

Sale Name: THE SALE - 2021 Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show-TX

LOT - Veterans Memorial FFA propane wood chip smoker



Team Member(s) Name Brett Gerlach

FFA Chapter or 4H Club Name Veterans Memorial FFA

Show Placing Reserve Champion

Short Description propane wood chip smoker

County Hidalgo

City Mission

Type of Sale Premium - Exhibitor Keeps Project

Description

This is my 4th year of welding in high school and second year entering a shop project at RGVLS. Last years smoker project was a learning experience. I took my design from last year and made modifications and adjustment where I could see, after the fact, improvements could be made to the overall design, stability and function. This years design isn't just a pit, it's built on a cart, with wheels for easy transport and includes a shelf on the bottom for propane tank and a little storage space as well as stainless steel shelf that's perfect for counter top and definitely needed space for prep work. Those weren't the only two adjustment, however, those made a world of difference!

Last year I had the advantage of working on my project during my scheduled 2hr welding class as well as having my welding instructor and schools welding equipment available for use. What a difference things were this year. I'm extremely proud of the fact that this project was completed on my own time between on line classes, weekends and holidays. That along with not having the schools welding equipment

and or welding teacher like last year really made this project more meaningful and something I won't forget. Being proud of my accomplishment this year earning Reserve Grand in the Home and Outdoor division is an understatement.

A big thanks goes out to my dad for his time and help, Uncle Scott for the use of his shop, and Joe Olivarez for donating the stainless steel to help with my expenses. Last but not least, thank you to RGVLS for organizing this years show and to their sponsors who continue to show their support.

Quantity: 1



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