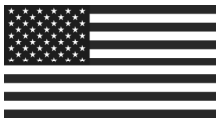

"MY COUNTRY 'TIS OF THEE"

As elementary students, we all learned the song, "My Country 'Tis of Thee". Perhaps at that age, we did not realize the importance of the words we were singing. As we continue our journey to pay tribute to those who have served our great country, it is important to also remember how deeply we love the land we live in. As most of you are aware, we have given out several hundred quilts and afghans during the past, and I've been told there are over 9,000 Veterans currently residing in Columbiana County. So, that means we have a long way to go to complete our quest. It should also be noted that those nominated need not live in just our county. We have had many families who have stated their loved one might have been raised here locally, but now live in a different part of the country. Are they eligible for nomination? ABSOLUTELY! As are Veterans who may not have been raised here.

We offer our sincerest gratitude to those exhibitors (and those who donate and don't exhibit as well) who have continued to support this project. Without your assistance, this program would not be possible.

Last year, in light of the fact that our ceremony fell on September 11, the anniversary of the attack on our country, we honored First Responders: Police, Fire & EMTs. Apparently not all those eligible were nominated; therefore, if you know of someone who should have been nominated, please advise me and they will be included this year.

Many thanks for all your assistance,
Sharen M. Cope, Director
Arts & Crafts Department

CEREMONY OF RECOGNITION & PRESENTATION

Sunday, September 10, 2017 at 1:00 pm
The ceremony at 1:00 pm will be held at the Memorial Flag Pole on the south end of the racetrack. Seating will be provided.
The dinner and quilt presentation, hosted jointly by the Fair Board, VFW Post #892 and AmVets Post #45, both of Salem, will immediately follow in the Arts & Crafts Building. Reservations are desired.

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★ Those wishing to be nominated ★
★ or families who wish to do so ★
★ should submit: ★
★ ★
★ - Name and contact information ★
★ - Branch of Service or First ★
★ Responder information ★
★ ★
★ Mail to: ★
★ Sharen Cope, Director, ★
★ Columbiana County Fair, ★
★ PO Box 356, Lisbon, Ohio ★
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All entries will be judged and premiums awarded as they normally would. After judging, all entries will be displayed from the ceiling of the Arts & Crafts Building at the fair. They will then be presented to county veterans at the ceremony on September 10.

Requirements:

1. Quilts & Afghans must be at least 40" x 60" (lap robe) size but no larger than twin.
2. Items must be Red, White & Blue in color.
3. All exhibitors will be required to sign the waiver form (below) acknowledging their agreement that their item will be gifted to the organizations listed and that they are receiving no compensation for their donation. Please remit the waiver to the fair office along with your entry form.

"MY COUNTRY 'TIS OF THEE"
LOT 25 - JUNIOR DIVISION LOT 26 - SENIOR DIVISION
(new) LOT 27 - GROUP JUNIOR DIVISION (new) LOT 28 - GROUP SENIOR DIVISION
1st $3.00 2nd $2.00 3rd $1.00

Class No.

1. Appliqued Quilt – Hand
2. Appliqued Quilt – Machine Embroidered - Hand
3. Embroidered Quilt
4. Patchwork Quilt – Hand
5. Patchwork Quilt - Machine
6. Knotted Comforter
7. Afghan - Crocheted
8. Afghan - Knitted
19. Cross Stitch Throw/Blanket
10. No Sew Blankets
11. Other - specify your entry

****BEST OF SHOW.....Rosette & Award (Junior & Senior Divisions)**

WAIVER FORM

I/We understand that by entering the **"*My Country 'Tis of Thee*"** category in the Arts and Crafts Department of the Columbiana County Fair, my entry will be donated to the charitable organization listed, after the Fair. The staff of Arts and Crafts will see that entries are delivered to the organization; no compensation will be made to me for my gift, although premiums and ribbons will be awarded to the winners.

Name/Group:_____ **Exhibitor Number:**_____