

May 30, 2018

Hello Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association Members,

It has been a very busy and successful 2018 with more than half of the junior show season and Mid-Coast Super Sale in the books. We have a lot of exciting things taking place within the Mid-Coast organization and I would like to take a few minutes to share some of those things with you.

There have been a lot of changes recently within our board that I would like to officially explain to everyone. Allen Grainger has officially retired after serving 6 years on the board. The entire board would like to thank Allen and his wife Cheryl for all of their dedication, support, time and commitments to all aspects of Mid Coast over the past 6 years. With this change, I have assumed the vacated spot of President. I am very excited and honored to represent each of you, your families and ranches as president of this great association!

At our May 23rd Board Meeting, Patti Urbanosky Ermis was voted by the board as the new Vice President, which was the position I vacated. We are very proud of Patti for being elected to this position and think she will be very successful in her new role on the board. Traditionally, we have maintained a board of 12 members, however over the recent years the board has declined to only 8 members with the passing of Delbert Walker, Allen's retirement and 2 positions not being filled at the annual meetings. To properly serve this great and growing organization, we need to grow our board back to 12 strong again. In an effort to achieve this goal, Nancy Wunderlich was appointed to the board to fill Delbert's vacated position and gladly accepted. She will finish his term which will expire at the annual meeting in 2019. In addition, the board has appointed Neal Schuleman to fill the vacated position by Allen's retirement. Neal will complete Allen's term, which will expire at the annual meeting this year. Please join me in welcoming both Nancy and Neal to the Mid-Coast board.

This brings our board to 10 members and we will open up 2 additional spots for election at our annual meeting this summer which is also a change. The board has approved having the Annual Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis membership meeting in August, which will be separated from the Opportunity Sale this year. The goal is to grow the attendance of the Annual Meeting and to maximize the Opportunity Sale focus without either distracting from each other.

Also, I want to announce that Christy Moran and Gale Villanova who were both elected Co-Youth Advisors at our recent board meeting. We feel a team approach to chairing the youth position is important for this growing group as there is A LOT to do! Great things have been taking place and achieved by our juniors and under their leadership we are confident our junior program will continue to thrive and grow.

To summarize the above changes, listed are the current Mid-Coast Association Board Members:

Officers

President – David Moran

Vice President – Patti Urbanosky Ermis

Secretary – Allen Ginnard

Treasurer – Allen Ginnard

Board Members

Billy Eubanks

Matt Kubena

Jason Miller

Neal Schuleman

Gale Villanueva – Co-Youth Advisor

Judy Wallace

Nancy Wunderlich

Friends of the Board

Christy Moran – Co-Junior Youth Advisor

Karen Ginnard – Cattle Rattle Editor - Special thanks to Karen for all of her time to efforts to make the Cattle Rattle great! This is a huge job to put this publication together and we appreciate the thorough information and recognitions shared.

When you see any of these folks, PLEASE pat them on the back and give them your thanks for being a VOLUNTEER to keep this organization alive and well. Everyone is doing the work of the organization as a volunteer and using their time and talents to make it successful!

NOW is the time to be involved in this great organization. If you have ever thought about being a board member, this is a great year to get started, as we will have several vacant positions to fill at this year's annual meeting. Please contact a current board member or fellow breeder to inquire about leadership possibilities.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the upcoming Junior Nationals! Let's go support the Juniors in Texarkana as they make Mid-Coast very proud. Word has it that over 50 youth and over 150 head will represent the Mid-Coast Junior association at NJSJS 2018. Good luck to all of our juniors who will be participating at 2018 Junior Nationals in Texarkana!

As soon as we have a date and more details on the Annual Meeting in August, we will be sure to send out an invitation to all. We hope to have great attendance this year as we work to revitalize this organization. We hope you can be a part of it!

Don't forget to consider consigning cattle in the annual Mid-Coast Opportunity Sale on Saturday, September 15th in Hallettsville. Information is posted on the Mid-Coast site, in the recent Cattle Rattle or please call Sale Chairman Matt Kubena for further details as he is working on plans for a great sale this year with a goal of making it bigger and better than ever before. Be a part of it!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me directly or any of the Board members. Thank you for your membership and involvement.

Sincerely,

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