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### **BRIEF INTRODUCTION:**

Dr. Jim Mazurkiewicz (Ma-zur-kay-veech) is the Leadership Program Director for Texas A&M AgriLife Extension and Texas A&M University Professor in the Department of Agriculture Leadership, Education & Communications. Dr. Mazurkiewicz is responsible for the Governor Dolph Briscoe Jr. Texas Agricultural Lifetime Leadership (TALL) Program, the San Antonio Livestock Exposition - Leadership Extension (SALE-LE) Program and International Extension Programs. He has been in this position since April 1, 1998, and County Extension Agent for 20 years in Guadalupe, Knox, Ector and Brazos Counties prior.

### **EDUCATION:**

Doctor of Philosophy in Animal Science, 1995, Texas A&M University, College Station  
Master of Education in Agriculture Education, 1986, Texas Tech University, Lubbock  
Bachelor of Science in Animal Science, 1977, Texas A&M University, College Station

### **WORK EXPERIENCE:**

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension, April 1978 - present.

- Professor and Leadership Program Director (TALL), April 1998 – present
- County Extension Agent-Agriculture- April 1978 to March 1998
- USDA/FSQS - Meat Grader, Chicago, Illinois, June 1977 - April 1978.

### **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS:**

Knight's Cross of the Order of Merit of the Republic of Poland from President Duda  
Honorary Doctorate from SGGW University in Warsaw, Poland  
Bryan/College Station Sister Cities Global Impact Award  
Polish American Chamber of Commerce Lifetime Achievement Award  
Polish American Historical Association Award  
Resolution Honoring Contributions to Texas & International Agriculture by the Texas Legislature  
Texas A&M University System Regents Fellow  
Medal of Honor from the Polish Minister of Agriculture  
Outstanding International Leadership Program Director Award  
Epsilon Sigma Phi Meritorious Service Award  
Bryan/College Station Chamber of Commerce Agriculture Recognition Award  
Bryan/College Station Chamber of Commerce Volunteer of the Year Award  
Vice Chancellor's Award in Excellence  
Texas AgriLife Extension Service Superior Service Award  
The Deputy Chancellor's Distinguished Performance Award  
The National Association of County Agricultural Agents Achievement Award  
The State Food and Agriculture Council Award

### **PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:**

International Association of Programs for Agricultural Leadership.  
Bryan/College Station Chamber of Commerce - Chairman Ag Committee  
Texas and Brazos County Farm Bureau and Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association  
Polish American Council of Texas (PACT) – President  
Brazos Valley Fair and Rodeo - President

**Dr. Jim Mazurkiewicz**  
**Biographical Sketch**

**Jim Mazurkiewicz is a native of the Brazos Valley. His family settled in Washington County from Poland at the end of the ninetieth century (1880's) and they still own and operate the family farm in Chappell Hill, Texas. He graduated from Waller High School and received a B.S. and Ph.D. from Texas A&M University and a Master from Texas Tech University. Jim married Kathy Gore in 1978 at St. Stanislaus Catholic Church in Chappell Hill, Texas. They are the proud parents of three children, James, Kathy Ann, and Stephanie. They are members of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Bryan and they have lived in Brazos County since February 1986.**

**Upon graduation from Texas A&M in 1977, he worked for the USDA\FSQS Meat Grading Service for one year in Chicago and then joined Texas A&M AgriLife Extension as a County Extension Agent from April 1978 until April 1998 serving four counties in Texas (Guadalupe, Knox, Ector, and Brazos). For twelve of those twenty years, he served as the Brazos County Extension Agent-Agriculture. Currently, he provides leadership to three Extension/University Leadership programs: 1) the Governor Dolph Briscoe Jr. Texas Agricultural Lifetime Leadership (TALL) program for agriculture industry leaders in Texas, 2) the San Antonio Livestock Exposition - Leadership Extension for Texas A&M AgriLife Extension faculty and 3) the TALL Emerging Leaders International Exchange Program between Texas and Poland. In addition, he provides Extension International Outreach.**

**In his spare time, he operates a registered Charolais beef cattle herd, and he is a certified National/International beef cattle judge. He has judged over 450 shows in ten states including every major livestock show in Texas. He enjoys working with youth and has coached 20 state qualifying 4-H Livestock Judging Teams and 10 national qualifying 4-H Livestock Judging Teams with one national title.**

**He has been active in the community and the TAMU System serving in several leadership roles. Currently, he is President of the Brazos Valley Fair and Expo, Chairman of the Bryan\College Station Chamber of Commerce Agriculture Council, Member of the Brazos County Expo Hotel/Motel Tax Committee, Board Member of the Polish American Chamber of Commerce in Texas, and President of the Polish American Council of Texas. In addition, he has served as past member of the Board of Directors of the Bryan/College Station Chamber of Commerce, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Brazos County Youth Livestock Association, Member of the Texas AgriLife Extension Administrative Council, Member of the Brazos County Expo Park Blue Ribbon Committee, Past Member of the Board of Directors of the Texas Rural Leadership Program, Inc., Member of the Texas A&M University System Beef Industry Team, Member of the Texas AgriLife Extension 4-H Beef Project Development Team and Member of the Brazos Valley Agri-Food Council. In addition, he has chaired and served as a member of many state, regional and local committees.**

**Jim has been the recipient of several awards and some of these include Professor Emeritus from Texas A&M University in 2022, Polish American Chamber of Commerce Lifetime Achievement Award in 2023, Honorary Doctorate from SGGW University in Warsaw, Poland in 2021, Bryan/College Station Sister Cities Global Impact Award in 2019, Regents Fellow in 2012, the Bryan /College Station Volunteer of the Year Award in 2013, the Commander's Cross Medal of Merit from the Polish President in 2016, the Medal of Honor from the Polish Minister of Agriculture in 2011, the Outstanding Leadership Program Director Award by the International Association of Programs for Agricultural Leadership in 2010, the Bryan\College Station Chamber of Commerce Agriculture Recognition Award in 1997, Epsilon Sigma Phi Meritorious Service Award in 1997, Vice Chancellor's Award in Excellence in 1996 and 1985 for Agriculture and 4-H, respectfully, Texas AgriLife Extension Superior Service Award in 1991 and the National Association of County Agricultural Agents Achievement Award in 1985.**

