

□ **Animals and Nature**

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Congratulations to the winners and all participants in the annual Ranch & Rural Living Photo Contest. Here we feature the winning entries in the contest. First place photo in the People category was used on the cover of the October 2011 magazine. Watch for future months' covers on our print magazine. We'll be using both winning and non-winning photos for cover images.

Photos this year were judged by professional photographer Jim Bean of Jim Bean Professional Photography in San Angelo, and by the magazine staff. This year we added the opinion of Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association Executive Secretary Sandy Whittley.

Entries were judged on a weighted point system with points awarded by each of our judges independently. Points were tallied and winning entries were ranked by total points awarded.

Many of the photos were excellent in both subject matter and composition and could have placed. It's just that there were a limited number of winning slots.

Thank you to all who participated in this year's Photo Contest.

People

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Rural Life and Landscape

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