## 2016-2017

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## A Message from the President

Hello fellow Santa Gertrudis Breeders,

As I take over as President of the Mid Coast Santa Gertrudis Association, I would first like to say a big and heartfelt **THANK YOU** to several people who have served your association well throughout the past several years. Thank you to outgoing President and new Vice President Debbie Townsend, retiring board members Tom DuBois, Freddie Southall, George Hood and Pete Yorek. My hat is off to each of you and don't think you are going to get away too fast, because we have a lot of work to do and I need your help. Also, welcome to our incoming board members, David Moran, Matt Kubena, Gale Villanueva and Delbert Walker, may the fun and hard work begin.

We just completed a fun filled weekend in Navasota with our Annual Meeting and Cattleman's Opportunity Sale. Thank you to all who helped put on a successful event and especially, thanks you to all the members and guests who came out and participated in the festivities. If you missed it, we had an excellent fajita dinner on Friday night and a really good meeting. On Saturday 60 head, including open and bred heifers, pairs and bulls, grossed \$ 119,000.00. Given the current calf market, I feel really good with what we accomplished.

Congratulations to our good friend and ardent Santa Gertrudis supporter, Carroll Myers, for being named the Mid Coast Santa Gertrudis Association Breeder of the Year. Carroll has a long ranching history and has selflessly supported our breed over the years. A great big applause is in order for your accomplishments my friend!!!!!

Keep your eyes and ears open for information on the Super Sale in Houston. Details will be coming out soon.

One last item I'd ask you to ponder, performance testing your bulls. To-day's commercial cattleman finds value in bulls that have data including EPD's and gain test data. At the current gain test at Genetic Development Center in Navasota, the Santa Gertrudis bulls on test are averaging 1.01 pounds per day more than all of the other breeds combined. This is data we can use and it is important that we as a breed grasp this.

That's about it for now so until text time, stay safe and "in the black with red cattle".

## Allen Grainger

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#### Photo courtesy of SGBI Magazine

## From the Desk of ...

# John Ford, SGBI Executive Director

Judging from the calls received and the amount of database traffic, more and more SGBI Members are relying on the association's genetic evaluation and data set to make selection and breeding decisions. One can quickly see the impact the 2013 release of SGBI's genomic enhanced EPDs (DNA verified) has had on the breed, especially in the area of growth (weaning weight and yearling weight) by viewing genetic trend lines. The trend lines for these two growth traits have climbed greatly the past 2 ½ years.





However, some confusion remains concerning the manner in which genetic predications are derived and why they change. Of particular concern is how an animal with no data submitted can have EPDs. I understand the apprehension breeders can have about EPDs and I appreciate the questions members have regarding SGBI's genetic evaluation.

Bottom line, the ability to accurately predict an animal's genetic merit as a parent is due to technology. There has been great progress made during the past 40 years in the methods used to calculated EPDs and computer technology allows breed associations to compare progeny performance from hundreds of thousands of contemporary groups of cattle within a breed. Due to the thousands of data points submitted by breeders (past, present, and future) combined with the statistical analysis of the data, DNA information, and the pedigree relationship, every animal recorded in a breed association's herdbook has a genetic merit prediction (EPD), whether or not individual data has been submitted. Because these predictions are based on complex statistical analysis, an animal's EPDs will change as more and more information is evaluated. However, it is important to keep in mind an individual's genetic merit will never change.

Finally, each EPD is accompanied by an accuracy value. Accuracy values provide an indication of how close predictions are to true genetic value and are useful in determining the reliability of an EPD. As the accuracy value approaches 1.0, the reported EPD is more likely to represent the true genetic merit of the animal and is less likely to change as more progeny records are calculated into the animal's EPDs.

The seedstock sector, SGBI included, have come a long way in calculating EPDs. Today, EPDs are more accurate and allow breed associations to evaluate more traits. As the genetic trend lines indicate, utilizing EPDs in the decision making process works.

**From the annual Mid-Coast meeting:** The Mid-Coast Affiliate Annual Meeting was held at the Mid-Tex Livestock Auction Facility in Navasota, Texas on Friday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016. A party social began the festivities at 5:00 pm with snacks and drinks. The annual meeting and fajita dinner was held in conjunction with the Cattleman's Opportunity Sale. The junior members also held a silent auction to raise money for their various activities.

The out-going Mid-Coast President, Debbie Townsend, presided at the meeting. A Santa Gertrudis Breeders International (SGBI) update was presented by Jerome Urbanosky, VP and Chairman of the SGBI Membership Committee, who talked about issues discussed at the recent SGBI retreat. According to Jerome's update, SGBI is considering a move to either a more metropolitan location, or to a virtual office approach. More to come as the topic progresses within SGBI leadership. The good news is that membership is up, and interest in the Santa Gertrudis breed continues to grow.

Debbie Townsend, VP and Chairman of the SGBI Long Range Planning Committee, gave an update and solicited input from the Mid-Coast members on future strategy and direction. Debbie will be sending a form to the membership to solicit input for the SGBI Long Range Planning Committee. During the meeting, Debbie also provided an update on the Mid-Coast Super Sale to be held at the 2017 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo grounds, along with a repeat of the video auction.

Mid-Coast Jr. Secretary, Trey Stegint announced the many junior accomplishments throughout the past year along with their plans for future activities. Madison Moran who is currently the Mid-Coast Junior Princess, Mid-Coast Junior Reporter, and SGBI National Princess; gave her winning speech from the SGBI Junior Nationals Public Speaking Contest, for which she won first place in the Junior Division. Trey Stegint, Landon Stem, Madison Moran, Demi Harrington, Heather Stenson, and Kaden Leonard also gave a brief update on their experience at the SGBI Junior Nationals.

Hannah Burrough, Madison Moran, and Debbie Townsend led the meeting attendees through a Brain Bowl contest, asking questions of the audience that are typically asked of the Juniors during contests. Although most of us remained mute throughout the contest, some members showed particular skill. Special congratulations to Nancy Kubecka of Wendt Ranches who won first place in the contest! Giving Nancy a close run for first place were Paul Wunderlich and Tanya Bram. That Brain Bowl information can be retained for a long time!

Mid-Coast President Debbie Townsend honored retiring board members Tom DuBois, George Hood, Freddie Southall, and Pete Yorek with engraved cups for their service to the affiliate and the board. All four were enthusiastically recognized for their contribution to the Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association.

President-elect Allen Grainger recounted Myers Cattle and Land Corporation's history in the Santa Gertrudis breed prior to honoring Carroll Myers as the Mid-Coast Breeder of the Year, for their dedication in promoting and supporting Mid-Coast and the Santa Gertrudis Breed. According to the history on their website (<a href="www.myerscattleandland.com">www.myerscattleandland.com</a>), Myers Cattle and Land Corporation received its purebred status and herd number 6491, 43 years ago. Looking to improve pastures for the cattle, Myers Cattle and Land Corporation progressed and grew from ranch operations in several small Texas towns to the Navasota Texas ranch where the operation has been headquartered since 1988. The Myers breeding approach has resulted in 76 years of producing top quality Santa Gertrudis cattle and a legacy of excellence in the cattle industry.

Elected to serve for three years as incoming Directors were Matt Kubena, David Moran, Gale Villanueva, and Delbert Walker. Following the adjournment of the meeting, the new board met to elect officers for the 2016—2017 term. Debbie Townsend declared her intent to not seek re-election as President, given that she had one year remaining to serve on the Board before she termed out. Officers were then elected with the following results: Allen Grainger – President; Debbie Townsend – Vice President; Allen Ginnard – Secretary; and David Moran – Treasurer.

## Welcome to the New 2016-2017 Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association Board of Directors



Shown (L to R): Delbert Walker, Debbie Townsend (Vice President), David Moran (Treasurer), Joe Fauth, Allen Grainger (President), Billy Eubanks, Matt Kubena, Allen Ginnard (Secretary), Patti Ermis (Jr. Advisor), John Kiker Absent: Gale Villanueva, Judy Wallace

## Going... Going...





Totals	Gross	Average	
29 Open & Exposed Heifers	\$ 55,900.00	\$	1,858.62
15 Bred Heifers	28,000.00		1,866.67
7 Pairs Pairs	16,800.00		2,400.00
6 Bulls	10,800.00		1,800.00
3 Bred Cows	7,500.00		2,500.00
60 Head	\$ 119,000.00	\$	1,983.33



Special thanks to **Gene and Nancy Kubecka** from **Wendt Ranch** who were our volume buyers, and to **Pete Yorek**, Mid-Coast Sale Chairman. Thanks also to our **Juniors** who helped make it all happen!

# Getting to know your new Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association Board members...



## Hello my name is

Matt Kubena David Moran Gale Villanueva Delbert Walker

...and we are your new Board members!



## Getting to know Matt Kubena...

- 1. What's your favorite indoor/outdoor activity?
  I am an avid hunter, particularly deer hunting. I have a passion and respect for the outdoors and nature, all of God's creations.
- 2. When you have 30 minutes of free-time, how do you pass the time? I seldom have down time, but when I do, I watch a prerecorded episode of Bonanza, Gunsmoke or a John Wayne movie from my collection.
- 3. What would you name the autobiography of your life? Matt Kubena A Country Boy DID Survive
- 4. What songs are included on the soundtrack to your life? Hank Williams Jr. "Country Boys Can Survive" and Elvis Presley gospel songs
- 5. What story does your family always tell about you?
  I wanted to name my first born son, Randall Hank (you Bocephus fans get
  it). Needless to say, I lost that battle.
- 6. What would you like to see accomplished in the Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association?

  To increase marketing avenues, including co-op ventures for Mid Coast members. For the Juniors? I believe that our Mid Coast Juniors currently have an excellent program.
- 7. In your opinion, what should the Mid-Coast Board of Directors keep doing to support the needs of the members? Keep listening to the members concerns and acting on those concerns. What should they start doing? To communicate and educate our members on a more frequent basis.
- 8. What do you think most people would find surprising about you?

  I was blessed to have been a part of a church missionary team to fund and commission a church, supply an orphanage with school supplies and spread the gospel in Ometepe, Nicaragua.



## Getting to know David Moran...

1. What's your favorite indoor/outdoor activity? My favorite activities include sporting events...watching them, coaching them, cheering for my favorite teams...the Dallas Cowboys, the Texas Rangers and the Texas A&M Aggies. These days my favorite teams are the ones my kids play on...softball, basketball, baseball. Besides sports, much of my time outside is spent outside with the show heifers and helping with the kids' projects and family farm animals.

2. When you have 30 minutes of free-time, how do you pass the time?
I really don't have much free time these days...but, that is ok. I spend most of my waking hours being a husband and dad and helping our family with the many activities that the kids participate in...cattle showing, 4-H, sports and family events. And, I also am very dedicated to my career which I spend a lot

of time on as well.

- 3. What would you name the autobiography of your life? No Regrets...Time Well Spent
- 4. What songs are included on the soundtrack to your life? Life's a Dance, Daddy's Hands, Hard Workin' Man, Summertime Blues, Sweet Summertime
- 5. What story does your family always tell about you? I don't have a particular story that comes to mind, but I think my family would say that I have never met a stranger and am always willing to help whomever and whenever needed. On a lighter note, one funny story that is cattle-related is when I was first married to Christy, we were on the Junior Beef Heifer & Steer Show committee at the Washington County Fair. I didn't grow up showing cattle, so I had a lot to learn about them, but I was eager to help with the show anyway I could. Many will not let me forget that when I was helping with the steer show, instead of calling the breed of steers Chianina correctly, I mispronounced them "Chinch-a-neas"! I still get grief over that...and that is what I call them to this day!
- 6. What would you like to see accomplished in the Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association? For the Juniors? Strengthen the membership and raise the involvement by the ranches and affiliates to help continue to grow the breed and association. For the Juniors Increase their involvement and continue to grow their passion and interest in our breed. This involvement will transcend into their local and community activities and organizations, developing the well-rounded individual. I would also like to see more representation from our Mid-Coast juniors at Nationals.
- 7. In your opinion, what should the Mid-Coast Board of Directors keep doing to support the needs of the members? What should they start doing?

I think that the board of directors should continue to provide leadership in coordinating events to bring the members together and provide outlets for breed and ranch promotion. I also think that the organization could "beef up" the amount of events that are held to bring the adult members and the junior members closer together and bridge the gap. The junior field day held this past April at Mr. Myers's Ranch was an excellent example of this.

8. What do you think most people would find surprising about you?

I think that some folks might think that I am intimidating (being 6'8" in height doesn't help this) and might carry a sterner demeanor, but on the inside I am a very soft-hearted individual willing to help anyone. I carry a strong, hardworking work ethic and so I may seem a little harsher on the outside, but it is because I want to get the best out of everything I do and every life I touch. Being a dad, coach and manager at work has instilled this drive in me to lead and teach to be the best at everything and have a passion for excellence. That is just my nature...



## Getting to know Gale Villanueva...

1. What's your favorite indoor/outdoor activity?

Indoor Activity-Playing family games with my kids and husband like "Pie Face and Apples to Apples"

Outdoor Activity- Raising and Showing Santa Gertrudis and SG/Cross cattle with my family

2. When you have 30 minutes of free-time, how do you pass the time? What is free-time? Lol! If there is free time, a quick nap is how I would spend it.

- 3. What would you name the autobiography of your life?
  - "I have lived all my dreams, I did not dream of how I wanted to live"
- 4. What songs are included on the soundtrack to your life?
  - "How about them Cowgirls"-George Strait
  - "Wrapped Around"-Brad Paisley
  - "You had me from Hello"-Kenny Chesney
  - "I hope you dance"-Lee Ann Womack
  - "Let Your Love Flow"-Bellamy Brothers
- 5. What story does your family always tell about you?

That I can stand my own ground and I do not take crap off of anyone.

Cattle are my favorite animals and the cattle in our show barn eat better than we do.

My face can't hide what am I thinking and my favorite quote is "If the shoe fits, then wear it!" My nickname in High school was "Turtle", hint the name.

I cook very well and I get my cooking skills from my "Maw maw" and you will not leave my kitchen table hungry.

I hate alligators! One of them crossed the road in front of me driving to the feed store and I screamed, closed my eyes, and held on to the steering wheel as hard as I could and luckily I just nipped it, and it spun in a circle and flew in the ditch.

6. What would you like to see accomplished in the Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association?

The continuation of promoting the breed. This breed has the best mama cows in the industry, I would like to see SG herd sires promoted more to the cattle industry, not just for purebred operations but for commercial use as well. Also, the continuation of keeping our members updated with new technology within the cattle industry.

### For the Juniors?

The same, continuation of promoting the breed. The Junior program we have I feel is the best compared to other breeds and are juniors should be proud of that. The MC association should continue to educate and counsel our junior members not only how to grow and raise a heifer or bull calf but to also educate our juniors for the next steps in livestock production. Whether they are managing their own herd or someone else's. They need to understand cattle management with modern technology.

- 7. In your opinion, what should the Mid-Coast Board of Directors keep doing to support the needs of the members? Continue to keep the members informed of the cattle industry, and where the SG association is headed and the help our members will need to market their cattle more efficiently.
- 8. What do you think most people would find surprising about you?

That I am allergic to horses. I am allergic to the dander and if I get near one, you better have tissue paper and or Benadryl handy.



## Getting to know Delbert Walker...

- 1. What's your favorite indoor/outdoor activity? Keeping up with the national news and the political system as a Republican; cattle and ranching activities; my church work.
- 2. When you have 30 minutes of free-time, how do you pass the time? Taking a nap and watching "All In The Family"
- 3. What would you name the autobiography of your life? "I Did It My Way"
- 4. What songs are included on the soundtrack to your life?"Who's Going To Fill Their Shoes" George Jones"Mamas Don't Let Your Babies Grow Up To Be Cowboys" Waylon Jennings
- 5. What story does your family always tell about you? There are two ways to do things: Delbert's way, or the wrong way.
- 6. What would you like to see accomplished in the Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association? Continue to breed and show the best Santa Gertudis cattle.
- 7. In your opinion, what should the Mid-Coast Board of Directors keep doing to support the needs of the members? The Mid-Coast Board of Directors and members should strive to find a place for our new members to market the offspring of the cattle we sold them, follow up on these cattle, and provide help when possible.





## **Announcing exciting updates!**

We are in the process of updating our Mid-Coast website located at midcoastsantagertrudis.com to an upgraded template. Stay tuned for more information by the end of this year!

Membership forms for 2017 are available on the current website and in this newsletter. Membership is due for renewal for all members by January 1, 2017. Once our new website is up and running, it will include a feature to renew online!

All members have the opportunity to advertise by placing your business card in our newsletter for a nominal fee. A form for 2017 participants is also on our website.

## Letter from the Editor...

Hello Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association Members and Friends!

Well, we've just finished our annual meeting and sale, and it feels great to be thinking about 2017! We're starting to load the calendars with events, our Board members are thinking 'deep thoughts' about the future, and we have a new website coming up as well — very exciting!

What I especially love about our Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association is the easy way that we all get along and support our goals toward betterment of the breed. I've been thinking of this dynamic, and I really think it's because we all assume that we all come from a place with good intentions. When you believe others have your best interests at heart, it's easy to get along! I appreciate how all of you support our Association with patience and thoughtful input. Thank you for making this organization so positive and one-minded. I hear that not all organizations operate so collaboratively! I'm glad we do — and I applaud you for it!

If we've missed anything or anyone in this edition of the Cattle Rattle — or if you have news to offer, please do send me a note at kginnard56@gmail.com or call me at 936-878-1825! We're already working on the next edition!

Blessings to all,
-Karen

## 2016 Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association Breeder of the Year!





## **Congratulations**

to

Carroll Myers, Myers Cattle and Land, Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Breeder of the Year!

Thank you, Carroll for all you've added to the breed, and to this Mid-Coast Association.

You inspire all of us!

http://myerscattleandland.com

## Update from our Mid-Coast Family...

Billy Eubanks would like to thank all of those people who have supported his family with well-wishes, thoughts, and prayers during his adult daughter's battle with cancer. He said he's just been overwhelmed by the show of love and support. He appreciates also those people who bid on his cattle at the Opportunity Sale. That money will be applied to medical bills.

We reported in our last edition that Jessica Burgin, Billy Eubanks' daughter, was diagnosed with Stage 4 cancer. She is still undergoing treatment, and is thankful for the prayers and support that she is getting from so many! Jessica is a young mother with four small children. She has such a positive attitude and amazing strength! She is still working, while also going through chemo. There will be more tests soon to determine next steps.

"I have been driven many times upon my knees by the overwhelming conviction that I had no where else to go. My own wisdom and that of all about me seemed insufficient for that day."

- Abraham Lincoln

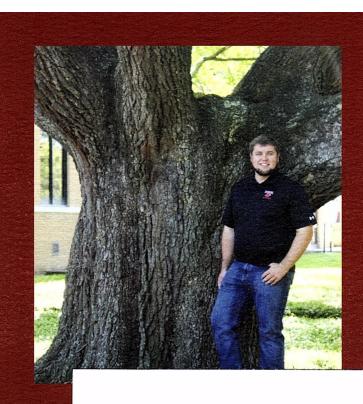
Do you have news for our Cattle Rattle family page?
Please send your news to Karen Ginnard at kginnard56@gmail.com;
or call me at 936-878-1825.

# And in the 'happily ever after' category...

A sincere and heartfelt congratulations to Allen and Cheryll Grainger on the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Allison Grainger to Michael Nepveux.

After an October 1st wedding at the Rocking A Ranch, the couple will be honeymooning in the California wine country!





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I appreciate your support and hope I have made you proud to have chosen me as a scholarship recipient.

## THANK YOU!



Congratulations to Clayton Robinson Lamar University Class of 2016!!!

We were happy to help!!



## Mid-Coast Jr. News

## **Upcoming Events**

March 10th - Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association Aisle Party and Super Sale; Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo facility in Houston, TX

March 11th - Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Santa Gertrudis Show; Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo facility in Houston, TX

**April 1st** - 2017 Mid-Coast Junior Scholarship Applications Due

**Do you know** when the Norval and Anna Sells show will be held? Let us know!

**June 10 -17th** - 2017 National Junior Santa Gertrudis Show; Lake Charles, LA

Hello Jr. Members:

I hope all of you have gotten back in the swing of things with school and your extra-curricular activities. The fall show season is just around the corner, so there is no time to waste in getting prepared. Make sure you are practicing showmanship skills daily and get your clippers sharpened!

Thanks to all of you who attended the Mid-Coast annual meeting and Opportunity Sale. There was a great turn out. Your secretary, Trey Stegint, gave the Junior Report at the annual meeting as I had previous obligations. On Saturday during and after the auction, the juniors who attended held a silent auction and sold barbeque lunch plates as a fundraiser. We would like to say a big Thank You! to all who supported us.

In this edition, you will find some information about your officer team members. Hopefully this will allow you to get to know us a bit better. As always, if you have news to report, questions you need answered, or just need help, please let one of the officers know. That's what we are here for!

Sincerely,

# Emaline Robinson, Ir President

**Note**: It was announced at the Mid-Coast annual meeting that the Junior Officers will now serve their terms from the time of the Mid-Coast annual meeting to the next annual meeting, which is the same timing as the adult Board Members and Officers.

Read more about your 2016-2017 Mid-Coast Junior officers in the pages following!





Don't forget to look for us on our Facebook site...

https://www.facebook.com/Mid-Coast-Santa-Gertrudis-Association-188766167871631/

## 2016-2017 Mid-Coast Jr. Officers, Queen and Princess!!

President: **Emaline Robinson**Vice President: **Landon Stem**Secretary: **Trey Stegint** 

Reporters: Madison Moran and Parker Mason

Junior Advisor: Patti Urbanosky Ermis





Queen: **Heather Stenson** Princess: **Madison Moran** 



Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It's not. ~Dr. Seuss

Juniors: Have you found your place to serve our Mid-Coast Junior Association?

Ask your Junior Officers if you want help getting plugged in!

Mid-Coast Members: Do you want to support your Juniors with donations for show awards, scholarship funds, or in other efforts?

Contact our Junior Advisor to learn about opportunities!



The Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association Juniors would like to thank all of the donators and bidders who helped make our silent auction a HUGE success!

We raised almost \$5,000 thanks to your efforts and generous support.

We also want to thank the incomparable **Joe Fauth** for donating, cooking, and serving the barbeque for our lunch fund-raiser!!



Name: Emaline Robinson (Junior President)

**Age:** 18

Grade & School: Senior at Dayton High School in Dayton, Texas

Officer position: President Years in Mid-Coast: 10 years Years Showing: 10 years

**Favorite Moment in Mid-Coast:** Being elected President two years in a row and finally beating my older sister, Jaclyn, in showmanship at the Anna & Norval Sales Show last year. Plus, I did it while I was in a walk-

ing boot!

Favorite Quote: "Life is 10% what you make it and 90% how you take it!" - Irving Berlin

Favorite Food: Mexican
Favorite Color: Mint green
Favorite Movie: "8 Seconds"

**Favorite Song:** "Fire Away" by Chris Stapleton **Favorite Book:** "The Hunger Game" series

Cool Talent: Twirling and I can sleep almost anywhere at any time.



### Getting to know Landon Stem...

Name: Landon Stem (Jr. Vice-President)

**Age:** 13

Grade & School: 8th grade at Anderson-Shiro Jr./Sr. High

Officer Position: Vice President Years in Mid-Coast: 5 years Years Showing: 5 years

Favorite Moment in Mid-Coast: Winning the Mid-Coast Show 2 times

Favorite Quote: "If you're not first, you're last."

Favorite Food: Steak
Favorite Color: Blue

Favorite Movie: Water Boy

**Favorite Song:** Diamond in My Pocket by Cody Johnson **Cool Talent:** Playing football, baseball, and showing cattle



## Getting to know Trey Stegint...

Name: Trey Stegint (Junior Secretary)

**Age:** 18

Grade & School: Senior at Navasota High School in Navasota, Texas

Officer Position: Secretary Years in Mid-Coast: 3 years Years Showing: 4 years

Favorite Moment in Mid-Coast: Going to Nationals and getting to meet all of the mem-

hers

Favorite Quote: "How you do anything is how you will do everything."

Favorite Food: Crawfish Favorite Color: Blue

Favorite Movie: Tombstone Favorite Song: "An Empty Glass"

Cool Talent: I rope and can do rope tricks



## Getting to know Parker Mason...

Name: Parker Mason (Jr. Reporter)

**Age:** 13

Grade & School: 8th grader at Brenham Jr. High in Brenham, Texas

Officer Position: Co-Reporter Years in Mid-Coast: 4 years Years Showing: 5 years

**Fig. 2** Favorite Moment in Mid-Coast: Traveling to Florida as a group and working with my

riends

Favorite quote: Phillipians 4:13 "I can do all this through him who gives me strength."

Favorite Food: pizza Favorite Color: Green

Favorite Movie: Field of Dreams

**Favorite Song:** This is a Country Boy's Song **Favorite Book:** 365 Days of Baseball

Cool Talent: rolling my r's .....I am in Spanish this year and am so glad I can do this!



## Getting to know Madison Moran...

Name: Madison Claire Moran (Mid-Coast Jr. Princess, Jr. Reporter, SGBI National Princess)

Age: 11

**Grade & School:** 5<sup>th</sup> grade at Brenham Middle School

Officer Position: Co-Reporter and Mid-Coast Princess; National Junior Santa Gertrudis Asso-

ciation Princess

Years in Mid-Coast: 3

Years Showing: 3 officially; have shown PeeWee since age 4

Favorite Moment in Mid-Coast: My proudest moment was being elected Mid-Coast Prin-

cess and getting to represent our affiliate at Nationals and win NJSG Princess

Favorite quote: "If you can dream it, you can do it!"

Favorite Food: Fried Shrimp

Favorite Color: Pink

Favorite Movie: Annie

Favorite Song: Humble and Kind by Tim McGraw

Favorite Book: "So B It" by Sarah Weeks

Cool Talent: Creativity



### Getting to know Heather Stenson...

Name: Heather Stenson (Mid-Coast Jr. Queen)

Age: 17

Grade & School: 11th grade
Officer Position: Queen
Years in Mid-Coast: 4 years
Years Showing: 6 years

Favorite Moment in Mid-Coast: Being nominated for and elected Queen

Favorite Quote: "If you believe you can do it, you can."

Favorite Food: Mexican Favorite Color: Pink

Favorite Song: "Blue Ain't Your Color" Favorite Book: "The Fault in Our Stars"

Cool Talent: I play softball

## Mid-Coast Junior Report

**Trey Stegint**, the newly elected Mid-Coast Junior Secretary, gave the following update at the Mid-Coast annual meeting for the Junior activities. Trey was standing in for Emaline Robinson, Junior President, who was twirling at her high school football game.

During the Houston Junior Livestock Show, the juniors had a breakfast the morning of the show to recruit potential new members and allow everyone to get to know each other. Prior to the breakfast, the officers went throughout the stalls to encourage participation. There were many who attended and several joined Mid-Coast that day.

The Norval and Anna Sells Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Show was held on Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>. The previous day, Myers Cattle and Land Corporation hosted a field day at the ranch. There were numerous speakers on topics of interest to our Junior members, followed by a delicious meal. It was a great time of learning and bonding with all the junior members. We appreciate Mr. Carroll Myers and Mr. Billy Eubanks for their generous support!

Before the Junior Show, there was Cowboy Church, followed by a Junior meeting. New officers were elected. Emaline Robinson was re-elected as President. The Vice-President is Landon Stem. Trey Stegint is Secretary, and Co-Reporters are Parker Mason and Madison Moran. The newly elected Queen is Heather Stenson and Princess is Madison Moran. The National Show was discussed and a plan was made for stall decorations. Scholarships were awarded to Bayle Fisher, Kyle Burroughs, and Kaylee Enloe. Emaline Robinson was awarded the Charlie Wilson award.

There were 29 Junior Exhibitors who participated in the show. They exhibited 70+ head of cattle. Landon Stem exhibited the Grand Champion Purebred and Best of Polled, and Madisyn Raulston won Reserve Champion. Emaline Robinson had Grand Champion Star 5 and Kyle Burrough Reserve. Showmanship winners were Junior: Demi Harrington; Intermediate: Laura Zibilski; and Senior: Kaylee Leonard.

The next event in which the Juniors participated was the National Junior Santa Gertrudis Heifer Show held in Tampa, Florida, from June 19<sup>th</sup> through 24<sup>th</sup>. Mid-Coast had 26 juniors participate in the show, as well as in various events. These exhibitors brought 66 heifers. Mid-Coast placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in both the Scrapbook contest and the Herdsman contest. Mid-Coast was represented at all levels of the Brain Bowl contest, with the Senior team winning first place. Mid-Coast had several class winners, contest winners, and our own Madison Moran was elected National Princess.

Many of our junior members have also been busy with FFA. We had 3 junior members who were Texas FFA Foundation Ambassadors, an Area Officer, and many members who received their Lone Star Degree. We also had a State Proficiency winner. If I left anyone's FFA activity out, I'm sorry I missed you.

We want to thank all of the donors and bidders for our silent auction. Thanks to you, we raised almost \$5,000! We want to give a special thanks to Joe Fauth who donated, cooked, and served the barbeque at our fund-raising lunch after the Opportunity Sale.

We hope you will all support our efforts. Thank you again for your time and support of the junior members. We appreciate all you do for us!

For more Junior photos and information, check us out on the Mid-Coast website at midcoastsantagertrudis.com!!



## Graduating Seniors!!

The Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association scholarship application is now available on the Mid-Coast website at (midcoastsantagertrudis.com)!!

Start your application process now! Due April 1, 2017!!!

For information, call: Joe Fauth (281) 389-1852





## Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association

## 2017 Membership Application Form

(Renewal or New Member)

Due January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year

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April 1st

## **Coming Events**

<u>2017</u>

Visit us at: www.midcoastsantagertrudis.com

January 1st - tba - Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association Membership Due

March 10th - tba - Mid-Coast Santa Gertrudis Association Aisle Party and Super Sale

Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo facility in Houston, TX

March 11th - tba - Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Santa Gertrudis Show Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo facility in Houston, TX

Junior Scholarship Applications Due

**June 10 -17th** - tba - 2017 National Junior Santa Gertrudis Show

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