

# 2018 Rotary Pumpkin Festival Scarecrow Contest



## Rules and Guidelines

**Registration:** As space is limited, entries will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis. Registration forms are available at [www.fsrotary.org](http://www.fsrotary.org) or by contacting Sheila McCabe at (707) 592-7970 or [barmac.farms@gmail.com](mailto:barmac.farms@gmail.com). Reg. forms must be returned by October 8, 2018.

**Pre-registration is required.**

**Entry fee:** FREE! There is NO cost to enter the contest.

**Eligibility:** This contest is open to all non-profit groups including schools, service and community groups, and youth organizations. **Businesses are encouraged to display an entry but will not be eligible for cash prizes.**

**Themes:** Scarecrows may be traditional, whimsical, humorous, mischievous, fantasy, celebrity, or loveable. **Bloody or violent themes will not be allowed, nor advertising, political or religious statements.** Entrants are reminded that this is a family event and that Rotary reserves the right to deny any entry.

**Construction:** Scarecrows must be durable and able to stand up to sun, wind and rain showers as they will be displayed from October 13<sup>th</sup> through October 28<sup>th</sup>. All decorations must be firmly attached to your scarecrow. Feel free to bring extra props like straw bales, corn stalks, etc. The scarecrow must not be taller than 7 feet or smaller than 4 feet. If you choose to bring fresh vegetables or fruits (like pumpkins) they must be whole and not punctured or carved to ensure they last the duration of the contest. We reserve the right to remove any entries that do not maintain their condition to be displayed. **Electricity will not be provided.** Only solar or wind power for moving parts may be used. Five-foot metal stakes will be available on site, if needed.

**Identifying Signs:** As part of your display be sure to make a sign with the name of your entry and your school, group, business, or service club name. Your sign should be no larger than 11 x 17 inches. **Again, no advertising, political or religious statements will be allowed.**

**Judging:** All entries will be voted on by Rotary Pumpkin Festival customers during three weekends in October. A ballot will be issued to each paid entrant to the Pumpkin Festival. October 27<sup>th</sup> will be the last day to vote and the winners will be announced on October 28<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm. You do not need to be present to win.

**Set-up:** Scarecrows must be delivered and placed on display at the Pumpkin Festival on October 12, 2018, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. **No exceptions.** No entries will be accepted after October 12<sup>th</sup>. A lottery system will determine the placement of each scarecrow on the property.

**Awards:** All awards will be by check to the winning organizations and schools as follows: 1st Place--\$750, 2nd Place--\$400; 3rd Place--\$300; 4th Place--\$200; 5th Place--\$100.

**Ownership:** **All entries become the property of the Rotary Pumpkin Festival.**

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## Official Entry Form



Please complete your entry form and submit it **no later than October 8, 2018** to Sheila McCabe, 2490 Hilborn Rd, Fairfield, CA 94534 or email her at [barmac.farms@gmail.com](mailto:barmac.farms@gmail.com).

No entry fee is required but the entry form must be submitted by the entry date to participate. Deliver all entries by October 12, 2018, to the Shiloh Road location in Rio Vista as directed by the map provided.

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT COMMITTEE CHAIR Tom Myers at [55tmyers@gmail.com](mailto:55tmyers@gmail.com).**

### PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT ALL INFORMATION

Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Group, Organization or Business \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Scarecrow \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to have our entry on display and agree to the contest rules as stated. I release and hold harmless the Rotary Pumpkin Festival volunteers from any and all claims for losses, damage or injury incurred by Scarecrow Contest participants. I understand that the Rotary Pumpkin Festival and Western Railway Museum may use photographs, stories, and actual scarecrow entries as well as all information contained on this official entry form for publicity and promotion of this event. I further understand the Rotary Pumpkin Festival reserves the right to deny exhibition privileges to any entry considered offensive or violent in nature. Finally, I agree that all entrees will become the property of the Rotary Pumpkin Festival upon delivery.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Rotary Pumpkin Festival Drop-Off

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Scarecrow Contest  
Drop-Off Site  
4.7 Miles from Hwy 12  
on Shiloh Road

