

## Dear juniors

I hope you are having a great fall. It seems that school just started, and here we are at the holiday season again.

Didn't we have a great summer show season in 2006? I thought all of the regional shows were competitive. I would like to thank everyone who worked hard to make them happen.

The big thank-you goes to Oklahoma. You did an outstanding job of hosting the National Junior Limousin Show and Congress (NJLSC) and All-American Limousin Futurity (AALF). Your hospitality and generosity made us all feel welcome, and we enjoyed every minute of the week. Even the soaring temperatures could not dampen the good mood. Thanks, again, to Ron Wayland and all of the Oklahoma crew who did so much to ensure the week's success.

On Sept. 29 and 30, your NALJA Board of Directors met in Kansas City, Mo., for its fall meeting. I must brag on the junior board: They work well together and care deeply about NALJA and each one of you. You will find some of their work in this issue and in the tentative schedule for next year's NJLSC in West Monroe, La. It promises to be a great week so make plans now to attend. More information will follow as time draws nearer and we get into early spring.

I look forward to seeing many of you in Denver, Colo., for the National Western Stock Show (NWSS) and throughout the spring show season. May you and your families have a merry Christmas and a wonderful holiday season. I wish you nothing but happiness, laughter, peace and success for the coming year.

God bless you, your families and the Limousin breed.

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## Hello, everyone

I hope you are having a great school year. I know I am! But if you are like me, you probably also are ready for holiday breaks.

The NALJA Board of Directors recently conducted its fall meeting in Kansas City, Mo. We have some exciting plans for the upcoming year. We also enjoy hearing input from you, the members. We soon will have a short questionnaire you can complete online to tell us what you enjoy about NALJA and would like to see changed. Keep visiting the "Juniors" section of the North American Limousin Foundation (NALF) Web site ([www.nalf.org](http://www.nalf.org)) so you can tell us what is on your mind.

I just read a book about achieving success, and it got me thinking. The author, John Maxwell, believes the first and greatest step to success is to make the commitment to grow daily. The more I think about that, the more I realize just how important it is. That growth might be continuously striving for better grades in school, always trying harder to treat your family with respect or extending your hand to help someone every day. No matter what way we are growing, if we make it a goal to grow every day, imagine how successful we can be.

I enjoyed seeing everyone this summer and fall, and I look forward to seeing more of you in Denver, Colo., for the National Western Stock Show (NWSS).

I encourage each of you to take a few minutes to complete the online questionnaire. The NALJA Board is here to serve you, and we value your opinion.

Take care, and God bless ...

– **Rachel Wulf**  
*2006-2007 NALJA President*

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## NALJA offers internship

College students who are interested in the cattle industry and looking for a part-time job have a great new opportunity. The NALJA internship is the perfect chance for those who have other obligations to gain experience with a national breed association and its junior activities.

The intern's major responsibility will be helping to plan and conduct the National Junior Limousin Show and Congress (NJLSC) and regional shows, including NALJA's educational satellite events. The selected student will attend the spring NALJA Board meeting and spend an early-summer week in the North American Limousin Foundation (NALF) office to become acquainted with the junior program, staff and assignments. The intern will attend the breed's three regional shows; spend one week at the NJLSC; and work in the NALF office the following week to assist with news releases, show wrap-up and recordkeeping.

Outside the time spent at shows and in the office, the intern will work from home or school. NALJA will pay travel expenses associated with the internship and provide a stipend.

Candidates must be at least 19 years old and willing to travel to the NALF office and to the regional and national junior shows. Excellent communication and organizational skills will be of great value to the intern, and experience with cattle shows will be helpful.

To apply, send a résumé, cover letter and three letters of recommendation to Kate Kusma in the NALF office.

## Remember '07 rule changes

New to the rule book for 2007, exhibitors may enter only **registered** steers in the three regional junior shows and the National Junior Limousin Show and Congress (NJLSC). Exhibitors must present registration certificates at check-in. Show officials will check steers' tattoos so make sure they are legible and match the registration papers.

2007 also marks the start of the minimum-age requirement to exhibit at any NALJA-sponsored show. Exhibitors must be at least 7 years of age as of Jan. 1, 2007, and not older than 22 at the show.

Other changes this year concern late entries. NALJA now will accept entries until **June 10, 2007**, and the late-entry fee is **\$60**. To qualify for bonus sweepstakes points, your entries must bear a **postmark** no later than **May 15, 2007**. You also save money by entering early because the early-entry fee is only \$30.

## Corner Post female sale to support juniors

All NALJA members should encourage their families and friends to attend the National Limousin Sale at the National Western Stock Show (NWSS) in Denver, Colo., Jan. 8, 2007. The sale will feature the first-ever Corner Post Genetics Package. Bohi Land and Cattle Co. has donated the headline female. CRSL 5338R – a Feb. 19, 2005, daughter of EF Main Stay 541M – is confirmed pregnant by MAGS Remote and is due to calve Feb. 16, 2007.

The package also will include free registrations for all of the female's natural calves, a farm sign, an advertisement in the June-July 2007 *Limousin World* and other items that will help promote the buyer's investment in Limousin junior activities. Proceeds will go to the Corner Post Campaign, which will benefit the junior association directly by funding additional activities and scholarships.

The annual "Genetics on Ice" auction during the NWSS (Jan. 7, 2007) also will benefit NALJA. All juniors are encouraged to donate items. Anyone wishing to do so should contact Ken Holloway at [acs@americancattleservices.com](mailto:acs@americancattleservices.com) or (580) 597-2419.

## Annual fee funds programs, services

This issue of *NALJA News* accompanies a notice requesting payment of the 2007 junior activity fee. All revenue generated from the activity fee goes directly to the junior organization to help fund its programs, services and events. The \$15 fee is due **March 15, 2007**. NALJA members who do not pay by that date will incur an additional \$15 late fee.

Submit your activity fee promptly to ensure you can take advantage of all NALJA programs and services in the new year. It also is required for you to enter and participate in the regional and national junior shows next summer.

## Limousin greeting cards benefit NALJA



Show your Limousin colors to family, friends, colleagues and customers this holiday season. Simply visit [www.boelte.com/cards](http://www.boelte.com/cards) on the Web to order Limousin greeting cards. Several cover designs and inside greetings are available. Boxes of 20 cards cost \$20. Personalizing cards is an additional \$10 per message per card style. A portion of the proceeds from each order will benefit NALJA.

## 2007 National Junior Limousin Show & Congress

### Tentative Schedule of Events

#### Saturday, July 21

Noon..... Cattle may begin arriving at tie-outs

#### Sunday, July 22

8 a.m. .... NALJA Board of Directors and Awards of Excellence interviews, with Board meeting to follow

Noon..... Start moving cattle and tack into the barns

7 p.m. .... Tenderfoot social

#### Monday, July 23

8 a.m. .... All cattle must be in place to begin check-in

3 p.m. .... Limousin Beef Cook-Off

5 p.m. .... State officers and advisors meeting

6 p.m. .... NALJA Annual Meeting, with talent show to follow

#### Tuesday, July 24

9 a.m. .... Quiz Bowl preliminaries, with finals to follow

11 a.m. .... Limi Boosters Annual Meeting

2 p.m. .... Team-fitting competition

4 p.m. .... State presidents' workshop

6 p.m. .... Opening ceremonies

#### Wednesday, July 25

8 a.m. .... Steer, bred-and-owned and Lim-Flex® shows (judge: Travis Pembroke, Fairview, Okla.)

3 p.m. .... Sales-talk competition

#### Thursday, July 26

8 a.m. .... Owned-female show (judge: Joel Cowley, Houston, Texas), with junior and intermediate showmanship finals to follow

#### Friday, July 27

7:30 a.m. .... Senior showmanship finals

9 a.m. .... All-American Limousin Futurity

2 p.m. .... NALJA presidential election

7 p.m. .... Awards banquet and dance

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