



2010 FORT BEND COUNTY FAIR

September 24 - October 2, 2010

4-H, FFA, FCCLA (Boys & Girls)

Chairman: Angie Reid
Co Chair: Monica Borak
Directors in Charge: Marjie Pollard , Margaret Kunz

Department Hours:

Sept. 24, Friday10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sept. 27- 30, Mon. thru Thurs. . . 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Sept. 25, Saturday . .10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Oct. 1, Friday 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Sept. 26, Sunday . . .12 noon to 9 p.m. Oct. 2, Saturday 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

GENERAL RULES

- 1. EXHIBITOR MUST BE A FORT BEND COUNTY RESIDENT OR ZONED TO A FORT BEND COUNTY SCHOOL AND AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF A FORT BEND COUNTY 4-H, FFA, OR FCCLA CLUB.
- 2. Age Requirements: **Entry Groups: (Age is determined as of August 31, 2010)**

Junior.....Eight years of age and attending third grade through 10 years of age,
Intermediate.....11 through 13 years of age,
Senior.....14 through a senior in high school.

- 3. **ALL ITEMS ENTERED BY EXHIBITOR MUST BE MADE BY EXHIBITOR. FAILURE TO COMPLY WILL RESULT IN IMMEDIATE DISQUALIFICATION OF ALL EXHIBITOR'S ENTRIES, PRIZE MONIES OR AWARDS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS DEPARTMENT.**
- 4. Items which have been previously entered in another county fair will be ineligible, except for plants.
- 5. AN EXHIBITOR WILL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER **NO MORE THAN 25 ITEMS** WITH A MAXIMUM OF 10 ITEMS PER DIVISION.
- 6. Limit size of your project to the area for display on shelves, wire cages, etc. An entry with multiple pieces should not be loose. If concerned about size check with any Committee member.

7. The Exhibitor Entry Card must be filled out completely upon entering the building, and it must be signed by the member and the parents. Exhibitor numbers can be obtained from your club manager or teacher. Items Needed for Check in:

1. **Division Card/Exhibitor Entry Card**
2. **School Eligibility Form**
3. **Items with *entry tag attached**

***All entry tag numbers should be highlighted according to color code for age category:**

**Junior –Yellow
Intermediate-Blue
Senior-Green**

8. **ALL ENTRIES** will be received from **5:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Monday, September 20, 2010.**
NO EXCEPTIONS. ALL Judging will be held on Tuesday, September 21, 2010.

9. Check out time will be on **SUNDAY, October 3, 2010, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.** **ANY ITEM NOT PICKED UP WILL BE DISCARDED.** Anyone may check out items for the exhibitor. **EXTENSION OFFICE OR FAIR IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ITEMS OR MONIES LEFT AFTER CHECK OUT.**

10. No one except committee members and helpers will be allowed in the viewing area until the department opens to the general public, Friday, September 24, at 10 a.m.

11. Ribbons will be awarded only if judges consider product worthy of a prize based on quality of workmanship related to the item exhibited. Each item is judged on its own merit. Items must be in good condition. **Items not following department and division guidelines will be disqualified.**

Grand and Reserve entries are awarded with rosettes. A mini rosette for Best of Division will be awarded at the discretion of the judges. Only items that were considered for Grand and Reserve are eligible for the Best of Division award.

12. Ribbon Values are as follows:

Grand	6 Points	\$10.00
Reserve	5 Points	\$ 5.00
Best of Division	4 Points	\$ 3.00
Blue	3 Points	\$ 1.00
Red	2 Points	\$.50
White	1 Point	\$.25

13. **HIGH POINT AWARDS:** Awards will be presented to the three top exhibitors in each division. High point winners in each age division will be awarded as follows:

- 1st Place : Belt Buckle
- 2nd Place: \$35
- 3rd Place: \$20

These will be awarded at the County Fair. *(All awards are Subject to Fair Board Approval)*

Notes:

- a. High point winners will be determined in each age category by a point system (see #12). Ties will be broken by the number of Grand Rosettes, Reserve Rosettes, Best of Class Rosettes and Blue ribbons.
- b. In order to be eligible to receive a high point award, an individual must enter six out of eight divisions.

14. If you have additional questions, please contact Angie Reid (979)387-2340 or Monica Borak (281)232-2410.
15. Duplication is defined as: **NO IDENTICAL ITEMS**. Example: CAN NOT DO- two decorated Christmas tree T-shirts or two jars of strawberry jelly. CAN DO- one decorated Christmas tree T-shirt and one decorated balloon T-shirt or one jar of strawberry jelly and one jar of strawberry jam.
16. Junior, Intermediate and Senior High Point winners, as well as all Grand and Reserve Rosette winners should be present in the 4-H/FFA/FCCLA Department at 4:00 p.m., Friday, September 24, 2010, for photos.

***Junior, Intermediate and Senior High Point Awards
are sponsored by the Fort Bend County Fair Association.***

4-H, FFA, & FCCLA DIVISIONS

DIVISION I – FANCYWORK/HANDWORK

Items constructed with embroidery, crewel, crochet and knit work must be judged on construction as well as the handwork. Items with both machine and fancywork/handwork will only be judged on fancywork if entered in this division.

Afghan, Candlewicking, Chicken Scratch, Counted Cross Stitch, Stamped Cross Stitch, Crewel, Crocheted, Cut Work, Decorated Stitchery, Folded Star, Knitted, Quilted, Seminole, Shadow & Embroidery, Smocked, Creative Stitchery, Swedish Darning, Tatting, Trapunto, Yo Yo's, Pin Weaving, Miscellaneous. No duplicates.

(Machine embroidery items should be entered in Arts & Crafts Division)

DIVISION II - SEWING MACHINE ARTICLES

Judged Primarily on Construction. All items made predominantly from a store-bought pattern or an original pattern such as:

Apron, Vest, T-Shirt, Jacket, Sweatshirt, Robe, Sweat pants, Dress, Pants, Skirt, Duster, Quilts, T-Shirt Dress, Jumper, Blouse, Jumpsuit, Shorts, Gown/Night shirts, Pajamas, Child's Garment, Infant Wear, Swimsuit, Doll Clothing, Pillow, Gym Bag, Miscellaneous - No duplications

DIVISION III – FOOD PRESERVATION

CANNED PRODUCTS: Only Standard screw type canning jars and lids (ex. Ball or Kerr) are allowed. All jars (pints or quarts) must be clean, sealed and clearly labeled with the date and name of the product. ONLY Jellies, jams, preserves may be in half pints. All items must be processed, with the exception of dried foods and honey. Dried foods and honey do not have to be entered in standard containers, nor sealed. NO WAX SEALS. SEE SPECIAL SECTION TO FOLLOW FOR RULES REGARDING ADDITIONAL AWARDS FROM BALL/KERR.

DIVISION III – Food Preservation, cont.

PLEASE CHECK ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS CAREFULLY.

Examples:

VEGETABLES: Beets, Carrots, Corn, Field Peas, Green Snap beans, Lima beans, Mixed Vegetables, Okra & Tomatoes, Peppers, Sauerkraut, Squash, Tomatoes, Vegetable Juice, Wax Snap beans, Miscellaneous – No duplications

FRUITS: Apples, Berries, Figs, Fruit Juice, Mixed Fruit, Peaches, Pears, Plums, Miscellaneous - No duplications

PRESERVES & JELLIES: Apple jelly, Berry jelly, Dewberry preserves, Fig preserves, Grape jelly, Tomato preserves, Peach preserves, Pear preserves, Plum jelly, Plum preserves, Strawberry preserves, Miscellaneous - No duplications.

PICKLES, RELISHES AND CONDIMENTS: Bread/Butter Pickles, Catsup, Chili Sauce, Chow Chow, Chutney, Corn Relish, Cucumber dill pickles, Cucumber pickles, Cucumber sweet pickles, Pickled peppers, Pepper relish, Picante Sauce, Pickled beans, Pickled beets, Pickles okra, Pickled peaches, Pickled pears, Pickled squash, Tomato sauce, Miscellaneous – No duplicates.

OILS & VINEGAR: Fruit vinegar, Herb vinegar, Pepper Oils, Garlic Oils, Herb Oils, Miscellaneous – No duplicates

HONEY: Flavored Honey, Miscellaneous - No duplicates

DRIED: Dried fruits, Dried vegetables, Dried herbs, Mixed dried fruit, Dried Miscellaneous - No duplicates

ADDITIONAL Food Preservation Rules-NEW! BALL FRESH PRESERVING AWARD RULES

In recognition of youth who excel in the art of fresh preserving (canning), Jarden Home Brands who bring you Ball® and Kerr® FreshPreserving Products will present First Place Awards in designated recipe categories.

A panel of judges will select the best entry submitted by a youth in each category for Fruits, Vegetables, Pickles, and Soft Spread (Preserves & Jellies). Entries must be preserved in Ball® or Ball® Collection Elite® Jars sealed with Ball® Lids and Bands or Ball® Collection Elite® Lids and Bands, or preserved in Kerr® Jars sealed with Kerr® Lids and Bands. In addition, soft spread entries will be limited to recipes prepared using Ball® Pectin: Original, No Sugar Needed or Liquid. A proof of purchase for Ball® Pectin must be provided at time of entry.

The best entry from each category will receive the following:

* One (1) Five-Dollar (\$5.00) Coupon for Ball® or Kerr® Fresh Preserving Products and one (1) Three-Dollar (\$3.00) Coupon for Ball® Pectin Products.

References: Ball Blue Book® of Preserving copyright 2006, Ball Complete Book of Home Preserving copyright 2008, and the USDA Complete Guide to Home Canning 5th Edition. (These references may differ in some areas. However, information contained in both references is correct and safe. As the manufacturers of jars and closures, we recommend using our package instructions and the Ball® books listed.

New - Ball Fresh Preserving Award Rules, cont.

Eligibility: All eligible entries must be preserved in the same brand of jar and lid: Ball® Jar sealed with a Ball® Lid and Band or Ball® Collection Elite® Lid and Band, or preserved in a Kerr® Jar sealed with a Kerr® Lid and Band. Entries in the Soft Spreads category must be prepared using Ball® Pectin: Original, No Sugar Needed, or Liquid. The UPC from the Ball® Pectin package must accompany the entry as proof of purchase. Entries must be labeled with product name, date of preparation, processing method and processing time. Preserved food prepared within a one-year period prior to the judging date is eligible.

DIVISION IV – FOOD PREPARATION

No cake mixes, prepared crusts or liquor/alcoholic beverages allowed

BAKED GOODS: Candy, cookies, sweet rolls, and muffins must contain **ONLY three (3) per bag**. Cakes, pies, and breads should be *whole* (mini-loaf breads are acceptable). Only prepared pecans will be accepted; such as spiced or sugared. **REFRIGERATED ITEMS MAY NOT BE INCLUDED.** This includes items with cream cheese frosting. **ITEMS MUST BE IN DISPOSABLE CONTAINERS.** All baked goods will become the property of the department. Exhibitors **WILL NOT** be able to pick up baked goods.

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QUICK & YEAST BREADS: Cornbread, 3 Mexican Cornbread, Biscuits, 3 Muffins (Plain), 3 Muffins (variety), Loaf bread (yeast), Sweet (quick) Bread, Kolaches, Coffee cake - Tea ring, 3 Sweet Rolls. Miscellaneous. No duplicates.

CAKE: Angel food cake, Chiffon cake, Jelly roll, Loaf cake, Cupcakes, Sheet Cake, 2- or 3-layer cake, Upside down cake. Miscellaneous. No duplicates.

PIES/PASTRIES: Fruit Pie, Pecan Pie, Fruit Cobbler, Strudel. Miscellaneous. No duplicates.

COOKIES - 3 PER BAG: Bar Cookies, Brownies, Dropped Cookies, Rolled cookies, Unbaked cookies. Miscellaneous. No duplicates

CANDY - 3 PER BAG: Divinity, Fudge, Molded candy, Peanut candy, Pecan Candy. Miscellaneous. No duplicates.

MISCELLANEOUS: Noodles in a bag; Salted, sugared, or spiced pecans. Miscellaneous. No duplicates.

DIVISION V - ARTS & CRAFTS

DECORATED GARMENTS: Decorated Denim, Decorated Skirt, Decorated Sweatshirt, Decorated T-Shirt, Decorated Dress or Jumper, Decorated Vest, Decorated Socks, Decorated Shoes, Decorated Cap/Visor, Miscellaneous. No duplicates.

HOME ACCESSORIES: (Small Pieces should be in plastic bags)
Decorated Album or Book, Decorated Basket, Decorated Box, Decorated Broom, Decorated Flower Pot, Decorated Spoons, Decorated Hat, Decorated Rug, Decorated Waste Basket, Decorated Wreath, Decorated Swag, Woven Basket, Christmas Stocking, Christmas Ornament, Christmas Tree Skirt, Christmas Any Other Item, Coat Hanger/Covered, Decoupage Item, Easter Item, Halloween Item

Division V - Arts & Crafts, cont.

HOME ACCESSORIES:

Thanksgiving Item, Valentine Item, Wall Hanging, Necklaces, Earrings, Bracelet, Jewelry Set, Hair Bows, Purse, Mums, Broach/Pin, Button Covers, Place Mats, Door Stop, Trivet, Cushion, Hoop Item, Patriotic Item, 2 Pot Holders, 2 Potpourri Item, Refrigerator Magnet, Stenciled Item, Stuffed Item(not a toy), Decorative Vinegars and Oils, Centerpiece, Artificial Flower Arrangement, Miscellaneous. No duplications.

CRAFTS: Beaded Item, Book Mark, Fusible Bead Work, Scheren-schnitte, Imitation Stained Glass, Macrame, Models, Painting on Glass, Pompon Item, Religious Item, Mobile, Windchimes, Handmade Flowers, Paper Mache, Sand Art, Stuffed Toy, Stone or Rock Art, String Art, Sequined Article, Stained Glass, Decorated Birdhouse, Decorated Cake, Digital Art, Machine Embroidery, Miscellaneous, No duplications.

WOODWORK: Wood Item from Kit, Plant holder, Toolbox, Candle Holders, Birdhouse, Table, Bookends, Napkin holder, Paper towel holder, Bench/Stool, Bookcase, Gun rack, Yard sign decoration, Miscellaneous. No duplicates

SEASONAL CERAMICS CLASS: Christmas Items, Christmas, Ornament, Easter Items, Halloween Items, Miscellaneous - Holiday Item, Patriotic Item, Seasonal Item, Thanksgiving Item, Valentines Day Item, St. Patrick's Day Item. No duplicates.

GENERAL CERAMICS: Animal, Ash Tray, Bathroom Accessory, Cookie Jar, Cup/Mug, Figurine, Kitchen Accessory, Plant Container, Plate. Miscellaneous. No duplicates.

SCRAPBOOKS: Scrapbooks must be 4-H, FFA or FCCLA related and must only contain memorabilia from September 2009 to September 2010.

DIVISION VI – HORTICULTURE

Plants must be grown by the exhibitor and be in his or her possession 3 months prior to the Fair. Only DISH GARDENS AND TERRARIUMS may contain decorations. Posts or containers must be clean but plants will not be judged on the container. Containers should be a standard floral/plant container and not creative containers such as boats, hats, etc. All plants must be entered in appropriate containers. NOTE: Large plants will be accepted, but Fair Committee will not be responsible for damages.

Note: Common name of plant must be on entry tag.

EXHIBITORS MUST MAINTAIN THE UPKEEP OF ALL PLANTS INCLUDING WATERING DURING THE FAIR.

CACTUS AND SUCCULENTS: Aloe Vera, Cacti, Echeveria, (Hens & Chickens/CabbageHead), Jade, Kalanchoe, Sansevieria, (Snake plant/Mother-in-Law tongue), Miscellaneous. No duplications.

FLOWERING PLANTS (REGARDLESS OF BLOOMING TIME): African Violet, Azalea, Begonia, Bougainvillea, Chrysanthemum, Exotic, Geranium, Hibiscus, Impatiens, Lily, Marigolds, Ornamental Pepper, Rose, Shrimp Plant, Vinca, Miscellaneous. No duplicates.

FOLIAGE PLANTS: Caladiums, Chlorophytum, (Spider or Airplane), Coleus, Croton, Dffenbachia, Dracaena, (Corn Plant), Fern, Ficus, Ivy, Jew Plant, Norfolk Pine, Palm, Peperomia, Philodendron, Praying Hands, Rubber Plant, Schefflera, Velvet Plant, Miscellaneous. No duplicates.

HERBS: Anise, Basil, Mint, Parsley, Rosemary, Sage, Thyme, Miscellaneous. No duplicates.

Division VI - Horticulture, cont.

CONTAINER ARRANGEMENTS AND GROUPINGS: Fresh, Terrariums, Topiaries, Dish Gardens, Miscellaneous. No duplicates. Fresh flowers or live plants only. No artificial.

DIVISION VII – PHOTOGRAPHY

PHOTOGRAPHY: Photographs must have been taken by the exhibitors since the 2009 County Fair. All prints must be securely and permanently mounted on solid photographic mount board or a board of like thickness no larger than 8” by 10” suitable for hanging without an additional frame. Masonite, photo folders, corrugated cardboard or thin poster board is not acceptable. Entrants should be aware that double faced tape, glue or rubber cement will not hold up when the photo is displayed under high heat and humid conditions. Use dry mounting if possible. Matting (of any kind) is not allowed and will result in disqualification. Some resources for mounting supplies include: Hobby Lobby, Michaels, Blick Studio (www.clickblick.com), local framing shops and art supply stores. No duplicates (i.e. can have one PEOPLE-Color and one PEOPLE-Black & White, but not both Color or both Black & White).

PHOTOGRAPHY: 8” X 10” Mounted on white board the same size as the print

PEOPLE : *(Color, Color-Digital, Black & White, Black & White – Digital)*

People (babies, children, adults, and senior citizens) alone or in a group, active or inactive. Such photos may be photojournalistic, or an interpretative portrait where the person rather than the environment is emphasized.

ANIMALS: *(Color, Color-Digital, Black & White, Black & White – Digital)*

Animal life, including domestic, wild, insects, and underwater creatures. The animal(s) should be the focus of the photo and not human subjects or nature/scenic. No harm or injury should be inflicted on the animal in order to acquire the photo.

STILL LIFE: *(Color, Color-Digital, Black & White,, Black & White – Digital)*

Photography where objects are pre-arranged or set up by the photographer (composition does not occur naturally).

NATURAL LANDSCAPE:

(Color, Color-Digital, Black & White, Black & White – Digital)

Scenes of natural landscapes, seascapes, skiescapes (sunsets, clouds, etc) or underwater scenes.

PLANT/FLORAL:

(Color, Color-Digital, Black & White, Black & White – Digital)

Any photo that focus on the plant or flower structure and not on a scene or landscape.

ARCHITECTURAL ELEMENTS:

(Color, Color-Digital, Black & White, Black & White – Digital)

Emphasizes geometric details such as lines, patterns, textures of inanimate objects.

SPECIAL EFFECTS/CREATIVE EFFECTS:

(Color, Color-Digital, Black & White, Black & White – Digital)

Any photo that has been enhanced to bring out dramatic or artistic qualities, these enhancements can occur using the camera or developing process. Antiquing, hand-tinting, and sepia-tone photos would be entered in this division.

Division VII – Photography, cont.

THEME:

(Color, Color-Digital, Black & White, Black & White – Digital)

The theme category will have a different focus each year. The Fort Bend County 2010 Fair theme is:

“CONSERVE OUR RESOURCES - PROVIDE FOR OUR FUTURE”.

DIVISION VIII – FINE ARTS

PAINTINGS & DRAWINGS: Oil, Charcoal, Pen & Ink, Crayon, Acrylic, Chalk, Watercolor, Pencil, Mosaic, Miscellaneous. No duplications. (Each entry must be framed or mounted on white foam board)

SCULPTURES: Wood Carvings, Clay Sculptures, Metal Sculptures, Miscellaneous. No duplications.