Volunteer Insider November 2026

VOLUNTEER HIGHLIGHT



ECHO ALCORN

- **How many years have you been a volunteer?**

I have volunteered every year since 2010 when the fair came to Grand Island.

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

My favorite volunteer positions are information kiosk and tram host.

- **Why do you volunteer?**

I enjoy helping people and having the chance to show off our Nebraska State Fair.

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

The smashburger stand had some really good food this year and of course, the Elephant Ears!

- **What did you love about the 2026 State Fair?**

It is so much fun talking with fair guests and also the opportunity to reconnect with our volunteer "family" each year. Some volunteers we only see at fair time.

BABY HEWEN IS HERE!





Linnea (Li-Nay-uh) Jo Hewen was born on October 2nd, weighing 6lbs. 3oz., and was 18 inches long!

Mom and baby are doing well, and the Hewens are soaking up all the sweet baby snuggles as they enjoy this special time together as a family. We're so excited to welcome Linnea to the Nebraska State Fair family!

BATTLE OF THE BUSINESSES

Congratulations to Mars Petcare, winner of the medium business award, and CHI Health St. Francis Hospital, winner of the large business award! Each team earned its title by volunteering the most hours in its category during the Nebraska State Fair. Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time at this year's State Fair!

HALEY HOPES YOU'VE ALL CAUGHT UP ON SLEEP POST-FAIR...AS YOU CAN IMAGINE... SHE, AND GABE, HAVE NOT 🙂