

MINNESOTA STATE FAIR

AUG. 27-LABOR DAY, SEPT. 7, 2009



AG-HORT BEE

rules and premiums



THE GREAT MINNESOTA GET-TOGETHER

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Additional premium lists and entry forms may be obtained by:

downloading from the Minnesota State Fair web site, www.mnstatefair.org (Competition, Ag-Hort-Bee)
e-mailing the Competition Department at competition@mnstatefair.org
writing the Competition Department, Minnesota State Fair, 1265 Snelling Ave. N., St. Paul, MN 55108
calling the Competition Department at 651-288-4417

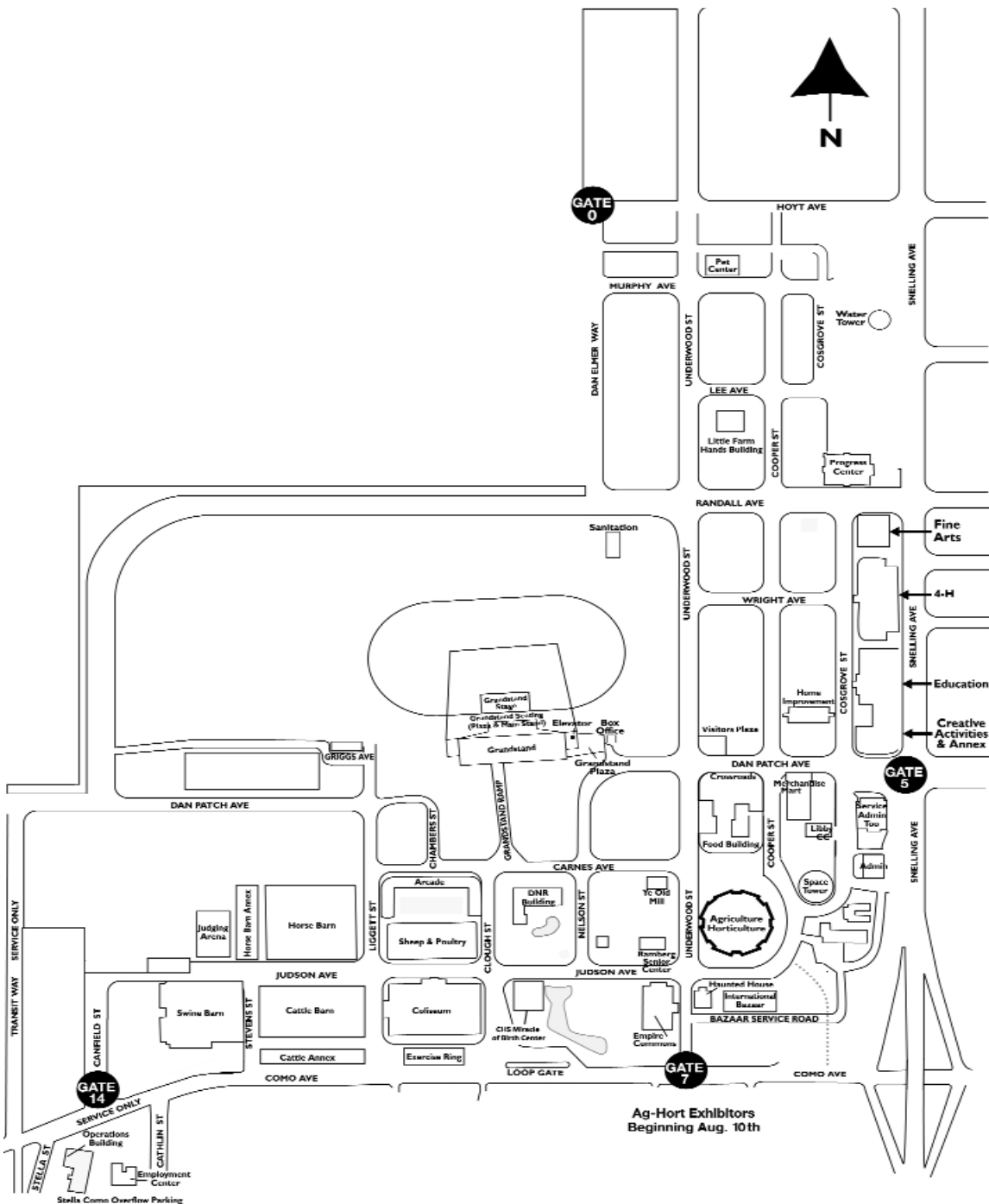
On-line registration! Registration for entries is available on-line for all divisions except Farm Crops, classes 103-111 at the Minnesota State Fair Web site, www.mnstatefair.org. See instructions at the beginning of each division.

CONTACT INFORMATION

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>DATES IN OPERATION</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>
Competition Office	year-round	651-288-4417
Fax number	year-round	651-642-2456
E-MAIL competition@mnstatefair.org	WEB SITE www.mnstatefair.org	
Christmas Trees	August 23 to September 7	651-642-2425
Bee & Honey	August 23 to September 7	651-642-2307
Farm Crops	August 14 to September 7	651-642-2309
Flower Show	August 26 to September 7	651-642-2308
Fruit & Wine	August 26 to September 7	651-642-2344
Vegetable & Potato	August 26 to September 7	651-642-2401

DUE TO SECURITY CONCERNS, AND FOR YOUR SAFETY, vehicles coming to the fair will be subject to inspection. In addition, we ask exhibitors to work with us to maintain a safe and secure environment for all our guests. **SEE MAP BELOW.**

- ◆ **Beginning August 10**, vehicles will be required to enter the grounds at Gate 0 (with access off Larpenteur or Snelling Avenues), Gate 14 (Canfield gate, with access off Como Avenue) or Gate 7 (access off Como Avenue) Individual vehicle inspections may occur at these locations. **We recommend Ag-Hort exhibitors delivering exhibits to use Gate 7** to avoid livestock traffic that will be entering and exiting Gate 14.
- ◆ *If using Gate 0*, follow Dan Elmer Way to Randall Ave. and turn left. Take the first right on Underwood St. Follow Underwood St. to Judson Ave. *If using Gate 14*, follow Canfield to Judson Avenue. The Ag-Hort building is on the northeast corner of Underwood and Judson.
- ◆ After dropping off entries, follow Judson east to Cosgrove Street. Take Cosgrove north several blocks to Randall Avenue, and turn left. Remain on Randall for three blocks. Turn right on Dan Elmer Way, and exit the fairgrounds onto Larpenteur or Snelling.



Please note the previous page only pertains to the pre-fair delivery of entries. See below for information on delivery and pick-up during the fair. After the fair is over, Gate 7 (south Underwood gate, with access off Como Avenue) will re-open for the return of entries. **See map on previous page.**

DURING FAIR: Please make note of the following arrival and departure times.

Thursday, August 27	7 a.m. to 9 a.m.	Vegetables (Group I) arrive
Friday, August 28	9 p.m. to midnight	Flowers (Horticultural and African Violet societies) depart
Saturday, August 29	6:30 a.m. to 9 a.m.	Flowers (Gladiolus Society) arrive
Sunday, August 30	7 a.m. to 9 a.m. 9 p.m. to midnight	Vegetables (Group II) arrive Flowers (Gladiolus Society) depart
Monday, August 31	6:30 a.m. to 9 a.m.	Flowers (State Fair show) arrive
Tuesday, September 1	6 p.m. to 9 p.m. 9 p.m. to midnight	Bees (Open Observation Hive) depart Flowers (Federated Garden Club) arrive
Wednesday, September 2	6 a.m. to 9 a.m.	Bees (Novice Observation Hive), Flowers (Federated Garden Club) and Vegetables (Group III) arrive
Thursday, September 3	6 a.m. to 9 a.m. 9 p.m. to midnight	Farm Crops (New Corn) arrive Flowers (Orchid and Bonsai societies) arrive and (Federated Garden Club) depart
Saturday, September 5	7 a.m. to 9 a.m. 9 p.m. to midnight	Vegetables (Group IV) arrive Flowers (Dahlia Society) arrive and (Orchid and Bonsai societies) depart
Sunday, September 6	6:30 a.m. to 9 a.m.	Flowers (Dahlia Society) arrive
Monday, September 7	8 p.m. to 10 p.m.	Everything departs

ADMISSIONS

Tickets described below can be purchased when making entries.

1. Pedestrian Admission. Entry into the Minnesota State Fair shall be solely contingent upon presentation and surrender of a valid ticket of admission in accordance with the schedule of gate admission prices that follows:

Adults, 13 through 64 years of age	\$11.00
Seniors, 65 years of age and over.....	\$9.00
Children, 5 through 12 years of age	\$8.00
Children under 5 years of age	Free
Parking	\$11.00
Park and Ride Parking.....	Free
Park and Ride Bus Fare	Free

NOTE: Competitive exhibitors may purchase gate admission tickets prior to the fair's opening, August 27, 2009, at an advance sale rate of \$9.00 each. No advance tickets will be available after 6:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 26, 2009. Upon leaving the grounds, fairgoers may ask for a pass-out privilege. This will allow them to re-enter the grounds until 10:30 p.m. that day without paying admission.

MINNESOTA STATE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Rules governing the management and control of the Minnesota State Fairgrounds and the Minnesota State Fair.

CHAPTER ONE - GENERAL**1.01 Authority**

These rules are promulgated pursuant to authority granted the Minnesota State Agricultural Society by Minn. Stat. § 37.16. The Minnesota State Agricultural Society is not an agency of statewide jurisdiction, therefore, rules adopted by the Minnesota State Agricultural Society have not been promulgated pursuant to Minn. Stat. Ch. 14 and will not be found in the bound volume of Minnesota rules.

1.02 Definitions

For purposes of these rules, the following definitions shall apply:

- A. Board of managers: The board of managers is responsible for management and control of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society including the annual election of its secretary.
- B. Commercial space: Those areas and locations on the State Fairgrounds designated by the Society to be used for commercial exhibits and concessions.
- C. Commercial space committee: The committee of three or more members of the board of managers, designated by the president of the Society, empowered to examine Society commercial space policies and the actions of the commercial space division and make recommendations thereon to the board of managers.
- D. Competitive exhibitor: Any person or firm which enters animals or articles for competitive exhibition at the State Fair.
- E. Delegate: That employee of the Society given authority by the secretary to act on the secretary's behalf in the instance specified.
- F. Department superintendent: That delegate of the secretary who is head of a specific Society department.
- G. Director: That delegate of the secretary who is head of a specific Society division.
- H. License: An agreement whereby the Society grants to an entity the privilege to exhibit, disseminate information, sell, make deliveries of or accept deposits for future deliveries of goods, services, or information on or from an assigned State Fairgrounds commercial space during the period of the State Fair. Licenses will be granted in accordance with the Society's commercial space policy and rules, upon timely and proper application and showing of qualification, and if commercial space is available.
- I. Minnesota State Agricultural Society (Society): The public corporation and department of state charged with the responsibility for management and control of the State Fairgrounds and conducting the State Fair and other exhibitions on the State Fairgrounds.
- J. Personal property: All privately owned buildings, tents, booths, structures, improvements, business equipment, fixtures or other enclosures, whether portable or permanently affixed to State Fairgrounds property are personal property. A private party is precluded from holding any interest in real property on the State Fairgrounds.
- K. Secretary: The secretary of the Minnesota State Agricultural Society is also the executive vice president.
- L. State Fair: An annual exhibition conducted by the Society on the State Fairgrounds.
- M. State Fairgrounds: That certain area of land in Ramsey County, Minnesota defined and described in Minn. Stat. 37.01 and other real estate parcels as recorded with Ramsey County Register of Deeds, including the area outside as well as inside the fenced portion thereof.

1.03 All pay gates

Entry into the State Fair shall be solely contingent upon the presentation and surrender of a valid ticket of admission in accordance with the most current schedule of gate prices as established by the board of managers. Only properly identified emergency personnel, such as police, fire and ambulance, as well as properly identified Society service personnel, shall be exempted from this rule when engaged in legitimate emergency or service duty which requires passage through State Fairgrounds admission gates.

1.04 Gate controls

Admission gates and exhibit buildings of the State Fair will be open to visitors on days and during operating hours as set by the board of managers. Persons not involved in the preparation or teardown of exhibits for the State Fair may be prohibited from entering the State Fairgrounds during the preparation and teardown period. Gate admission fees will be charged during nighttime (non-operating) hours with the same fee schedule in effect as during day time (operating) hours. Persons entering the State Fairgrounds during non-operating hours, in addition to paying established gate fees, will be required to provide proof of their having business on the State Fairgrounds during said non-operating periods. License holders and their employees needing to enter or remain on the State Fairgrounds during the overnight period must first obtain an overnight badge from the appropriate Society department superintendent or division director. No badge will be issued without proper identification.

1.05 Pass-out gates

A pass-out system is operated during the State Fair at admission gates. Persons exiting through these gates may, upon request, obtain proper credentials for readmittance to the State Fairgrounds without additional charge. Readmittance will be honored the day of issuance only.

1.06 Admission prices

The board of managers shall annually review and establish gate admission prices for persons and vehicles including specific fee exemptions and discounts.

1.07 Vehicle restrictions

Maximum vehicle speed limits on the State Fairgrounds, as well as appropriate allowances and restrictions dealing with unnecessary acceleration, vehicle parking, delivery hours, restricted areas, tow-away zones and impound arrangements, shall be established by the secretary or delegate. The secretary or delegate shall provide for the placement of such traffic control signals, signs, and other traffic control devices on the State Fairgrounds as deemed necessary for the safety, protection and control of the State Fairgrounds and the people thereon. When any police officer or security person finds a vehicle illegally parked on the State Fairgrounds, they are authorized to issue a citation, or provide for the removal and impoundment of such vehicle, or both. Cost of removal and storage shall be borne by the vehicle's owner.

1.08 Pedestrian right-of-way

When walking on or about any street, sidewalk or other area generally open to the public on the State Fairgrounds, pedestrians shall at all times have the right-of-way as against all vehicles, other than identified emergency vehicles. Drivers of all vehicles, other than identified emergency vehicles, shall yield the right-of-way to any and all pedestrians on the State Fairgrounds.

1.09 Two-wheeled and track-vehicles

Two-wheeled vehicles, such as bicycles, motorcycles and motor scooters, will not be allowed on the State Fairgrounds during the State Fair unless such two-wheeled vehicles are on display in a commercial space licensed by the Society and, in such case, said two-wheeled vehicles must be kept in the assigned commercial space and may not, under any circumstances, be operated on the streets of the State Fairgrounds. Electric personal assistive mobility devices may be used on the State Fairgrounds by person that are physically challenged. Track-type vehicles, including snowmobiles, may not be operated anywhere on the State Fairgrounds at any time of the year without the express authorization and approval of the secretary or delegate.

1.10 Bannering, picketing, interfering

No person or group of persons shall banner, picket, march, protest, demonstrate or caucus on the State Fairgrounds before or during the State Fair in any manner that interferes with the convenience and safety of any State Fair patron, exhibitor or employee.

1.11 Handing out materials

The sale, posting or distribution of any merchandise, products, promotional items and printed or written material except from a fixed location on the State Fairgrounds approved by the secretary or delegate shall be prohibited.

1.12 Advertising vehicles

The operation or parking of any sound truck or vehicle upon which advertising signs, political or otherwise, have been affixed in any manner shall be prohibited anywhere on the State Fairgrounds. This rule is not applicable to a lettered service vehicle advertising a firm or its products while making deliveries or to the normal advertising on bumpers and windows of motor vehicles.

1.13 Conflict of interest

No manager, officer or employee of the Society shall:

- A. Enter into a contract with the Society.
- B. Have or acquire any financial interest, whether direct or indirect, in any contract between the Society and any license holder, performer, vendor or contractor.
- C. Engage or participate in personal business or financial transactions that conflict with the interest of the Society or their obligations and interests as a member of the board of managers, officer or employee of the Society.
- D. Be entitled to any special consideration involving the storage of vehicles and materials on the State Fairgrounds or the use of Society buildings, machinery, or equipment, except as may be specifically approved by the board of managers.
- E. Be allowed to purchase any material for their personal use through the name, credit or account of the Society.

1.14 Use of vehicles by Society employees

All vehicles used by managers, officers or employees of the Society in connection with Society business shall:

- A. Be the property of the manager, officer or employee, with the Society to have no interest or obligation except as authorized by the board of managers and stated in the Society bulletin covering expense reimbursement; or
- B. Be used by the Society as part of a service contract, through rental or on a courtesy basis; or
- C. Be the sole property of the Society to be used only on Society business.

No vehicle shall be rented by the Society from any Society manager, officer or employee.

1.15 Equal employment opportunities

The following policies concerning fair and equal employment shall be followed by the Society:

- A. It shall be the policy of the Society to foster the employment of all individuals with the Society in accordance with their fullest capacity and ability, regardless of race, color, creed, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, national origin, marital or veteran status or status with regard to public assistance or disability, and to safeguard their right to hold employment with the Society without discrimination; and
- B. Every contract for or on behalf of the Society for materials, supplies, construction or licenses may be cancelled or terminated by the Society when discrimination on account of race, color, creed, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, national origin, marital or veteran status or status with regard to public assistance or disability, exists in the hiring or employment of common or skilled labor by the contractor pursuant to the contract for or on behalf of the Society.

1.16 Acceptance of gift

No manager, officer or employee of the Society shall accept from a person or company that does business with the Society, any gift, gratuity, cash, merchandise or thing of value. This prohibition shall extend to the acceptance of food or beverage or merchandise at less than full retail price from a license holder during the State Fair.

1.17 Hiring of relatives

No relative of a Society employee or a relative of a member of the board of managers shall be given preferential treatment in being hired or promoted. Relatives may be precluded from working in the same Society department.

1.18 Dogs

During the period of the annual State Fair, no dogs or other pets shall be allowed on the State Fairgrounds. There are two exceptions:

- (1) Certified Service animals or service animals in training.
- (2) Dogs or other pets may be allowed when part of an exhibition or demonstration authorized by the secretary or delegate. No other exceptions will be allowed during the period of the State Fair.

During the non-fair period, no dogs or other pets shall be allowed in State Fair buildings, unless part of an exhibition or demonstration authorized by the secretary or delegate. No dogs or other pets may be allowed on the State Fairgrounds at any time unless confined or restrained on a leash of less than six feet in length. During fair and non-fair periods, society personnel are empowered to order the removal from the State Fair any dog or pet in violation of the above, or found to be disturbing or endangering the public.

During the non-fair periods.

There is one exception:

- (1) Certified Service animals or service animals in training.

1.19 Roller skates, in-line skates and skateboards

Use of roller skates or in-line skates shall not be permitted on the State Fairgrounds during the State Fair except as authorized in an agreement executed by the secretary or delegate. Use of skateboards shall not be permitted on the State Fairgrounds at any time except as authorized in an agreement executed by the secretary or delegate.

1.20 Practice driving

The State Fairgrounds may not be used by any person, organization or firm to conduct lessons for or to practice driving automobiles or other motor vehicles, unless such activity is covered under an agreement executed by the secretary or delegate.

1.21 Use of metal detectors

The use of metal detectors or similar devices shall be prohibited on the State Fairgrounds. Any activity of discovery, whether undertaken with or without a detection device, which results in digging, probing or otherwise disturbing the ground, shall be prohibited on the State Fairgrounds. This rule shall neither limit nor prohibit activities or the use of detection devices as may be directed by the secretary or delegate in the legitimate conduct of Society work.

CHAPTER THREE - COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS

3.01 Competitive exhibition times

Times for the setup of State Fair competitive exhibits, the dismantling and removal of exhibits and the hours of public viewing will be set annually by the secretary or delegate and will be stated in individual department premium books.

3.02 Responsibility for competitive exhibits

The Society will use diligence to protect livestock and articles entered for exhibition, after their arrival and placement, but under no circumstances will it be responsible for any loss, injury or damage done to or caused by any animal or article on exhibition. It is the responsibility of the competitive exhibitor to obtain appropriate insurance for any damages due to or caused by the exhibit and to indemnify and hold the Society harmless against any claim arising out of incidents involving the exhibit. Removal or pickup of exhibits at established times as stated in individual department premium books, entry blanks or entry receipts, shall be the responsibility of the competitive exhibitor. The Society shall not be responsible for any exhibit not removed or picked up at established time and the secretary or delegate will dispose of all exhibits not removed or picked up within one year of such established time.

3.03 Board of Animal Health

The exhibition of livestock on the State Fairgrounds shall be under the supervision of the Minnesota Board of Animal Health and its applicable rules and regulations will be complied with in full. Health requirements for individual departments will be set forth in their respective premium books.

3.04 General competitive entry requirements

Competitive exhibitors must file proper entry blanks with any applicable fees prior to the designated closing date for entries. The Society reserves the right to refuse entries or prohibit the exhibition of animals or articles entered if the showing of such animals or articles is contrary to law, or violative of the Society's interest in providing for the health, safety and protection of its patrons. Exhibits entered in the wrong lot or category may be transferred prior to judging at the discretion of the department superintendent to the proper lot or category of competition. Deception of any type by an exhibitor, as determined by the department superintendent will ban the exhibitor from any further competition and result in the forfeiture of all premiums. Mechanical or artistic articles must be entered in the name of the artist, inventor, manufacturer or maker. No Society employee or department superintendent, or member of their family, shall be permitted, directly or indirectly, to make a competitive entry in any department over which that person has supervisory responsibility or in which that person is employed. No society officer or member of the Board of Managers, or member of their family, shall be permitted to make a competitive entry of any type in any department.

3.05 Animal competitive entry requirements

When animals are entered for State Fair competition by an entity other than an individual, that entity (whether a corporation, partnership, breeding establishment or other) must have been in existence as of the closing date of entries. Appropriate documentation showing the status of the entity must be available for inspection by the department superintendent. All animals entered under a breed classification must be recorded in a breeding association recognized as representative of the particular breed. The competitive exhibitor must produce a certificate of registry at the request of the department superintendent. All animals shown must be owned by the competitive exhibitor from the time of making entry, except as otherwise provided in special rules of the department.

3.06 Judges

Competent and qualified persons will be employed as judges by the Society to evaluate all competitive exhibits. Judges shall be responsible for reading and understanding the general rules and all special rules applicable to the department or class in which they are to serve. No person who is a competitive exhibitor may act as judge in a class in which they are competing.

3.07 Interference with judging

Judges shall report to the department superintendent any competitive exhibitor who in any way, whether in person or by agent or employee, interferes with them or shows any disrespect to them during the judging. The department superintendent may exclude any such competitive exhibitor from further competition. The secretary may withhold from such competitive exhibitor any or all premiums that have been awarded and may also exclude such competitive exhibitor from further competition at the State Fair.

3.08 Award books

Judges and persons acting as clerks to the judges must use special care to record the proper names in the award books after awards have been made. The judge, competitive department superintendent in charge and clerk recording the awards of the department must sign the award book at the close of each class immediately after all awards in such class have been made.

3.09 Qualification of entries.

If there is any question as to the regularity of an entry or the right of any animal or article to compete in any lot or category, the judge or judges shall report same to the competitive department superintendent in charge for adjustment. Judges shall place a reserve award in each lot. Should any animal or article awarded a prize be disqualified, the animal or article awarded the next lower prize shall graduate into the next higher position, if in the opinion of the judge, it is worthy of such prize. Judges must not award a prize to an unworthy exhibit. No premium or distinction of any kind shall be given to any animal or article that is not deserving.

3.10 Finality of decisions.

In judging livestock, the decision of the official State Fair veterinarian and judge as to soundness shall be final. The decision of the judge shall be final in all cases, except when mistake, fraud, misrepresentation or collusion, not known at the time of the award, is discovered. In such cases, the secretary shall take appropriate action or refer the matter to the board of managers.

3.11 Interpretation of rules.

A faithful observance of all rules governing the exhibit will be required, and when in doubt as to the application or meaning of a rule, the competitive department superintendent in charge shall interpret such a rule. This interpretation when requested by either a competitive exhibitor or judge must be reduced to writing and returned to the secretary or delegate with the award books.

3.12 Protests.

A protest from the decision of a judge will only be accepted from a competitive exhibitor named in the official judge's sheet for competition in the lot or class under protest, and must be filed with the secretary within five hours after the award has been made. An award is deemed to have been made when the notation of the decision of the judge is entered into the department award book. All protests must be made in writing and must be accompanied by a deposit of one hundred dollars. The protest must state plainly and specifically the facts upon which the complaint or appeal is based. The right to appeal will lie only when it is charged that the award has been made in violation of the rules governing the exhibit, or when it is charged that the decision of the judge has been influenced or interfered with by another person. No protest or appeal based upon the statement that the judge or judges are incompetent or have over-looked an animal or article will be considered. The one hundred dollar deposit will be returned only if the protest or appeal is upheld. In protest and appeal instances where rules established by a breed association or other competitive organization with which the Society has an agreement differ from this rule, rules of the association or organization shall govern.

3.13 Late showing of exhibit.

No animal or exhibit will be judged or awarded a prize if it is not ready for judging and promptly brought into the show ring when the lot is called.

3.14 Premium money.

Cash premiums awarded will be paid by check made out to the competitive exhibitor and mailed to the post office address as stated on the entry blank. Competitive exhibitors may forfeit all premium money if exhibits are removed from the grounds prior to the official time of release. The board of managers reserves the right to make reductions in premiums if the financial conditions of the Society make such reductions necessary.

DIVISION OF CHRISTMAS TREES

Superintendent.....Greg Ustruck, St. Paul
 Board LiaisonD.J. Leary, Minneapolis

Amount offered by the Minnesota State Fair\$3,525.00

Failure to comply with the following rules may result in disqualification of an entry or all entries for an exhibitor.

DIVISION RULES

1. **ENTRY INFORMATION (ADVANCE ENTRY REQUIRED).** All entry forms must be either postmarked with official USPS postmark, or submitted on-line by Wednesday, August 12. Only pre-registered entries will be accepted. **There is no fee for entering.** Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Competition Department and the Division Superintendent.
 - A. **ON-LINE REGISTRATION. Begins May 1; closes at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday August 12.** The entire process must be completed by **4:30 p.m.**, or your entries will not be registered. Tags will be mailed to you or will be available when your trees are delivered. Follow the procedure below:
 - 1) Visit the Minnesota State Fair web site at www.mnstatefair.org.
 - 2) Click on "Competition" and select the link for "Ag-Hort-Bee". Follow the instructions to add the lots you intend to enter. After entering your contact information, click "submit" to continue the process.
 - 3) When the summary page appears, review your selected lots, and **be sure to click "confirm registration" to finalize your on-line registration.**
 - 4) You will receive an e-mail confirmation of your entries. **Print a copy of your registration confirmation. If you do not receive confirmation within 24 hours, please call 651-288-4417 to confirm.**
 - 5) **Exhibitors must bring their registration confirmation with their entry.**
 - B. **MANUAL REGISTRATION.** Completed registrations may be mailed or brought in to the Competition Office on or before the entry deadline, **4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 12**. Official printed entry forms may be obtained from the Competition Department (telephone 651-288-4417 or e-mail competition@mnstatefair.org or download from www.mnstatefair.org web site).
2. Only persons growing Christmas trees are eligible to exhibit in classes 1-7. Class 8 is open to anyone.
3. No exhibitor shall make more than one entry in a single lot, either in their own name, the name of the farm or company, or in the name of some other person. No individual may exhibit more than ten (10) trees in classes 1-7 (lots 1-21). Only registered trees will be eligible for exhibit. Requests to switch lots after registration has closed may be accepted at the discretion of the Competition Office and the Division Superintendent.
4. Entries are to be brought to the State Fairgrounds Ag-Hort Building on Sunday, August 23, between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Access to the grounds should be at the South Underwood gate (Gate 7).
5. All Christmas trees must have been grown in Minnesota.
6. Judging shall take place on Monday, August 24, 2009 and shall be done by a panel of qualified judges, according to the scorecards listed in these rules. Judges shall place only those entries worthy of an award. The decision of the judges is final.
7. The State Fair is NOT obligated to display all entries submitted. Every effort shall be made to display all entries submitted according to space available. At least one entry per exhibitor shall be displayed.
8. Trees shall be placed in water holding stands provided by the State Fair. The stand will not be considered by the judges.
9. Artificial coloring is prohibited in all classes except 8.
10. All trees shall be cut from their roots.
11. The height of the tree shall be measured from the butt of the trunk to the tip of the leader. The width of the tree shall be measured from branch tip to branch tip at the widest part of the tree.
12. Wreaths must be made on a 12" ring of natural conifer greens.
13. Entries in class 8 shall not be counted toward any Special Award.
14. Entry registration tags shall be provided by the State Fair. These tags **MUST** be properly filled out and securely affixed to the leader of any tree exhibited or the ring of any wreath exhibited. Any entry without a registration tag shall be eliminated from the competition.

CLASS 1 - NORWAY PINE

<u>Lot</u>		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>
1	Under 5 feet	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$10
2	5 feet to 7 feet .....	.50	40	30	20	10
3	7 feet to 9 feet .....	.50	40	30	20	10

CLASS 2 - SCOTCH PINE

<u>Lot</u>		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>
4	Under 5 feet	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$10
5	5 feet to 7 feet .....	.50	40	30	20	10
6	7 feet to 9 feet .....	.50	40	30	20	10

CLASS 3 - WHITE PINE

<u>Lot</u>		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>
7	Under 5 feet	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$10
8	5 feet to 7 feet .....	.50	40	30	20	10
9	7 feet to 9 feet .....	.50	40	30	20	10

CLASS 4 - WHITE SPRUCE

<u>Lot</u>		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>
10	Under 5 feet	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$10
11	5 feet to 7 feet .....	.50	40	30	20	10
12	7 feet to 9 feet .....	.50	40	30	20	10

CLASS 5 - COLORADO SPRUCE

<u>Lot</u>		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>
13	Under 5 feet	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$10
14	5 feet to 7 feet .....	.50	40	30	20	10
15	7 feet to 9 feet .....	.50	40	30	20	10

CLASS 6 - BALSAM FIR

<u>Lot</u>		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>
16	Under 5 feet	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$10
17	5 feet to 7 feet .....	.50	40	30	20	10
18	7 feet to 9 feet .....	.50	40	30	20	10

CLASS 7 - FRASER FIR

<u>Lot</u>		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>
19	Under 5 feet	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$10
20	5 feet to 7 feet .....	.50	40	30	20	10
21	7 feet to 9 feet .....	.50	40	30	20	10

CLASS 8 - DECORATED

<u>Lot</u>		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>
22	Trees, 6 to 8 feet	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$10
23	Wreaths .....	.50	40	30	20	10

SCORING

Classes 1 through 7 - Christmas Trees

Foliage - Fresh, clean, uniform	10
Taper - Pines 40% - 90%, Fir and Spruces 40% - 70%	10
Density - Medium or higher.....	10
Color - Natural, normal	10
Naturalness - Not perfectly smooth outside appearance	10
Damage or defects - Crooked stem, holes, uneven sides, etc.....	30
Overall effect - Overall general effect and appearance of tree.....	20
TOTAL	100

Class 8, Lot 22 - Decorated Trees

Quality of tree (see above scorecard).....	30
Originality of decorations	30
Suitability of decorations to tree.....	20
Overall effect	20
TOTAL	100

Class 8, Lot 23 - Decorated Wreaths

Foliage	10
Craftsmanship	20
Originality	20
Arrangement of decorations.....	20
Bow	10
Overall effect	20
TOTAL	100

SPECIAL AWARDS

Lot

- 24** Grand Champion (do not enter)\$50, ribbon and plate
 Reserve Grand Champion.....\$25 and ribbon

The Grand Champion will be awarded to the best of show in lots 1 through 21 inclusive. The Reserve Grand Champion will be awarded to the runner up from lots 1 through 21, inclusive.

Lot

- 25** Sweepstakes (do not enter)Ribbon

Sweepstakes winner will be awarded based upon the most first place finishes in lots 1 through 21. In case of a tie, second places shall be considered, etc., until a winner is declared.

DIVISION OF HONEY AND BEE CULTURE

SuperintendentWinnie Johnson, Elk River
Board LiaisonD. J. Leary, Minneapolis

Amount offered by the Minnesota State Fair\$3,500.00
 Amount contributed by Minnesota Honey Producers Association for Honey Food & Junior classes\$1,000.00
 Amount contributed by Minnesota Hobby Beekeepers Association for Honey Food class\$72.00
 Awards by Nature's Nectar\$150.00

In recent years, the public has become increasingly conscious of the value of honey in the diet, and of the importance of bees and bee keeping to agriculture.

If you are interested in baking and cooking with honey or if you are an experienced or amateur producer of honey and beeswax, you are invited to exhibit your products in the Honey Show.

DIVISION RULES

1. **ENTRY INFORMATION (ADVANCE ENTRY REQUIRED).** All entry forms must be either postmarked with official USPS postmark or submitted on-line by 4:30 p.m., Monday, August 17. Only pre-registered entries will be accepted. **There is no fee for entering.** Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Competition Department and the Division Superintendent.
 - A. **ON-LINE REGISTRATION. Begins May 1; closes at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, August 17.** The entire process must be completed by **4:30 p.m.**, or your entries will not be registered. Tags will be mailed to you or will be available when your entries are delivered. Follow the procedure below:
 - 1) Visit the Minnesota State Fair web site at **www.mnstatefair.org**.
 - 2) Click on "Competition" and select the link for "Ag-Hort-Bee". Follow the instructions to add the lots you intend to enter. After entering your contact information, click "submit" to continue the process.
 - 3) When the summary page appears, review your selected lots, and **be sure to click "confirm registration" to finalize your on-line registration.**
 - 4) You will receive an e-mail confirmation of your entries. **Print a copy of your registration confirmation. If you do not receive confirmation within 24 hours, please call 651-288-4417 to confirm.**
 - 5) **Exhibitors must bring their registration confirmation with their entry.**
 - B. **MANUAL REGISTRATION.** Completed registrations may mailed or brought in to the Competition Office on or before the entry deadline, **4:30 p.m. on Monday, August 17.** Official printed entry forms may be obtained from the Competition Department (telephone 651-288-4417 or e-mail competition@mnstatefair.org or download from www.mnstatefair.org web site).
2. Delivery of exhibits: The Honey Showroom will be open to accept entries from 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sunday, August 23 and from 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, August 24 and 25. **Foods must be entered by 1:00 p.m Tuesday, August 25.**
3. Exhibitors must be bona fide residents of Minnesota. Each exhibitor will be permitted only one entry in a lot. Only one member from any family or household may make entry in any lot, except in the Junior Division.
4. All entries in this Division must be produced or originate within the state limits of Minnesota, except in lots 19 and 20 in Class 97. Honey products in lots 21 through 23 (Class 97) need not be the product of the exhibitor.
5. Judging: Based on the score criteria shown after each lot or group of related lots. Results of judging and scorecard information will not be given on the telephone during the Honey Show. List of winners will be available on the Minnesota State Fair web site: www.mnstatefair.org.
6. Failure to conform to any part of the class or lot description, including containers, shall be reason for disqualification of the entry.
7. Decisions of the judges shall be final unless an obvious error is discovered. Any protest of placement results must be filed with the Competition Department as per S.F. Rule 3.12. Judges may withhold an award or ribbon when the entries fail to meet the quality standards of the show.
8. The Superintendent reserves the right to remove from the show, at any time, any exhibit which has become unsightly.

CLASS 97 - QUALITY HONEY AND BEES

It is very important that entrants carefully read and follow the rules and directives of the division, class and lot number. Failure to comply can result in disqualification.

CLASS RULES

1. All exhibits must be in place by 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 25. The Honey Showroom will be open to accept entries from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m., Sunday, August 23 and from 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Monday and Tuesday, August 24 and 25. Judging will be done Wednesday, August 26 and Wednesday, September 2. Exhibits shall remain in place until 8:00 p.m., Monday, September 7. Exhibits and ribbons may be picked up between 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 8 or Wednesday, September 9.
2. **Classifications:**
 - A. **Open Class:** may be entered by all exhibitors of quality honey, bees or beeswax.
 - B. **Novice Class:** exhibitors not having previously received a blue ribbon in Class 97.
3. All entries in Class 97, except lots 19 through 23 must be the products of the entrant.
4. All honey exhibited shall be free of labels, except in lots 21 through 23.
5. Score criteria in Class 97 is based on USDA recommended Judging/Scoring System. The maximum acceptable moisture content for any liquid honey is 18.6%. All higher percentages shall be disqualified, no additional points will be awarded for honeys with 16% or less.
6. **Observation Hives.** All observation hive exhibitors will receive a dated Ag-Hort vehicle sticker which should be firmly attached to the inside of their vehicle's windshield. This sticker is needed for access to the South Underwood gate (Gate 7) and to the Ag-Hort parking lot.
 - A. Lot 19 shall be in place by 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 25 and picked up on Tuesday, September 1 before 9:00 p.m. or before 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, September 2.
 - B. Lot 20 shall be in place by 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, September 2 and remain in place until 8:00 p.m., Monday, September 7.
7. Exhibitors arriving Tuesday evening, September 1 or Wednesday morning, September 2 should enter via the South Underwood gate. **Please contact the Superintendent in advance for admission information about lot 20.**
8. Exhibitors in lot 21: Educational display must contact the Show Superintendent, Winnie Johnson at 763-441-3452 to reserve space and arrange the subject.

LIQUID (EXTRACTED) HONEY

Quality honey, containing no more than 18.6% moisture, packed in one (1) lb. queenline or classic jars, fitted with appropriate metal or plastic lids. Entry to consist of 12 jars/bottles.

Lot

1	Open Class, White.....	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$8	\$4	Ribbon
2	Open Class, Light amber.....	25	20	15	8	4	Ribbon
3	Open Class, Amber.....	25	20	15	8	4	Ribbon
4	Open Class, Honey in 10 or 12 oz. squeeze containers.....	25	20	15	8	4	Ribbon

Lot

5	Novice Class, White.....	\$15	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$3
6	Novice Class, Light amber.....	15	10	8	6	3
7	Novice Class, Amber.....	15	10	8	6	3
8	Novice Class, Honey in 10 or 12 oz. squeeze containers.....	15	10	8	6	3

Score Criteria - Liquid Honey (Lots 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7)

Container - appearance and cleanliness	10
Color - conformity to schedule	15
Volume - accuracy and uniformity of fill	10
Absence of impurities, including froth	15
Moisture, scaled by %.....	20
Clarity - absence of crystals, bubbles	20
Flavor - absence of off aroma or flavor.....	10
TOTAL	100

Score Criteria - Liquid Honey, squeeze containers (Lots 4 and 8)

Container - appearance and cleanliness	20
Container - consumer appeal	10
Volume	20
Absence of impurities, including froth	20
Moisture, scaled by %.....	20
Flavor - absence of off aroma or flavor.....	10
TOTAL	100

GRANULATED (CREAMED) HONEY

Smoothly granulated, spreadable light honey, packed in 12 oz. hexagon jars fitted with appropriate metal or plastic lids. Entry to consist of 12 jars.

Lot

9	Open Class, Creamed honey.....	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$8	\$4
10	Open Class, Creamed honey, fruit flavored.....	25	20	15	8	4
11	Open Class, Creamed honey, cinnamon flavored	25	20	15	8	4

Lot

12	Novice Class, Creamed honey	\$15	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$3
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Score Criteria - Granulated Honey

Container - cleanliness and consumer appeal	10
Color - uniform and consistent	10
Volume - accuracy and uniformity of fill	10
Firmness of set - spreadable but not runny	20
Absence of impurities, including froth	20
Texture - fine, smooth granulation	20
Flavor - absence of off aroma or flavor.....	10
TOTAL	100

CHUNK HONEY

Neatly cut, white comb packed in white extracted honey, in 12 ox. hex jars. Comb weight to be about half of the total weight. No broken comb. Entry to consist of 12 jars.

Lot

13	Chunk honey	\$15	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$3
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Score Criteria - Cut Comb Honey

Uniformity - similarity of entire entry	10
Preparation - cleanliness, neatness of packing and trays	15
Accuracy and neatness of the cut.....	10
Capping quality - clean, white wax (no broken or open cells)	20
Comb quality - full, even, uniform cells (no pollen)	25
Honey quality - color, moisture and flavor	20
TOTAL	100

COMB SECTION HONEY

Entry to consist of six (6) comb sections, each sealed in its own container.

Lot

14	Cut comb honey	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$8	\$4	Ribbon
15	Square comb sections (4" x 4" approx.), sealed in plastic bag or wrap, exhibited in cardboard window cartons.....	25	20	15	8	4	Ribbon
16	Round comb sections, sealed in clear plastic covers with wrap-around label, no name on label	25	20	15	8	4	Ribbon

Score Criteria - Comb Section Honey

Uniformity - similarity of entire entry	20
Preparation - clean, neat sections and packages.....	15
Capping quality - clean, white wax (no broken or open cells)	20
Comb quality - full, even, uniform cells (no pollen)	25
Honey quality - color, moisture and flavor	20
TOTAL	100

HYSER AWARD

A special award for the outstanding comb honey entry will be sponsored by the Minnesota Hobby Beekeepers Association. Exhibitor's name will be engraved on a plaque to be exhibited at the fair. Recipient receives a special ribbon.

NATURE'S NECTAR AWARD

A frame of capped honey, completely sealed in clear plastic wrap. Wood surfaces to be scraped and clean. White comb and capping only.. Nature's Nectar have provided additional premiums for Lots 17 & 18. The prize money is included in the premiums below and will be included in the fair check

Lot

17	One 9 1/8" deep extracting frame	\$75	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
18	One 6 1/4" medium extracting frame	75	30	20	15	10

Score Criteria - Frame of Extracting Honey

Preparation - clean, neat frame and wrap	25
Capping quality - clean, white wax (no broken or open cells)	25
Comb quality - full, even, uniform cells (no pollen).....	25
Honey quality - uniform, light color	20
Weight of entry	5
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>100</u>

OBSERVATION HIVE

A one frame depth glass or plexiglass observation hive, with a maximum of three frames high, should be a micro-colony consisting of one frame of brood with a queen and a frame of extracting or section honey. Top ventilation is necessary to allow watering. Race, hybrid, strain or variety to be stated on entry tag. No squashed bees.

Lot

19 Open Class Observation hive (Entry date: Tuesday, August 25).....\$35 \$30 \$25 \$20 \$15

Lot

20 Novice Class Observation hive (Entry date: Wednesday, September 2)\$35 \$30 \$25 \$20 \$15

Score Criteria - Observation Hive

Overall exhibit	10
Cleanliness - frames, comb, cappings, and overall exhibit, squashed bees	10
Conformity - color, markings, size of bees	25
Marked queen - proper, visible, neat marking	10
Queen quality - young, healthy, conforming queen	20
Brood quality - compact pattern (all stages of development)	25
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>100</u>

EDUCATIONAL DISPLAY

A creative, educational display utilizing photographs, posters, signs and products to interpret a specific subject prearranged with the Show Superintendent, Winnie Johnson. Exhibitors in this lot must contact Mrs. Johnson at 763-441-3452 to reserve space and arrange the theme. Glass fronted display case, with white background and side, measures 36" high x 46" wide x 36" deep.

Lot

21 Educational Display
 \$100 | \$90 | \$80 | \$70 |

Score Criteria - Educational Display

Creative interpretation of subject	15
Educational value	40
Quality of display materials	10
Neatness of exhibit	10
Signage, photos, posters, artwork	25
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>100</u>

HONEY GIFT PACKAGES

Inexpensive Basket of Honey Gifts. Unwrapped assorted honey and/or related items creatively arranged in a small basket or unique container, suitable as a gift worth \$30 or less. Honey need not be product of the exhibitor, but should be labeled. Include list of items.

Premium Themed Gift Basket. Unwrapped basket or unique container with assorted honey and/or related items creatively arranged, suitable as a gift worth up to \$100. Honey need not be product of the exhibitor, but should be labeled, unwrapped. Include list of items.

Lot

22 Inexpensive Basket of Honey Gifts
 \$15 | \$10 | \$8 | \$6 | \$3 |

23 Premium Themed Gift Basket.....
 15 | 10 | 8 | 6 | 3 |

Score Criteria - Honey Gift Packages

Suitability and conformity to schedule.....	20
Originality and creativity	20
Preparation - quality and neatness of packing, visibility of items	15
Variety of honeys and products.....	20
Quality of products and containers	15
Theme	10
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>100</u>

NATURAL BEESWAX BLOCK

A clean, pure beeswax block, securely sealed in clear plastic wrap, cast in a one (1) lb. hexagon beeswax mold.

Lot

24	Light natural beeswax block (light, butter yellow)	\$15	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$3
25	Dark natural beeswax block (rich, caramel beige).....	15	10	8	6	3

Score Criteria - Natural Beeswax Block

Preparation - finishing and wrap	10
Weight	10
Quality Casting	20
Color conformity	20
Cleanliness - freedom from impurities	20
Aroma	20
TOTAL	100

SWEEPSTAKES - CLASS 97

The Sweepstakes Award in Class 97 shall be awarded to the five highest scoring entrants on a basis of: 1st place awards count 3 points; 2nd place awards count 2 points; 3rd place awards count 1 point. (In the event of a tie, the original score card scores will determine the winner.) This excludes lot 20, which is entered later in the fair.

Lot

26	Sweepstakes	\$50	\$35	\$20	\$10	Ribbon
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A trophy shall be presented to the Sweepstakes winner by the Minnesota Honey Producers Association.

CLASS 98 - HONEY FOOD PRODUCTS

It is very important that entrants pre-register and follow the rules and directives of the Division, Class and Lot number. Failure to comply can result in disqualification.

The Melford Olson Honey Company of Minneapolis will present each family entering Class 98 a two (2) lb. jar of Mel-0-Honey.

CLASS RULES

1. **All exhibits must be in place by 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 25.** The Honey Showroom will be open to accept entries from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m., Sunday, August 23, and from 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. on Monday, August 24, and from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 25. Judging will begin at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 25. Exhibits shall remain in place until 8:00 p.m., Monday, September 7. Exhibits and ribbons may be picked up between 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 8 or Wednesday, September 9.
2. Honey must be the **ONLY** sweetening agent in the recipe, or as indicated. Flavorings, flavored chips, fruits, coconut, etc., containing other sweeteners are acceptable additives except where noted in specific lot descriptions.
3. All exhibits must be the product of the exhibitor and the "home" kitchen. No mixes.
4. Each exhibit must be accompanied by one copy of the recipe, typed or printed, on 4" x 6" cards.
5. Print the lot and your entry number on the recipe card - no names. Attach entry tags and recipe cards securely to the exhibit.
6. If, in the opinion of the judges, the accompanying recipe is incorrect or is not a true representation of the product placing in the prize group, the entry shall be disqualified. Check recipe cards carefully; obvious errors may disqualify the entry.
7. Cakes, cookies and candies should be brought in on white paper or styrofoam plates or a thin board, as the management cannot be responsible for damage to glass, china or other containers.
8. Canned products must be displayed in colorless, standard canning jars with re-sealable lids. (See lot description for size of jar.) Exhibitor's entry number should be written on the lid of each entry in lots 60 through 82 with permanent marker.
9. All low acid and tomato products must be processed in a pressure canner. Fruits, preserves and pickle products must be processed in a boiling water bath canner.
10. To avoid spoilage and food poisoning, any entry with an egg custard or pudding must be refrigerated or kept on ice until delivered to the Honey and Bee Division. This rule also applies to lots 74 through 82.
11. Only the ribbon will be returned to exhibitor of winning entries that may have become unsightly during the fair. Most of the exhibits in Class 98 shall be discarded at the close of the fair.
12. All recipe cards shall become the property of the Honey Show. Some winning recipes will be available to the public, unless previous arrangements have been requested of the Show Superintendent. Questions may be put to Winnie Johnson at 763-441-3452.

HONEY YEAST BREADS

All exhibits in lots 30-34 to be yeast breads, no sugars, baked in 1 1/2 lb. loaf pans approximately 4" x 8" x 3". Enclose in a plastic bag.

Lot

30	White, no whole grains	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$5	Ribbon
31	Whole wheat; at least 75% whole wheat flour, may be free form	15	12	10	5	Ribbon
32	Whole wheat; less than 75% whole wheat	15	12	10	5	Ribbon
33	Bread machine (no mixes) white or wheat	15	12	10	5	Ribbon
34	Cinnamon Raisin	15	12	10	5	Ribbon
35	Challah.....	15	12	10	5	Ribbon
36	Rye; free form round or oval	15	12	10	5	Ribbon
37	Multi-grain loaf	15	12	10	5	Ribbon
38	Whole wheat dinner rolls (3)	15	12	10	5	Ribbon
39	Dinner rolls (3)	15	12	10	5	Ribbon
40	Sweet rolls (3)	15	12	10	5	Ribbon

HONEY QUICK BREADS

Lot

41	Cornmeal muffins, baked without paper liners, no sugar (5).....	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$5	Ribbon
42	Poppyseed muffins, baked without paper liners, no sugar (5)	15	12	10	5	Ribbon
43	Pumpkin bread, small loaf, up to 50% other sweetener	15	12	10	5	Ribbon
44	Scones (5) no sugar	15	12	10	5	Ribbon
45	Banana bread, small loaf, up to 50% other sweetener	15	12	10	5	Ribbon

UNFROSTED HONEY CAKES

May use up to one-half other sweeteners. No toppings except Lot 46.

Lot

46	Apple cake	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$5	Ribbon
47	Spice cake, bundt pan; nuts, coconut, raisins, etc. may be used.	15	12	10	5	Ribbon
48	Chiffon or sponge cake	15	12	10	5	Ribbon

MINNESOTA HOBBY BEEKEEPERS AWARD

The Minnesota Hobby Beekeepers Association shall award premiums and a trophy for items of excellence in this special lot. Honey must be at least 50% of the sweetener.

Lot

50	Peach Jam. Sweetener to be 50% honey. Packed in (1) half pint canning jar.....	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$8	\$4	Ribbon
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HONEY COOKIES

Honey must be at least one-half (1/2) of the sweetener in lots 51 through 53.

Lot

51	Oatmeal cookies (6).....	\$10	\$6	\$4	\$2	Ribbon
52	Fruit bars (6)	10	6	4	2	Ribbon
53	Gluten-free cookie (6)	10	6	4	2	Ribbon

Score Criteria - Breads, Muffins, Cakes, and Cookies

Size and shape	15
Aroma and flavor.....	20
Surface and crumb	15
Texture and tenderness	15
Moisture and lightness	10
Use of honey (variety, proportion).....	15
Conformity.....	10
TOTAL	100

HONEY PASTRIES

Pies should be baked in 9" aluminum pans. Honey must be at least 1/2 of the sweetener in lots 54 - 57.

Lot

54	Apple pie; no raisins or nuts, crumb or pastry top.....	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$5	Ribbon
55	Double crust fruit pie; exhibitors' choice of berry, peach or rhubarb only.....	15	12	10	5	Ribbon
56	Pecan pie (refrigerated).....	15	12	10	5	Ribbon
57	Baklava, about 2" x 2" (3)	15	12	10	5	Ribbon

Score Criteria - Honey Pastries

Appearance.....	15
Crust and crumb	15
Texture and tenderness	25
Aroma and flavor.....	25
Use of honey (variety, proportion).....	10
Conformity	10
TOTAL	100

HONEY TREATS AND GRANOLA

Candy in each lot to weigh approximately one-half (1/2) lb. Honey must be at least 1/3 of the sweetener in lots 58 - 62.

Lot

58 Snack mix, one (1) pint canning jar	\$10	\$6	\$4	\$2	Ribbon
59 Energy or granola bar, (3)	10	6	4	2	Ribbon
60 Honey caramel popcorn, one (1) pint canning jar	10	6	4	2	Ribbon
61 Honey baked nuts, one-half (1/2) pint canning jar	10	6	4	2	Ribbon
62 Honey granola; nuts, fruits and spices may be used, no flavored chips, packed in one (1) pint canning jar	10	6	4	2	Ribbon

Score Criteria - Honey Treats and Granola

Appearance and color	30
Texture and crunch	20
Flavor	25
Use of honey (variety, proportion).....	15
Conformity	10
TOTAL	100

HONEY BEVERAGES

Lot

63 Sport or energy drink, standard one (1) pint jar.....	\$10	\$6	\$4	\$2	Ribbon
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HONEY BUTTERS AND SPREADS

Exhibits to be in one clear glass 6 oz. or one-half (1/2) pint canning jar processed or kept refrigerated.

Lot

64 Flavored honey butter	\$10	\$6	\$4	\$2	Ribbon
65 Fruit and honey spread or purée (uncooked fruit & honey spread)	10	6	4	2	Ribbon
66 Fruit preserve or jam, processed.....	10	6	4	2	Ribbon

HONEY FRUITS AND PICKLED VEGETABLES

Exhibits to be in one clear glass one (1) pint canning jar with sealable lid.

Lot

68 Peaches, plain or spiced	\$10	\$6	\$4	\$2	Ribbon
69 Any pickled vegetable or relish	10	6	4	2	Ribbon
70 Chutney, one-half (1/2) pint jar	10	6	4	2	Ribbon
71 Any other canned fruit	10	6	4	2	Ribbon

Score Criteria - Fruits and Pickled Vegetables

General appearance	10
Product size and shape	10
Product color	10
Product texture	10
Liquid, proportion to product	5
Liquid condition	10
Flavor of product and liquid	20
Use of honey	15
Conformity	10
TOTAL	100

HONEY SALAD DRESSINGS OR DIPS

Exhibits to be in clear glass one-half (1/2) pint canning jars with sealable lids.

Lot

74	Fruit salad dressing	\$10	\$6	\$4	\$2	Ribbon
75	Fruit or vegetable dip	10	6	4	2	Ribbon
76	Russian or French style dressing	10	6	4	2	Ribbon
77	Tomato salsa, canned	10	6	4	2	Ribbon
78	Fruit or Veggie salsa	10	6	4	2	Ribbon

HONEY MEAT SAUCES

Exhibits to be in clear glass one-half (1/2) pint canning jars with sealable lids. No meats in the sauces. Process as in Rule #9.

Lot

81	Barbecue sauce from scratch	\$10	\$6	\$4	\$2	Ribbon
82	Barbecue sauce based on prepared products such as catsup	10	6	4	2	Ribbon
83	Mustard sauce	10	6	4	2	Ribbon

Score Criteria - Beverages, Butters, Spreads, Dressings, Dips and Meat Sauces

Appearance	30
Texture	20
Flavor	25
Use of honey (variety, proportion)	15
Conformity	10
TOTAL	100

SWEEPSTAKES - HONEY FOOD PRODUCTS CLASS 98

Sweepstakes ribbons will be awarded. The Minnesota Honey Producers Association has contributed money and a trophy for the Sweepstakes Awards in Class 98.

Lot

84	Sweepstakes	\$50	\$30	\$20	Ribbon
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A trophy will be presented to the Sweepstakes winner by the Minnesota Honey Producers Association.

CLASS 99 - CREATIVE BEE AND BEESWAX ARTWORK

CLASS RULES

- 1. All exhibits must be in place by 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 25.** The Honey Showroom will be open to accept entries from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 23 and from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday, August 24 and 25. Judging will be done on Wednesday, August 27. All exhibits shall remain in place until 8:00 p.m., Monday, September 7 or exhibits may be picked up between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 8 or Wednesday, September 9.
- 2. All wax exhibits must be 100% beeswax.**
- 3. All exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor.**
- 4. Entry tags should be securely attached to exhibits.** Candle exhibits (lots 90 through 95) should be brought in a suitable paper box, as the management cannot be responsible for container. Candle holders are provided by the department.

BEESWAX CARVINGS AND CASTINGS

Lot

85	Exhibit of carved beeswax form or forms. Must be hand crafted. Dipped items unacceptable. Display to contain at least one-fourth (1/4) lb. of beeswax.	\$30	\$20	\$15	Ribbon	
86	Exhibit of molded beeswax art forms. Display to contain no more than 15 lbs. of beeswax. Must be 100% beeswax.	\$15	\$12	\$10	\$5	Ribbon
87	Decorated eggs (advanced/semi-professional). Collection of three (3) Ukrainian Easter eggs using beeswax process.....	15	12	10	5	Ribbon
88	Decorated eggs (beginner), one Easter egg using beeswax process.....	15	12	10	5	Ribbon
89	Batik	15	12	10	5	Ribbon
90	Any other beeswax craft	15	12	10	5	Ribbon

Score Criteria - Beeswax Carvings and Castings

Design (beauty and color)	15
Originality	15
Workmanship	20
Aroma	10
Value in point of interest	10
Value of article in relation to work done and material used	10
Difficulty of project.....	15
Conformity.....	5
TOTAL	100

PURE BEESWAX PRODUCTS

Dipped Tapers

Lot

91	Light, natural wax, 10"-12" in height, 1 pair, continuous wick	\$10	\$6	\$4	\$2	Ribbon
92	Dark, natural wax, 10"-12" in height, 1 pair, continuous wick	10	6	4	2	Ribbon
93	Plain or decorated, 7"-8" in height, 1 pair, continuous wick	10	6	4	2	Ribbon

Molded Candles

Lot

94	Light, natural color, 10"-12" in height, 3 tapers	\$10	\$6	\$4	\$2	Ribbon
95	Decorative, molded candle (color acceptable), 1 candle or set	10	6	4	2	Ribbon

Rolled Candles (Rolled Beeswax; pillar or taper)

Lot

96	Pillar or other shape	\$10	\$6	\$4	\$2	Ribbon
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Beeswax Cosmetics - Label bottom of jar with entry number.

Lot

97	Lip balm, ingredients listed, appropriate container	\$10	\$6	\$4	\$2	Ribbon
98	Moisturizer, ingredients listed, two (2) oz. cosmetic jar or bottle.....	10	6	4	2	Ribbon
99	Any other cosmetic	10	6	4	2	Ribbon

Score Criteria - Pure Beeswax Products

Color	20
Quality of material, aroma.....	20
Craftsmanship	30
Uniformity	15
Originality	10
Conformity.....	5
TOTAL	100

SWEEPSTAKES - PURE BEESWAX PRODUCTS

A Sweepstakes ribbon will be awarded. The award will be made, by the decision of the judge, for the most outstanding candles or candle. One Honorable Mention ribbon.

Lot

100	Sweepstakes	\$20 and ribbon
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A trophy will be presented to the Sweepstakes winner by the Minnesota Honey Producers Association.

CREATIVE BEE ARTWORK

All exhibits to have a honey or bee design or motif.

Lot

101	One pottery or ceramic honey pot or dish made by exhibitor	\$10	\$6	\$4	\$2	Ribbon
102	Counted cross stitch, made by exhibitor	10	6	4	2	Ribbon
103	Photograph, taken by exhibitor, matted or framed, of honey bees	10	6	4	2	Ribbon
104	Photograph, taken by exhibitor, matted or framed, of honey	10	6	4	2	Ribbon
105	Photograph, taken by exhibitor, matted or framed, of beekeeping	10	6	4	2	Ribbon
106	Painting or drawing by exhibitor	10	6	4	2	Ribbon
107	Quilt or quilted wallhanging	10	6	4	2	Ribbon
108	Any craft artwork; stenciling, drawing, etc. created by exhibitor	10	6	4	2	Ribbon

Score Criteria - Painting & Photography

Composition	30
Impact	30
Technique	30
Overall appearance.....	10
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>100</u>

COLLECTION OF HONEY CONTAINERS

Lot

- 109** A collection of antique or interesting honey pots or containers, with no honey in container (3 to 5 items)\$10 \$6 \$4 \$2 Ribbon
- 110** A collection of related bee or honey collectibles (3 to 5 items)10 6 4 2 Ribbon

Score Criteria - Honey Containers

Presentation	20
Theme/Variation	20
Condition	20
Uniqueness	20
Point of Interest.....	20
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>100</u>

SWEEPSTAKES - CREATIVE BEE ARTWORK

A Sweepstakes ribbon will be awarded for, in the opinion of the judges, the outstanding entry. One Honorable Mention ribbon.

Lot

- 111** Sweepstakes\$20 and ribbon
A trophy will be presented to the Sweepstakes winner by the Minnesota Honey Producers Association.

CLASS 100 - JUNIOR DIVISION

It is very important that entrants carefully read and follow the rules and directives of the division, class and lot. Failure to comply can result in disqualification.

CLASS RULES

- 1. All exhibits must be in place by 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 25.** The Honey Showroom will be open to accept entries from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m., Sunday, August 23, and from 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Monday and Tuesday, August 24 and 25. Please note: Food entries must be in place by 1:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 25.
- 2. Judging will be done on Tuesday, August 25 and Wednesday, August 26.** All exhibits shall remain in place until 8:00 p.m., Monday, September 7, or exhibits may be picked up between 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 8 or Wednesday, September 9.
- 3. Anyone 15 years old or younger may enter this class.**
- 4. More than one (1) child from a family may enter the same lot in this class.**
- 5. All exhibits must be the work of the exhibitor.**

QUALITY HONEY - JUNIOR DIVISION

Lot

- 115** White liquid honey; six 1 lb. queenline jars\$10 \$6 \$4 \$2 Ribbon
- 116** Light amber honey; six 1 lb. queenline jars.....10 6 4 2 Ribbon
- 117** Creamed honey; six 12 oz. hexagon jars10 6 4 2 Ribbon
- 118** Chunk honey; six 12 oz. hexagon jars10 6 4 2 Ribbon
- 119** Cut comb honey; six neatly cut 4" x 4" squares, each well sealed in clear plastic boxes (see lot 14 - Class 97)10 6 4 2 Ribbon
- 120** One medium, 6 1/4" extracting frame, wrapped in plastic.....10 6 4 2 Ribbon

Score Criteria - same as in Class 97

HONEY BREADS AND MUFFINS - JUNIOR DIVISION

Honey the only sweetener used. Include recipe.

Lot

- 121** White loaf.....\$10 \$6 \$4 \$2 Ribbon
- 122** Whole wheat loaf.....10 6 4 2 Ribbon
- 123** Dinner rolls, any shape (4)10 6 4 2 Ribbon
- 124** Muffins, exhibitors' choice (4)10 6 4 2 Ribbon

HONEY SWEETS - JUNIOR DIVISION

Honey must be at least one-third (1/3) the sweetener. Include the recipe.

Lot

125	Oatmeal cookies (6).....	\$10	\$6	\$4	\$2	Ribbon
126	Caramel corn	10	6	4	2	Ribbon
127	Yellow or spice cake; 1 layer, may be iced or trimmed	10	6	4	2	Ribbon
128	Double crust pie.....	10	6	4	2	Ribbon
129	Granola, one pint clear jar, with cover	10	6	4	2	Ribbon

BEESWAX CANDLES - JUNIOR DIVISION

Lot

130	Dipped candles, light or dark wax, 8" in height, 1 pair, continuous wick	\$8	\$6	\$4	Ribbon
131	Molded candle, any size, decorative shape, 1 or one set	8	6	4	Ribbon
132	Rolled candles, any color, 1 pair.....	8	6	4	Ribbon

BEESWAX ARTWORK - JUNIOR DIVISION

Lot

133	Molded beeswax form.....	\$8	\$6	\$4	Ribbon
134	Carved beeswax	8	6	4	Ribbon

BEE WARES - JUNIOR DIVISION

Lot

135	Any craft artwork with bee or honey design, ready to exhibit or hang	\$8	\$6	\$4	Ribbon
136	Collection of bee related items	8	6	4	Ribbon
137	Photograph, matted or framed	8	6	4	Ribbon

SWEEPSTAKES - JUNIOR DIVISION

A Sweepstakes ribbon will be awarded. The award will be made, by the decision of the judge, for the most outstanding product or exhibit. One Honorable Mention ribbon.

Lot

138	Sweepstakes	\$20 and ribbon
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A trophy will be presented to the Sweepstakes winner by the Minnesota Honey Producers Association.

DIVISION OF FARM CROPS

Superintendent.....Ron Kelsey, Lamberton
 Board LiaisonD.J. Leary, Minneapolis

Amount offered by the the Minnesota State Fair\$9,550.00
 Amount offered by the Minnesota Crop Improvement Association.....\$600.00

1. **ENTRY INFORMATION (ADVANCE ENTRY REQUIRED).** All entry forms must be either postmarked with official USPS postmark or submitted on-line by Friday, August 14 (except New Corn, for which the deadline is 10:00 a.m., September 3, when the exhibits of new corn are delivered). **There is no fee for entering.** Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Competition Department and the Division Superintendent.
 - A. **ON-LINE REGISTRATION.** Available for Class 101 Crop Art and Class 102 Scarecrow only. **Begins May 1; closes Friday, August 14.** The entire process must be completed by **4:30 p.m.**, or your entries will not be registered. Tags will be mailed to you or will be available when your entries are delivered. Follow the procedure below:
 - 1) Visit the Minnesota State Fair web site at www.mnstatefair.org.
 - 2) Click on "Competition" and select the link for "Ag-Hort-Bee". Follow the instructions to add the lots you intend to enter. After entering your contact information, click "submit" to continue the process.
 - 3) When the summary page appears, review your selected lots, and then **be sure to click "confirm registration" to finalize your on-line registration.**
 - 4) You will receive an e-mail confirmation of your entries. **Print a copy of your registration confirmation. If you do not receive confirmation within 24 hours, please call 651-288-4417 to confirm.**
 - 5) **Exhibitors must bring their registration confirmation with their entry.**
 - B. **MANUAL REGISTRATION.** Completed registrations may mailed or brought in to the Competition Office on or before the entry deadline, **4:30 p.m. on Friday, August 14.** Official printed entry forms may be obtained from the Competition Department (telephone 651-288-4417 or e-mail competition@mnstatefair.org or download from www.mnstatefair.org web site).
2. **EXHIBIT INFORMATION.** Exhibits must be delivered not later than the times specified. Late delivery of exhibits will disqualify the exhibits.

CLASS 101 - CROP ART AND ARRANGEMENTS

CLASS RULES

1. Open to any resident of Minnesota, except lots 21 and 22.
2. Limited to one entry per individual per lot. One member only from a family or household may make entry in any lot except in junior lots (18, 19 and 22) which are limited to one exhibit per individual in each lot.
3. Completed entry form must be received by 4:30 p.m., Friday, August 14. Exhibits must be delivered between the hours of 11:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday, August 24, to the Superintendent, Farm Crops Division, in the Ag-Hort Building. Exhibits must be delivered prepaid. Judged Tuesday, August 25.
4. Exhibits in this class will be released between 8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. on Labor Day. Arrangements for later pickup must be made with the Competition Department at 651-288-4417.
5. The exhibit must be the work of the exhibitor. No kits shall be used.
6. Name and address must be placed on back of exhibit and must be covered by paper to prevent accidental identification while being judged.
7. Any exhibit which does not conform with requirements or which has plant parts or kinds, or products, which are not in compliance with the rules of this class, will be disqualified or discounted by the Superintendent in advance of the judging of the exhibits. Reason(s) for disqualification will be noted on the exhibitor tag.
8. Repeated showing of the same exhibit is discouraged and shall place lower than a new exhibit of equal quality. Exhibits will be dated on the back with UV reflective ink. This will be invisible and not harm the exhibit.
9. The management of the Minnesota State Fair reserves the right to interpret these rules and regulations and to arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions, and differences in regard thereto.
10. The fair management will use diligence to ensure the safety of articles entered for exhibition after their arrival and placement, but under no circumstances will it be responsible for any loss or damage done to any article on exhibition and the exhibitor shall indemnify the fair and the management thereof, against all legal or other proceedings in regard thereto.
11. Definition of Exhibitors:
 - A. **Advanced Exhibitor.** All exhibitors who have won a total of four or more first place premiums in the Crop Art Class during the last four years or won the Sweepstakes award for lots 1-16.
 - B. **Amateur Exhibitor.** All other exhibitors in lots 1-16 shall be designated Amateur Exhibitors.
12. Materials. Only the following materials may be used:

- A. Seeds, stems, heads or panicles, and fruiting bodies or structures of oats, wheat, barley, flax, rye, corn, soybeans, navy and field beans, pinto beans, sunflowers, common buckwheat, field peas, millets, safflower, sorghum, sugar beet, sudan grass, common forage grasses (timothy, bluegrass, bromegrass and wild grasses, etc.), clovers, alfalfa, and wild rice. Crop plants shall be those specimens grown in Minnesota. Superintendent shall be the final authority regarding crops grown in Minnesota.
 - B. Seeds and dried fruiting structures only of any horticultural crop (vegetable and flower plants) which is suited or adapted for Minnesota are allowed in all lots. Forest, trees or shrub plant parts are allowed in lots 9-16 only. Weed seeds or plants are not permitted in any lot.
 - C. Manufactured products of any of the above not to exceed 20 percent of the area of the artistic work.
 - D. Permission to use materials other than the above must be obtained from the Superintendent.
 - E. The use of plant parts or seeds other than those enumerated or specifically approved by the Superintendent will disqualify the exhibit.
 - F. Backgrounds: Suitable backgrounds may be plywood, masonite, canvas board, heavy map board, paneling, burlap (colored), linen, and suitable other fabric. There may be other suitable background materials. Such backgrounds may not be painted in lots 1 and 2.
 - G. Framing; see specific lot. When required to be framed, exhibit must be so framed. Suitable edging of seeds permitted in lieu of metal, wooden, or synthetic frames. Selection of frames should be such as to blend with the work involved.
 - H. In lots 3, 4, 7 and 8, as indicated, 70% of the exposed area must be covered with seeds or plant parts. In lots 1 and 2, the background should be covered using seed.
- 13. Legend Cards.** Exhibitor is required to list by name all items used on 4" x 6" card(s) with each exhibit and to tape on the legend card a few specimens of the seeds used, of manufactured materials used, but need not provide a specimen of plant materials used due to difficulty of showing such materials on a 4" x 6" card. Typing of the list will be preferred. Seal the legend card in plastic sandwich bag and tape to the back of the exhibit. Failure to provide a list will result in a 5 point penalty.
- 14.** In lots 1, 2, 7, 8, 9 and 10, all materials used shall be shown in their natural color (not dyed or otherwise colored). In lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 & 16 it is optional whether the seed, stems, etc. are natural, dyed or otherwise colored.
- 15.** Hanging or standing exhibits are permitted. With hanging exhibits, the exhibitor must fit the exhibit with hanging hooks and wire adequate to support the work when hung.
- 16.** Maximum dimensions: 24" x 40", 30" in diameter.

Artistic Crop Art, natural colors. Using seeds, stems, etc., in natural colors on supporting background and excluding paints and dyes of any kind (framing optional but must appear finished over all). No irregular forms.

<u>Lot</u>		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Merit Award</u>
1	Amateur	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5	\$3 (5 given)
2	Advanced	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5 (5 given)

Artistic Crop Art, dyed or painted. Using seeds, stems, etc., on supporting background, and permitting the use of heavy textured paints on not to exceed 30% of the area. Seeds, stems etc., may be in natural color, dyed, or painted (framing optional but must appear finished overall). No irregular forms allowed.

<u>Lot</u>		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Merit Award</u>
3	Amateur	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5	\$3 (5 given)
4	Advanced	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5 (5 given)

Artistic Crop Art, irregular forms. (Other than square or rectangular etc., in shape, such as bird cut-outs, etc., and not necessarily flat surface.). Using seeds, stems, etc., on supporting background, not framed, either natural colors or dyed or painted or combinations, to achieve color needed.

<u>Lot</u>		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Merit Award</u>
5	Amateur	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5	\$3 (5 given)
6	Advanced	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5 (5 given)

Artistic Crop Art, flat surface arrangements. Framed or appear finished over all, using dried plant materials in natural colors only. Background may be painted up to 30% of total area, leaving 70% of the entire area covered with stems, heads, seeds, etc. Any form.

<u>Lot</u>		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Merit Award</u>
7	Amateur	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5	\$3 (5 given)
8	Advanced	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5 (5 given)

Artistic Crop Art, dried natural plant parts. Using tree or shrub seeds, fruiting structures, bark, pods, nuts, leaves, cones, and using at least 3 kinds of field crop seeds or plant parts, and using (optional) seeds and fruiting structures of any horticultural crop. Natural colors only. Framing optional but must appear finished over all. Must be adapted to growing in Minnesota. All in dried condition. Any form.

<u>Lot</u>		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Merit Award</u>
9	Amateur	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5	\$3 (5 given)
10	Advanced	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5 (5 given)

Special Occasion Crop Art. Using seeds, stems, etc., as permitted in any lot listed, in natural colors or dyed to achieve desired effect, to depict one of the following: Any U.S. National holiday; an anniversary (wedding, historical); birthday greeting; religious holiday or event; any other special event (holiday, anniversary, or tradition). Caption or theme must be stated with exhibit. Framing optional but must appear finished over all. May be either hanging or standing. Any form.

<u>Lot</u>		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Merit Award</u>
11	Amateur	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5	\$3 (5 given)
12	Advanced	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5 (5 given)

Seed and Plant Craft Objects. Objects made of or decorated with seeds and plant parts defined elsewhere. Natural color, dyed, or painted. Examples: Corn shuck dolls; caricatures; straw or stem structures; totem poles; gay rattan bells; rattan ornaments; rattan daisy; rattan hoop; straw basket; seed chains; earrings and key chain; others.

<u>Lot</u>		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Merit Award</u>
13	Amateur	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5	\$3 (5 given)
14	Advanced	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5 (5 given)

Wearable Crop Art. Objects made of or decorated with seeds and plant parts defined elsewhere. Natural color, dyed, or painted. Examples: jewelry, clothing, etc.

<u>Lot</u>		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Merit Award</u>
15	Amateur	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5	\$3 (5 given)
16	Advanced	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5 (5 given)

Novice Class. Artistic Crop Art, using seed, stems, etc. and utilizing any form permitted in lots 1-16. (Note: Irregular form is any form other than symmetrical. Regular forms include square, rectangle, circle, triangle, hexagon or octagon.). Minnesota residents only, one entry per individual. An exhibitor in the Novice lot may not show in lots 1 through 10, but may show in lots 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 23 and 24. All previous years' exhibitors in Crop Art are barred from showing in this lot. Strictly a beginners lot.

<u>Lot</u>		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Merit Award</u>
17	Novice	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5	\$3 (5 given)

Junior Crop Art, through age 12. Using seeds, stems, etc., and utilizing any form permitted in lots 1 through 16. Parent or guardian must vouch for age at time of entry. State age on exhibit card (Note: Failure to state age will disqualify the exhibit. Show age on entry tag.). Minnesota residents only, one entry per individual. Individual may also exhibit in one other lot from lots 1 through 16. Individual may also show in lots 24 and 25.

<u>Lot</u>		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Merit Award</u>
18	Junior, through age 12	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5	\$3 (10 given)

Junior Crop Art, ages 13 through 16. Using seeds, stems, etc., and utilizing any form permitted in lots 1 through 16, inclusive. Parent or guardian must vouch for age at time of entry. State age on exhibit card (Note: Failure to state age will disqualify the exhibit. Show age on entry tag.).

<u>Lot</u>		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Merit Award</u>
19	Junior, ages 13 through 16	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5	\$3 (10 given)

Senior Citizens Crop Art. Individuals, aged 60 years and older. Artistic Crop Art using seeds etc., in natural colors, dyed, painted or otherwise colored, on supporting background, utilizing any form permitted in lots 1 through 16.

<u>Lot</u>		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Merit Award</u>
20	Senior Citizen.....	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5	\$3 (5 given)

OUT OF STATE RESIDENTS ONLY

Out-of-state residents may send, prepaid, their exhibits to, Farm Crops Department c/o Steve Pooch, Minnesota State Fair, 1265 Snelling Ave. N., St. Paul, MN 55108, to arrive well in advance of the staging time prior to the fair opening. Postage for the return of exhibits should be sent to the superintendent.

Out of State Artistic Crop Art. Using seeds, etc., in natural colors, dyed, painted or otherwise colored, on supporting background, framed or appear finished over all, and permitting use of heavy textured paints on not to exceed 1/3 of the area of the exhibit. Utilizing any form permitted in lots 1 through 16.

<u>Lot</u>		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Merit Award</u>
21	Out of state resident.....	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5 (5 given)

Out of State Junior Crop Art, through age 16. Using seeds, stems, etc., and utilizing any form permitted in lots 1-16. Parent or guardian must vouch for age at time of entry. State age on exhibit card.

<u>Lot</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>Merit Award</u>
22 Out of state, Junior through age 16	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$5 (5 given)

LOT 34 - PREMIER CROP ART EXHIBITOR

The Minnesota State Fair will award a plaque to the exhibitor amassing the highest total points on the following basis:

First in any lot	30 points
Second in any lot	25 points
Third in any lot	20 points
Fourth in any lot	15 points
Fifth in any lot	10 points
Any Merit award	5 points

Applies to lots 1 through 16, inclusive.

Lot 30: The Minnesota State Fair will award a plaque to the “Best of Show” in the Senior Crop Art (lots 1-17, 20 & 21 combined). Reserve Champion will receive a ribbon.

Lot 31: The Minnesota State Fair will award a plaque to the “Best of Show” in the Junior Crop Art (lots 18, 19 & 22 combined). Reserve Champion will receive a ribbon.

Lot 32: “Best of Show of Previous Years”: This lot is open ONLY to adult crop art “Best of Show” winners from previous years. This entry will not be eligible for “Best of Show” of current year’s competition.

CROPS ARRANGEMENTS

1. Only dried plant materials of the crops listed in Paragraph 12a and 12b on page 24 may be used. The materials may be shown either in the natural state or colored state or combination of same.
2. The exhibitor must furnish supporting bowl, vase, dish, basket or other suitable container for the arrangement. The exhibits will be placed on tables or shelves.
3. Maximum height 36".
4. Each exhibitor will be permitted one decorative entry and one interpretative entry. Each entry must be properly designated by the exhibitor thus: “Decorative” and “Interpretive” (describe what is depicted on a small label).

<u>Lot</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>6th</u>	<u>7th</u>	<u>8th</u>
23 Decorative	\$10	\$8	\$7	\$6	\$5	\$4	\$3	\$2
24 Interpretive	\$10	\$8	\$7	\$6	\$5	\$4	\$3	\$2

Lot 33: Champion from lots 23 and 24Ribbon

SCORECARD - CROP ART

ARTISTIC MERIT - 50 points

Originality and distinctiveness	15 points
Composition	15 points
Blended and arranged into an integrated work or whole, proper scale and dimensions and well adapted for seeds	
Color	10 points
Use and selection of natural and added (seed stains, paints) colors	
Blending of textures	10 points

CRAFTSMANSHIP - 35 points

Neatness	15 points
Articulation in planning and execution (Is it thrown together in a hurry?)	
Condition and use of materials.....	10 points
Seeds should be fresh. Sturdy construction and surface finished to hold seed well in place	
Suitable framing or other finishing	10 points
Should look finished over all (raw edges distract)	

COMPLIANCE WITH THE RULES - 15 points

(Note: Minus 3 points for non-compliance of rules.)

Identification of seeds and other materials used	5 points
Should be within the proper dimension limits of the rules	5 points
Eligibility of the entrant	5 points
Fulfilled according to rules and entered in correct lots	

CLASS 102 - SCARECROW CONTEST

CLASS RULES

1. Scarecrows must be free standing, not over 8' tall or under 3' tall. Must be hand-made and constructed of materials that withstand the weather. Plant material used must be dry and of farm crops. No weeds can be used.
2. Entries positively close Friday, August 14, 2009.
3. Exhibits entered must be delivered to the Superintendent, Farm Crops, Ag-Hort Building, by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, August 24.
4. After judging, scarecrows will be on display in the Farm Crops section.
5. Entries will be released between 8:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. on Labor Day. Arrangements for later pickup must be made with the Competition Department 651-288-4417.
6. Judging will be based on the following:
 - A. Creativity and originality.
 - B. Utility; practicality as a scarecrow (movements, noise)
 - C. Character; likeness of a person.
 - D. How materials are utilized.

<u>Lot</u>		<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>
1	Adult (18 through 59 years old)	\$75	\$50	\$30	\$20	\$10
2	Senior Citizen (60 and over)	75	50	30	20	10
3	Junior (under 18 years)	40	25	15	10	5
4	Organizational entry.....	60	40	25	15	10
5	Champion (from lots 1-4)	Ribbon				

FARM CROPS SECTION

SECTION RULES

1. Entries in the Amateur and Professional classes must be made by Friday, August 14, at 4:30 p.m.
2. All exhibits for the open class must be shipped to arrive at or be delivered to the Superintendent, Farm Crops, c/o Competition, Minnesota State Fair, 1265 Snelling Ave. N., St. Paul, MN 55108 by 12:00 Noon, Wednesday, August 19. Exhibits not arriving in time for the start of judging will be disqualified.
3. Exhibits for the Old Corn classes must be shipped to arrive at or be delivered to the Farm Crops, Minnesota State Fair, 1265 Snelling Ave. N., St. Paul, MN 55108 by 12:00 Noon, Wednesday, August 19.
4. County Booth exhibits must be in place by 10:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 26.
5. Utility Certified: See Class 105 for entry requirements and deadlines.
6. Entries in New Corn, Amateur and Professional classes, must be made by 10:00 a.m., Thursday, Sept. 3.
7. The management of the Minnesota State Fair reserves the right to interpret these rules and regulations and to arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions, and differences in regard thereto.
8. In the event only one exhibit is shown in any one lot, the judges may at their discretion, award such an exhibit any placing, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc. In the event only one exhibit is shown, there being no other competing exhibit in consideration for a championship award, the judges will not award a championship. At least two exhibits, by two different exhibitors, must be shown and competing for a championship. This shall apply in all classes in this department.
9. No exhibitor will in any way be permitted to assist with judging, nor shall any exhibitor attempt to influence the decision of the judges. Any person who violates any of the following or special rules will forfeit all privileges and premiums and be subject to such penalties as the governing board may order.
10. The State Fair reserves the right to submit any exhibit to a germination test. Except for forage seeds, a test of under 80% is not eligible for a premium. For forage seed tests a minimum of 65% is qualifying.

EXHIBITS

1. Entries in this department are limited to residents of Minnesota. All articles exhibited must have been produced within the state and must have been grown by the exhibitor.
2. Premiums will not be awarded to inferior samples even if there is no competition.
3. All exhibits must be kept in a neat and presentable condition during the fair, but no exhibitor shall change or alter his exhibit after the time limit designated for exhibit to be in place, until after same has been passed upon by the judge.
4. All exhibits shall remain in place until 8:00 p.m., Labor Day.
5. Only one entry of any one variety and a maximum of four varieties will be permitted in a lot by one exhibitor.
6. All express shipments for this department should be paid for by the exhibitor, and sent to Farm Crops Department, c/o Competition, Minnesota State Fair, 1265 Snelling Ave. N., St. Paul, MN 55108. If the exhibitor is unable to be present before the opening of the fair to receive and place the exhibits, they should be addressed to the superintendent and all charges prepaid to the fairgrounds. Attach entry tags to all exhibits addressed to the superintendent and they will be placed in the proper class.
7. When exhibits are sent to the fairgrounds with no entry tag attached, a letter of explanation should be mailed to the superintendent.

8. Either 2008 or 2009 crop may be shown except as indicated in Class 105.
9. Return of samples: No samples will be returned unless requested in writing to the Superintendent, at time of making entry. Samples will be dumped at the end of the fair, under the supervision of the management.

CLASS 103 - SHEAVES OF OATS AND WHEAT

Sheaves shall be cured and shall measure 4" in diameter at the base. Judging will be based on quality of crop, appearance, and preparation of sheaf to include dressing up. Colored ribbon not to exceed 1" width of any color, used in three locations up the sheaf shall be used. Limited to first 20 entries in each lot. Sheaf must be labeled as to variety. Failure to label variety will disqualify the entry. One entry per lot.

Lot

45	Oat sheaf	\$20	\$17	\$14	\$12	\$10	\$8
46	Wheat sheaf (spring, winter or durum)	\$20	\$17	\$14	\$12	\$10	\$8
47	Decorative item made of straw, corn husk, or corn stalks	\$10	\$8	\$6	\$4		

CLASS 104 - OPEN CLASS

SPECIAL RULES - OPEN CLASS

Small Grains, Flax, Soybeans, Shelled Corn, and Forage Crops

1. Entries on paper must be in by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, August 14, and all exhibits shipped to arrive at, or delivered to, the Superintendent, Farm Crops, c/o Steve Pooch, Minnesota State Fair, 1265 N. Snelling Ave., St. Paul, Minnesota 55108, by 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 19.
2. Exhibits of small grains, flax, soybeans, shelled corn, and forage crop seeds may be exhibited from the 2008 or 2009 crop.
3. All exhibits of small grain, soybeans, shelled corn, flax and forage crop seed exhibits must consist of two (2) quarts.
4. All entries must be labeled with variety. **Failure to label variety will disqualify the entry.**

Any variety that is published in "Minnesota Varietal Trials Results", Minnesota Agriculture Experiment Station Report MP114-2009, January 2009, is eligible for competition. The report is available on the web at <http://www.maes.umn.edu>. **A partial list of eligible varieties follows:**

Malting Barley, White. Excel, Lacey, Legacy, Robust.

Malting Barley, Blue. Azure, Bonanza, Drummond.

Feed Barley. Bowman, Hazen, MN Brite, Nordic, Royal, Stander.

Oats. Armor, Bay, Belle, Blaze, Brawn, Burton, Chairman, Chaps, Classic, Dane, Don, Ebeltoft, Gem, Hazel, Ida, Jay, Jerry, Jim, Jud, Leonard, Loyal, Milton, Pal, Paul, Premier, Richard, Riser, Rodeo, Sesqui, Starter, Triple Crown, Troy, Vista,, Wabasha, Whitestone, Youngs.

Hard Red Spring Wheat. 2375, AC Barrie, Alsen, Argent, BacUp, Dandy, Ember, Forge, Glupro, Gunner, Hagar, Hamer, HJ98, Ingot, Ivan, Keene, Keystone, Kulm, Lars, Marshall, McVey, Mercury, Nora, Norm, NorPro, Oxen, Parshal, Reeder, Russ, Sharp, Sharpshooter, Verde, Walworth.

Durum Wheat. Belzer, Ben, Lesbock, Mountrail, Munich, Plaza.

Winter Wheat. Arapahoe, Crimson, Elkhorn, Harding, Nekota, Ransom, Roughrider, Seward, Tandem, Windstar.

Rye. Dacold, Rymin.

Flax. AC Emerson, Pembina, Neche, Webster.

Soybeans. See Minnesota Varietal Trial Results, MP114-2008, January 2009.

Millet. Abarr, Butte, Cerise, Cope, Dawn, Empire, German, Japanese, Manta, Minco, Minsum, Panhandle, Snobird, Turghai.

Buckwheat. Mancan, Manor.

Medium Red Clover. Acclaim, Arlington, Astred, Cinnamon, Concord, Freedom, Juliette, Marathon, Prima, Randolph, Redland III, Redstar, Scarlett.

Alsike Clover. No recognized variety.

Reed Canary Grass. Chiefton, Lara, Palaton, Rise, Rival, Vantage, Venture.

Biennial Sweet Clover. Evergreen, Goldtop, Madrid.

Birdsfoot Trefoil. AU-Dewey, Bright, Carroll, Dawn, Empire, Fergus, Georgia 1, Leo, Norcen, Nueltin, Roseau, Steadfast, Trevig, Viking, Wit., Kentucky Bluegrass., Minnfine, Newport, Park.

Kentucky Blue Grass. Minnfine, Newport, Park.

Timothy. Bounty, Champ, Champlain, Clair, Climax, Comtal, Goliath, Heidemiji, Hokusen, Timfor, Toro, export varieties.

Big Bluestem. Bison, Bonilla

Canada Wild Rye. Mandan.

Indian Grass. Tomahawk.

Side-oats Grama. Pierre.

Smooth Brome. Alpha, Badger, Bounty, Lincoln, York.

Switchgrass. Dacotah, Forestburg, Sunburst.

Field Beans. Frontier, Maverick, Montcalm, Norstar, OAC Laser.

Field Peas. Carneval, NS Spitfire, Profi, Trapper.

Canola. Cracker Jack, DKL 3455, Gladiator, Hudson, Hyola, LiBred - 279, Minot, Rule RR, S W Badge RR, Thunder.

Sunflowers. Any variety or brand registered for sale with the State of Minnesota, Arrowhead, Cargill 201, Cargill 204, Commander D411, D413, D508, D509, D613, D693, D694, D715, D717, Mingren, Peredovik, Sputnik, Snowbird 212, Snowbird 223, Sungro 372, Sungro 380, Sun Hi 304.

Corn. Any hybrid registered for sale with the State of Minnesota may be shown.

The Open Class awards will be paid on the following sliding scale:

1 to 10 entries shown

\$14 \$12 \$10 \$9 \$8

11 to 25 entries shown

\$17 \$15 \$12 \$11 \$10 \$9 \$8 \$7 \$6 \$5 \$4 \$3

Over 25 entries shown

\$20 \$18 \$15 \$14 \$13 \$12 \$11 \$10 \$9 \$8 \$7 \$6 \$5 \$4 \$3

Variety name must be stated by the exhibitor. Failure to label variety will disqualify the exhibit.

OPEN CLASS

Lot

- 51 Malting barley, white - Robust, Lacey
- 52 Malting barley, blue
- 53 Feed barley - Royal
- 54 Early and midseason oat variety standards: Kame, Winona, Wabasha, Esker, Richard, Riser
- 55 Late oat variety standards: Drumlin, Morton, Leonard, Stallion, Sesqui
- 56 Spring wheat
- 57 Durum wheat
- 58 Winter wheat
- 59 Rye
- 60 Canola
- 63 Flax
- 64 Early and midseason soybeans: Any variety or brand in the Northern & Central Zones. See Minnesota Varietal Trial Results, MP114-2009, January 2009.
- 65 Late soybeans: Any variety or brand in the Southern Zone. MP114-2009, January 2009.
- 67 Sunflowers, oil seed
- 68 Sunflowers, confectioners
- 69 Shelled corn (commercial feed)
- 70 Dry edible peas and field peas
- 71 Dry edible beans, field beans
- 72 Specialty Crops (no ear corn)

Lot

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>
73 Largest Sugar Beet Contest	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$10	Ribbon
To be based on weight only. Tops to be trimmed 3" above the beet. Beets must be free of soil.					
Sponsored by Betaseed, Inc. , Shakopee, MN.					

FORAGE & TURF CROP SEEDS

Lot

- 74 Forage clovers
- 75 Timothy
- 76 Birdsfoot trefoil
- 77 Kentucky bluegrass
- 78 Reed canary grass

Lot

- 79 Millet, canary grass, buckwheat
- 80 Other forage grasses
- 81 Other small seeded legumes
- 82 Perennial Rye Grass

CHAMPIONS

Permanent possession trophies will be awarded by the Minnesota State Fair to the champions.

Lot

- 151 Champion BarleyPlaque
- 152 Champion Oats.....Plaque
- 153 Champion Wheat/RyePlaque
- 154 Champion CornPlaque
- 155 Champion Soybeans/Oil SeedPlaque
- 156 Champion Forage & Turf Seed Crop.....Plaque
- 157 Champion - Lots 68, 70, 71 & 72 (combined)Plaque

CHAMPION SHOWMAN AWARD - OPEN CLASS

The winner will receive a plaque awarded by the Minnesota State Fair. Exhibitors must show and place in the following crops:

1. Small grain or flax entry
2. A cultivated crop entry (shelled corn, soybeans, sunflowers)

Lot

158 Champion Showman Award.....As listed
 The following point system will be applied to the placings (except forage crop seed lots and Champion) as awarded in the regular competition (Open Class 104; lots 51-72): First place, 25 points; second place, 20 points; third place, 15 points; fourth place, 10 points; fifth place, 5 points and all additional placings will receive 1 point. In the event of a tie, the exhibitor with the most first placings will receive 5 additional points to break the tie. No points will be given for lots in which there is only one competitor.

Lot

159 Organic grain contest
 Small grain, flax, soybeans, shelled corn, and forage seeds. All open class rules apply. The awards will be paid per the open class sliding scale.

160 Champion organic sample.....Ribbon

CLASS 105 - UTILITY CERTIFIED SEED

Open to members of the Minnesota Crop Improvement Association who produce certified seed. Only certified and registered seed of recommended and certifiable varieties are eligible.

One lot per variety of each individual contract grower will be eligible for entry in the certified seed show class. The entry will be made in a joint manner, as for example: Byron Farm Store and Walter Byron, Waseca. The approved plant name would be shown first followed by the contract growers name, and the address of the approved plant. Awards payments will be made to the contractor.

1. Exhibits of small grains, flax, soybeans, shelled corn, sunflowers, field peas, and forage crop seeds must represent the following minimum size of seed lot in order to be eligible for competition:
 - Small grains ~ 100 bushels Sunflowers, field peas ~ 500 pounds
 - Flax ~ 5 bushels Grade or hybrid shelled corn ~ 25 bushels
 - Soybeans ~ 50 bushels Forage legume or grass ~ 50 pounds
2. Exhibits of small grains, flax, soybeans, shelled corn, sunflowers, field peas, and forage crop seeds must be field and laboratory inspected and passed and will be judged on the basis of M.C.I.A. approved seed laboratory tests. Exhibits must be from the 2008 crop only, except as noted.
3. Entries must be made only through the Superintendent Farm Crops, c/o Steve Pooch, Minnesota State Fair, 1265 Snelling Ave. N., St. Paul, Minnesota 55108.
4. Entries positively close Friday, August 14, 2009.
5. Exhibits entered must be shipped to arrive at or be delivered to the Superintendent Farm Crops, c/o Steve Pooch, Minnesota State Fair, 1265 Snelling Ave. N., St. Paul, MN, 55108, by 12:00 Noon, Wednesday, August 13. Exhibits not arriving in time for the commencement of judging will be disqualified.

Certifiable varieties: See Minnesota Crop Improvement Association 2009 Directory.

6. Exhibits to consist of one-half peck (4 quarts) of small grains, soybeans, sunflowers, field peas, and hybrid shelled corn; four (4) quarts of forage, turf, and flax seed.
7. Return of samples: Samples in Class 105 will be dumped at the end of the fair, under the supervision of the management.

The **MINNESOTA CROP IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION** will contribute one-half of the awards.

The awards will be paid on the following sliding scale:

1 to 10 entries shown	\$14 \$12 \$10 \$9 \$8
11 to 25 entries shown	\$17 \$15 \$14 \$13 \$12 \$11 \$10 \$9 \$8 \$7 \$7 \$6 \$6 \$5 \$5
Over 25 entries shown	\$20 \$19 \$18 \$17 \$16 \$15 \$14 \$13 \$12 \$11 \$10 \$9 \$8 \$7 \$6

BARLEY

Lot

- 192** Lacey
- 193** Robust
- 194** Royal

Lot

- 195** Conlon
- 196** Any other certifiable variety

Lot

197 Champion Barley samplePlaque

OATS

Lot

200 Kame
201 Morton
203 Souris
204 Moraine
205 Riser

Lot

206 Stallion
207 Esker
208 Winona
209 Wabasha
210 Any other certifiable variety

Lot

211 Champion Oat sample.....Plaque

WHEAT

Hard Red Spring Wheat

Lot

212 Ada
213 Faller
214 Steele - ND
215 Briggs
216 Freyr
217 Ulen
218 Glenn

Lot

219 Granger
220 Knudson
221 Oklee
222 RB07
223 Traverse
224 Any other certifiable variety

Durum Wheat

Lot

225 Any certifiable variety

Winter Wheat (2008 or 2009 crop)

Lot

226 Any certifiable variety

RYE (2008 or 2009 crop)

Lot

227 Any certifiable variety

FLAX

Lot

228 Any certifiable variety

Lot

229 Champion Small Grain Sample (Lots 212-228).....Plaque

SOYBEANS

Lot

230 IA 2053
231 IA 2008R
234 Royal Pro
236 MN1607 SP
237 MN 0201
238 MN 0101
239 MN 2001 SP

Lot

240 MN 1801
241 MN 0071
242 Surge
244 Traill
245 Prosoy
246 Vital
251 Any other certifiable variety

Lot

252 Champion Soybean samplePlaque

MILLET

Lot

253 Any certifiable variety

TIMOTHY

Lot

258 Any certifiable variety

SUNFLOWERS, FIELD PEAS, MISCELLANEOUS

Lot

259 Sunflowers, any oilseed type variety
260 Sunflowers, any birdseed or confectionery type variety
261 Dry peas, dry beans, any certifiable variety
262 Any other crop not specifically listed elsewhere

CERTIFIED HYBRID SEED CORN (Shelled)

Open to all hybrids registered for sale in Minnesota and certified by M.C.I.A.

Lot

263 Certifiable hybrid seed corn (shelled)\$8 \$7 \$6 \$5 \$4

SMALL SEEDED LEGUMES

Lot

264 Any certifiable variety

NATIVE GRASSES

Lot

267 Any certifiable variety

KENTUCKY BLUEGRASS

Lot

265 Any certifiable variety

OTHER FORAGE GRASSES

Lot

268 Any certifiable variety

PERENNIAL RYEGRASS

Lot

266 Any certifiable variety

CHAMPIONS

Lot

270 Best exhibit of small grain, flax, shelled corn, sunflowers, field peas, navy beans & soybeans...Plaque

271 Best exhibit of small seeded legumes, forage grasses or lawn seedPlaque

CHAMPION SHOWMAN AWARD - UTILITY CERTIFIED SEED

The winner will be awarded a permanent possession plaque by the Minnesota State Fair. Exhibitors must show and place in the following crops:

1. Small grain or flax entry.
2. A cultivated crop entry (shelled hybrid seed corn, soybeans, or sunflowers).

All lots under Class 105 will be considered in the determination of total points using the following point system applied to the placings (except Champion) as awarded in the regular competition. First place, 25 points; second place, 20 points; third place, 15 points; fourth place, 10 points; fifth place, 5 points, and all additional placings, 1 point each. In the event of a tie, the exhibitor with the most first placings will be awarded 5 additional points. (Note: Specials under lot 277 are excluded.)

Lot

272 Champion Showman AwardPlaque

SPECIAL

2009 production of certain varieties which were released under contract between seed grower and the Minnesota Crop Improvement Association may be shown if field inspected and passed. Laboratory samples must be received by the Minnesota Crop Improvement Association by August 14 to permit completion of tests.

Lot

277 Any other variety under new release in 2009

APPROVED SEED CLEANING PLANT CONTEST

One sample of any one variety from any one grower, can be submitted by the approved plant. (See special rules, Class 105).

ENTRIES WILL CLOSE AUGUST 14 AND DELIVERY MUST BE MADE BY 12:00 NOON, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19.

Entries in the Utility Certified Seed Class will be considered for this event and the samples submitted will be entered in the name of the grower in the regular competition. The records available at the M.C.I.A. will determine where each entry was cleaned.

Three district awards are being provided, namely, Northwest District, Southwest District and Southeast District. Each District Champion will be awarded a plaque based on a system of points superimposed upon the awards attained on the individual growers exhibits that were cleaned by the approved plant. The approved seed cleaning plants have all been notified of their district assignments.

A point system will be applied to the placing of each entry (except lot 277) of lots in Class 105 as follows, 1st place, 25 points; 2nd place, 20 points; 3rd place, 15 points; 4th place, 10 points; 5th place, 5 points; and all subsequent placings, 1 point each. In event of a tie, the approved plant which accumulates the highest total of first placings, or championship placing entry or entries, will receive 5 additional points to break the tie.

AWARDS

A champion award will be made to the approved plant amassing the highest total points in each district. Permanent possession plaques will be awarded jointly by the Minnesota State Fair and the Minnesota Crop Improvement Association.

Lot

285	Northwest District Champion	Plaque
286	Northwest District Reserve Champion	Ribbon
287	Southwest District Champion	Plaque
288	Southwest District Reserve Champion.....	Ribbon
289	Southeast District Champion	Plaque
290	Southeast District Reserve Champion	Ribbon

CORN

Exhibitors will enter and show only in the zone in which they reside. Amateur and Professional designations will continue as in the past. An exception to this rule will be the "SEED EARS" class which will continue on a statewide basis and open to showing in any maturity zone, all hybrid seed growers competing together (same as in the past).

The exhibitor may enter and show up to three varieties in each of the maturity zones. There being five maturity zones and three per zone permitted, an exhibitor may show a total of 15 different varieties. Only 10 ear exhibits will be shown (no 20 ear exhibits). The exhibitor is responsible for entering the hybrid in the proper maturity lot but if errors are made the Superintendent and Assistants will change the entry to the proper maturity lot, still allowing only three total entries per lot.

1. Entry Requirements:

- A.** Old Corn: Entries on paper must be made by Friday, August 14, 4:30 p.m.
- B.** New Corn: Entries must be made by Thursday, September 3, 10:00 a.m. at time of delivery of exhibits of new corn.

2. Delivery of Exhibits:

- A.** Old Corn: Exhibits must be delivered by 12:00 noon, Wednesday, August 19. Exhibits will be accepted starting August 18.
- B.** New Corn: Exhibits may be delivered prior to 10:00 a.m., Thursday, September 3. Exhibits should come in the South Underwood gate. (Gate 7) Call the Competition Office (651-288-4417) to receive a dated Ag-Hort vehicle sticker which is needed for access to Gate 7 and to the Ag-Hort parking lot. Mailed exhibits are to be delivered to the Farm Crops Division, c/o Steve Pooch, Minnesota State Fair, 1265 Snelling Ave. N., St. Paul, MN 55108, prepaid.

3. For the corn classification the state has been divided into five zones as follows: Southern, South Central, Central, North Central, and Northern.

Southern Zone: Counties of Blue Earth, Brown, Cottonwood, Faribault, Fillmore, Freeborn, Houston, Jackson, LeSueur, Martin, Mower, Murray, Nicollet, Nobles, Redwood, Rice, Rock, Sibley, Steele, Waseca, Watonwan, Winona.

South Central Zone: Counties of Carver, Chippewa, Dakota, Dodge, Goodhue, Hennepin, Kandiyohi, Lac Qui Parle, Lincoln, Lyon, McLeod, Meeker, Olmsted, Pipestone, Ramsey, Renville, Scott, Swift, Wabasha, Washington, Wright, Yellow Medicine.

Central Zone: Counties of Anoka, Big Stone, Benton, Chisago, Douglas, Grant, Isanti, Mille Lacs, Morrison, Ottertail, Pope, Sherburne, Stearns, Stevens, Todd, Traverse, Wilkin.

North Central Zone: Counties of Becker, Clay, Crow Wing, Kanabec, Pine, Wadena.

Northern Zone: Counties of Aitkin, Beltrami, Carlton, Cass, Clearwater, Cook, Itasca, Hubbard, Kittson, Koochiching, Lake of the Woods, Mahnommen, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake, Roseau, St. Louis.

- 4.** All exhibits of corn entered and shown must have been grown in Minnesota by the exhibitor. Any irregularities in adhering to this ruling will disbar all entries made by the exhibitor.
- 5.** Old corn shall be grown the year just previous to the year for which this premium list is issued.
- 6.** No person will be permitted to enter more than one sample of any one variety in each lot.
- 7.** All corn varieties must be properly entered and shown in the zone designations as registered with the State of Minnesota. The exhibitor must name the hybrid and maturity rating on the entry form at the time of making entry. Failure to label as to variety and maturity will disqualify the entry.
- 8.** The maturity rating of any hybrid shall be that maturity used in the official registration to permit the sale of said hybrid with the State of Minnesota, as required by existing laws. Each exhibit must be entered and shown in the proper zone to be eligible for an award.

CLASS 107 - SEED EARS, OLD CORN and NEW CORN

RULES

1. Open only to bona fide hybrid seed corn producers in Minnesota.
 - A. Producers of certified hybrid seed corn.
 - B. Hybrid Seed Corn companies.
 - C. Bona fide contract growers for hybrid seed corn companies who have provided an affidavit from the company being produced for, implying permission by said company to exhibit the contract grown seed ears. Such affidavit shall be presented with the entry form and addressed to the Competition Department, Minnesota State Fair, 1265 Snelling Ave. N., St. Paul, MN 55108.
 - D. Bona fide individuals (other than the above) shall have an affidavit attested to by either the County Agricultural Agent or the Vo-Ag Instructor who shall determine the authenticity of said production. Either, but not both, contract grower or the hybrid seed corn company, for whom the hybrid seed corn was produced, may exhibit any designated hybrid.
2. All exhibits shall be properly identified with the same designation as used in the sale of such hybrid. Failure to comply with this requirement will be grounds for disqualification.
3. In the seed ear class only, an exhibitor will be permitted to exhibit any hybrid for any zone which he has produced said variety.
4. Each exhibit must be properly entered and exhibited in the zone of adaptation for the hybrid.
5. The hybrid must have been registered for sale with the State of Minnesota.
6. Old corn shall be grown the year just previous to the year for which this premium list is issued.

DEFINITIONS

SEED EARS - HYBRID CORN: Ears from hybrid crossing plots, which may be single cross, three-way cross, or double cross. This seed produces the commercial hybrid seed corn.

COMMERCIAL EARS - HYBRID CORN: Crop grown from the seed produced in hybrid corn crossing plots, and which is intended for feed.

- A. Single crosses: Crop grown from the seed produced in hybrid crossing plots involving two inbred lines.
- B. Three-way crosses: Crop grown from the seed produced in hybrid crossing plots involving an inbred line and a single cross.
- C. Double crosses: Crop grown from the seed produced in hybrid crossing plots involving two single crosses.

EXHIBITORS. Exhibitors shall be classified according to the following definitions. An exhibitor will be permitted to exhibit in any one class, either as an Amateur exhibitor or as a Professional exhibitor.

- A. Amateur Class Exhibitor - Open to any resident of Minnesota who has not been designated a professional class exhibitor by the Minnesota State Fair management. Exhibitors showing in the Amateur class may not show in any lot in the Professional class. An exhibitor who has won a total of 5 or more first place premiums in the Amateur or Professional classes in the last 3 years, or who has won a Champion Showman award in the last 3 years, will be permanently designated a Professional class exhibitor. This shall apply to all members of a household, partnership, business, or corporation.
- B. Professional Class Exhibitor - Open to any resident of Minnesota who has won 5 or more first place premiums in amateur or professional class competition during the last 3 years. A Professional class exhibitor may not exhibit in any lot of the Amateur class. This shall apply to all members of a household, partnership, business, or corporation. Upon becoming a Professional class exhibitor, the exhibitor shall remain in this class unless otherwise informed by the Minnesota State Fair management. These classifications shall apply only to the Commercial Ears classes. In the Seed Ears class, any exhibitor may show provided all requirements as to eligibility as set forth in Class 108, Seed Ears, are met. Open only to residents of Minnesota.

Cash awards for Ear Corn (except Decorative Corn). The prize money will be paid on the following sliding scale for 10 ear exhibits.

1 to 10 entries shown	\$12 \$10 \$9 \$8 \$7 \$6
11 to 25 entries shown	\$15 \$14 \$13 \$12 \$11 \$10 \$9 \$8 \$7 \$6 \$5 \$4 \$4
Over 25 entries shown	\$18 \$16 \$14 \$13 \$12 \$11 \$10 \$9 \$8 \$7 \$6 \$5 \$4 \$4 \$3

SEED EARS - OLD CORN

Lot

- 402 Southern Zone, any hybrid, 10 ears
- 403 South Central Zone, any hybrid, 10 ears
- 404 Central Zone, any hybrid, 10 ears
- 405 North Central Zone, any hybrid, 10 ears
- 406 Northern Zone, any hybrid, 10 ears
- 407 Best of Show, Seed Ears - Old CornRibbon

SEED EARS - NEW CORN

- Lot
408 Southern Zone, any hybrid, 10 ears
409 South Central Zone, any hybrid, 10 ears
410 Central Zone, any hybrid, 10 ears
411 North Central Zone, any hybrid, 10 ears
412 Northern Zone, any hybrid, 10 ears
413 Best of Show, Seed Ears - New Corn.....Ribbon

CLASS 108 - COMMERCIAL EARS, OLD CORN

AMATEUR CLASS

Entries close Friday, August 14 at 4:30 p.m
 10 ear exhibits (maximum 3 varieties per lot)

Southern Zone Exhibitors

- Lot
414 110-115 day
415 105 day
416 100 day
417 95 day
418 90 day

South Central Zone Exhibitors

- Lot
419 110-115 day
420 105 day
421 100 day
422 95 day
423 90 day

Central Zone Exhibitors

- Lot
424 105 day
425 100 day
426 95 day
427 90 day
428 75-85 day

North Central Zone Exhibitors

- Lot
429 105 day
430 100 day
431 95 day
432 90 day
433 75-85 day

Northern Zone Exhibitors

- Lot
434 95-100 day
435 90 day
436 75-85 day

- Lot
437 Champion from lots 414-436.....Ribbon

CLASS 109 - COMMERCIAL EARS, OLD CORN

PROFESSIONAL CLASS

Entries close Friday, August 14 at 4:30 p.m.
 10 ear exhibits (maximum 3 varieties per lot)

Southern Zone Exhibitors

- Lot
440 110-115 day
441 105 day
442 100 day
443 95 day
444 90 day

South Central Zone Exhibitors

- Lot
445 110-115 day
446 105 day
447 100 day
448 95 day
449 90 day

Central Zone Exhibitors

- Lot
450 105 day
451 100 day
452 95 day
453 90 day
454 75-85 day

North Central Zone Exhibitors

- Lot
455 105 day
456 100 day
457 95 day
458 90 day
459 75-85 day

Northern Zone Exhibitors

Lot

- 460 95-100 day
- 461 90 day
- 462 75-85 day

Lot

- 463 Champion from lots 440-462 Ribbon
- 464 BEST OF SHOW - OLD CORN (lots 414-462) Plaque

**CLASS 110 - COMMERCIAL EARS, NEW CORN
AMATEUR CLASS**

Entries close Thursday, September 3 at 10:00 a.m.
10 ear exhibits (maximum 3 varieties per lot)

Southern Zone Exhibitors

Lot

- 465 110-115 day
- 466 105 day
- 467 100 day
- 468 95 day
- 469 90 day

South Central Zone Exhibitors

Lot

- 470 110-115 day
- 471 105 day
- 472 100 day
- 473 95 day
- 474 90 day

Central Zone Exhibitors

Lot

- 475 105 day
- 476 100 day
- 477 95 day
- 478 90 day
- 479 75-85 days

North Central Zone Exhibitors

Lot

- 480 105 day
- 481 100 day
- 482 95 day
- 483 90 day
- 484 75-85 day

Northern Zone Exhibitors

Lot

- 485 95-100 day
- 486 90 day
- 487 75-85 day

Lot

- 488 Champion from lots 465-487 Ribbon

**CLASS 111 - COMMERCIAL EARS, NEW CORN
PROFESSIONAL CLASS**

Entries close Thursday, September 3 at 10:00 a.m.
10 ear exhibits (maximum 3 varieties per lot)

Southern Zone Exhibitors

Lot

- 489 110-115 day
- 490 105 day
- 491 100 day
- 492 95 day
- 493 90 day

South Central Zone Exhibitors

Lot

- 494 110-115 day
- 495 105 day
- 496 100 day
- 497 95 day
- 498 90 day

Central Zone Exhibitors

Lot

- 499 105 day
- 500 100 day
- 501 95 day
- 502 90 day
- 503 75-85 day

North Central Zone Exhibitors

Lot

- 504 105 day
- 505 100 day
- 506 95 day
- 507 90 day
- 508 75-85 day

Northern Zone Exhibitors

Lot

- 509** 95-100 day
- 510** 90 day
- 511** 75-85 day

Lot

- 512** Champion from lots 489-511Ribbon
- 513** BEST OF SHOW - NEW CORN (lots 465-511)Plaque

INDIAN OR RAINBOW CORN

Amateur and Professional compete together

Lot

- 514** Old Decorative.....\$10 \$8 \$7 \$6 \$5 \$4
- 515** New Decorative\$10 \$8 \$7 \$6 \$5 \$4

PREMIER CORN EXHIBITOR

(Commercial ear lots only)

Exhibitor from Old and New Corn combined, (except Indian or Rainbow) Amateur or Professional, who achieves highest total number of points based on the following point system will be declared "PREMIER CORN EXHIBITOR". First place, 25 points; second place, 20 points; third place, 15 points; fourth place, 10 points; fifth place, 5 points, and all additional placings, 1 point each. In event of a tie in the above, the exhibitor with the most first placings will receive 5 additional points. Points will only be awarded where there are two or more exhibitors per lot.

Lot

- 516** PREMIER CORN EXHIBITORPlaque

CORN SWEEPSTAKES

Lot

- 517** Best of lots 407, 413, 464, and 513 (combined)Plaque

DIVISION OF FLOWERS

Superintendent.....	Phyllis Andrews, St. Paul Telephone 651-455-5077
Board Liaison	D.J. Leary, Minneapolis
Amount offered by Minnesota State Fair	\$2,500.00

DIVISION RULES

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2. Entries in this division are limited to residents of Minnesota.
3. Only one entry will be permitted in a lot by one exhibitor. One member only from any family or household may make entry in any lot except in junior division. Professionals will not be permitted to show in Advanced or Amateur classes. Advanced will not be permitted to show in Amateur classes. The Superintendent of the Division of Flowers will have the power to determine either at the time entry is made or at the time the exhibit is staged as to the eligibility of the entrant and will have the authority to bar any entrant from exhibiting if in their best judgment the entrant is ineligible.
 - A. **Advanced:** Designation applies to persons who grow horticultural products mainly for personal use and pleasure and who may engage in part time professional or commercial horticulture through the limited sale of horticultural products or services or are judges for any plant, garden club, society or organization nor do they derive their main livelihood from such activities. Designation also applies to exhibitors who are ineligible to exhibit in the Amateur class by reason of having won a total of four first place premiums in Amateur competitions during the last two years in the State Fair flower shows artistic division. Exhibitors in Advanced classes will not be permitted to exhibit in Amateur classes.
 - B. **Amateur:** Designation applies to persons who grow horticultural products for pleasure and personal use and who at no time engage in professional horticulture or are judges for any plant, garden club, society or organization and who at no time sell or dispose of horticultural products for monetary gain and who are in no way, directly or indirectly, connected with the handling of horticultural products commercially.
4. All exhibits, unless otherwise specified, must be in place by 9:00 a.m. on the day specified and must be so constructed as to ensure, in so far as possible, to last for the TWO DAYS of the show (Exhibits must be in place in the Ag-Hort building on the days and hours noted in each class.). The preparation room in the Ag-Hort building will be open at 6:30 a.m. on the day specified for staging each lot.
5. The fair management will use diligence to insure the safety of articles entered for exhibition, after their arrival and placement, but under no circumstances will it be responsible for any loss or damage done to any article on exhibition, and the exhibitor shall indemnify the fair and the management thereof, against all legal or other proceedings in regard thereto.
6. Any article manifestly unfit to be shown may be excluded by the superintendent, and the judges shall withhold any premium when the entries are unworthy of awards.
7. After exhibits are arranged, they shall be under the exclusive charge of the superintendent and no one shall touch or remove them without the superintendent's permission.
8. The superintendent shall have the right to remove at any time, from the hall, any exhibits or parts of exhibits which have become unsightly or show signs of insects or disease.

9. Each person who becomes an exhibitor thereby agrees to conform strictly to the rules and regulations.
10. Labels. Each variety (except in flower arrangement lots) must be correctly labeled with its name. Labels all of a uniform size for this purpose will be furnished exhibitors by the superintendent and must be used by them, except where a label approved by the superintendent is provided by the exhibitor.
11. No flowers or plants shall be given away or sold for delivery in the hall by exhibitors, and no soliciting of orders for any stock will be permitted. No plants, flowers or other material, except that which is regularly entered for competition, shall be displayed, except by special permission of the superintendent.
12. Arrangements. Unless otherwise specified, arrangements may be shown in any suitable container. Special backgrounds, equipment, or containers necessitating unusual space or care will not be permitted.
13. Fresh cut plant material must be included in all classes except those indicated as "All Dried" or otherwise stipulated. Stands or mechanics for Plaques, Collages and Frames are to be supplied by the exhibitor. Accessories and supplementary plant materials will be permitted in all arrangement lots. When used, their appropriateness in terms of amount, color and general suitability to the flower arrangement specified will be considered by the judges. Foliage, seeds, berries, fruits, weeds, grasses and other natural plant parts not specifically mentioned in the lot description will be considered "supplementary plant materials." The use of artificial flowers, fruits, or foliage, or the painting of fresh flowers or foliage is not permitted. Wild flowers protected by law in Minnesota will not be permitted as cut flowers in any exhibit in the artistic division.
14. Dried Arrangements. All materials must be from nature but may be assembled to assume flower forms or to simulate flowers or other plant parts. Materials may be collected from any source - need not be native to Minnesota. Artificial preservatives and coloring, including paint, dyes, etc., may be used only on dry materials.
15. Horticulture Specimens and Collections must be grown by exhibitor and variety named. Small specimens must each be staged in separate amber bottles, and large specimens each staged separately in quart bottles. All bottles furnished by management.
 - A. The term "suitable sample" shall mean a sample of a plant or flower of proper size and proportion to be appropriately and attractively displayed in a bottle provided by management. It imposes no limitation as to number of stems, blooms, or flowers. The sample must be representative of the natural growing form of the plant or flower and must not be altered by obvious removal of natural foliage, stems or flower parts.
 - B. The term "and/or" as in combination of five (5) annual and/or perennials means exhibitor may have a combination of five (5) annuals and perennials; or five (5) annuals or perennials. A total of five (5) specimens.
16. All other lots in Classes 129, 130, and 131 will be judged according to the "Suggested Scale of Points" found in the Handbook for Flower Shows by National Garden Clubs, Inc.
17. On Tuesday, September 1, at 9:00 p.m., exhibitors must remove, under the direction of the superintendent, containers and staging equipment. Exhibitors not complying will forfeit any prize award given.
18. After 9:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 1 admission will not be charged for exhibitors coming in the South Underwood gate (Gate 7) to remove exhibits. All flower exhibitors will receive a dated Ag-Hort vehicle sticker which should be firmly attached to the insider of the vehicles windshield. This sticker is needed for access to Gate 7 and to the Ag-Hort parking lot for both delivery and pick up of exhibits.
19. All exhibitors' containers, props, etc., must be called for by 9:00 p.m. on Labor Day. There will be no guarantee of security after this date.

Scale of Points - Design

Conformance to schedule requirements	20
Design (elements, principles)	42
Artistic Concept (selection and/or organization)	12
Expression (interpretation of class by exhibitor)	10
Distinction (marked superiority in all respects)	16
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>100</u>

Scale of Points - Foliage Plants

Cultural perfection	60
Condition and grooming	25
Distinction	10
Correct, complete name, neatly written	5
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>100</u>

Scale of Points - Flowering, Fruited or Coned Plants

either as CUT specimen or container grown.

Cultural perfection	60
Condition and grooming	25
Distinction	10
Correct, complete name, neatly written	5
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>100</u>

JUDGING WILL BEGIN PROMPTLY AT 10:00 A.M. - ALL EXHIBITORS MUST BE OFF THE SHOW FLOOR

All of the Horticulture (Junior, Amateur, Advanced Amateur and Open) is the same

**MINNESOTA STATE FAIR FLOWER SHOW
CLASS 128 - FLOWERS, AMATEUR**

See definition of Amateur in General Flower Division Rules.
AWARDS - in addition to cash prizes, ribbons to five (5) places will be awarded.

THEME: "Minnesota Looks to the Sky"

Staged Monday, August 31 by 9:00 a.m., removed Tuesday, September 1 after 9:00 p.m.

INTERPRETIVE CREATIVE DESIGNS

Large creative arrangements, unless otherwise specified

Lot

- 500 Mars - incorporating dried materials with fresh
 - 501 North Star - designer's choice of plant material
 - 502 Pleadies - designer's choice of plant material
 - 503 Harvest Moon - incorporating fruits and/or vegetables
 - 504 Lightening - vertical design
 - 505 Pisces - designer's choice of plant material
 - 506 Northern Lights - mass design, designer's choice of plant material
 - 507 Sunset - using weathered wood
 - 508 Satellites - incorporating man-made material
 - 509 Moonglow - designer's choice of plant material
- Premiums for lots 500-509\$13 \$11 \$9 \$8 \$7

HORTICULTURE SPECIMENS (See Rule 15)

Lot

- 510 Collection of five (5) different med. to lg. Marigolds varieties, suitable samples, each staged separately.
 - 511 Collection of five (5) different med. to lg. Zinnias varieties, suitable samples, each staged separately.
 - 512 "Exhibitors Choice", combination of five (5) different annuals and/or perennials, each named
- Premiums for lots 510-512\$8 \$7 \$6 \$5 \$4
- 514 Petunias, four (4) different varieties or colors, suitable samples, each variety named & staged separately
 - 515 Herbs, four (4) suitable samples, each named & staged separately
 - 516 "Colored Foliage", four (4) different colors or varieties staged separately, each named
 - 517 "My Favorite Perennials", four (4) different varieties or colors, suitable samples, each variety named & staged separately
 - 518 "My Favorite Annuals", four (4) different varieties or colors, suitable samples, each variety named & staged separately
 - 519 Flowering or fruiting shrub or tree branches - suitable sample, not to exceed 24", each named
 - 520 Flowers from Corms, Tubers, Bulbs - four (4) different varieties or colors, suitable samples, each variety named & staged separately
- Premiums for lots 514-520\$7 \$6 \$5 \$4 \$3

SWEEPSTAKES

Sweepstakes points will be credited to the Amateur in the **Artistic Flower** arrangements and in the **Horticulture Specimens** (Class 128) on the following basis. In the case of a tie for placing in Sweepstakes, the number of first places, second places, on down will break the tie.

- First in any lot3 points
- Second in any lot2 points
- Third in any lot1 point

Lot

- 521 Sweepstakes, Artistic\$18 \$15 \$12 \$10 \$6 \$4
Awarded to the six (6) exhibitors amassing the most sweepstakes points in the Artistic Flower Arrangements class.

Lot

- 522 Sweepstakes, Horticulture\$10 \$8 \$6 \$5 \$4 \$2
Awarded to the six (6) exhibitors amassing the most sweepstakes points in the Horticulture Specimens class.

CLASS 129 - FLOWERS, JUNIOR AMATEUR

AWARDS - in addition to cash prizes, ribbons to 5 places will be awarded.

JUNIOR ARTISTIC DIVISION

Rainbows - An arrangement of plant materials from your garden. See Rules 13 & 15 on page 40.

Lot

- 1001 Kindergarten - grade 3
- 1002 Grades 4 - 6
- 1003 Grades 7 - 9
- 1004 Grades 10 - 12

Sputnik - An arrangement of flowers and/or foliage in a container not usually used for flowers. See Rules 13 & 15 on page 40.

Lot

- 1011 Kindergarten - grade 3
- 1012 Grades 4 - 6
- 1013 Grades 7 - 9
- 1014 Grades 10 - 12

Premiums for lots 1001-1014\$7 \$6 \$5 \$4 \$3

JUNIOR HORTICULTURAL DIVISION

My Favorite Annual - Three (3) suitable specimens of an annual flower, variety named, each staged in separate amber bottle.

Lot

- 1021 Kindergarten - grade 3
- 1022 Grades 4 - 6
- 1023 Grades 7 - 9
- 1024 Grades 10 - 12

My Favorite Perennial - Three (3) suitable specimens of a perennial flower, variety named, each staged in separate amber bottle.

Lot

- 1031 Kindergarten - grade 3
- 1032 Grades 4 - 6
- 1033 Grades 7 - 9
- 1034 Grades 10 - 12

My Favorite Potted Plant - variety named, grown by exhibitor.

Lot

- 1041 Kindergarten - grade 3
- 1042 Grades 4 - 6
- 1043 Grades 7 - 9
- 1044 Grades 10 - 12

Premiums for lots 1021-1044\$6 \$5 \$4 \$3 \$2

CLASS 130 - FLOWERS, ADVANCED AMATEUR

See definition of Advanced Amateur in General Flower Division Rules.
 AWARDS - in addition to cash prizes, ribbons to 5 places will be awarded.

THEME: "Minnesota Looks to the Sky"

staged Monday, August 31 by 9:00 a.m., removed Tuesday, September 1 after 9:00 p.m.

INTERPRETIVE CREATIVE DESIGNS

Large creative arrangements, unless otherwise specified

Lot

- 523 Big Dipper - designer's choice of plant materials
- 524 Nova - designer's choice of plant materials
- 525 Space Station - incorporating man-made material
- 526 Venus - fresh and dried material
- 527 Neptune - water interest
- 528 Aurora Borealis - accent on color
- 529 Con-trails - creative vertical design
- 530 Solar Flares - incorporating wood form(s)
- 531 Polaris - designer's choice of plant materials
- 532 Gemini - two containers
- Premiums for lots 523-532\$13 \$11 \$9 \$8 \$7

HORTICULTURE SPECIMENS (See Page 40, Rule 15)

Lot

- 533 Flowers from Corms, Tubers, Bulbs - four (4) different varieties or colors, suitable samples, each named & staged separately.
- 534 Hosta collection, 2" and under, four (4) varieties, suitable specimens, each variety named & staged separately.
- 535 Hosta collection, 2" to 5", (4) varieties, suitable specimens, each variety named & staged separately.
- 536 Hosta collection, over 5", (4) varieties, suitable specimens, each variety named & staged separately.
- 537 An English Rose Bottle, a display of six (6) large roses (no foliage) each named & staged separately in amber bottle with pad for bloom.
- Premiums for lots 533-537\$8 \$7 \$6 \$5 \$4
- 538 "My Favorite Annuals", four (4) different varieties or colors, suitable samples, each named & staged separately.
- 539 "My Favorite Perennials", four (4) different varieties or colors, suitable samples, each named & staged separately.
- 540 "My Favorite Sunflowers", four (4) different varieties or colors, suitable samples, each named & staged separately.
- 541 "My Favorite Chrysanthemums", four (4) suitable specimens, each variety named & staged separately
- 542 Petunias, four (4) different varieties or colors, suitable samples, each named & staged separately
- 543 Colorful geraniums in a decorative container, named.
- 544 "My Favorite House Plant", named.
- Premiums for lots 538-544\$7 \$6 \$5 \$4 \$3

SWEEPSTAKES

Sweepstakes points will be credited to the Advanced Amateur in the **Artistic Flower** arrangements and in the **Horticulture Specimens** (Class 130) on the following basis. In the case of a tie for placing in Sweepstakes, the number of first places, second place on down will break the tie.

- First in any lot3 points
- Second in any lot2 points
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Lot

- 545 Sweepstakes, Artistic\$18 \$15 \$12 \$10 \$6 \$4
 Awarded to the six (6) exhibitors amassing the most sweepstakes points in the Artistic Flower Arrangements class.

Lot

- 546 Sweepstakes, Horticulture\$10 \$8 \$6 \$5 \$4 \$2
 Awarded to the six (6) exhibitors amassing the most sweepstakes points in the Horticulture Specimens class.

CLASS 131 - FLOWERS, OPEN CLASS

Open to Amateur and Advanced Amateur Exhibitors

AWARDS - in addition to cash prizes, ribbons to 6 places will be awarded.

THEME: "Minnesota Looks to the Sky"

staged Monday, August 31 by 9:00 a.m., removed Tuesday, September 1 after 9:00 p.m.

INTERPRETIVE CREATIVE DESIGNS

Large creative designs, unless otherwise specified

Lot

- 547 Little Dipper (miniature design) - to be displayed in a white shadow box furnished by management, measuring 12" high, 10" wide, 6" deep, with opening 6" wide x 8" high
 - 548 Meteor Showers - implying motion
 - 549 The Planets - mobile 3' x 3' max. Hung 4' above table.
 - 550 Space Capsule - design of dried and/or preserved material under glass
 - 551 Black Hole - creative design emphasizing space
 - 552 Parallel Universe - incorporating a picture, minimum width 12", maximum width 24"
 - 553 Apollo - creative vertical design
 - 554 Big Bang - staged in niche to be furnished by management, size 40" high, 32" wide & 18" deep
 - 555 Rings of Saturn - wreath suitable for hanging. May be dried and/or fresh
 - 556 Milky Way - swag suitable for hanging. May be dried and/or fresh
- Premiums for lots 547-556\$20 \$17 \$14 \$12 \$10 \$8

DECORATIVE HORTICULTURE

Lot

- 557 Earthbound - planter or dish garden with a minimum of three (3) varieties or types of plant material. Accessory material permitted.
 - 558 Mother Earth - growing plants in a planter, basket, etc. accented with cut flowers.
- Premiums for lots 557-558\$20 \$17 \$14 \$12 \$10 \$8

HORTICULTURE SPECIMENS (See Page 40, Rule 15)

Lot

- 559 Collection of five (5) different varieties or colors of medium to large size annual flowers, and five (5) different varieties or colors of medium to large perennials. Each suitable specimen to be NAMED and staged separately.
 - 560 Collection of ten (10) different varieties or colors of Gladiolus and/or Dahlias. Any size or type, each to be named and staged separately.
 - 561 Collection of Roses, ten (10) suitable specimens, to be named and staged separately.
 - 562 Potted Miniature Rose Collection - five (5) varieties, labeled and staged in separate pots.
 - 563 Flowering outdoor planter with plants named.
 - 564 Foliage and Flowering mixed planter with plants named.
 - 565 Foliage outdoor planter with plants named.
- Premiums for lots 559-565\$16 \$14 \$12 \$10 \$8 \$6



KIDS FLOWER DETECTIVE

Children 12 & under are invited to test their skills
as Flower Detectives!



Can you identify different types of flowers?

Do you know how to tell a flower by its smell?

Earn a ribbon when you identify the "mystery" flowers!
Stop by the Flower wing located in the Ag-Hort Building



Noon - 6 p.m.
Monday, Aug. 31
Tuesday, Sept. 1



The following is a list of contact information and dates of the Flower Societies & Clubs participating at the 2009 Minnesota State Fair at the Agriculture-Horticulture Building. Please contact the show directly if you are interested in entering.

MINNESOTA STATE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

MINNESOTA STATE FAIR PLANT SHOW

Thursday and Friday, August 27 and 28, 2009

Co-Chairperson.....Mary Don Beeson, telephone 651-696-1996, e-mail: marydon01@aol.com

Co-Chairperson.....Malcolm Burleigh, telephone 651-227-7119 e-mail: mburleig@isd.net

Complete schedule can be found by visiting www.northerngardener.org or by calling the Center for Northern Gardening (651-643-3601) or TOLL FREE 800-676-6747

AFRICAN VIOLET SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA

presents

"The Great Violet Get-together"

Thirty-eighth Annual Minnesota State Fair Show

Thursday and Friday, August 27 and 28, 2009 9:00 a.m to 9:00 p.m.

Show CoordinatorKathy Lahti, telephone 320-274-1157

President.....Jude Neumann, telephone 651-433-2708

STATE FAIR GLADIOLUS SHOW

sponsored by

MINNESOTA GLADIOLUS SOCIETY

Saturday and Sunday, August 30 and 31, 2009

Show Chairperson.....Jim Butler, 7027 Lakeview Drive, Lino Lakes, MN 55014, telephone 651-780-1681

FEDERATED GARDEN CLUBS OF MINNESOTA, INC.

presents

A STANDARD FLOWER SHOW

Wednesday and Thursday, September 2 and 3, 2009

Chairperson.....Barbara Isaacson, blisaacson@yahoo.com, telephone 651-998-1200

Co-ChairVi Hague, hague@q.com, telephone 651-429-7025

EntriesKathleen "Kat" Hanson, fgcm.statefair@gmail.com, telephone 612-866-9289

Horticulture ConsultantKaren Hauwiller, shadow@earthlink.net, telephone 952-906-1596

Design ConsultantDorothy Brindle, dbrindle@usfamily.net, telephone 952-926-6865

ORCHID SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA

ANNUAL STATE FAIR SHOW

Friday and Saturday, September 4 and 5, 2009

PresidentKent Peterson, 1070 Bucher Avenue, Shoreview, MN 55126, telephone 651-483-3935

2nd Vice PresidentMichael Dyda, 2095 Silver Bell Road #1, Eagan, MN 55122, telephone 651-688-7727

MINNESOTA BONSAI SOCIETY

presents

2009 STATE FAIR BONSAI SHOW

Friday, September 4 through Saturday, September 5, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

PresidentMary Russell

Show Chairman.....Cheryl Sykora, telephone 612-619-6547

STATE FAIR DAHLIA SHOW

"Wanted: Dead or Alive"

sponsored by

MINNESOTA DAHLIA SOCIETY

Sunday and Monday, September 6 and September 7, 2009

PresidentDr. David Lee, New Richmond, WI 763-560-9449

Show Chairperson.....Heidi Zierdt, telephone 651-463-1988, e-mail: benwanomo@yahoo.com

DIVISION OF FRUITS AND WINE

SuperintendentLouis N. Quast, St Louis Park

Board LiaisonD.J. Leary, Minneapolis

Amount offered by Minnesota State Fair\$1,500.00

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2. **Special Notice.** All exhibits, unless specifically exempted in the special rules of the class, must have been grown by the exhibitor. Only one entry will be permitted in a lot by one exhibitor. One member only from any family or household may make entry in any lot.
3. The Superintendent, Fruits Division, shall have the power to determine, either at the time entry is made or at the time the exhibit is staged, as to the eligibility of the entrant, and the superintendent shall have the power to bar any entrant from showing if in his best judgment the entrant is ineligible.
4. Professionals will not be permitted to show in the Amateur classes. The following definitions shall govern to differentiate between Amateur and Professional exhibitors:
 - A. **Amateur.** Persons who grow horticultural products for pleasure and personal use, possibly sell small quantities and who are in no way, directly or indirectly, currently connected with the production or handling of horticultural products commercially. For the purposes of the wine competition, persons who make small quantities of wine for their consumption are not required to be licensed by the Federal TTB.
 - B. **Professional.** For the purposes of this competition, all other individuals shall be considered professional, regardless of whether horticulture is their principle business. Exhibitors who are deemed professional by these criteria are ineligible to exhibit in Amateur classes.

CLASS 136 - FRUITS, AMATEUR SPECIAL RULES

1. All division rules apply. See instructions at head of the division.
2. Entries in this division are limited to residents of Minnesota, and all articles competing for premiums must have been grown within the state or made from Minnesota products and by the persons in whose name they are entered, unless otherwise noted in rules or classification.
3. Only one entry will be permitted in a lot by one exhibitor. One member only from any family, household or firm may make entry in any lot.
4. **Amateur Exhibits.** Must be in place in the Ag-Hort building between **10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 26,** and will be judged later that same evening. Do not bring exhibit before above day and time, except by special arrangement with the superintendent.
5. All exhibits will be placed under the direction of the superintendent, provided same are received by him at the building prior to the time named for exhibits to be in place, and only then if proper entries have previously been made with the Competition Department.
6. **Plates.** A plate of apples or pears must consist of exactly six (6) specimens; grapes, three (3) bunches, crabapples, plums and cherry plums, ten (10) specimens. Not more than one plate of any one variety will be permitted in a collection, nor can fruit of any one variety be shown under synonymous names.

7. **Labels.** Each variety must be correctly labeled with its name, or, if an unnamed seedling, it must be so stated. Every plate or tray must be identified by lot number, entry number, and variety. In the case of a multiple plate or multiple tray entry, each plate or tray must be labeled with lot number, entry number, and the specific variety displayed in that plate or tray. Identifying tags will be provided for exhibitor use in the Ag-Hort Building on August 26.
8. **Replacing.** Exhibitors may replace with fresh fruit any specimen that shows a tendency to spot or decay at any time during the fair, except when the judge is working upon the class to which it belongs.
9. **Inferior Specimens.** Decayed, injured or inferior specimens must not be exhibited, and when such specimens appear in a collection, they will not be counted and the entire exhibit will be disqualified for judging.
10. **Deciding Awards.** The judges may, at their discretion, withhold awards from any exhibit which they consider to be unworthy of a prize.
11. Exhibitors wishing to retain exhibits must make arrangements with superintendent at the time the fruit is delivered for competition, and exhibits must be called for between 8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Labor Day. Unclaimed specimens will be discarded or donated to a local charity, if they are determined fit for such use.

The following scorecards will assist the exhibitors in staging their exhibits. They will be used by the judges in making their awards whenever convenient and practicable.

Scorecard - Plates	Scorecard - Collections
Size .....15	Size .....15
Color.....20	Color.....20
Trueness to variety.....10	Trueness to variety.....10
Condition .....30	Condition .....30
Uniformity .....25	Uniformity .....15
<u>TOTAL</u> 100	<u>Importance</u> .....10
	<u>TOTAL</u> 100

Under size, color, form and condition, respectively, are also considered uniformity and conformity to a desirable type for the variety. Overgrown specimens are not desirable. In picking the fruit, care must be taken not to break out the stems. Select specimens normal in size, color and condition. All blemished fruits are discounted by the judges. Handle the specimens carefully. Fruit which is to be shipped any distance should be well wrapped with regular wrapping tissue or newspaper, and packed firmly in a suitable strong container. Loosely packed fruit will bruise in shipping.

APPLES - Single plate (6 specimens)

<u>Lot</u>					
695	Beacon	705	McIntosh		
696	Connell Red	706	Minjon		
697	Cortland	707	Northwestern Greening		
698	Delicious (or red sports)	708	Oriole		
699	Fireside	709	Prairie Spy		
700	Golden Delicious	710	Red Baron		
701	Haral Red	711	Regent		
702	Haralson	712	State Fair		
703	Honey Crisp	713	Wealthy		
704	Honeygold	714	Any other variety (specify name)		
Premiums.....				\$15	\$10
				\$8	\$5

PLUMS - Single plate (10 specimens)

<u>Lot</u>					
720	Alderman	725	Underwood		
721	Mount Royal	726	LaCrescent		
722	Pipestone	727	Red Glow		
723	Superior	728	Any other variety (specify name)		
724	Toka				
Premiums.....				\$15	\$10
				\$8	\$5

CHERRY PLUMS - Single plate (10 specimens)

<u>Lot</u>					
730	Compass				
732	Oka, Sapa or Sapahta				
733	Any other variety (specify name)				
Premiums.....				\$15	\$10
				\$8	\$5

PEARS - Single plate (6 specimens)

<u>Lot</u>			
734	Parker/Flemish Beauty	737	Summer Crisp
735	Patten	738	Any other variety (specify name)
736	Seckal		
Premiums.....\$15 \$10 \$8 \$5			

CRAB APPLES - Single plate (10 specimens)

<u>Lot</u>			
739	Centennial	744	Whitney
740	Chestnut	745	Any other variety (specify name)
741	Dolgo		
Premiums.....\$15 \$10 \$8 \$5			

GRAPES - Single plate (3 bunches)

<u>Lot</u>			
750	Alpha or Beta	759	St. Croix
751	Bluebell	760	St. Pepin
752	Concord	761	Seyval
753	Edelweiss	762	Swenson Red
754	Fredonia	763	Worden
755	Frontenac	764	Any other hybrid wine variety
756	La Crescent	765	Any vinifera variety (specify name)
757	La Crosse	766	Any seedless variety (specify name)
758	Leon Millot or Marechal Foch	767	Any other Labrusca variety (Concord-type, specify name)
Premiums.....\$15 \$10 \$8 \$5			

OTHER FRUIT

<u>Lot</u>			
770	Reliance Peach, single plate (6 specimens)		
771	Any other Peach, single plate (6 specimens)		
772	Meteor Cherry (one pint)		
773	Any other fruit; grown in Minnesota. Must be fresh and in good condition. If there are multiple entries of a particular fruit for several successive years, it will be added as a permanent classification to the competition.		
Premiums.....\$15 \$10 \$8 \$5			

AMATEUR FRUIT COLLECTION - Six Plates

<u>Lot</u>			
780	Each plate shall be of a different variety, with no more than two (2) plates from any one category of fruit. Each plate must be identified by entry number, lot and variety.		
	Apples	Crab Apples	Pears
	Cherry Plums	Plums	Grapes
	Any other fruit		
Premiums.....\$25 \$20 \$15 \$10			

SWEEPSTAKES - AMATEUR FRUIT

Sweepstakes points will be credited to exhibitors of fruits in class 136 on the following basis:

First in any lot.....	6 points
Second in any lot	3 points
Third in any lot	1 point

<u>Lot</u>				
781	Sweepstakes	\$35	\$30	\$20 \$17 \$15

To the five exhibitors amassing the five highest totals of sweepstakes points. Sweepstakes ribbons for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places will be awarded amateur winners. A trophy will be awarded to the sweepstakes winner.

**MINNESOTA GRAPE GROWERS ASSOCIATION (MGGA)
2009 SPECIAL FRESH GRAPE COMPETITION**

<u>Lot</u>	
782	Heaviest Cluster

In order to encourage excellence in growing grapes for fresh consumption, and the exploration of cultural techniques for enhancing quality, the MGGA has decided to sponsor an additional section of the State Fair's fresh grape competition. Growers are encouraged to learn about and explore various standard techniques for manipulating grapes and improving their quality for fresh eating. These include cluster and berry thinning, cane girdling, and gibberellic acid treatments (in seedless varieties). These techniques can have dramatic

effects on **1)** cluster size and weight and **2)** attractiveness of the cluster. The MGGA has available both written and video materials describing these techniques. A \$25 cash award will be made to the winner. Ribbons will be awarded to the top three (3) places.

RULES

1. Each entry shall consist of a single grape cluster. This cluster may not be entered in any other lot.
2. Condition of the fruit will not be specific evaluation criterion. However, only fruit in excellent condition (free of fungus and insect damage) will be accepted.
3. Entries in lot 782, Heaviest Cluster, shall be scored on their weight, with the heaviest cluster awarded first place, etc.
4. NOTE: Entries in the MGGA Special Category do not count in sweepstakes award computations. (See lot 781)
5. This competition is open to both amateur and professional growers.

CLASS 137 - AMATEUR WINE SHOW

CLASS RULES

1. All division rules apply. Follow instructions at the head of the division. Special note of classifications of amateur and professional should be made.
2. Entries are limited to residents of Minnesota. Only one entry permitted in a lot by an amateur exhibitor. One member only from any family or household may make entry in any lot.
3. Wines entered in standard clear or colored glass bottles are preferred but wine bottled in other glass beverage bottles 25-34 oz. is acceptable. One bottle per lot is sufficient. All wine will be disposed of by the superintendent because of spoilage during the display. All bottles will be disposed of by superintendent unless prior arrangements are made with the Competition Department at the time entry is submitted. Exhibitors wishing to retain entered bottles must mark SAVE on the back of the entry tag on each bottle.
4. Labels on bottles will be covered by the superintendent by wrapping with paper during judging, but will be uncovered afterwards for display. Labels should contain winemaker's name, address, type of wine, vintage year and be about 3" x 5".
5. Entry tags. Entry tags must be tied around the neck of bottles. Tags will be sent to exhibitors after the initial entry and must be filled out and attached to the bottle. Each bottle must have a tag showing CLASS, LOT, and ENTRY NUMBER.
6. Entries must be brought to the Ag-Hort Building between 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 26. If you are unable to deliver your exhibits on Wednesday, they should be delivered to the Competition Department, 1312 Cosgrove Avenue between 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, prior to that date. Judging will be Thursday, August 27. The Superintendent, Fruits Division, shall have the power to determine, either at the time entry is made or at the time the exhibit is staged, as to the eligibility of the entrant. The superintendent shall have the power to bar any entrant from showing if in his judgment the entrant is ineligible.

AMATEUR WINE COMPETITION

Lot

- 1 Red grape table wine, from 100% Minnesota grown grapes
- 2 Red grape table wine, any other source
- 3 White grape table wine, from 100% Minnesota grown grapes
- 4 White grape table wine, any other source
- 5 Rosé grape table wine, from 100% Minnesota grown grapes
- 6 Rosé grape table wine, any other source
- 7 Labrusca (Concord-type, any color) table wine
- 8 Any other grape wine (eg. Riparia)
- 9 Sparkling wine, 100% Minnesota fruit
- 10 Sparkling wine, any other source
- 11 Rhubarb wine
- 12 Apple wine
- 13 Elderberry wine
- 14 Chokecherry wine
- 15 Raspberry wine
- 16 Plum wine
- 17 Cherry wine
- 18 Any other berry wine
- 19 Dessert wine
- 20 Port wine
- 21 Any other fortified wine
- 22 Any other wine (dandelion, corn, etc.)

Premiums\$15 \$12 \$10 \$8 \$5

Ribbons through 5 places

SWEEPSTAKES - WINE

Sweepstakes points will be credited to exhibitors on the following basis:

- First in any lot.....4 points
- Second in any lot2 points
- Third in any lot1 point

Lot

23 SweepstakesTray

To the exhibitor amassing the highest points

CLASS 138 - INTERNATIONAL COLD-CLIMATE WINE COMPETITION

In order to encourage greater exploration of wine making styles and techniques using grape varieties which can survive cold climate conditions, the Minnesota State Fair has chosen to discontinue the previous "MGGA Exploratory" Open Wine Competition and join in partnership with the Minnesota Grape Growers Association and the University of Minnesota to host the 2009 International Cold Climate Wine Competition. Any commercial winemaker producing wine using cold hardy grape varieties as listed may enter.

The following definitions shall govern to differentiate between Amateur and Professional exhibitors:

Amateur. Persons who grow horticultural products for pleasure and personal use, possibly sell small quantities and who are in no way, directly or indirectly, currently connected with the production or handling of horticultural products commercially. For the purposes of the wine competition, persons who make small quantities of wine for their consumption are not required to be licensed by the Federal T.T.B. Amateur winemakers may not enter the International Cold Climate Wine Competition.

Professional. For the purposes of this competition, all other individuals shall be considered professional, regardless of whether horticulture is their principle business. Exhibitors who are deemed professional by these criteria are ineligible to exhibit in Amateur classes. This competition is open to professional winemakers only. See additional criteria below.

COLD-CLIMATE DIVISION RULES

1. **ENTRY INFORMATION: ADVANCE ENTRY REQUIRED.** All entries must be submitted on-line by **4:30 p.m. on Monday, August 17.** Only pre-registered entries will be accepted. Enter only those lots for which you are eligible according to your exhibitor status. **There is a \$30 non-refundable fee for each lot entered in the cold-climate competition.**
 - A. **ON-LINE REGISTRATION. Begins May 1; closes at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, August 17.** The entire process must be completed by **4:30 p.m.**, or your entries will not be registered. Tags will be mailed to you or will be available when your entries are delivered. Follow the procedure below:
 - 1) Visit the Minnesota State Fair web site at **www.mnstatefair.org**.
 - 2) Click on "Competition" and select the link for "Ag-Hort-Bee". Follow the instructions to add the lots you intend to enter. After entering your contact information, and click "submit" to continue the process.
 - 3) When the summary page appears, review your selected lots, and **be sure to click "confirm registration" to finalize your on-line registration.**
 - 4) You will receive an e-mail confirmation of your entries. **Print a copy of your registration confirmation. If you do not receive confirmation within 24 hours, please call 651-288-4417 to confirm.**
 - 5) **Exhibitors must bring their registration confirmation with their entry.**

CLASS RULES

1. All Division Rules apply. See instructions at head of the Division.
2. An official 2009 ICCW Competition entry and appropriate fees must be postmarked or submitted on line by 4:30 P.M., August 17, 2009.
3. Submit two (2) bottles per entry, separate from entry fee, and include copy of entry form in every box
4. Wine shipped or delivered in advance of the competition date must be sent to the Minnesota State Fair, Competition Department, 1265 Snelling Ave. N, St. Paul, MN 55108
5. Entry fee for Professional Wine is \$30 per entry. Entry fees are non-refundable.
6. Only bottled commercially available wines may be entered. Wines entered must have been produced with a minimum of 50 cases available at retail when released.
7. A professional, TTB approved, commercially printed label must appear on all bottles.
8. An individual wine may not be entered in more than one class.
9. Competition coordinators have the right to reclassify entries if they believe the entry has been incorrectly classified.
10. **Note the predominant grape variety or fruit used.**
11. A varietal wine must contain at least 75% of the designated variety. (75% cold hearty grape)
12. A blended wine with no single variety of 75% must be entered as a blend. (75% cold hearty grape varieties) Cold hardy varieties, constituting a minimum of 75%, used in the blend must be identified on the entry form.

13. If a vintage wine, the vintage must be noted on the entry form.
14. **Note the true residual sugar (RS) content (in % = g/100mL) so the entries can be arranged properly for judging.**
15. **Note information from the front of your TTB approved label that identifies your wine. (Wine name, if not varietal).**
16. Judging will be August 24-25, 2009 at the University of Minnesota Continuing Education and Conference Center, 1890 Buford Ave., St. Paul, MN 55108. Phone: 612-624-3275. Entrants my hand deliver their entries to the Conference Center on August 24, 2009, no later than 10:00 AM, but they **must be pre-registered by 4:30 p.m., August 17, 2009.**
17. Panels of wine experts will conduct blind judging. The Chief Judge, working in cooperation with the Superintendent, Fruit & Wines, will approve the qualifications of judges before each competition.
18. Winning wines will receive concordance gold, gold, silver or bronze medals.
19. Only award winning wines will be published.
20. Award winning wines have permission from the Minnesota State Fair, University of Minnesota, and Minnesota Grape Growers Association to promote awards won as soon as results are published.
21. Award winning wines will be posted at on www.mnstatefair.org no earlier than the first day of the fair.
22. Award winning wines will be displayed in the Agriculture - Horticulture Building on the Minnesota State Fairgrounds.

PROFESSIONAL WINE COMPETITION

Lot

Native Grapes

- 1 Labrusca white grape
- 2 Labrusca red grape
- 3 Riparia

Red Grape - Only French & American Hybrids as listed:

- 4 Frontenac
- 5 Marechal Foch
- 6 Marquette
- 7 Sabrevois
- 8 St. Croix
- 9 Other Red Hybrids (hybrid must be identified; Superintendent reserves the right to disqualify any variety deemed not "Cold Hardy" for the purposes of this competition)
- 10 Red Blends (75% cold hardy varieties listed above)
- 11 Blush/Rose (75% cold hardy varieties listed above)

White Grape - Only French & American Hybrids as listed:

- 12 Frontenac Gris
- 13 Edelweiss
- 14 Kay Gray
- 15 LaCrescent
- 16 LaCrosse
- 17 Louise Swenson
- 18 Prairie Star
- 19 St. Pepin
- 20 Other White Hybrids (hybrid must be identified; Superintendent reserves the right to disqualify any variety deemed not "Cold Hardy" for the purposes of this competition)
- 21 White Blends (75% cold hardy varieties listed above)

Specialty & Fortified - Only wines made from cold-hardy grape varieties listed under Native & Hybrid may enter:

- 22 Port Style
- 23 Late Harvest
- 24 Other Dessert

Sparkling - Only wines made from cold-hardy grape varieties listed under Native & Hybrid may enter:

- 25 Grape, dry/semi-dry (less than 1% residual sugar)
- 26 Grape, sweet (greater than 1% residual)
- 27 Fruit, dry/semi-dry and sweet (made from cold-hardy fruit varieties listed under non-grape wine)

Non-Grape Wines - cold-hardy fruit wines and mead as listed may enter:

- 28** Apple and pear wines
- 29** Stone fruit wines
- 30** Berry wines
- 31** Mead and mead/fruit blends
- 32** Rhubarb wine

100% Cold Hardy Grape Wines

- 33** 100% Cold Hardy Red - a minimum 75% varietal or blend containing 100% cold hardy grape varieties as listed above; Red wine
 - 34** 100% Cold Hardy White - a minimum 75% varietal or blend containing 100% cold hardy grape varieties as listed above; White wine.
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DIVISION OF VEGETABLES AND POTATOES

SuperintendentPhil Klint, Minneapolis
 Board LiaisonD.J. Leary, Minneapolis
 Amount offered.....\$5,040.00

DIVISION RULES

1. **ENTRY INFORMATION (ADVANCE ENTRY REQUIRED).** All entry forms must be either postmarked with official USPS postmark or submitted on-line by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, August 17. Only pre-registered entries will be accepted. **There is no fee for entering.** Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Competition Department and the Division Superintendent.
 - A. **ON-LINE REGISTRATION. Begins May 1; closes at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, August 17.** The entire process must be completed by 4:30 p.m., or your entries will not be registered. Tags will be mailed to you or will be available when your entries are delivered. Follow the procedure below:
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 - 5) **Exhibitors must bring their registration confirmation with their entry.**
 - B. **MANUAL REGISTRATION.** Completed registrations may be USPS postmarked or brought in to the Competition Office on or before the entry deadline, **4:30 p.m., Monday, August 17.** Official printed entry forms may be obtained from the Competition Department (telephone 651-288-4417 or e-mail competition@mnstatefair.org or download from www.mnstatefair.org web site).
2. **Exhibits.** Potatoes must be in place and ready for judging by 9:00 a.m., Thursday, August 27. Vegetables must be in place in the Ag-Hort building on the days and hours noted in each class. **Vegetable exhibitors should come in the South Underwood gate.** All vegetable and potato exhibitors will receive a dated Ag-Hort vehicle sticker which should be firmly attached to the inside of their vehicle's windshield. This sticker is needed for access to the South Underwood gate (Gate 7) and to the Ag-Hort parking lot.
3. All exhibits shall remain in place until 8:00 p.m., Labor Day, except in Groups I, II and III Vegetables. After 8:00 p.m., Labor Day, admission will not be charged for exhibitors coming in the South Underwood gate (Gate 7) to remove exhibits.
4. There will be no sale of vegetables at the close of the fair. For food safety reasons, all potatoes, vegetables (lots 500-837), and Home Garden Collections (lots 950 - 952) will be disposed of in a compost recycling bin. All other exhibits, including largest squash or pumpkin, decorated pumpkins and squash, and container vegetable plants for patio must be picked up by between the hours of 8:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Labor Day evening, unless prior written arrangements have been made with the superintendent.

CLASS 142 - POTATOES

CLASS RULES

1. Special Rules at head of the division apply.
2. Entries are limited to residents of Minnesota. All potatoes must have been grown in Minnesota by the exhibitor. Potatoes should be fresh and not previously shown at local fairs or shows.
3. Premiums will not be awarded to inferior collections or specimens, even if there is no competition.
4. All exhibits will be staged under the direction of the superintendent. No exhibitor shall change or alter his exhibit after the hour designated for the exhibit to be in place, until after same has been judged.
5. All express shipments should be prepaid and addressed to the Superintendent Vegetable-Potato Division, Minnesota State Fair, 1265 Snelling Ave. N., St. Paul MN 55108. Exhibits sent to the department by mail, express, or representative of the exhibitor, must be clearly labeled with name of owner-exhibitor and variety.
6. Tubers should be clean and attractive, uniform in size and shape, free from blemishes and diseases, and true to variety name. Diseased potatoes will be disqualified and not shown. Any exhibit with a variety mixture will be disqualified.
7. Labeling. Each variety must be correctly labeled with its name. Potatoes entered "Any other white", "Any other red" and "Any other russet" must be labeled as to variety. Labels and pins of a uniform size for this purpose will be furnished exhibitors by this department and must be used by the exhibitor.

POTATOES

Staged by 9:00 a.m., Thursday, August 27

<u>Lot</u>	<u>Lot</u>
1 Anoka (10)	8 Russet Burbank (10)
2 Irish Cobbler (10)	9 Superior (10)
3 Kennebec (10)	10 Yukon Gold (10)
4 Norchip (10)	15 Any other white (10)
5 Norkota Russet (10)	16 Any other red (10)
6 Norland (10)	17 Any other russet (10)
7 Red Pontiac (10)	18 Finger (20)

Ten (10) specimens required for each lot, except lot 18, Finger, requires 20.

Premiums.....\$15 \$12 \$10 \$8

SWEEPSTAKES - POTATOES CLASS 142

<u>Lot</u>	
25 Sweepstakes, Grand & Reserve Champion Potato	\$25 \$20 & ribbons

CLASS 143 - VEGETABLE CROPS

CLASS RULES

1. See Division Rules at head of the division.
2. Entries are limited to amateur gardeners who are residents of Minnesota. Amateur gardeners are persons who, at the discretion of the superintendent, grow vegetables for pleasure and personal use. People whose principal business is growing or selling horticultural products for profit are ineligible to compete in this division.
3. **Special Notice.** All exhibits **MUST** be this year's crop and been grown by the exhibitor. Only one entry will be permitted in a lot by one exhibitor. One member only from any family or household may make entry in any lot. If there is a specific variety class, that vegetable cannot be entered in any other lot.
4. **Labeling.** It is required that every SAMPLE (not every specimen) of vegetables entered in the following groups and lots be labeled as to variety. Labels, pins and containers of a uniform size will be furnished exhibitors by this department and must be used by the exhibitor.

Premium allocations for Vegetables:

Group One	500-545	Group Three.....	700-733
Group Two	600-638	Group Four.....	800-837

Premiums.....\$6 \$5 \$4 \$3

Ribbons will be awarded for four (4) places each lot.

Score Criteria - Vegetable Crops Lots 500-837

True to variety class	25
Proper Maturity	25
Quality	25
Uniformity - size, shape, color	25
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>100</u>

VEGETABLES GROUP ONE

Staged by 9:00 a.m., Thursday, August 27

<u>Lot</u>	
500 Beans, green, filet type, 6 1/2" or less in length, 25 pods	
501 Beans, green, 25 pods	
502 Beans, wax, 25 pods	
503 Beans, lima, 25 pods	
504 Beans, purple, 25 pods	
505 Beans, shell, in pods, fresh, 25 pods	
506 Beans, shell, in pods, dry, 25 pods	
507 Beans, Romano, 25 pods	
508 Beets, 1 variety, tops trimmed to 1 to 2", 6 specimens. 3" or less	
509 Carrots, 1 variety, tops trimmed to 1 to 2", over 4 1/2", 6 specimens	
510 Carrots, 1 variety, tops trimmed to 1 to 2", 4 1/2" or smaller, 6 specimens	
511 Eggplant, any variety, 3 specimens	
512 Ground cherries, in husks, 25 specimens	
513 Gourds, 8 different specimens	
514 Leeks, with tops, 6 specimens	

- 515 Muskmelons, oval and round, 3 specimens
- 516 Summer squash, green zucchini type, 6 specimens
- 517 Summer squash, yellow zucchini type, 6 specimens
- 518 Summer squash, bush scallop type, 5" max. diameter, 6 specimens
- 519 Summer squash, golden straightneck, 6 specimens
- 520 Summer squash, golden crookneck, 6 specimens
- 521 Winter squash, Green Hubbard, 3 specimens
- 522 Winter squash, Blue Hubbard, 3 specimens
- 523 Winter squash, Golden Hubbard, 3 specimens
- 524 Winter squash, Buttercup, 3 specimens
- 525 Winter squash, Turban, 3 specimens
- 526 Winter squash, Butternut, 3 specimens
- 527 Winter squash, Acorn type, 3 specimens
- 528 Winter squash, Banana, 3 specimens
- 529 Winter squash, Spaghetti, 3 specimens
- 530 Winter squash, any other named variety, 3 specimens
- 531 Tomatoes, large red, 2 3/4" or larger, stems off, 6 specimens
- 532 Tomatoes, small round red, 1 1/2" - 2 1/4", stems off, 12 specimens
- 533 Tomatoes, large yellow, round, 2" or larger, 1 variety, stems off, 6 specimens
- 534 Tomatoes, paste, stems off, 6 specimens
- 535 Tomatoes, small pear, red or yellow, stems off, 25 specimens
- 536 Tomatoes, grape, stems off, 25 specimens
- 537 Tomatoes, cherry, 1 1/4" and smaller, stems off, 25 specimens
- 538 Tomatoes, red or yellow plum, stems off, 25 specimens
- 539 Tomatoes, heirloom type, open pollinated, 2" or larger, 6 specimens
- 540 Tomatillo, husks on and open, 12 specimens
- 541 Watermelons, round, 3 specimens
- 542 Watermelons, long, 3 specimens
- 543 Pumpkins, small pie type, 3 specimens
- 544 Pumpkins, large field type, 3 specimens
- 545 Pumpkins, miniature, 4" or smaller, 6 specimens

VEGETABLES GROUP TWO
Staged by 9:00 a.m., Sunday, August 30

Lot

- 600 Cabbage, flat, green, any variety, 3 specimens
- 601 Cabbage, round, green, any variety, 3 specimens
- 602 Cabbage, pointed, green, any variety, 3 specimens
- 603 Cabbage, red, any variety, 3 specimens
- 604 Cabbage, savoy, any variety, 3 specimens
- 605 Cabbage, Chinese, 3 specimens
- 606 Cauliflower, 3 specimens
- 607 Cucumbers, slicing, 6" and larger, 6 specimens
- 608 Cucumbers, pickling, 4-5", 12 specimens
- 609 Cucumbers, pickling, 2-3", 12 specimens
- 610 Cucumbers, English type, burpless, 6 specimens
- 611 Cucumbers, lemon type, 6 specimens
- 612 Cucumbers, any other type, 6 specimens
- 613 Garlic, without tops, 6 specimens, cured
- 614 Kohlrabi, green, 6 specimens
- 615 Kohlrabi, purple, 6 specimens
- 616 Onions, red globe, 6 specimens, cured
- 617 Onions, white globe, 6 specimens, cured
- 618 Onions, yellow globe, 6 specimens, cured
- 619 Onions, red flat, 6 specimens, cured
- 620 Onions, white flat, 6 specimens, cured
- 621 Onions, yellow flat, 6 specimens, cured
- 622 Onions, small pickling, any type or variety, 25 specimens, cured
- 623 Peppers, large sweet, bell type, 6 specimens
- 624 Peppers, poblano, 6 specimens
- 625 Peppers, sweet, cubanelle type, 6 specimens
- 626 Peppers, pimento type (heart shaped), 6 specimens
- 627 Peppers, tomato type, 6 specimens
- 628 Peppers, small cherry type, 12 specimens
- 629 Peppers, mini bells, 12 specimens

- 630 Peppers, hot Anaheim chile type, 6 specimens
- 631 Peppers, jalapeño type, 12 specimens
- 632 Peppers, long cayenne type, 12 specimens
- 633 Peppers, Hungarian wax type, or banana, sweet or hot, 6 specimens
- 634 Peppers, small hot, 12 specimens
- 635 Peppers, Thai, 25 specimens
- 636 Peppers, habanero or scotch bonnet, 12 specimens
- 637 Peppers, serrano type, 12 specimens
- 638 Broccoli, 3 specimens

VEGETABLES GROUP THREE

Staged by 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, September 2

Lot

- 700 Beans, green, filet type, 6 1/2" or less in length, 25 pods
- 701 Beans, green, 25 pods
- 702 Beans, wax, 25 pods
- 703 Beans, lima, 25 pods
- 704 Beans, purple, 25 pods
- 705 Beans, shell, in pods (fresh or dry), 25 pods
- 706 Beans, Romano, 25 pods
- 707 Beets, 1 variety, tops trimmed to 1 to 2", 6 specimens, 3" or less
- 708 Carrots, 1 variety, tops trimmed to 1 to 2", over 4 1/2", 6 specimens
- 709 Carrots, 1 variety, tops trimmed to 1 to 2", 4 1/2" or less, 6 specimens
- 710 Celeriac, with tops, 6 specimens
- 711 Sweet corn, fresh with husks, 10 ears
- 712 Eggplant, any variety, 3 specimens
- 713 Hamburg parsley, with tops, 6 specimens
- 714 Leeks, with tops, 6 specimens
- 715 Muskmelons, oval and round, 3 specimens
- 716 Okra, 12 specimens, 4" or less
- 717 Parsnips, 1 variety, tops trimmed to 1-2", 6 specimens
- 718 Salsify, 1 variety, tops trimmed to 1-2", 6 specimens
- 719 Summer squash, green zucchini type, 6 specimens
- 720 Summer squash, yellow zucchini type, 6 specimens
- 721 Summer squash, bush scallop type, 5" max. diameter, 6 specimens
- 722 Summer squash, golden straightneck, 6 specimens
- 723 Summer squash, golden crookneck, 6 specimens
- 724 Tomatoes, large red, 1 variety, 2 3/4" or larger, stems off, 6 specimens
- 725 Tomatoes, small round red, 1 1/2" - 2 1/4", stems off, 12 specimens
- 726 Tomatoes, yellow, round, 1 variety, 2" or larger, stems off, 6 specimens
- 727 Tomatoes, paste, stems off, 6 specimens
- 728 Tomatoes, small pear, red or yellow, stems off, 25 specimens
- 729 Tomatoes, cherry, 1 1/4" and smaller, stems off, 25 specimens
- 730 Tomatoes, red or yellow plum, stems off, 25 specimens
- 731 Tomatoes, heirloom type, open pollinated, 2" and larger, 6 specimens
- 732 Tomatoes, grape, stems off, 25 specimens
- 733 Cow peas, 25 specimens

VEGETABLES GROUP FOUR

Staged by 9:00 a.m., Saturday, September 5

Lot

- 800 Cabbage, flat, green, any variety, 3 specimens
- 801 Cabbage, round, green, any variety, 3 specimens
- 802 Cabbage, pointed, green, any variety, 3 specimens
- 803 Cabbage, red, any variety, 3 specimens
- 804 Cabbage, savoy, any variety, 3 specimens
- 805 Cabbage, Chinese, any variety, 3 specimens
- 806 Cucumbers, slicing, 6" and larger, 6 specimens
- 807 Cucumbers, pickling, 4" to 5", 12 specimens
- 808 Cucumbers, pickling, 2" to 3", 12 specimens
- 809 Cucumbers, English type, burpless, 6 specimens
- 810 Cucumbers, lemon type, 6 specimens
- 811 Cucumbers, any other type, 6 specimens
- 812 Kale, 3 specimens

- 813 Kohlrabi, green, 6 specimens
- 814 Kohlrabi, purple, 6 specimens
- 816 Brussels sprouts, 12-14" stalk, 1 specimen
- 817 Celery, with tops, 3 specimens
- 818 Citron, 3 specimens
- 819 Peppers, large sweet, bell type, 6 specimens
- 820 Peppers, poblano, 6 specimens
- 821 Peppers, sweet, cubanelle type, 6 specimens
- 822 Peppers, pimento type (heart shaped), 6 specimens
- 823 Peppers, tomato type, 6 specimens
- 824 Peppers, small cherry type, 12 specimens
- 825 Peppers, hot Anaheim chile type, 6 specimens
- 826 Peppers, jalapeño type, 12 specimens
- 827 Peppers, long cayenne type, 12 specimens
- 828 Peppers, Hungarian wax type, or banana, sweet or hot, 6 specimens
- 829 Peppers, small hot, 12 specimens
- 830 Peppers, Thai, 25 specimens
- 831 Peppers, habanero or scotch bonnet, 12 specimens
- 832 Peppers, mini-bells, 12 specimens
- 833 Peppers, serrano type, 12 specimens
- 834 Radish, winter type, 6 specimens
- 835 Rutabaga, 3 specimens
- 836 Sweet potatoes, 6 specimens
- 837 Turnips, 6 specimens

SWEEPSTAKES - VEGETABLE CROPS

Sweepstakes points will be credited to exhibitors of vegetables in Groups One through Four on the following basis:

- First in any lot3 points
- Second in any lot2 points
- Third in any lot1 point

<u>Lot</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>
900 Sweepstakes, Vegetable Crops.....	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$12	Ribbon

Awarded to the four (4) exhibitors amassing the most points. Special Award Ribbons may be given at judge's discretion. A sweepstakes tray and rosette ribbon will be awarded to the exhibitor amassing the highest total number of points.

LARGEST VEGETABLE OR POTATO
Staged by 9:00 a.m., Thursday, August 27

Size of each specimen will be determined by measuring once around the specimen from stem to blossom end and once around at right angles to this midway from stem to blossom end. The sum total of inches of these two measurements will be considered the total score for each specimen. The longest vegetables will be measured by a straight line from the blossom to stem end. In case of a tie, the heavier specimen will be awarded the prize. All specimens must be weighed prior to showing and the weight and variety must be indicated on the entry ticket and attached to the specimen.

<u>Lot</u>	
920 Largest pumpkin (c. pepo).....	\$10 and ribbon
921 Largest squash (other than banana or scalloped).....	\$10 and ribbon
922 Largest banana squash.....	\$10 and ribbon
923 Largest scalloped squash.....	\$10 and ribbon
924 Largest tomato.....	\$10 and ribbon
925 Largest watermelon.....	\$10 and ribbon
926 Largest zucchini.....	\$10 and ribbon
927 Largest cabbage.....	\$10 and ribbon
928 Longest green bean.....	\$10 and ribbon
929 Largest potato.....	\$10 and ribbon
930 Largest Sunflower head (circumference)	\$10 and ribbon



THE GIANT PUMPKIN CONTEST

The Nelson Family Farm, located 3 1/2 miles southwest of Litchfield, MN is sponsoring "The Giant Pumpkin Contest" at the 2009 Minnesota State Fair.

This year the Nelson Family Farm is celebrating its 20th year of their annual Fall Pumpkin Patch Festival, where the motto is to "Create Memories for Everyone". The Nelson Family Farm is a farm setting with many farm animals and activities to enjoy. Please visit their web site at www.nelson-farm.com for details of their Festival Weekends Sept. 26 to Nov. 1, 2009.

Entrants will follow all the general rules of the vegetable division regarding entry and delivery dates. **PLEASE NOTE - Pumpkins to have an estimated weight of over 200 lbs. must be delivered on Wednesday, August 26 between noon and 8:00 p.m.** The largest pumpkin in lots 931

and 932 will be determined by weight. The first place winners in lots 931 and 932 become the property of Nelson Family Farm, and may be displayed at their annual Pumpkin Patch Festival.

A total of \$1,000 in prize money will be divided into the following two categories; Adult entry and Youth entry.

Lot		1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th
931	Largest pumpkin, adult entry (age 17 and older)	\$300	\$200	\$100	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$10
Lot		1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th		
932	Largest pumpkin, youth entry (age 16 and younger).....	\$100	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$10		

Ribbons will be awarded through eighth place in both divisions. In addition to prize money and ribbons, each contestant will receive two (2) daily passes to the Nelson Family Farm Pumpkin Patch Festival.

- ♦ Two (2) season passes to the Nelson Family Farm Pumpkin Patch will be given to the first place winner in each category.

HOME GARDEN COLLECTION

Lot Staged by 9:00 a.m., Sunday August 30.

950 Collection of eight (8) kinds of garden vegetables. Stage on plate, in one box.

Lot Staged by 9:00 a.m., Saturday, September 5.

951 Collection of eight (8) kinds of garden vegetables. Stage on plate, in one box.

The following is a suggested list of selections and number of specimens. If you wish to use other garden vegetables for display contact the Superintendent at 612-377-6790.

- Beans (25); cabbage (1); winter squash or pumpkin (1); summer squash (3); sweet corn (6); onions (6); tomatoes, large type (6); carrots (6); beets (6); parsnips (6); peppers (same as class); kohlrabi (6); cucumber (6); eggplant (2); cauliflower (1); broccoli (2); melon (1), leeks (2)

Flowers, special decorations or staging accessories will not be permitted. Plates for staging and labels for naming the variety will be furnished by management.

Lot Staged by 9:00 a.m., Saturday, September 5.

953 Collection of eight (8) kinds of miniature garden vegetables, 2 to 3 of each specimen.

Premiums for above lots.....	\$25	\$20	\$18	\$15	\$10
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Five ribbons will be awarded

Score Criteria - Home Garden Collections

Quality	50
Uniformity - size, shape and color	30
Attractiveness	20
TOTAL	100

BRAIDED GARLIC AND ONION ROPES

Staged by 9:00 a.m., Thursday, August 27.

Rope should be suitable for hanging. Must be braided with tops of bulbs and not tied with cord, twine or string.

Lot

970 Braided garlic rope, minimum of 18" long.....\$20 \$15 \$10 Ribbon

971 Braided onion rope, minimum of 18" long.....\$20 \$15 \$10 Ribbon

DECORATIVE PUMPKINS AND SQUASH

Lot Staged by 9:00 a.m., Thursday, August 27.

- 980** Scarred pumpkin or winter squash. No carving, painting, or other decorations permitted (scarring is healed-over cuts made on a growing squash or pumpkin in the field).
- 981** Decorated pumpkins or squash (summer or winter). No restrictions except that at least two of the following three techniques must be used: carving, painting, or other decorative materials.

Lot Staged by 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, September 2.

- 990** Scarred pumpkin or winter squash. No carving, painting, or other decorations permitted (scarring is healed-over cuts made on a growing squash or pumpkin in the field).
- 991** Decorated pumpkins or squash (summer or winter). No restrictions except that at least two of the following three techniques must be used: carving, painting, or other decorative materials.

Premiums for above lots\$10 \$8 \$5 Ribbon

Score Criteria - Decorative Pumpkins and Squashes

Skill	30
Design	25
Durability	25
Originality	20
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>100</u>

KITCHEN CULINARY HERB GARDEN

Staged by 9:00 a.m. Thursday, August 27.

A display with five or more different types of herbs properly labeled (not multiples of the same type) growing in a suitable container. Container no larger than 24" high x 14" in diameter or 6" wide x 36" in length. Judged Sunday, August 30.

Lot

- 996** A container with growing herbs.....\$20 \$15 \$10 Ribbon

Score Criteria - Kitchen Culinary Herb Garden

Culture and condition	50
Size, shape and development.....	30
Container.....	10
<u>Attractiveness</u>	<u>10</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>100</u>

VEGETABLE PLANTS IN PATIO CONTAINERS

Staged by 9:00 a.m., Thursday, August 27.

A suitable variety of one vegetable plant growing in an attractive container for the patio. Entries will be judged on quality, culture, stage of development and attractiveness of container. Containers should not exceed 14" in diameter and height. Judged Sunday, August 30.

Lot

- 997** A container with one tomato plant in fruiting stage.....\$20 \$15 \$10 Ribbon
- 998** A container with one pepper plant in fruiting stage.....20 15 10 Ribbon
- 999** A container with one eggplant in fruiting stage.....20 15 10 Ribbon

Score Criteria - Vegetable Plants in Patio Containers

Culture and condition	50
Size, shape and development.....	30
<u>Container</u>	<u>20</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>100</u>



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