

Scarecrow Contest 2009

CATEGORIES:

1. **Traditional:** The Traditional Scarecrow should reflect the type of scarecrow that is found in farm fields. This category is targeting toward school and scout groups. The scarecrow may be made by an individual or a group.
2. **Mechanical:** The Mechanical Scarecrow should move, light up, or have some sensory motion. This category is targeted to engineering groups or just those folks who have technical skills.

THEMES: Use your imagination to select a theme for your scarecrow. Whether you choose a traditional, whimsical or favorite character approach is up to you. Your scarecrow can be funny or frightening.

PRIZES:

Traditional Scarecrow

First Place Award	\$ 250.00
Second Place Award	\$ 150.00
Third Place Award	\$ 75.00
Fourth Place Award	\$ 50.00

Mechanical Scarecrow

Prize money determined by participation
*If school provides assistance prize money shall be split between applicants & school.

PRE-REGISTRATION DEADLINE: This contest is free to enter. For the Traditional Scarecrow Contest, all entry forms (SEE BELOW) must be faxed to (209) 879-7928 or mailed to Dell'Osso Farms @ 26 W. Stewart Road, Lathrop CA 95330 by August 15, 2009. For the Mechanical Scarecrow Contest, all entry forms must be received by Dell'Osso Farms by August 1, 2009. Call 209 982-0833 to make arrangements for a later entry. **THE CONTEST WILL BE LIMITED TO FIRST 150 ENTRIES.**

JUDGING: Judging will be by popular vote by visitors attending the scarecrow ride (one vote per visitor)

AWARD CEREMONY: Winners will be announced October 31, 2009. Participants need not be present to win!

LOCATION: Dell'Osso Family Farm, 26 W. Stewart Road, Lathrop CA 95330 – Corn Maze location

RESTRICTIONS: Multiply entries per person or group will be permitted. All entries are subject to the limitations of space availability as well as the standards of display set by Dell'Osso Farm Corn Maze management.

DELIVERY AND SETUP OF ENTRIES:

All entrants must physically set up their own scarecrows during the weekend of **September 26th** and **27th** between 10am and 2pm. If entrants cannot bring their scarecrows on that weekend, they must call 209 982-0833 to make special arrangements. All entries must remain in the patch through October 31st, 2009. Entries may be picked up Sunday November 1st & Monday November 2nd, 2009.

SCARECROW SPECIFICATIONS:

TRADITIONAL ENTRIES:

Dell'Osso Farms will place a metal fence in the ground for attaching the scarecrow. There is approximately 4 to 5 feet of post upon which the scarecrow must be attached. The builder of the scarecrow must provide a method for attaching the scarecrow. PVC pipe can be used through the middle of scarecrow body and then slipped over the fence post to give both structure and stability to your scarecrow and its limbs. Each scarecrow **MUST** be accompanied by a sign which includes the name of the applicant and other information about the entry that the applicant deems interesting.

MECHANICAL ENTRIES:

SIZE LIMITATIONS: All entries should fit within a 5 foot cubic area including all of its extension limbs, width or length. Please contact us before August 1, 2009 if your entry will exceed this space. The entire structure of the exhibit is considered to be the dimension of the scarecrow entry – not the dimension of the actual scarecrow. All oversized entries will be in a pre-assigned location.

MATERIALS: As all scarecrow entries must remain outdoors until October 31st, 2009 and may be subject to severe wind and/or rain, their construction should be durable and all ornamentation securely attached. Carved pumpkins or other living materials that will not last the duration of the exhibition are discouraged. The ground surface will either be dirt or grass so dust will be a factor to consider **as well as rain.**

KINETIC ENTRIES: Power Source Preferred – Solar/Battery Operated. Batteries, solar power units or wind currents may be utilized for the movement or other effects such as light or sound. Generator power will be provided free of charge as long as the scarecrow does not exceed 2 amps per entry. Each applicant shall provide a 50' extension cord for any scarecrow connecting to the generator. Applicant is responsible for installation and shall provide any structure necessary for safe installation and use.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Call Yvonne Sampson: 209-969-6048 [or](http://www.DellossoFamilyFarm.com) visit www.DellossoFamilyFarm.com.

ENTRY FORM

Please fill out the entire form. Traditional Scarecrow entries should be returned by August 15, 2009 and Mechanical Scarecrow Entries should be returned by August 1, 2009. Send to:

Dell'Osso Family Farm Scarecrow Contest - 26 Stewart Road, Lathrop, CA 95330
Or Fax it to (209) 879-7928

Mechanical or Traditional (please specify) _____

Entrant Name _____

Individual Representing Entrant _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone: Day _____ Night _____

Name or Title of Scarecrow _____

I agree to the terms described herein.

(Signature-required)

Date

Parents Signature (If under 18)

Date

Neither Dell'Osso Farms LLC, its agents or associates will be held responsible for any injury or damage associated with the 2009 Dell'Osso Family Farm Scarecrow Contest. It is understood that Dell'Osso and its agents may use photographs of, stories about and the actual scarecrow entries themselves as well as all information contained on this Entry Form for publicity and promotion of the event. Employees of Dell'Osso Family Farms and their families, affiliates, vendors, or advertising representatives are not eligible to compete in this contest. All entries must conform to Dell'Osso Family Farm standards which shall be determined by Dell'Osso in its sole discretion. Dell'Osso Family Farms reserves the right to deny exhibition privileges to any entry considered to be offensive in regard to race, sex or religion.

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