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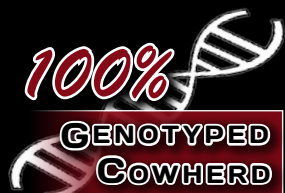
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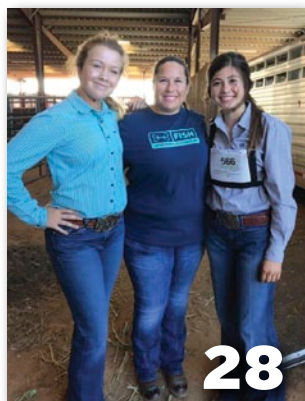
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Ramblings from the Open Range

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

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The Beef Improvement Federation meetings ended Saturday, June 23, the same day that the National Junior Santa Gertrudis Show was kicking-off. As I boarded my flight, leaving one and heading to the other, the industry and its future were definitely on my mind. The focus of the 50th Annual Beef Improvement Federation Research Symposium and Convention centered on genetic technology, the need for industry members to respond to the demands for more consistent genetics, profitability and the effects of a changing marketplace – all very thought-provoking topics. However, on my flight south, I mostly thought about the association's nearly 300 juniors and their future in an industry that is constantly evolving.

A paper prepared for the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association's Young Leadership Series by James McGrann, Ph.D., professor emeritus and Texas A&M University ranch management economist, examined the challenges faced by young people interested in beef production as a livelihood. As would be expected, McGrann focused on the volume of capital needed to establish a cow-calf enterprise capable of generating the income needed to support a family. To emphasize this point, he referenced the fact that fewer than 4 percent of U.S. cow-calf operations allow owners to make their sole living from the cow-calf enterprise.

I realize that few of the 2018 National Junior Santa Gertrudis Show participants will have the opportunity to be counted among that 4 percent. However, following their youth show careers, I am confident SGBI juniors interested in becoming active beef industry participants can do so and do it in a viable and profitable manner. I think this is especially true for young producers interested in seedstock production. Young producers with an appreciation

of technological innovation and an entrepreneurial spirit are perfectly positioned to take advantage of growing industry opportunities.

Transitioning from the junior show ring to producer and provider of profitable seedstock requires an understanding of the needs of commercial cow-calf producers as well as knowledge regarding the desires of beef-buying consumers. Show ring selection is solely dependent upon visual appraisal, and live animal evaluation is an extremely valuable tool. It is the cornerstone of the beef cattle selection process.

However, technology has changed the way breeding and selection decisions are made. SGBI's cutting-edge genetic evaluation utilizes the latest genetic technology and the breed is recognized as an industry leader in the adoption of innovative genetic tools.

SGBI's genetic evaluation is the most powerful tool available for measuring economically relevant traits. Utilizing the genetic tools in the association's toolbox enables Santa Gertrudis seedstock breeders to identify animals with superior genetic merit, allowing breeding objectives to align with the needs of commercial cattlemen and the end-point targets desired by the beef-buying public.

Innovation in the area of beef cattle genetic technology is occurring at a blinding speed. To keep the breed in the forefront, the next generation of SGBI active members must be committed to identifying and adopting new genetic tools that are profitable for the breed and the industry.

The ability to breed the type and kind of cattle demanded by a specific commercial customer base will also

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Hardy Wins SGBI Photo Contest

For the second year in a row, Santa Gertrudis Breeders International (SGBI) conducted a social media photo contest in conjunction with the 2018 National Junior Santa Gertrudis Show (NJSGS). SGBI asked for photos taken at the NJSGS, as well as a description of why the person submitting the photo is proud to raise Santa Gertrudis. The winner was selected on the number of "likes" and "shares" the photo received.

Bryce Hardy of Kaufman, Texas, was the winner of the contest with his photo, "Santa Gertrudis – A Different Breed."

Here Bryce explains the significance of this photo and why he is proud to raise Santa Gertrudis.

"Santa Gertrudis is a different breed. No other breed of cow has the personality of a Santa Gertrudis. From getting my first Santa Gertrudis heifer from Big M Ranch to now, she's always been loving, caring and, most important, gentle. Not only is she gentle, but she doesn't shy away from people who come over, and she is very aware of her surroundings.

"All the Santa Gertrudis that I have been around are gentle and, to me, that's the most important thing with a show cow. I look forward to this show year with my little red Santa Gertrudis."

Thanks to everyone who participated in the contest and congratulations, Bryce! 🐾

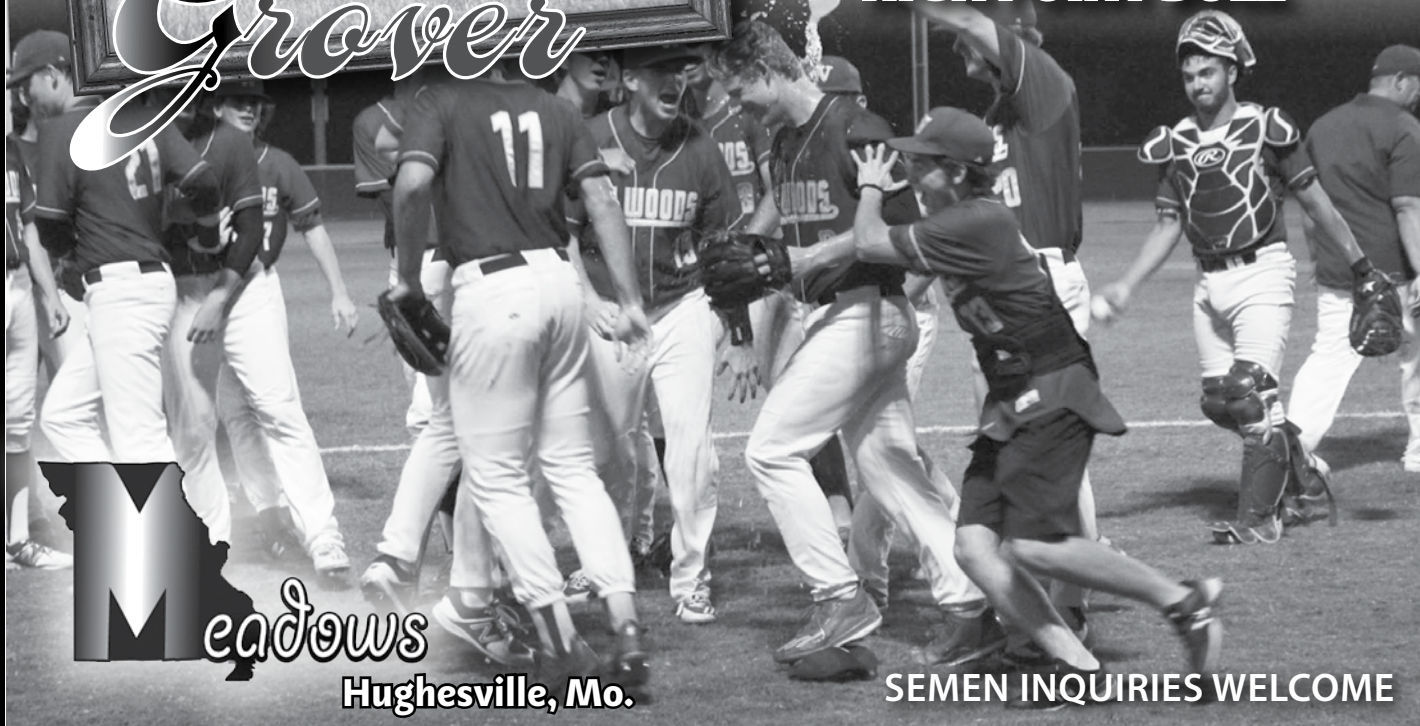


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Cattle shows, cattle shows and more cattle shows. That is all I have been doing lately. Our Grimes County Fair was in early June, followed by the week-long National Junior Santa Gertrudis Show (NJS GS), and I just returned from judging the National Santa Gertrudis Show in Costa Rica.

I wish there had been a National Junior Santa Gertrudis Show when I was a junior member! Oh well. I certainly have been to most of them as a parent of four kids who each showed since they were 9 years old and, today, as a grandparent when my grandkids, Landon Stem and Demi Harrington, are showing. The NJS GS continues to grow, and new and exciting events like the Better Beef Contest and Bull Show are making the show more fun and educational. I just love it. So many great young people and so many great Santa Gertrudis – it's almost paradise.

During the 30-plus years I have attended the NJS GS, it amazes me how it just keeps getting better. My sincere thanks go out to everyone who makes it happen. Time and space doesn't allow me to list everyone, but you know who you are, and I love and appreciate you.

After the National Junior Santa Gertrudis Show in Texarkana, Ark., I had about three days at the ranch before heading to Costa Rica to judge their National Santa Gertrudis Show on July 6. Two of Costa Rica's largest Santa Gertrudis breeders had more than 50 head for me to evaluate. Gonzalo Sanchez and his parents own and operate Ganadera Cortijo El Baden, and Rancho Don Graciano is owned by Arturo Quiros. My thanks go out to them for such incredible support and promotion of Santa Gertrudis in Costa Rica.

The Red Doc Farm group, the incredible Roland Sanchez family and fellow SGBI Board members Alicia Sanchez and Robert Silva also attended the show. It was great to visit with them at the festive event.

My friend Tony McCorvey always introduces me saying, "This is Jerome Urbanosky and he raises Santa Gertrudis show cattle."

This drives me nuts. I always respond, "No, we are a Santa Gertrudis seedstock producer, and some of the cattle we produce are good enough to show."

I think it is important to remember that the function of every purebred beef breed is to produce high-quality seedstock for the commercial beef cattle industry.

Also remember, people want what they see and what they like. When breeders and exhibitors are exhibiting Santa Gertrudis at a show, that is the perfect venue for people to see how awesome Santa Gertrudis are.

So, the next time you attend a fair or livestock show, thank the owners and exhibitors. They are creating customers for you.

Until next time, spread the good news about Santa Gertrudis. 🐄

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impact the methods used to market seedstock. Not only will the next generation of the association's active members sell Santa Gertrudis bulls and replacement females, they will also need to market their "program" effectively. Genetics, nutrition, reproduction and health are all interconnected. Successful marketers will have an entrepreneurial spirit, understand how the interactions work and focus on the development of unique marketing approaches for their program and product.

The structure of the cattle industry has changed dramatically over time. This change has been driven by constantly evolving market dynamics that require seedstock operators to have a greater focus on improving cattle quality in order to meet the needs of commercial cow-calf operators and the desires of the consumer. Change is a big part of being successful, and it's accelerating at an increasingly rapid pace. It is an exciting time for the industry, and the future looks bright for young SGBI members. 🐄

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2	250	17	56	114
3	13	5	0	7
4	13	9	14	8
5	19	2	0	55
6	20	5	0	13

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District	Purebred Reg.	STAR 5 Reg.	Performance Only	Purebred & STAR 5 Trans.
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3	3	1	0	0
4	0	0	0	0
5	7	0	0	1

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Juniors

By Taylor Terry, President



My name is Taylor Terry, and I am from Denton, Texas. I was recently elected to serve as the 2018-2019 National Junior Santa Gertrudis Association president. The focus of this issue of *Santa Gertrudis USA* is juniors and includes results and highlights from the National Junior Santa Gertrudis Show (NJS GS).

This year, I got a behind-the-scenes look at what it takes to put on the NJS GS. In Tampa, my mother, Suzanne Fulton, was approached about chairing the 2018 NJS GS, and lucky for me, she said yes. Having my mom host the show put into perspective what it takes to put on a quality show and the giant team it takes to get the work done.

I have attended 18 junior nationals, but Texarkana was unlike the others. This time, I was a behind-the-scenes worker, making sure awards were chosen and sorted, games were ready, the schedule was easy for the exhibitors and many other tasks I had taken for granted. Despite my involvement in the show, there are others who put even more work into the details than I could ever have.

Taking a step back after the 10-day stint, I really appreciate that, as a junior member, there are individuals who give their heart and soul to our organization, by sorting classes, registering livestock or donating scholarships, heifers and money to put on our show. We have a fantastic breed with people who volunteer time, effort and funds without expecting anything in return. They do these things for us, the juniors. As I have gotten older I understand that we must be willing to step into the big shoes that have come before us. If we want to continue to improve the quality of our breed and traditions we already hold dear, we must recognize the hard work and dedication it takes to make an organization great and step up and be part of the future. 🌱

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Calendar

AUGUST

27-29 Back to School Bash Online Sale, Pitchford Cattle Co.

SEPTEMBER

- 14** Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Annual Meeting, Hallettsville, Texas
- 14-15** District 6 Haltered Heifer Show and Sale, Richmond, Ind.
- 15** Cattleman's Opportunity Sale, Hallettsville, Texas
- 29** Arkoma Santa Gertrudis Association Sale, Tulsa, Okla.
- 30** Tulsa State Fair SGBI Point Show, Tulsa, Okla.

OCTOBER

- 5-6** 30th Annual Alabama Connection Sale, Tinney Farms, Hanceville, Ala.
- 12-13** State Fair of Texas, Dallas, Texas
- 16-18** 2018 Sunbelt Farm Expo, Moultrie, Ga.
- 20** Strait-Hefte Tried & True Production Sale, Carrizo Springs, Texas

NOVEMBER

- 3** Mountain Laurel Classic Sale, Calhoun, Ga.
- 9-10** 40th Annual Tri-Star Sale, Bloomington, Texas
- 17-18** 2018 Hot Gert Junior and Open Show, Robstown, Texas
- 17** South Texas Heritage Sale, Robstown, Texas

ALL I REALLY NEED TO KNOW I LEARNED FROM SHOWING CATTLE

By Randy L. Stanko, Ph.D., Texas A&M University-Kingsville



Hopefully you don't mind my attempt at tongue-in-cheek humor with a reference to Robert Fulghum's book concerning things learned in kindergarten. Seriously though, are purebred cattle shows more than just friendly competitions? I certainly hope so. Any cattle judge worthy of sorting through and ranking a group of similarly aged animals should have their finger on the pulse of your breed, traits that are critical for

your breed and traits that your breed is wanting to improve.

In addition, all cattle shows should be reflective of what is good for the entire beef cattle industry. Larger and/or fatter is not necessarily what may be best for the breed or beef industry. Needless to say, the experiences, friendships and life skills young folks acquire while showing cattle, win or lose, are equally as important as selecting that most nearly ideal bull, heifer or cow-calf pair on any given day.

You may be familiar with a study conducted at Texas Tech University that undertook research at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo to validate the perceived benefits of livestock exhibition by Texas 4-H members¹. Participants in the study included 4-H members, 4-H parents, 4-H advisors and show officials. Methods of data collection included in-depth interviews, field observation and review of historical documents.

Results lead to the emergence of six major themes: 1) social relations; 2) character; 3) family; 4) competition; 5) new cultures and environments; and 6) finance for education. Five of the six could be considered "life skills," which I believe would also apply to experiences gained through exhibiting purebred cattle.

When asked about the benefits of exhibiting livestock, the most common response was responsibility a young person gains from raising and caring for show animals. Development of social relationships was the strongest theme that appeared in the results. Emphasis was placed on acquiring new friends and social contacts (we call that networking). Responsibility, confidence, sportsmanship and how to handle loss and disappointment were the subcategories that emerged within the data of the "character" theme. All are great soft skills that promote development of youngsters into successful adults.

Family values and family togetherness were emphasized in the third theme. Special emphasis was placed on parental involvement and support, followed by sibling relations. The competition theme segregated into two specific areas: a)

the need to satisfy the desire of competition or competing in events with a clear winner, and b) the exposure to winning and losing – ideas that have fallen by the wayside in recent times due to participation trophies. Exposure to diverse cultures and cities (i.e., travel) was the fifth theme identified. Other responses included knowledge and care of livestock and importance of these skills as it may relate to career options.

A similar study was conducted by B.F. Walker². Study subjects were National Junior Angus Association members (18- to 21-year-olds). The purpose of Walker's research was to determine the self-perceived youth leadership life skills development of junior members who show cattle. Junior members completed two instruments: 1) demographic information, and 2) a closed-ended questionnaire developed in 1993, referred to as the Youth Leadership Life Skills Development Scale (YLLSDS).



The highest YLLSDS scores were in areas such as "showing a responsible attitude, ability to set goals and ability to set priorities." A strong positive relationship was also found between YLLSDS scores and number of cattle shows exhibited per year, gender of participant (female scores were greater than male scores), hours worked with cattle per week and years of participation in cattle showing.

When attending the next junior purebred cattle show, please follow the judges' pacing, enjoy seeing great cattle and take a good look at the faces of those junior members showing the cattle, as they will be the leaders of their generation. Thanks be to beef cattle!

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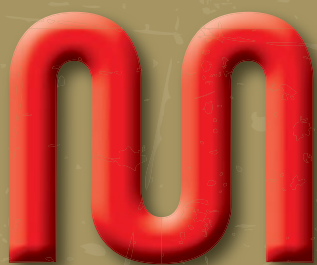
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The Beef About Auburn Ag

By Hannah Johlman, Freelance Writer

There are two types of college students. Those who have known since they were children what they want to study in college, and those who are still undecided, even on the first day of classes. It is both of these types of students that Lisa Kriese-Anderson, Ph.D., associate professor and Extension animal scientist at Auburn University, loves to work with, hone their interests and encourage in their studies.

"Auburn offers all types of opportunities where students have one-on-one interactions with the faculty," Anderson says. "And when you get to know faculty members, you're more open to come to them and say, 'Hey, I'm really struggling with what I want to do,' and we are there to help them find internships and experiences to explore other career opportunities to make them the best that they can be."

At Auburn, the animal science degree program is comprised of around 500 students, making up almost half of the College of Agriculture, which sees around 1,150 students enrolled each semester.

"We are still small enough that any student who wants to get involved and be mentored by faculty will have those opportunities all day long," Anderson says. "We still use the hands-on approach and help students, if they're open to it, to do whatever they want to do."

With an animal science degree, the pre-vet/pre-professional, production/management, equine science or muscle foods tracks allow students to personalize their education and explore the vast world of agriculture.

"Agriculture touches everything," Anderson says. "Say you're a big computer person and you like to play computer games and you're into programming, you can take those skills and interests into precision agriculture and help build programs that will help crop producers and there are even programs being built for use in animal agriculture."

When students are undecided, Anderson encourages them to get involved and explore the many hands-on opportunities the college offers through livestock units, clubs, organizations and educational trips.

Anderson was instrumental in helping the Block and Bridle club get involved with two to three local production sales each year where the students help and raise money for the club.

"We're getting a lot fewer kids from the farm and a lot more urban kids, so when you put them in a fast-paced environment where they have to get these cattle in and out of the ring and in the right order, it's a learning experience," Anderson says.

Students also host a livestock showmanship show. They host a lamb and goat show for 4-H and FFA members along with a livestock judging contest, as well as the Beef U, Horse U, Dairy U and Dairy Goat U one-day programs that help educate youth ages 8-18.

"The kids spend half their day on the live side and half their day in the meats lab," Anderson says.

When the program grew to 125-150 kids per day, Anderson brought in undergraduate students for help.

"The students realize they actually have to understand what they're being taught in the classroom so they can teach it themselves, and that they have to be able to talk to 8-year-



"The world is theirs. They just have to decide if they want to ask questions and be inquisitive, and if so, we can help them reach whatever dreams they want to reach – as long as they are willing to put in the work."

– Lisa Kriese-Anderson

olds as well as 18-year-olds," Anderson says. "Our students have so many of these opportunities to become involved if they are willing to do it."

The Collegiate Cattlemen and Collegiate Cattlewomen's clubs, which are chapters of the Alabama Cattlemen's Association, teach meat science and animal science. The clubs run a catering business, which is student run, with the help of the clubs' advisors.

"Through catering they learn how to meet people's needs," Anderson says. "They do a lot of activities with the Alabama Cattlemen's Association, helping promote activities, helping with the Cattlemen's convention and they generally go to National Cattlemen's Beef Association [Trade Show] and have opportunities to go to national meats conferences."

"They get to do this because they have the catering business and as long as students do what their requirements are, they get to go on these trips and be exposed to the full industry for relatively no expense."

For students interested in the equine aspect of animal science, the college has a Horseman's Club and a club horse performance team. For students in the pre-vet track, there is the Pre-Veterinary Medical Association. For students interested in plants, there is a Horticulture Club, and for students interested in foods, there is a Food Science Club.

"For any interest, there are ways to get involved," Anderson says. "And of course, students don't have to be in animal science to belong to any of these clubs. You could be a business major and join any club in the university, even the agricultural clubs, to be around people with your own interests."

While every student at Auburn begins their college career with orientation classes that discuss what could be learned

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Mid-Coast Juniors are **TEXAS STRONG!**



We were **TEXAS STRONG** with 75 Mid-Coast youth participating and 150+ Santa Gertrudis cattle representing our affiliate. We were **TEXAS STRONG** with amazing wins in all aspects of competition, including the cattle show, individual contests, brain bowl competition, herdsman, scrapbook and high point awards.

*We are proud of our
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The Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association
is excited to host the

2019 National Junior Santa Gertrudis Show!

The "Texas Two-Step – Good Gert Cattle
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June 22-29, 2019

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Congratulations to all of our Juniors

who participated in the

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Caydi Blaha
Adelyn Bronikowski
Peyton Bronikowski
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Adelace Davidson
Caleb Denmon
Cora Denmon

Jordyn Dozier
Kaelyn Dozier
Loghyn Dozier
Kelsey Drane
Kaylee Enloe
Wyatt Ennis
Shelby Ferguson
Bayli Fisher
Sage Fisher
Hayden Garrett
Gracie Garza
Mason Gisler

Madeline Hachtel
Ryan Hachtel
Demi Harrington
James Hayes
Jenna Hein
Hannah Hubbard
Taylor Janssen
Mackleny Johnson
Alyssa Jones
Canyon Jones
Hayden Jones
Kenley Kincannon
Kiley Kizziah

Madison Kobersky
Kaden Leonard
Kaylee Leonard
Logan Mason
Parker Mason
Emma McKown
Alexis Meyerhoff
Dawson Moran
Madison Moran
Hadleigh Novosad
Kyle Oliver
Matthew Payne

Steven Payne
Lyndsie Petrosky
Addyson Phillips
Kamryn Phillips
Courtney Roberts
Savannah Roessler
Fernando San Miguel
Hagan Sebesta
Sierra Sebesta
Karli Shupak
Harlea Smith
Landon Stem
Heather Stenson

Makenzie Thames
Jordyn Trant
Lanae Tucker
Brooke Vandenberg
Rylee Vandenberg
Macie Villanueva
Re'ana Villanueva
Tate Vinnanueva
Nathan Wolfe
Calvin Wunderlich
Chase Young
Laura Zibilski



The 2018 National Junior Santa Gertrudis Show was held June 23-30, 2018, at the Four States Fairgrounds in Texarkana, Ark. "Gert Times Across State Lines" featured more than 200 junior members exhibiting more than 500 head of cattle during the week-long event. The Champion Bull received \$1,000 from Red Doc Farm, Belen, N.M., and a donated bull from Wiley Ranches, Deville, La. The Reserve Champion Bull received \$500 from Wendt Ranches, Bay City, Texas. This year's event included numerous activities, contests, fun and competitions. The event concluded with the Awards Banquet. 🍴

PARADE OF CHAMPIONS

PUREBRED FEMALES



GRAND CHAMPION PUREBRED AND CHAMPION SENIOR FEMALE

C-P Miss Roberto 748C21, shown by Laura Zibilski, Burton, Texas



RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION PUREBRED AND YEARLING CHAMPION

MCC Flo 1709, shown by Baylor Kimbro, Timpson, Texas



RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR FEMALE

Wendt 1005, shown by Kenley Kincannon, West Columbia, Texas



CALF CHAMPION FEMALE

SR 97/7, shown by Avery Strait, Prosper, Texas



RESERVE CALF CHAMPION

Miss Shatira, shown by Ellistin Morey, Golden City, Mo.



INTERMEDIATE CHAMPION FEMALE

ET Dum Dum, shown by Taylor Terry, Denton, Texas



RESERVE INTERMEDIATE CHAMPION

TG Dude's Callie 691, shown by Harrison Kimble, Kingsbury, Texas



RESERVE YEARLING CHAMPION FEMALE

Rafter Y's Bristol, shown by Landon Stem, Anderson, Texas

PUREBRED BULLS



GRAND CHAMPION BULL

Rockin 3T's Something To Talk About 9/7,
shown by Casey Pitchford, Athens, Texas



RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL

Mr. TOCR Rockstar 804, shown by Laura Zibilski,
Burton, Texas

SPECIAL CLASS FEMALES



CHAMPION BRED AND OWNED

TexHess Miss Dolly, shown by Jordan Hess,
Stephenville, Texas



RESERVE CHAMPION BRED AND OWNED

Top Shelf Rum Chata, shown by Payten Hampton,
California, Mo.



CHAMPION BEST OF POLLED

SR 9/6, shown by Avery Strait, Prosper, Texas



RESERVE CHAMPION BEST OF POLLED

TexHess Miss Dolly, shown by Jordan Hess,
Stephenville, Texas



CHAMPION DONATED HEIFER

PC Miss Peaches 317/7, shown by Kalli Kimble,
Kingsbury, Texas



RESERVED CHAMPION DONATED HEIFER

SR 4/7, shown by Kamryn Phillips,
Normangee, Texas

STAR 5 FEMALE SHOW



CHAMPION STAR 5

Smuckers 310/6, shown by Jenna Fullington,
Terry, Miss.



RESERVE CHAMPION STAR 5

Miss WF 6401, shown by Calvin Wunderlich,
Brenham, Texas

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CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE JUNIORS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THIS EVENT!

CLASS & DIVISION WINNERS

PUREBRED HEIFER SHOW

CLASS 1: NOV. 1, 2017 AND LATER

1. Miss Shatira, shown by Ellistin Morey, Golden City, Mo.
2. MS Wasobi 748E1, shown by Laura Zibilski, Burton, Texas
3. WM 118 Angel, shown by Madeline Hachtel, Mount Enterprise, Texas
4. Miss M Rock Vegas 8/22 E1, shown by Savannah Evans, New Boston, Texas
5. HS Celine, shown by Heather Stenson, Houston, Texas

CLASS 2: SEPT. 1, 2017 TO OCT. 31, 2017

1. SR 97/7, shown by Avery Strait, Prosper, Texas
2. Top Shelf Rum Chata, Payten Hampton, California, Mo.
3. Miss Big Starr, shown by Karli Buggs, Sarcoxie, Mo.
4. Miss 777 Red Fern, shown by Erin-Kay Daniel, Magnolia, Ark.
5. ET Intrigue, shown by Emmalee Taylor, St. Joe, Ark.

CLASS 3: JULY 1, 2017 TO AUG. 31, 2017

1. Clara Mae 7-26, shown by Re'Ana Villanueva, Alvin, Texas
2. PC/RR Miss Ranger 25E1, shown by Laura Zibilski, Burton, Texas
3. PC/MN Miss Cadillac 719/7, shown by Casey Pitchford, Athens, Texas
4. Rafter Y's Edee, shown by Dawson Lowe, Arlington, Texas
5. Miss 777 Kitty 777, shown by Erin-Kay Daniel, Magnolia, Ark.

CLASS 4: JUNE 1, 2017 TO JUNE 30, 2017

1. MCC Sadie 1718, shown by Baylor Kimbro, Timpson, Texas
2. M Rock 217, shown by Savannah Evans, New Boston, Texas
3. Miss CF Mabry, shown by Madison Moran, Brenham, Texas
4. ET Electra, shown by Emmalee Taylor, St. Joe, Ark.
5. Miss Circle H Roberto, shown by JD Chism, Pontotoc, Miss.

CLASS 5: MAY 1, 2017 TO MAY 31, 2017

1. Gucci 7-41, shown by Demi Harrington, Plantersville, Texas
2. Miss Gunny, shown by Ellistin Morey, Golden City, Mo.
3. Miss WF 7004, shown by Calvin Wunderlich, Brenham, Texas
4. ET Twinkie, shown by Taylor Terry, Denton, Texas
5. Miss 777 Magnolia, shown by Patrick Daniel, Magnolia, Ark.

CLASS 6: CALF CHAMPION FEMALE

SR 97/7, shown by Avery Strait, Prosper, Texas

CLASS 7: RESERVE CALF CHAMPION

Miss Shatira, shown by Ellistin Morey, Golden City, Mo.

CLASS 8: APRIL 1, 2017 TO APRIL 30, 2017

1. Miss WF 7002, shown by Calvin Wunderlich, Brenham, Texas
2. Myers 17/003, shown by Carley Morgan, Portia, Ark.
3. ET Chicken Nugget, shown by Taylor Terry, Denton, Texas
4. Myers 17/36, shown by Savannah Evans, New Boston, Texas
5. CC Desi's Ruby 72, shown by Demi Harrington, Plantersville, Texas

CLASS 9: MARCH 1, 2017 TO MARCH 31, 2017

1. MCC Flo 1709, shown by Baylor Kimbro, Timpson, Texas
2. Ms Sharona 17/13, shown by Daniel Esquivel, Pasadena, Texas
3. KK Sabe's Un Valiente (ET), shown by Kalli Kimble, Kingsbury, Texas
4. PC Miss Peaches 317/7, shown by Kalli Kimble, Kingsbury, Texas
5. O/X 828, shown by Casey Pitchford, Athens, Texas

CLASS 10: FEB. 1, 2017 TO FEB. 28, 2017

1. Rafter Y's Bristol, shown by Landon Stem, Anderson, Texas
2. Ms TOCR Classy 712, shown by Laura Zibilski, Burton, Texas
3. SR 23/7, shown by Avery Strait, Prosper, Texas
4. SR 11/7, shown by Kenley Kincannon, West Columbia, Texas
5. Miss WF 7709, shown by Cory Barrett, Sealy, Texas

CLASS 11: JAN. 1, 2017 TO JAN. 31, 2017

1. SR 4/7, shown by Kamryn Phillips, Normangee, Texas
2. Miss CF Lyla 713, shown by Dawson Moran, Brenham, Texas
3. Sherri 2/7, shown by Kayla Clampitt, Alvord, Texas
4. Miss 777 17E2, shown by Caroline Daniel, Magnolia, Ark.
5. PC Miss Red Rider 42/E1, shown by Laura Zibilski, Burton, Texas

CLASS 12: YEARLING CHAMPION

MCC Flo 1709, shown by Baylor Kimbro, Timpson, Texas

CLASS 13: RESERVE YEARLING CHAMPION FEMALE

Rafter Y's Bristol, shown by Landon Stem, Anderson, Texas



CLASS 14: NOV. 1, 2016 TO DEC. 31, 2016

1. TG Dude's Callie 691, shown by Harrison Kimble, Kingsbury, Texas
2. XL's River Rose 677, shown by Madison Kobersky, Alvin, Texas
3. Ms TOCR Burgundy 644, shown by Laura Zibilski, Burton, Texas
4. Lisa Marie 611, shown by Demi Harrington, Plantersville, Texas
5. SR 138/6, shown by Avery Strait, Prosper, Texas

CLASS 15: SEPT. 1, 2016 TO OCT. 31, 2016

1. B14 Briggs 337D, shown by Casey Pitchford, Athens, Texas
2. KK Sweet Caroline, shown by Kalli Kimble, Kingsbury, Texas
3. Yancey 603, shown by Landon Stem, Anderson, Texas
4. LR OLCC Poison Ivy, shown by Steve Sanders, Guthrie, Okla.
5. SF Mai Tai, shown by Taylor Hampton, California, Mo.

CLASS 16: JULY 1, 2016 TO AUG. 31, 2016

1. ET Dum Dum, shown by Taylor Terry, Denton, Texas
2. Miss Rally Never Before, shown by Wyatt Nelson, Sarcoxie, Mo.
3. Rockin 3T's Betsy 9/16, shown by Bret Pittman, Ponder, Texas
4. Triple P's Lorena, shown by Shelby Ferguson, Spring, Texas
5. SJ Lady 613, shown by Kelsey Bordovsky, Riviera, Texas

CLASS 17: MAY 1, 2016 TO JUNE 30, 2016

1. Aggie's Mercury, shown by William Jones, Chico, Texas
2. PC Miss Vegas 295D4, shown by Gracey Pitchford, Athens, Texas
3. Miss Starling, shown by Quincy Nelson, Sarcoxie, Mo.
4. HK Hallie's Comet, shown by Harrison Kimble, Kingsbury, Texas
5. Miss Minnie, shown by Shane Clewis, Godley, Texas

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2018 NATIONAL JUNIOR SANTA GERTRUDIS SHOW

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NJSGS WINNERS CONTINUED FROM PAGE 16

CLASS 18: INTERMEDIATE CHAMPION FEMALE

ET Dum Dum, shown by Taylor Terry,
Denton, Texas

CLASS 19: RESERVE INTERMEDIATE CHAMPION

TG Dude's Callie 691, shown by Harrison Kimble,
Kingsbury, Texas

CLASS 20: MARCH 1, 2016 TO APRIL 30, 2016

1. Wendt 1005, shown by Kenley Kincannon,
West Columbia, Texas
2. HH Lolly, shown by Landon Stem,
Anderson, Texas
3. Harris 066D2, shown by Gracey Pitchford,
Athens, Texas
4. NTR Daisy 422-6, shown by Sadie Cates,
Enchanted Oaks, Texas
5. CP T858 W212 (ET), shown by Cal Huff,
Corpus Christi, Texas

CLASS 21: JAN. 1, 2016 TO FEB. 28, 2016

1. SR 9/6, shown by Avery Strait, Prosper, Texas
2. MCC Abby 1604, shown by Baylor Kimbro,
Timpson, Texas
3. Wendt 1110, shown by Kenley Kincannon,
West Columbia, Texas
4. Miss WF 6708, shown by Calvin Wunderlich,
Brenham, Texas
5. CB 604, shown by Hayden Zimmerman,
Roxie, Miss.

CLASS 22: OCT. 1, 2015 TO DEC. 31, 2015

1. C-P Miss Roberto 748C21, shown by Laura
Zibilski, Burton, Texas
2. HF Lori 514, shown by Nicholas Pitman, Hooks,
Texas
3. PC Andie's 124-5, shown by Mackenzie Hicks,
Okmulgee, Okla.
4. Cleopatra 5-610, shown by Kamryn Phillips,
Normangee, Texas
5. Urbanosky's Penny, shown by Karli Shupak,
Somerville, Texas



CLASS 23: JULY 1, 2015 TO SEPT. 1, 2015

1. ET Tootsie Roll 57, shown by Taylor Terry,
Denton, Texas
2. Miss Maggie, shown by Karlie Buggs, Sarcoxie, Mo.
3. TexHess Miss Dolly, shown by Jordan Hess,
Stephenville, Texas
4. Anna Bella, shown by Cal Huff, Corpus Christi,
Texas
5. RPV Marie Laveau, shown by Heather Stenson,
Houston, Texas

CLASS 24: CHAMPION SENIOR FEMALE

C-P Miss Roberto 748C21, shown by
Laura Zibilski, Burton, Texas

CLASS 25: RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR FEMALE

Wendt 1005, shown by Kenley Kincannon,
West Columbia, Texas

CLASS 26: GRAND CHAMPION FEMALE

C-P Miss Roberto 748C21, shown by Laura
Zibilski, Burton, Texas

CLASS 27: RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION PUREBRED

MCC Flo 1709, shown by Baylor Kimbro,
Timpson, Texas

PUREBRED BULL SHOW

CLASS 28: 6 MONTHS AND UNDER, BORN ON OR AFTER JAN. 1, 2018

1. Mr. TOCR Rockstar 804, shown by
Laura Zibilski, Burton, Texas
2. Myers Legacy 18/62, shown by Jessie Coker,
Magnolia, Texas
3. Deuces, shown by Hadley Brooks, Krum, Texas
4. SR AY Thunder 1801, shown by Avery Strait,
Prosper, Texas
5. NF Pinocchio, shown by Berkley Noles, Aubrey,
Texas

CLASS 29: NOV. 1, 2017 TO DEC. 31, 2017

1. Rockin K Kodiak, shown by Kaylee Leonard,
Plantersville, Texas
2. 777 Highroller 285E BE, shown by
Patrick Daniel, Magnolia, Ark.
3. HS Thor, shown by Heather Stenson, Houston,
Texas
4. Silas, shown by Kyle Oliver, Conroe, Texas
5. DMC 704, shown by Tommy Dunaway,
Randolph, Miss.

CLASS 30: SEPT. 1, 2017 TO OCT. 31, 2017

1. Bently 92/7, shown by Mackenzie Hicks,
Okmulgee, Okla.
2. CB 439 Branch, shown by McRae Clay,
Meadville, Miss.
3. LR Chunky Beef Stew, shown by
Steve Sanders, Guthrie, Okla.
4. MCC King George 1730, shown by Ally Kimbro,
Timpson, Texas
5. Urbanosky Trendsetter, shown by
Landon Stem, Anderson, Texas

CLASS 31: JULY 1, 2017 TO AUG. 31, 2017

1. Danrick's Gideon, shown by Matthew Payne,
Dayton, Texas
2. PC Mr Playmaker 71E, shown by Casey
Pitchford, Athens, Texas
3. ET Slurpee 711, shown by Taylor Terry,
Denton, Texas
4. Trash Talk T75, shown by Landon Stem,
Anderson, Texas
5. SF Simon, shown by Caleb French, Noxapater,
Miss.

CLASS 32: MAY 1, 2017 TO JUNE 30, 2017

1. Rockin 3T's Something To Talk About, shown
by Casey Pitchford, Athens, Texas
2. Rocking KV "Bert" 1704, shown by Kaylee
Enloe, New Caney, Texas
3. Top Shelf Patron, shown by Taylor Hampton,
California, Mo.
4. Thunderstruck T7-43, shown by Demi
Harrington, Plantersville, Texas
5. Benelli, shown by Karli Buggs, Sarcoxie, Mo.

CLASS 33: MARCH 1, 2017 TO APRIL 30, 2017

1. Rockin 3T's No Words Needed, shown by
Gracey Pitchford, Athens, Texas
2. Quail Valley Farms 704, shown by
Lee Easterline, Morton, Miss.
3. SF Mojito, shown by Taylor Hampton,
California, Mo.
4. PC A Wuane 319/7, shown by Casey Pitchford,
Athens, Texas
5. WR Mr Daddy Dan 27/17, shown by Casey
Pitchford, Athens, Texas

CLASS 34: GRAND CHAMPION BULL

Rockin 3T's Something To Talk About 9/7,
shown by Casey Pitchford, Athens, Texas

CLASS 35: RESERVE GRAND CHAMPION BULL

Mr. TOCR Rockstar 804, shown by
Laura Zibilski, Burton, Texas

BRED & OWNED FEMALE SHOW

CLASS 38: JUNE 1, 2017 AND LATER

1. Top Shelf Rum Chata, shown by
Payten Hampton, California, Mo.
2. Miss Big Starr, shown by Karli Buggs,
Sarcoxie, Mo.
3. CWR Layla, shown by Hollyann Roach,
Keller, Texas
4. Miss CF Mabry, shown by Madison Moran,
Brenham, Texas
5. HS Celine, shown by Heather Stenson,
Houston, Texas

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2018 Premier Juniors

Doin' What They Say Can't Be Done!



Mallory Anderson
Natalie Bennett
Hadley Brooks
Kennedy Brooks
Abbie Cates
Cooper Cates
Sadie Cates
Shane Clewis
Cale Correlus

Haden Davis
Baylee Edwards
Kyleigh Edwards
Emma Finely
Blaine Flemens
Micah Flemens
Whitney Fuller
Calli Gordon

Premier Junior Members

Kenyon Hedrick
Coby Hagan
Mayson Harbison
Josh Hass
Jordan Hess
Ryan Hess
Nathan Jackson

Chase Jones
Will Jones
Ally Kimbro
Baylor Kimbro
Brecken Kimbro
Dawson Kline
Cacie Lennon

Clayton Lennon
Carter Lennon
Dawson Lowe
Luke Melton
Sawyer Miller
Levi Nelson
Luke Nelson

Berkley Noles
Sawyer Noles
Casey Pitchford
Gracey Pitchford
Kymber Pitman
Haley Pollard
Justin Rasco
Megan Reiter

Newt Richmond
Grace Short
Whitney Stults
Emily Sweet
Ty Taliaferro
Taylor Terry
Madisen Trojacek
Conner Winkles
Nate Wyatt

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1st Place Scrapbook
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Hadley Brooks,
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CONTEST RESULTS

PHOTOGRAPHY

JUNIOR

1. Hadleigh Novosad, Caldwell, Texas
2. Kenley Kincannon, West Columbia, Texas
3. Addyson Phillips, Normangee, Texas
4. Berkley Noles, Denton, Texas
5. Myka Mikolajchak, Alvin, Texas

INTERMEDIATE

1. Quincy Nelson, Sarcoxie, Mo.
2. Kalli Kimble, Kingsbury, Texas
3. Kamryn Phillips, Normangee, Texas
4. Cali Green, Holden, La.
5. Reagan Fox, Bishop, Texas

SENIOR

1. Shelby Ferguson, Spring, Texas
2. Cole Forbes, Holden, La.
3. McRae Clay, Meadville, Miss.
4. Jenna Hein, Sealy, Texas
5. Payten Hampton, California, Mo.

VIDEO

JUNIOR

1. Jewelie Green, Holden, La.

INTERMEDIATE

1. Ryan Hess, Stephenville, Texas
2. Cali Green, Holden, La.

SENIOR

1. Laura Zibilski, Burton, Texas

POWER POINT

JUNIOR

1. Macie Villanueva, Alvin, Texas
2. Hagan Sebesta, Snook, Texas
3. Hadleigh Novosad, Caldwell, Texas
4. Re'Ana Villanueva, Alvin, Texas
5. Tayler Guidry, Gueydan, La.

INTERMEDIATE

1. JD Chism, Pontotoc, Miss.
2. Kiley Kizziah, Richmond, Texas
3. Sierra Sebesta, Snook, Texas

SENIOR

1. Shelby Ferguson, Spring, Texas
2. Laura Zibilski, Burton, Texas
3. Gracie Garza, Liverpool, Texas



LIVESTOCK JUDGING

JUNIOR

1. Madisyn Douglas, Bonham, Texas
2. Madison Moran, Brenham, Texas
3. Lucas McDowell, Zachary, La.
4. Cole Knotts, Laurel, Miss.
5. Kenley Kincannon, West Columbia, Texas

INTERMEDIATE

1. Kalli Kimble, Kingsbury, Texas
2. Gracey Pitchford, Athens, Texas
3. Landon Stem, Anderson, Texas
4. Quincy Nelson, Sarcoxie, Mo.
5. Tyler Barlow, Terry, Miss.

SENIOR

1. Cal Huff, Corpus Christi, Texas
2. Blaine Gibson, Paradise, Texas
3. Casey Pitchford, Athens, Texas
4. Will McDaniel, Alpharetta, Ga.
5. Cade Burks, Poth, Texas

CATTLEMEN'S CONTEST

JUNIOR

1. Tayler Guidry, Gueydan, La.
2. Madison Moran, Brenham, Texas
3. Ryan Hachtel, Mt. Enterprise, Texas
4. Hayden Zimmerman, Roxie, Miss.
5. Tommy Dunaway, Randolph, Miss.

INTERMEDIATE

1. Sage Fisher, Carrizo Springs, Texas
2. Kalli Kimble, Kingsbury, Texas
3. Kurt Bordovsky, Riviera, Texas
4. Amy Brewer, Tivoli, Texas
5. Matthew Payne, Dayton, Texas

SENIOR

1. Stephanie Bullard, Carrizo Springs, Texas
2. Cal Huff, Corpus Christi, Texas
3. Taylor Hampton, California, Mo.
4. Casey Pitchford, Athens, Texas
5. Cade Burks, Poth, Texas

SALES TALK

JUNIOR

1. Grayson Foster, Laurel, Miss.
2. Madison Moran, Brenham, Texas
3. Kayden Leonard, Plantersville, Texas
4. Macie Villanueva, Alvin, Texas
5. Steve Sanders, Guthrie, Okla.

INTERMEDIATE

1. Meagan Reiter, Hooks, Texas
2. Joshua Cramer, Huntsville, Texas
3. Gracey Pitchford, Athens, Texas
4. Caiden McDowell, Zachary, La.
5. Carley Morgan, Portia, Ark.

SENIOR

1. Jenna Hein, Sealy, Texas
2. Carley Harpold, Hooks, Texas
3. Harrison Kimble, Kingsbury, Texas
4. McRae Clay, Meadville, Miss.
5. Laura Zibilski, Burton, Texas

PUBLIC SPEAKING

JUNIOR

1. Madison Moran, Brenham, Texas
2. Avery Elizabeth Strait, Prosper, Texas
3. Luca McDowell, Zachary, La.
4. Myka Mikolajchak, Alvin, Texas
5. Kenly Kincannon, West Columbia, Texas

INTERMEDIATE

1. Kalli Kimble, Kingsbury, Texas
2. Ryan Hess, Stephenville, Texas
3. Caiden McDowell, Zachary, La.
4. Chad Coker, Magnolia, Texas
5. Meagan Reiter, Hooks, Texas

SENIOR

1. Jenna Hein, Sealy, Texas
2. McRae Clay, Meadville, Miss.
3. Will McDaniel, Alpharetta, Ga.
4. Caydi Blaha, El Campo, Texas
5. Laura Zibilski, Burton, Texas



SHOWMANSHIP

JUNIOR

1. Cale Cornelius, Spring, Texas
2. Macie Villanueva, Alvin, Texas
3. Ellistin Morey, Golden City, Mo.
4. Adelyn Bronikowski, Waller, Texas
5. Madisyn Douglas, Bonham, Texas

INTERMEDIATE

1. Kalli Kimble, Kingsbury, Texas
2. Tate Villanueva, Alvin, Texas
3. Carley Morgan, Portia, Ark.
4. Gracey Pitchford, Athens, Texas
5. Cooper Cates, Enchanted Oaks, Texas

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4. Casey Pitchford, Athens, Texas
5. Jenna Hein, Sealy, Texas

HERDSMAN CONTEST

1. Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association
2. Louisiana Santa Gertrudis Association
3. Mississippi Santa Gertrudis Association

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2. Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association

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1. Premier Santa Gertrudis Association
2. Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association

SENIOR

1. Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association
2. Premier Santa Gertrudis Association

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1. Premier Santa Gertrudis Association
2. Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association
3. Mississippi Santa Gertrudis Association



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Kalli Kimble, Kingsbury, Texas

SENIOR

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JUNIOR EXHIBITOR OF THE SHOW

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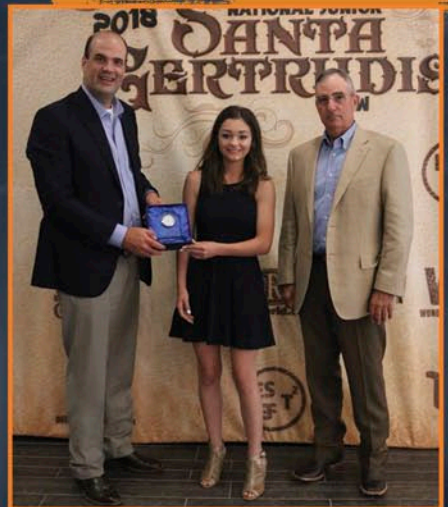
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CLASS 39: MARCH 1, 2017 TO MAY 31, 2017

1. ET Chicken Nugget, shown by Taylor Terry, Denton, Texas
2. ET Twinkie, shown by Taylor Terry, Denton, Texas
3. KK Sabe's Un Valiente (ET), shown by Kalli Kimble, Kingsbury, Texas
4. LN Rapunzel, shown by Levi Nelson, Krum, Texas
5. Miss 777 High Roller 205 E1, shown by Patrick Daniel, Magnolia, Ark.

CLASS 40: JAN. 1, 2017 TO FEB. 28, 2017

1. Miss CF Cora, shown by Parker Mason, Chappell Hill, Texas
2. ET Moana 49, shown by Taylor Terry, Denton, Texas
3. HT/JT's Miss Daisy, shown by Jordyn Trant, Iola, Texas
4. NF Priscilla, shown by Berkley Noles, Aubrey, Texas
5. KK Sabe's Valentina (ET), shown by Kalli Kimble, Kingsbury, Texas

CLASS 41: SEPT. 1, 2016 TO DEC. 31, 2016

1. WM 116 "Noel," shown by Madeline Hachtel, Mount Enterprise, Texas
2. KK Sweet Caroline, shown by Kalli Kimble, Kingsbury, Texas
3. Miss 777 Vegas Showgirl 901D4, shown by Patrick Daniel, Magnolia, Ark.
4. TexHess Ms Luzianne, shown by Ryan Hess, Stephenville, Texas
5. Miss Bling, shown by Quincy Nelson, Sarcocie, Mo.

CLASS 42: MAY 1, 2016 TO AUG. 31, 2016

1. Miss Starling, shown by Quincy Nelson, Sarcocie, Mo.
2. ET Dum Dum, shown by Taylor Terry, Denton, Texas
3. Aggie's Mercury, shown by William Jones, Chico, Texas
4. Miss Rally Never Before, shown by Wyatt Nelson, Sarcocie, Mo.
5. HK Hallie's Comet, shown by Harrison Kimble, Kingsbury, Texas

CLASS 43: JAN. 1, 2016 TO APRIL 30, 2016

1. Miss WF 6708, shown by Calvin Wunderlich, Brenham, Texas
2. SF Liv, shown by JD Chism, Pontotoc, Miss.
3. KK Holly 26, shown by Kalli Kimble, Kingsbury, Texas
4. CWR Foxy Reanna, shown by Hollyann Roach, Keller, Texas

CLASS 44: JULY 1, 2015 TO DEC. 31, 2015

1. TexHess Miss Dolly, shown by Jordan Hess, Stephenville, Texas
2. MCC Romy, shown by Ally Kimbro, Timpson, Texas
3. ET Tootsie Roll 57, shown by Taylor Terry, Denton, Texas

CHAMPION BRED AND OWNED

TexHess Miss Dolly, shown by Jordan Hess, Stephenville, Texas

RESERVE CHAMPION BRED AND OWNED

Top Shelf Rum Chata, shown by Payten Hampton, California, Mo.

STAR 5 FEMALE SHOW

CLASS 45: STAR 5: JUNE 1, 2017 AND LATER

1. Texas Rose, shown by Jenna Hein, Sealy, Texas
2. Patricia Ann, shown by Kyle Oliver, Conroe, Texas
3. Miss Playmaker 2401E, shown by Cooper Cates, Enchanted Oaks, Texas
4. Miss TOCR 44F, shown by Laura Zibilski, Burton, Texas
5. Neel Mediah 11/17, shown by Harlea Smith, Hempstead, Texas



CLASS 46: STAR 5: MARCH 1, 2017 TO MAY 31, 2017

1. Miss Double 2152, shown by Jessie Coker, Magnolia, Texas
2. Circle A 57, shown by Madison Moran, Brenham, Texas
3. HCB Titan's Pride 957, shown by Taylor Terry, Denton, Texas
4. Danrick's Peanut, shown by Sean Penry, Silsbee, Texas
5. MCC Jaylon 1713, shown by Baylor Kimbro, Timpson, Texas

CLASS 47: STAR 5: JAN. 1, 2017 TO FEB. 28, 2017

1. RMR Dory, shown by Caiden McDowell, Zachary, La.
2. Re'ana's Feebee, shown by Tate Villanueva, Alvin, Texas
3. FC Skylar 23/7, shown by Cole Cossey, Searcy, Ark.
4. Ridge Point Blitz, shown by Anna Tyson, Meadville, Miss.
5. ET Twix 708, shown by Taylor Terry, Denton, Texas

CLASS 48: STAR 5: SEPT. 1, 2016 TO DEC. 31, 2016

1. Miss Circle H 613, shown by Tayler Guidry, Gueydan, La.
2. MCC Patty 1627, shown by Ally Kimbro, Timpson, Texas
3. Cracker, shown by Tyler Barlow, Terry, Miss.
4. RBC Miss BB 631, shown by Harrison Cade Burks, Poth, Texas
5. SJ Miss 631, shown by Kelsey Bordovsky, Riviera, Texas

CLASS 49: STAR 5: MAY 1, 2016 TO AUG. 31, 2016

1. Heaths Miss J.L., shown by Hollyann Roach, Keller, Texas
2. SJ Miss 609, shown by Kelsey Bordovsky, Riviera, Texas
3. JF Josey6 716, shown by Baylee Edwards, New Boston, Texas
4. Miss Circle H 620, shown by Tayler Guidry, Gueydan, La.

CLASS 50: STAR 5: JAN. 1, 2016 TO APRIL 30, 2016

1. Smuckers 310/6, shown by Jenna Fullington
2. Miss WF 6401, shown by Calvin Wunderlich, Brenham, Texas
3. Harris 210/6, shown by Trisha Pittman, Corpus Christi, Texas
4. Miss RAR 03/6, shown by Heather Stenson, Houston, Texas
5. Harris Farms 216/6, shown by Hadley Brooks, Krum, Texas

CLASS 51: STAR 5: JULY 1, 2015 TO DEC. 31, 2015

Harris Farms 256/5, shown by Hadley Brooks, Krum, Texas

CLASS 52: CHAMPION STAR 5

Smuckers 310/6, shown by Jenna Fullington, Terry, Miss.

CLASS 53: RESERVE CHAMPION STAR 5

Miss WF 6401, shown by Calvin Wunderlich, Brenham, Texas

SPECIAL CLASSES

CHAMPION BEST OF POLLED

SR 9/6, shown by Avery Strait, Prosper, Texas

RESERVE CHAMPION BEST OF POLLED

TexHess Miss Dolly, shown by Jordan Hess, Stephenville, Texas

CHAMPION DONATED HEIFER

PC Miss Peaches 317/7, shown by Kalli Kimble, Kingsbury, Texas

RESERVE CHAMPION DONATED HEIFER

SR 4/7, shown by Kamryn Phillips, Normangee, Texas

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**TOP CARCASS AND HIGH IMF
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Rocking KV "Bert" 1704, owned by Kaylee Enloe,
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PUREBRED BULL HIGH IMF

SF Mojito, owned by Taylor Hampton,
California, Mo.

Yancey Strait, far left, and Alicia Sanchez,
far right, alongside the winners of the
2018 Better Beef Contest, from left to
right, Sean Penry, Taylor Hampton, Demi
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Where Are They Now?

By Hannah Wine, Freelance Writer

Catching up with Former National Junior Santa Gertrudis Association Members

Bunny Brooks

In the summer of 1985, Bunny Brooks hopped in the truck with her family to head to her first National Junior Santa Gertrudis Show in Lake Charles, La. Brooks and her brother, Mike, grew up on their family farm in Sommersville, Ala., where their parents, Lloyd and Margie Brooks, along with their uncle, Lynn Brooks, raised Santa Gertrudis cattle.

"My oldest cousin, Jessica Brooks Burton, started showing. That got us all started," Bunny Brooks recalls. "When I was 8, I was ready to roll! I only missed one or two national shows in my 10 years as a junior member. I remember those days of winning donated heifers, traveling to the shows and serving on the board and as the president back in 1995 so fondly. I always loved the camaradery of being at the national shows. It was my favorite time of year."

In an effort to give back to the association that taught her many valuable lessons, Brooks decided to serve on the NJSGA Board of Directors. She first served the remainder of her cousin, Jason Brooks', term before being elected to serve for her district. "Jessica Brooks Burton and Jason Brooks, my two cousins who now live in Crum, Texas, and I all served as president of the National Santa Gertrudis Association (NSGA). It was all about family for us."

Brooks saw many successes during her time as a junior member, including winning the John Woods Memorial Scholarship in 1995 and 1996; receiving the Eldon Flowers Award in 1996; placing first at the national show in Orlando, Fla., in 1989, winning a heifer from LB Ranch in Texas; winning another class at the 1991 show coordinated by her family in Montgomery, Ala., and taking home a heifer from Grey Rocks Ranch in Selma, Ala. But Brooks' successes weren't what made her junior experience for her.

"The relationships you build in the association are incredible," she says. "I met Heidi Wells from Illinois early on in my show career, and we were pen pals for years, up until several years after we went off to college. Eventually we lost touch, but a few years ago she sent a Christmas card to my parents' house, and we reconnected and stay in touch. The friendships that were made through showing were incredible."

After her NJSGA career wrapped up in 1995, Brooks went to Auburn University, where she earned bachelor's and master's degrees in agriculture business and economics.

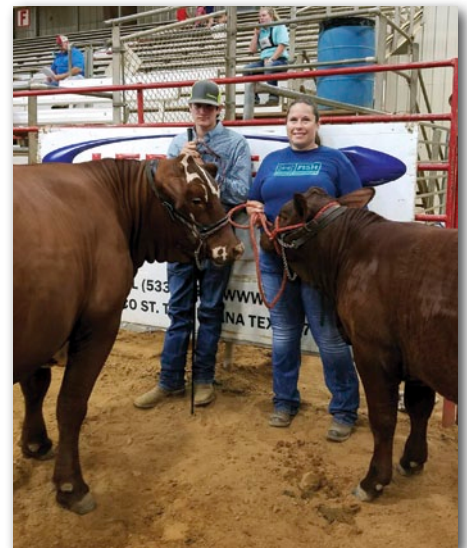
After graduation she worked for the National Agriculture Statistics Service in Richmond, Va. "I was the cattle statistician and handled all kinds of agricultural statistics for four years and then transferred to Columbia, S.C., to do the same there for three years," she explains.

Ten years ago, Brooks moved to Huntsville, Ala., just 25 minutes from where she grew up, to be closer to her family as her dad battled cancer. "I took a job at Red Stone Arsenal as a program analyst. I handle a lot of the analytics for Army recruiting in the southeastern region," she says. Her brother, Mike, also a former NJSGA member, works at the Arsenal too, as an engineer.

Bunny showing her favorite cow with her brother, Mike, at her side at the 1991 NJSGS in Montgomery, Ala.

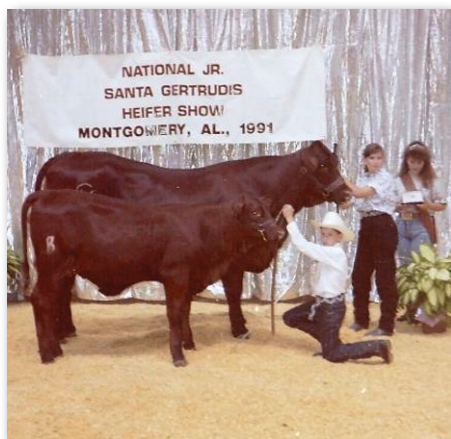


Bunny, center, with her cousins, Hadley and Kennedy, at the 2018 NJSGS in Texarkana, Ark.



Bunny, right, ringside at the 2018 NJSGS in Texarkana, Ark. with her cousin Brooks Burton.

Brooks, who now lives in town and is a diehard softball player, doesn't make daily trips to the barn to feed as she once did. "Back in January of 2014, our family sold off the cow herd as my dad was in his ending phases of cancer," she explains. "Growing up with cattle, I really enjoyed the shows, but I enjoyed the prep work at home more, working with the cattle on the farm. Going into the show ring wasn't my favorite part, it was the people and the work before."



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WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

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Working with cattle taught Brooks the value of hard work. "It taught me dedication and responsibility, which has carried through the rest of my life and certainly into work. The lessons you learn, the character that's built and the pride in what you're doing are building blocks for the rest of your life for the working world."

By no means has the Brooks family lost connection with the NJSGA. "My cousins and I all grew up showing, and now Jessica and Jason's kids are showing. Our family members are still headed off to the NJSGS each summer and still heavily involved with the Premier Santa Gertrudis Association. My cousin Hadley Brooks has been serving as the NJSGA queen," she shares.

Brooks is pleased to see her family still involved with the NJSGA. "It was a wonderful bonding experience for my family. I don't think we would have been as close as we were if we hadn't traveled and worked together. The last thing you want to do as a preteen or teenager is hang out with your parents, but we knew that this would be our family vacation, and we worked together, and we really formed a bond as family. They weren't always the most positive road trips, but looking back, I wouldn't trade it for the world."

Christy Fuchs Moran

The Fuchs sisters, Christy and Courtney, were a force to be reckoned with in their junior show career, once two-holing the San Antonio Livestock Show with Champion and Reserve Heifers. Christy Fuchs Moran is the older of the two.

Fuchs Moran and her family moved to Brenham, Texas, in 1981. Brenham had been home for her parents, Curtis and Kathy. Curtis was the ag teacher in Washington County. "A lot of my dad's students at that time were showing Santa Gertrudis cattle, and naturally we got to start right away going to junior nationals with the Gert breed. Nashville, Tenn., was our first time to go along with the students when we were little girls, before we could start showing," she says. "It was a natural fit, when it came time for us to show, that we would stick with Gerts."

In 1984, she participated in her first NJSGS in San Marcus, Texas, and she showed until 1992 when she graduated high school.

Fuchs Moran saw countless successes during her NJSGA, 4-H and FFA careers, most notably her 4-H scholarship through the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo that sent her on to Texas A&M University.

"Growing up, I was really involved in the 4-H Food and Nutrition Programs, so I went to A&M to study nutritional sciences," she says. "It wasn't the typical agriculture degree, but I knew I wanted to use my ag background and my degree was in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, so I was still around all the ag kids, although my work was a little different."

Today, Fuchs Moran is a registered dietician and works at Bluebell Creameries in Brenham, Texas, as the research and development manager handling product development, nutritional labeling and sensory evaluation. The livestock industry is what landed Fuchs Moran her job.

"Being from Brenham, I was followed by a recruiter from Bluebell through my 4-H career, and he knew of my agriculture background. My leadership skills from youth livestock programs like NJSGA built me for life, and my career now is really thanks to those programs. It's what recruiters were looking for," she says. "I had the opportunity while at work with Kraft in Wisconsin during an internship, and I really liked the industry aspect. So, I decided to come back to Brenham, and I have been with Bluebell for 20 years."

Today, cattle involvement is more of a hobby for Fuchs Moran. She and her husband, David, and their children, Madison, 12, and Dawson, 9, are part of CF Cattle Company along with her parents and her sister's family.



Christy is a registered dietician and has worked for Bluebell Creameries in Brenham, Texas, for 20 years.



Christy and her family are excited to host the 2019 National Junior Santa Gertrudis Show in Bryan, Texas.

"My kids and my sister's kids are all showing CF cattle. It's a family affair, and it's incredible. My kids will tell you that this is where they want to be," Fuchs Moran says.

She enjoys watching the next generation benefit from the NJSGA. "I know how much this program did for me, and it's great to see it continue with my kids. My daughter, Madison, went from not knowing anything and not knowing anybody at the nationals into a leader, and, in her four years, has become NJSGA princess and won the high point junior award two years ago," Fuchs Moran says. "Her speech at this summer show was about legacy, that 'It's from the outside looking in, you don't understand it, and from the inside looking out, you can't explain it.'"

"Madison already gets that. She sees what the big kids are getting out of it and wants to be a leader. Seeing my kids in the junior program, I don't know that they will understand what all the benefits are until they're older. But I hope all of these kids will reap as much as they can from every experience, taking every opportunity put in front of them."

Being back at the NJSGA events as a parent has given Fuchs Moran a lot of perspective on the importance of the NJSGA. "It's amazing being here as a parent because you see other parents who are so incredibly proud of their kids for going in that arena, because they never did that as kids. And they still can't talk to people in front of crowds, but their kids can. In the long run, this program will help them to be leaders in our society, career places and the world," she says. "We're doing

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Mississippi Juniors Shine Bright Again!

McRae Clay

Top 15: Photography
Top 5: Sales Talk
Top 5: Public Speaking
Top 10: Livestock Judging

Leighton McCulley

At-Large Director
Top 10: Showmanship
Top 10: Sales Talk

Tyler Barlow

Top 5: Livestock Judging
Top 10: Sales Talk

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1st Place: Power Point

Tommy Dunaway

Top 5: Cattlemen's Contest
Top 10: Power Point
Top 10: Public Speaking

Lucas McDowell

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Top 5: Livestock Judging
Top 10: Photography

Nicole Long

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Cole Knotts

Top 5: Livestock Judging

Cali Allison

Mississippi Princess

Jenna Fullington

Two-Time National Champion Star 5
Top 10: Livestock Judging

Hayden Zimmerman

Top 5: Cattlemen's Contest
Top 10: Livestock Judging
Top 10: Sales Talk

Caleb French

Top 10: Cattlemen's Contest

Mississippi took 3rd place in the Herdsman
Contest and Scrapbook.

We're proud of all our Juniors!

Gray Foster

1st Place: Sales Talk
Top 10: Photography
Top 10: Cattlemen's Contest
Top 10: Power Point

Caiden McDowell

Star 5 Class Winner
Top 5: Sales Talk
Top 10: Cattlemen's Contest
Top 5: Public Speaking

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Cole Knotts

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Taylor has been a member of Santa Gertrudis Breeders International since 2000, and she has shown in 12 National Junior Santa Gertrudis Shows. She represented the breed as the NJSGA princess, NJSGA queen and NJSGA vice president. Taylor plans to attend Texas A&M University where she will study agricultural business and law.

four National Junior Santa Gertrudis Shows and has served as queen and junior president of the Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association. She also served on the NJSGA Board of Directors as an at-large director. She plans to attend Sam Houston State University where she will study agricultural education.

plans to attend Blinn College to study elementary education.

KALIEGH CALLAWAY, BATSON, TEXAS



\$1,000

Joe and Carolyn Garrett Scholarship

Kaliegh has been a part of SGBI since 2013. She has shown cattle in numerous shows at her local affiliate and promoted

the Santa Gertrudis breed through her involvement in FFA and 4-H. She will attend Sam Houston State University, where she will study pre-veterinary medicine.

CAMILA CANTU, MCALLEN, TEXAS



\$2,500

Jim Corporron Scholarship

Camila has been around Santa Gertrudis cattle since she was 4 years old. She joined the South Texas Santa Gertrudis Affiliate where she showed in

her first show when she was 8 years old. She has served two terms on the National Junior Santa Gertrudis Board of Directors as a director and has participated in nine National Junior Santa Gertrudis Shows. She plans to attend Texas A&M University-Kingsville where she will study animal science.

CLAUDIA DAVIS, DECATUR, TEXAS



\$1,000

Bubba & Karen Deagan Scholarship

Claudia has participated in three National Junior Santa Gertrudis Shows and has been a part of the association since 2015. She is

a part of the Premier Santa Gertrudis Association and has participated in the herdsman contest every year she has attended the NJSGS. She plans to attend Tarleton State University where she will study nursing.

JENNA FULLINGTON, TERRY, MISS.



\$1,000

Warren Harris Scholarship

Jenna joined SGBI in 2000. Since then she has competed in three National Junior Santa Gertrudis Shows. She has won multiple titles, including high point

female and high point bull. She will attend Hinds Community College where she will study beef science. 🐄

PAYTEN HAMPTON, CALIFORNIA, MO.



\$4,000

Charlie Wilson Scholarship

Payten has been a member of Santa Gertrudis Breeders International since 2008 and has competed in eight National Junior Santa Gertrudis Shows.

Payten is a member of the Mid America Santa Gertrudis Association and Arkoma Santa Gertrudis Association, and she has also won many titles such as high point bull, high point female, STAR 5 and showmanship. Payten will attend Ozark Tech College to study dental hygiene.

WYATT NELSON, SARCOXIE, MO.



\$2,500

John Carleston Scholarship

Wyatt has participated in 11 National Junior Santa Gertrudis Shows, and has been a member of the association since 2008. His

grandparents provided him with his first show heifers when he was 8 years old, and he hasn't looked back since. Wyatt has interacted with many SGBI members who have taught him countless life lessons. Wyatt will attend Crowder College where he will study graphic design.

JORDAN HESS, STEPHENVILLE, TEXAS



\$4,000

Vernon Layne Scholarship

Jordan has participated in 10 National Junior Santa Gertrudis Shows and has been a member of the association since 2008. He has participated in many

NJSGA programs like GOALS and has also served on the National Junior Santa Gertrudis Board as treasurer. Jordan plans to attend Tarleton State University in the fall where he will study agricultural science.

KATIE BUEGELER, WASHINGTON, TEXAS



\$1,000

John Wilson Scholarship

Katie has been working with Santa Gertrudis cattle since she was little. She joined the association as a part of the South Texas Santa Gertrudis

Affiliate 10 years ago. She has run for the NJSGA princess and NJSGA queen and has participated in six National Junior Santa Gertrudis Shows. Katie

HEATHER STENSON, HOUSTON, TEXAS



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George & Ann Butler Scholarship

Heather has been a part of Santa Gertrudis Breeders International since 2013. Since then she has competed in

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NJSGA ELECTS NEW BOARD

The National Junior Santa Gertrudis Association (NJSGA) elected a new Board of Directors for the coming year.

Elected as president is Taylor Terry, Denton, Texas. Taylor has shown 12 times at the National Junior Santa Gertrudis Show. She has served as the NJSGA princess, NJSGA queen, NJSGA vice president and now, president of the NJSGA Board of Directors. She recently graduated high school and will attend Texas A&M University-Kingsville where she will study agricultural business and law. Other NJSGA officers include Harrison Kimble, vice president; Shelby Ferguson, secretary; Ryan Hess, treasurer; and regional directors Caydi Blaha, Heather Stenson, Landon Stem, Taylor Janssen, Hadley Brooks, Kalli Kimble, Erin Kaye Daniel, JD Chism, Kelsie Edenfield and Leighton McCulley. 🐄



Back row, from left, Taylor Janssen, Erin Kay Daniel, Heather Stenson, Caydi Blaha, Hadley Brooks, Kalli Kimble, J.D. Chism, Leighton McCulley, Kelsie Edenfield and Landon Stem. Front row, from left, Ryan Hess, Taylor Terry, Harrison Kimble and Shelby Ferguson.

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A Hands-on Approach to the College Experience

By Hannah Wine, Freelance Writer

For farm and ranch kids, leaving home, family and the cows to head off for a higher education can be a challenge. Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture and Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College have unique opportunities and programs well-suited for college-bound cattlemen and women who are looking to continue their hands-on farm and ranch learning.

Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture

Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture's (NCTA) location in southwest Nebraska's town of Curtis, home to about 800 people, allows students to have access to land and livestock, creating a unique, hands-on opportunity for coursework.

"Our college is a rancher's town," says NCTA Dean Ron Rosati, Ph.D. "We celebrate the rural lifestyle of the Great Plains and upper Midwest. It's a mixture of farming and ranching. The campus is populated with pickup trucks with stock dogs in the back; kids ride horses on campus; [there are] tons of boots and belt buckles. Campus really has a farm and ranch atmosphere."

With just fewer than 300 students, NCTA enrolls a high percentage of first-time college students on campus. The college offers agriculture and veterinary technology degrees, drawing students who are passionate about agriculture.

"Everyone is really into the rural lifestyle and farming and ranching," Rosati explains. "About one-third of our students come off the farm, and a significant number of our students had someone in the family who farmed, maybe an uncle or something of that sort, where they don't have a full-time production agriculture position to go home to, but they aspire to that. A high percentage of our students want to be farmers or ranchers."

NCTA offers three majors: agribusiness management, agricultural production systems and veterinary technology. In addition, there are many specialty programs, such as agricultural welder, agricultural chemical applicator, center pivot irrigation technician, equine industry manager, dairy manager, poul-

try manager, lab animal technician and general agriculture online certificate.

State lines aren't of importance when it comes to tuition at NCTA since in-state and out-of-state tuition are the same cost – \$127.50 per credit hour.

"For most of our students who come from out of state, it's cheaper for them to come here than it is to go to school in their home state," Rosati says.

While the classroom work is technical and hands-on, NCTA has countless options outside of the classroom. Extracurricular activities include livestock judging, a competitive stock dog club, shooting sports team, rodeo team, ranch horse team, ag business club, veterinary technology society and collegiate FFA.

"We call them academic enrichment activities," Rosati explains. "For example, our crops judging team, which competes nationally in many different contests, has been ranked first in the country for the last three years. The competitions that they go to are based on the same skills that one needs to be a certified crop advisor. Our students are on the road all the time, but that's an intentional part in keeping students motivated and engaged in learning."



NCTA is exclusively an agriculture and veterinary technician school. One-third of the students at NCTA come from farms and ranches.

Success after graduation from NCTA has proven to be fruitful for graduates. Using 10 years of U.S. government data and tax records, NCTA is ranked No. 7 of all U.S. two-year colleges for the percent of graduates employed, and number 11 for graduate salary. Tax records reveal the average NCTA graduate earns \$49,800 at 10 years post-graduation. Only 10 U.S. colleges graduate students who make more money than students who come from this small agriculture school in southwest Nebraska.

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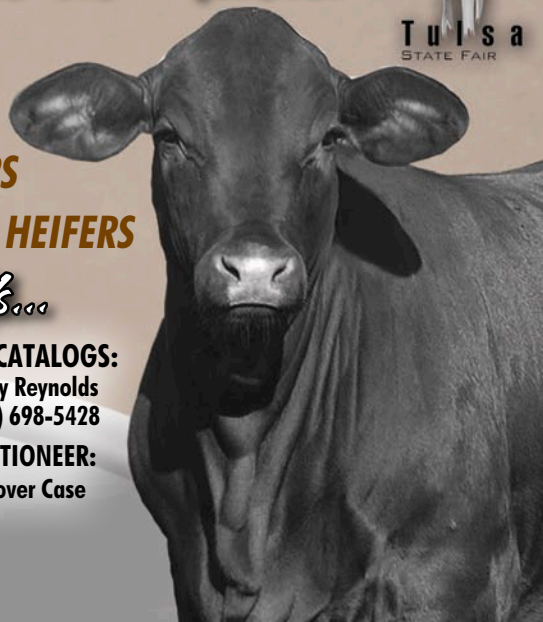
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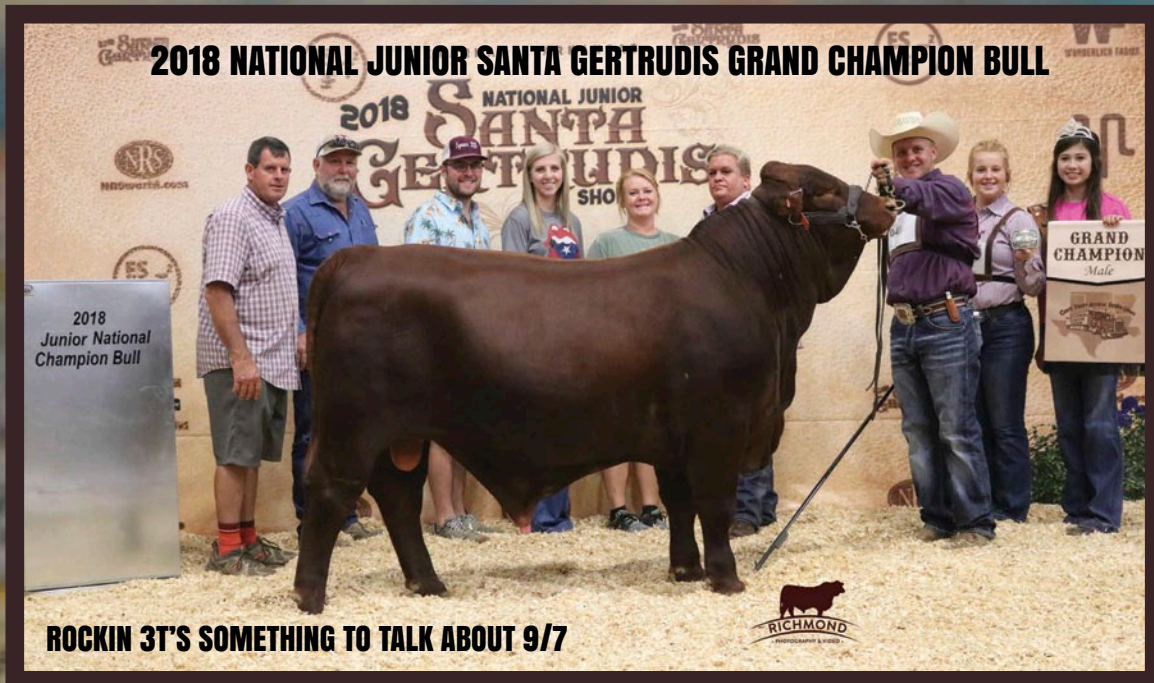


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through an animal science degree, Anderson has seen many of them change their course of study after study trips.

"We have three study-abroad options. One of our professors has been taking students to South America the last three years during spring break," Anderson says. "They go to different countries and explore agriculture. There is an England program for students with horse interests, and our meat science professor takes a group to Europe to go explore food."

Anderson has been involved with the domestic study trip that explores agriculture in different parts of the United States.

"We try to learn about animal agriculture as a whole and try to open other possibilities of what job opportunities are

out there," Anderson says. "Just expose students to different industries and people who will give them another idea of what is out there."

Through the domestic spring-break trip, Anderson has mentored students whose eyes have been opened to parts of the agriculture industry they never imagined themselves being in. One student, who had his heart set on being a veterinarian, switched to meat science after touring packing plants and meat distribution centers and found himself working for Tyson. Another was interested in focusing her veterinary degree on animal breeding but switched to plant breeding.

"The world is theirs," Anderson says. "They just have to decide if they want to ask questions and be inquisitive, and if so, we can help them reach whatever dreams they want to reach – as long as they are willing to put in the work." 🌱

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Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College

Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College (ABAC), located in Tifton, Ga., has historically been known for its two-year technical agriculture degrees. ABAC was founded in 1906 as an agricultural mechanical high school that later transitioned into a college for men. While ABAC's programs have changed over the years to a strictly four-year-degree program, the school's curriculum and degree programs hold true to their core belief in hands-on education.

ABAC is home to 3,500 students, 1,200 of whom are undergraduate students in the agriculture school.

"We have students from every county in Georgia," explains Mark Kistler, Ph.D., dean of the school of agriculture and natural resources. "Our second-highest enrollment is from Florida, South Carolina and Alabama. A cool thing we offer is the neighbor waiver, where students from our neighboring states of Florida, Alabama, South Carolina and Tennessee can be admitted and pay in-state tuition."

In-state tuition at ABAC costs \$2,064 for 15-plus credit hours.

The student makeup of ABAC is reflective of rural South Georgia; many students are from rural towns and farms. "This is a smaller college, smaller campus. You're not getting lost in the mix," Kistler says. "It makes us unique and gives the campus a small-town feel. Students come here with a great work ethic and like the environment. ABAC has been known for its agriculture programs. It's where the ag kids come in the Southeast."

The student focus at ABAC makes their program most unique with a heavy commitment to student success through hands-on experiences that ensures students not only know the concepts but also know how to do it.

"Our students' employers are consistently impressed by the abilities of our students. We've always believed in our mission as a college to prepare students for work and for further education," Kistler explains. "All of our faculty make sure that there is a hands-on element that they can go out to the farm here and do it, be it how to calibrate sprayers, operate machinery, be around cattle, build fence; it's incorporated into the classroom, not just from the book side of things. It's been a testament to our program; the employers love our students because they're work ready. As we grow, we value the importance of keeping our classes small and focusing on that hands-on work."

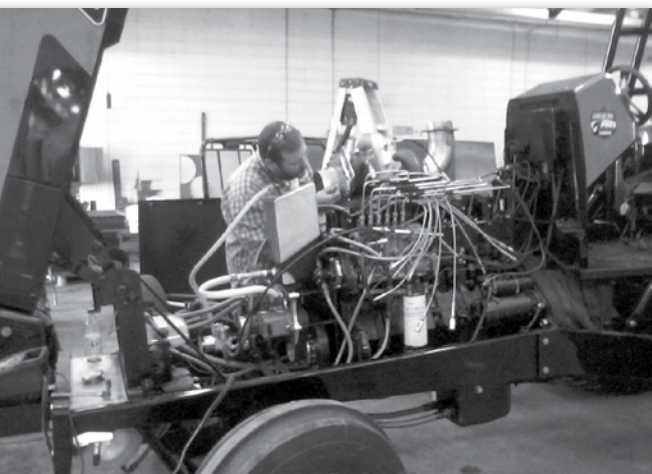
ABAC offers bachelor's degrees in agricultural education (with tracks in agricultural studies and education), agricultural communication and agriculture (with tracks

in agricultural technology and systems management, crop production, crop and soil science, and general livestock production). In addition, there are 19 clubs for students, from the Agronomy Club, which travels across the United States to see different agricultural operations, to the Cattlemen's Association, Horsemen's Association, Young Farmers and Ranchers, Collegiate 4-H and FFA, Bass Fishing Club, Bee Keepers Club, the Ag Engineering and Technology Club that puts on the spring and fall tractor pulls at the pulling track on campus and many, many more.

Many ABAC graduates go back into production agriculture as a herdsman or assistant ranch manager, but others go into a variety of allied industries such as equipment sales, pharmaceutical sales and feed sales. Crop and forestry students go straight into industry, cruising timber, managing wildlife and working for state or federal government with department of natural resources.

"We're a small college that has all the benefits of a larger school," Kistler shares. "The beauty is that you know everyone across the college. We have some options that smaller schools don't typically have, like a golf course, row crops, a cattle operation, [and] sorority and fraternities within the College of Ag. We have the perks of a bigger university, but on a smaller scale. Our employers love that our students are well rounded."

"While our students are here, most of them typically have a job, either on campus or at the [University of Georgia] research center next door, as research technicians, getting additional hands-on experience. Our students learn how to balance and can handle what life has in store." 🌱



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it for another generation because we know it's the right thing to do. I sure hoped I would be back here with my own kids one day."

Fuchs Moran and her family are excited to host the 2019 National Junior Santa Gertrudis Show in Bryan, Texas.

Cristi Harrington

The Urbanosky family name is a familiar one to Santa Gertrudis breeders. Cristi Urbanosky, now Cristi Harrington, hasn't missed a beat since her first junior national experience in Tulsa, Okla., when she was just the younger sibling along for the ride.

"My father was one of the first junior members in the NJSGA," she shares. "I was fortunate enough to be born into this great big Santa Gertrudis family. My sister, who's two years older than I am, started showing in third grade. Our first experience with junior nationals was in Tulsa, Okla. I wasn't old enough to show but got to come along and have been coming every year since."

Harrington grew up in Plantersville, Texas, on the Urbanosky Ranch, where she lives today with her daughter, Denny, making the red cows that they love part of day-to-day life for the family.

"Our show family is our family," Harrington says. "Growing up in the NJSGA, I made a lot of long-lasting friendships and relationships that have carried on for my entire life."



Serving as queen and a member of the Board of Directors were highlights of Harrington's junior career, but the friendships were the best part of being a NJSGA member.

Being elected NJSGA queen and serving on the NJSGA Board of Directors were highlights of her junior career, but the friendships were the best part. "Junior Nationals was hands down my favorite part of my junior career. It was a week of fun, focused on your red cows and being with your friends, regardless of what happened throughout the year. Whatever happened in your life, you reunited with your friends and picked up right where you left off."

After her NJSGA career, Harrington went on to graduate from Sam Houston State University with a Bachelor's of Arts in Marketing. "After my youngest brother graduated from Texas A&M and we were no longer showing, it left a void for our family," Harrington remembers. "My sister, Patti, my brother, Blake, and I decided we wanted to get back into it. We really missed the show ring, so we started showing our Urbanosky Ranch cattle at the open shows. As my siblings and I grew older, we had kids, and our kids started showing."

Today, Harrington's daughter, Denny, is an active NJSGA exhibitor. "Being a parent, I assumed that Denny would show cattle in third grade. We had a spat, and she said, 'Well, mom, I don't want to show.'"

"I told her, 'You're not doing me any favors by showing. If it's not your choice, it's not your path.'"

"She realized she really wanted to show after doing some soul searching. She loves the cherry-red Gerts as much as if it's part of the red blood that runs through her veins. She found her passion, but she had to realize it was hers," Harrington says. "I couldn't be prouder for my daughter to be passionate about these cattle and the show ring. She's accomplished far more than I ever would've been able to."

Harrington has enjoyed watching her generation begin to take on SGBI leadership roles and the next generation

taking on the leadership of the NJSGA. "Things are different now," she says. "I wish I would've known that what we do today will affect us tomorrow. It's little things you can do as a junior that set your reputation and set your brand as a person."

"Silly mistakes that kids make today can follow throughout your life. I was blessed to live years before the cell phone and social media, but going forward, kids have to know that what you do today will affect what you do in your future even though it seems a long ways off. I have a 13-year-old daughter. We're all about the brand we represent, whether it's Gerts or our ranch, but there is a need for emphasis for setting your brand and setting your expectations."

Harrington's focus on branding in the cattle industry ties closely to her professional life as the director of global marketing for Helmerich and Payne. She's worked in the oil and gas industry since 2001. She started her career as a marketing coordinator for Tesco Corporation before becoming the marketing manager. Seven years ago she started working for Helmerich and Payne. "I never would've imagined this would be my career path when I was kid. I knew I wanted to do something in marketing, I knew I liked promoting and selling."

She credits the NJSGA for much of her success and skills. "If there were 15 kids in public speaking, I was probably 15th every time. But that training and commitment of working at it has made me far more comfortable standing up in front of people and learning how to contain my nervousness. Those contest skills shaped my professional life," she says. "I still meet people today in the oil and gas industry who say they had cattle too, and suddenly it's an intermingled family cattle network beyond just our breed. The cattle industry really is one big family." 🐄



Cristi and her siblings, Patti and Blake, started to exhibit Urbanosky Ranch cattle at open shows following their junior careers. Today, the next generation also helps exhibit cattle. Pictured at the 2018 Houston Livestock Show, from left to right, are Patti Urbanosky Ermis, Landon Stem, Demi Harrington and Cristi Harrington.

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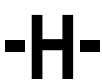
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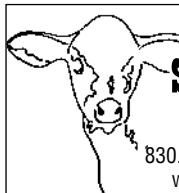


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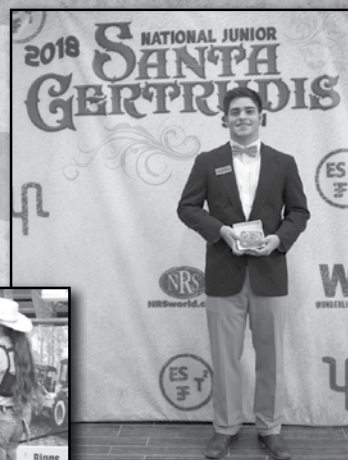
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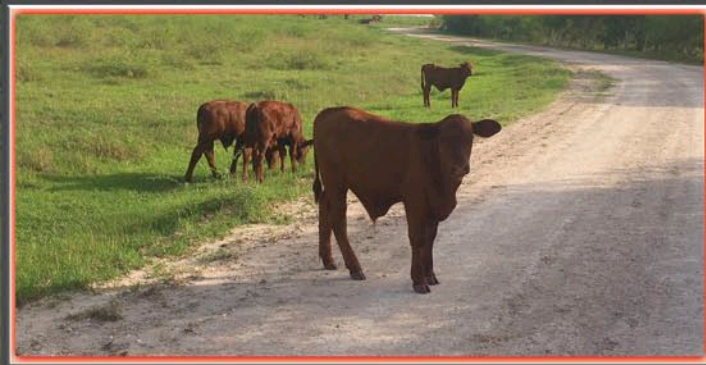
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