

# ASAE Update

## Jan/Feb Events

- Red Wave Classic Livestock Sale
- National Western/ Denver Meats Contest
- Southwestern/ Fort Worth Meats Contest
- International Poultry Expo, Atlanta Ga
- World Ag Expo
- Red Wave Classic Livestock Jackpot Show

## Highlights



**Outstanding Day for Meat Judging Team at Fort Worth** – The 2011 Fresno State Meat Judging Team has started the new season strong with sixth and seventh place finishes at their first two contests. At the recent AMSA Southwestern in Fort Worth, the team of Mani Marquez, Shelby Rosasco, Kayla Wood, Macc Rigdon, Liz Sturges and Gina Holmes dominated the judging classes placing second in beef and first in pork, lamb, reasons, and overall placings. Individual highlights included first place awards for Mani Marquez in lamb judging and reasons, third in beef and placings; Kayla Wood finished fifth in lambs and reasons, and sixth in pork; Macc Rigdon was fourth in pork, sixth in placings and eighth in reasons; and Shelby Rosasco finished third in pork, fourth in reasons and was the twelfth high individual in the contest overall. The ASAE Department would like to congratulate the Meat's Team and their coach Crystal Waters and their outstanding performance at Fort Worth and wish them the best of luck through the rest of their season.



### **ASAE Students Host 800 Exhibitors at Red Wave Jackpot -**

The 18th annual Red Wave Classic Jackpot Show, hosted by the ASAE Department at Fresno State drew about 800 exhibitors to the Fresno Fairground's Livestock Pavilion for the two day event Feb. 12 and 13. Under the guidance of Dr. Randy Perry, Prof. John Cordeiro and Dr. Scott Williamson, 56 students from the Livestock Marketing and Show Management class planned and managed one of the largest jackpot livestock shows in the state. This year's event saw nearly 1000 cattle, sheep, goats and pigs enter the show ring to compete for trophy buckles, jackets, blankets and cash prizes totaling \$4,000. A special thanks to all of our Red Wave Show sponsors, especially our long time supporter Farmer's Best Feed.

**Poultry Science Society Goes to Georgia** - Ten members of the Poultry Science Society participated in the International Poultry Expo January 24-26. Society members Caitlin Guest, Valarie Taylor, Justin Tran, Amy Gaffney, Jesus Medina, Stephanie Abed, Melody Jaime, Kim Davis, Travis Melton and Nancy Novak, made the trip to Atlanta with their advisor Michelle Ganci, Animal Science Lecturer. While in Georgia, students participated in the College Student Career Program, where they were able to interview for potential jobs and internships. They also networked with people from around the world, and learned about the newest technology in the poultry industry. The Poultry Science Society looks forward to going back next year. In preparation for next year's trip to Georgia, Poultry Science Society members recently helped the Greater California Poultry Fanciers set-up and clean up at their local poultry show. This event has become one of the society's largest fundraisers and a great help in raising funds for their trip.



**Dr. Rodiek Shares Expertise at Forage Symposium and in Cattlemen Magazine**- In December, ASAE Equine Science Professor Dr. Anne Rodiek presented at the 2010 California Alfalfa and Forage Symposium in Visalia, Calif. Dr. Rodiek spoke to attendees on the topic "Optimizing forages for horses; What have we learned?" and her paper was published in the conference's proceedings. You can also find Dr. Rodiek's scholarly work in the February 2011 issue of Progressive Cattlemen's Magazine. Dr. Rodiek contributed her expertise in the article "Horse sense: Winter care for your horses". You can read Dr. Rodiek's article for yourself at the Progressive Cattlemen magazine's website at [www.progressivecattle.com](http://www.progressivecattle.com)

**Fresno State Showcases Ag Programs at World Ag Expo** - Over 30 Ag Ambassadors and numerous faculty from the Jordan College of Agricultural Sciences and Technology traveled to the World Ag Expo in Tulare February 8-10 to represent Fresno State. The college once again had an outreach booth in the Hilver's Careers and Education Building, which is located just north of the Expo's Dairy Center. Animal Science alumna and JCAST Outreach Counselor, Desi Molyneux, coordinated the college's presence at the show, along with ASAE's Dr. Steven Rocca, who supervises the college's Ambassador program. The ASAE Department was well represented at the Expo with several of the Ambassadors in attendance being ASAE majors. Dr. Art Parham, ASAE Department Chair, also spent time in the college's booth interacting with potential students and connecting with alumni. The effort of our Ambassadors, faculty and staff paid off this year as demonstrated by the 340 interest cards that were collected at the Expo through personal contacts with prospective Fresno State students. Thank you Ambassadors!



**Fresno State Alum Inducted into Livestock Marketeer's Hall of Fame** - Wm. F. "Bill" Lefty, Fresno State Alum and Animal Science graduate was recently honored by The Livestock Marketeer's group with induction into their Hall of Fame in January. Bill's induction took place at The Livestock Marketeer's annual convention held at the National Western Stockshow in Denver. The ceremony included a "roast" in Bill's honor by fellow Hall of Fame member and former World Champion Auctioneer Skinny Harder. Mr. Lefty is not the only ASAE alum in the Hall, he joins the late Don Doris who was inducted into the Hall of Fame in 1990.

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