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2018 Piedmont Interstate Fair

CONTESTS

1. "Pumpkin Faces" Decorating Contest

Open to all schools by class, club, or group in which they will decorate a pumpkins. Winners announced on Monday of Fair Week.

2. "Why I Love The Fair" Essay Contest

An essay writing contest open to all schools and children. Winners announced and prizes awarded at the Awards Ceremony on Tuesday evening at 6:15 p.m. *Sponsored by the Piedmont Interstate Fair.*

3. Bowling Buddies Contest

Open to all ages from 1st Grade to Senior Citizens! Simply pick up a free bowling pin at the Fair beginning August 1 and transform it into a person, animal, profession or celebrity of your choice with paints, cloth, paper, etc. Entries will be judged and prizes awarded in five (5) categories. Winners announced on Monday of Fair Week. *Sponsored by Star Lanes Bowling and the Piedmont Interstate Fair.*

4. Rolling Down the Highway Competition

Open to ages 1st through 8th grades and Exceptional Children (any age) in which a car is constructed from cardboard boxes (any size from shoe boxes to paper boxes to packing boxes) decorated with various materials like paint, construction paper, etc. The car must have "wheels" of some kind but they do not have to roll. This contest is designed to showcase the Fair Theme for 2018 "Get Your Fair Face On." Three prizes will be awarded in each division.

5. The "Piedmont Perfect" Car and Truck Show

Will be held on Saturday between 1 and 2 p.m. in front of the Grandstand. Open to all classic "rides" that have a legal tag. So if your car or truck has the best wheels or the prettiest paint job or the most original interior, etc. come on out to the Fair and display it for a chance at a trophy and prizes. Winners announced and prizes awarded at 2 p.m. Saturday. *Sponsored by Carolina Driveline.*

6. The Let's Have A Party! Competition

Open to adult individuals or groups – This competition invites you to use your creativity and good taste to decorate a 60" round table in a formal, casual, or holiday-themed style. Only twenty (20) spaces are available for this event. Entry forms will be accepted on a first-come basis. *Sponsored by the Piedmont Interstate Fair.*

JOIN IN!

*Win cash, ribbons and prizes,
and best of all . . . bragging rights!*

*Full details, rules, entry forms and entry deadlines
for all contests can be found on the Fair's website*

www.piedmontinterstatefair.com



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Calendars Now
for the 2019**

**Piedmont
Interstate Fair
Oct 7-13**



Piedmont Interstate Fair

More Than Just A Fairgrounds

~ Facilities Available for Rental Year-Round ~

Ask most people about the Piedmont Interstate Fairgrounds and chances are good they'll describe it as a fun place that draws 50,000 people each October to the annual fair serving Spartanburg, Union, Cherokee, Laurens, Polk, and Rutherfordton counties. But we are much more than just a fairground. We have some of the best facilities and logistics in the state for events of all kinds. We have an all-weather commercial display and recreational center for a variety of activities that features 20,000 square feet of floor space.

We can also offer virtually unlimited parking, both outside and inside the fairgrounds, with security services available for protection of patrons and their vehicles during events. The fairgrounds are well illuminated. We also have a grandstand area that seats 2,500 and an additional 6,000 square feet for Agriculture exhibits. There are 10 acres of fenced, open space immediately adjacent to our buildings and 6 acres of open space in front of the grandstand.

Our facilities and complimentary services make the fairgrounds the ideal venue for functions such as trade shows and exhibits, special company functions like annual parties and picnics, revivals and musical programs, jamborees and conventions, sports activities, circuses, fundraising events for civic and charitable groups, auto, boat, and motorcycle shows, dog, cat, and reptile shows, machinery shows, and flea market type sales.

Our rate schedule can be tailor-made depending on your needs and the services you require. Our personnel can also offer valuable advice on organizing your events based on years of experience. We meet with all clients and groups to answer any questions and explain the advantages of securing the fairgrounds for your next event or program.

Check us out and allow us to discuss your particular needs. Our prices are very competitive and we feel we have a unique, one-of-a-kind entertainment complex in this area.

For More Information Contact:

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Rental Schedule

Event Center or Commercial Building

1st and 2nd days.....\$750/day
3rd and 4th days.....\$600/day
5th and 6th days.....\$500/day
Each day thereafter\$400/day

(Additional charge if air conditioning is used.)

Grandstand and Open Space Area

(Including Parking Lot)

1st day\$900/day
2nd day\$700/day
3rd day\$500/day
Each day thereafter\$400/day

Midway

(Including Parking Lot)

1st & 2nd days\$800/day
3rd & 4th days.....\$500/day
5th & 6th days.....\$400/day
Each day thereafter.....\$300/day

Agriculture Barns and Parking Area

1st and 2nd days.....\$600/day
3rd and 4th days.....\$400/day
Each day thereafter\$300/day

Pavilion

(Including Parking Lot)

1st & 2nd days.....\$600/day
3rd & 4th days.....\$500/day
Each day thereafter.....\$400/day

Variable/Incidental Fees

- Any Piedmont Interstate Fair labor used will be charged at \$20.00 per hour.
- Client is responsible and must furnish Certificate of Insurance with the Fair as Additional Insured.
- Each client is responsible for clean up and any damages. A security deposit and 1/2 of the total rental approved must be paid ten (10) days before use of property.
- A fee will be charged for days of set-up and/or dismantling, negotiated on an individual basis.
- Piedmont Interstate Fair reserves all concession rights at events. Different arrangements will be considered by management on an individual basis.

~ Note: All rules are subject to negotiation. ~



The Piedmont Interstate Fair Association was formed in 1945 with the first fair being held at its present location in 1946. Capital was raised for the purchase of the assets of the Spartanburg County Fair by selling memberships to businessmen and farmers from six counties, Polk and Rutherford Counties in North Carolina and Spartanburg, Cherokee, Union and Laurens in South Carolina. Over nine hundred memberships were sold at \$20.00 each with a maximum of 50 memberships that could be owned by any one individual. These funds, as well as fine stewardship by the Board of Directors and staff, has culminated in the facilities, activities and services the Fair provides every year to the community.

In 2017 the Piedmont Interstate Fair Association entered into an agreement with the City of Spartanburg to acquire ownership of the property where the Fair is held. The Association and the City, in partnership with the Mary Black Foundation and School District 7, exchanged properties to allow for the construction of the new Franklin School on Howard Street. Prior to this agreement the City of Spartanburg had leased the Fair property to the Association and the Association had owned all of the property fronting on Howard Street and the parking lots. This new agreement ensures the Fair will remain at its current location for the foreseeable future and the exchange provided for continued redevelopment of the Northside area of the City. The Fair Association, in agreement with the City, also maintains a city park on our property.

The Association has made numerous improvements to the grounds over the past 72 years. The food court, two large exhibit halls, a pavilion, offices, barns, the Ag building and the grandstands; all of these venues are vital to hosting a successful Fair. They are all also available for events throughout the year. Car shows, rodeos, circuses, community events and parties are hosted on a regular basis. You are encouraged to inquire about rentals at our Fair office. The Fair has also undertaken parking lot improvements, new road signage, and upgraded landscaping.

The Fair is governed by a 20-member volunteer board with three full-time employees; an executive director, an administrative assistant, and facilities superintendent. During Fair week the Association employs more than 100 associates to assist with making the Fair a successful and enjoyable experience for our patrons. We also employ Spartanburg Police Department officers and Spartanburg Sheriff's Office deputies to ensure the safety of our patrons. Spartanburg Medical Center EMTs are also on site for medical emergencies.

This year we also proudly recognize our new beverage sponsor, Pepsi Beverages Company of Spartanburg, a division of PepsiCo. We welcome this local Spartanburg company as the exclusive beverage provider for the Piedmont Interstate Fair.

In 2000, our organization attained a 501 (c) 3 nonprofit status with the IRS. Our Fair has a long standing record of providing good, wholesome, family-oriented entertainment for its patrons suitable for the entire community. In addition, our Fair provides countless opportunities for members of our community to display their talents, hobbies, and prize possessions and receive recognition and awards for their efforts.

As a part of the Fair Associations commitment to the community we also engage in activities to assist the community. Every year the Fair Association hosts the Herald-Journal Goodfellows Campaign food distribution on our property. The Fair Association Board also sponsors the yearly School District 7 Cleveland Academy of Leadership's Barrier Island field trip for fifth grade students.

The Fair conducts numerous contests for school age children each year giving them an opportunity to be involved in their county fair, win prizes for themselves and for their schools, and be helpful to others in their community. This year students can also write an essay for our *Why I Love The Fair* contest and be recognized for their creative writing skills.

The Art Department receives exhibits from the young novice as well as the more seasoned and talented artist. This department, as well as the House of Flowers, have been an integral part of the Fair and draws a large number of patrons that can view the talents and creativity of community members. There is something for everyone at the Piedmont Interstate Fair.

The Fair places emphasis on agriculture, commerce and educational opportunities for children. Our cattle barns have a wide array of farm animals and fowl at our annual event for the benefit of all our patrons. The Agriculture Building has competitive exhibits of farm products and food arts from cakes to pickles. In addition, there is a live beehive, an American Legion educational display, handmade birdhouses and numerous other educational displays. To all of these beautiful, interesting, and educational exhibits, we add a traditional carnival with all the thrills, lights, sounds and aromas so familiar from our childhoods. The Agriculture Building also presents our *Bowling Buddies* and *Pumpkin Faces* contests, providing avenues for creativity for all ages.

The Piedmont Interstate Fair also sponsors South Carolina Meat 4-H/FFA Goat Project. This show held every year on Tuesday night allows youth to display their animal husbandry skills at the Junior Meat Goat Show.

Over the past fifteen years, the Piedmont Interstate Fair Association has won many state awards under the leadership of our Executive Director, Wayne Harmon. The Fair swept all the state awards two of those years and has won at least one state award in thirteen of the past fourteen years. Our Fair has received awards for most improved facilities six times and best new program eleven times. In addition, the Fair has been honored with six South Carolina Fairman of the Year awards. These honors awarded to the Piedmont Interstate Fair and staff cast a bright spotlight on our organization and our community.

This year also marked the retirement of our beloved Executive Director Wayne Harmon after 15 years as the Association Director. Wayne, with the assistance of his wife Nancy, has made the Piedmont Interstate Fair a tremendous asset to Spartanburg and our associated counties. Their passion for the Fair, Spartanburg and our associate counties has ensured continued success for the Fair. Our new Executive Director Bill Michels, who has been associated with the Fair for over ten years, is looking forward to ensuring the Fair continues to be a vital part of the community.

Tradition and history are always at the forefront of the Fair. There is no other venue like a county fair and no other fair like the Piedmont Interstate Fair. For 72 years we have strived to provide our community with a great experience. Each year our leadership looks for new and innovative ways to provide an exceptional experience to our patrons, for the most affordable price. The Piedmont Interstate Fair Association will continue to be a valuable community asset to Spartanburg and all of the surrounding areas.



Junior Meat Goat Show

Dept. 850

SHOW RULES AND GUIDELINES:

1. Show is open to SC Meat Goat Project participants ages 5-19 years old as of January 1, 2018.
2. All goats must be weighed. Scales will close 30 minutes prior to start of judging. All goats must be in the barn by 4p.m. the day of the show. Judging starts at 6 p.m. Exhibitors will unload their animals and supplies and then move all vehicles and trailers to the designated parking area. Exhibitors must furnish feed and water for their animal.
3. Each exhibitor will be required to pay an entry fee of \$5.00 per animal. Make checks payable to Piedmont Interstate Fair.
4. **Showmanship:** Showmanship is open SC Meat Goat Project participants. Exhibitors can show any goat in Showmanship that they have entered in Market Wethers (Lottery), SC4ME (Born & Bred) Wethers or Market Doe classes. See exhibitor age classes below.
5. **Market (Lottery) Wethers (3 classes):** Only SC Meat Goat Project participants will be allowed to participate in Market Wether Classes with a wether that has a Project Lottery wether ear tag. No "open" wethers are allowed.
6. **SC4ME (Born & Bred) Wethers (3 classes):** All SC4ME wethers must be tagged with an SC4ME tag and registered to the exhibitor through the SC Meat Goat Project.
7. **Market Does (4 classes):** Market does must be born between September 1, 2017 and June 10, 2018. Market does must be tagged with a SC Meat Goat Project doe tag and be registered to the exhibitor. Only one doe per exhibitor per class will be allowed. Each exhibitor may weigh in up to 6 does. Exhibitors with more than one doe in a class, will be required to choose which doe he/she wants to show in that class.
8. The youth must be able to maintain control their animal(s) at all times during this event. Parents are not allowed in the Show Ring during judging. Parents entering the ring during judging will result in the exhibitor being disqualified.
9. Cloverbud exhibitors may request a senior exhibitor to accompany them in Market Wethers, SC4ME Wethers or Market Doe classes only. NO assistants will be allowed in Showmanship. The assistant is only allowed to step in and control the goat for the safety of the exhibitor or the goat. Assistants are not allowed to lead, set-up or brace goats.
10. The Piedmont Interstate Fair/Show manager, reserves the right to make decisions concerning or changing rules, regulations, and/or health requirements. Any animal exhibiting any significant visible symptoms of disease or sickness will not be allowed to be unloaded from the vehicle or remain on the fair/show grounds.

11. Premiums are based upon the Fair or Livestock Show's manager and/or Show Committee. All premium amounts will be determined and awarded following the completion of the show. Premium checks will be mailed at the end of fair week. All decisions by the Judge are final.

PIEDMONT INTERSTATE FAIR PREMIUMS

Showmanship Classes (based on participant's age as of Jan 1, 2018)

Class Category	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	
401. Cloverbud (5-8 years old)	\$25	\$18	\$16	-- Ribbons --
402. Cloverleaf (9-10 years old)	\$25	\$18	\$16	-- Ribbons --
403. Juniors (11-13 years old)	\$25	\$18	\$16	-- Ribbons --
404. Seniors (14-18 years old)	\$25	\$18	\$16	-- Ribbons --

Market Lottery Wethers

405. Class I	\$25	\$18	\$16	-- Ribbons --
406. Class II	\$25	\$18	\$16	-- Ribbons --
407. Class III	\$25	\$18	\$16	-- Ribbons --

408. Grand Champion Lottery

Wether

409. Reserve Champion Lottery

Wether

Market SC4ME Wethers

410. Class I	\$25	\$18	\$16	-- Ribbons --
411. Class II	\$25	\$18	\$16	-- Ribbons --
412. Class III	\$25	\$18	\$16	-- Ribbons --

413. Grand Champion SC4ME

Wether

414. Reserve Champion SC4ME

Wether

Market Does

415. Class I	\$25	\$18	\$16	-- Ribbons --
416. Class II	\$25	\$18	\$16	-- Ribbons --
417. Class III	\$25	\$18	\$16	-- Ribbons --

418. Class IV

419. Grand Champion Market

Doe

420. Reserve Champion Market

Doe



Junior Meat Goat Show

Tuesday, October 9 • 6:00 p.m.

Mail or fax entries to:

Piedmont Interstate Fair

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 Tel (864) 582-7042 • Fax (864) 583-2366
 piedmontinterstatefair@att.net
 www.piedmontinterstatefair.com

Entries are due by

Sept. 24, 2018

\$5 Entry Fee per animal

Checks payable to:

Piedmont Interstate Fair

Exhibitor's Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Age as of Jan 1, 2017: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **County:** _____

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Showmanship Classes	Market Lottery Wether Classes	Market SC4ME Wether Classes	Doe Classes
401 Cloverbud (age 5-8)	405 Market Lottery Wether (classes determined day of show)	410 Market SC4ME Wether (classes determined day of show)	415 Market Doe (classes determined day of show)

CLASS NUMBER	NAME OF ANIMAL TO BE EXHIBITED	DOE'S DOB	PROJECT EAR TAG #	WETHER/DOE

**Exhibitors will be allowed through the cattle gate
with show animals and parents.**