

# 2009-2010 CAES SGA Senator Candidates

Justin Brown, 2nd year - Animal Science and Biological Science



Justin is running for three main reasons: to be a voice for the student population of our college, to help improve the college and to help better the university as a whole. Running off of these values, he, along with the help of Hillary Thornton, have come up with the following platform that consists of four main points. One is to extend bus routes to the live-stock instructional arena on South Milledge. Their second point is to place a student on Dean Angle's advisory council. Thirdly, they hope to continue to strengthen our college's relationship with North campus, and, lastly, to set up a group that will aid transfer students with their transition into our college.

Josh Paine, 2nd year - Agricultural Communication



Josh is running because he wants to be the voice of CAES and the UGA student body. In these tough economic times our voices need to be heard and we need to know where our money is being spent. Paine wants to help save students' money and make sure we are getting the best value for our education. Specifically in CAES, he wants to help increase public awareness about events and news, and get more student involvement in the college's clubs. We will be facing extensive budget cuts along with the rest of the University, and he wants to help make sure CAES does not suffer from taking more than its fair share. UGA is a land-grant institution and CAES is the reason it is here. Above all, Paine wants to help make a positive difference in CAES and UGA.

Gena Perry, 3rd year - Agribusiness



Thus far in her college career, Gena has been involved in CAES through Sigma Alpha, Ag Hill Council and Ag Econ Club. Her time at the university has shown what works and what doesn't. She wants to run for CAES Senator in SGA to act as a liaison between CAES and SGA and to be a voice for CAES. Perry wants to focus on improving relationships between CAES, Grady, Terry and the Honors Program and promote the wide variety of classes offered within CAES and the university as a whole.

Hillary Thornton, 1st year - Poultry Science



Hillary is running because she believes she can truly make a change for the better within our college. It is her hope that she can make our college a better place, for all individuals perusing various careers in Agricultural and Environmental fields, through her platform. The platform outlines four main points which include extending UGA bus routes to South Milledge Avenue for students that attend classes there, placing a CAES student on the Dean's Advisory Council so students will have a voice in the decisions that are made within the college, working for CAES to have representation across campus and the implementation of more programs that will ease the transition for students that transfer into our college. It is her goal to have a collaborative effort from both students and faculty to see these points achieved.

## Food, Farm and Family

There is a new exhibition in Conner Hall celebrating a living history of the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension. On March 19, the UGA College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences dedicated the Food, Farm and Family exhibit in the presence of faculty, staff, alumni and friends. This is a permanent exhibit of historical artifacts and images devoted to past and present members of the UGA Cooperative Extension family. It will continue to be updated in order to keep it current.

Dr. Beverly Sparks, Associate Dean for Extension, was also honored at the event for being named one of Georgia Trend's Power Women of 2010. As the first female Associate Dean for Extension, Dr. Sparks is leading the future of Georgia's Extension program. She is known for her steady and calm leadership, which is exactly what the College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences needs in light of recent budget cut proposals.

The event held at Conner hall was an excellent reminder to respect the past, enjoy today, and look forward to tomorrow.

~Andrea Gonzalez



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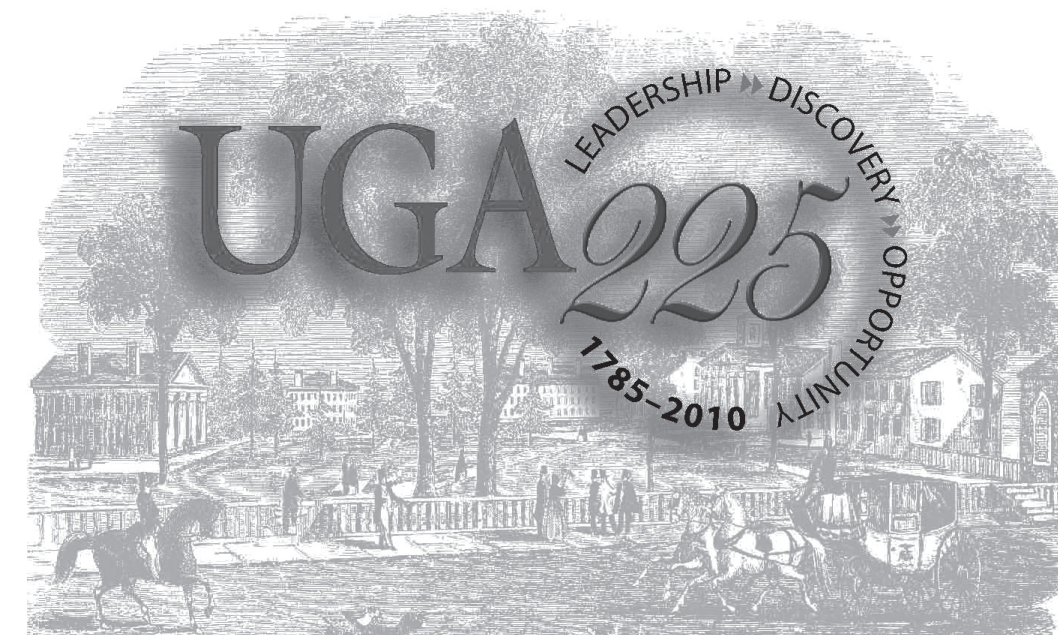
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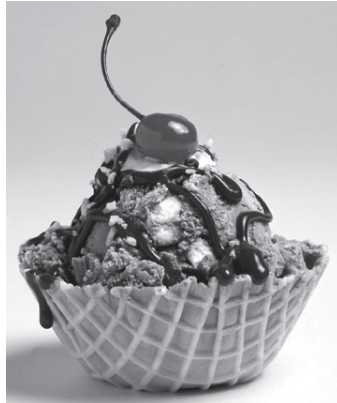
## UGA Celebrates its 225th Anniversary

On Feb. 27, 2010, UGA met an incredible milestone. That Founders' Day marked the 225th anniversary of the University's charter. Dr. Gary Bertsch lectured at this year's Founders' Day, and this event marks just the beginning of a series of events to celebrate the occasion. The Georgia Museum of Art is currently running an exhibit in the Visual Arts Building which includes art by Lamar Dodd, George Cooke, Charles Frederick Naegele and Howard Thomas, as well as students and faculty. UGA's history and its current campus life are represented in the works of art. The exhibit will run until April 30. Beginning April 22, the University will host a two-day 225th Anniversary Symposium. The first day will include several lectures reflecting back on UGA's history. Professor John Thelin from the University of Kentucky, James C. Cobb, F.N. Boney, Robert A. Pratt, Sharon Y. Nickols and many others are on the list to speak throughout the day. On Friday, April 23, the focus will be on the future of UGA. The day will start off with a lecture on the future of higher education by Dr. Stephen Portch and will follow with a panel discussion. At noon, the festivities continue with the UGA Alumni Association's Annual Awards Luncheon and will conclude with a re-dedication of the Fine Arts Building.

~Kristy Sumner

## You Scream, I Scream, ACT Screams for Ice Cream

As the year comes to an end, many clubs are planning end of the year socials. ACT is no different. The Agricultural Communicators of



Tomorrow have enjoyed having everyone at their meetings to develop the *Ag Hill Topper*, hear about how to spice up their resumes, and learn about what it takes to do PR in the real world.

To celebrate a great year, there can be no

better way than to gorge on some ice cream. At our last meeting, ACT will host an Ice Cream Social. We would like to invite students to join us April 13 at 6:30 p.m. at the Four Towers conference room for some cold ice cream and the opportunity to learn more about ACT. We will also be holding our officer elections, so if you are interested in becoming an officer, this is the meeting to attend.

~Kristy Sumner

## 36th Annual Great Southern Stampede Rodeo

Each year the Block and Bridle Club hosts the Great Southern Stampede Rodeo, the only student run rodeo in the country.



The Great Southern Stampede Rodeo began in 1970 as a fund-raiser for the Livestock Judging Team. The first official rodeo was held in 1974, in, believe it or not, Stegeman Coliseum. In 2004, the rodeo moved to Heritage Park in Oconee County and in 2008 left for its current home at the Livestock Judging Arena.

Contests of the rodeo are separated into two categories, rough stock events and the events that are timed for speed. The stock events include bareback bronc riding, saddle bronc riding and bull riding. Events that are timed are the barrel racing, steer wrestling and the roping contests.

Each night of the rodeo is dedicated to different colors of attire to support different things. The first night is student night and the theme is "Tough Enough to be a Dawg." Attendees are encouraged to wear red and black and tickets are only \$10 for students, faculty and staff. Friday is "Tough Enough to Wear Pink" night and everyone is encouraged to wear pink in support of Breast Cancer Awareness. For each person wearing pink, \$1 will be donated to the Deanna Farve HOPE Foundation. The last night is "Tough Enough to Serve" night, the last night of the rodeo, and will be dedicated to those who work to serve and protect our country.



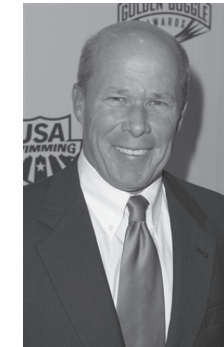
Pre-order Tickets to the rodeo go on sale Monday, April 5. Prices go up at the gate so be sure to get your tickets ahead of time for this incredible student run events. For more information visit [www.uga.edu/bandb/GSSRodeo/](http://www.uga.edu/bandb/GSSRodeo/).

~Kristy Sumner

## CAES Leadership Luncheon

In order to recognize outstanding student leaders in the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences (CAES), CAES held its first and hopefully annual "CAES Leadership Luncheon" on Tuesday, Feb. 9 at the Georgia Center for Continuing Education. The purpose of the luncheon was to commend students on their efforts within CAES as well as encourage those students to continue to pursue their future endeavors. Those in attendance were fortunate to hear guest speakers of great caliber, including Mr. Jack Bauerle and Mr. Clint Guthrie.

Mr. Jack Bauerle, Head Coach for UGA Swimming & Diving as well as Head coach for the U.S. women's swimming team for the 2008 Olympics in Beijing, China humorously provided personal experiences on leadership and success after college. Of all the topics he expounded upon, he gave incredible insight into what really matters in determining a career path. Bauerle advises, "How you do in life and how you end up is directly dependent upon how you interact with other people and how you treat them. You don't always have to be the most intellectual person to achieve great success." As students are constantly striving to excel academically, it is refreshing to be reminded of the fact that personal relationships are equally as important, if not more important, than test scores.



Mr. Clint Guthrie, Business and Customer Services Leader for Dow AgroSciences, shared vital and incredibly relevant information about both life and Dow AgroSciences. In general, Mr. Guthrie suggests all should "define happiness and success on your own terms." He warns that if you define terms based upon the standards of others,

you will have "issues later on." Professionally, Mr. Guthrie said that Dow AgroSciences is looking for certain criteria in its future in interns and employees. Guthrie states that they seek the following qualities: "a good student, the ability to present oneself well, interact well with others, and display confidence." Mr. Guthrie also stresses that Dow AgroSciences is looking for a "breadth of degrees" when searching for their employees and interns, something very promising in today's limited job market.

The CAES Leadership Luncheon was a great success thanks to funding from an Aid-To-Education grant from Dow AgroSciences. To those of you in attendance, your efforts in gracefully balancing the role of student and leader were greatly commended. This luncheon is certainly an event worth striving to attend in the future.

~Anna McIntyre

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