Thursday, July 23rd, 2026 • SENIOR DAY

8:00 am 4-H Diary & Meat Goat Show – Judging Arena
8:00 am Open Class Judging starts and Master Gardener available
8:30 am Senior Day Vendor Setup – Entertainment Building
9:00 am Senior Day Light Snack – Entertainment Building
10 am – 9 pm 4-H Exhibit Hall and Livestock Barns Open to the Public
10 am – 9 pm FFA Barnyard Baby Animal Petting Zoo Open to the Public
10 am – 9 pm Open Class Exhibits/Commercial Building Open
10 am – 9 pm Amtgard – Fairgrounds
11:00 am 4-H Lamb Lead followed by Sheep Show – Judging Arena
11:00 am Vine Stompers – Entertainment Area Stage
11:45 pm Welcome by BECFA President – Entertainment Area
12:00 pm All Star Barnyard Revue* – Fairgrounds
12:00 pm Senior Lunch compliments of the Blue Earth Co. Farm Bureau & Sadaka's Deli – Ent. Center
12:30 pm Legends of the Wilderness/Jacques La Christian* – Free Stage
12:45 pm Senior, Century Farm, & 4-H Farm Family – Enter. Stage
1:30 pm Melissa Schulz, classically trained pianist & singer – Free Stage
1:30 pm The Wendinger Band – Entertainment Stage
1:30 – 3:30 pm Jacques La Christian will be sharing examples of bead work, flint rifles, etc - Heritage Bld
2:00 pm 4-H Poultry Show – Judging Arena
3:00 pm Pfeffer Card Tournament – Entertainment Building Area
3:30 pm All Star Barnyard Revue* – Fairgrounds
4:00 pm The Wendt Sisters – Entertainment Stage
4:00 pm Legends of the Wilderness/Jacques La Christian* – Free Stage
5 – 9 pm Twisted Amusements Carnival – Fairgrounds
5:00 pm Another Time Around Band – Free Stage
5:00 pm 4-H Swine Show – Judging Arena
6:30 pm Pizza Eating Contest Sponsored by Casey's Gen. Store – Ent. Stage
7:30 pm All Star Barnyard Revue* – Fairgrounds
7:00 pm RICE RODEO COMPANY – HORSE ARENA
8:00 pm Killin' Time Band — Entertainment Area Stage
9:00 pm Fair Bldgs, 4-H Building & Livestock Barns Closed
10:00 pm FIREWORKS(Alternate night will be Friday evening same time)

Friday, July 24th, 2026 • KIDS DAY

8:00 am 4-H Dairy Show followed by Beef Show – Judging Arena
8:30 am 4-H Rabbit Show – Rabbit Barn
10:00 am Master Gardeners available in Open Class
10 am – 9 pm 4-H Exhibits Hall and Livestock Barns Open to the Public
10 am – 9 pm FFA Barnyard Baby Animal Petting Zoo Open to the Public
10 am – 9 pm Open Class Exhibits/Commercial Building Open
10 am – 9 pm Amtgard - Fairgrounds
11 am – 7 pm Kids Day Activities – Farm Bureau Pavilion Area
12 pm – 9 pm Twisted Amusements Carnival - Fairgrounds
1:00 – 3:00 pm Wanda the Clown will be Strolling the Fairgrounds
1:00 pm All Star Barnyard Revue* - Fairgrounds
1:30 pm Kids Pedal Pull – Entertainment Area Stage
2:00 pm Dr. Street Magic Show* – Free Stage
2:00 pm 4-H Fashion Revue Interviews Begin – 4-H Exhibit Hall
2:00 – 4:00 pm Caricatures by Jennifer – Near the Pavilions
2:30 pm Hot Wheels/Boat Races – Near the Free Stage Area
3:00 pm Tricia & the Toonies* – Free Stage
4:00 pm All Star Barnyard Revue* – Fairgrounds
4:00 pm Mini Donut Eating Contest Next to the Mini Donut Stand
4:00 – 5:00 pm 4-H Presentations & Demonstrations – General & Livestock – 4-H Buildings
4:00 – 6:00 pm Wanda the Clown will be Strolling the Fairgrounds
5:00 pm 4-H Buyer Meet & Greet, Meal – Entertainment Bldg/Area
5:00 pm Dr. Street Magic Show* – Free Stage
5:00 – 7:00 pm Caricatures by Jennifer – Near the Pavilions
5:00 pm Fashion Revue – 4-H Exhibit Hall
6:00 pm 4-H Auction – Judging Arena Area
6:00 pm Tricia & the Toonies* – Free Stage
6:30 pm Ice Cream Eating Contest–Ent. Stage(Sponsored by Dairy Queen)
7:00 pm All Star Barnyard Revue* - Fairgrounds
7:00 pm GUT-N-GO DERBY - GRANDSTAND
7:00 pm 4-H State Fair Exhibitor Meeting – 4H Exhibit Hall
8:00 pm 3 Hour Download Band – Entertainment Area Stage
9:00 pm Fair Bldgs, 4-H Building & Livestock Barns Closed

Be sure to check out the Open Class Building for Contest Winners and Demonstrations throughout the Fair.

Saturday, July 25th, 2026 • FAMILY DAY

8:00 am 4-H Horse Fun Show – Horse Arena
9 am – 12 pm Chicken BBQ Contest – Outside the 4-H Bldg (setup 8am)
10:00 am Master Gardeners available in Open Class
10 am – 9 pm 4-H Exhibits Hall and Livestock Barns Open to the Public
10 am – 9 pm FFA Barnyard Baby Animal Petting Zoo Open to the Public
10 am – 9 pm Open Class Exhibits/Commercial Building Open
11 am – 9 pm Amtgard - Fairgrounds
12 pm – 9 pm Twisted Amusements Carnival - Fairgrounds
1:00 pm The Eclipse Duo – Entertainment Stage
1:00 pm Aidan Oldenburg, 2026 USA Olympian will be strolling
1:00 pm All Star Barnyard Revue* – Fairgrounds
1:30 pm 4-H Pet and Cat Show – Judging Arena
2:00 pm Lake Crystal Community Band – Free Stage
2:00 – 4:00 pm Caricatures by Jennifer – Near the Pavilions
3:00 pm Dr. Street Magic Show* – Free Stage
3:00 – 5:00 pm 4-H Ag Olympics, Judging Arena
3:00 – 5:00 pm Aidan Oldenburg, 2026 USA Olympian —Meet & Greet Bingo Pavillion
4:00 pm Veteran's Recognition Program – Free Stage
4:00 pm The Bully Pulpit Band – Entertainment Stage
5:00 pm All Star Barnyard Revue* – Fairgrounds
5:00 – 7:00 pm Caricatures by Jennifer – Near the Pavilions
6:00 pm Dr. Street Magic Show* – Free Stage
6:30 pm Pie Eating Contest –Near Ent. Stage Area (Sponsored by The Dam Store)
7:00 pm Aidan Oldenburg, 2026 USA Olympian will be strolling the Fairgounds
7:00 pm All Star Barnyard Revue – Fairgrounds
7:00 pm COMPACT CAR RACING - GRANDSTAND
8:00 pm The AZBY Band – Entertainment Area Stage
9:00 pm Fair Bldgs, 4-H Building & Livestock Barns Closed

Sunday, July 26th, 2026 • ATV/Motorcycle Races

9:30–11:30 am Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser – 4-H Food Stand
10:00 am Sunday Church Service – Entertainment Area Stage
10:00 am Master Gardeners available in Open Class
10 am – 4 pm 4-H Exhibits Hall & Livestock Barns Open
10 am – 4 pm FFA Barnyard Baby Animal Petting Zoo Open
10 am – 4 pm Open Class Exhibits/Commercial Building Open
11:00 am 4-H State Fair Paperwork Due, Exhibit Hall
11:00 am 4-H Premier Showmanship, Judging Arena
11 am – 4 pm Amtgard - Fairgrounds
12 pm – 4 pm Twisted Amusements Carnival - Fairgrounds
1:00 pm All Star Barnyard Revue* – Fairgrounds
1:00 pm ATV & MOTORCYCLE BARREL RACING EVENT – GRANDSTAND
3:00 pm All Star Barnyard Revue* – Fairgrounds
4:00 pm Fair Bldgs, 4-H Building & Livestock Barns Closed for evening

For more information please visit
www.blueearthcountyfair.org

Beer Garden

Entertainment Area Stage

Thursday, July 23rd

The Wendinger Band 1:30 pm
The Wendt Sisters 4:00 pm
KILLIN' TIME BAND 8:00 pm

Friday, July 24th

3-HOUR DOWNLOAD BAND 8:00 pm

Saturday, July 25th

The Eclispe Duo 1:00 pm
Bully Pulpit Band 4:00 pm
THE AZBY BAND 8:00 pm

2026 Blue Earth County Fair Sponsors

Diamond Level
Blue Earth County
MoonLighting LLC
Arnold's of Mankato
Affordable Towing of Mankato Inc.
Car Pro Auto Repair–Fairmont
Total Lawn Care & Landscape
Carl & Verna Schmidt Foundation
Walmart

Platinum Level
Kato Towing & Service
Mankato Motorsports
Garden City Township
The Guy Landscaping
RDO

Gold Level
Crystal Valley
Madison Lake Am. Legion Post 269
BECo. Association of Townships
Bomgaars
Morson Ario VFW Post 950
Kiwanis Holiday Lights
Blue Earth Co. Hwy/Maint.Dept
Blue Earth County Sheriff Office
DMI
Big Gain Inc.
LJP Waste Solutions
POET
Mark Klammer
St Clair Amer. Legion Post 475

Bronze Level
Vernon Center Lumber
Luke's Electric
Letcher Farm Supply Inc.
Guardian Energy
Reichel Painting Company
CHS, Inc.
Anderson Trucking, Inc.
Boesch Insurance Agency
Blue Earth County Farm Bureau
Sadaka's Deli
St Clair State Bank
Industrial Fabrication Services
WOW Zone
MinnStar Bank N.A.
SignPro Custom Sign
Slumberland of Mankato
M&M Insurance Agency LLC
Amboy Fire Dept Relief Assn.
Northwest Gas
Gag's Camper Way, Inc.
Midwestern Construction
Moon Dogs/Habaneros
MinuteMan Press
Ferrellgas
BMX Track Supply
Rapidan Township
Decoria Township
Lime Township
Pleasant Mound Township
Mankato Township
Sterling Township
Lincoln Township
Arnie Lillo Creations
Dunkin' Donuts
Roger Gould
C&N Sales

Copper Level
Mapleton Township
Medo Township
Shelby Township
Beauford Township
Vernon Center Township
Cambria Township
Syngenta
BENCO
Mark's Sports Headquarter
Blaschko Building Supply Co.
McPherson Minn Lk Mutual Ins
Old National Bancorp
Letcher Farm Supply
Hog Slat
C&S Supply
Vernon Center Fire Dept Relief
Inspired Photogrphy
Kevin's Repair
Pfeffer Tree Service
Tractor Supply
Amboy Cafe
Miller Monuments
True Real Estate:The Sota Group
Scott's Body
Hislop Farms
Pioneer Bank
Culligan
1000° Pizza
Edenvale Nursery
Maggie J's
Kilty's Market

Diamond Sponsors

Thank you to all of our Sponsors for their support. "WE COULDN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU!"

2026 Contest Sponsors
The Dam Store
Dairy Queen on Adam Street
Casey's General Stores
Mini Donut Concessions

Entertainment

Twisted Amusements Carnival Rides ALL 4 DAYS

NN Mechancial Bucking Bulls ALL 4 DAYS

FOAM PARTY Friday

Thursday, July 23rd

Senior Day Activities, Craft Building Open all 4 days,
FFA Barnyard(all 4 days), Amtgard(all 4 days),
All Star Barnyard Revue(all 4 days), Commerical Vendors(all 4 days),
Legends of the Wilderness/Jacques La Christian(12:30&4pm shows)*,
Melissa Schulz(1:30pm Free Stage), Wendinger Band(1:30pm Ent. Stage),
The Wendt Sisters(4pm Ent. Stage), Another Time Around Band(5pm Free Stage),
Pizza Eating Contest(6:30pm Ent Stage), and FIREWORKS.

All Star Barnyard Revue ALL 4 DAYS

Dr Street MAGIC SHOW Friday 2&5pm and Saturday 3&6pm

Ice Cream Eating Contest FRI. 6:30

Friday, July 24th

Caricatures by Jennifer(Fri.&Sat. 2-4 & 5-7pm)
Kids Tractor Pedal Pull(1:30 pm Ent Stage Area)
Mini Donut Eating(4pm) & Ice Cream Eating Contests,
Hot Wheels & Boat Races(2:30pm near Ent.Stage),
Wanda the Clown Strolling the grounds(1-3pm & 4-6pm),
Free Stage—Dr Street Magic Shows(2&5pm),
Tricia and the Toonies(3&6pm Free Stage),
& Kids Day Activities Farm Bureau Pavilion(11-7pm).

WANDA THE CLOWN strolling on Friday

Pie Eating Contest SAT. 6:30

Saturday, July 25th

4H Ag Olympics(3-5pm Rollings Arena),
Aidan Oldenburg, Olympian Meet & Greet(3-5pm Pavilon),
Free Stage—Lake Crystal Community Band(2pm),
The Veterans Recognition Program(4:00 pm Free Stage),
Dr Street Magic Shows(3&6pm Free Stage)

AMTGARD Demonstrations All 4 Days

4-H Pancake Breakfast Sunday

Sunday, July 26th

Church Service(Entertainment Stage),
4-H Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser(9:30-11:30 4-H Food Stand),
4-H Awards Ceremony(11 am Rollins),
All Star Barnyard Revue(1&3 pm)*

*Funding provided by the Clean Water, Land, & Legacy Grant

Senior Day–*Thurs, July 23rd*

Entertainment Area Stage

Senior Day/Vendor Fair includes—Music, The Vine Stompers, Century Farm Awards, Senior Awards, and Much More.

Kids Day–*Friday, July 24th*

Face Painting/Balloon Animals, Craft Projects, Foam Party, Kids Tractor Pull, and Much Much More!

Ticket Prices
Thurs 5–9pm $20
Fri 12–4pm $17 & 5–9pm $20
Sat 12–4pm $20 or 12–9pm $25
Sun 12–4pm $20

Twisted Amusements Thursday–Sunday
Mega Pass Available for all 4 Days $60

Share photos with #BEFair2026

Blue Earth County, MoonLighting, Affordable Towing, Arnold's, Car Pro Auto Repair, and Total Lawn Care & Landscape

WELCOME YOU TO THE

BLUE EARTH COUNTY FAIR
EST. 1859
166th ANNUAL

JULY 23rd–26th 2026

Garden City, MN

Free Entertainment ALL 4 Days!!

Family Fun 166 years in the making!

Grandstand Events

BIG Thank You to our Local Fire Depts for donating their services...

Thursday, July 23rd

7:00pm Rice Rodeo Company
Bull Riding Event

Friday, July 24th

7:00pm
Gut-N-Go Derby

Saturday, July 25th

7:00 pm Compact Car Races

Events Sponsors
MoonLighting LLC,
Blue Earth Co Maint. Team,
Car Pro Auto Parts, Affordable Towing,
Kato Towing & Service, MotorSports,
Arnold's, Mark's Sports Headquarter,
Slumberland, BMX Track Supply,
The Guy, Total Lawn Care & Landscape,
DMI, & RDO

SUNDAY, July 26th

1:00pm ATV/MOTORCYCLE
BARREL RACING

"To promote the diverse agricultural and cultural heritage of Blue Earth County through active participation of its citizens."