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Cattlemen's group holds 52nd convention

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The 52nd Annual Arkansas Cattlemen's Association (ACA) Convention and Trade Show will be held Aug. 13-15 in Fort Smith at the Fort Smith Convention Center.

Cattlemen and Junior Cattlemen from all regions of Arkansas will gather to enjoy informative beef improvement seminars, industry updates, cattlemen-to-cattlemen fellowship and an extensive trade show. Registration begins at 8 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 13. General public and members are invited and welcomed to attend.

A welcome reception on the trade show floor will kick off the event on Friday at 4 p.m. The Arkansas Cattlemen's Foundation will be hosting a scholarship auction on Friday evening after dinner followed by an ACA Young Cattlemen's Reception. All young cattle producers are invited and encouraged to attend.

The Trade Show will re-open from 8 a.m. -- 2 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 14. The ACA is organizing 'Cowboy Capers' that will start at 9 a.m. and should be a good time for all.

The Arkansas Junior Cattlemen's Association will begin their AJCA Leadership Summit on Saturday at 1 p.m. with an opening session featuring motivational speaker Todd Huston.

The Leadership Summit will continue through the day with educational break-out sessions for the attendees.

The ACA Beef Improvement Seminars will begin at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday. The Arkansas Cattlemen's Association will host Kristina Butts, manager of legislative affairs for the National Cattlemen's Beef Association; John Fitch, executive director of the Arkansas Livestock & Poultry Commission; Travis Justice, administrator for the Arkansas Beef Council; Michael Sullivan, Arkansas State Conservationist of the USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service; Dr. Dan U. Thomson, director of the Beef Cattle Institute at Kansas State University; and Dr. Tom Troxel, Associate Animal Science Department Head for the University of Arkansas.

On Saturday evening, the awards banquet will take place at 7:30 p.m. followed by entertainment provided by Phil McGarrah and Runnin' on Empty. The Arkansas Junior Cattlemen's Association will announce its Educational Award winners at the banquet and host a hypnotist after the banquet for the AJCA attendees' entertainment.

The Arkansas Cattlemen's Association encourages all who are interested to come to the Annual Convention and Trade Show.

For more information, call the Arkansas Cattlemen's Association Office at (501) 224-2114 or email info@arbeef.org.

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