

# Volunteer Insider

## January 2025



### VOLUNTEER HIGHLIGHT



#### PAM RUZICKA

- **How many years have you volunteered for the NSF?**

I have been volunteering for five years.

- **What is your favorite volunteer position?**

I volunteer in the office. I help create new signs as well as organize the old signs that can be re-used, so the NSF has less waste.

- **Why do you volunteer?**

To me volunteering is a way of giving back to the community. Seeing everyone enjoying their time spent at the fair makes all the work behind the scenes that much more fun for me.

- **What is the best fair food?**

My fair is never "official" until I've had a prime rib sandwich from the Cattlemen's Beef Pit and a deep fat fried Twinkie.

- **What are you most excited about for the 2025 State Fair?**

I love watching the strolling acts. There is such a wide variety of entertainment you can always find something for everyone to enjoy.

### COOKBOOKS FOR SALE

Looking for new recipes? The State Fair has you covered! The 2024 State Fair cookbooks are now available for \$15 at the State Fair Office. Copies of the 2023 and 2022 cookbooks are available as well at \$11 and \$6. Cookbooks can be shipped for an additional fee.

### TOYS FOR TOTS

Last month the Nebraska State Fair staff volunteered for the annual Heartland United Way's Toys for Tots event. They helped by sorting toys into their appropriate age groups. The event was a great success, and the State Fair team had a wonderful time participating.

### 2024 PULL OF THE YEAR

The Nebraska State Fair has been awarded with the 2024 Pull of the Year by the Nebraska Bush Pullers Association. This award is given based on votes from 2024 competitors, who selected the State Fair event as their favorite pull. The Nebraska State Fair is proud to host this event each year and can't for another great show in 2025.



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