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Bell-Williamson County Pecan Show Is Set For Dec. 1st

This year also features a Pecan Food Show

The Bell-Williamson County Show is an opportunity for any county resident with a pecan tree to learn more about pecans and compete for “bragging rights” for the best pecans in the county! The event is scheduled for Thursday, December 1st at the Williamson County Extension Training Room in Georgetown.

At 9 a.m. show officials will begin processing the pecans which includes cracking, weighing, and classifying so the judge can make his evaluations.

The presentation of the 2016 awards will begin at immediately after judging is complete.

All Williamson County pecan entries must be received by 5 p.m. at the Williamson County Extension office at 3151 SE Inner Loop, Ste. A, Georgetown on Wednesday, November 30th to allow time for entry processing.

The rules for exhibiting at the show include:

1. Exhibitors are limited to one entry of each named variety they grow, however the grower may enter as many seedlings, known hybrids or natives as desired.
2. Sample entries from one orchard cannot be entered in two county shows.
3. Pecans should be entered in the same county they are grown. If your county does not have a show, enter the nearest county that does.
4. The exhibitor must be the grower.
5. An entry consists of a minimum of 40 pecans, with 42 preferred. They should be in a paper sack and identified with grower name, address, phone number and variety (if known) and delivered to the Williamson County Extension office at 3151 SE Inner Loop, Ste. A, Georgetown by 5 p.m. on November 30th.
6. Entries containing more than one variety are disqualified, however an entry may be composed of nuts from more than one tree.
7. Nuts which are cut, sanded, polished or otherwise altered will be disqualified.
8. Pecans exhibited must be from the 2016 crop.

Continuing this year is the Pecan Food Show. There will be junior and adult divisions with seven categories including: pies, bread and rolls, candy, cakes, cookies, savory nuts and fancy nuts. Of course, all entries will have to contain pecans.

All food entries must be brought to the Extension Office between 7:30 and 8:30 a.m. on December 1st. No late entries will be accepted. The cost is \$5 per entry and awards will be given to the best of show in each division immediately after judging. To Register for the Food Show please visit: <http://williamson.agrilife.org/program-registration/>

Contact the Williamson County Extension office at 512.943.3300 for more information.



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