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### Editor's Corner...

Once again, our annual convention was a success! I hope all of you enjoyed the change of scenery and our location this year. As always it was great catching up with everyone! I hope this newsletter finds you drying out from the large amounts of rain we have received.

In this newsletter you will find:

- OTMPA Convention Highlights and results
- Website updates
- Details for AAMP Convention

- Jake

### OTMPA Convention Highlights

The weekend was filled with many learning and networking opportunities. A small golf tournament was held on Friday morning. Friday night was a chance to experience many processed meats at the "Taster's Buffet". On Saturday morning the group had the chance to tour the Tyson Fresh Meat facility and Edes Meat's, while spouses and families attend "Ladies Day". That night a social event was held and Tommy Rowland, of Tucker's Processing was presented the 2007 OTMPA Distinguished Service Award. A silent auction was held in conjunction with dinner. Sunday morning was started off with a prayer breakfast and the Cured Meats Contest awards. If you would like to see pictures from convention please visit the OTMPA website.

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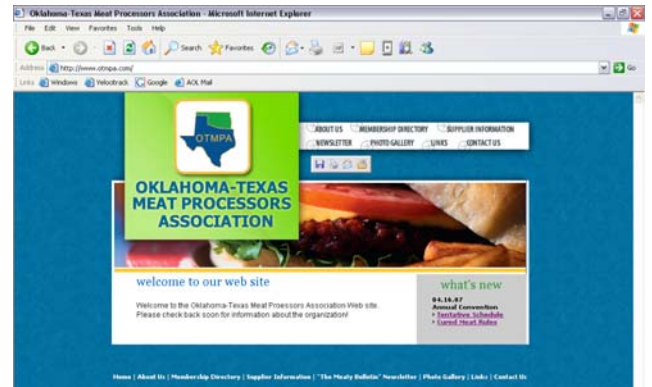
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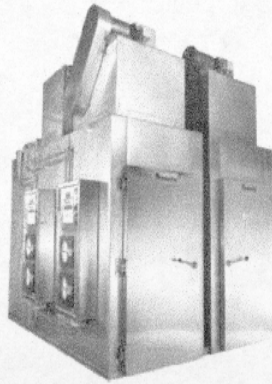
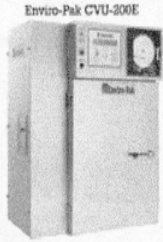
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The 2007 OTMPA Cured Meat Contest was held in conjunction with the OTMPA Annual Convention. 79 entries were judged in a total of 18 categories. The results are as follows:

**Bone-In Hams**

Grand Champion	Dallas Greenwood	4-State Meat Processing
Reserve Grand Champion	Jason Hering	Ralph's Packing Co.
Champion	Jared Berg	Dalhart Processing

**Boneless Hams**

Grand Champion	Dallas Greenwood	4-State Meat Processing
Reserve Grand Champion	Jason Hering	Ralph's Packing Co.
Champion	Jared Berg	Dalhart Processing

**Slab Bacon**

Grand Champion	Jared Berg	Dalhart Processing
Reserve Grand Champion	Bobby Stevens	Agri-Services
Champion	Jason Hering	Ralph's Packing Co.

**Specialty Bacon**

Grand Champion	Jason Hering	Ralph's Packing Co.
Reserve Grand Champion	Dallas Greenwood	4-State Meat Processing
Champion	Bobby Stevens	Agri-Services

**Summer Sausage**

Grand Champion	Jared Berg	Dalhart Processing
Reserve Grand Champion	Jason Hering	Ralph's Packing Co.
Champion	Bobby Stevens	Agri-Services

**Large Diameter Luncheon Meat**

Grand Champion	Jared Berg	Dalhart Processing
Reserve Grand Champion	Jason Hering	Ralph's Packing Co.
Champion	Dallas Greenwood	4-State Meat Processing

**Smoked Sausage Links and Rings**

Grand Champion	Jared Berg	Dalhart Processing - link
Reserve Grand Champion	Jason Hering	Ralph's Packing Co. - ring
Champion	Jason Hering	Ralph's Packing Co. - link

**Smoked Hot Links**

Grand Champion	Jason Hering	Ralph's Packing Co.
Reserve Grand Champion	Dallas Greenwood	4-State Meat Processing
Champion	Bobby Stevens	Agri-Services

**Fresh Pork Breakfast Sausage**

Grand Champion	Dallas Greenwood	4-State Meat Processing
Reserve Grand Champion	Bobby Stevens	Agri-Services
Champion	Jason Hering	Ralph's Packing Co.

**Fresh Pork Sausage (Non-Breakfast)**

Grand Champion	Jared Berg	Dalhart Processing
Reserve Grand Champion	Jason Hering	Ralph's Packing Co.
Champion	Melvin Edes	Edes Meat

**Jerky**

Grand Champion	Jared Berg	Dalhart Processing
Reserve Grand Champion	Jason Hering	Ralph's Packing Co.
Champion	Melvin Edes	Edes Meat

**Snack Sticks**

Grand Champion	Jared Berg	Dalahart Processing
Reserve Grand Champion	Melvin Edes	Edes Meat
Champion	Bobby Stevens	Agri-Services

**Smoked Turkey**

Grand Champion	Jason Hering	Ralph's Packing Co.
Reserve Grand Champion	Melvin Edes	Edes Meat
Champion	Dallas Greenwood	4-State Meat Processing

**BBQ Ribs**

Grand Champion	DeWayne Muret	DeWayne's BBQ
Reserve Grand Champion	Melvin Edes	Edes Meat
Champion	Dallas Greenwood	4-State Meat Processing

**BBQ Beef – Whole Muscle**

Grand Champion	Jason Hering	Ralph's Packing Co.
Reserve Grand Champion	Melvin Edes	Edes Meat
Champion	Dallas Greenwood	4-State Meat Processing

**BBQ Chicken**

Grand Champion	Dallas Greenwood	4-State Meat Processing
Reserve Grand Champion	Jason Hering	Ralph's Packing Co.
Champion	Jared Berg	Dalhart Processing

**BBQ Specialties**

Grand Champion	Bobby Stevens	Agri-Services
Reserve Grand Champion	Jason Hering	Ralph's Packing Co.
Champion	Dallas Greenwood	4-State Meat Processing

**BBQ Sauce**

Grand Champion	Jared Berg	Dalhart Processing
Reserve Grand Champion	DeWayne Muret	DeWayne's BBQ
Champion	Jason Hering	Ralph's Packing Co.

## ***68th American Convention of Meat Processors & Suppliers' Exhibition***

AAMP will be hosting their annual convention July 12-14, 2007 in Milwaukee, WI at the Hilton Milwaukee City Center. Highlights of the convention include educational breakout sessions, the American Cured Meat Championships and tours of local meat processors and suppliers. For more information on the convention visit the AAMP website at [www.aamp.com/meetings/convention.asp](http://www.aamp.com/meetings/convention.asp) or call the AAMP office at (717) 367-1168. Best wishes to all who will be competing in the American Cured Meat Championships!



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