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Fair Celebrates 100 Years with a Contest-A-Day!

WHAT: When it comes to the Evergreen State Fair, many contests have become annual events. Fairgoers have come to expect the fun associated with blowing the biggest bubble or winning the Egg Toss with a friend. In honor of 100 years, we're planning a *Contest a Day!* Many contests represent a different decade or are connected to a particular period:

Thursday, Aug. 21: Opening Day/Kid's Day . . . Celebrating the Centennial

Bubble-Gum Blowing (competitions for three age groups)

Friday, Aug. 22: Snohomish County Ag Day . . . On the Farm

(1908-1919)

Quarter in the Haystack (three times, three different age groups: 4-5; 6-7; 8-10)

Saturday, Aug. 23: NW Life Day . . . Roarin' 20s

(1920s)

Egg Toss (no age limit)

Sunday, Aug. 24: Fiesta Sunday . . . Jump, Jive To The Fair

(1930s)

Guess the number of jelly beans (no age limit)

Monday, Aug. 25: Senior Citizen's Day . . . The Fair Wants You!

(1940s)

Guinness Record Attempt at Largest Gathering of Centenarians (Ages 100+ with proof)

Tuesday, Aug. 26: Twosday, Tuesday Happy Day . . . Happy Fair Days!

(1950s)

Hula Hoop Race (various age groups)

Wednesday, Aug. 27: Family Day . . . Peace, Love & Livestock

(1960s)

Bubble-Gum Blowing (competitions for three age groups)

Thursday, Aug. 28: Kid's Day . . . Barn to Be Wild!

(1970s)

Pie Eating (competitions for three age groups)

Friday, Aug. 29: Armed Forces Day . . . It's Not Just a Fair, It's an Adventure!

(1980s)

1980s Hairdo Contests: Four categories: Biggest, Most Colorful, Most Patriotic and Best of Show

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Saturday, Aug 30: Techno Day . . . *Discover the Fair* (1990s)

Texting Contests (three times, three different messages)

Sunday, Aug 31: EverGREEN Day . . . *Celebrating Our World* (2000-2008)

Guinness Record Attempt at Largest Hokey Pokey (no age limit)

Monday: Sep 1: To the Future and Beyond . . . *and Beyond* (2008+)

Baby Diaper Derby (crawlers only!)

WHEN: Check Web site, Fair program and daily schedules for details.

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Other contests at the Fair will include the food contests at the Snohomish County Ag Display: Chocolate Goody; Fried Chicken; Salsa; Cheesecake; Parent/Child Cookie Barn; Raspberry Fruit Spread; Apple Pie; Parent/Child Tea Party; and the Ice Cream Sundae Decorating (Adults Only!)

The Snohomish County Economic Development Division will host Grape Stomps, Ice Cream Making; Corn Shucking (for Adults and Kids); and on Armed Forces Day, a Patriotic Ice Cream Making Contest.

Then, there are radio stations and sponsors who also will have their own contests: The Karaoke Store will hold the Evergreen Country Idol Finals (winner to perform before the Gary Allan Concert) and the Air Guitar Contest. State Roofing will offer a Plinko game throughout the Fair; the Washington Lottery has a Scratch-Off offer on Tuesday, Aug. 26; KISS FM will host a Frisbee Throwing Competition; and B97.3 will have their Music Trivia Game.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

- July 10 - 13 WA ST QUARTER HORSE SHOW
Information: (360) 458-8585
- July 12 GREAT NW RABBIT SHOW
Information: (360) 568-8902
- July 12 & 13 AMERICAN PIT BULL DOG SHOW
Information: (425) 413-1482
- July 15 - 19 REGION 5 ARABIAN HORSE SHOW
Information: (253) 847-8842

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