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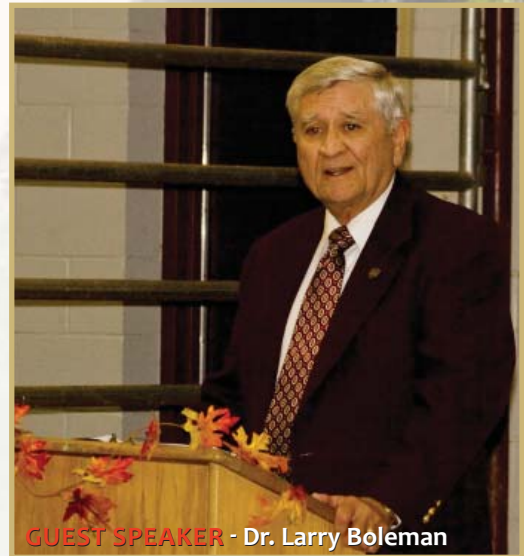


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Saddle and Sirloin Club Fall BBQ

COLLEGE STATION -- Saddle and Sirloin Club members along with Department of Animal Science faculty, staff and retirees gathered for the annual Saddle and Sirloin Club Fall BBQ and Auction on October 6, 2009 at the Texas A&M Beef Center. Dr. Larry Boleman addressed the crowd and encouraged the students to be all they could be and discussed the legacy of the department. The livestock, meats, wool and horse judging teams were recognized. Wade Fisher, former S&S president, served as the auctioneer for the auction that grossed more than \$2000. The 2009-2010 co-chairs for 25 S&S committees were also announced during the program.



GUEST SPEAKER - Dr. Larry Boleman



THE AUCTION - Above: Amanda Smith holds up a quilt made and donated by Mrs. Kay Hesby. Right: Jennifer Ann Smith and Wade Fisher.



THE TEAMS - The junior livestock judging team, above, was one of the many competitive teams introduced during the program.



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Livestock judging team finishes 2nd, 3rd to start fall competition season

AUSTIN, MINNESOTA & DALLAS, TEXAS – The TAMU livestock judging team started the fall competition season with a third place finish at the National Barrow Show in Austin, Minnesota on September 14, 2009. The team scored one place better finishing second at the State Fair of Texas in Dallas on October 5. Jake Thorne finished 5th high individual, Dustin Keith, 6th; Ryan Malone, 7th; Kobe Davis, 8th; and Joellyn Donnough, 10th.

Horse Judging Team Coaches Clinic slated for October 22

COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS – A horse judging team coaches clinic for youth/4-H/FFA adults and coaches will be held October 22, 2009 at Louis Pearce Pavilion in College Station beginning at 8 a.m. Western and English events along with how to coach students to give oral reasons will be addressed. Members of the current and past TAMU judging teams will give example sets of reasons. Conformation will be discussed along with a variety of performance events. Cost to attend is \$60 and registration is due by October 20. Please contact Dr. Dennis Sigler <dsigler@tamu.edu> at 979-845-7731 or visit http://animalscience.tamu.edu/academics/equine/workshops/horse_judging_coaches_clinic.htm for more information.

Recent publications

- Li, P., D.A. Knabe, S.W. Kim, C.J. Lynch, S.M. Hutson, and G. Wu. 2009. Lactating porcine mammary tissue catabolizes branched-chain amino acids for glutamine and aspartate synthesis. *Journal of Nutrition* 139: 1502-1509.
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- Li, P., S.W. Kim, X.L. Li, S. Datta, W.G. Pond, and G. Wu. 2009. Dietary supplementation with cholesterol and docosahexaenoic acid affects concentrations of amino acids in tissues of young pigs. *Amino Acids* 37: 709-716.

Upcoming events

38th Annual Summer Horsemanship School Program Informational Meeting (October 26, 2009 - 5:15 p.m. - Kleberg Room 200) - Summer opportunities available. For more information, please contact Teri Antilley <tjantilley@ag.tamu.edu> at 979-845-5264.

Rosenthal Lecture Series (October 30, 2009) - For more information, please contact Dr. Jeff Savell <j-savell@tamu.edu> at 979-845-3935.

2009 Aggiefest Livestock Judging Contest (November 7, 2009) - For more information, please contact Mr. Jake Franke <jfranke@tamu.edu> at 979-846-7616.

2009 Aggiefest Horse Judging Workshop (November 7, 2009) - For more information, please contact Dr. Dennis Sigler <dsigler@tamu.edu> at 979-845-1652.

Equine Reproductive Management Short Course (December 8-10, 2009 and January 13-25, 2010) - For more information, please contact Dr. Martha Vogelsang <m-vogelsang@tamu.edu> at 979-845-7731.

Fit to Finish Show Cattle Camp (December 12 and 13, 2009) - For more information, please contact Paul Maulsby <beefcenter@tamu.edu> at 979-862-4736.



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