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AMSA 68th RMC Proceedings

Presentations in PDF format from the AMSA 68th RMC are available online for AMSA members only in the RMC proceedings at: <http://www.meatscience.org/publications-resources/rmc-proceedings>.

To access these presentations please login to your AMSA account using your email address and password.

If you have any problems accessing the proceedings or remembering your username or password please contact AMSA staff at information@meatscience.org.

Photos of RMC Events

Thanks to Jimmy Wise, Jessica Lancaster, Chandler Steele, Rachel Smith, Davey Griffin, Jeff Savell and everyone who posted pictures on the RMC APP for your help in capturing the most memorable moments of RMC.

Photos of the AMSA 68th RMC can be viewed at: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/meatscience/>.

Also, if you have pictures that you would like to add to the RMC collections please send them to [Deidrea Mabry](#).

Registration for Fall Meat Judging Now Open

Registration for all fall meat judging contests is now open on the [AMSA webpage](#). You can also find links to reserve rooms for all the hotels [here](#). Please let **Rachel Smith** know if you have any questions or have problems registering. Rachel will be out of the office from Wednesday July 22 – August 3. If you have any meat judging related questions during this time, please direct them to Deidrea Mabry or Jen Persons.

AMSA Membership Information:

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JBS, USA
Johnsonville Sausage Company

Oklahoma State University Wins Top Honors at Australian Intercollegiate Meat Judging Contest

The 2015 Oklahoma State University Meat Judging Team recently traveled to Australia to compete in the 2015 Intercollegiate Meat Judging Contest (ICMJ) held at Charles Sturt University in Wagga Wagga, NSW, Australia.

OSU won high team honors at the 26th ICMJ beating out second place University of Sydney and the third place home team from CSU Wagga Wagga. Over 130 students from 11 Australian Universities and four international teams from the United States, Japan, South Korea and Indonesia competed for the Roy McDonald Shield sponsored by Meat and Livestock Australia.

OSU took top team prize in primal and retail identification, pork judging, beef judging and reasons/questions. The beef contest was hosted by Teys Australia in their Wagga Wagga facility while Rivalea Australia and JBS sponsored the small stock contest held on the CSU Wagga Wagga campus. Oklahoma State was the nineteenth university from the United States invited to the ICMJ contest since it began in 1990.

David Foote, CEO of Australia Country Choice and Deputy Chairman of AMPC presented the individual champion award, the AMPC Founders Buckle to Chandler Steele of OSU. Individual runner-up was Emily Jones from La Trobe University.

Oklahoma State University team pictured below with their coach, Morgan Neilson.



Team members competing in Australia include:

KC Barnes (Hulbert, OK)
Chandler Steele (Midland, MI)
Hannah Nelson (Chickasha, OK)
Haley Seals (Fort Polk, LA)
JT Hearn (DeLeon Springs, FL)

Other team members include Macy Perry (Prather, CA), Karisa

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- *Melvin "Hunter" Hunt (supports student travel to international meetings)*
- *Robert G. Kauffman (support meat science student development)*
- *William Moody*

Pfeiffer (Orlando, OK), Afton Sawyer (Paso Robles, CA), Ty Davis (Ft. Worth, TX), and Sydney Stewart (Cedar Hill, TX).

The team was coached by Morgan Neilson, Dr. Gretchen Mafi, and Wes Griffin. Morgan Neilson was awarded a plaque for coaching the high team.

In the competition, the students are required to judge beef, lamb and pork carcasses, beef and pork primals, identify an array of beef, pork and lamb retail cuts and beef primals, as well as answer questions and format reasons for several classes. In addition to the contest, ICMJ is highly regarded for its conference program, assembled by a hard working committee of 13 individuals from the Australian meat industry. Throughout the week, over a dozen industry speakers presented insight into careers in the meat and livestock industry in the areas of production, genetics, processing and technology.

The top 15 individual students were selected on day 2 of the contest and after giving a set of oral reasons to the committee, coaches and ICMJ participants, a top ten was announced at the awards banquet. The top ten were selected to engage in a five day Meat Standards Australia (MSA) training course in Brisbane later this year, where they will gain important knowledge in the Australian meat processing sector. The top ten students include Tamara Biffin, Georgia Clark, Simon Kensit, and Anna White (University of Sydney), Rebecca Clapperton (University of New England), Emily Jones (La Trobe University), Jess McGrath and Nikita Roberts (CSU Wagga Wagga), and Monica Stipinovich and Rueben Welke (Murdoch University). Five of these students will be selected to travel to the US in January 2016.

Pictured below: Runner-up champion Emily Jones, La Trobe University and champion individual Chandler Steele, Oklahoma State University who won the AMPC Founders Buckle presented by David Foote, CEO of Australian Country Choice and Deputy Chairman AMPC.



USDA Seeking Nomination for Members to the NAREEE Advisory Board

Nominations are currently being accepted to fill 9 category slots on the National Agricultural Research, Extension, Education, and Economics Advisory Board (NAREEEAB). The NAREEEAB provides advice to the Secretary of Agriculture and land-grant colleges and universities on top priorities and policies for food and agricultural

(supports meat science students)

- Robert Rust *(supports meat science students)*
- H. Russell Cross *(supports meat judging and student activities)*
- Robert Cassens *(support PhD students)*
- C. Boyd Ramsey *(supports undergraduate students)*
- Jimmy Wise *(support meat judging activities)*
- F. C. Parrish *(support will endow AMSA student activities)*
- Dell Allen *(supports meat judging)*
- John Forrest *(supports AMSA programs)*
- Dale Huffman *(supports AMSA programs)*
- Robert Bray *(supports R.C. Pollock Award)*
- Vern Cahill *(supports R.C. Pollock Award)*
- C. Ann Hollingsworth *(supports student scholarships)*
- Donald Kinsman *(supports student international program)*
- Roger Mandigo *(supports RMC)*
- Robert Merkel *(supports RMC)*
- Gary Smith *(supports meat judging program)*
- R. C. Pollock

research, education, extension and economics.

The Board is composed of 25 members, each representing a specific area of expertise or affiliation required in the Farm Bill. Members serve staggered appointments so that every year at least one-third of the members' term will expire. The NAREEE Advisory Board is currently seeking nominations to fill 9 positions on the Board. The 9 vacant member categories are:

- Category A. National Farm Organization
- Category C. Food Animal Commodity Producer
- Category I. National Human Health Association
- Category N. Non-Land Grant College or University w/historic commitment to research in food and agricultural sciences
- Category O. Hispanic-serving Institutions
- Category Q. Transportation of Food and Agricultural Products to domestic and foreign markets
- Category R. Food Retailing and Marketing Interests
- Category S. Food and Fiber Processors
- Category X. Private Sector Organization involved in International Development

The Federal Register Notice, which details more information on the nomination process can be found [here](#) and attached. In order to be considered for membership, nomination packages, which should include a letter of nomination, an AD-755 (found [here](#) and attached), and a current Curriculum Vitae or resume must be received (or postmarked) by July 31, 2015. Letters of Support are encouraged.

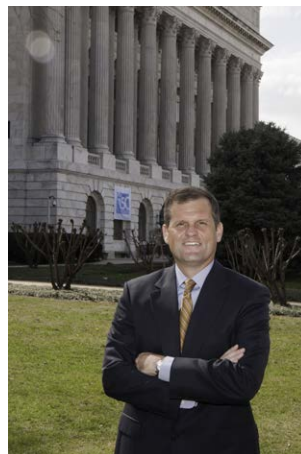
Nominees should submit a resume, a completed Form AD-755 and letters of support online to nareee@ars.usda.gov or by mail to Thomas Vilsack, Secretary, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250, Attn: NAREEE Advisory Board, Room 332A, Whitten Building. Nominations are due by July 31, 2015, and selected individuals will serve a three-year term. More information is online at: <http://nareeeab.ree.usda.gov/news-1>.

AMSA Educational Webinars

AMS – Livestock, Poultry and Seed Program Marketing Claims
July 22, 2015 from 2:00-3:00 pm CDT

Overview:

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) has served as a third party verifier helping buyers and sellers obtain the kind and quality of meat they desire for over 90 years. With narrow exceptions, AMS is not a Federal Agency charged with ensuring that the standards behind the various marketing claims associated with products, in commerce are truthful and not misleading. For meat products that authority rests with USDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS). Instead, AMS serves to ensure that



marketing claims associated with meat products, approved by FSIS and in commerce, are being followed through on voluntary, fee for service certification or verification activities carried out by highly trained Federal employees against the objective criteria associated with each marketing claim.

Presenter:

Dr. Morris serves as the Deputy Administrator over the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) Livestock, Poultry and Seed Program.

Register:

This AMSA Educational webinar is interactive and will last approximately 60 minutes (including Q&A). Registration is complimentary, but you must first register by clicking on the enrollment:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7359230703841452289>.

**Meat in the Diet – Science of Meat
August 10, 2015 from 11:30 am – 12:30 pm CDT**

Overview:

About one-half of all American adults have a chronic disease that could be prevented with diet or physical activity. This is prompting an active national (and international) dialogue about the optimum human diet. At the center of the debate is meat's role in health. Is there a need for meat in the diet? How much is ideal? What are the benefits? What are the risks? This session will explore the current science on meat's role in health and share insights about the consumer's mindset about healthy eating in America today.



Presenter:

Dr. McNeill serves as the Executive Director of Human Nutrition Research for the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA).

Register:

This AMSA Educational webinar is interactive and will last approximately 60 minutes (including Q&A). Registration is complimentary, but you must first register by clicking on the enrollment:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4085459021394408193>.

Once you have registered, you will receive an e-mail message confirming your enrollment status and information that you need to join the webinar. For more information please contact Deidrea Mabry at dmabry@meatscience.org.

AMSA Meat Science Career Center

The American Meat Science Association knows that our greatest resource is our people, and you can remain confident that you are hiring the best educated, most talented and highly professional individuals when you tap into our pool of qualified individuals.

- Job Seekers, you can post your resumes for free and connect your resume with over 400 companies!
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Jobs that are posted on the Meat Industry Career Link are attracting...
 - On average over 293 page views per job on average
 - qualified entry level college graduates
 - resumes from job seekers with advance degrees (50%)

New Job Postings:

- Assistant Professor of Animal Science ~ Tarleton State University
- Senior Director, Beef Cattle Scientist ~ National Cattlemen's Beef Association
- Associate Director, Producer Education ~ National Cattlemen's Beef Association
- R&D Technician II ~ Cargill, Inc.
- Veterinary Program Manager, Office of Meat & Poultry Services ~ Virginia Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services
- Chief Science Office ~ Food Safety Net Services
- Senior Food Technologist ~ Foster Farms
- Cargill Pork – Manager, Research and New Product Development ~ Cargill
- Cargill Pork – Senior Food Scientists ~ Cargill
- Director Research and Development ~ Shoher Search and Consulting

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2015 AMSA Calendar of Events

September 12 - National Barrow Show Meat Contest - Austin, MN

September 26-27 - Beef Empire Days - Garden City Community College and Tyson Foods, Inc. - Garden City, KS

October 3 - Eastern National Intercollegiate Meat Judging Contest - Wyalusing, PA

October 18 – American Royal Intercollegiate Meat Judging Contest sponsored by Elanco Animal Health- Nebraska Beef, Omaha, NE

October 19 - 21 - AMSA PORK 101 - Iowa State University - Ames, IA

October 20 - National 4-H Meat Evaluation & Identification Contest - Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS

November 1 - Cargill Meat Solutions High Plains Intercollegiate Meat Judging Contest - Friona, TX

November 15 – International Intercollegiate Meat Judging Contest - Tyson Foods, Dakota City, NE

Reciprocal Meat Conference 2016-2017

June 19-22, 2016 - Angelo State University - San Angelo,

Texas

June 18-21, 2017 - Texas A&M University - College Station,
Texas

June, 2019 - Colorado State University - Fort Collins, Colorado

International Congress of Meat Science and Technology

August 23-28, 2015 – Clermont-Ferrand, France

2016 – Bangkok, Thailand

2017 – Cork, Ireland

2018 – Australia

2019 – Germany

2020 – USA (joint meeting with the Reciprocal Meat Conference)

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