entry placed 1st in our division. Category 9B is a General Display Photo Series (non-animal).



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About the 2018 Competitive Exhibit Entry: The entry consisted of a Photo Series (3-5 photos) about a Non-competitive display within our Competitive Exhibits. Submitted entries consisted of educational, historical or decorative components, with a focus on the Competitive Exhibit.

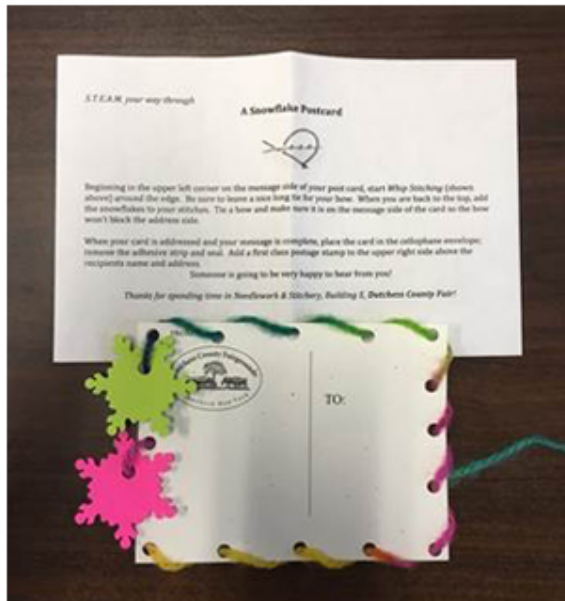
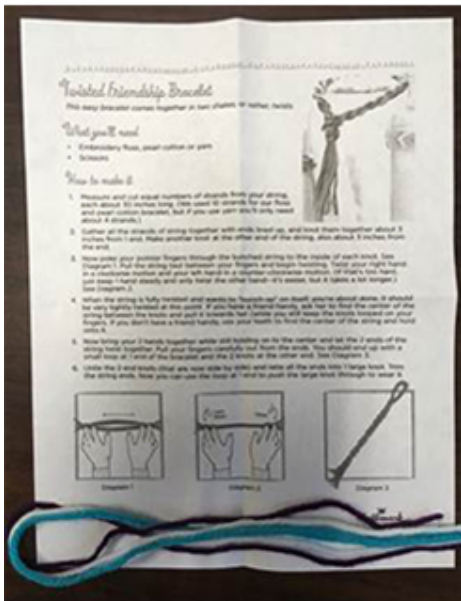
The Needlework and Stitchery Department put together an amazing display on STEAM and how it relates to Needlework and Stitchery. Department chair people Eileen Travis and Marie Dunne set-up a beautiful educational display along with two activities to show children how science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics (STEAM) involves needlework and stitchery. Eileen crocheted an amazing tree and snowflakes where they hung each symbols for STEAM from the branches.

Marie organized two great activities for children to participate in. One of the two was a postcard which included a whip stitch and a note to family and friends ending with "We had SEW much fun the Dutchess County Fair!" and the other activity showed how Kinetic energy could be used to make a friendship bracelet. Eileen and Marie spent many hours preparing, organizing and following through on this exciting new exhibit.

Congratulations to the Needlework and Stitchery Department, chair people Eileen Travis and Marie Dunne and the volunteers that make this an amazing part of our Competitive Exhibits display at the Dutchess County Fair!



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