

# Manteca Sunrise Kiwanis

## Presents our 3rd

# Annual Pumpkin Growing Contest

**SHOW US HOW WELL YOU GROW**

**AND**

**GET YOUR PUMPKIN TO MARKET ON TIME!**

### Rules:

1. Your \$10.00 donation registers you to receive an official “giant” pumpkin plant from the Kiwanis.
  - a. These plants are ready to put in the ground and grow a large pumpkin, capable of exceeding 500 lbs.
  - b. Only officially registered contestants are eligible for the competition and prizes.
  - c. It will take 120 days of growing to get a fruit of size to market.
2. Plant your pumpkin and nurture the plant to produce an extraordinary pumpkin in one of the following categories:
  - a. Largest (above 200 lbs.): 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2<sup>ND</sup>, 3<sup>RD</sup>.
  - b. Nearest Perfect Shape (above 100 lbs.): Circumference uniform in most directions.
  - c. Celebrity Resemblance (any size / recognizable person or thing)
3. Judging will be conducted during the Manteca Sunrise Kiwanis “Pumpkin Fair” the first full weekend of October. Category winners will be determined upon the objective and subjective findings of the judges. All decisions of the judges are final.
4. Prizes are as follows:
  - a. Largest – 1<sup>ST</sup> = \$500, 2<sup>ND</sup> = \$300, 3<sup>RD</sup> = \$200
  - b. Perfect Shape - \$200
  - c. Celebrity - \$200
5. Contestants are encouraged to “Share” photos of their pumpkin plant growing often over the summer on our Facebook page: @Manteca Sunrise Kiwanis. Or you may email the Sunrise Kiwanis so we may post your photos at either of these addresses: [info@sunrisekiwanis.org](mailto:info@sunrisekiwanis.org), [www.mantecapumpkinfair.org](http://www.mantecapumpkinfair.org)

### Guidelines:

Amend your soil as necessary to ensure vigorous growth. The space required for a “giant” pumpkin should be a minimum of 100 square feet. Grow the plant in full sun. To promote the size of one pumpkin, pinch off other fruit as they form and focus the plant on the giant fruit. See additional details on the back of your entry receipt.

Remember to allow for access to the pumpkin so, when it comes time, you can get it loaded onto a truck or trailer and bring it to the Pumpkin Fair in Manteca. Don't hurt yourself trying to manhandle the pumpkin – get help and have fun!