



FFA & 4-H SHOP DIVISION

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| Entry Deadline | February 15 |
| Entry Fee..... | \$5.00 Each Exhibitor |
| Delivery to Show Grounds | |
| | 12:00 Noon to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, March 11 |
| Judging | 1:00 p.m., Friday, March 12 |
| | 8:00 a.m., Saturday, March 13 |
| Release..... | 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., Saturday, March 19 |
| | 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 Noon., Sunday, March 21 |

The purpose of this Division is to encourage greater use of the shop in making implements for home-farm use, and to display to the general public, through exhibits, some of the values of agricultural science training.

1. Eligible exhibitors must be FFA or 4-H members enrolled in elementary, secondary or home school in Hidalgo,, Cameron, Starr or Willacy County and their FFA chapter or 4-H Club by November 1, 2009.
2. Exhibitors must be under twenty years of age as of January 1, 2010.
3. All projects must be constructed in a home or school shop under the supervision of an AST, 4-H Club manager or County Agent and must be constructed within the school year that they are exhibited.
4. Projects previously exhibited at the Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will not be eligible to be entered, neither will projects, which have been refinished or built from kits. The only exception will be trailers that may be built from kits.
5. To be eligible to win Grand Champion or Reserve Grand Champion in any division, exhibitor(s) must present a recordbook at the time of judging. Record book must contain student made draft and plans, materials list, cost of purchases list and photos of student(s) working on project in all stages beginning, middle and final.
6. There will be **no substitution** of projects or exhibitors. The item entered on the entry application must be the item brought to the Show.
7. Entries must be made in the name of one person only on entry application. The exception will be projects that are team built such as squeeze chutes, livestock trailers, bedroom furniture, etc. These may have all team members' names appear on the entry application, but each of the

members listed on the application must pay a \$5.00 entry fee.

8. An exhibitor may enter as many projects as he or she desires; however, a separate entry application must be completed for each entry and entry fee paid for each.
9. **All blanks on entry application must be completed.** A description of the project **must** be included on the entry application. The project brought to the Show must fit the description of the project entered on the entry application or it may be rejected and held ineligible to be shown. The Shop Committee will have final discretion to move any project to a different category if in its opinion the project is not correctly entered.
10. All vehicles pulling or hauling entries to the Show must be removed from the area next to exhibit building after entries are unloaded.
11. Any unfinished project with workmanship not up to standards may be sifted from the Show by the FFA & 4-H Shop Committee.
12. No painting or finishing of projects will be allowed in the exhibit building. Any project with wet paint or finish must remain outside the exhibit building until the finish is dry. Judges will be advised to disregard minor blemishes, scratches, etc., that may occur during transporting project, or assembly on the grounds.
13. After the judging is completed, judges will give reasons as to their placing, suggestions to improve projects, etc. This will occur at 5:00 p.m., Saturday, March 13, at which time awards will be announced and presented.
14. Projects will be judged on: Workmanship - 30%, Degree of Difficulty - 20%, Design and Balance - 20%, Utility- 20%, Originality - 10%
15. Immediately after judging, butane bottles on any projects must be removed and taken out of the exhibit building.
16. Failure to comply with rules will result in forfeiture of awards.
17. Once a project reaches the Showgrounds, there will be no sales or private treaties.
18. Ag Teachers & 4-H club managers must provide the Livestock Show Office with a list of those projects (with minimum dollar values declared), which are requesting to be sold at auction, no later than 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 16. When the exhibitor has consigned a project to the Auction, it must remain in the Auction. There will be no withdrawals. Exhibitors of the Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion projects have the option to sell their projects in the Sale of Champions on Saturday, March 20.
19. Only projects placing Superior or Excellent will be eligible for the Live Auction.

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- 20. Any exhibitor who places his or her entry in the auction **must be present** for the auction of the entry on Sunday, March 21 at 1:00 p.m.
- 21. All projects must remain in place until 6:00 p.m., Saturday, March 20. Projects will be released for removal from the Showgrounds between the hours of 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 20 and 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, March 21, except those consigned to the Auction. The Show will not be responsible for projects left after 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, March 21.

- F. **TRAILERS - 10 ft. and over 10 ft. and under** (Please include a description of trailer. All trailers must meet Texas D.O.T. regulations.)
- G. **BAR-B-QUE PITS** - Larger type Bar-B-Que Pits. Generally those with rubber tires and designed to be pulled on roads by vehicles including Bar-B-Que Pits with other accessories on trailers.

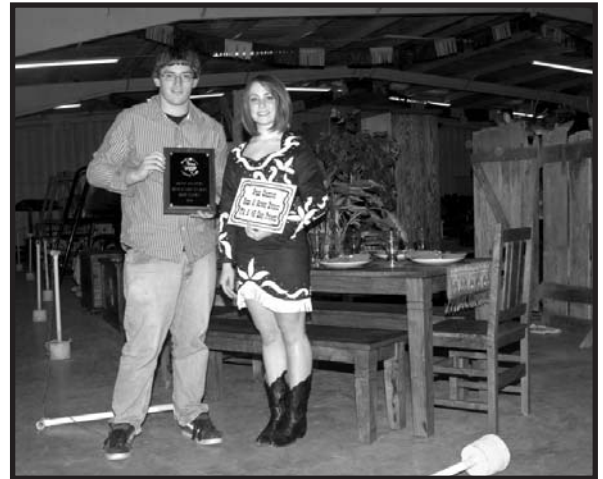
FARM & RANCH DIVISION



Victor Alaniz, Crecencio Trevino, and Noe Flores, Roma FFA Members, exhibited the 2009 Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show Grand Champion Farm & Ranch Project.

- A. **LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT** - Squeeze chutes, feeders, mineral boxes, head gates, show boxes, etc.
- B. **FARM MACHINERY AND CONVENIENCES** - Mowers, shredders, packers, fertilizer distributors, headache racks, bale movers, bumpers, winches, grill guards, electrical machinery, gates, pickup rack, etc.
- C. **SHOP EQUIPMENT** - Worktables, drill stands, weld testers, welding tables, shop lights, storage bins, and anvils.
- D. **WILDLIFE EQUIPMENT** - Game feeders (both stationary and mobile), Hunting blinds (without the support legs which could be too tall to fit inside the building), Portable and stationary hunting seats (including tripods), Game trapping and loading devices (such as used by Texas Parks and Wildlife Department) and Game hanging devices.
- E. **TRAILERS - 10 ft. and under** (Please include a description of trailer. All trailers must meet Texas D.O.T. regulations.)

HOME & GARDEN DIVISION



Fred Beall and Sean Beall, Sharyland FFA Team Members, exhibited the 2009 Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show Grand Champion Home & Garden Project.

- H. **HOME FURNITURE AND CONVENIENCES** - Bookshelves, gun cabinets, household tables, electrical conveniences and other items designed for use inside the home.
- I. **HOME INTERIOR AND CONVENIENCES SMALL** (36" x 36" x 36")
- J. **TABLE TOP CUTTING BOARDS** (No Legs)
- K. **YARD FURNITURE AND CONVENIENCES** - Shop and storage building, greenhouses, playground equipment, yard and porch swings, electrical conveniences and other items designed for use outside the home (not in another category).
- L. **PICNIC TABLES** - Picnic tables, patio tables, other outdoor tables
- M. **BAR-B-QUE PITS** - Small type Bar-B-Que Pits, fish fryers, tripas cookers, etc. Generally those not designed to be pulled on a road by a vehicle.
- N. **TAXIDERMY**

General Rules, Regulations and Procedures on page 42 also apply.



AWARDS:

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- Superior ProjectsPurple Ribbon
- Excellent Projects.....Blue Ribbon
- Good ProjectsRed Ribbon

In addition to the above Awards, the following prizes will be awarded in each of the eleven categories. Only purple (Excellent) ribbon projects will be eligible to compete.

- 1st Place\$ 60.00 and Rosette
 - 2nd Place.....\$50.00 and Rosette
 - 3rd Place\$40.00 and Rosette
 - 4th Place\$35.00 and Rosette
 - 5th Place\$30.00 and Rosette
 - Grand Champion-Farm & Ranch\$500.00 & Plaque
 - Reserve Grand Champion-Farm & Ranch.....\$300.00 & Plaque
 - Grand Champion-Home & Yard\$500.00 & Plaque
 - Res. Grand Champion-Home & Yard.....\$300.00 & Plaque
- (First Place winners in each category will compete for Grand Champion Award. Second Place winners in class that produced the Grand Champion eligible to show for Reserve.)

Special FFA Chapter or 4-H Club Award...\$300.00 and Banner
This Award will be made to the FFA chapter or 4-H club whose members score the most points.

Points will be given as follows:

- Superior Ribbon (purple).....3 points
- Excellent Ribbon (blue)2 points
- Good Ribbon (red).....1 point

In addition points will be awarded in each category for:

| <u>Place</u> | <u>Points</u> |
|------------------------------|---------------|
| Grand Champion..... | 5 |
| Reserve Grand Champion. | 3 |
| 1st | 5 |
| 2nd | 4 |
| 3rd..... | 3 |
| 4th..... | 2 |
| 5th..... | 1 |

To be eligible for the Chapter Award, members of a chapter or club must have entries in at least five of the ten categories.

In case of a tie of total points, the chapter or club entering the most categories will be declared the winner. If tie still exists, duplicate awards will be presented.

GOOD HOUSEKEEPING & HOSPITALITY CONTEST

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There will be seven (7) separate days of competition. The seven (7) FFA Chapters or 4-H clubs that have the largest number of entries in the Farm Shop Division will be eligible to participate. There will be two alternates, which will be the club or chapter with the 8th and 9th largest number of entries in the Farm Shop Division.

1. Teams will consist of no less than four members per club or chapter.
2. Teams will be assigned a day by random drawing for Housekeeping and Hospitality duty.
3. Teams will be responsible for keeping the Farm Shop Area clean.
4. Teams will be responsible for helping to educate the public as well as being available to answer questions concerning shop projects in general.
5. It is recommended that teams wear matching T-shirts or clothing so that the Farm Shop Committee and the general public can recognize them as part of the Good Housekeeping & Hospitality Competition.

The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will provide Hospitality Name Badges for each team member.

The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show will offer the following premium and awards for this competition:

- 1st place\$163 & Banner
- 2nd Place.....\$138 & Banner
- 3rd Place.....\$113 & Ribbon

