

# Department J

## Agricultural Products

Premiums Offered: \$1,017.00

**ADVANCED ENTRIES ONLY - NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED**

- \*Entries Due: Saturday July 18, 2009 by 4:00 pm
- \* Entries In Place By: Saturday, July 25, 2009 by 4:00 pm (Hours 9:00 am-4:00)
- \* Judging Time: Sunday, July 26, 2009 Closed During Judging
- \* Release Time: Saturday, August 1, 2009 - 8:00 am to Noon
- \*Art Hall open Monday thru Friday, 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm

**Entry Fee: \$0.50 cents Per Class**

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SUPERINTENDENT: Gloria Jones (217) 348-1219 (217) 232-1482

### **ON-LINE ENTRIES ARE WELCOMED**

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- \* ALL Exhibitors MUST purchase a \$5.00 Exhibitors Ticket, only one (1) ticket per Exhibitor. This permits 1 Exhibitor and vehicle into Fair Grounds for the week.
- \* Only 2 entries allowed per class.
- \* NO early removal of exhibits without consent of Superintendent. Failure to comply with these rules will void any premiums.
- \* Agricultural Products are limited to those grown by the Exhibitor in Coles and adjoining counties during the current season.
- \* Grains/Seeds shall be displayed in clear, quart glass jars with screw bands and lids.
- \* Forage/Crops shall be displayed tied in 4" bundles.
- \* Ears of Corn shall be displayed on plain white paper plates. Exhibitor must furnish plates, with holes punched and exhibitor tag tied in place by exhibitor.
- \* All decisions by Judges/Superintendent are final.

### **GRAINS/SEEDS/FORAGE/CROPS – Section 001**

**PREMIUMS OFFERED: 1st-\$6.00    \$2nd-\$5.00    3rd-\$4.00    4th-\$3.00**

- 4501 Oats
- 4502 Soybeans
- 4503 Wheat
- 4504 Shelled Corn, Yellow
- 4505 Shelled Corn, White
- 4506 Corn, Yellow, 6 Ears
- 4507 Corn, White, 6 Ears
- 4508 Popcorn, Yellow, 6 Ears
- 4509 Popcorn, White, 6 Ears

- 4510 Corn, Any Other Kind, 6 Ears
- 4511 Oats, In Straw
- 4512 Wheat, Smooth, In Straw
- 4513 Wheat, Bearded, In Straw
- 4514 Hay, Alfalfa
- 4515 Hay, Red clover
- 4516 Hay, Timothy
- 4517 Hay, Other
- 4518 Soy Beans, Any Stage
- 4519 Any Other Kind, Labeled

### **ROOT CROPS AND VEGETABLES – Section 002**

- \* Only 2 entries per class.
- \* No early removal of exhibits without consent of Superintendent. Failure to comply with these rules will void any premiums.
- \*Exhibitors MUST furnish plain white paper plates, with hole punched, and exhibitors must tie own their own exhibitor tags.
- \* The GUIDELINE below is to be used for proper display of exhibits.
- \* Unless class specifies “LARGEST”, judging is done with preference to TABLE QUALITY vegetables only.
- \* Judges are instructed NOT to award a premium or placing unless the exhibits are worthy.

#### 4601 BEANS, GREEN (12)

- \* Pods tender, string less, brittle, with seed in immature stage.
- \*Free of dirt, rust, blemishes or other imperfections.
- \* Trim stems to ¼ inch.
- \* Clean by wiping with a soft dry cloth; do not wash.

#### 4602 BEETS, Any Kind (5)

- \* Smooth and free of side roots.
- \* Medium to small size preferred (1-1/2 to 2 inches in diameter).
- \* Flesh, when cut, should be firm, crisp, and fine grained.
- \* Can be displayed with top leaves, or cut down to ½ to 1 inch; tap root should be left on.
- \* Clean by soaking and washing.

#### 4603 CABBAGE, GREEN (1)

#### 4604 CABBAGE, RED (1)

- \* Head solid and heavy for size.
- \* Free of blemishes and inset damage.
- \* Stem evenly trimmed at base of the last leaves left on the head.
- \* Let outer leaves remain.
- \* Clean by wiping with dry or moist cloth.

#### 4605 CARROTS (5)

- \* Specimens straight with deep orange, smooth skin.
- \* Free of cracks, greening, or side roots.
- \* Tops trimmed to ½ to 1 inch; do not remove tap root.

\* Length: short varieties, 2-1/2 to 4-1/2 inches; half-long varieties, 5 to 7 inches; long varieties, 7-1/2 inches, over.

\* Clean by washing, do not scrub.

4606 CORN, SWEET (5)

\* Ears fresh and well-filled from tips to butt ends.

\* Kernels plump, soft, tender, and arranged in closely-spaced rows.

\* Remove “flag” leaves but do not remove husks.

\* Trim stem evenly.

\* Clean by wiping with dry cloth.

4607 CUCUMBERS, PICKLING (5)

4608 CUCUMBERS, SLICING (5)

\* Straight, deep green, with blunt ends.

\* Trim stems to 1/4 to 1/2 inch.

\* Slicing; 6 to 9 inches long and not over 2-1/2 inches in diameter; Pickling, not more than 3-1/2 inches long and 1-1/4 inches in diameter.

\* Do not wax.

\* Clean by wiping with a soft dry or moist cloth.

4609 EGGPLANT (1)

\* Specimens firm with uniform shiny color, various colors, purples, lavender, white, variegated.

\* Small blossom scar, fresh green calyx.

\* Trim stem to 1 inch.

\* Clean by wiping with soft dry or moist cloth.

4610 MUSKMELON (1)

\* Evenly netted, free of decay spots, cracks or defects.

\* Smooth stem, indicating harvest at “full-slip” stage.

\* Clean by brushing when soil is dry.

4611 ONION, RED, (5)

4612 ONION, YELLOW, (5)

4613 ONION, WHITE, (5)

\* Firm mature, well shaped bulbs, at least 2 inches in diameter.

\* Avoid double or split bulbs, or those with soft necks.

\* Remove loose or discolored skins, do not peel completely.

\* Trim tops to 1 inch, root to 1/4 inch.

\* Clean by brushing when dry, do not wash.

4614 PEPPER, BELL, ANY COLORED (5)

4615 PEPPER, BELL, GREEN (5)

\* Specimens firm, thick-fleshed, deep color.

\* All should have the same number of lobes.

\* Trim stems to 1/4-1/2 inch.

\* Clean by wiping with soft, dry cloth.

4616 PEPPER, ANY OTHER (5)

\* Specimens with length, shape, and color typical for the variety.

\* Trim Stems to 1/4-3/4 inch.

\* Clean by wiping with soft, dry cloth.

- 4617 POTATO, RED (5)
- 4618 POTATO, WHITE (5)
- 4619 POTATO, SWEET (5)
- \* Specimens mature, clean and free of damage or disease.
  - \* Clean by brushing lightly to remove soil after tubers have dried, do not wash or scrub.
- 4620 PUMPKIN, ANY (1)
- \* Good color, thick fleshed and heavy.
  - \* Free of blemishes and dirt.
  - \* Trim stem to 2 inches.
  - \* Clean by wiping and polishing with a dry cloth, do not wash.
- 4621 SQUASH, ANY (1)
- \* Summer; soft rind (immature) and at prime eating stage, avoid over mature bruised, misshapen specimens.
  - \* Winter; outer rind hard and firm, avoid immature, cracked, split specimens.
  - \* Trim stems to 1 inch.
  - \* Clean by wiping with soft, dry cloth, do not wash.
- 4622 TOMATO, LARGE, ANY STAGE MATURITY (5)
- 4623 TOMATO, PEAR/ROMA (5)
- 4624 TOMATO, CHERRY/SALAD (12)
- \* Firm, free of cracks, blossom end rot, insect damage or disease.
  - \* Ripe tomatoes should be in prime condition for slicing, avoid over-ripe fruit.
  - \* Green tomatoes should be entirely green, no red visible.
  - \* Do not exhibit red and green tomatoes on the same plate.
  - \* Display all with or all without stems.
  - \* Clean by wiping with moist cloth.
- 4625 TURNIP (5)
- \* Roots at least 1-1/2 to 2-1/2 inches in diameter.
  - \* Trim tops to 1inch, tap root 2-3 inches long.
  - \* Clean by washing.
- 4626 WATERMELON (1)
- \* Typical of variety in shape and color.
  - \* Mature, but not over-ripe.
  - \* Ground spot should be yellowish in color, not white or pale green.
  - \* Trim stem to 1 inch.
  - \* Clean by wiping with moist cloth.
- 4627 ZUCCHINI (1)
- \* Rind soft, prime eating stage, avoid over-ripe large specimens.
  - \* Leave 1 inch stem.
  - \* Cleanse by wiping with soft dry cloth, do not wash.

**JUST FOR FUN MISCELLANOUS – Section 003**

- 4632 CORN, TALLEST STALK WITH EAR ATTACHED, (Cut Off At Root)
- 4633 SUNFLOWER, LARGEST HEAD
- 4634 SUNFLOWER, TALLEST (Cut Off At Root)
- 4635 VEGETABLES, UNUSUAL SHAPE OR VARIETY
- 4636 VEGETABLES, LARGEST, ANY KIND

**VEGETABLE ARRANGEMENT – Section 004**

**PREMIUMS OFFERED: 1<sup>st</sup> \$10.00 2<sup>nd</sup> \$9.00 3<sup>rd</sup> \$8.00 4<sup>th</sup> \$7.00**

- 4640 VEGETABLE ARRANGEMENT (75% quality, 25% display)

Vegetable arrangement shall consist of at least 8 varieties of vegetables from the previous ROOT CROP AND VEGETABLE list. Exhibit may be displayed in plain or fancy basket, not to exceed 1/2 bushel capacity, or box not larger than 18" x 18", with quantity to fill container. Vegetables may be displayed spilled or contained within container. Exhibitor's tags must be tied to the exhibit by the exhibitor.

- 4642 CHAMPION: \$40.00 RESERVE CHAMPION: \$25.00 **DO NOT ENTER**