## **Blue Ribbon Pie Contest - Entry Rules**

- 1. There are four categories that will be judged. The baker selects which category they wish to enter their pie(s).
  - a. One Crust
  - b. Two Crust
  - c. Specialty
  - d. Main Dish
- A SINGLE BAKER MAY ENTER PIES IN TWO OF THE FOUR CATEGORIES. WE CAN NO LONGER ACCEPT A SINGLE BAKER TO ENTER A PIE IN EACH OF THE FOUR CATEGORIES.
- 3. A numerical number will be assigned to your pie when you bring it to the table. This number will be used throughout the judging process.
- 4. The contest organizers have no access to refrigeration so please plan accordingly when submitting your pies.
- 5. The pie is required to be made by the submitter/exhibitor.
- 6. The contest is open to youth, teens and adults.
- 7. Please label your serving dish with your name on the bottom of the pie plate.
- 8. Pies are to be delivered between 11:30 and noon on the day of the contest. Please show up on time.
- 9. If you are an immediate family member related to any of the judges you are required to disclose this when delivering your pie.
- 10. Judging begins at noon. The contest runs for approximately 2 hours.
- 11. Audience Tasting:
  - a. Upon completion of the judging and awards, an audience tasting opportunity is held for a small donation per slice. Audience members who wish to sample the pies must do so at their own risk.
  - b. Very small samples are cut for the Audience Tasting. We ask for a \$2.00 minimum donation per slice. An announcement will be made at the contest as to whom the donations will be given.
  - c. Please be aware that you will be asked if your pie can be cut and sold for donations. You are not required to do so.
  - d. Pies are served by designated volunteers. We ask that the audience not serve themselves.
  - e. Please be courteous to your neighbors. Please return for additional pie rather than take as much as you can during the first serving.

## 12. Judging:

- a. Judges are selected from members of the Marquette County community, when possible, by the Contest Organizers.
- b. Judging is scored on crust, filling and creativity.
- c. The judges fill out a comment sheet for each pie in each category. A numerical score and comment is included. The scores are totaled and the winning pie in each category is moved forward to determine the Grand Prize Winner.
- d. The Judges' comments will be posted after the contest is completed. These comments will not be posted on social media.
- e. Winning pies cannot be submitted in future Marquette County Pie Contests.