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Southwest Beef Symposium Targets Producers

ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO (January 16-17, 2008) - Over 100 participants representing 242,000 head of cattle attended the 4th Annual Southwest Beef Symposium and Trade Show in Roswell, New Mexico. The event is a cooperative effort between Extension beef specialists in western Texas and New Mexico, and is tailored for beef producers residing within that region. AgriLife Extension Specialists Bruce Carpenter, Dan Hale, and Ted McCollum participated in this year's program. Plans are underway for the 2009 Symposium. For more information regarding this event, please contact Dr. Bruce Carpenter <bb-carpenter@tamu.edu> at 432-336-8585.

Gibbs & Sigler Present at Texas Thoroughbred Convention

AUSTIN, TEXAS (Date, 2008) - Drs. Pete Gibbs and Dennis Sigler gave invited presentations on research-based guidelines for horse management and overviews of departmental research at the Texas Thoroughbred Convention. The convention is an annual event held in Austin and focuses on thoroughbred ownership, management, and opportunities.

Student Wins Undergraduate Research Competition

DALLAS, TEXAS (February 4, 2008) - Clayton Boldt, a senior Genetics major and Undergraduate Research Fellow in Dr. Clare Gill's laboratory, won the undergraduate research competition at the Southern Section of the American Society of Animal Science Meeting. He presented the results of his honors theses project entitled "Characterization of a QTL disposition of BTA8" at the meeting.

Gibbs & Gill Meet With Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association & Texas Beef Council

FORT WORTH, TEXAS (Date, 2008) - Drs. Pete Gibbs and Ron Gill met with the Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) and the Texas Beef Council at the TSCRA office to discuss the Beef Quality Assurance Initiative. Beef Quality Assurance is a national program that provides guidelines for beef cattle production. It raises consumer confidence through offering proper management techniques and a commitment to quality within every segment of the beef industry.

Participants of the Texas Farm Bureau Annual Convention Tour Departmental Facilities

COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS (Date, 2008) - Participants of the Texas Farm Bureau Annual Convention toured departmental facilities. Dr. Chris Skaggs and Paul Maulsby coordinated a tour of facilities at the O. D. Butler, Jr. Animal Science Complex. In addition, a meat quality demonstration for the participants was conducted by Ray Riley and Drs. Cleere, Hale and Griffin.

Gibbs Attends Texas Quarter Horse Association Meeting

AUSTIN, TEXAS (Date, 2008) - Dr. Pete Gibbs attended the Board of Directors meeting for the Texas Quarter Horse Association (TQHA). TQHA began in 1978 and is the largest American Quarter Horse Affiliate.

Upcoming Events

Department of Animal Science Seminar Series (February 13 - 11:30 a.m. - Kleberg Faculty Lounge) - Dr. Matt Taylor, Texas A&M University Department of Animal Science, will present. For more information regarding the seminar series, please contact Dr. Tryon Wickersham at 979-845-5065.

Interdisciplinary Faculty of Reproductive Biology Forum - (February 8 - 12:00 p.m. - Room 210 VMS) - Dr. Pi Ling Chang, School of Health Professions, University of Alabama at Birmingham, will present. For more information, please contact Dr. Fuller Bazer at 979-845-5929.



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