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### Cattle judging contest held at HLSR AgriSummit

RICHMOND, TEXAS – Several faculty from the Department of Animal Science hosted a cattle judging contest at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo International AgriSummit on March 4 in Richmond at the historic George Ranch.

Dr. Jason Cleere, associate professor and Extension beef cattle specialist; Dr. Chris Skaggs, professor and associate dean; and Paul Maulsby, Beef Center manager, hosted the contest and used cattle from the Beef Center.

250 international guests of the HLSR participated in the agrisummit. The judging contest is held each year for the visitors and the top eight participants are recognized with a HLSR trophy.

*Bottom photo: Paul Maulsby, left, and Dr. Chris Skaggs, during the judging contest.*



### Annual Ram Performance Test Field Day and Sale is March 19

SONORA, TEXAS – The annual Ram Performance Test Field Day and Sale, conducted by Texas AgriLife Research and the Texas AgriLife Extension Service, is set for March 19 at the Texas AgriLife Research Station at Sonora.

The day's events start at 10 a.m. with an informal morning inspection of the Rambouillet rams completing the test. A catered lunch is set for 11:30 a.m. followed by an educational program at 12:30 p.m., with the auction of eligible rams that have completed the test to follow at about 1:30 p.m.

Program topics will include internal parasite management, personal experiences with livestock guard dogs, an overview of AgriLife Research information on guard dogs and comments on the 2009/2010 Ram Test.

Master of ceremonies for the afternoon program will be Dr. Frank Craddock, AgriLife Extension sheep and goat specialist at San Angelo.

For more information, please contact Dr. Frank Craddock or Dr. Dan Waldron at (325) 653-4576 or call the Texas AgriLife Research Station at Sonora at (325) 387-3168.



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## ASGSA selling Animal Science apparel

The Animal Science Graduate Student Association is selling fleece jackets and wind-jackets featuring the Texas A&M Animal Science logo. The cost is \$43 each, and orders can be placed through March 16, 2010. Orders can be made online. Visit the website for color availability. Other items available for sale but not online include caps, \$12; t-shirts, \$12; and polos, \$12. For more information, please contact Lauren Hulsman in Kleberg 442A at <lhulsman@tamu.edu> or at (936) 870-6102.



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## Upcoming events

**Animal Science Graduate Student Association General Meeting** (March 10, 2010 - 5:15 p.m. - Kleberg Faculty Lounge) - For more information, please contact club president Anna Poovey at <two\_two86@tamu.edu>.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



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