

Animal Science Weekly

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Aggie Wool Judging Team wins first place in San Antonio

SAN ANTONIO – The Texas A&M University Wool Judging Team won first place at the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo Intercollegiate Wool Judging Contest in San Antonio on Feb. 13, 2010.

The Aggies secured five of the top 10 high individuals. Jake Reed of Copperas Cove finished first high individual followed by Zac Goodwin of Alvarado, Katie Muelhstein of Kerrville, Katy Knox of La Porte and Stephanie Mazurkiewicz of Bryan.

In team competition, Texas A&M won the grading rail and the placings portion of the contest.

Other team members were Kyle Phillips of Vidor, Josh Behrens of Voca, Claire Luensmann of La Vernia, Laura Stapper of Ozona, Kim Hardin of Seattle, Callie Whitworth of Junction and Steele Ingham of Sonora.

The team is coached by Will Dickison and Dr. Shawn Ramsey. Student coaches are Mike Helle, Carl Whitworth, Emily

Aggie Livestock Judging Team earns second place

SAN ANTONIO – The Texas A&M University Livestock Judging Team finished second at the San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo Intercollegiate Livestock Judging Contest in San Antonio on Feb. 20, 2010.

Oklahoma State University took top honors while Texas Tech University, Kansas State University and West Texas A&M University rounded out the top five places, respectively.

Aggie team members are Cassidy Hayes of Port Lavaca, Joe Rathmann of Bastrop, Dustin Valusek of Rosharon, Lance Bearb of Church Point, La., Kevin Gleason of Waxahachie, and Webb Fields, Mt Pleasant.

The team won the swine and reasons



Front, left, Katie Muelhstein, Stephanie Mazurkiewicz, Kim Hardin and Laura Stapper. Back, left, Jake Reed, Katy Knox, Claire Luensmann, Steele Ingham, Callie Whitworth, Kyle Phillips and Josh Behrens.

Earwood and Greta Munson.

The team's next and final contest for the spring is the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo later this month.

divisions. Individually, Hayes finished first high individual and Gleason scored third high individual.

Other team members are Kenton Kirkpatrick, Bryan; Rebecca Hamilton, Woodine, Md.; Sidney Wilkinson, Trinidad, Colo.; Kasey Lettunich, Stephenville; Kaitlyn Grimshaw, Pleasonton; Corey Taylor, Humble; Casey Henly, St. Augustine; Brian Weaver, Center Point; Paul Wunderlich, Brenham; Caleb Wendt, Needville; and Chance Muehlstein, Kerrville.

The team is coached by Jake Franke, and assistant coaches Carl Muntean, Cody Sloan and Jake Thorne.

The Aggie team competes in their final contest for the spring on March 17 at the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo.



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Animal Science students learn show management as interns in San Antonio

SAN ANTONIO – Thirteen Animal Science students spent several days and many long hours working as interns at the San Antonio Livestock Exposition in February.

Interns were Richard Grafe, Andrew Krenek, Colin Leach, Tiffany Sizemore, Scott Debnorz, David Salinas, Sarah Keating, John Mayer, Bailey Allison, Canaan Dreibrodt, Joslyn Kotzure, Kaitlyn Grimshaw and Sydney Wilkinson.

The interns work with all aspects of the show from arrival of the animals, stalling, inputting information in the computer program, checking class lists for accuracy, working with the show rings and load out on show days and sale day organization.

Dr. Chris Skaggs, San Antonio Livestock Exposition Endowed Chair and professor in Animal Science, said this experience gives the students a behind-the-scenes indoctrination

into show management as well as an appreciation for what it takes to organize a show of this magnitude.

“The students have all shown before so they understand what happens from that perspective. This opportunity provides them an intense, hands-on engagement with what it takes to manage one of the largest livestock shows in the country. They learn how to deal with people and situations which enhances their communication skills.”

To qualify as an intern, students must have previous show experience in San Antonio, have a solid work ethic, the ability to follow directions and work with show management, and be professional and friendly in dealing with exhibitors, parents and adult leaders.

Several students from other majors within the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences also served as interns.



REPS meet prospective students during AGGIELAND SATURDAY

Animal Science Aggie REPS visited with more than 300 prospective students and parents during Aggieland Saturday held Feb. 20 in College Station.

Aggieland Saturday is a campus-wide recruiting event that invites prospective students and their families to meet current students, tour the campus and dorms, gather information on admissions and financial aid as well as the colleges and majors.



Left, Mike Helle, Henry Hilscher and Gatlan Gray talk with a prospective student at the Animal Science informational booth.



Left, Amanda Smith, Henry Hilscher, Nicole Kenney and Brittany Rose presented an Animal Science overview to a packed room of prospective students and parents in Kleberg.

Recent publications

Wang, X.Q., W.Z. Wu, G. Lin, D.F. Li, G. Wu, and J.J. Wang. 2010. Temporal proteomic analysis reveals continuous impairment of intestinal development in neonatal piglets with intrauterine growth restriction. *J. Proteome Res.* 9: 924-935.

Nurkiewicz, T.R., G. Wu, P. Li, M.A. Boegehold. 2010. Decreased arteriolar tetrahydro-biopterin is linked to superoxide generation from nitric oxide synthase in mice fed high salt. *Microcirculation* 17: 147-157.

Bagley, J.L., Nicholson, K.L., Pfeiffer, K.D., and Savell, J.W. 2010. In-home consumer and shear force evaluation of steaks from the *M. serratus ventralis thoracis*. *Meat Science* 85(1), 104-109.

Upcoming events

Animal Science Graduate Student Association General Meeting (March 10, 2010 - 5:15 p.m. - Kleberg Faculty Lounge) - For more information, please contact club president Anna Poovey at <two_two86@tamu.edu>.

Livestock Judging Clinic (March 27, 2010 - Pearce Pavilion) - For more information, please contact Jake Franke <jfranke@tamu.edu> at 979-845-7616 or visit <http://animalscience.tamu.edu/images/pdf/youth/judging-clinic-10.pdf>.

Spirit of Aggieland Inaugural Sale (April 18, 2010 - 1 p.m. - TAMU Beef Center) - For more information, please contact Paul Maulsby at 979-862-4736 or at <beefcenter@tamu.edu>.

Texas A&M University Show Cattle Camp (May 28-30, 2010 & June 4-6, 2010) - For more information, please visit <http://animalscience.tamu.edu/academics/beef/beef-center/camps/show-cattle-camp/index.htm> or contact Paul Maulsby at 979-862-4736 or by email at <beefcenter@tamu.edu>.

Horse Judging Camp (June 2-4, 2010 & June 16-18, 2010) - For more information, please visit the website at <http://animalscience.tamu.edu/workshops/youth-workshops/tamu-horse-judging-camp.htm> or contact Dr. Clay Cavinder at 979-845-7731 or by email at <cac@tamu.edu>.

Livestock Judging Camp (June 13-15, June 20-22 & June 23-25, 2010) - For more information, please visit the website at http://animalscience.tamu.edu/workshops/youth-workshops/livestock_judging_camp.htm or contact Jake Franke at 979-845-7616 or by email at <jfranke@tamu.edu>.

Aggieland™ Lamb & Goat Camps (July 16-18, 2010 & July 23-25, 2010) - For more information, please visit the website at <http://animalscience.tamu.edu/academics/sheep-goats/sheep-center/youth-camps/index.htm> or contact Dr. Shawn Ramsey at 979-845-7616 or by email at <sramsey@tamu.edu>.

56th annual Texas A&M Beef Cattle Short Course (Aug. 2-4, 2010 - College Station)- For more information, please contact the Beef Cattle Extension office <extansc@ag.tamu.edu> at 979-845-6931 or visit <http://beef.tamu.edu>.



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