

# EXCELLENCE in the NEW MILLENNIUM

## News from the 2000 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS)



**Rhonda Nida**, Red Rock, Okla., (left) received the 2000 Certified Angus Beef LLC/National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) scholarship. The scholarship is awarded to a student who was involved in the NJAA, who is a member of the American Angus Association, and who is studying an agriculture-related field. Miranda Grissom, NJAA director, presented the award.



**Ryan Sweeney**, Mason, Mich., (right) received the 2000 Outstanding Leadership Award. Given in memory of Barbara Smalstig, the award recognizes an NJAA member who has been an active leader. Sonya Smith, NJAA director, presented the award.



**Richard "Dick" Spader**, Rosendale, Mo., (right) was inducted into the Honorary Angus Foundation, which recognizes individuals who have made significant contributions to the NJAA. Lindsey Trospser, NJAA director, presented the award.



The NJAA recognized **Mike and Kerri Gleason**, Midlothian, Texas, (left) as the 2000 advisors of the year. Nominated by the Texas Junior Angus Association, the Gleasons have dedicated time and efforts to spreading enthusiasm while educating Texas juniors about the Angus breed. Lindsey Trospser, NJAA director, presented the award.



The late **Jim Baldrige**, North Platte, Neb., was inducted into the Honorary Angus Foundation, which recognizes individuals who have made significant contributions to the NJAA. Pictured are family members (from left) **Bob, Becky and Jake Tiedeman**, all of North Platte. Sonya Smith, NJAA director, presented the honor.



The Angus Foundation awarded \$21,000 in scholarships to junior Angus members who have been active in the Angus breed and Association programs. Pictured are (kneeling, from left) **Lacey Robinson**, Montgomery City, Mo.; **Melissa Montgomery**, Carrington, N.D.; **Lana Myers**, Jennings, La.; **Ryan Sweeney**, Mason, Mich.; (middle row, from left) **Mercedes Danekas**, Wilton, Calif.; **Whitney Trospser**, Hamilton, Mo.; **Jennifer Scharpe**, Arlington, Minn.; **Miranda Grissom**, Prague, Okla.; **Jessica Sawyer**, Bassett, Neb.; (back row, from left) **Becca Penner**, Mill Creek, Okla.; **Jamie Meyer**, Douglass, Kan.; **Sy Olson**, Hereford, Texas; **Tom Patterson**, Columbus, Mont.; **John Melton**, Bridgewater, Va.; and **John McCurry**, Burrton, Kan.



**Adam Jones**, Saint Francis, Kan., (left) and **Jennifer Scharpe**, Arlington, Minn., (right) received Crystal Awards from the American Angus Auxiliary. The Crystal Awards are annually given to one boy and one girl and are based on points earned for participation and placing in the various educational contests at the show. Yvonne Hinman, Auxiliary president, presented the awards.



The American Angus Auxiliary presented scholarships to five young ladies (see page 78). The scholarship recipients are high-school graduates who have excelled in junior activities and who are involved in the Angus breed. Pictured are (from left) Yvonne Hinman, Auxiliary president; **Lacey Robinson**, Montgomery City, Mo., first place; **Gina McCurry**, Sedgwick, Kan., second place; **Mercedes Danekas**, Wilton, Calif., third place; **Naomi Gray**, Harrison, Neb., fourth place; Jane Ebert, Auxiliary vice president; and Pat Grote, Auxiliary secretary-treasurer.



The Auxiliary also presented scholarships to five young men based on the same criteria. Pictured are (from left) Yvonne Hinman, Auxiliary president; **John McCurry**, Burrton, Kan., first place; **Cody Quam**, Lodi, Wis., third place; **Christopher Rosa**, Chariton, Iowa, fifth place; Jane Ebert, Auxiliary vice president; and Pat Grote, Auxiliary secretary-treasurer.



Finishing in the top 10 of the NJAA computer cow-calf game are (from left) **Abby Rayl**, Hutchinson, Kan., second; **Parker Rayl**, Hutchinson, Kan., fifth; **Scott Hewlett**, Independence, Kan., sixth; **Mark Gleason**, Midlothian, Texas, seventh; **John Pfeiffer**, Mulhall, Okla., ninth; and **Cody Sankey**, Council Grove, Kan., tenth.



The Nebraska Junior Angus Association placed first in the junior division of the quiz bowl competition. Team members pictured are (from left) **Bradford Smith**, Holdrege; **Kellen Jorgensen**, Exeter; **Jara Settles**, Hoskins; and **Adam Sawyer**, Bassett.



The Kansas Junior Angus Association placed first in the intermediate division of the quiz bowl competition. Pictured are (from left) **Garrett Lampe**, Scott City; **Zach Womelsdorf**, La Harpe; **Coye Crenshaw-Kleve**, Manhattan; and **Adam Jones**, Saint Francis.



The California Junior Angus Association placed first in the senior division of the quiz bowl competition. Pictured are (from left) **Deborah Furtado**, Turlock; **Rocky Donati** and **Christopher Donati**, both of Oroville; and **Jonathan Andrews**, Dos Palos.





Winners of the junior division of the graphic design contest are (from left) **Brandon Creamer**, Montrose, Colo., first; and **Megan Wagner**, Franklin, Neb., second. Miranda Grissom, NJAA director, presented the awards.



Winners in the intermediate division of the graphic design contest are (from left) **Janice Fowler**, Omaha, Ark., first; and **Garrett Lampe**, Scott City, Kan., second. Miranda Grissom, NJAA director, presented the awards.



Winners in the senior division of the graphic design contest are (from left) **Mercedes Danekas**, Wilton, Calif., first; and **Jennifer Scharpe**, Arlington, Minn., second. Miranda Grissom, NJAA director, presented the awards.



These Michigan juniors claimed first place in the junior division of team sales. Team members include (from left) **Erika Boehmer**, Olivet; **Rachael Vaassen**, Ann Arbor; and **Andrew Foster**, Niles.



These Nebraska juniors claimed first place in the intermediate division of team sales. Team members include (from left) **Jake Tiedeman**, North Platte; **Debi Schulz**, Osmond; and **Emily Pohlman**, Norfolk.



These Kansas juniors claimed first place in the senior division of team sales. Team members are (from left) **Cindy Rezac**, Saint Marys; **John McCurry**, Burrton; and **Cody Sankey**, Council Grove.



Winners in the junior division of the extemporaneous speaking contest are (from left) **Parker Rayl**, Hutchinson, Kan., first; **Jeffrey Rehm**, New Blaine, Ark., second; and **Erin Zimmerman**, Lithia, Fla., third.



Winners in the intermediate division of the extemporaneous speaking contest are (from left) **Adam Jones**, Saint Francis, Kan., first; **Kristi Wilson**, Orleans, Ind., second; and **Jennifer Ourso**, Donaldsonville, La., third.



Winners in the senior division of the extemporaneous speaking contest are (from left) **John McCurry**, Burton, Kan., first; **Cindy Rezac**, Saint Marys, Kan., second; and **Heather Hopper**, Leonardville, Kan., third.



Winners in the junior division of the poster contest are (from left) **Kyleigh Santee**, Langdon, Kan., first in herd advertisement; **Jill Jagers**, Sulphur Bluff, Texas, second in breed/association promotion; **Ethan Holly**, Decatur, Ark., second in herd advertisement; **Drew Herrmann**, Dodge City, Kan., overall junior and first in membership recruitment; and **Redden Lewis**, Walstonburg, N.C., second in membership recruitment.



Winners in the intermediate division of the poster contest are (from left) **Adam Jones**, Saint Francis, Kan., first in breed/association promotion and herd advertisement and second in membership recruitment; **Jarrid Herrmann**, Dodge City, Kan., second in herd advertisement; **Megin Santee**, Langdon, Kan., overall intermediate and first in membership recruitment; and **Tammy Ettredge**, Pilot Point, Texas, second in breed/association promotion.



Winners in the senior division of the poster contest are (from left) **Jennifer Scharpe**, Arlington, Minn., overall senior and first in herd advertisement; **Heather Hopper**, Leonardville, Kan., first in membership recruitment and second in herd advertisement; **Lana Myers**, Jennings, La., second in membership recruitment; **Nicole Long**, Berryville, Va., second in breed/association promotion; and **Cindy Rezac**, Saint Marys, Kan., first in breed/association promotion.







Former NJAA member Bonnie (Swanson) Duckett, Laudmere Farms, New Liberty, Iowa, designed the "stone" given to Dean Hurlbut in dedicating the 2000 National Junior Angus Show to him.