



Emmet County News Release

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Emmet-Charlevoix County Fair Earns Three First Place Awards at State Convention



Emmet-Charlevoix County Fair manager Agnes Shaw displays the three first place awards the local fair group brought home from the Michigan Association of Fairs and Exhibitions convention recently.

Emmet-Charlevoix County Fair continued its winning ways recently at the 134th annual Michigan Association of Fairs and Exhibitions convention held in Grand Rapids Jan. 10-12.

The two-county fair group earned three first place awards in its division. Its multi-page booklet, Fair Time Magazine, placed first in the printed material category of the Communications Awards competition.

Emmet-Charlevoix County Fair also entered a "Yester Years" publication, produced by the Petoskey News-Review, which earned the top award in an open category. The group also took first place in the advertising and merchandise competition with the fair's branded blanket, magnet, t-shirt and pen.

Ten members of the local fair board attended the three-day state convention where they attended workshops, round-table discussions and speaker sessions as well as networked with other fair members and vendors, gaining insights and bringing home new ideas.

Emmet-Charlevoix County Fair members have attended the annual convention for over 35 years. The gathering of nearly 90 groups from fairs and festivals around Michigan share and learn from one another's experiences, exchange contact information to help continue the historically popular county fairs.

This year, the Emmet-Charlevoix County Fair is set for Aug. 20-25 with many 4-H activities and judging scheduled in the days leading up to the fair kick-off of carnival rides and grandstand events among other activities.

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