MPA was a co-sponsor of the MS ProStart Invitational
The two trophies for the Management and Culinary competitions
Students get excited as Grady Griffin with the MS Restaurant Association welcomes everyone.
2012 MS ProStart Invitational Photos

A view of the stage at the Old Capital Inn in downtown Jackson, MS
Everyone getting set up for the culinary completion
MPA Chairman Ray Ables of Tyson Foods informs the students of how agriculture and food service are important for the chicken industry.
The judges getting ready for the competition to begin
Culinary completion students from Poplarville High School being interviewed by WLBT channel 3
Tasting judges take a minute to pose for the camera
The management completion was very intense; these students did an excellent job of presenting their business plans.
Sanderson Farms Chef Steve Bonasia, right, earned the honor of “ProStart Partner of the Year Award” for his hard work and dedication to the competition.
Sanderson Farms was a proud sponsor of the event
MPA Chairman Ray Ables, far right, was on the team of foodservice and agriculture representatives that judged the management competition
The dish that Laurel High School won the completion with. Sanderson Farms Chef Steve Bonasia mentored the school over the course of the past year on the culinary part of the competition.