

Mentone Community Fair Stand

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Jim Miller, Dixie Secrist, and Raymond Cooper were the fair stand committee for 1978. The profit, \$2,940.41, was the largest profit in the history of the Mentone stand. This profit along with the "1977" profit was used for a new roof put on the stand by Secrist Builders of Mentone, the outside of the building was painted by Randy Haist, and a new refrigerator was purchased for the stand. These were the only repairs made to the stand since its purchase in 1972. Donations were also given to the following groups: Bell Memorial Public Library, 4-Way Ambulance Service, Mentone Youth League, Mentone Fire Dept., and Bell Aircraft Museum.

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be used for the 1982 Mentone Centennial.
Looking through the list I noticed several names who have worked at the fair stand since its beginning in 1973. This is true community spirit, helping others, working and also a fun time working with your neighbors.

Doris Secrest