

**Wharton County Pecan Show Entries Sought**  
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The annual Pecan Show is something that many people have enjoyed in the Fall across Texas counties for years.

Over the year, pecan shows have taught growers how to grade their pecans for better prices, identifying the most outstanding varieties for each region of the state, recognizing and awarding the most successful pecan management programs in the county, region and state, and advertising and promoting Texas premium quality pecans.

To enter the Wharton County Pecan, entries should be brought to the Wharton County Extension Office at 315 E. Milam Street, Suite 112, Wharton, Texas 77488 from 3 p.m to 6:00 p.m..on Wednesday, November 8, 2017. Pecans must be from the current 2017 year crop and have been grown by the entrant in Wharton County. The grower may submit only one entry per variety. Any number of different seedlings, known hybrids or natives may be entered. All of the nuts in the entry must be of the same variety (nuts from different trees are permitted so long as they are of the same variety). Entries with mixed varieties will be disqualified. Pecan varieties will be judged in one of the three divisions: COMMERCIAL DIVISION, CLASSIC DIVISION AND NEW DIVISION, OR NATIVES DIVISION. Pecan varieties have been assigned to each division. The NATIVES DIVISION includes entries for the smallest pecan determined by the greatest number of nuts per pound. An entry consists of **42 nuts** of a single variety. The finest nuts should be carefully selected in preparing an entry. Nuts should be uniform in shape, size and general appearance. Consistent show winners select nuts one by one for their entry. Entries with nuts that have been cut, sanded, polished or otherwise altered will be disqualified. Avoid entering green nuts or those affected by pests or disease. The entry must be securely bagged or boxed and include a tag or label with the entrant's name, address, telephone number, and the variety of pecan.

A complete list of the Pecan Show Rules can be found at <http://wharton.agrilife.org> Once you're at our website, click on events.

The actual Pecan Show Awards Ceremony and Program will be held on **Thursday, November 9th, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.** at the Wharton County Extension Office. The guest speaker for the program is Dr. Monte Nesbitt, Extension Program Specialist– Pecan/Fruit/Citrus, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. The topic of Dr. Nesbitt's presentation will be Pecan Quality and Management. For more information, contact Kimberly at the Wharton County Extension Office at 979-532-3310, or by email at [stacey.shanks@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:stacey.shanks@ag.tamu.edu)

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