

# 19 teams compete for bragging rights in cake decorating contest

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Cake decorators spread out the frosting Friday night to kick off the activities of Imperial's Q-125 celebration.

Competition amongst 19 teams proved to be quite keen and hot—literally.

Organizers planned to hold the inaugural event under the big top but Mother Nature had other plans.

With a rain storm quickly approaching, organizers moved the competition into the city gym.

While drier decorating conditions prevailed, so did the heat. As the competition moved into the final stages, frosting on some of the cakes began to run from the heat.

Nonetheless, the show went on.

The competition included teams of all ages and the youngsters got in on the action by getting to decorate, and then eat, their own cupcakes.

The competition included a business class and an open class, with a people's choice in each class as well.

In the business class it was the City of Imperial team, comprised of Jo Leyland, Janiel Kimble and Tami Ekart, taking first place with their version of a cheeseburger.

The people's choice went to Holiday Farms for their landscaped cake.

Other winners included 2nd, Rhonda Hill; 3rd, Chase County Sheriff's office; 4th, the Imperial Republican; and 5th, JJ's.

In the open class Penny Strand and her daughters, Morgan and Molly, took the top prize with a cake that featured a variety of scenes found around the Imperial area.

Cheyenne Kuhlman won second in the open class.

Parker Dillan and Scott Wheeler won the people's choice in the open class with their fruit delight cake.

Teams were supplied with two eight-inch round cakes and were guided by their imagination and design from there.



Donna and Randy Vlasin of Holiday Farms won the people's choice in the business division with a well-landscaped cake. (Republican photo)



The City of Imperial team, including from left, Janiel Kimble, Jo Leyland and Tami Ekart, took first in the business class. (Republican photo)



Scott Wheeler, left, and Parker Dillan joined forces to earn the people's choice with this entry. (Republican photo)



The Strands, Morgan, Molly and Penny, won the open class division with scenes from around the Imperial area. (Republican photo)