



Angus Advisor: Greatest of All Time

Caring, determined and dedicated are a few adjectives used to describe Jamie King Wheeler. The Ohio Junior Angus Association advisor was named the 2019 Advisor of the Year at the National Junior Angus Show in Louisville, Ky.

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“Her outgoing personality, genuine regard for the well-being of others and passion for the Angus breed is second to none,” says fellow Ohio Junior Angus Association (OJAA) advisor Lindsey Grimes Hall.

Described as the definition of a model junior Angus member, King Wheeler served on the National Junior Angus Board of Directors (NJAB) from 2002 to 2004, and since then, her passion for the Angus industry has continued to burn brightly.

“Jamie always went above and beyond to make sure every junior member felt special, involved and important,” says Joanie Grimes, owner of Maplecrest Farms, who nominated Wheeler for the award. “Jamie kept every junior involved to their fullest extent and helped bestow confidence in every member.”

As an OJAA advisor, King Wheeler has played an instrumental role in



Jamie King Wheeler, Tiffin, Ohio, (left) was recognized as the Advisor of the Year at the 2019 NJAS. Pictured presenting the award is Jera Pipkin, National Junior Angus Board membership director.

the success of the growing OJAA membership, the planning of two Eastern Regionals and the execution of one National Junior Angus Show (NJAS). Aside from her involvement in planning and organizing shows,

King Wheeler is known for her ability to make juniors feel welcome. Her words of encouragement have transformed countless junior members’ dreams into their realities.

According to her nomination application, many Ohio Angus families would agree with Scott and Suzanne Millikan when they said, “Because of her, our juniors will become adults who will achieve great things, and the Angus breed will continue to control the future — all because of junior advisors like Jamie.”

King Wheeler’s work ethic and attitude of service directly correlates to the leadership and involvement of juniors in the OJAA. From her texts of encouragement, to being the first congratulations after a big win, her consistent support is a true mark she has left on all her junior members.

The NJAA Advisor of the Year Award was introduced in 1980 to recognize the tremendous contributions of junior Angus association advisors. Any junior Angus association advisors are eligible for the award through a letter of nomination process. 

