

117th Annual Pennington County Fair



Brayden Muetzel of Thief River Falls earned a grand champion ribbon for his entry in the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Susy Dowers of Thief River Falls earned a grand champion ribbon at the 2018 Pennington County Fair with her locker-hook rug.



Maverick Iverson of Satellite 4-H Club won the grand champion ribbon for Shop – Grades 3-5 at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



The open class overall dairy champion grand champion was a cow shown by the Griffin family of Thief River Falls, which includes Curtis, Evelyn and Agnes.



Odin Mooney, an independent member of 4-H, won a grand champion ribbon for Performing Arts – Grades 3-5 at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Dennis Lee of Red Lake Falls won a purple ribbon at the 2018 Pennington County Fair with the landscape acrylic painting he created.



Lily Beavis of Kratka 4-H Club was the grand champion winner for Clothes You Make – Grades 6-8 at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Jodi Peters of Goodridge won a grand champion ribbon at the 2018 Pennington County Fair with her counted cross-stitch picture.



Miranda Carlson of Goodridge won the junior horse grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair horse show with this horse.



Linda Helgeland of Thief River Falls won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair with her flower arrangement.



Sometimes there is some heavy lifting involved while participating in the Pennington County Fair Parade. Wink, wink, during the parade, individuals from the Thief River Falls Beards and Beers Festival encouraged people to attend the festival three days later. Video of the parade is online at www.trftimes.com.



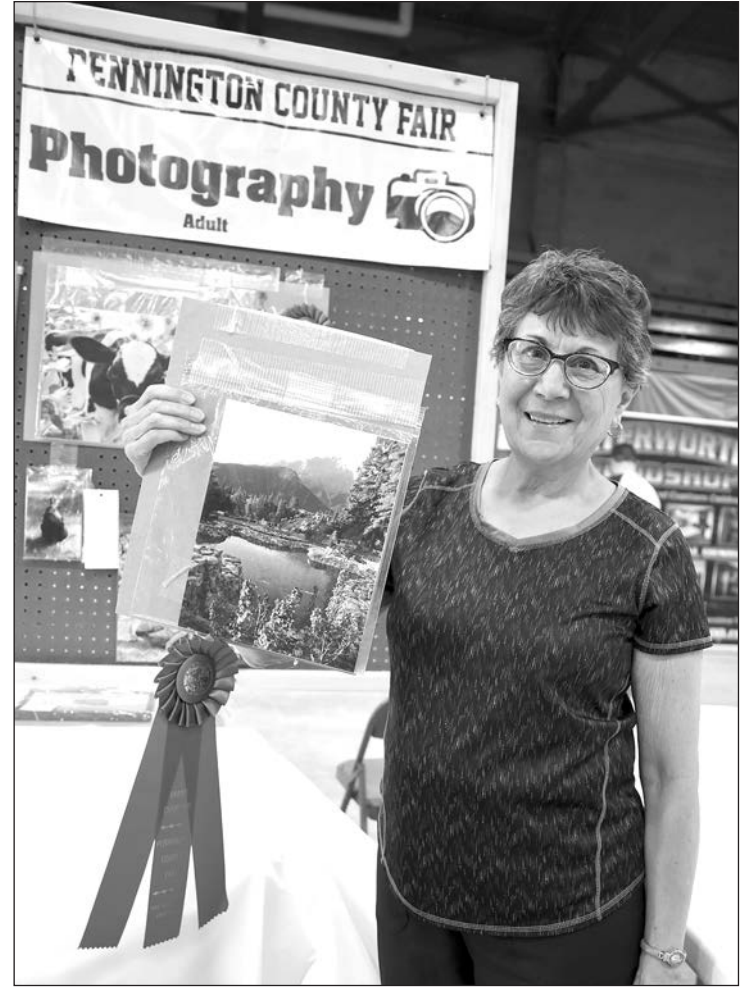
One of the many activities offered during the Pennington County Fair. This one appealed to a younger crowd and was a laser tag game.



Carol Hanson of Thief River Falls won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair with the bedspread she created.



Kaitlyn Sanden won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair with her picture of a sunrise over snow.



Sue Dupree of Thief River Falls won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair with a picture she took at Banff National Park in Canada.



Alfreda Bach of Thief River Falls won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair with the cotton quilt she made.



Bennett Iverson of Thief River Falls earned a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for the berry jam he made.



Adalyn Boutain of Thief River Falls won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for the children's toy made of legos she created.



Carleigh Iverson of Thief River Falls was a little shy, but she won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair with her raisin cookies.



Mike Lane of Thief River Falls won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for the dry mead he made.



Randy Carpenter of Thief River Falls won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for the cherry wine he made.



Caleb Richardson of Thief River Falls won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for the charcoal drawing he made.



Diane Dessellier of Thief River Falls created this picture made of little resin sequins. It earned her a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Earning a grand champion at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for the hay he grew was Bennett Iverson of Thief River Falls.

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Carol Narverud of Thief River Falls started entering projects in the Pennington County Fair 60 years ago. She has entered projects for all of 40 years (since she took some time off), and she said she always learns something when she does. Narverud earned a Red Star Yeast Award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for her German Stola.



Birdie Desrocher of Thief River Falls won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for the pillow case she decorated.



Camryn Kezar of Thief River Falls won a Red Star Yeast Award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for her cloverleaf buns.



Margaret Rupprecht of Thief River Falls won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for her rosettes.



Tim Keefe of St. Hilaire won a grand champion award and a Red Star Yeast Award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair in Thief River Falls. He won the award for his wild rice bread with cranberries.



Duane Kotrba of Thief River Falls won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for the wooden toy he made.



Bill Fogarty of Thief River Falls won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for the wooden fall flower basket he created.



Katelynn Nordine won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for the photograph she took of water.



Whitney Rupprecht of Red Lake Falls won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for her picture of a cow in a sunflower field.



Fred Hartmann Sr. of Thief River Falls won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for the bird house he made.



Mark Helgeland of Thief River Falls won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for the file cabinet he made.



Between 25 and 30 people participated in the annual Lincoln High School Class of 1990 Memorial Family 5K Run and Walk held Saturday morning during the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Shyenne Johnson of Thief River Falls won a grand champion award for the acrylic painting she created and entered in the 2018 Pennington County Fair.

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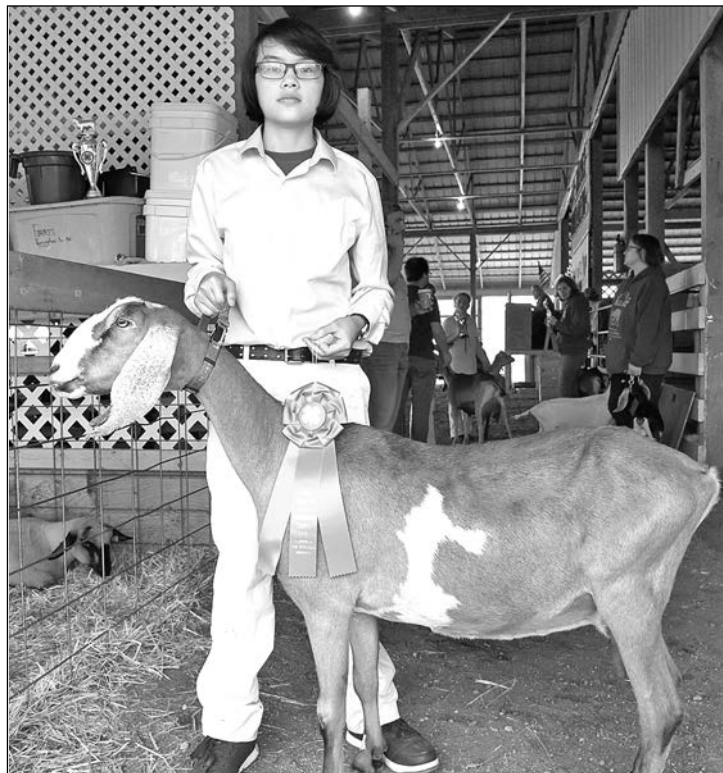
Best Beard winners, announced during the 2018 Pennington County Fair, include: (from left) Grant Nelson, best emcee; Jamin O'Malley, first place freestyle; Natalie Johnston, best lady whiskers; Todd Przybylski, mustache; Tim Seeger, partial beard and best in show; Thad Rick, full beard, and Jersey Roseberry, first in business.



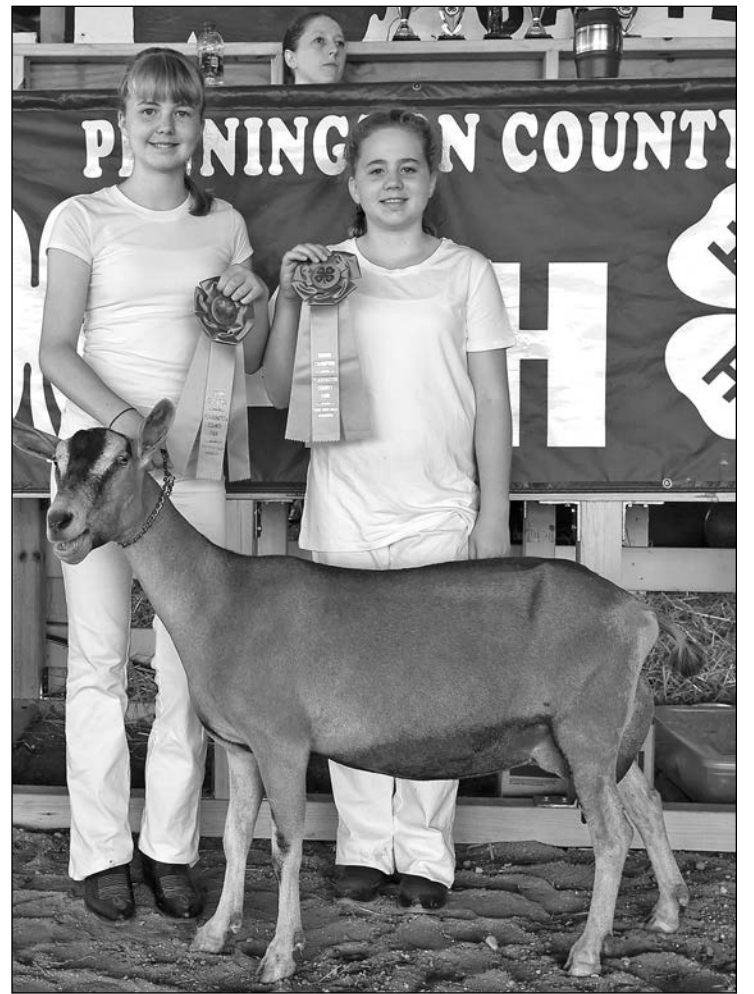
Bella Drevlow of Bemidji won a grand champion aged gelding award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair horse show with Shetland pony.



Janet Osborn of Thief River Falls won a grand champion award for the pen, ink and watercolor project she made and entered in the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



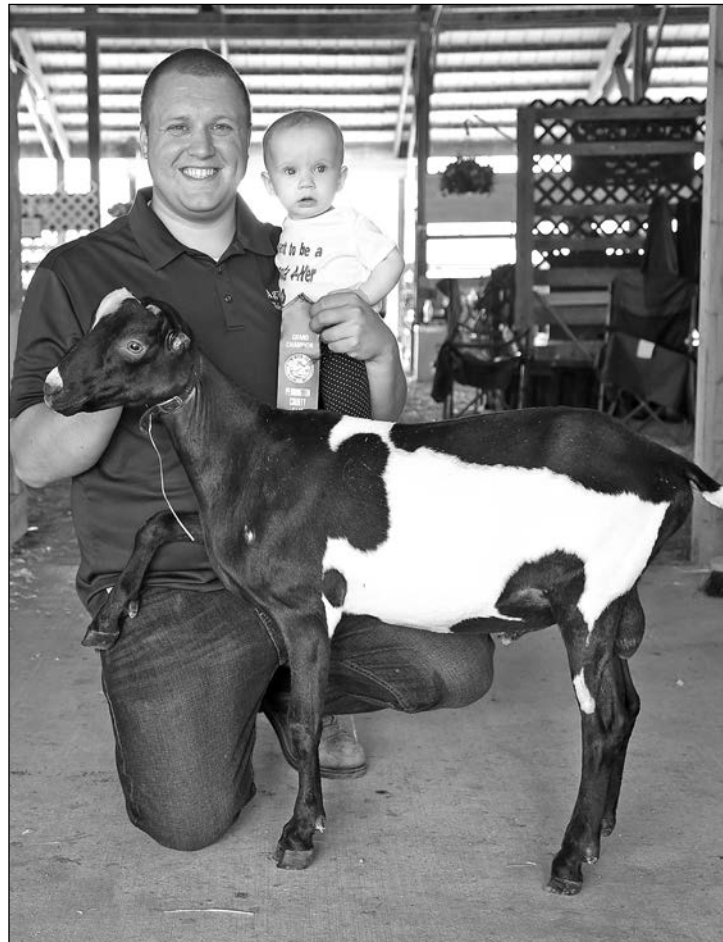
Eva Hurlburt of Goodridge won the Red Lake Electric Dairy Production award with this goat during the 2018 Pennington County Fair. Her goat produced about 10 gallons of milk a day.



Caitlynn and Brianne Ellison of the Happy Acres 4-H Club won the demonstration grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



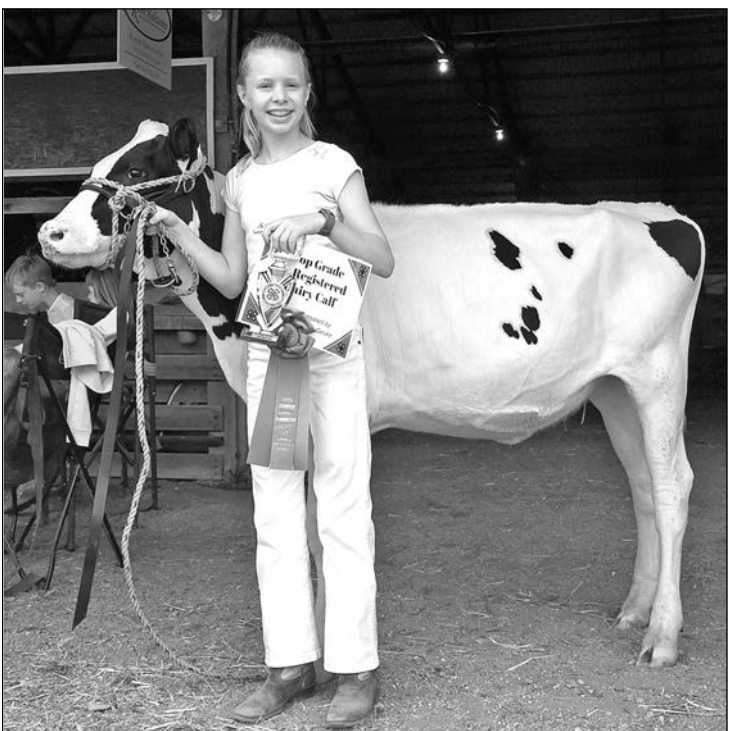
Winning the overall champion award in the 4-H goat show at the 2018 Pennington County Fair was this goat shown by Brianne Ellison.



Jon Hruby and his daughter Raelynn show their buck goat which won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair in Thief River Falls.



Winning a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for the colored pencil drawing she created was Janet Osborn of Thief River Falls.



Ruby Geiser of the Steiner 4-H Club won the top grade or registered calf grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for the cow she showed.



Brianne Ellison of the Happy Acres 4-H Club won the junior showmanship award during the goat show at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.

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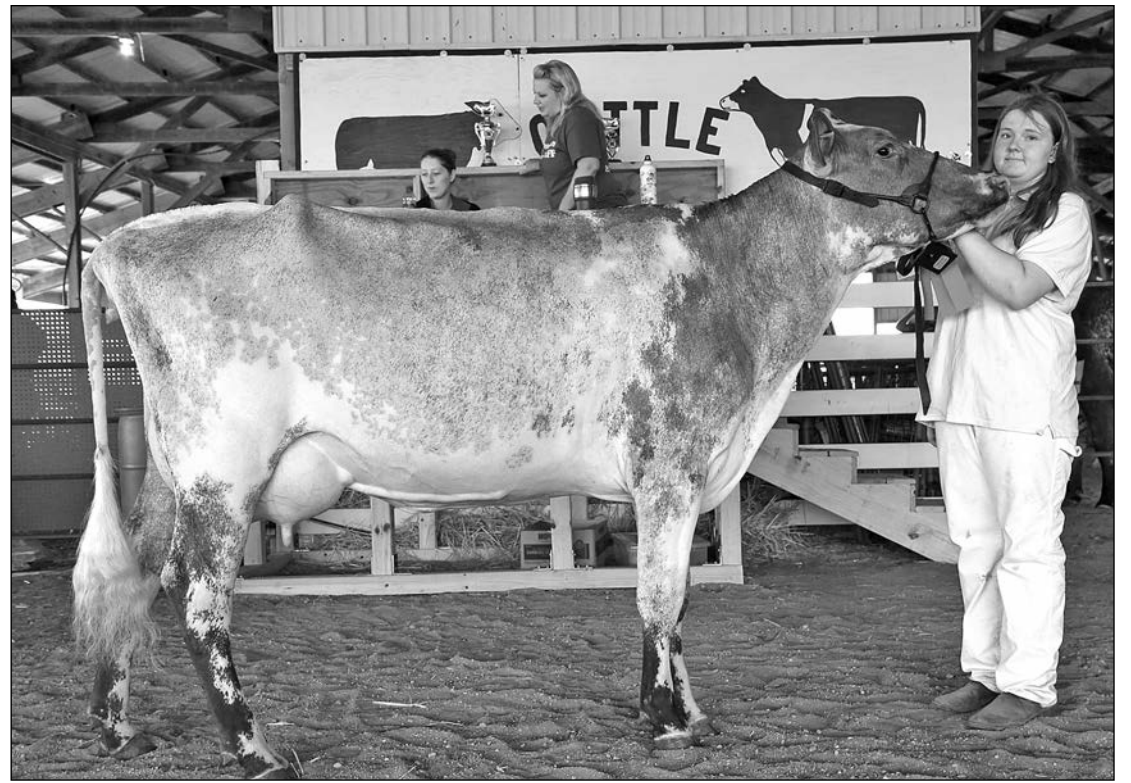
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Ty Larson of the Steiner 4-H Club won the dairy herd grand champion award during the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



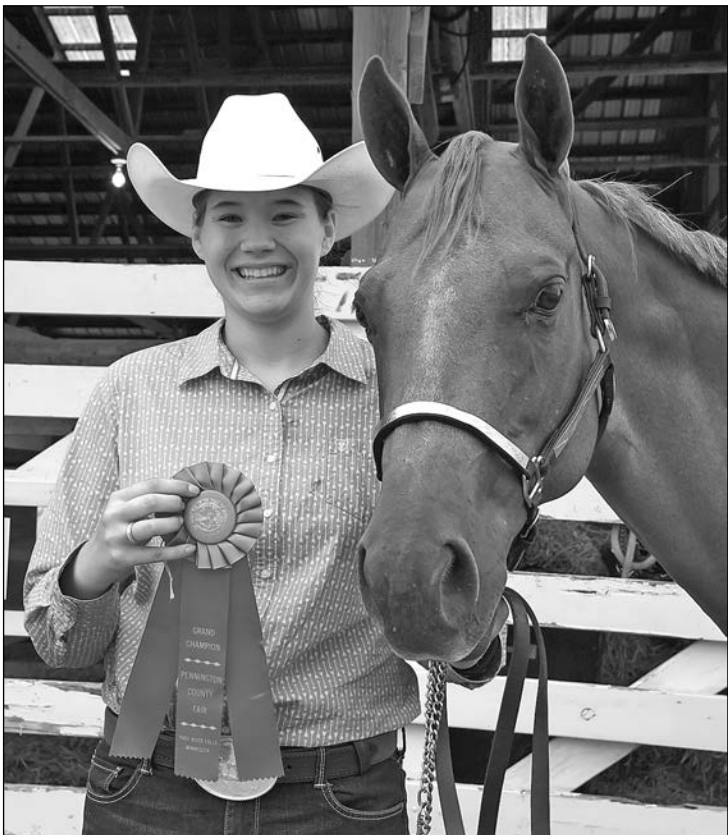
Jayce Larson of the Steiner 4-H Club won the overall grand champion of show at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Seth Rupprecht of Thief River Falls won the best udder grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair with this cow.



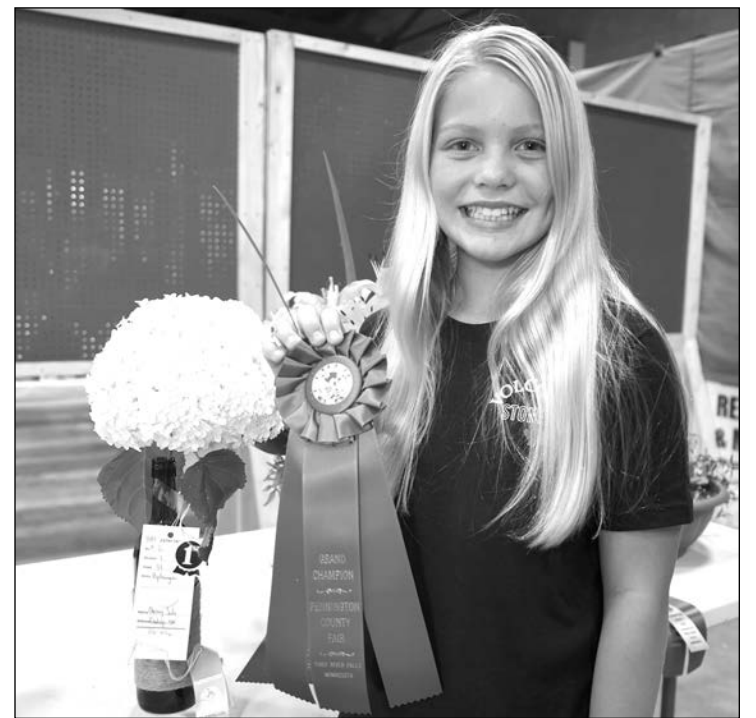
Madeleine Ayotte of East Hartford, Conn., spends a month with her grandparents every summer and while in Thief River Falls, attends the Pennington County Fair. One of the activities for children at the fair this year was a potato decorating activity. It was a huge success.



Becky Bengtson of Newfolden won the grand champion award for quarter horse mare at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Ora Mord of Gonvick won the open class grand champion overall goat with this goat she showed in the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Chesney Salo of Goodridge won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for her hydrangea.



Ryan Flaagan of the Happy Acres 4-H Club won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for his picture of a grouse hidden among branches.



Abigail Flaagan of the Happy Acres 4-H Club won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for her picture of a duck.



Sharon Johnson of Thief River Falls won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for her lilies.

Hope You Enjoyed the Pennington County Fair!

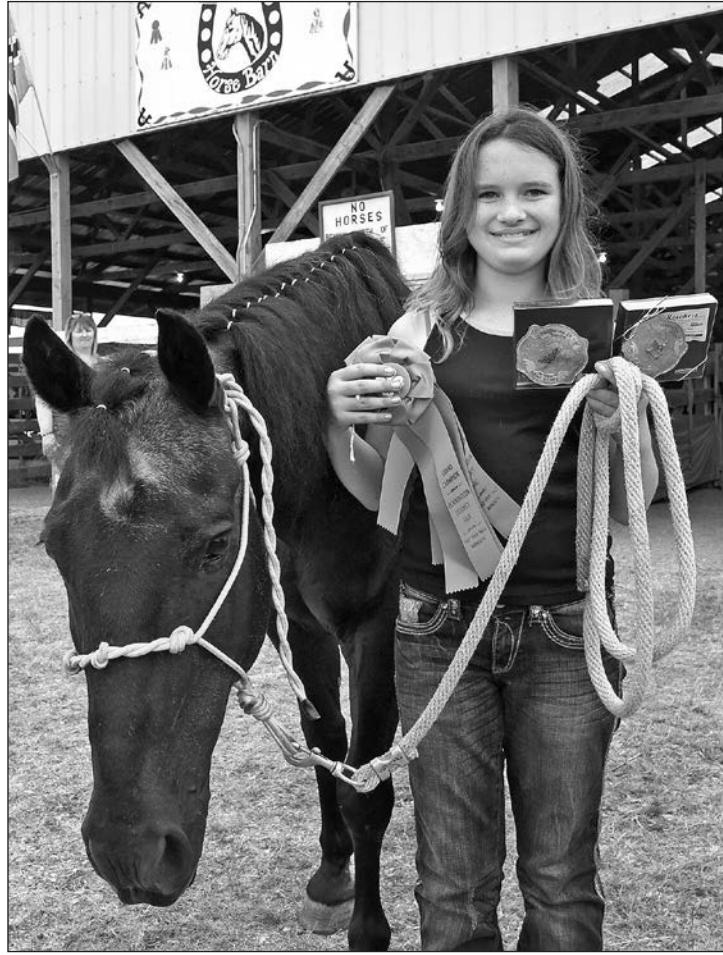
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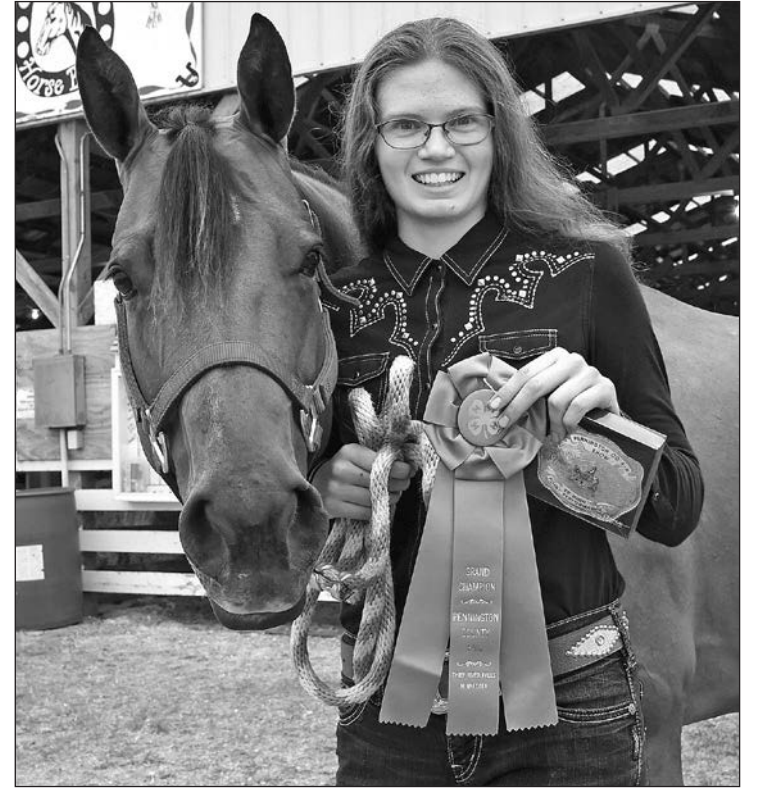
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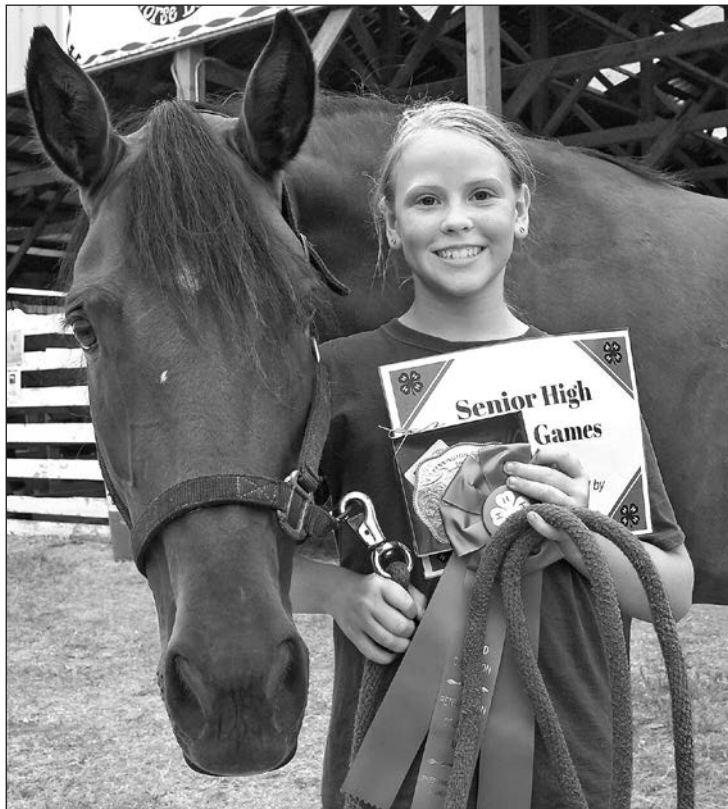
Winning a grand champion award in the horticulture division of potted plants at the 2018 Pennington County Fair was Linda Helgeland of Thief River Falls.



Kimberlee Miller, an independent member of 4-H, won grand champion awards and high-point awards, with her horse in the 4-H Horse Show divisions of Junior High Point and Junior High Point Games. The event took place during the 2018 Pennington County Fair. The belt buckles were sponsored by the Wild Rose Ridge Ranch.



Madelyn Westlin, an independent member of 4-H, and her horse appeared excited to have won a grand champion award and high point winner in the senior performance during the 2018 Pennington County Fair 4-H Horse Show. The belt buckle was sponsored by the family of Gary Clow.



Destiney Krueger of the Happy Acres 4-H Club won a grand champion award and high point winner in the senior games division with her horse during the Pennington County Fair 4-H Horse Show. The belt buckle was sponsored by the family of Gary Clow.



Matthew Nordine of Thief River Falls won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for the string art bear he made and entered into the fair.



Genevieve McMullen of the Silverton 4-H Club won the junior showmanship award with her rabbit at the 2018 Pennington County Fair in Thief River Falls.

Fair raffle prize winners announced

- Grand prize winners of the Pennington County Fair Association Raffle include the following:
- Stephanie Nelson - 2018 Textron Prowler EV
 - Gordy Henrickson - Honda 2200 watt generator
 - Liz Schub - 24-inch Toro snowblower
 - Fred Nickels - 15 cubic foot chest freezer
 - Cody Hempel - remote car starter
 - Lon Souder - kayak with paddle
 - Landt Bulger - 10x10 screened gazebo
 - Brandin I - 5 piece patio set
 - Emily Bakke - \$200 cash
 - Sally Erickson - \$100 cash
 - Samantha Lundsetter - \$75 cash
 - Jennette Kaupula - \$50 cash
 - Laverne Hamre - \$50 cash
 - Beulah McGlynn - \$50 cash
 - Lindsay Nelson - \$50 cash



Lindsay Foy of Thief River Falls won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for the quilt she entered into the competition.



Jorja Salo of Goodridge won a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair for the project on monarch butterflies she entered in the fair.

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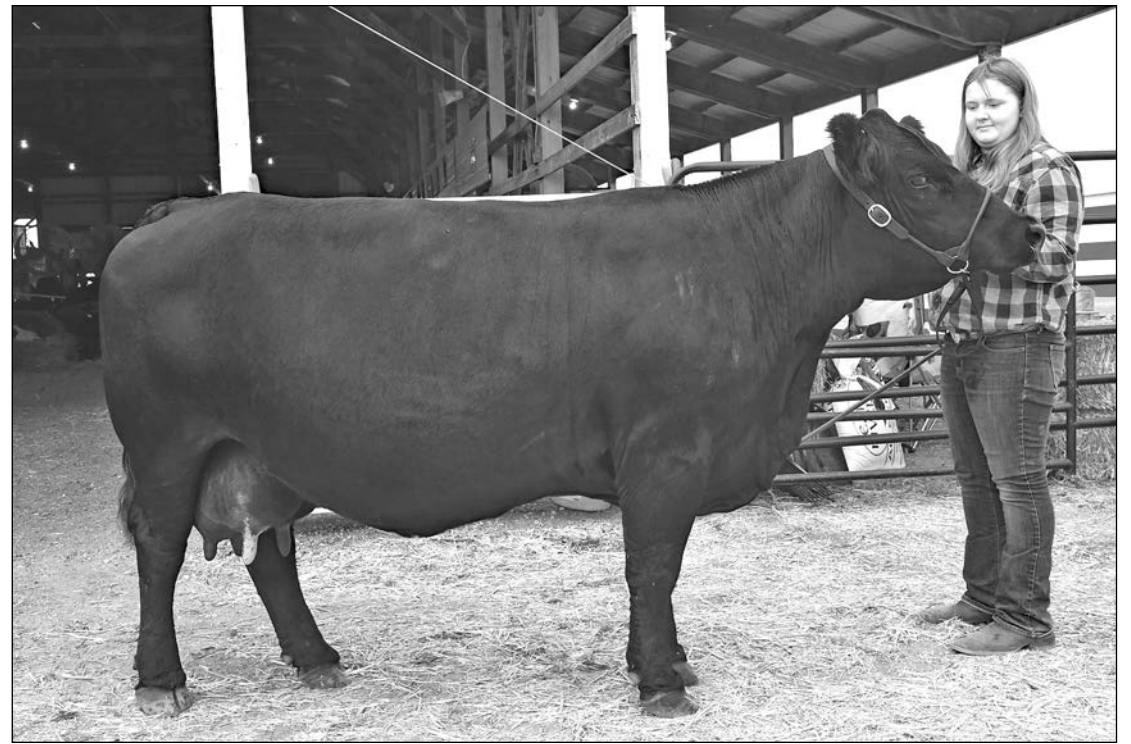
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Michelle Hickman won a grand champion for the quilt she made and entered into the award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair fair.



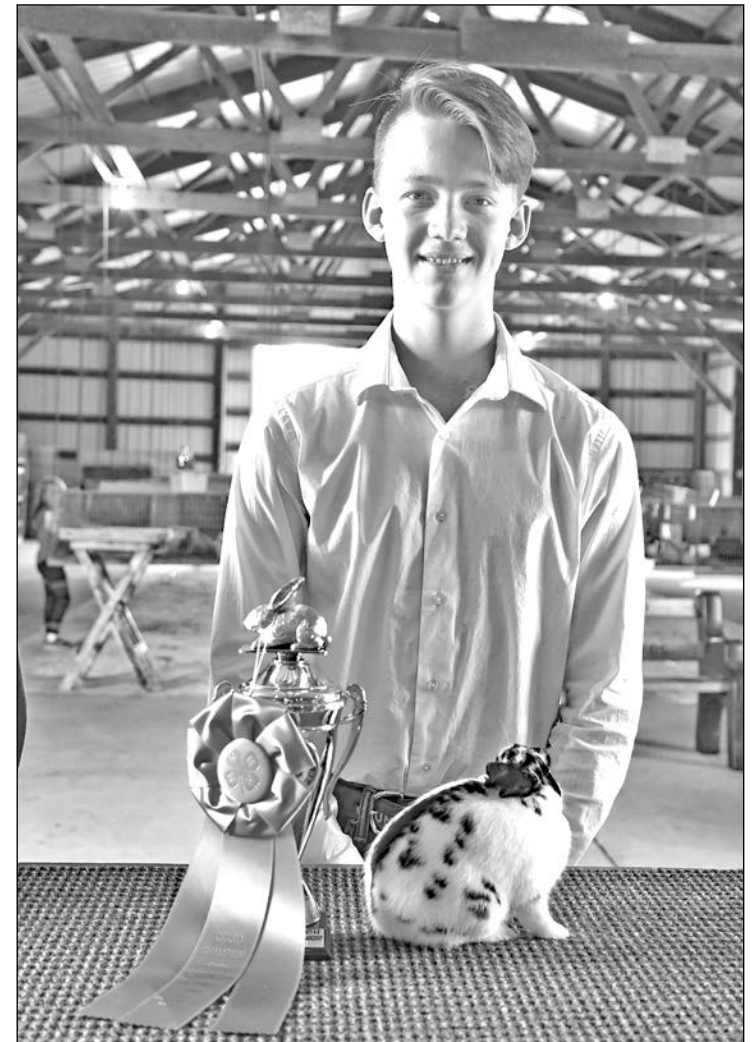
Jacey Larson of the Steiner 4-H Club won the junior showmanship award in the 4-H division of cattle during the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



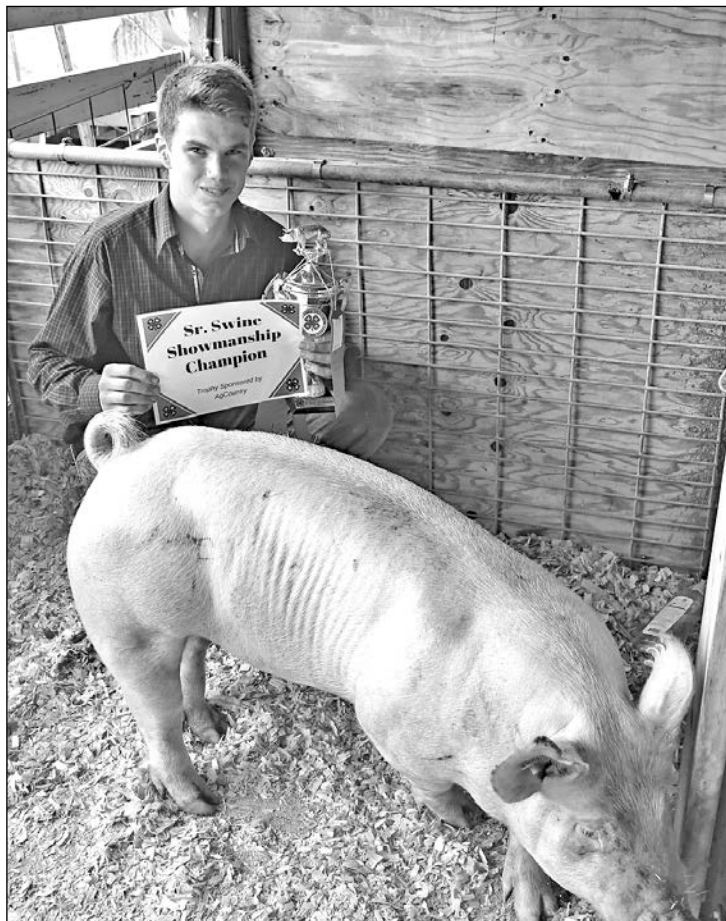
The 4-H junior showmanship award in the poultry division at the 2018 Pennington County Fair was won by Blaine Torstveit of the Sanders 4-H Club.



Cooper Olsonawski of the Steiner 4-H Club won the 4-H division market bird grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



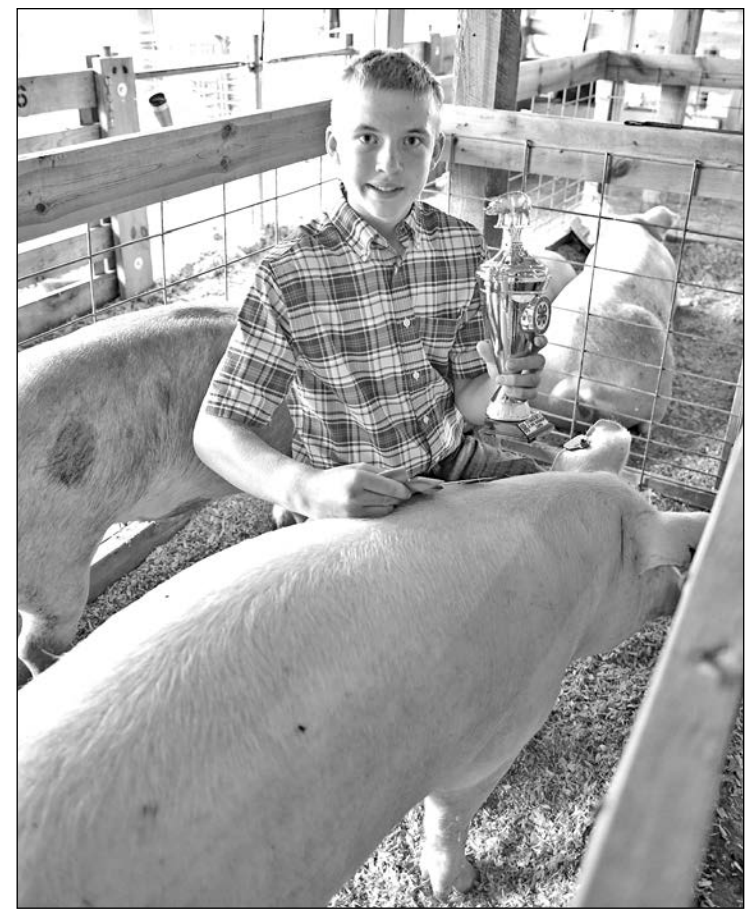
Wyatt Halvorson of the Kratka 4-H Club won the senior showmanship award and was the overall rabbit champion at the 2018 Pennington County Fair in Thief River Falls.



Jayce Lizakowski of the Steiner 4-H Club won a grand champion showmanship award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair with his swine.



The 4-H white egg production grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair was won by Kristin Farris of the Highland 4-H Club.



Nolan Liedberg, an independent member of 4-H, won a grand champion junior showmanship award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair with his swine.



The 4-H senior showmanship award in the poultry division at the 2018 Pennington County Fair was won by Elaina Knott of the Sanders 4-H Club.

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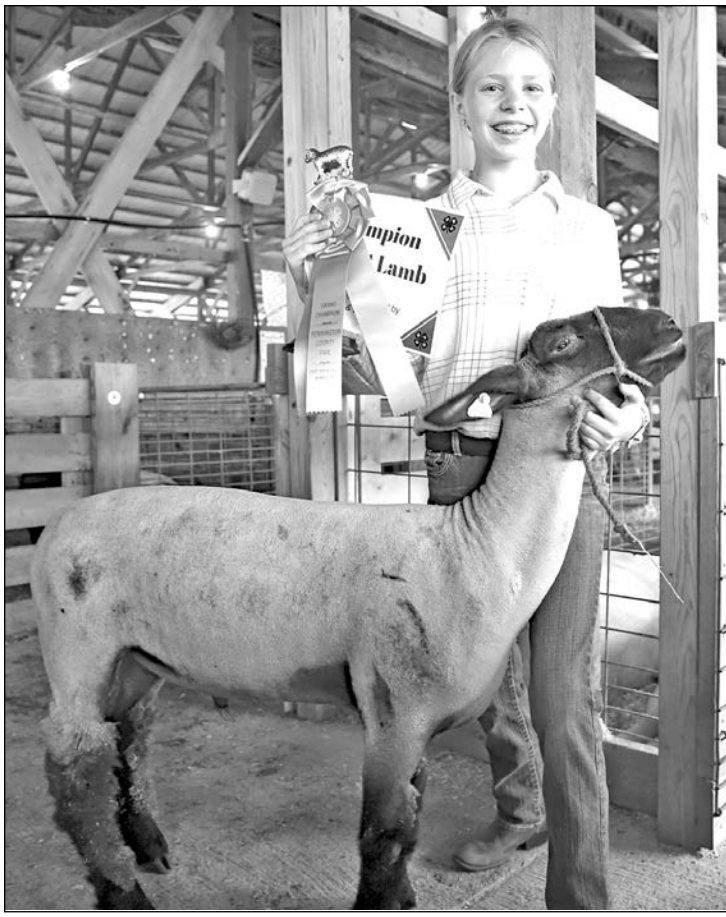
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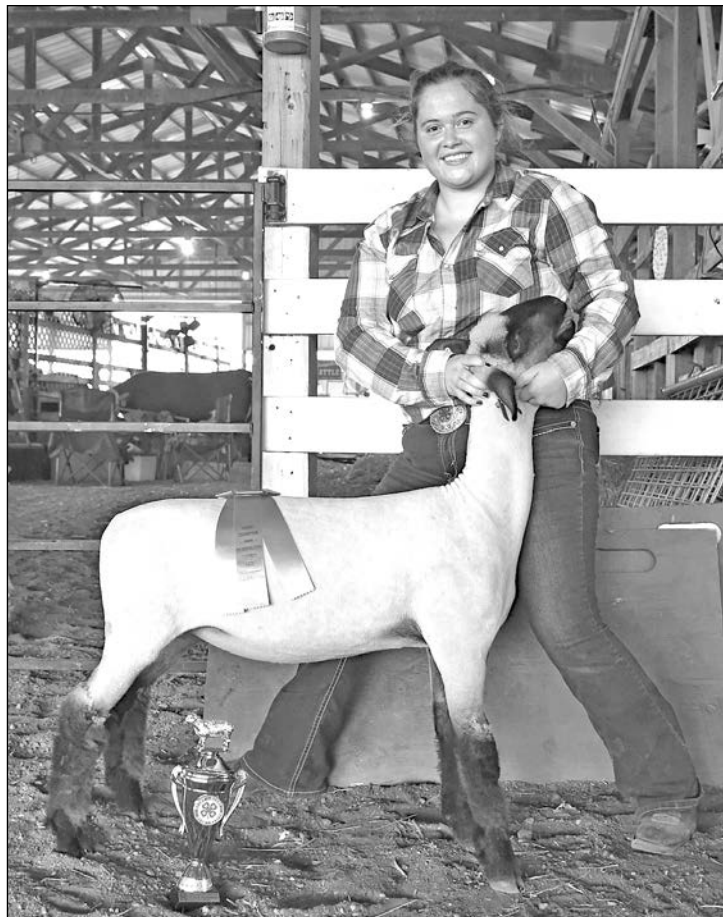
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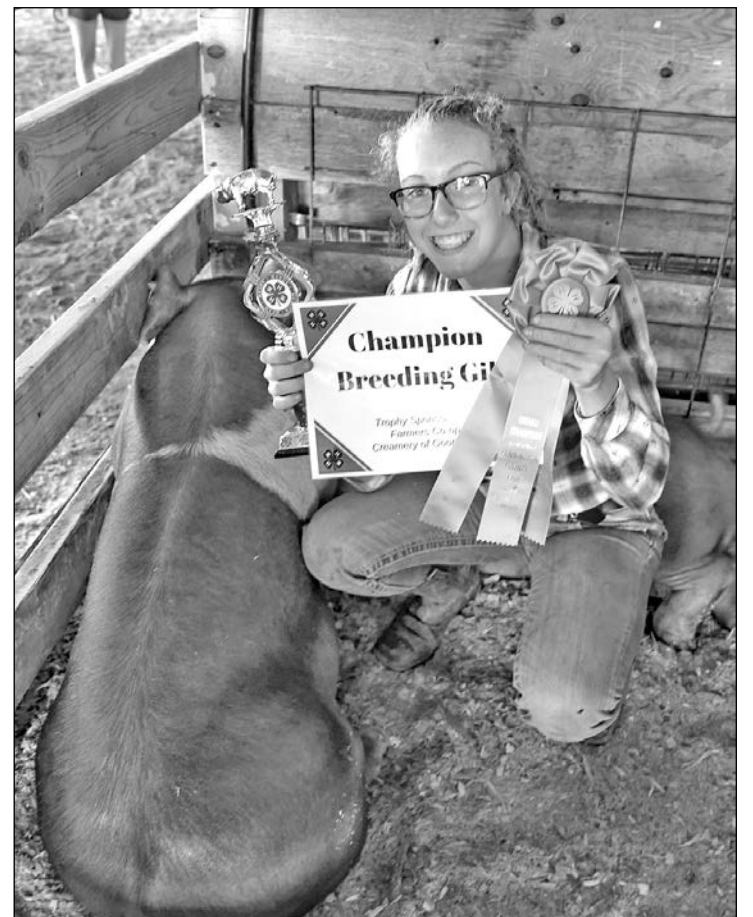
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Ruby Geiser of the Steiner 4-H Club won champion market lamb and the Rate of Gain award, an award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair that is sponsored by Red Lake Electric. Her lamb gained .71 pounds per day.



Kristin Farris of the Highlanding 4-H Club won the senior showmanship award with her sheep at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Lydia Nelson of the Silverton 4-H Club won a grand champion ribbon at the 2018 Pennington County Fair in the breeding gilt division.



This steer, shown in the 2018 Pennington County Fair by Noah Rupprecht of the Silverton 4-H Club, earned the Rate of Gain award, an award sponsored by Red Lake Electric. The steer gained weight at a rate of three pounds per day.



Winning the breeding grand champion award with his sheep at the 2018 Pennington County Fair, was Kale Geiser, a member of the Steiner 4-H Club.



The shop project for 4-H participants in grades 6-8, was won by Nolan Liedberg, an independent member of 4-H. He won the award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Noah and Genevieve McMullen of the River Falls and earned a grand champion award. The peacock is a black shoulder Indian blue.

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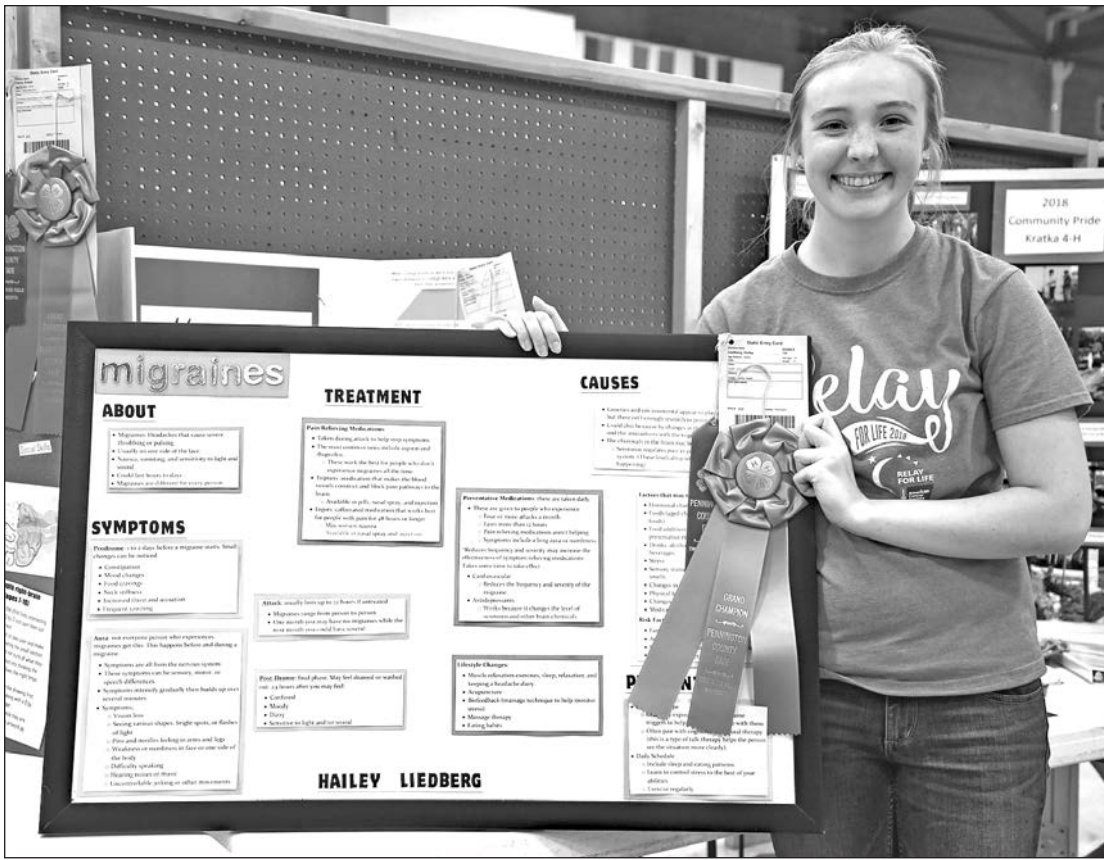
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The 4-H Health grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair was won by Hailey Liedberg, an independent member of 4-H. Her project was all about migraines.



Ruth Ostby of Thief River Falls won the 2018 Pennington County Fair in the divisions of corn and best of gardens.



Alanis Rupprecht of the Silverton 4-H Club won the 2018 Pennington County Fair grand champion market heifer award with this heifer.



Livestock auction results announced

Near the end of the Pennington County Fair, several animals are auctioned off. Proceeds of the auction support the 4-H participants.

The following is the results of the auction, which lists the owner, placing, weight, market value, sale price and buyer:

Beef

Alanis Rupprecht, grand, 1,310 pounds, \$1,388.60 market value, \$3,300 sale price, bought by Waage Farms.

Jayce Lizakowski, blue ribbon, 1,334 pounds, \$1,414.04 market value, \$1,900 sale price, bought by J&J Oil Field Services;

Wade Nelson, blue ribbon, 1,118 pounds, \$1,185.08 market value, \$2,300 sale price, bought by Waage Farms

Cooper Olsonawski, blue ribbon, 1,176 pounds, \$1,246.56 market value, \$1,600 sale price, to Bagley Livestock

Briley Olsonawski, blue ribbon, 1,124 pounds, \$1,191.44 market value, \$1,600 sale price, to Town and Country Meats.

Sheep

Ruby Geiser, grand, 146 pounds, \$204.40 market value, \$500 sale price, to Don Joppru

Kale Geiser, reserve, 108 pounds, \$151.20 market value, \$400 sale price, to Winger Livestock

Kristin Farris, blue ribbon, 110 pounds, \$154 market value, \$450 sale price to Ag Country

Blake Melbye, blue ribbon, 142 pounds, \$198.80 market value, \$500 sale price to Town and Country Meats

Hogs

Ty Larson, grand/barrow, 274 pounds, \$126.04 market value, \$1,400 sale price to Pennington County Fair Board

Hailey Liedberg, blue/barrow, 246 pounds, \$113.16 market value, \$1,050 to Pennington County Fair Board

Nolan Liedberg, blue/barrow, 268 pounds, \$123.28 market value, \$750 sale price to Goodridge Lions Club

Kayla Nelson, blue/barrow, 200 pounds, \$92 market value, \$1,050 sale price to North Risk Partners

Lydia Nelson, blue/bar-

row, 228 pounds, \$104.88 market value, \$1,000 sale price to Waage Farms

Poultry

Kristin Farris, donation, \$20 market value, \$300 sale price to Ag Country

Brianne Ellison, blue, \$20 market value, \$225 sale price to J & J Oil Field Services

Goats

Jacey Larson, grand, 98 pounds, \$196 market value, \$750 sale price to Leonard and Marge Geske

Kayla Geske, reserve, 76 pounds, \$152. market value, \$650 sale price to Leonard and Marge Geske

Caitlynn Ellison, blue ribbon, 68 pounds, \$136 market value, \$550 sale price to Town and Country Meats

Eva Hurlburt, blue ribbon, 50 pounds, \$100 market value, \$500 sale price to Don Joppru

Rabbits

Olivia Mooney, grand, \$10 market value, \$140 sale price to Town and Country Meats

Odin Mooney, reserve, \$10 market value, \$150 to Don Joppru

Thunder on Hooves Raffle winners

Winners of the Thunder on Hooves Bull Ride Raffle were announced Saturday night.

Dale and Josh of Middle River were winners of the \$5,000.

Dale Sletton won \$1,000
Scott Peters won \$1,000
Roger Shaffer, \$500
Judy Taylor, \$500
Curt Howe, \$250
Sally Erickson and Josh Veselka, \$250

Benjamin Robson, \$150
Jerry Feragen, \$150
Don Jensen of Goodridge, \$150

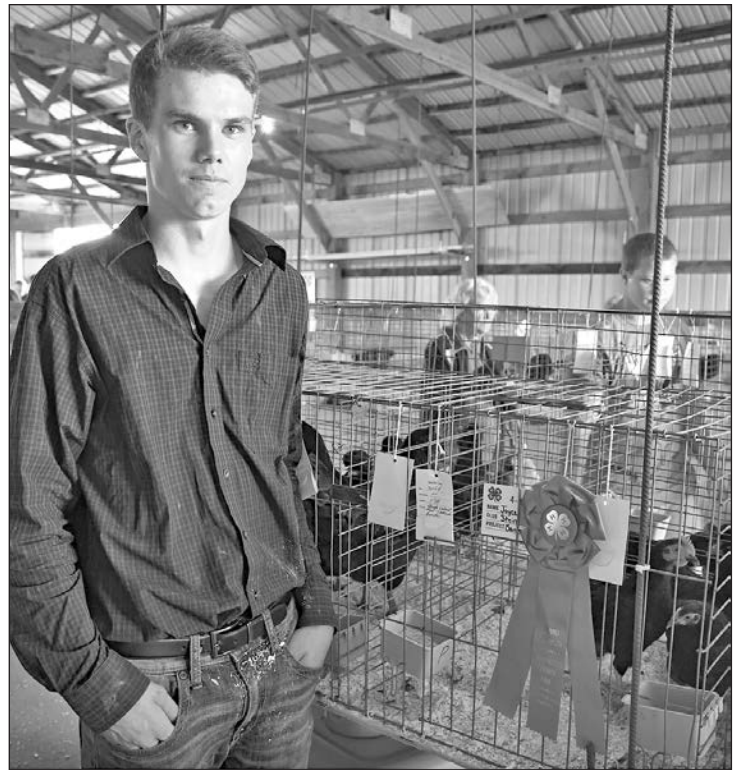
Emil and Scott of Thief River Falls, \$150
Brent Philipp of Goodridge, \$150

Nathan Peters of Goodridge, \$150
Eric Johnson of Red Lake Falls, \$150

Royal Oyster of Thief River Falls, \$150
Keith Storm of Thief River Falls, \$150

David Lovly and Jerry Nelson, \$150.

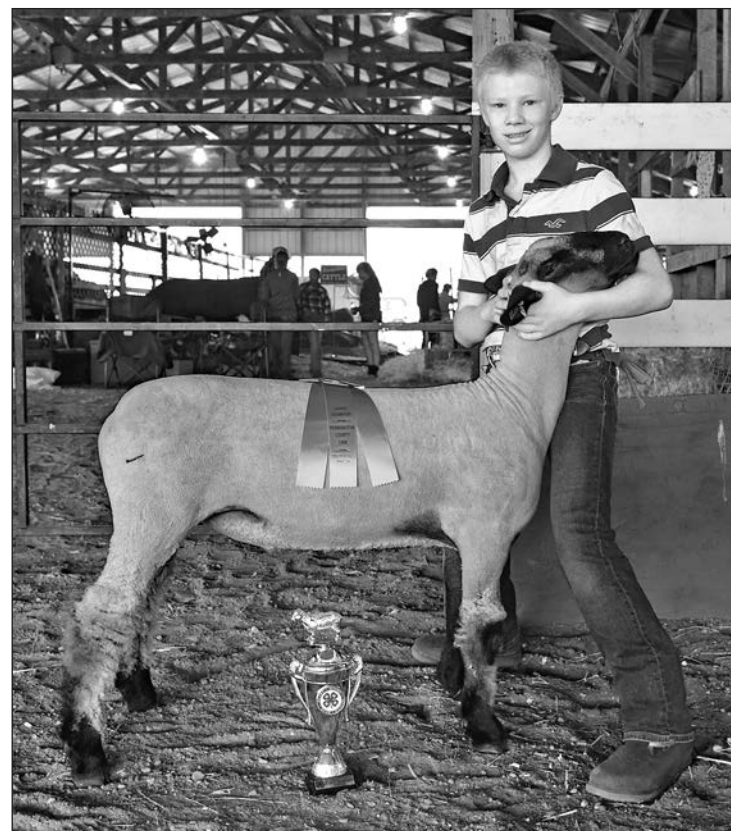
The champion steer and senior showmanship awards in the 4-H division of cattle at the 2018 Pennington County Fair was won by Alanis Rupprecht, a member of the Silverton 4-H Club.



The 4-H bantam breeding chicken grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair was won by Jayce Lizakowski of the Steiner 4-H Club.



The 4-H food and nutrition grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair, was won by Hailey Liedberg, an independent member of 4-H.



Kale Geiser of the Steiner 4-H Club won the junior showmanship award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.

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Fjord and her human, Maddie Stewart of Thief River Falls, earned a grand champion award at the 2018 Pennington County Fair Dog Show in the division of Beginner Obedience.



Eloise Raymond and her dog, Bella, of Thief River Falls earned grand champion awards at the 2018 Pennington County Fair in the open class dog show divisions of Pre-novice and Foundation Rally.



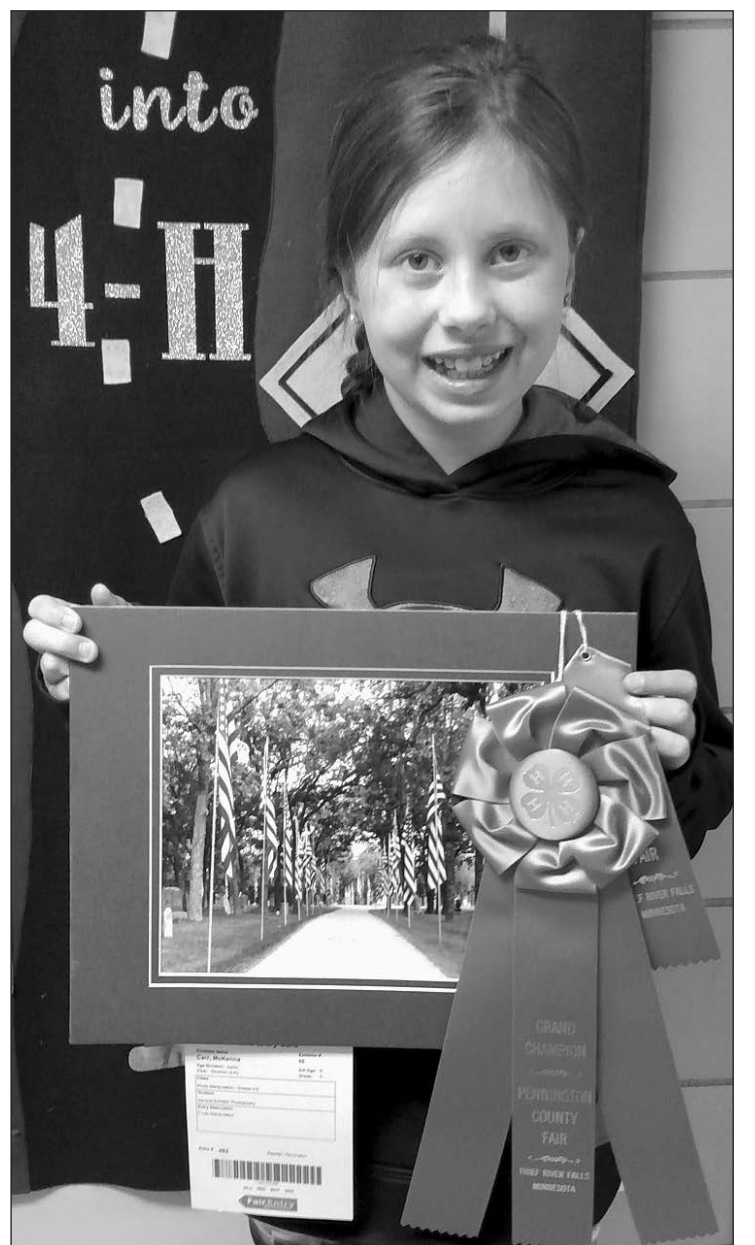
Jolene Moran and her dogs, Roxie (white) and Foxie, of Mentor earned grand champion ribbons at the 2018 Pennington County Fair in Thief River Falls in the open class dog show divisions of Showmanship and Novice Rally.



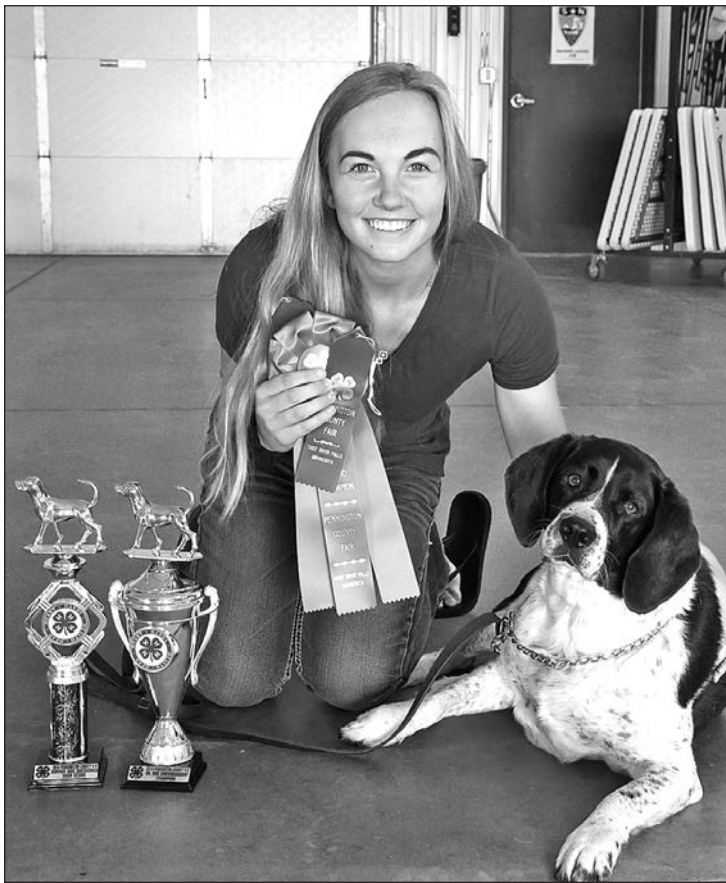
Odin Mooney and his French bulldog, Eva, won 4-H beginner high point and junior showmanship grand champion awards at the 2018 Pennington County Fair. Mooney is an independent member of 4-H.



Lily Beavis of Kratka 4-H Club was the grand champion winner for Food Revue – Grades 6-8 at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



McKenna Carr of Silverton 4-H Club received a grand champion ribbon for Photography: Photo Manipulation – Grades 3-5 at the 2018 Pennington County Fair. (Submitted)



Maddie Stewart of the Happy Acres 4-H Club poses with Wilson, her beagle. Maddie and Wilson won the dog obedience high point and Senior Showmanship grand champion awards at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Brienne Ellison of Happy Acres 4-H Club was the grand champion winner for Food Revue – Grades 3-5 at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Brienne Ellison of Happy Acres 4-H Club was the grand champion winner of Quilting – Grades 3-5 at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.

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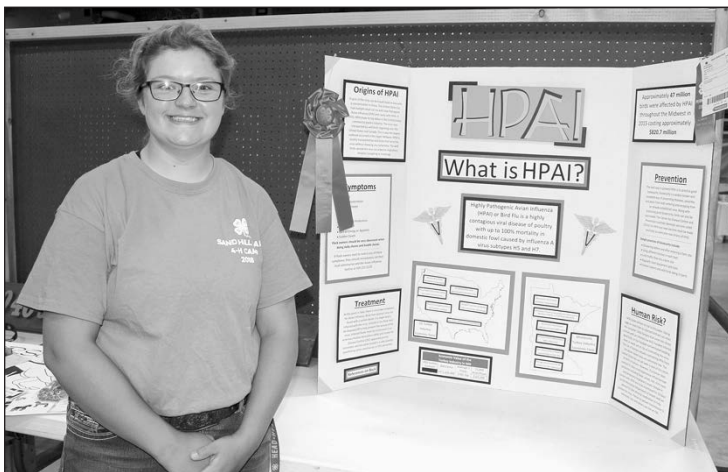
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Sophia Tougas of Happy Acres 4-H Club received a grand champion ribbon for Clothes You Make – Grades 3-5 at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Elaina Knott of Sanders 4-H Club received a grand champion ribbon for Zoonotics at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Olber Mooney of Thief River Falls won a grand champion ribbon in the youth division of One Vegetable, One Community at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Wyatt Halvorson of Kratka 4-H Club was the grand champion winner for Clothes You Make – Grades 9+ at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



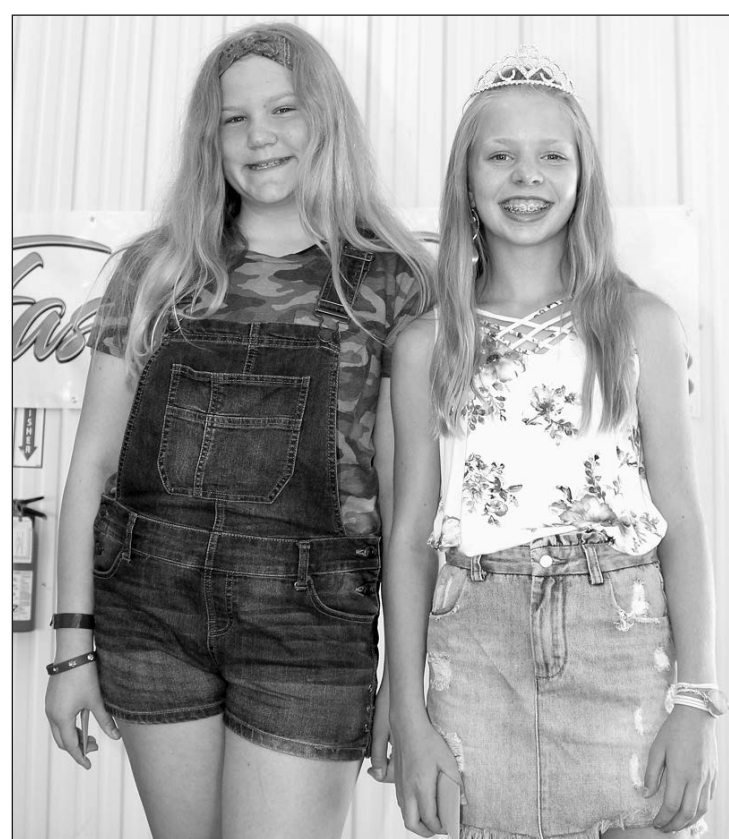
Miss Thief River Falls Kendra Sparby (left) and Miss RiverFest Claire Mattson presented the Pennington County Outstanding Senior award to Elva Fiedler of Goodridge. Fiedler received the award during the Senior Citizens Program on Friday, July 20 at the 2018 Pennington County.



Kratka 4-H Club member Emilea Johnson received a grand champion ribbon for Flower Gardening – Grades 6-8 at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



The Crafts – Grades 3-5 grand champion ribbon was Maverick Iverson of Satellite 4-H Club.



Participants in the Clothes You Buy division of the 2018 Pennington County 4-H Fashion Revue were Harper Solem (left) and Ruby Geiser, who was crowned queen. Video is online at www.trftimes.com.



The 2018 Pennington County 4-H Fashion Revue was held Sunday, July 22 during the Pennington County Fair. Participants in the Clothes You Make division included (from left) Nathan Anderson, Wyatt Halvorson holding his niece Grace (who is modeling the outfit he created), Ruby Geiser, second attendant Olivia Tougas, queen Sophia Tougas, first attendant Lily Beavis and Avery Stenvik. Video is online at www.trftimes.com.



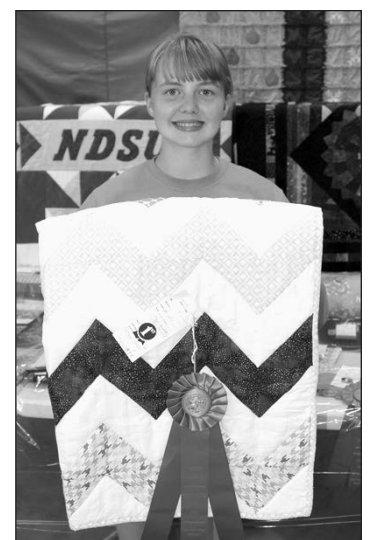
Caitlynn Ellison of Happy Acres 4-H Club was the grand champion winner of Quilting – Grades 6-8 at the 2018 Pennington County Fair



Emilea Johnson of Kratka 4-H Club received a grand champion ribbon for Vegetable Gardening – Grades 6-8 at the 2018 Pennington County Fair. Her exhibit featured five plates of vegetables.



Jordyn Skjerven of Thief River Falls won a youth grand champion ribbon for this open class horticulture project at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Caitlynn Ellison of Thief River Falls won a grand champion ribbon for this quilt in the children's sewing division of the 2018 Pennington County Fair.

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Brienne Ellison of Thief River Falls won a grand champion ribbon for this quilt in the children's sewing division of the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Kristin Farris of Goodridge won a grand champion ribbon for her canned chicken at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Lily Beavis of Kratka 4-H Club received a grand champion ribbon for indoor gardening at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Wyatt Halvorson of Kratka 4-H Club was the grand champion winner for Photography: Elements of Photography at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



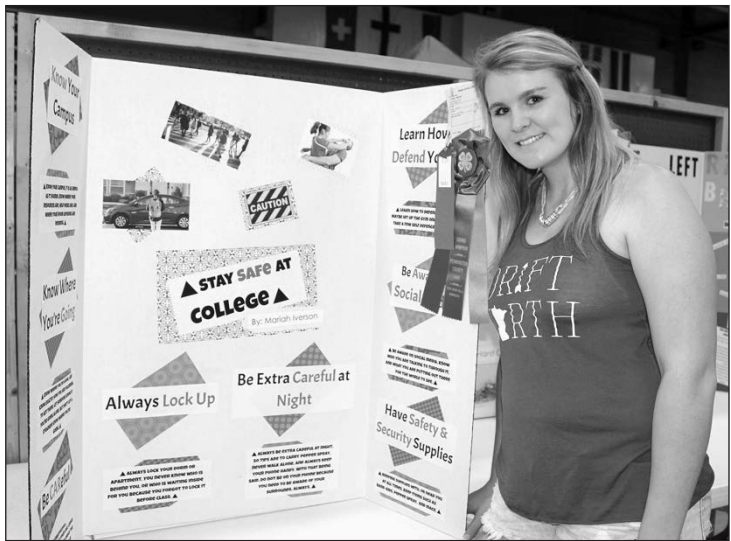
The Arts and Crafts – Grades 6-8 champion was Lily Beavis of Kratka 4-H Club.



Receiving grand champion ribbons in both Food Preservation and Foods and Nutrition – Grades 6-8 was Lily Beavis of Kratka 4-H Club.



Mason Iverson of Satellite 4-H Club received the grand champion ribbon for Fine Arts – Grades 9+ at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



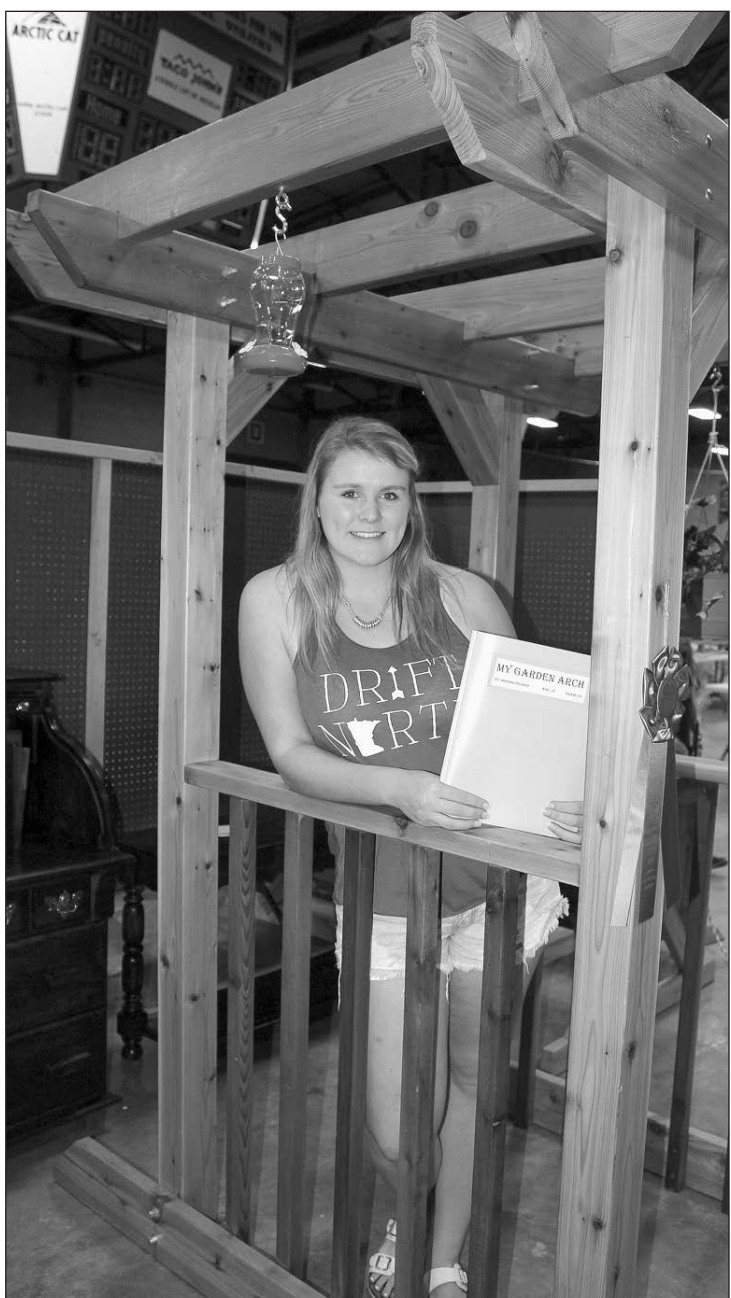
Mariah Iverson of Satellite 4-H Club received the grand champion ribbon for Safety – Grades 9+ at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Hannah Bugge of Silverton 4-H Club won a grand champion ribbon for Health – Grades 3-5 at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



The Photography: Photo Manipulation – Grades 9+ grand champion ribbon went to Kristin Farris of Highland 4-H Club.



The Shop – Grades 9+ grand champion ribbon went to Mariah Iverson of Satellite 4-H Club.



Mickaela Renwick of Silverton 4-H Club received a grand champion ribbon for Fine Arts – Grades 3-5 at the 2018 Pennington County Fair. (Submitted)

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Sophia Tougas of Happy Acres 4-H Club won the grand champion ribbon in Foods & Nutrition – Grades 3-5 at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Kristin Farris of Highland 4-H Club received the Youth Leadership grand champion ribbon at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



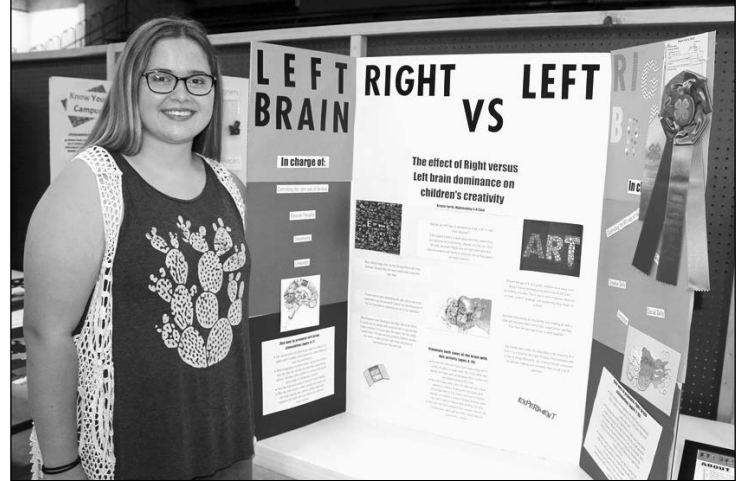
Winning the grand champion ribbon in Home Environment – Grades 9+ was Kristin Farris of Highland 4-H Club.



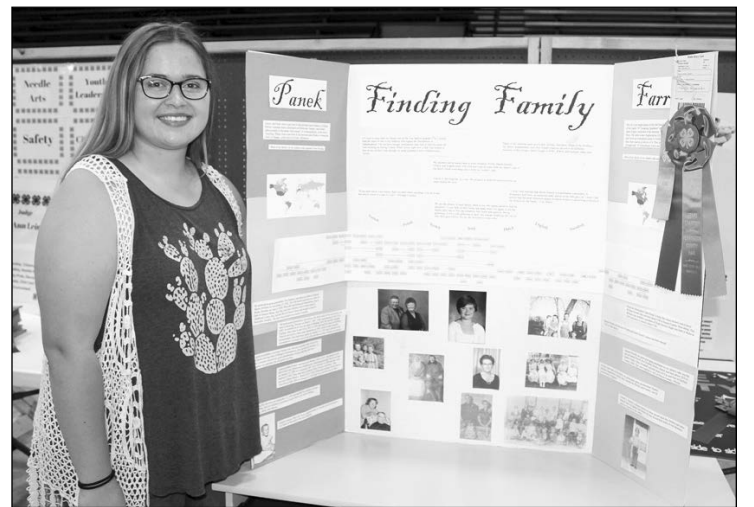
Satellite 4-H Club member Mariah Iverson received the grand champion ribbon for Crafts – Grades 9+ at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Olivia Tougas of Happy Acres 4-H Club won the grand champion ribbon for Needle Arts – Grades 6-8 at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Grand champion ribbon for Child & Family Development went to Kristin Farris of Highland 4-H Club.



Highland 4-H Club member Kristin Farris received the grand champion ribbon for Global Connections – Grades 9+ at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Silverton 4-H Club member Hannah Bugge received a grand champion ribbon for Safety – Grades 3-5 at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



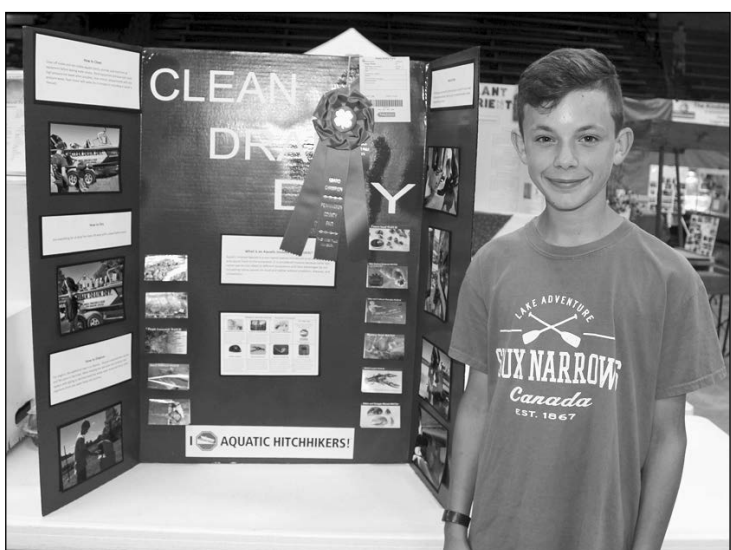
Brianne Ellison of Happy Acres 4-H Club won the grand champion ribbon for Needle Arts – Grades 3-5.



The Scrapbooking – Grades 9+ grand champion ribbon went to Kristin Farris of Highland 4-H Club.



The Cats – Grades 6-8 grand champion ribbon went to Olivia Mooney, an independent member of 4-H.



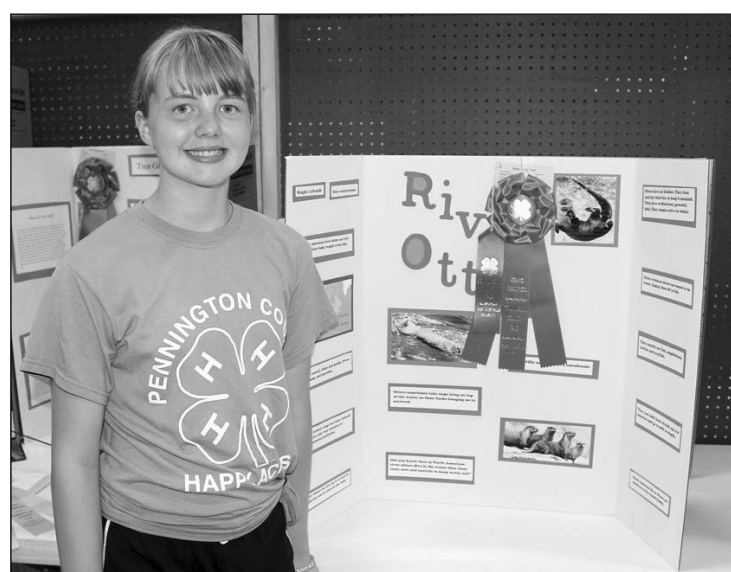
Nolan Enge of Silverton 4-H Club won the Fishing Sports – Grades 6-8 grand champion ribbon at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



The Pets – Grades 6-8 grand champion winner was Caitlynn Ellison of Happy Acres 4-H Club.



2018 Pennington County Fair Talent Contest winners included open class winner Caleb Richardson singing "Free Fallin," pre-teen winner Brynn Olson (center) singing and playing the ukulele to "Flashlight," and teen winner Britton Fuglseth singing "Hallelujah." They each received \$100 and a chance to represent Pennington County at the Minnesota State Fair.



Happy Acres 4-H Club member Caitlynn Ellison won the Wildlife Biology – Grades 6-8 grand champion ribbon at the 2018 Pennington County Fair.

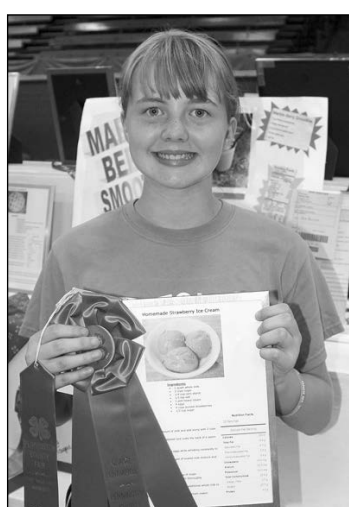
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The Veterinary Science – Grades 3-5 grand champion winner was Brienne Ellison of Happy Acres 4-H Club.



Caitlynn Ellison of Happy Acres 4-H Club won the Foods: Dairy grand champion ribbon.



Food Preservation – Grades 9+ grand champion winner was Kristin Farris of Highlanding 4-H Club.



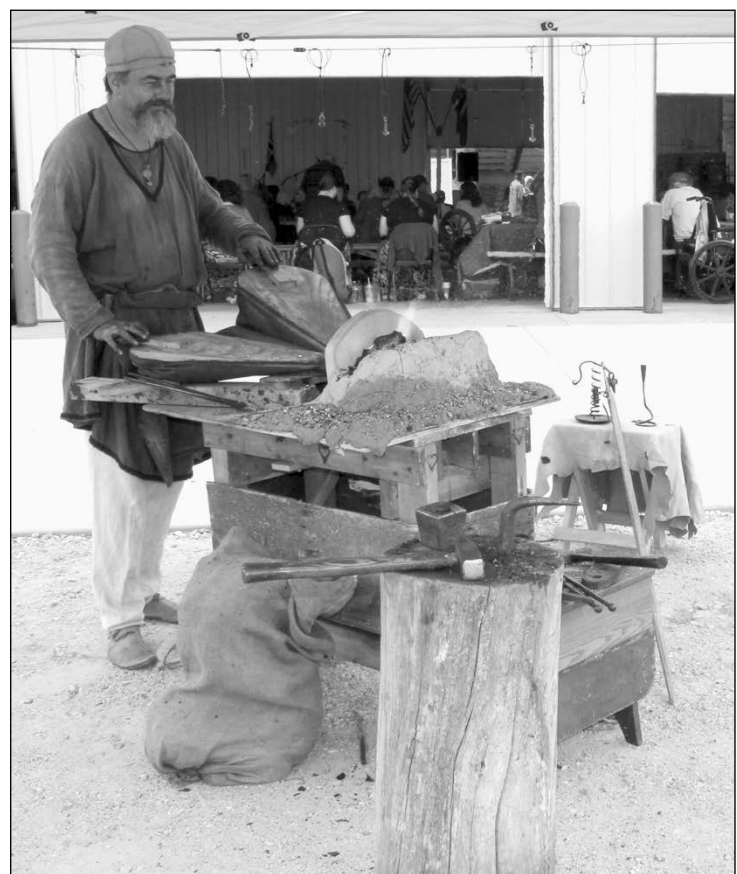
Foods: Meats grand champion winner was Brienne Ellison of Happy Acres 4-H Club.



Foods & Nutrition – Grades 9+ grand champion winner was Kristin Farris of Highlanding 4-H Club.



Julie Elick of Roseau spoke about her trip to visit Norway during Norwegian Day at the Fair on Saturday, July 21. Elick is holding up her ancestry chart, which features 16 generations.



Doug Swenson demonstrated forging Saturday, July 21 during Norwegian Day at the Fair.



Avyn Halvorson (left) kept a close eye on Galen Anderson's lefse-making work during Norwegian Day at the Fair on Saturday, July 21.

Results announced for 4-H general exhibits

The following is a list of grand champion and reserve grand champion winners from judging of the 4-H general exhibits at the 2018 Pennington County Fair. Grand champion and reserve grand champion ribbons weren't awarded in all categories or classes as some classes didn't have any entries.

- Cat – Grades 6-8 – Champion: Olivia Mooney
- Child and Family Development – Grades 9+ – Champion: Kristin Farris
- Crafts – Grades 3-5 – Champion: Maverick Iverson and reserve: McKenna Carr; Grades 6-8 – Champion: Lily Beavis; and Grades 9+ – Champion: Mariah Iverson and reserve: Kristin Farris
- Crop Sciences: Small Grains & Legumes – Grades 6-8 – Champion: Isaac Johnson; Grades 9+ – Champion and reserve: Lisa Kolseth
- Exploring Animals – Grades 6-8 – Caitlynn Ellison
- Exploring the Environment – Grades 3-5 – Briley Olsonawski
- Fine Arts – Grades 3-5 – Champion: Mickaela Renwick and reserve: Ryan Flaagan; Grades 6-8 – Champion: Anita Foster and reserves: Anna Mickolio and Anita Foster; Grades 9+ – Champion: Mason Iverson and reserves: Wyatt Halvorson and Kristin Farris
- Fishing Sports – Grades 6-8 – Champion: Nolan Enge and reserve: Nolan Liedberg
- Flower Gardening – Grades 3-5 – Champion: Sophia Johnson and reserve: Genevieve McMullen; Grades 6-8 – Emilea Johnson and reserve: Dane Arveson; Grades 9+ – Champion: Gabriel Arveson
- Food Preservation – Grades 6-8 – Champion and reserve: Lily Beavis; Grades 9+ – Champion: Kristin Farris and reserve: Mariah Iverson
- Foods & Nutrition – Grades 3-5 – Champion: Sophia Tougas and reserve: Ruby Geiser; Grades 6-8 – Champion: Lily Beavis and reserve: Anastasia Williams; Grades 9+ – Champion: Kristin Farris and reserve: Amber Koski
- Foods: Bread – Champion: Hailey Liedberg and reserve: Lisa Kolseth
- Foods: Dairy Foods – Champion: Caitlynn Ellison
- Foods: Meats – Champion: Brienne Ellison
- Forest Resources – Grades 6-8 – Champion: Isaac Johnson
- Global Connections – Grades 9+ – Champion: Kristin Farris
- Health – Grades 3-5 – Champion: Hannah Bugge; Grades 9+ – Champion: Hailey Liedberg and reserve: Kristin Farris
- Home Environment – Grades 9+ – Champion: Kristin Farris
- Indoor Gardening –

- Grades 6-8 – Champion: Lily Beavis and reserve: Emilea Johnson
- Needle Arts – Grades 3-5 – Champion: Brienne Ellison; Grades 6-8 – Champion: Olivia Tougas
- Pets – Grades 6-8 – Champion: Caitlynn Ellison and reserve: Lily Beavis
- Photography – Elements of Photography – Champion: Ryan Flaagan and reserve: Hannah Bugge; Grades 6-8 – Champion: Abigail Flaagan and reserve: Lily Beavis; Grades 9+ – Champion: Wyatt Halvorson and reserve: Amber Koski
- Photography: Photo Manipulation – Grades 3-5 – Champion: McKenna Carr; Grades 9+ – Champion: Kristin Farris and reserve: Jacqueline Zaviska
- Plant & Soil Sciences – Grades 6-8 – Champion: Dane Arveson; Grades 9+ – Champion: Gabriel Arveson and reserve: Mariah Iverson
- Potatoes – Grades 3-5 – Champion: Sophia Johnson
- Safety – Grades 3-5 – Champion: Hannah Bugge; Grades 9+ – Champion: Mariah Iverson
- Scrapbooking – Grades 3-5 – Champion: Sophia Johnson; Grades 9+ – Kristin Farris
- Shooting Sports & Wildlife – Grades 3-5 – Champion: Briley Olsonawski
- Shop – Grades 3-5 – Champion: Maverick Iverson and reserve: Briley Olsonawski; Grades 6-8 – Champion: Nolan Liedberg and reserve: Lily Beavis; Grades 9+ – Champion: Mariah Iverson and reserves: Cooper Olsonawski and Mason Iverson

- Vegetable Gardening – Grades 3-5 – Champion: Sophia Johnson; Grades 6-8 – Emilea Johnson
- Veterinary Science – Champion: Brienne Ellison
- Wildlife Biology – Grades 3-5 – Champion: Brienne Ellison; Grades 6-8 – Champion: Caitlynn Ellison
- Youth Leadership – Grades 9+ – Champion: Kristin Farris
- Video – Grades 9+ – Champion: Kristin Farris
- Club Projects – Club Banner – First place: Kratka 4-H Club, second place: Highlanding 4-H Club and third place: Happy Acres 4-H Club
- Club Scrapbook – First place: Kratka 4-H Club, second place: Happy Acres 4-H Club and third place: Highlanding 4-H Club
- Community Pride – Kratka 4-H Club
- Clothing & Textiles Day Projects – Clothes You Make – Grades 3-5 – Champion: Sophia Tougas and reserve: Ruby Geiser; Grades 6-8 – Champion: Lily Beavis and reserve: Olivia Tougas;

- Grades 9+ – Champion: Wyatt Halvorson
- Clothes You Buy – Grades 3-5 – Champion: Ruby Geiser and reserve: Harper Solem
- Quilting – Grades 3-5 – Champion: Brienne Ellison; Grades 6-8 – Caitlynn Ellison
- Part of the livestock exhibits) – Zoonotics – Grades 9+ – Champion: Elaina Knott
- Food Revue and Performing Arts Day – Food Revue – Grade 3-5 – Champion: Brienne Ellison; Grades 6-8 – Champion: Lily Beavis
- Performing Arts – Grades 3-5 – Champion: Odin Mooney and reserve: Sophia Eidsmoe; Grades 9+ – Tyler Sele
- Demonstrations – Eligible demonstrations were given as part of the livestock shows at the County Fair.
- Goat Demonstration – Champion: Brienne and Caitlynn Ellison
- Beef Demonstration – Champion: Briley Olsonawski



The North Country Fiddle Group performed Saturday, July 21 at Norwegian Day at the Fair.



Pennington County's 2019 Red River Valley Emerging Leaders were announced Sunday, July 22 at the 2018 Pennington County Fair. They are (far left) Nathan and Kristen Haase with their daughter, Henley. They were announced by the 2018 Emerging Leaders (far right) Kaylee and Ryan St. Germain with their children, Chase and Clarice. Sponsored by the University of Minnesota Extension, the program strengthens leadership in rural Minnesota.

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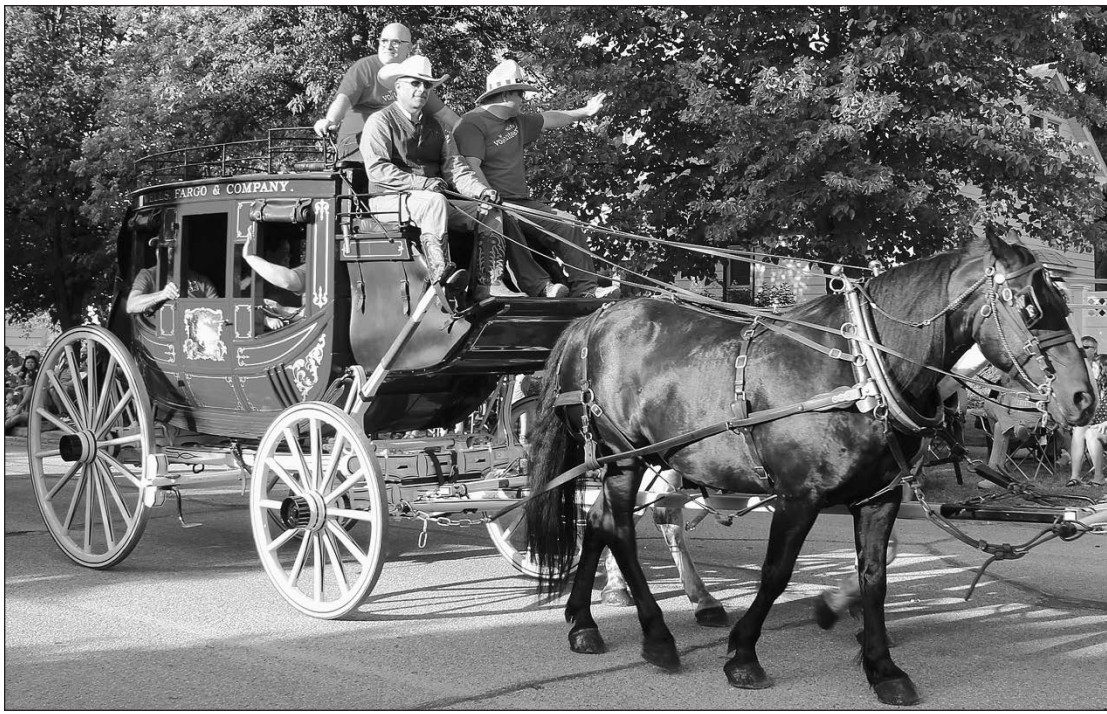
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A team of horses led Wells Fargo's entry in the 2018 Pennington County Fair Parade on Wednesday, July 18. Video of the parade is online at www.trftimes.com.



A group of pirates encouraged the public to check out the Wired Bean during the 2018 Pennington County Fair Parade on Wednesday, July 18. Video of the parade is online at www.trftimes.com.



The Oakland Park Communities group was decked in red, white and blue as part of its float at the 2018 Pennington County Fair Parade on Wednesday, July 18. Video of the parade is online at www.trftimes.com.



State Farm – Sally Wolff Agency asked the public to stop by and bug staff for a quote as part of its entry in the 2018 Pennington County Fair Parade. The agency also made sure that parade-goers had enough candy while watching the parade Wednesday, July 18. Video of the parade is online at www.trftimes.com.



BNJ Plumbing clears the way for residential and commercial properties. It entered this float in the 2018 Pennington County Fair Parade on Wednesday, July 18. Video is online at www.trftimes.com.



The Thief River Falls Fire Department showcased its 1934 fire truck during the 2018 Pennington County Fair Parade. Driver/firefighter Mike Spears drove the truck while accompanied by (front) Trista Spears holding A.J. Fay, and (back) Shawna Spears and Nora Fay. Video of the parade is online at www.trftimes.com.

Results announced for the County Fair Parade

The results are in for the 2018 Pennington County Fair Parade, which was held Wednesday, July 18 in Thief River Falls.

- First place: Just For Kix
- Second place: St. Bernard's Catholic School
- Most Original: Thief River Falls Beards and Beers Festival
- Most Prowler Pride: Thief River Falls Takedown Club
- Most Patriotic: Thief River Care Center
- Best Vintage Vehicle or Farm Implement: Richard Kostrzewski

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Cowboy Marcus Mast scored 88 points for this first section ride of Humberto Friday night at Thunder on Hooves.



Zane Cook of Fort Gibson, Okla., is bucked off the bull known as Big Bad John during Thunder on Hooves Friday, July 20.



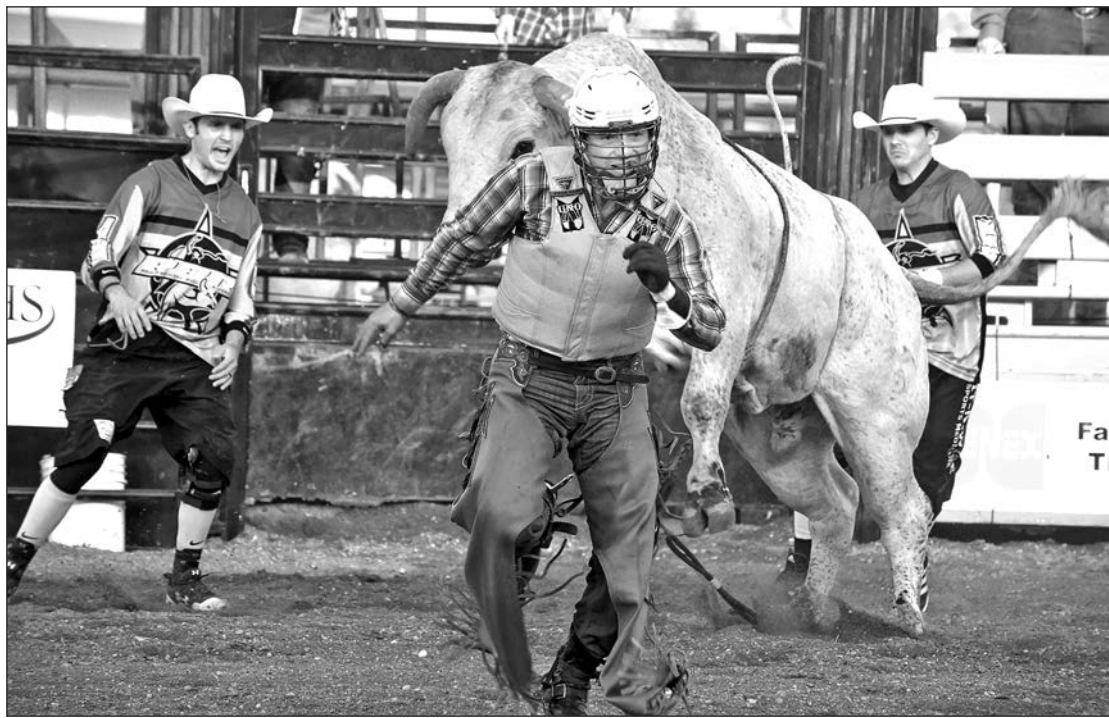
Barrelman Justin Leggett entertained crowds both nights at Thunder on Hooves.



Ezekiel Mitchell went four-for-four in Hooves Friday, July 20. ride attempts during Thunder on



One of the young spectators at Thunder on Hooves Saturday appeared to enjoy the event.



Couldn't help but think, "Run Forest, Run!", as a bull he got tossed from decided to go after him. The bullfighters stepped in and distracted the bull long enough for the rider to get away.



A hero for the crowd is recognized by the PBR Thunder on Hooves Saturday in Justin Leggett, the clown performing for Thief River Falls.



Zac Peterson of Velva, N.D., was completely airborne during this 80-point ride of First Class during Thunder on Hooves Friday, July 20.



Weston Hartmann of Mandan, N.D. the Friday night session of Thunder on Hooves at the Pennington County Fair. scored 82.5 points for this ride during

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Bullfighters work as a team to keep this bull away from a fallen bull rider.



Joey Halvorson, 14, rams into the number 13 car driven by Jamie Souve during the opening heat of the '80s and newer class at the Pennington County Fair

Demolition Derby. Souve won the heat and went on to finish fifth in the feature.



Cody Hoffart was unbeaten during the 2018 Pennington County Fair Demolition Derby. Hoffart won both his

qualifying heat and the '80s and Newer feature during the derby held Sunday, July 22.



Trucks driven by eventual champion Adam Koralewski, left, and fifth place finisher Jeremy Sovde, right, became entangled during the pickup feature.

The 2018 Pennington County Fair Demolition Derby was held Sunday, July 22.



Third place finisher Spencer Johnson, left, smashes into the passenger side door of the truck driven by Dustin Miller

during the pickup feature Sunday, July 22 at the Pennington County Fair.

2018 Pennington County Fair 4-H Livestock results

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| <p>Beef
Breeding Heifer Champion - Noah Rupprecht; Reserve - Alanis Rupprecht
Market Beef Champion: Alanis Rupprecht; Reserve - Noah Rupprecht
Cow/Calf Pair Champion - Alanis Rupprecht; Reserve - Jacey Larson
Senior Showmanship Champion - Alanis Rupprecht; Reserve - Noah Rupprecht
Junior Showmanship Champion - Jacey Larson; Reserve - Wade Nelson
Top Rate of Gain: Noah Rupprecht, Market Steer - 3.01 pounds per day
Dairy
Overall Dairy Champion - Jacey Larson; Reserve - Ty Larson;
Top Calf Champion - Ruby Geiser; Reserve - Ty Larson;
Dairy Herd Champion - Ty Larson; Reserve - Jacey Larson</p> | <p>Larson
Junior Showmanship Champion - Jacey Larson; Reserve - Ty Larson
Top Dairy Production: Jacey Larson
Dairy Goat
Overall Dairy Goat Champion - Brianne Ellison; Reserve - Caitlynn Ellison;
Junior Showmanship Champion - Brianne Ellison; Reserve - Caitlynn Ellison
Top Dairy Goat Production - Eva Hurlburt
Dog
Obedience Beginner Champion - Odin Mooney
Senior Showmanship Champion - Maddie
Junior Showmanship Champion - Odin Mooney
Horse
Senior High Point Games Champion - Destiny Krueger; Reserve - Lily</p> | <p>Helm/Annie Olson (tie)
Junior High Point Games Champion - Kimberlee Miller; Reserve - Samantha Zoller
English Performance Champion - Madelyn Westlin; Reserve - Lily Helm;
Senior High Point Performance Champion - Madelyn Westlin; Reserve - Lydia Nelson;
Junior High Point Performance Champion - Kimberlee Miller; Reserve - Samantha Zoller;
Senior Overall High Point Champion - Destiny Krueger; Reserve - Madelyn Westlin;
Junior Overall High Point Champion - Kimberlee Miller; Reserve - Samantha Zoller
Meat/Market Goat
Market Goat Champion - Jacey Larson; Reserve - Kayla Geske</p> | <p>Senior Showmanship Champion - Jayce Lizakowski; Reserve - Caden Shetler;
Junior Showmanship Champion - Jacey Larson; Reserve - Kayla Geske
Poultry
White Egg Production Champion - Kristin Farris; Reserve - Jayce Lizakowski
Brown Egg Production Champion - Briley Olsonawski; Reserve - Cooper Olsonawski
Standard Breeding Pen Champion - Jayce Lizakowski; Reserve - Kristin Farris
Bantam Breeding Pen Champion - Jayce Lizakowski; Reserve - Kristin Farris
Market Pen Champion - Cooper Olsonawski; Reserve - Briley Olsonawski
Show and Hobby Champion (Other Poultry) - Genevieve McMullen</p> | <p>Poultry Interview Champion - Elaina Knott; Reserve - Anna Knott
Overall Poultry Champion - Kristin Farris
Senior Showmanship Champion - Elaina Knott; Reserve - Anna Knott
Junior Showmanship Champion - Blaine Torstveit; Reserve - Olivia Mooney
Rabbit
Overall Rabbit Champion - Wyatt Halvorson; Reserve - Anna Knott
Market Rabbit Champion - Olivia Mooney; Reserve - Odin Mooney
Senior Showmanship Champion - Wyatt Halvorson; Reserve - Elaina Knott
Junior Showmanship Champion - Genevieve McMullen; Reserve - Sophia Johnson
Sheep</p> | <p>Breeding Ewe Champion - Kale Geiser; Reserve - Ruby Geiser;
Market Lamb Champion - Ruby Geiser; Reserve - Kale Geiser
Senior Showmanship Champion - Kristin Farris
Junior Showmanship Champion - Kale Geiser; Reserve - Ruby Geiser
Top Rate of Gain - Ruby Geiser, Market Wether - .71 pounds per day
Swine
Breeding Gilt Champion - Lydia Nelson; Reserve - Kayla Nelson;
Market Hog Champion - Ty Larson (barrow); Reserve - Ty Larson (gilt)
Senior Showmanship Champion - Jayce Lizakowski; Reserve - Kayla Nelson
Junior Showmanship Champion - Nolan Liedberg; Reserve - Lydia Nelson</p> |
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A young girl closes her eyes and clings to a sheep during the Mutton Busting event held during the PBR Thunder on Hooves Saturday.



This Chad Berger Bucking Bull seems to think it can fly. In this picture, it's actually past its apex and on its way back to earth. It's almost as if it wanted to join everyone in the party deck.



This bull rider twists to hang on as a bull from Chad Berger Bucking Bulls takes him on a ride Saturday during the 2018 Thunder on Hooves.

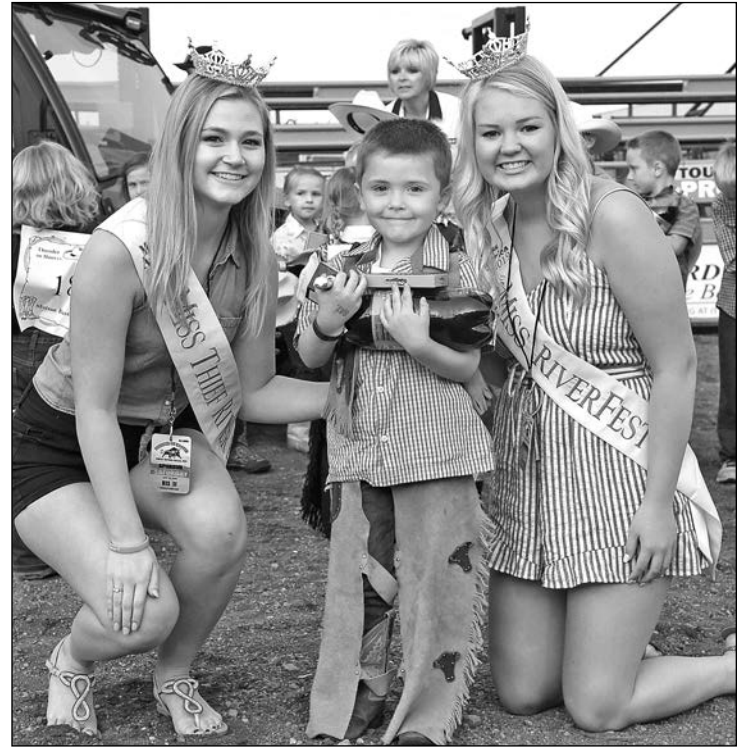
Bullfighters perform a life-saving duty. This bull didn't care for the cowboy who attempted to sit on his back and was about to let the cowboy know about it when the bullfighter stepped in.



Justin Leggett, the clown for this year's PBR Thunder on Hooves, had fun with members of the crowd Saturday night.



Ruby Kruchowski was the Best Dressed Cowgirl during the Mutton Busting event held Saturday during the PBR Thunder on Hooves. Miss Thief River Falls Kendra Sparby and Miss RiverFest Claire Mattson present her with her awards.



Owen Wellman was the Best Dressed Cowboy during the Mutton Busting event held Saturday during the PBR Thunder on Hooves. Miss Thief River Falls Kendra Sparby and Miss RiverFest Claire Mattson presented him his awards.

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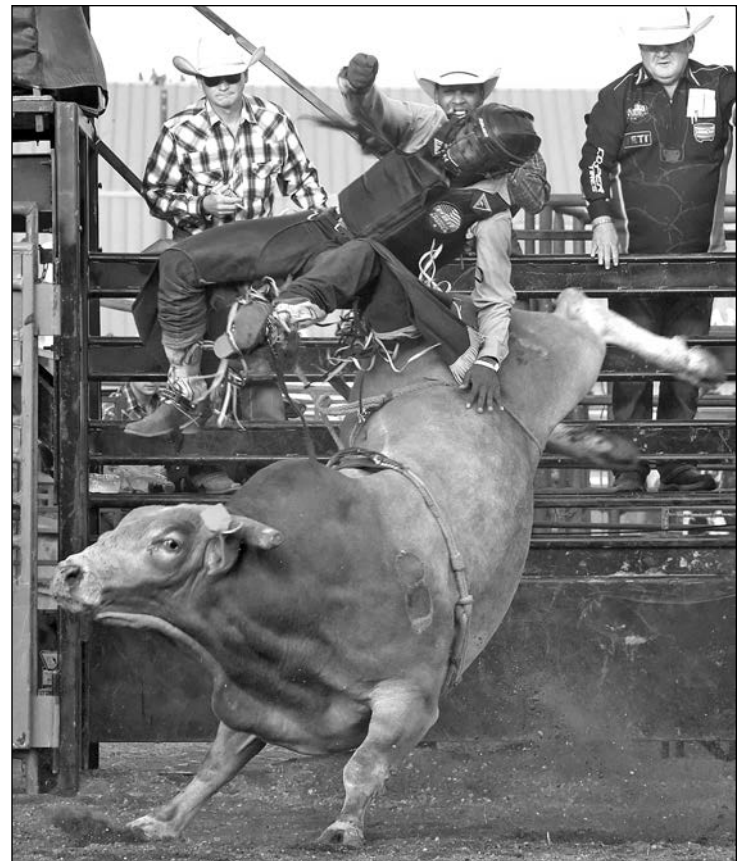
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Channing Klaven was the high point rider during the Mutton Busting competition held Saturday during Thunder on Hooves. His awards were presented to him by Miss Thief River Falls Kendra Sparby and Miss RiverFest Claire Mattson.



This cowboy got launched into the air by the Chad Berger Bucking Bull he was trying to ride Saturday during the PBR Thunder on Hooves.



The WoodPicks led off the Thursday night grandstand entertainment. A large crowd enjoyed the performance during the 117th Pennington County Fair.



Back Behind the Barn Boys performed to a crowd at the 117th Pennington County Fair Thursday night.



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The WoodPicks' Milo Ballingrud, on banjo, and Joe Kezar, on harmonica, played a duet during the grandstand entertainment Thursday at the 117th Pennington County Fair.



Terry and Joan Lubitz were inducted into the Pennington County 4-H Hall of Fame on Thursday, July 19 during the 2018 Pennington County Fair.



Tylas Northup looked to the crowd as he pedaled his way to a 23 foot, 1 inch finish in the 6-year-old division of the Kids' Pedal Pull. Portions of the pedal pull are online at www.trftimes.com.



Colton Huth pedaled his way to a second place finish in the 6-year-old division of the Kids' Pedal Pull. He was escorted by the Pedal Pull crew as Maryl Anderson cheered him on in the background. Portions of the pedal pull are online at www.trftimes.com.

Open class project results

The following is a list of the grand champions in the open class at the 2018 Pennington County Fair. They are listed by departments.

Sewing - Andrea Borsvold, quilt, and Lindsay Foy, quilt.

Youth Sewing - Brianne Ellison, and Caitlynn Ellison.

Adult Culinary - Margaret Rupperecht, rosettes; and Kristin Farris, canned chicken.

Kids Culinary - Carleigh Iverson, oatmeal raisin cookie; and Bennett Iverson, triple berry jam;

Adult Red Star Yeast - Carol Narverud, German bread; Tim Keefe, wild rice bread; and Sharon Johnson, white buns;

Adult photography - Whitney Rupperecht, a photo of a cow in sunflower field; and Sue Dupree, a photo of Banff, Alberta, Canada;

Sewing - Michelle Hickman, quilt; Birdie Desrocher, pillow case;

Malts, Beer and Wine -

John Bohnenkamp, root beer; Mike Lane, mead; Mike Lane, pilsner shandy; Randy Carpenter, cherry wine;

Needlework - Sarah Villanueva; Carol Hanson; **Senior Citizen Z** - Fred Hartmann Sr., bird house; Alfreda Bach, quilt;

Senior Citizen Y - Susy Dowers, hooked rug; Dennis Lee, acrylic painting;

Children's photography - Kaitlyn Sandon, sunrise over shore; Katelynn Nordine, gold water;

Children's Arts and Crafts (8 and under) - Adalyn Boutain, Lego kit; Brayden Muetzel, sand art;

Household Arts (Adult) - Janet Osborn, pen, ink and watercolor landscape;

Children's Arts and Crafts (Ages 9-12) - Jorja Salo, butterfly display; Matthew Nordine, string art bear;

Woodworking - Bill Fogarty, fall flower basket; Duane Kotrba, large tractor toy; Mark Helgeland, book cabinet;



Rubens Barbosa of Iaciara, Goias, Brazil, was the overall PBR Thunder on Hooves winner in Thief River Falls. The Thunder on Hooves belt buckle was presented to him by Gayleen and Kent Kainz of the PBR Thunder on Hooves Board of Directors.



Lubitzes inducted into 4-H Hall of Fame

Terry and Joan Lubitz were inducted into the Pennington County 4-H Hall of Fame on Thursday, July 19 during the 2018 Pennington County Fair.

The couple had their first kiss at the Steiner Town Hall, when both were in 4-H. Their wedding dance was also held there. All three of the Lubitz children graduated from 4-H.

The couple served as leaders of Steiner 4-H Club for 10+ years. They started 4-H shooting sports, funding equipment for youth. The couple also taught 4-Hers how to curl as part of an international curling event in Canada.

While serving as the state president of the Eagles organization, Terry raised \$5,000 for Pennington County 4-H. The money was used to update equipment in the food stand.

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Crazy Dance was one of the rides on the midway at the 2018 Pennington County Fair that appealed to many.



Veteran demolition derby driver Nathan Riepe was injured after his truck was hit illegally in the driver's side door. Thief River Falls firefighters and medical personnel with Thief River Falls Area Ambulance responded quickly.



Stetson Brown tries his luck at a bottle ring game at the 2018 Pennington County Fair. It had already been a successful morning for his sister Lilly Brown (right). Their mom, Lindsey, was left to carry their winnings.



A young Mutton Busting competitor focuses and holds tightly to the lamb about to give him a ride. The action took place Saturday during Thunder on Hooves.



Young cowboys and cowgirls competed in the mutton busting portion of Thunder on Hooves Friday, July 20. This year, all participants were required to wear helmets. Sheep were provided by Doug Kilen and Bagley/Winger Livestock.



Justin Leggett, clown for the 2018 PBR Thunder on Hooves became "The Great Pastrami" as he jumped nine trucks on a motorcycle Saturday during the 2018 Thunder on Hooves



Dressed the part, Kooper Geiser put all of his might into pedalling during the 5-year-old division of the Kids' Pedal Pull. The event was held Sunday, July 22 at the 2018 Pennington County Fair. Portions of the pedal pull are online at www.trftimes.com.



"Grin and bear it" may have been the motto for Kallie Houske in the 5-year-old division of the Kids' Pedal Pull. The event was held Sunday, July 22 at the 2018 Pennington County Fair. Portions of the pedal pull are online at www.trftimes.com.