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#### Gibbs & Gill Attend National Cattlemen's Beef Association Meeting

DENVER, COLORADO (May 12-13, 2008) - Drs. Pete Gibbs and Ron Gill served on the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) Expanded Producer Education Working Group at a meeting in Denver. The meeting was attended by representatives from four state Extension groups/universities, producers from five states, and 10 industry groups/ associations.

#### Texas Junior Livestock Association Camp Held at Texas A&M University

COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS (May 17-18, 2008) - The Texas Junior Livestock Association (TJLA) Show Camp was hosted on the campus of Texas A&M University

with sessions held at the Kleberg Animal & Food Sciences Center, Pearce Pavilion, and the Beef Center. Over 350 youth and parents attended the two-day educational program that focused on information about beef, swine, lamb, and goat projects. In addition, carcass quality demonstrations and leadership activities were presented during the event. Dr. Chris Boleman, Mrs. Cherie Carrabba (TJLA Director), and Dr. Jason Cleere coordinated the event. Drs. Larry Boleman, Davey Griffin, Shawn Ramsey, and Chris Skaggs, and Mr. Paul Maulsby served as speakers for the program. Plans are underway for next year's event to be held May 22-24, 2009.

#### Miller Featured in meatingplace Magazine

COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS - Dr. Rhonda Miller was featured in the May 8, 2008 version of meatingplace magazine. Miller's research in the areas of meat quality contributors such as genetics, production efficiency and temperament, as well as her research in the areas of post-harvest natural antioxidants for beef and pork were the focus of the article. During her conversation with the magazine about what guides her work, her most promising current projects, and where she sees the next meat quality improvements coming from, Miller stated, "I want every piece of meat to be great." Meatingplace is a monthly magazine written and edited for red meat processors in the United States and Canada, and can be found online at http://www.meatingplace.com



*Pictured above:* The Texas Junior Livestock Association Camp was held at Texas A&M University.



### **Upcoming Events**

Show Cattle Camp (June 6-7 - College Station, TX) - For more information, please contact Mr. Paul Maulsby <beefcenter@ tamu.edu> at 979-862-4736 or visit http://animalscience.tamu.edu/main/academics/beef/show-cattle-camp/08.pdf

Livestock Judging Camps (June 15-18 or June 22-25 - College Station, TX) - For more information, please contact Dr. Chris Skaggs <cskaggs@tamu.edu> at 979-845-7616 or visit http://animalscience.tamu.edu/main/academics/livestock\_camp/index. html

Horse Judging Camp (July 9-11 - College Station, TX) - For more information, please contact Dr. Clay Cavinder <cac@tamu.edu> at 979-845-1562 or visit http://animalscience.tamu.edu/main/academics/equine/judging-camp.html

Aggieland Lamb & Goat Camps (July 25-27 - College Station, TX) - For more information, please contact Dr. Shawn Ramsey <sramsey@tamu.edu> at 979-845-7616 or visit http://animalscience.tamu.edu/main/academics/sheep/center/camps.html

Texas A&M Beef Cattle Short Course (August 4-6, 2008 - College Station, TX) - For more information, please contact Dr. Jason Cleere <jjcleere@ag.tamu.edu> at 979-845-6931 or visit http://animalscience.tamu.edu/ansc/BCSC/



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