



*Students pictured are, l to r, Craig Maynard, Joshua Deines, Guillermo Tellez, Paula Johnson and Brittany Graham*

### **Poultry science department students win awards at the International Production and Processing Expo**

Students of the University of Arkansas Poultry Science Department recently attended the 2018 International Production and Processing Expo held Jan. 30- Feb. 1 at the Georgia World Congress Center in Atlanta, Georgia. IPPE is hailed as the largest annual trade show for the poultry, meat and feed industries.

Over 83 students combined from the Poultry Science Department, the Dale Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences, Crowder College in Neosho, Missouri, Eastern Oklahoma State College in Wilburton, Oklahoma, and the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff made the trip and participated in the College Student Career Program that is held in conjunction with IPPE.

Several University of Arkansas Poultry Science students received prestigious awards during The 2018 International Poultry Scientific Forum, which is also held in conjunction with IPPE, and gave poultry science students an opportunity to present their research. Overall there were 121 graduate student presentations and 21 undergraduate student presentations. Those winning awards from the University of Arkansas were:

**Freshman runner up for the Don Sloan Research Award - Guillermo Tellez**  
*Effects of Heat Stress on Tight Junction Protein Integrity in Broiler Chickens given a*

*Nonisupplement Diet*

Guillermo Tellez, Elizabeth Greene, Joshua Flees, Anamika Gupta, Narayan Rath, Walter Bottje, Sami Dridi

**Three students won Outstanding Southern Poultry Science Society Graduate Student Speaking Awards: Craig Maynard, Paula Johnson and Joshua Deines**

*Effects of dietary amino acid regimens on live performance and processing characteristics of Cobb MV × 700 male and female broilers*

Craig Maynard, Rocky Latham, Roy Brister, Casey Owens, Samuel Rochell

*Evaluation of the effect of formaldehyde or heat stress on body weights and body weight gain in neonatal broiler chickens*

Paula Johnson, Jacob Lum, Lucas Graham, Kyle Teague, Brittany Mahaffey-Graham, Mikayla Baxter, Juan David Latorre, Cheryl Lester, Guillermo Tellez-Isaias, Karen Christensen, Billy Hargis

*Effects of egg storage temperature on pheasant and quail production*

Joshua Deines, Doug Yoho, R Bramwell, Samuel Rochell

**Overall Best Presentation in the Southern Society for Avian Diseases - Brittany Graham**

*Evaluation of the effects of a Turkey Cellulitis/Dermatitis oil emulsion vaccine on immune response and mortality under commercial conditions*

Brittany Graham, Kabel Robbins, Lucas Graham, Kyle Teague, Amanda Wolfenden, Guillermo Tellez, Billy Hargis

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**Daniels wins 2nd Place in Student of the Year competition**

Senior poultry science major Brock Daniels was awarded second place in the USPOULTRY 2018 College Student Career Program's Student of the Year competition held in conjunction with IPPE.

The USPOULTRY Foundation College Student Career Program connects hundreds of college students seeking professions in the poultry industry with HR Managers and recruiters. Hundreds of students and student clubs from over 38 universities competed in the categories of Scrapbook of the Year, Club of the Year (based on a 1,000-word essay describing the club activities) and Student of the Year.

“Brock has done an exceptional job in academics and his real world experiences have aided him in his poultry science degree,” said Mike Kidd, department head. “He is a future leader and advocate of the poultry industry and strongly deserving of this award.”

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*The USPoultry Foundation check is presented to the poultry science department. Pictured (L to R) are Patrice Sims, Administrative Manager for the poultry science department; poultry science students Maricela Maqueda, Zach Rose, Audrey Foster, Lainyn Kerley; Bill Bradley, Vice President, CFF Brands, and Dr. Mike Kidd, Department Head for the poultry science department and director for the Center of Excellence for Poultry Science.*

## **UA poultry science department receives gift from USPoultry Harold E. Ford Foundation**

The University of Arkansas Department of Poultry Science recently received a donation of \$25,919.54 from the USPoultry Foundation.

The foundation promotes advancement of the poultry industry through education and training. Dr. Mike Kidd, department head and director for the Center of Excellence for Poultry Science, said the gift will help support poultry science student recruitment efforts such as the annual Poultry Science Youth Conference, the youth broiler show at the Arkansas State Fair, and in-service training for faculty and recruiting activities.

“The USPoultry Foundation contributions to the Poultry Science Department are vital to the mission of the department for recruiting future leaders of the poultry industry. The check will be used for numerous activities to educate youth on the career opportunities that a poultry science major has to offer,” said Kidd. “These funds are vital because they help us recruit students who will become future leaders in the poultry industry.”

Last year, the USPOULTRY Foundation board approved student recruiting grants totaling \$291,000 to 32 colleges and universities across the United States with a poultry science department or industry-related degree program. The Harold E. Ford Foundation provides annual recruiting funds to colleges and universities to attract students to their poultry programs. The grants are made possible by gifts to the foundation from companies, individuals and families, in addition to funds earned over





### **Osborn and team honored at Ford Foundation Executive Luncheon**

University of Arkansas freshman Shylynn Osborn attended the USPoultry Harold E. Ford Foundation Executive Luncheon on January 31 at the International Production and Processing Expo in Atlanta, Georgia. She is pictured above with Sonny Perdue, U.S. Secretary of Agriculture who delivered the keynote address at the luncheon. Shylynn was honored, as well as her Lincoln FFA poultry judging team and their coach Kevin Barenberg, for being National Champions in poultry judging.

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*The Poultry Science Club won third place in the IPPE Student Career Scrapbook of the Year competition. Scrapbook of the Year is given to the Scrapbook that best portrays the club's activities, student involvement, and club projects during the year.*

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The department recently held an Open House for high school juniors and seniors, as well as prospective transfer students, to learn more about the poultry science department and the University of Arkansas. Students participated in several hands on workshops including a sensory panel, as part of a food technology lab (left), and an avian anatomy lab with Dr. Wayne Kuenzel, department physiologist and neurobiologist (right).

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