

# OTSEGO COUNTY FAIR 2017 HOMEMAKER OF THE YEAR

Send entry to Otsego County Fair, P.O. Box 500, Gaylord, MI 49734-0500

Questions call 989-732-3811

Entry form, fees, essay and a snapshot of contestant must be submitted no later than August 6, 2017

**General Rules:**

- This contest is open to Otsego County and surrounding area male or female residents, age 18 and older.
- We must have more than one contestant, if not we will cancel the contest and you entry fee will be refunded.
- Entry fee \$10.00
- Homemaker winners from previous years are not eligible to compete.
- All exhibits must be made by the exhibitor, have been completed since the 2016 Fair and comply with all the rules for exhibiting.
- Must bring your own table 30" x 30".
- You must bring your entries in on Sunday, August 13, from noon – 3pm to be judged. Monday exhibitor will arrange their display (see superintendent for time and designated area) consisting of entries that were on the homemaker entry form that were judged on Sunday. Other articles may be used in the display and cannot be from this year's fair or have tags or ribbons. These items will not be used to count points.
- Must have interview with judge. (Set-up time with superintendent.)

Homemaker will be judged on a point system. 5 points will be awarded for each Gold Ribbon, 3 points for each first place ribbon, 2 points for each second place and 1 point for each third place. In addition, up to 5 points will be given for creativity of your display area; up to 5 points for each of your answers in the essay (possible 35 points) and up to 10 points for the interview with the judge. You can earn an extra 5 points by volunteering 5 hours or more at the Otsego County Fair during the current year. Otsego County Fair Homemaker will be the individual who earns the most points. Should a tie occur, the judge conducting the interview will break the tie.



**Vicki Messinis  
2016  
Homemaker of the Year**

**DEPARTMENT 200, SECTION 001, CLASS 100**

- Homemaker..... \$100.00, a plaque and special gifts
- 1<sup>st</sup> Runner-up.....\$75.00
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner-up.....\$50.00
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Runner-up.....\$25.00

Homemakers of today have either full-time homemaking careers or may combine homemaking with a career outside of their home. Your written essay should reflect how you cope with some of the problems of our complex and rapidly changing world.

Please include the answers to the following in your essay. Longer answers are not necessarily better.

1. What is most important to you in your life?
2. Describe your involvements in the Fair. Include departments entered and awards won.
3. Describe volunteer participation/activities (fair, school, church, community, organizations, etc) Note any leadership roles.
4. How would you describe the title "Homemaker"?
5. What aspects of homemaking do you enjoy and why?
6. Explain the importance of the Otsego County Fair to the community.
7. List hobbies by preference.
8. As well as everlasting peace and health, if you could have three wishes, what would they be?

## HOMEMAKER OF THE YEAR 2017 APPLICATION

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTHDATE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY/ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

MARITAL STATUS: SINGLE \_\_\_\_\_ MARRIED \_\_\_\_\_ DIVORCED \_\_\_\_\_ WIDOWED \_\_\_\_\_

CHILDREN'S NAMES & AGES \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF GRANDCHILDREN \_\_\_\_\_ NUMBER OF GREAT GRANDCHILDREN \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE' S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU WORK OUTSIDE YOUR HOME? \_\_\_\_\_ OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_

HAVE YOU EVER PARTICIPATED IN THE OTSEGO COUNTY FAIR? \_\_\_\_\_ # OF YEARS \_\_\_\_\_

Use this entry form for your Homemaker entries. Do not add any other entries on the form with you Homemaker entries. List the classes you will be entering as part of this contest on this entry form.

Exhibitor must have one item from five of the following six departments and submit the entry fee of \$.25 per item.

- Department 40, Needlework, Section 001-012
- Department 41, Culinary Arts, Section 001-007 & 016-018
- Department 42, Fine Arts, Section 001-021
- Department 44, Photography, Section 001-002
- Department 47, Floriculture, 001-004
- Department 48, Horticulture, Section 001

Please list the classes you will be entering as part of the homemaker contest, each class number is 25¢

Department	Section	Class	Article	Fee
200	001	100	Homemaker	\$10.00

Homemaker Fee: \$ 10.00

Number of Entries: 5 x 25¢ \$ 1.25

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ 11.25