



Lawrence Garden Club Fall Fest
Lawrence Community Scarecrow Contest

Saturday October 9, 2021
Lawrence Village Park Pavilion
www.lawrencegardenclub.com

The Lawrence Garden Club Fall Fest on October 9th introduces the first Community Scarecrow Contest. The festival is a family-friendly event that includes crafts, pumpkin bowling and Cornhole for the kids, the Community Scarecrow Contest, the Cornhole Practice Patch for the entire family, the Garden Club bake sale (donations), and free cider, plus Walt & Maries pizza and wraps (\$) all on the final day of the 2021 Lawrence Farmers Market.

It's a fun event for the whole community. Scarecrows should be handmade and family friendly. Entries in poor taste for family viewing or depicting controversial subjects will not be accepted.

- **Build your scarecrow** - Scarecrows should be homemade and at least 36 inches tall except in the Kid's Class. We need to be able to secure them to the posts of the pavilion for display or, if you choose, they can be free standing.
- **Clean up:** Cleanup will commence following the event. You will need to pick up your scarecrow by 3:00 pm.
- **If, however, you are willing,** we hope to display your creations on the light poles downtown from the 10th-31st. You will have an opportunity to opt in on your registration form.
- **Questions:** For more information see the Garden Club website (above) or FB page. Phone inquiries – 269-423-8348.

Awards will be given in the following classes:

- Kids under 12
- Individual - for the rest of us (over 12)
- Community Pride - for community and school based organizations
- People's Choice – voted on by attendees
- Judges' Grand Prize

The top three winners in each category will receive a certificate of recognition and bragging rights. The top winners in each class will receive an individualized award.

- Submit your scarecrow entry in the Village Park pavilion between 8:30-10:30 am on October 9th. They will be displayed in the pavilion during the event. There's no fee for participation but donations are always welcome.
- Voting will take place between 11:00 am and 1:00 pm.
- Winners will be announced at 1:30 pm on Saturday. You don't need to be present to win.

Your scarecrow is your responsibility. Though we anticipate guests will respect the scarecrow, The Garden Club is not responsible for any personal items that may be lost, stolen, or damaged during the event. The Garden Club is not responsible for lost or damaged scarecrow items.

Scarecrow festivals are a unique community event with a long global history. We are grateful for your participation in the inaugural Garden Club event. We thank you in advance for following these rules to ensure the success and sustainability of the event!

Helpful websites:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SPsCBLDLxFs> Scarecrow building basics

<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/387731849174389156/?d=t&mt=login> Tons of great ideas – don't limit yourself to the traditional scarecrow design. Let your imagination soar!

The Lawrence Branch Library, VBDL, will be holding Scarecrow Workshops later this month – check them out at the Library.



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Your Name _____

Organization (for Community Pride Entries) _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email Address _____

Kid's Class

I would love to have my scarecrow displayed in downtown Lawrence October 10-31. *Your displayed scarecrow may be picked up at the Library after November 2nd.*

I have read and agree to the Community Scarecrow Contest rules.

I understand that the Garden Club reserves the right to disqualify scarecrows that are not family friendly or depict controversial subjects.

I understand that the scarecrow I submit is my responsibility and that Garden Club is not responsible for any personal items that may be lost, stolen, or damaged during the event. *

Your Scarecrow's Name _____
(will be displayed on your entry)

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Participant number _____ (assigned by Garden Club when scarecrow received)