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This Lil’ Rustlers cowboy gets the ride of his life as a committee member simulates the movements of a bucking bull.

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The past three years have been an exciting time to be involved in the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo™. There have been many challenges, changes and milestones for our organization during this period.

To name just a few: building and opening new facilities (Reliant Center and Reliant Stadium); adding new parking lots, trams, and volunteers; restructuring and expanding committees; overhauling the budgeting process; restructuring the management and staff; changing the livestock show and auction schedules; launching the wine competition and auction; reaching $100 million in educational support; and raising scholarships from $10,000 to $12,000.

I congratulate and commend the Show’s volunteers, managers and staff, sponsors, donors, and customers for all that has been accomplished at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. I want to give special thanks to the volunteers. Without the many hours of hard work, personal sacrifice and financial support you have provided, the Show never would have become what it is today. I congratulate the newly elected officers, directors, and Executive Committee members, and committee chairmen appointed for the 2006 Show. I encourage them to continue on the path of success set for our great show, which is so important to the community in which we live and to agriculture in the state of Texas. Our continuing success will provide additional investments in young people and their education that will play an important role in the shaping of our nation’s future.

Judy and I have been privileged to serve as chairman of the board and first lady of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo for the last three years. It truly has been an honor to lead and serve an organization with such a storied past and shining future. Along the trail, we have made new friends, renewed old friendships and made lasting memories. I would like to thank all those involved in the Show for their support throughout the years. Judy and I will treasure the memories and friendships we have made throughout this journey and are looking forward to the years to come.

There is something about the Show that just seems to bring out the best in everyone. That will keep both Judy and me involved for many years to come. Happy trails, and we’ll see you as we get ready for the 2006 Show.

Best regards,

John O. Smith
Soul Diva and Pop Princess Battle for Attendance Record

The RODEOHOUSTON™ all-time paid attendance record was broken twice this year. First, the performance featuring Alicia Keys in concert set the paid rodeo attendance record on March 4, celebrating Black Heritage Day, with 72,065 people. Keys’ record broke Kenny Chesney’s 2004 record of 70,668. Then, just two nights later, 72,843 people packed Reliant Stadium to see RODEOHOUSTON with Hilary Duff in concert.

Jeff Foxworthy Gets the Message

“I gotta tell ya, you know, I’ve been doin’ this for 20 years and I’ve gotten to do a lot of cool stuff. Got to perform at the White House for a couple of presidents. Getting to do the Houston Rodeo is one of the coolest things in my life. It is! And, I salute the people here, ‘cause they do good stuff with it. All these scholarships that you guys set up. That is — that is so awesome! That you actually just extend a hand and help somebody else, and God bless you for doing that. And, I sure hope I get to come back here sometime,” said Foxworthy during his March 7, 2005, RODEOHOUSTON performance.

Fast Times at RODEOHOUSTON High!

The barrel racing record was tied once and broken three times this year. First, Kelly Kaminski of Bellville, Texas, received a time of 16.82 during the March 4 performance, tying Jimmy Kay Davis’ record of 16.82 set in 2004. Just minutes after Kaminski’s run, Melanie Southard of Scurry, Texas, beat that record with 16.80. Then, on March 9, Denise Adams Fea of Lufkin, Texas, sped through the stadium with a new record time of 16.77. Finally, Kaminski regained the record with a time of 16.52 on March 18.
Not Their First Rodeo!

A total of 474 contestants were invited to participate in RODEOHouston, competing for a share of $748,000 in prize money. RODEOHouston champions were:

- Tie-down Roping: Scott Kormos – Teague, Texas, $12,143;
- Team Roping: Jake Stanley – Hermiston, Ore., and Kirt Jones – Decatur, Texas, $5,014 each;
- Saddle Bronc Riding: Ira Slagowski – Plain City, Utah, $15,494.45;
- Steer Wrestling: Ronnie Fields – Oklahoma City, Okla., $11,830.15;
- Barrel Racing: Kelly Kaminski – Bellville, Texas, $17,373;
- Bull Riding: Jason McClain – Lewis, Colo., $16,848.80;

Collegiate Athletes at Their Best

For the first time, RODEOHouston hosted a Collegiate Championship Rodeo. Eighty-three athletes, from 23 colleges and universities in the Southern and Southwest National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association regions, met for action-packed competition. The college athletes vied for individual and school scholarship monies. The High Point School (overall team) was Tarleton State University, which received an additional $5,000 scholarship.

Armed Forces Salute

On March 3, 2005, the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo saluted the men and women of the U.S. armed forces. The Show grounds showcased an array of equipment, and at the RODEOHouston performance, a “Future Soldiers Ceremony” was held, where eight new inductees from each of six reserve services were sworn in from the floor of Reliant Stadium. After action-packed rodeo, Neal McCoy, the Charlie Daniels Band and Lee Greenwood entertained the crowd. All Reliant Stadium activities were aired on the American Forces Radio and Television Service for the men and women stationed around the world to enjoy.

2005 Show Facts

- 1,740,095 visitors walked through the gates at Reliant Park for all Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo activities.
- Rodeo paid attendance topped 1 million for the 11th consecutive year, for a total of 1,127,239 fans.
- 140,036 people visited the World’s Championship Bar-B-Que Contest.
- This year’s livestock competitions and horse shows boasted 31,720 entries.
- The Show hosted 1,738 international guests from 52 countries.
His hands flying in the air, Eric gripped the reins on the rowdy bronc and held on tightly. The whistle sounded, and a Texas-sized smile adorned his face as this cowboy realized he rode the bucking horse for all eight seconds. The crowd roared in applause as the heart of one little rodeo champion was shining bright enough to light up the colossal Reliant Stadium.

But this wasn’t just any rodeo champ. Nine-year-old Eric was one of 122 children participating in the 2005 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo™ Lil’ Rustlers Rodeo, which gives youngsters with special needs the opportunity to participate in rodeo action.

By Teresa Ehrman
In simulated events, children with a wide range of physical and mental disabilities, ranging from cerebral palsy to hearing loss, get to experience the exhilaration of the West’s oldest sport — from riding a bucking bronc to maneuvering a barrel racing course, or hanging on for a wild bull ride.

The “bulls” and “brons” were created using saw horses, several bales of hay and specially designed papier-mâché animal heads. Volunteers on the Show’s Special Children’s Committee simulate bucking action by rocking the “rodeo stock” back and forth. Volunteers also help each child run a barrel racing course using stick horses.

“The concept may sound simple, but when these kids grab a rope and start riding the bronc or the bull, they come alive in a way that’s difficult to describe,” said Brenda Short, chairman of the Special Children’s Committee.

In addition to the rodeo events, children also have the opportunity to ride a real horse and pet a baby calf and a baby goat. Frank and Michael, 6-year-olds from Houston, both enjoyed their turns at bull riding, but Frank said, “I really, really loved riding on the big horse.” Michael added, “The horse was big and soft, and he was really nice and fun to ride.”

Each participant is assigned a cowboy partner who personally takes a child through each of the events. These volunteers range from RODEOHOUSTON™ contestants and clowns from the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association and Women’s Professional Rodeo Association to show dignitaries and corporate representatives. For the past four years, the members of the elite Texas Rangers also have volunteered their time. Texas Ranger Captain Randy Prince traveled from Austin to participate for a second year. “In law enforcement, you are constantly dealing with negativity,” he said. “This event does your heart good, and it is a humbling experience just to be involved.”

The Lil’ Rustlers were treated to a special star volunteer in 2005, when entertainer Hilary Duff made a surprise visit to the group as she greeted, hugged and had her photograph taken with most of the children.

Eric, Frank and Michael are just three of the hundreds of children who have enjoyed this unique experience since the Lil’ Rustlers Rodeo was first held on the Reliant Astrodome floor in 2000. It was established under the leadership of Gregg Raymond, then-chairman of the Special Children’s Committee, after the PRCA-sanctioned Exceptional Rodeo ended its 14-year run at the Show. Raymond spearheaded efforts to organize and develop the same type of experience for special-needs youth that would be run completely by the committee.

Since then, the committee has grown, and currently more than 140 volunteers work for months prior to the Show planning the event. Committee members meet with numerous special-needs support agencies and schools — such as the Richmond State School, Down Syndrome Association of Houston and Texas Children’s Cancer Center — inviting them to attend the upcoming Show as guests. Participants ultimately are selected by officials and teachers at the respective agency or school.

The Lil’ Rustlers Rodeo is held three times during the run of the Show, and, said Short, “Each time there is a new group of young children that touches your heart in a new way.”

Following their 30-minute stint in the arena, all participants receive a T-shirt, bandana, belt buckle and trophy presented by one of the RODEOHOUSTON™ announcers. But, the best souvenir of all — clearly seen on the faces of numerous kids and their parents — is the incredible experience and memory of hanging out with their cowboy partner and participating in the world’s biggest rodeo.

“This is just amazing,” said Teresa Cashion, mother of Neal, a 7-year-old participant from Sugar Land, Texas. “He thinks he is a real rodeo contestant, and he is having the time of his life.”

While it is obvious the children are enjoying the incredible experience, the hundreds of men and women it takes to run the event are noticeably touched as well. “It’s almost impossible to watch these kids and not get choked up,” said Dave Smith, a Show vice president and officer in charge of the Special Children’s Committee. “When you realize they are doing something they would otherwise never have the opportunity to do, it’s absolutely overwhelming.”

One of the best benefits of the Lil’ Rustlers Rodeo is that it is not about the children’s problems or the challenges they and their families face because of the disability. “It is about just them as people and their pure enjoyment of being part of something fun,” said Kathleen Herd, committee vice chairman.

By all accounts, the Lil’ Rustlers Rodeo is undoubtedly the embodiment of the Show’s goal: “Benefiting Youth — Supporting Education.” It is evident that supporting young people can be accomplished in many rewarding ways, and, in this case, it is not just the young participants who are benefiting and learning.

“This organization is all about helping all kids — not just kids who are exhibiting livestock,” said John O. Smith, the Show’s chairman of the board. “These children don’t often get the chance to feel like a winner. This event gives these extraordinary kids an opportunity to really be one.”
On Dec. 6, 2004, P. Michael Wells, president and chief executive officer of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo™, and John O. Smith, Show chairman of the board, accepted the Charles Goodnight Award on behalf of the Show.

The Charles Goodnight Award is given annually to the man, woman or organization that best upholds the traditions of the West. “The award originated to honor people who have helped strengthen and promote the work ethic and values of the West,” said Richard Connor, chairman of the Charles Goodnight Gala. “The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo was chosen because of its longevity and dedication supporting Western ways, especially through its incredible scholarship program.”

Previous winners include former Texas Governor Dolph Briscoe Jr.; the late John S. Justin Jr., former chairman of the Justin Boot Company; W.R. “Billy Bob” Watt, former president of the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show and member of the PRCA’s ProRodeo Hall of Fame; and his son, W.R. “Bob” Watt Jr., general manager of the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show. The King Ranch and the Waggoner Ranch also have received the celebrated Charles Goodnight Award.

Recognized as the greatest cattleman and trailblazer of the 19th century, Charles Goodnight was born in Illinois in 1836. He moved with his family to Milam County, Texas, as a young child. He entered the cattle industry at age 20, and joined the Texas Rangers in 1857. Goodnight served during the Civil War, protecting settlers in the Lone Star State from Indians and bandits. After the war, he began a cattle drive across Texas to profitable markets in New Mexico and Colorado. In his first attempt, Goodnight met failure as Indians stole his herd. However, in 1866, Goodnight, who had vast knowledge about the Texas terrain, joined with Oliver Loving, an experienced trail driver. They set out from Belknap, Texas, with their eye on Fort Sumner, N.M. This route later became known as the Goodnight-Loving Trail because of their success on this trail through the years. Their experiences driving cattle through dangerous terrain to New Mexico, and later to Wyoming and Colorado, inspired Larry McMurtry to write his award-winning novel, “Lonesome Dove.”

Goodnight’s achievement in the cattle business and his ability to overcome the hardships of frontier life continue to inspire young cattlemen today. His reputation as a fierce Indian fighter and protector of Texas land and cattle is legendary. Because of his perseverance as a cattle baron, recipients of the Charles Goodnight Award all have been dedicated to the horse and cattle industries.

“It is a great honor for the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo to be recognized for the history and tradition of the Show in a city [Fort Worth] that is noted for its Western heritage and renowned rodeo and livestock show,” said Wells. The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo shares Goodnight’s unrelenting commitment to the traditions of Texas and the advancement of Western lifestyles.

The 14th Annual Charles Goodnight Gala was held at the Renaissance Worthington Hotel in Fort Worth, Texas. Proceeds from the Gala benefited the Texas Christian University Ranch Management Program, the National Cowgirl Museum and Hall of Fame, and the Cattle Raisers Museum™. Guests enjoyed entertainment by country music sensation Travis Tritt, who has performed three times at RODEOHOUSTON™.
The future looks bright for the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo™, thanks in part to the sound leadership of John O. Smith, outgoing chairman of the board. During his three-year tenure, Smith ushered in the inaugural year in Reliant Stadium and Reliant Center, the beginning of a new era in a new home. His term has been filled with many challenges leading to even more successes. Drawing on his extensive experience from years of service to the Show, as well as his executive business experience, Smith met the opportunity head on with confidence, dedication and determination to get the job done.

Smith first was introduced to the Show during his college days at The University of Texas at Austin in the late 1960s. After moving to Houston in 1972, he joined the Show as a volunteer on the Parade and Calf Scramble committees and became a life member. He served as the chairman of the Parade Committee and as general chairman of the Corral Club Committee. In 1985, Smith was elected to the Show’s board of directors, and, from 1988 to 1990, he served as a Show vice president. In 1990, he was elected to the Executive Committee.

Smith began his business career in the oil industry working for numerous companies, including Mobil Oil Corporation, Inexco Oil Company, Tomlinson Interests, Inc., Longhorn Oil and Gas Company, and Zydeco Energy, Inc. He formed his first company, JOS Energy Corporation, in 1983. He since has added John O. Smith Consulting Services, Relocation Innovations and CH4 Trading LLC. His other business interests include commercial real estate investments and ranching.

A strong belief in community service rounds out this exceptional leader. He previously served on the board of directors for the Rodeo Institute for Teacher Excellence™, a nationally recognized program helping teachers improve the reading skills of students. He also served for five years as a board member on the Harris County-Houston Sports Authority during the construction of Enron Field (now Minute Maid Park), Reliant Stadium and Toyota Center. Smith has been a working Rodeo volunteer for 33 years and has savored every minute of it.

Volunteering for the Show is definitely a family affair. His wife, Judy, has served on the Ladies’ Go Texan and Quarter Horse committees and is a current member of the International Committee. John and Judy have two sons, Hunter and Ryan, who are both life members of the Show. Ryan is currently a volunteer on the Agricultural Mechanics Committee.

The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo is bigger, better and stronger than ever, thanks to John O. Smith’s three years of guidance and professionalism. He has much to reflect upon and be proud of — in 2003, the first year in the new Reliant Park, the Show set attendance records as well as junior auction records. In 2004, the now growing and popular Wine Competition and Auction were introduced. In 2005, the Show reached the milestone of $100 million in scholarship commitments since 1957, and individual scholarships were raised from $10,000 to $12,000. He was the right person to lead the organization during a crucial time in the Show’s history.
Having a 43-year association with the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo™, John D. Ellis Jr. is an example of how to meld a professional career with giving back to the community. After completion of his education and 10-year service with the Regular U.S. Army, Ellis returned to Houston to a private law practice. Public service is an important aspect of his life, and the Show has been a grateful beneficiary of his endeavors.

Over the years, Ellis’ Show experience has included service with the Corral Club, World’s Championship Bar-B-Que, Steer Auction and Poultry Auction committees, as well as the International Committee, where he served as chairman. Ellis was elected to the Show’s board of directors in 1992. He has served as officer in charge for the Events & Functions, GALLOP, Health, International and Steer Auction committees.

Reflecting on his term, Ellis said, “As a vice president, I have thoroughly enjoyed visiting personally with the Show’s scholarship winners, realizing the tremendous impact our financial assistance has had on their careers. I also have had the benefit of seeing firsthand some examples of leadership and experiencing the impressive effort expended by the volunteers to bring our Show to fruition each year. I have been honored to serve.”

Wanting to socialize with a friend in a committeeman’s Corral Club, James Mushinski joined the Show in 1976 and vowed to volunteer as a committeeman. Mushinski joined the Group Ticket Sales Committee in 1983 and began an active career with the Corral Club committees the following year. He said, “The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo made me aware that the funds invested in the scholarship recipients structure the future of Texas — getting involved, supporting hardworking volunteers and enjoying the fellowship creates the Show’s family.”

Mushinski progressed through the Corral Club ranks, serving in various leadership positions, including general chairman, and, ultimately, officer in charge. In 1999, he was elected to the Show’s board of directors. His wife, Jeanette, is a member of the Rodeo Express Committee. Their three children, Jennifer, Jessica and Jason, all are graduates of Texas A&M University.

Summing up his three decades of Show involvement, Mushinski said, “Jeanette and I have been fortunate to have attended rodeos all over the U.S. and Canada, but nothing matches the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. The Show’s exposure, what we do for the students of Texas — it is a class
act. Giving out $12,000 per scholarship — it’s amazing. Each scholarship winner is excited and ready to discuss how the Show has changed their lives. That alone has made an impact on my life.”

**Allen Owen**

As his final year as a Show vice president was drawing to an end, W. Allen Owen said, “It’s been a great ride and thrill for me. For the past three years, a plaque has hung by my back door that I look at every day. The Speakers Committee gave it to me when I became their officer in charge. I think it says it all, though: ‘Here’s the reins, you ride this outlaw.’”

Owen became a member of the Show in 1973 as a life member. He thanks his wife, Jane, and his children Marcus, Tim, who currently serves on the Calf Scramble Committee, and Melissa, extending credit to them for his success with the Show. He also acknowledges the continued support of his fellow committee volunteers who have worked alongside him all these years.

Over the years, Owen served as a volunteer on each of the Calf Scramble committees. He was a vice chairman of the Calf Scramble Arena and Calf Scramble Donors committees, as well as chairman of the Calf Scramble Greeters Committee. As an officer in charge, Owen was responsible for the three Calf Scramble committees along with the Black Heritage and Speakers committees.

Owen’s leadership skills can be summed up with the thought, “You can’t spell success without ‘U,’” and he plans to continue his involvement with the Show.

**Chris Richardson**

A spectator transformed into a volunteer, Chris Richardson spoke of a significant Show event for him and his wife. “It’s been 31 years since Anne and I attended our first Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo performance, seeing Elvis Presley. And, through all the years working on various committees, we have become continually more confident that our family of volunteers as a whole is doing a yeoman’s job in moving our city, counties, our state and our nation in a positive direction.”

Richardson became a life member in 1982, and over the years has served on the Poultry Auction, Sky Box Sales, Cutting Horse, Horse Show – Miniature Horse and Agricultural Mechanics committees. He was elected to the Show’s board of directors in 1986. For the past three years, he was officer in charge of the Grand Entry, Lamb and Goat Auction, Sheep and Goat, Transportation and Veterinarian committees.

His wife, Anne, is a vice chairman of the Ladies’ Season Box Committee. They have three children: Christian, who is a member of the Ladies’ Season Box Committee, Henry and Leslie.

Having seen the many changes since the era of the Reliant Astrodome, as an outgoing Show vice president Richardson is content to reflect, “It’s been very enjoyable to watch the Show move forward in a new and exciting era, as we’ve matured into Reliant Park facilities over the last three years.”

**William A. “Bill” Yates**

As a Show vice president responsible for the Breeders Greeters, Commercial Exhibits, Graphics and Signage, Magazine, Rodeo Express, and Rodeo Merchandise committees, William A. “Bill” Yates has traveled a long road since the days when Gene Autry, Roy Rogers and Dale Evans, and the Cartwright clan from “Bonanza” performed at the Houston Fat Stock Show. He said, “The Show is not just the exhibits, auctions, rodeo performances and entertainment. It is working with the Executive Committee, the staff and the committee volunteers who provide their time, talent and treasure to make the Show a success.”

A member of the Show since 1984, Yates joined the Commercial Exhibits Committee, eventually advancing to the position of chairman. During his service as a committee volunteer and officer in charge, Yates said, “It is a pleasure to be involved with the young men and women who receive the proceeds from the Show. They are the future of this country. Meeting them and hearing how the Show affected their lives is very emotional and heart warming.”

Soon after his 2002 election as a Show vice president, Yates retired from United Rentals Highway Technologies in order to focus on his commitment to the Show. In anticipation of being “retired” once again, Bill looks forward to spending time with his wife, Kathleen, and their children, Emily and Marci, and enjoying their grandchildren at home, in Galveston and at the family’s South Texas ranch.
Junior auctions are an exciting time for the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo™. They mark the end of an accumulation of months of preparation on the part of exhibitors and their families. Houstonians and other Texans gather and fill the Reliant Arena Sales Pavilion, vying for the top bid. Excitement continues to build with each rap of the auctioneer’s gavel, and the bid increasingly grows. Anticipation begins to swell in the hearts of the young exhibitors as they parade their prize-winning animal or work of art in the arena. Finally, “Sold!” is heard from the auctioneer, and the roar of applause fills the room.

At noon on auction days, the Sales Pavilion fills with expectation as to who will cast the winning bid at each junior auction: barrow, lamb and goat, poultry (turkeys and broilers), steer, and school art. Some sales bring in record prices, and all bring in exceptional bids, as individuals, businesses, foundations and buying groups all support the young exhibitors and the Show’s educational endeavors.

The proceeds directly benefit the exhibitors, plus they benefit students across Texas through the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Educational Fund. The Show places a maximum on the amount of money an exhibitor can receive for his or her animal or art, and any money in excess of these limits is placed in the Educational Fund. While this does not affect how much buyers may bid, it increases the number of youngsters who benefit, while sending the lucky exhibitor home with a substantial nest egg.

The Show implemented its guaranteed premium program in 1994. Through this program, all exhibitors of ribbon-winning, junior market animals, and auction-level winning art, are guaranteed a minimum amount.

### 2005 Grand Champion Junior Market Barrow
**Crossbred Barrow**
Exhibitor: Saryn Nicole Duelm, Marion FFA
**Price:** $160,000 (record)
Buyers: Sharon and Lynn Garner, Bill and Carol Lawler, Mary and Mike McKinney, and Dennis Steger

### 2005 Reserve Grand Champion Junior Market Barrow
**Crossbred Barrow**
Exhibitor: Kelyn C. Mock, Hays County 4-H
**Price:** $110,000 (record)
Buyers: The Henry Broesche Family, Joe Grealish and Lucky Long of Alamo Title Co.

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2005 Junior Market Lamb and Goat Auction Champion Buyers

2005 Grand Champion Junior Market Lamb
Medium Wool Lamb
Exhibitor: Tory A. Patton, Swisher County 4-H
Price: $121,000
Buyers: Jeni and Chris De La Mora, Marc Palmer, Steve and Bonnie Palmer, and Reagan and Susie Sirmons

2005 Reserve Grand Champion Junior Market Lamb
Medium Wool Lamb
Exhibitor: Joslyn Kotzur, Wilson County 4-H
Price: $90,000
Buyers: Terry and Renee Brown, Kelley and Courtney Chisholm, Gretchen and Alan Hilyard, and Andy McLeod

2005 Grand Champion Junior Market Goat
Light Heavyweight
Exhibitor: Bonnie Wallace, Lampasas County 4-H
Price: $101,000 (record)
Buyers: Lance M. Heacock, Jim and Angie Schwartz, Patsy and Wayne Turner, and James A. Winne III

2005 Reserve Grand Champion Junior Market Goat
Lightweight
Exhibitor: Kelbie Renfroe, Crockett County 4-H
Price: $63,000 (record)
Buyers: Lance M. Heacock, Robert and Roy Marsh, Cookie Michael and The KCEF Foundation, and Robert and Erin Steele

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2005 Junior Market Poultry Auction Champion Buyers

2005 Grand Champion Pen of Broilers
Exhibitor: Taylor Camille Kookien, New Waverly FFA
Price: $120,000
Buyers: David and B.J. Boothe, Robin Young-Ellis and Joseph Ellis, Greg Miller, and Robert and Erin Steele

2005 Reserve Grand Champion Pen of Broilers
Exhibitor: Kaleb Matocha, Fayette County 4-H
Price: $80,000
Buyers: Chad Clay, Lynn Garner, Roy Marsh and Chuck Watson

2005 Grand Champion Turkey
Exhibitor: Hailey Hibler, Burnet County 4-H
Price: $110,000

2005 Reserve Grand Champion Turkey
Exhibitor: Kortni Richter, La Vernia FFA
Price: $55,000
Buyers: Bubba and Kelly Beasley, Dr. Barry Heaton, Jeff and Karen Lewis, and Joe and Elizabeth Van Matre
2005 Grand Champion Junior Market Steer
All Other Breeds
Exhibitor: Dakota Newman, Martin County 4-H
Price: $340,000
Buyer: Tilman and Paige Fertitta

2005 Reserve Grand Champion Junior Market Steer
All Other Breeds
Exhibitor: Kaycie Carter, Caney Creek FFA
Price: $250,000
Buyers: Tom, Bob and Vicky Davis, Ed Lester of Stewart Title, Willis Marburger, Robert and Roy Marsh of Everyones Internet, and the PSH Foundation

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Reserve Champion Limousin
Sadie Ellen Thomas
Royse City FFA
Key Maps Inc., J. Stewart Rau and Darryl W. Traweek
$23,000

Reserve Champion Maine-Anjou
Weston Ratham Warnock
Bastrop FFA
David and B.J. Boothe, Darrel N. Hartman, Barry Smotherman, and Joe Spilman
$23,000

Reserve Champion Polled Hereford
Harrison Lee Faust
Brazos County 4-H
Connard Edwin Barker
$23,000

Reserve Champion Red Angus
Tandi Sizemore
Williamson County 4-H
Barrier Equipment Company Inc
$21,000

Reserve Champion Santa Gertrudis
Scott Pasket
Anderson FFA
Dennis Hughes, Betty T. Johnston, Bobby Reynolds and Deborah Diane Scott
$22,000

Reserve Champion Shorthorn
Phillip Scott Kahlisch
Deaf Smith County 4-H
Thomas Keefe, Parkcrest Builders, Jay Howard Stewart and Adam F. Suhr
$21,000

Reserve Champion Simbrah
Justin Robert Hoelscher
Runnels County 4-H
Key Maps Inc., L.I.P.S., Darryl W. Traweek, and Robin Young-Ellis and Joe Ellis
$21,000

Reserve Champion Simmental
Loren Rees
Nolan County 4-H
Rhonda Pruitt Muirhead
$21,000

Reserve Champion American Breed and Crossbred
Pake Jones
Garza County 4-H
Delette & Touche and Stewart Title Company
$22,000

2005 School Art Auction Champion Buyers

2005 Grand Champion Work of Art
Colored Drawing – “Chaps and Charm”
Exhibitor: Derek Kocich, Lamar CISD
Price: $160,000 (record)
Buyers: Tom and Mimi Dompier, Kathy and Courtney Somerville, Jerrol and Pam Springer, and Joe and Elizabeth Van Matre

2005 Reserve Grand Champion Work of Art
Painting – “Howdy!”
Exhibitor: Clayton Bowen, Rice CISD
Price: $91,000 (record)
Buyers: Gary and Cheryl Deitcher, Frank and Betty DiMaria, Robin Young-Ellis and Joe Ellis, and Dick and Rose Scott

Place  Exhibitor  Buyer  Price
Class Champion Colored Drawing - “On the Prowl”  Alexandra Egan
Katy ISD  Corral Club Cherubs and Hold ‘em and Hit ‘em Club  $37,000

Class Champion Mixed Medium - “Sweet Pea”  Jessica Widener
Klein ISD  Hearts for Arts  $30,000

Class Champion Monochromatic - “Are You Ready Yet?”  Whitney Pryor
Sealy ISD  J. Pleas and Joan Doyle, Darrell and Lynda Hartman, Wayne and Patsy Turner, and Betty Wiseman  $32,000

Class Champion Painting - “All You Can Eat Buffett”  Rachel Cunningham
Humble ISD  Corral Club Cherubs and Hold ‘em and Hit ‘em Club  $27,000

Class Champion Sculpture - “Prayer Of The Last Chief”  Austin Merritt
Dickinson ISD  Wayne and Patsy Turner  $26,000

Reserve Class Champion Colored Drawing - “Wise Man Still Seek Him”  Daniel Borman
Spring ISD  Art on the Walls  $27,000

Reserve Class Champion Mixed Medium - “Morning Awakening”  Logan Davis
Caldwell ISD  Anne G. Conner, Marilyn DeMontrond, Betty Ann Graves and Angela M. Montalbano  $24,000

Reserve Class Champion Monochromatic - “The Cuttin’ Floor”  Andrew Matej
Lamar CISD  Robin Young-Ellis and Joe Ellis, and Cathy M. Leonard  $37,000

Reserve Class Champion Painting - “Days End”  Wes Wooddell
Goose Creek ISD  Sweet Arts  $33,000

Reserve Class Champion Sculpture - “Still Life”  Karl Soehnge
Yoakum ISD  David and B.J. Boothe, John T. and Judy Cook, Todd Zucker and Linda Schmuck, and Larry and Darlene Walters of Atlantis Plastics Company  $22,000
The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Wine Auction proved once again to be a grand success. The 2005 International Wine Competition had 1,205 entries from more than 300 wineries. The champion wines brought in $502,300 at the Wine Auction.

### 2005 Grand Champion Best of Show
**Wine:** Santa Maria Valley Pinot Noir 2003  
*Exhibitor:* Hangtime Cellars – Costa Mesa, Calif.  
**Price:** $90,000 (record)  
*Buyer:* Tilman J. Fertitta, Robert Finger, Robert Marsh and Roy Marsh

### 2005 Reserve Grand Champion Best of Show
**Wine:** Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon 2001  
*Exhibitor:* Columbia Crest – Paterson, Wash.  
**Price:** $40,000 (record)  
*Buyers:* Tilman J. Fertitta, Robert Finger, Robert Marsh and Roy Marsh

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**Place(s)/Auction Grouping** | **Exhibitor** | **Buyer** | **Price**
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Best All-Around Winery | Rosenmount | Jesse R. Marion | $23,000
Best Texas Wine Johannisberg Riesling 2003 | Messina Hof Winery | Charles E. Simmons | $28,000
Best Value Wine Chenin Blanc 2002 | Snoqualmie | Don Buckalew and Paul and Kathy Somerville | $21,000
Champion Chardonnay under $14 Reserve Champion Chardonnay under $14 | Fetzer Rodney Strong Vineyards | Red Griffin, Linda Schmuck, Hugh Dennis Steger and Todd Zucker | $12,000
Champion Chardonnay over $14 Reserve Champion Chardonnay over $14 | Wente Family Estates Geyser Peak Winery | Barrier Equipment Company, Inc., M. David Boothe, Max C. Butler and Robert Charles Hux | $10,000
Champion Sauvignon Blanc and SB-Dominant Blends 2003 and younger Reserve Champion Sauvignon Blanc and SB-Dominant Blends 2003 and younger | Goldwater Estates Nobilo | Maureen Singleton | $10,000
Champion Sauvignon Blanc and SB-Dominant Blends 2002 and older Reserve Champion Sauvignon Blanc and SB-Dominant Blends 2002 and older | Amusant Wines Llc. Robert Mondavi Winery | James E. Parish and Joe Van Matre | $7,000
Champion Pinot Gris and Pinot Grigio Reserve Champion Pinot Gris and Pinot Grigio | Montevina King Estate Winery | Richard Brian Butler, Misty Sharee Crawford, Rick Goulding, and Darrell and Lynda Hartman | $5,000
Texas Reserve Champion Dry Riesling (RS 1.0 or lower) | Bell Mountain Vineyards | Judy P. Smith | $3,500
Texas Reserve Champion Dry Riesling (RS 1.0 or lower) | Gray Monk Estate Winery & Vineyards | J. Virgil Waggoner | $4,000
Champion Gewurztraminer Reserve Champion Gewurztraminer | Alexander Valley Vineyards Fetzer | Kingwood Pest and Termite Company | $3,500
Champion Viognier Reserve Champion Viognier | Smoking Loon Delicato Family Vineyards | Chris Richardson | $2,500
Champion Other Dry White Reserve Champion Other Dry White | St. James Winery St. James Winery | David Montz | $2,500
Texas Champion Other Sweet White Texas Reserve Champion Other Sweet White | Flat Creek Estate Bell Mountain Vineyards | Shane Berry of UBS Financial Services | $3,500
Champion Other Sweet White Reserve Champion Other Sweet White | Geyser Peak Winery Robert Mondavi Winery | Perry M. Waughtal | $5,000
Champion White Zinfandel and Sweet Rosé (RS 1.5 or greater) Reserve Champion White Zinfandel and Sweet Rosé (RS 1.5 or greater) | Timberwood Barefoot | Boyer Inc. | $2,800
Champion Cabernet Sauvignon under $15 Reserve Champion Cabernet Sauvignon under $15 Pavilion Winery | Wynns | Todd Zucker | $8,500
Texas Champion Cabernet Sauvignon between $15 and $30 Reserve Champion Cabernet Sauvignon between $15 and $30 | Flat Creek Estate Barnwood | Patrick Mannick | $3,500

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2003 4-H Scholarship

Sarah Schwab, a 2003 4-H Scholarship recipient, is a sophomore at Texas Tech University, where she is studying apparel design and retailing. Born and raised in Pampa, Texas, Schwab became interested in sewing through her membership in the local 4-H club, where she served as a team leader and officer at the district and county levels. Elected to four honor societies at Texas Tech University, she actively participates in community service projects and is the fund-raising chairman for the Hi-Tech Fashion Group. In addition, Schwab still finds time to speak to children at workshops planned through her county extension agent.

Renae M. Garrison
2004 4-H Scholarship

Renae Garrison, a 2004 4-H Scholarship recipient, turned her love of showing Limousin cattle into a vehicle for furthering her education. Encouraged by her father, a previous Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo™ calf scramble winner, Garrison began showing cattle, pigs and rabbits at the age of 8, with the hope of one day winning a division championship and scholarship. She is passing along her dream to younger brother, Ryan, who caught a calf in the 2005 calf scramble at Rodeo-Houston.

A native of Waskom, Texas, Garrison is a freshman at Stephen F. Austin State University, majoring in business management with a minor in marketing. She plans to pursue a career in either real estate or the pharmaceutical industry.

Amanda Jean Mitchell
2004 Metropolitan Scholarship

Amanda Mitchell is making the most of the Metropolitan Scholarship she received in 2004. Accepted into the University Scholars program at Baylor University, she was elected secretary/treasurer of her freshman class and also is active on the Academic Affairs Committee, where she serves on the Student Activities Council.

A native of Splendora, Texas, Mitchell was valedictorian of her high school class and graduated with a 6.4 grade-point average while also obtaining an associate’s degree from Kingwood College. Her major area of concentration at Baylor is Middle East foreign policy, and she hopes to work for the U.S. State Department after completing her education. She plans to pursue a joint degree in foreign affairs from Harvard Law School and Oxford University following graduation from Baylor.

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Watch for Show scholarship recipients to be profiled in each issue of The Magazine.
The most visible aspects of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo™ might occur at Reliant Park, but the Show's educational impact extends throughout the Lone Star State. This is due in no small part to the efforts of the Area Go Texan Committee. Its more than 550 members combine their time and talents to promote Show activities in 60 counties outside the Show's Houston Metropolitan Area and to provide scholarship opportunities to students residing in those counties.

The Area Go Texan program developed when Show leaders sought to expand the Show's boundaries beyond Houston. Starting in the 1960s, Don Buckalew, now a member of the Show's Executive Committee, and Constable Bill Bailey, J.C. Burnham, John Montalbano and, later, Greg Schroder, all Show lifetime vice presidents, along with numerous other individuals, solicited involvement for the Area Go Texan team effort. The development of county committees began a landslide of activity, enabling more Texas students to attend college with the Show's support.

Each of the 60 Area Go Texan counties is represented by a subcommittee that serves as a catalyst to generate enthusiasm for the Show. Working under the leadership of their county ambassadors, subcommittee volunteers exemplify a self-driven spirit dedicated to the educational goals of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. Volunteers spread the word about the Show to Texas residents as far away as Nueces County through local Go Texan events, speaking engagements and guest appearances, and by soliciting coverage in local media and publications. Beginning in the early fall of each year, the committee volunteers assist with disseminating applications for Area Go Texan scholarships.

According to Committee Chairman Tony Spears, “It’s the people — the volunteers working in the countryside trenches of Texas — the work ethic, and enthusiasm that keep the folks, the kids and their animals returning to Houston. It brings the rural feeling back to the big city Rodeo.”

As part of the Area Go Texan Committee’s activities, participating counties assemble teams to compete in the World’s Championship Bar-B-Que Contest and other activities. They begin testing and honing their skills months in advance, hoping to take home one of the big prizes. During the three-day competition, men, women and youngsters compete in Go Texan activities. The competition is stiff, but the rewards are significant. Scholarship awards, ranging from $6,000 to $12,000, are presented at the Area Go Texan Scholarship Banquet, honoring the recipients and their families. Additionally, fundraising events held within each county, such as chili cook-offs, spaghetti suppers, carnivals, dances, auctions and other activities, increase opportunities for deserving students.

According to Greg Willbanks, a Show vice president and officer in charge of the committee, “It’s always about the kids and their education, and reaching into hearts throughout Texas for generations to come.” Statistics reveal that greater awareness of the Show involvement within the individual counties generates a tremendous increase in scholarship applications, local enthusiasm and financial support, as well as increased attendance at the RODEO-HOUSTON™ performances.

The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo continues to stampede across the Lone Star State, assisted greatly by the outlying herd of volunteers who are increasing, through the Area Go Texan Committee, the number of funded students in Texas colleges and universities.
In 1967, then-Show President Louis M. Pearce Jr. had an idea about involving more commercial cattle raisers in the expanding Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo™. He approached Lifetime Vice President J.D. Sartwelle Sr., son of one of the Show’s founders, and then-Show Assistant General Manager Don Jobes about ways of promoting top-quality cattle for the commercial cattle industry. Thus, the Range Bull and Heifer Committee was born.

Some four decades later, the All Breeds Livestock Sales Committee continues that mission and oversees the range bull and commercial female sales at the Show. While committee members are exceptionally busy during the Show, their duties begin many months before any actual sales event. The sales manager and members of the committee visit numerous ranches to screen potential cattle or consignments by looking for breed character, structural soundness, uniformity and quality. They review what breed types are doing well in the current livestock market and select consignments to reflect it.

Thousands of cattle arrive during the Show to be judged and graded. Approximately 140 bulls, representing nearly a dozen different breeds, and 650 commercial heifers, are then sold in two commercial sales. These cattle are shipped to ranches scattered throughout the United States, as well as to other countries.

Cattle sales at the Houston Livestock Show™ have earned a reputation for being among the best for both the buyer and seller. “One of the things that helps our auction is the way our committee makes our consignors and our buyers feel welcome here in Houston,” said Jack Heard Jr., a Show vice president and officer in charge of the committee. “We try to make it easy for the buyers and sellers to get in and out of the grounds, to come and enjoy their time here, as well as experience some of the other venues here at the Show.”

Many of the 115 committee members are directly involved in the cattle industry. Committee Chairman Tucker Blair said, “Our committee members, including some original members, can be found living as far south as Raymondville, west in San Antonio, north in Fort Worth, and east in Beaumont. It just shows their appreciation for this committee, the cattle and for the buyers and sellers they serve.”

Through the years, the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo has stayed true to its agricultural mission, and the All Breeds Livestock Sales Committee has provided superb service for more than 38 years. It is a proud tradition that speaks volumes about the people involved; for Texans everywhere, it is a symbol of the rich heritage that showcases Houston at its Western best.
By Marshall Smith III

Mike Arterburn — Corral Club – Stockman’s Club

In 1987, Mike Arterburn joined the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo™ and began volunteering for the Corral Club committees. He served two years on the Main Club and transferred to the Stockman’s Club in 1986, the year it was formed. Mike’s wife, Debbie, has been a member of the Communications – Editorial Committee for 16 years. They have one son, Michael. Mike owns Utility Tax Service, LLC and is a tax assessor-collector for municipal utility districts. He enjoys saltwater fishing.

Warren Davis — Commercial Exhibits

Warren Davis joined the Show as a life member in 1989 and became involved in the Commercial Exhibits Committee. He served in several positions before becoming chairman. His wife, Cindy, has been a volunteer on the Health Committee since 1987. They have two sons, Trey and Spencer. Warren serves as vice president of operations at Confederate Steel. He enjoys water sports and being a grandfather.

Deborah Hettenbach — Corral Club – Special Services

In 1991, Deborah Hettenbach joined the Show and the Corral Club Committee, the first year women began volunteering for the Corral Club committees. She has served on the Loge and Chute Club committees, and the Graphics and Signage Committee. Her husband, Gary, is chairman of Corral Club – Division I. Her daughter, Dawn Basden, volunteers on Corral Club committees as well. Deborah is a staff accountant for Knight, Till & Jones, LLP. She enjoys sailing, reading, crafting, traveling and spending time with her grandsons.

Al Mahaltic — Junior Commercial Steer Feeding & Management

In 1982, Al Mahaltic became a life member, and in 1985, he joined the Junior Commercial Steer Feeding & Management Committee. As a youth, he was a contestant in the Show’s Junior Commercial Steer program, which he won in 1976 and 1977. He and his wife, Janet, have been married for 23 years and have three children, Amber, Chad and Kari Beth, all of whom have shown steers in the Houston Livestock Show™. Al is president of Arthur Mahaltic & Sons, Inc., a family farm and ranch operation. He enjoys working with his children and their market steers.

Karen D. Martin — Transportation

Karen D. Martin has been a life member of the Show since 1975. She joined the Transportation Committee in 1990, the year of its inception. Karen held several positions before being named chairman. Her late husband, MAD Martin, a motorcycle police officer with the city of Houston, served on the Calf Scramble Committee for 20 years. She has three children, Timberley, Tami and Travis. Karen is a registered nurse and works in the labor and delivery unit at The Women’s Hospital of Texas. She enjoys spending time with her family and horses and volunteering as a summer camp nurse.

Clyde F. Mayhew — Corral Club – Directors

In 1985, Clyde F. Mayhew joined the Show. He volunteered for the Committeemen’s Club on the fifth level in the Reliant Astrodome, the Loge, and finally, the Directors’ Club. Clyde and his wife, Winifred, met at the Rodeo 18 years ago. They have three children, Greg Mayhew, Shawna Roberts and Leslie Mitchell, and six grandchildren. Winifred has been a commercial exhibitor at the Show for 21 years. Clyde is a senior vice president with Kanon Service Corporation. When he is not spending time with his family, he likes to fish, hunt and travel.

Carl Meisner, M.D. — Health

In 1991, Carl Meisner joined the Show as a life member, and, a year later, he began volunteering on the Health Committee. He worked his way up through the ranks before becoming chairman of the committee. Carl was a natural for supporting the Show’s cause because he is the father of six children. He is a board certified family physician and practices in Stafford, Texas. Carl also is a police officer for the police department in Meadows, Texas. His time away from work is filled with parenting.

Pat Pennington — Corral Club – Division III

Pat Pennington became a life member of the Show in 1982, and joined the Corral Club Committee. He has served as chairman of the Loge Committee and is a member of the Grand Entry Committee. Pat is married to Brenda, and they have two children, Amanda and Brett. He has been a police officer with the city of Houston for 26 years. His hobbies are hunting, fishing and riding horses.

Randy Taylor — Calf Scramble Greeters

In 1973, Randy Taylor joined the Show as a life member. In 1981, he started volunteering for the Show on the Calf Scramble Greeters Committee. Randy served in various positions before becoming chairman. His wife, Dianne, has been a life member since 1975. They have two children, Laura, a fifth grade schoolteacher, and Grant, a baseball player for Temple College. Randy owns Taylor Automotive. He likes to spend his spare time with his children.
**New Face**

The Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo™ welcomes Elizabeth Greer as its first Internal Auditor/Accountant.

**Charitable Gifting**

Chances are you already share your good fortune with others — by volunteering your time and talents and by making financial gifts.

Supporting youth and education has been a cornerstone of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo for decades. There are many charitable gifting options available to amplify your charitable gift. Some strategies are simple; others require the assistance of professionals such as an estate attorney and financial advisor.

The GALLOP committee provides support to help you make the most of your gifting to benefit the Show and support its goals. Please contact a GALLOP committee member at 713.561.9331 to discuss how charitable gifting ideas might work for you.

For legal advice concerning planned giving, prospective donors should seek the advice of qualified legal, estate and tax professionals.

**Upcoming Meetings**

All annual and life members now can mark their calendars for the 2005 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Annual Meeting, Tuesday, May 31, 3 p.m., in the 600 series of Reliant Center. The meeting will include reports from Show officers, presentation of first-year chairman pins, and the election of new Show lifetime directors and the 2006 board of directors.

The Show’s Board of Directors Meeting will be Thursday, June 2, 5 p.m., in the Reliant Arena Sales Pavilion. It is open to the members of the board.

**Deleting Debt**

The Show’s deadline for members to clear all outstanding debt is Tuesday, May 31, 2005. All members wishing to remain active in Show activities and eligible to serve on committees should make sure their accounts are paid in full by this deadline.

**Badge Available for Purchase**

A limited number of gold badges from the 1975 – 2005 Show years are available for purchase. This is a great opportunity to replace lost badges or to complete your collection. The cost is $10 per badge, and they can be purchased from the online store at [http://www.rodeohouston.com/store/](http://www.rodeohouston.com/store/), or you can purchase the badges by e-mailing merchandise@rodeohouston.com.

**Serve for Life**

Applications for Lifetime Committeeeman now are available from Show staff coordinators or can be downloaded from the password protected section of the Show’s Web site by going to [http://www.hlslr.com/committee](http://www.hlslr.com/committee) and selecting the form under “General Committee Announcements.” If you do not know the password for the committee section, please contact your staff coordinator. The deadline to submit applications is July 1, 2005, and the application may be submitted by fax or by mail. The 2005 review board is chaired by Show Lifetime Vice President Jack A. Lyons and includes Vice Presidents W. Allen Owen and Harry A. Perrin.

The designation of Lifetime Committeeeman may be awarded to individuals with a minimum of 15 years of committee service, when age added to years of service equals 75 or greater. No matter how many committees a person serves on, an individual receives only one year of service credit per year, and years of service do not have to be consecutive or on the same committee. Applicants must currently be serving on a committee and in good standing with the Show.

**2006 Show Dates**

The 2006 Show will be here before you know it! Be sure to mark the dates in your 2006 calendar — Feb. 28 to March 19.

**Scholarship Time**

With the summer months comes the excitement of several $12,000, four-year Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo scholarship presentations. On May 24, 2005, Houston-area students will be presented with 197 Metropolitan, 100 Opportunity and 15 School Art scholarships — totaling more than $3.7 million in scholarships in one evening. Texas 4-Hers will be recognized in College Station, Texas, in June with the presentation of 70 scholarships, and Texas FFA members highlight July with the presentation of 70 scholarships during their convention in Lubbock, Texas.

While these recipients are looking forward to their presentations, 60 Area Go Texan students and 10 Texas Family, Career and Community Leaders of America members already have received scholarships. The Area Go Texan scholarships, ranging from two-year, $6,000, to four-year, $12,000, awards, were presented during Go Texan Weekend in February, and the FCCLA scholarships were presented in April during the FCCLA state meeting in Corpus Christi, Texas.
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**May**

- 7 Pasadena MGT – Chili Cook Off and Fish Fry – Texas Saloon, Pasadena
- 13 Spring Branch/Memorial MGT – Cowboy Classic Golf Tournament – Wildcat Golf Club, Houston
- 14 Liberty County MGT – Sporting Clay Shoot – Pecan Meadows, Hardin
- 16 Brazoria Southwest MGT – Golf Rodeo – Riverside Country Club, Brazoria
- 20-21 New Caney/Splendora MGT – Bar-B-Que Cook Off – East Montgomery County Fairgrounds, New Caney
- 21 Waller County AGT – Steak/Casino Night – Waller Lions Club, Waller
- 24 Metropolitan/Opportunity/School Art Scholarship Banquet, Houston (invitation only)
- 28 Trinity County AGT – Bar-B-Q Cook-off – Sunset Road and US Highway 287, Groveton
- 30 Memorial Day Holiday – Show offices closed
- 31 Annual Meeting (Show annual and life members only) – Reliant Center, Houston
- 31 Final deadline to clear all outstanding debts with the Show

**June**

- 2 Board of Directors Meeting (board members only) – Reliant Arena Sales Pavilion, Houston
- 3 Pasadena MGT – Golf Tournament – Battleground Golf Course, Deer Park
- 7 Texas 4-H and FFA Scholarship Presentation, College Station
- 11 Cypress Fairbanks MGT – Fish Fry and Silent Auction – Westwind Club, Houston
- 13 Black Heritage Committee – 2nd Annual Black Heritage Golf Tournament – Willowisp Country Club, Missouri City
- 20 Tomball/Magnolia/Montgomery MGT – Golf Tournament – Augusta Pines Tour 18, Spring
- 25 Liberty County MGT – Cowboy Classic Golf Tournament – Magnolia Ridge Country Club, Liberty
- 25-26 Spring Branch/Memorial MGT – BBQ Round Up – Hedwig Square Office Park, Houston

**July**

- 1 Lifetime Committeeman application deadline
- 4-5 Independence Day Holiday – Show offices closed
- 9 Galveston Mainland MGT – Fifth Annual Saltwater Rodeo – West Bay Marina, Galveston
- 14 Texas FFA Scholarship Presentation, Lubbock
- 29-31 Lavaca County AGT – Moulton Jamboree – Moulton City Park, Moulton

**August**

- 6 Horse Show Committee Gala – Reliant Arena, Houston
- 9 New Caney/Splendora MGT – Golf Tournament – Kingwood Country Club, Kingwood
- 14 Polk County AGT – BBQ Cook Off – Lakeside RV Park, Onalaska

**AGT – Area Go Texan Subcommittee**

MGT – Houston Metro Go Texan Subcommittee

Visit the Web site at [http://www.rodeohouston.com/calendar](http://www.rodeohouston.com/calendar) to view more information on these events, or to view additional events.