

# Animal Science Weekly September 29, 2008

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### Livestock Judging Team Dominates at Mid-South Fair

MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE (September 20, 2008) - The Texas A&M University Livestock Judging Team dominated team competition at the Mid-South Fair, winning by 128 points. The University of Georgia, Sam Houston State University, University of Arkansas, and The Ohio State University completed the top five teams overall. Texas A&M boasted five of the top ten individuals overall, including first through fourth. Gwen Powers earned high individual overall honors, while teammates Cody Sloan, Dustin Burke, Lucas Neumayr, Faris Simon, and Brice Mund finished second, third, fourth, seventh, and eighth, respectively. The team is coached by Dr. Chris Skaggs and graduate students Blake Bloomberg and Zach Rambo. Team members include: Dustin Burke, Christian Fridaye, Brice Mund, Lucas Neumayr, Ryan Page, Gwen Powers, Faris Simon, Cody Sloan, and Randa Yezak. The team's next competitions will be the Tulsa State Fair in Tulsa, OK and the Texas State Fair in Dallas.

### Sterle Gives Gallery Talk at Opening of "A Breed Apart: The Heritage of Livestock in Art"

COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS (September 18, 2008) - With over 200 in attendance, Dr. Jodi Sterle gave the gallery talk, "All Around You: The Impact of Livestock on Society," at the official opening of "A Breed Apart: The Heritage of Livestock in Art" exhibit at the J. Wayne Stark University Center Galleries on the campus of Texas A&M University. Students in Dr. Sterle's Animal Science 207 (Art & Heritage of Livestock) class researched and wrote descriptors for each piece, as well as created "Did You Know" question and answers aimed at children visiting the exhibit. The exhibit is open through the month of October. Gallery hours are 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday-Friday and 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. For more information, please call 979-845-6081 or visit the Stark Galleries web site: <http://stark.tamu.edu>

### Forrest Receives Honorary Lone Star FFA Degree

COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS (September 23, 2008) - Dr. David Forrest received the Honorary Lone Star FFA Degree from the Texas FFA at a meeting of the A&M Consolidated Young Farmer Chapter. The nomination was submitted by the A&M Consolidated FFA Chapter, and a plaque was presented by Jacob Brown, District FFA President.

### R. C. Slocum Slated as Guest Speaker at Annual Saddle & Sirloin Club Fall BBQ

COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS - R. C. Slocum is slated as the guest speaker for the annual Saddle & Sirloin Club Fall BBQ to be held at the Texas A&M University Beef Center on October 7, 2008. Recognition of the wool, meat, livestock and horse judging teams, as well as a live auction will follow Mr. Slocum's presentation. For more information regarding the Saddle & Sirloin Club or Fall BBQ, please contact Saddle & Sirloin Club president Randa Yezak <[randayezak@tamu.edu](mailto:randayezak@tamu.edu)>.



*Pictured above:* Dr. Jodi Sterle gave the gallery talk at the opening of "A Breed Apart: The Heritage of Livestock in Art."

### Recent Publications

Nunez de Gonzalez, M. T., B. S. Hafley, R. M. Boleman, R. K. Miller, K. S. Rhee, and J. T. Keeton. 2008. Antioxidant properties of plum concentrates and powder in precooked roast beef to reduce lipid oxidation. *Meat Sci.* 80:997-1004.

### 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>

Departmental Seminar Series (September 30, 2008 - Kleberg Faculty Lounge - 11:30 a.m.) - Dr. Dennis Sigler, Texas A&M Department of Animal Science, will present "Research on the Management of Equine Gastric Ulcer." For more information, please contact Dr. Tryon Wickersham <[tryon@tamu.edu](mailto:tryon@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.

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

Aggiefest Horse Judging Workshop (November 15, 2008) - For more information, please contact Dr. Pete Gibbs or Teri Antilley at 979-8745-1562



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