

# Animal Science Weekly

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### COOL Listening Session Hosted by Department of Animal Science

COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS (September 26, 2008) - An information session on Country of Origin Labeling (COOL) was hosted by the Department of Animal Science at Rudder Tower on the campus of Texas A&M University. Dr. Craig Morris, Deputy Administrator of the Livestock and Seed Division and other representatives from USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service provided information about the regulations for COOL that were to be implemented by September 30, 2008. Representatives

from the livestock and meat industries as well as Texas AgriLife Extension Service specialists were on hand to learn about the new rules regarding labeling certain food products based on where they originated.



*Pictured right:* Dr. Craig Morris provided information about the regulations for COOL.

### Annual Rosenthal Lecture Series Brings Industry & Academia Together

COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS (September 26, 2008) - The annual Rosenthal Lecture Series, held at the Kleberg Animal & Food Sciences Center, is designed to bring together meat industry representatives with the meat science academic group at Texas A&M University to hear presentations on current topics and to share information and form linkages. The lecture series is named in honor of E. M. "Manny" Rosenthal, Class of 1942, Distinguished Alumnus of Texas A&M University and the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, and Chairman Emeritus of Standard Meat Company. In 1987, Manny and his wife, Roz, donated the first endowed chair in the Department of Animal Science, and the first chair in the United States designed to support research and education at all levels. This year's speakers included: Dr. Carol Lorenzen, University of Missouri; Dr. Shalene McNeill, National Cattlemen's Beef Association; and Dr. Craig Morris, United States Department of Agriculture.



*Pictured above (from left to right):* Dr. Craig Morris, Dr. Carol Lorenzen, Dr. Shalene McNeill, and Dr. Jeff Savell.

### Booren Garners Dr. Z. L. Carpenter Award

COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS (September 26, 2008) - Betsy Booren was awarded the Dr. Z. L. Carpenter Outstanding Graduate Student in Meat Science Award during the Rosenthal Lecture Series. Booren is a Ph.D. student working under the direction of Dr. Rhonda Miller, and will graduate in December. Her dissertation is entitled "Improvement of Low Quality Meat Utilizing Functional Ingredients." This award is presented annually to one outstanding meat science graduate student in honor of Dr. Zerle Carpenter.



*Pictured right (from left to right):* Dr. Z. L. Carpenter, Betsy Booren, and Dr. Rhonda Miller.

### Upcoming Events

J. Wayne Stark Galleries Exhibition “A Breed Apart: The Heritage of Livestock in Art” (September 17 - October 30, 2008 - College Station, TX) - For more information, please call 979-845-6081 or visit the Stark Galleries web site: <http://stark.tamu.edu>

Saddle & Sirloin Club Fall BBQ (October 7, 2008 - Beef Center - 7:00 p.m.) - R. C. Slocum is set to be the guest speaker.

Departmental Seminar Series (October 17, 2008 - Room 113 - 2:30 p.m.) - Mr. Paul Engler, Cactus Feeders, will present “Caught in a Period of Rapid Change: America’s Beef Industry.” For more information, please contact Dr. Tryon Wickersham <[tryon@tamu.edu](mailto:tryon@tamu.edu)>. Lunch will be served in the Kleberg Faculty Lounge at 12:30 p.m. Please RSVP to Lauren Schroeder <[schroeder@mail.ansc.ad.tamu.edu](mailto:schroeder@mail.ansc.ad.tamu.edu)> no later than Monday, October 13, 2008.

Aggiefest Livestock Judging Contest (October 25, 2008) - For more information, please contact Dr. Chris Skaggs <[cskaggs@tamu.edu](mailto:cskaggs@tamu.edu)> at 979-845-7616.

Broodmare Management Workshop (November 5, 2008) - For more information, please contact Dr. Brett Scott <[bdscott@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:bdscott@ag.tamu.edu)> at 979-845-1562.

Aggiefest Horse Judging Workshop (November 15, 2008) - For more information, please contact Teri Antilley <[tjantilley@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:tjantilley@ag.tamu.edu)> at 979-8745-1562.



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