



SCARECROW CONTEST

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2024

Brush off cobwebs and use your creativity and imagination to create a scarecrow to decorate the community for the fall season. Your entry can be a traditional scarecrow or you can let your imagination run wild to create a whimsical, funny, artistic creation, *but nothing too scary please!*

Entries will be judged on originality, creativity, detail, color, appearance and imagination.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

All entry forms and scarecrows must be received by 12pm on October 11, 2024 at the Downtown OWA Corporate Office (between Megaverse and Alvin's Island.)

JUDGING DATE:

Judging of the scarecrows will take place Saturday, October 12, 2024. Prizes will be awarded to First, Second and Third Place at 6:30pm on the OWA Island Ampitheater Stage.

LOCATION:

Scarecrows will be placed throughout Downtown OWA.

ENTRY CONDITION AND RULES:

- An entry form must be filled out and returned to the Downtown OWA Corporate Office by October 11, 2024 at 12pm.
- The Scarecrow Contest is open to scout troops, school and church groups, organizations, businesses, families and individuals.
- Only one entry per group or individual. A group is considered two or more people working together.
- No advertising, political or religious statements or offensive or distasteful entries will be permitted. Please remember the design of the scarecrow will be viewed by children as well as adults and must be in good taste.
- Entries shall not exceed eight (8) feet in height or eight (8) feet in width. It may be free standing or staked.
- Scarecrows must be built to withstand weather conditions, including wind and rain.

- No perishable goods may be used in the construction of the scarecrow.
- All scarecrows must be named.
- OWA Parks & Resort reserves the right to remove any scarecrow that does not meet the above standards. OWA Parks & Resort will not be responsible for loss or damages that might occur to the scarecrow on display. OWA Parks & Resort reserves the right to photograph the entries for publicity/promotional purposes.

INSTALLATION AND REMOVAL OF SCARECROW:

SET-UP

Sunday, October 6, 2024 between the hours of 9:00am until 4:30pm.
Scarecrows will remain on display until Saturday, October 12, 2024.

TAKE-DOWN

Scarecrows can be removed on Saturday, October 12, 2024 after the Award Ceremony.

**THANK YOU FOR BEING A PART OF THIS
WONDERFUL COMMUNITY EVENT!**



SCARECROW ROW

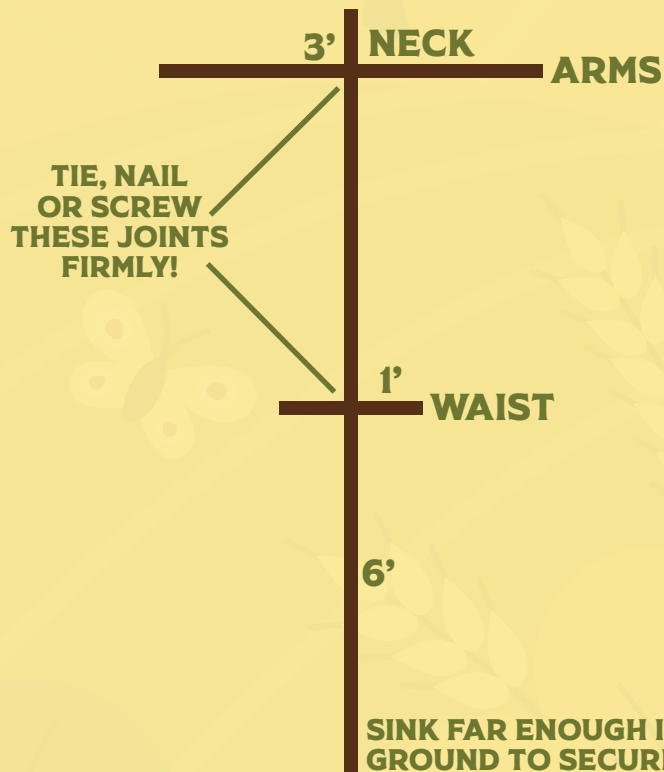
Over the centuries, scarecrows have been constructed using toys, tools, plastic bags, containers, clothes and uniforms, trees and leaves and broken bits of just about anything. You can use your imagination to create a beautiful (or scary) work of art! There is no right or wrong way to build a scarecrow. Just remember to have fun while you are doing it! After that, your imagination is your limit.

Planning is key...get your idea, then build from there. You will need a sturdy frame to construct the body, stuffing for the body and clothes or other materials for the covering. You can also use chicken wire to create a more "sophisticated" shape or design. Don't forget about props...anything you can place around your creation enhances its appearance.

Remember your elements! Your scarecrow will be out in the elements for a week, so you need to plan accordingly. Think about how to attach the pieces at angles to suggest arm, leg and elbow movement, but don't let those angles be an invitation to the wind! Newspaper can be great stuffing...but it may not survive a Foley, Alabama fall! Consider other options...straw, plastic bags, old clothing, etc.

Below is an example of a basic scarecrow frame:

3 stakes: 1 about 6 feet long, 1 about 3 feet long and 1 about 1 foot long.
Twine, nails or screws



2024 SCARECROW CONTEST ENTRY FORM

Name of Group: _____

Name of Submitter: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Name of Scarecrow: _____

Description of Scarecrow: _____

I/We hereby agree to follow the rules of the 2024 Scarecrow Contest as outlined. I/We also hereby release and hold harmless OWA Parks & Resort and its employees from any and all claims for loss, damage or injury by scarecrow participants. I/We will also be responsible for its removal as outlined. Photographs of all entries become the property of OWA Parks & Resorts' Marketing Department. Photographs may be used in various publications, community calendar, public presentations, advertising, publicity and promotion relating thereto.

Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

(Must be signed if participant is a minor).

Date: _____