



Scarecrow Competition & Display: Registration Form

New This Year:

Sunday, September 21 · 11:00 am – 4:00 pm

\$30 Fence Post Entry Fee



**Saint Mary
Hospital**

Winners receive: 1st Place - \$100; 2nd Place - \$50; 3rd Place - \$25 BTPD Gift Card
Contest is open to Businesses, Non-Profit, Schools, Youth Organizations, Individuals and Families.

Name of Business/Organization/Individual: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____

OFFICE INFO

Scarecrow Frame: ☐ YES ☐ NO Number Assigned: _____

Submit completed Scarecrow Competition & Display Registration Form and \$30 Registration Fee and bring to Perry Farm House, 459 N. Kennedy Drive, Bourbonnais, beginning **Tuesday, September 2, 2025**
Farm House is open Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Decorating rules on back of form



Questions? Email meganb@btpd.org or call 815-933-9905

Scarecrow Information & Guidelines

12th Annual Scarecrow Contest September 21 through October 31

\$30 Registration Fee (Frame Included)

Scarecrow Check-In At Exploration Station

Friday, September 19 · 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. or Saturday, September 20 · 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

MATERIALS RECOMMENDED FOR SCARECROWS:

- Chicken wire
- Straw
- Disposable shopping bags as fillers
- Strung beads
- Fabric & Old Clothing
- Corn husks and stalks
- Wood items
- Plastic milk bottles
- Yarn
- Plastic Containers

**Straw Bales
For Sale At Set-Up**

\$10 per bale

INFORMATION & GUIDELINES:

- **Scarecrow Frames** can be picked up at Perry Farm House, Monday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Do not alter frames but feel free to attach items.
- **Display Requirements:** Attach business/organization names to displays (not on individual/family entries). Use bungee cords, rope, or zip ties—no tape or damaging substances to the fence.
- **Set-Up:** All Scarecrows must be in place by 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 20. Registration fee is nonrefundable. Scarecrows will be between cornstalks and labeled with a number. Numbers are assigned in the order you register. You will be given a number when completing registration. Please make sure you are on the correct post!
- **Design Guidelines:** Use your most creative ideas within the bounds of acceptable public display. Displays should be PG-rated. We have the right to remove if we deem it is not suitable. Be sure to construct your Scarecrow for durability. Remember that it will have to withstand rainy and windy October weather.
- **Judging & Voting:** Judging on Sunday, September 21. Winners announced Monday, September 22, on social media. People's Choice voting is 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., \$1 donation per vote.
- **Clean Up:** Remove all decorations and stuffing by Sunday, November 2. Return your frame to the Perry Farm House or Exploration Station and label it with your scarecrow number. NEW – A compost trailer will be on site November 1st and 2nd from 10:00 a.m – 2:00 p.m. to dispose of compostable items like pumpkins and straw bales.
- **Transport:** Wagons are available at the Maintenance Barn to borrow in getting your supplies to your scarecrow post. **DO NOT drive on Kennedy Drive sidewalk.**

Bourbonnais Township Park District is not responsible for scarecrows and/or decorations that are missing, stolen or lost.

Saturday, Nov. 1
Sunday, Nov. 2
10 am – 2 pm

Discard your used pumpkins, straw, cornstalks after event with on-site trailer!



For more information, call (815) 933-9905 or visit www.btpd.org