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Best in Show

Joan Edelsone, a Moraga lawyer who loves good food, continued to collect ribbons at the Sacramento State Fair. She won best in show for her jams two years ago and went back this year with her whole family. "I won Best in Show for my blackberry BBQ sauce and Ashleigh (her older daughter) won Best in Division for her strawberry jam, and I won Best in Class for my strawberry-blueberry jam," says Edelsone. Daughter, Ashleigh, also won four first-place awards for her cookies: Apricot-Craisin Pistachio Biscotti, Lemon-Pepper Shortbread Cookies, Persimmon Cookies with Lemon Frosting and Fudge Oatmeal Bars, while her mother won first place for her Anise Scented Fig & Date Swirl Cookies. - S. Braccini

Joan Edelsone with her ribbon that reads, "California State Fair Best in Show - 2012," with jams displayed in the window made by her, her daughter Ashleigh and other show participants. Photo provided

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