Hey Juniors, It’s that time of year again! This year we are to “Get Fired Up For the Game” at the Indiana State Fairgrounds in Indianapolis, IN. We hope that you are getting excited for a wonderful, fun-filled weekend. In preparation for the event we ask Illinois juniors to help out their state in a few ways. First of all don’t forget that the early entry deadline is May 1st, with the final deadline being May 15th. Make sure you send in all the necessary components and mark your T-shirt size with your entry form. Also before you go to the show make sure you meet all the necessary health requirements. In order for our state to be prepared for the state events throughout the week we need help from all of our junior members and their families. Once again we ask that on your State Preview Show entry form you mark whether or not you are interested in any of the team competitions. If you are not coming to the preview show but ARE attending the junior nationals and are interested send an e-mail to iljrshorthornassoc@gmail.com and let us know. Speaking of that email that is the new account set-up for the Illinois Jr. Shorthorn Association; we are asking that ALL junior members send an email to that account so that we can quickly send out mass emails and contact everyone. Also we ask that everyone joins the Illinois Junior Shorthorn Association and Illinois Shorthorn Association facebook pages and checks them regularly for updates and important information. We also need your help for the state slideshow and state booth competitions. Please send pictures to that email address or being hardcopies or CDs to the preview show so that we have enough photos to compete. Photos can be from any shows or other Shorthorn related activities with Illinois junior members in them. We try our best to showcase every member, but we will not be able to do that without your photos. Also if you are a junior board member, please send a head shot of yourself for both events. If anyone has any ideas for the state booth please feel free to share those as well. Lastly, we need the help of the adults to put together and plan out an Adult Beef Cook-Off team. Further details on all events can be found at www.shorthorn.org. Please feel free to share any ideas you have with myself, Karl Miller, or Janet Leemon. Let’s get fired up and represent Illinois to the fullest.

Good Luck with Finals and with the Show Season!

Thank you,
Emily Moore, IJSA President
Illinois Regional Junior Preview Shows

East Central Junior Preview Show
The East Central Junior Show will be held June 19th, 2011 at the home of David Olson in Hoopeston, IL. The show will include a potluck at noon with the show to follow. For more information contact Janet Leemon.

Northern Illinois Junior Preview Show
The Northern Illinois Junior Preview Show will be held June 18th, 2011 at the Freeport Fairgrounds. Weigh-in and check-in will start at 10:30 with the show starting at 12:30. This will be a wash & blow show (no-fit), for Shorthorn and ShorthornPlus heifers and steers only. For more information call: 815-235-3242 or 815-275–3424.

Tri-County Junior Preview Show
The Tri-County Junior Preview Show will be held on June 4th, 2011 at the Smither Shorthorns in Griggsville, IL. A potluck will begin at noon with the show to follow. For more information contact Wayne and Sara Beckman.

Change in Illinois State Fair Junior Show Award

The Illinois Shorthorn Association will again offer prize money to the Grand Champion Shorthorn Female at the Illinois State Fair Junior Show, if she is bred by a paid member of the Illinois Shorthorn Association. In 2011 this award is up to $550.00 if the champion qualifies. New this year, if the Champion doesn’t qualify, but the Reserve Champion does, the reserve will be awarded $275.00.

Congratulations
Ryan and Christina Wernicke are the proud parents of a new baby boy. Ty Louis Wernicke was born on April 19th, 2011 at 7:04 pm. He was exactly 6lbs and 19 inches. Congratulations on the birth of your second child and a healthy family!

New Option for the Newsletter
Would you rather receive your copy of the newsletter by e-mail? In an effort to ‘GO GREEN’ and save on expenses the Illinois Shorthorn Association is now giving members the option to have their newsletter emailed to them. If you are interested in this feature send an e-mail to enmoore19@gmail.com with your name and e-mail that you would like the newsletter sent to.
Cheyenne Starman, of Camp Point, IL was the winner of the 2010 IBA Junior Points Program Overall. Cheyenne, member of the Illinois Junior Shorthorn Association, was awarded a year’s use of trailer at the 2010 Illinois Beef Expo. Congratulations to Cheyenne and her family for all their hard work and dedication during the 2010 show season. This is the second year in a row a Shorthorn breeder has been the overall winner and heifer points winner.
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**Dues:**
- Adult: $35/year
- Junior: $10/year
- Lassies: $20/year

**Send form and payment to:**
Larry W. Wilson
Treasurer, Illinois Shorthorn Association
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