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GJCA Activities at the GCA Convention, Expo and Trade Show

Mark your calendars to attend the GCA Convention, Beef Expo, and Trade Show held on **April 2-5, 2008** at the Fairgrounds in Perry.

To kick off the junior activities, former NCBA President Jan Lyons will address your role as future leaders in the beef industry on **Friday at 3 p.m.** and refreshments will be provided for all who attend.

On **Friday night** there will be **FREE** pizza along with the **Beef Jeopardy** in the Miller-Murphy-Howard Building near the Cattlemen's Ball event. There will also be several other activities and free give-aways.



Saturday morning at the breakfast, junior sweepstakes awards will be presented. Beginning later that morning is the **Beef Expo Judging Contest** and that afternoon will be the judging contest and GJCA awards presentation.

GJCA will once again host the **photography contest**. Entries are due at the convention/expo on **April 2**. Members not attending the convention must submit their entries to the GCA office no later than **March 28**. For a complete list of rules and an entry form, visit the GJCA website, www.gabeef.org/gjca.

Beef Industry Scholarship Challenge

The Georgia Junior Cattlemen's Association has begun making plans to host the 4th Annual Beef Industry Scholarship Challenge. The contest will be **June 7, 2008** at UGA's Animal and Dairy Science Building in Athens, Ga. High school juniors and seniors from any state in NCBA's Region II are invited to enter the competition.

Ten teams will be accepted in the competition, with preference given to Georgia residents. Teams will consist of three members and can be juniors and/or seniors in high school. Juniors may compete again as seniors unless they are on the first place team. Team members do not need to be from the



same high school or county.

The Beef Industry Scholarship Challenge is a unique contest that focuses on the student's knowledge and skills in all areas of beef production management. Teams will work through 10 challenging stations in a 25-minute rotation: handling and health, nutrition, marketing, seedstock merchandising, keep-cull replacement heifers, job interview, beef industry issues, reproduction, beef management challenge, and credit and finance. The beef industry issues section has been updated to more closely mimic how students interact in real-world settings.

GNF 4-H Livestock Judging Contest Results

Jr Division Team Winners

- 1st - Bartow County
- 2nd - Dade County

Jr Division Individual Winners

- 1st - Haley Throne
- 2nd - Caroline Waldrop
- 3rd - Sarah Vaughan
- 4th - Charlotte Frady
- 5th - Makala Bruce
- 6th - Zach Cross
- 7th - Gibson Priest

8th - Dylon Floyd

9th - John Reasor

Sr Division Team Winners

- 1st - Bartow Co. Team 1
- 2nd - Bartow Co. Team 2
- 3rd - Gordon County
- 4th - Dade County

Sr Division Individual Winners

- 1st - Stephen Vaughan
- 2nd - Taylor Moore
- 3rd - Tyler Turnquist

4th - Kallie Johnson

5th - Matthew Darby

6th - Morgan Moore

7th - Lydia Brown

8th - Natalie Rosenbalm

9th - Jody Boss

10th - Jacquelyn Forte

11th - Jorgie Hansard

12th - Ann Marie Reasor

13th - Emily Frazier

14th - Timothy Hubbard

Junior Spotlight: Katherine Throne by Chandler Akins

Katherine Throne has been an active GJCA member since the organization's inception in 2002. Katherine is the sixteen year old daughter of Chris and Julie Throne of West Point, Ga. She has two younger siblings, Haley and Hank. She is an eleventh grade student at LaGrange High School.

Katherine's passion is agriculture and the cattle industry; this is no surprise as Katherine's family has been in the cattle business for four generations. Initially they were dairymen but in 1965 her great-grandfather decided to change directions and began raising Angus cattle and they haven't looked back since. Throne Stock Farm is now the home to 300 registered Angus and commercial cows.

Katherine works extremely hard along side her Daddy and the rest of the family before and after school to complete the necessary day-to-day work that goes into the operation. Katherine has been showing cattle for nine years exhibiting on the local, state and national level. She has had success not only with the cattle that she has purchased but with her bred and owned cattle. Not only is she active in the GJCA, but she is also very active in the Georgia Junior Angus Association in which she served as the 06-07 Georgia Angus Queen and is



currently the Treasurer for the Association and the upcoming National Junior Angus Show to be held in Perry in 2009.

Maybe you are wondering if Katherine does anything that doesn't pertain to cows. Her other interests and hobbies include church, volunteering in her community, and dancing. She and her family attend the First United Methodist Church of LaGrange. Katherine is president of the LaGrange FFA and Area 3 Reporter; she has competed on the state and national level with FFA. She has placed third twice at the National FFA Convention in the Agriscience Fair. Her future goals include winning showmanship at the NJAS, and being elected to serve as a state FFA officer.

As for Katherine's future she plans to attend college upon graduating high school, where she plans to attain a major in animal science with a minor in beef production, and a masters in agriculture education. When asked who her role model is she said, "My daddy has to be at the top of the list." I asked her to describe herself but she said that she would leave that up to me. Katherine Throne is a smart, hard working, funny, young lady that is extremely knowledgeable about the beef industry and deserving of this spotlight!

Join the GJCA Mailing List Today!

Join the new GJCA mailing list today! Start receiving GJCA eNews and eUpdates. These emails will include industry news and upcoming events within the organization. It is a way to keep informed and connected! To sign up, go to www.gabeef.org/gjca and click on the link. In-



dicating you want to receive GJCA eNews by clicking on ALL & GJCA lists!

(If you have signed up and have not received the latest GJCA eNews,

please send an email to juliesims@gabeef.org.)

For more industry updates, visit the websites below:

GCA/GBB/GJCA/GCWA

- www.gabeef.org

National Cattlemen's Beef Association

- www.beefusa.org

- click on Cattlemen's Capitol Concerns

Cattlemen's Beef Board

- www.beefboard.org

BEEF information

- www.beef.org



Sweepstakes Points Online!

GJCA Sweepstakes Points submission is online once again! Go online and sign up today for the upcoming competition year!

New GJCA Theme Shirts Available

The inspiration for this year's theme shirt was that GJCA offers many opportunities for young cattle enthusiast to push themselves to excel in GJCA.

"Push it to the Limit" is the theme with a subtheme that there are no limits in GJCA. We hope each of you reach push forward and get involved in all that GJCA has to offer!

The shirts will be available for sale at the upcoming GCA Convention, Expo and Trade Show. The shirts cost \$10. All sizes are available - youth and adult.



Junior National Livestock Show

Georgia Beef Ambassador Contest Winners

The 2008 Georgia Beef Ambassador Contest was held February 23 at the Houston County Extension Office in Perry. The contest was divided into two age divisions: juniors (13-16) and seniors (17-20).



ISSUES RESPONSE.

Promotion, Classroom Presentation and Editorial Response. The junior division contestants completed the interview and promotion sections while the senior division contestants were required to compete in all areas

This year changes were made to the annual contest, which tests the contestants' ability to promote beef in a positive light. While there was no speech requirement this year, new areas of the competition included: Media Interview, Consumer



MEDIA INTERVIEW.

of the contest.

Winners of the 2008 contest are as follows for each division:



JUNIOR WINNER:
Chandler Akins (center)

Junior division winners were Sammie Williams of Elberton, 3rd place; Natalie Rosenbalm of Trenton, 2nd place; and winning 1st place was Chandler Akins of Nashville.

Senior winners were Molly Perkins of Sylvania, 4th; Steward Harbin of Blairsville, 3rd place; Shelly Patton of Danielsville, 2nd place; and winner to represent Georgia in the national contest was Rebekah Estes of Conyers.



SENIOR WINNERS (l to r):
Shelly Patton, Molly Perkins, Marcia Callaway (Contest Chairman), Stewart Harbin, Linda Crumley (GCWA President) and Rebekah Estes.

Record Book Winners

Junior Breeding Heifer Division:

1. Claire Woodard, Morgan 4-H
2. Dillon Frazier, Colquitt FFA
3. Kari Dylong, Newton 4-H
4. JuliAnn Williams, Carroll 4-H
5. Candace Barnes, Franklin FFA

Senior Breeding Heifer Division:

1. Taylor Hand, Lowndes FFA
2. Shelly Patton, Madison FFA
3. Brianna Bryant, Jackson FFA
4. Melea Baldwin, Hart 4-H
5. Melissa Lance, Union 4-H

Junior Market Steer Division:

1. Ben Duncan, Carroll 4-H
2. David Kissinger, Carroll 4-H
3. Edward Moore, Perry FFA
4. Jake Duncan, Carroll 4-H
5. Morgan Fondren, Bulloch 4-H

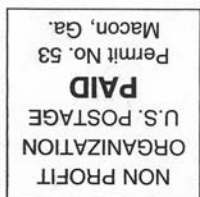
Senior Market Steer Division:

1. Stewart Harbin, Union 4-H
2. Brittany Rigg, Lowndes FFA
3. Harden Mobley, Colquitt FFA
4. Benjamin Kissinger, Carroll 4-H
5. Josh George, Newton FFA

Word Search

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Calendar of Events

March

- 7-8 4-H/FFA Livestock Judging Team Workout, Athens
- 14-16 The Gathering*, Colbert
- 14-16 Searching for the Purple*, Carlton
- 18 Ag Day at the Capitol
- 22 From Dawn to Dusk*, Tifton, Adel & Pabo
- 22 Southern Impulse*, Carnesville
- 29 State Livestock Judging Contest, Athens

April

- 2-5 GCA Convention, Expo & Trade Show, Perry
 - 4 GJCA Activity Day at Convention, Perry
 - 5 GCCPA*, Perry
 - 15 Entry Deadline - Scholarship Challenge
 - 24-26 State FFA Convention, Macon
- ### May
- 8-9 NCBA's Region II Meeting, Columbus
 - 31 GCCPA Field Day Begins

June

- 1 GCCPA Field Day, Bainbridge
 - 7 Beef Industry Scholarship Challenge, Athens
 - 20-22 NJAA Eastern Regional, Lewisburg, WV
 - 22-25 Beef School, Athens
- ### July
- 16 GJCA Field Day, Perry
 - 17-19 Georgia Beef Futurity, Perry
 - 22-25 State 4-H Congress, Atlanta

* Indicates Club Calf Sale