

# Newsmakers

► Items of interest **about** and **for members** of our Angus family

## IN THE NEWS

**Wayne Shriver**, branch manager of the Eastern Ohio Resource and Development Center (EORDC) and owner of a cow-calf operation in Pleasant City, Ohio, won the first-ever Ohio Cattlemen's Association (OCA) Commercial Producer of the Year Award. Shriver received the award Jan. 25 at the OCA's annual banquet.

When asked about the success of his 400-head operation, Shriver said that his family was always looking for ways to change. Since the mid-1990s, the Shriver family has phased out bull-only pasture-breeding programs in favor of improving stock through estrus synchronization and artificial insemination (AI). They also have acquired strip-mined property for pasture, bringing their total of owned and rented reclaimed land to 4,000 acres.

During the American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF) 84th Annual Convention, **John and Jennifer Smith** of Puryear, Tenn., received the AFBF Achievement Award, making them the nation's outstanding young farmer couple. They are partners in Rockin' S Angus.

The Smiths farm 2,000 acres, including 1,800 acres of row crops and 70 acres of tobacco. In addition, they have 150 head of registered Angus cattle and are involved in an extensive embryo transfer (ET) program and another program to market Angus bulls. Both are involved in their county Farm Bureau and numerous other community activities.

The couple received a 2003 Dodge Ram pickup as their grand prize. They also received a \$2,500 voucher from Syngenta Crop Protection, the event's sponsor; and free registration to the 2003 Young Farmers and Ranchers (YF&R) Leadership Conference in Hershey, Pa., in February.

The Achievement Award recognizes young farmers and ranchers who have excelled in their farming or ranching operations and who have exhibited superior leadership abilities. Participants are evaluated on a combination of their agriculture operation growth and financial progress, Farm Bureau leadership and leadership outside Farm Bureau.

**David Mullins** has been named the American Angus Association regional manager in the Northeast, effective March 10. He will relocate to Star Tannery, Va. His responsibilities include serving members and breeders and representing the American Angus Association and *Angus Journal* at sales, shows, field days and other industry events in Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia and West Virginia.



**David Mullins**

Mullins most recently worked as the eastern field representative for the American Gelbvieh Association (AGA). He is a graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech) and also has completed training at the Missouri Auction School. Mullins was raised on his family's cow-calf operation and also raises and sells club lambs.

"David is an outstanding young man who brings a lot of enthusiasm to the Angus family," says John Crouch, executive vice president of the American Angus Association. "He has a strong background in livestock marketing and will be a great asset to promoting Angus genetics."

When time allows, Mullins enjoys the outdoor activities of fishing and hunting.

## IN PASSING

**Frank Hinkson**, 92, of Lazbuddie, Texas, died Dec. 25, 2002, at his home.

He was born Oct. 19, 1920, in Hall County, Neb. He married Lavonne Mecham on Dec. 28, 1933.

In 1934, during the height of the Great Depression, Hinkson moved to Lazbuddie.

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## Kansas Angus Ass'n annual meeting and banquet, Jan. 25, Hutchinson



► Serving on the 2003 Kansas Angus Ass'n board of directors are (seated, from left) **Barbara Downey**, Wamego, past president; **Stephen Russell**, Maple Hill, secretary/field representative; **Todd Kohart**, Meade, vice president; **Randy McCabe**, Elk City, president; **Fred Holder Jr.**, Milton, treasurer; **Michael Molitor**, Zenda; (standing, from left) **Debbie Lyons Blythe**, White City; **Mark Gardiner**, Ashland, American Angus Association director; **Richard Poland**, Isabel; **Joel Bunker**, Sharon Springs; **Tom Swearngin**, Lawrence; **Gene Barrett**, Grantville; and **Dennis Huck**, Larned.



► Kansas Angus Auxiliary officers are (seated, from left) **Anne Lampe**, Scott City, past president and advisor; **Christy Crenshaw**, Manhattan, secretary; **Pamela Bailey**, Douglass, president; (standing, from left) **Misti Kohart**, Meade, historian; and **Sandra McCurry**, Mount Hope, treasurer.



► **Mick Colvin**, West Salem, Ohio, was given an honorary membership to the Kansas Angus Ass'n. Pictured during the ceremony are (from left) Henry Gardiner, Ashland; Virginia and Mick Colvin; Fred Johnson, Summitville, Ohio; and Dick Janssen, Ellsworth.

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He was a member of the Lazbuddie United Methodist Church. He served as president of the Lazbuddie School Board for nine years. He served as a state committeeman for the Republican Party of Texas, served on the Texas State Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) committee, and was a 50-year member of the Muleshoe Masonic Lodge.

During the 1940s and 1950s, Hinkson raised commercial Angus. Registered Angus were purchased in the late 1950s, and Hinkson became a pioneer in performance testing. He raised one of the first Pathfinder sires on the initial Angus Herd Improvement Record (AHIR) report.

Hinkson is survived by his wife; sons Frank II and Michael; daughters Barbara and Carolyn; 10 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

### ANGUS ARRIVALS

**Jeff and Susan Rhode**, Gower, Mo., announce the birth of their son, **Isaac Dale**, who was born on Feb. 4. He weighed 9 lb., 6

oz., and was 22 in. long. Susan is the American Angus Association director of communications and public relations. Grandparents are Dale and Marilyn Rhode, Springlake Farms, Kingston, Ill., and James and Judy Waters, Stet, Mo.

**John and Terri McCoy**, Franklin, W.Va., announce the birth of their son, **William Aidan**, born Sept. 16, 2002. He weighed 4 lb. and was 17<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> in. long. The McCoy's own and operate Brookwood Farms. John serves as a director of the West Virginia Angus Association, and Terri is the secretary. Grandparents are Terry and Janey Boggess, Zelinda Farms, Lewisburg, W.Va., and Bill and Harriet McCoy of Franklin.

### INDUSTRY EXTRAS

The Animal Science Department at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, Calif., will celebrate 100 years of "Learn by Doing." The event, May 16-18, will be filled with activities, including an evening of wine tasting, tours of the facilities, and a

celebration dinner and dance with an auction. Friends and alumni of the animal, poultry and meat food industries are invited to the celebration.

**ABS Global**, De Forest, Wis., has distributed 143 certificates to their representatives in at least one of the following: Estrus Synchronization, Reproductive Management System™ (RMS™), or Records Monitoring modules offered through a new certification program by the ABS Global Technical Service Department. The certification program was launched in October 2002. It provides both fundamental and advanced training opportunities for ABS representatives. The certification is good for two years.

ABS Global announced its intended purchase of Australia's largest privately owned cattle AI business, RAB Australia Pty. Ltd. (RAB). RAB is located in Albury, New South Wales, and tests approximately 80 Holsteins annually.

Employees of the **U.S. Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service** (USDA-APHIS) have been awarded the People of the Year Award by *Progressive Farmer* magazine. The century-old publication awarded the honor to all 8,700 employees of APHIS for their service to American agriculture.

APHIS is responsible for protecting U.S. crops and livestock from pests and diseases and for monitoring and promoting wildlife management and animal welfare.

### East Tennessee Angus Ass'n annual meeting and banquet, Feb. 14, University of Tennessee Ag Campus, Knoxville

► **John Crouch** (right), executive vice president of the American Angus Association receives the East Tennessee Angus Ass'n Distinguished Service Award from T.J. (left) and June Cawood. Crouch was guest speaker at the organization's annual meeting and banquet.



### North Carolina Angus Ass'n annual meeting and banquet, Jan. 25, Winston Salem



► The North Carolina Angus Ass'n inducted **James McCauley**, Burlington, into its Hall of Fame. Pictured are (from left) Donna and James McCauley.



► Elected to the 2003 North Carolina Angus Ass'n board of directors are (seated, from left) **Bettie Garner**, Smithfield, executive secretary; **Roger Lane**, Gates, immediate past president; **Robin Hampton**, Laurel Springs, president; **J.F. Lancaster**, Rocky Mount, vice president; (standing, from left) **Kent Willard**, Winston Salem; **Phil Goodson**, Raleigh; **James Laningham**, Wytheville, Va.; **Thomas Zone**, Sanford; **W.H. Sexton**, Denton; **J.R. Fowler III**, Zebulon; **Linda Hicks**, Roxboro; **Roy Swisher**, Statesville; **Russell Wood**, White Oak; **Steve McPherson**, Snow Camp; **Bill Wallace**, Wake Forest; **Marty Rooker**, Warrenton; and **Clarence Stroud**, Statesville.

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### Arkansas Angus Ass'n annual meeting and banquet, Jan. 4, Fort Smith

► The Arkansas Angus Ass'n presented **JAC's Ranch**, Bentonville, with its Breeder of the Year Award. Pictured are (from left) Frank Jackson, JAC's Ranch; Tom Huls, Lincoln, presenting the award; and Arkansas Angus royalty Holly Loyd, Claire Taylor and Lana Phelps.



► The David McMahon family was named Farm Family of the Year. Pictured are (from left) **Mary Ann** and **David McMahon**, both of Fort Smith; and Darrell Tunstill, presenting the award.



► **Left: Susan Taylor** (left), Lavaca, was presented with the Arkansas Angus Ass'n Adult Volunteer of the Year Award. Presenting the award are (continuing from left) Olen Price, Barling; and Arkansas Angus royalty Holly Loyd, Centerton; Claire Taylor, Lavaca; and Lana Phelps, Siloam Springs.

► **Right: A.C. DeClerk** was inducted into the Heritage Hall of Fame. Pictured are (from left) Darrell Tunstill, presenting the award, **Al DeClerk** and **Victoria Whitlock**, both of Pocahontas.



► **Lawson Hembree IV**, Fort Smith, Ark., was presented the Progressive Breeder of the Year Award. Pictured are (from left) **Lawson V, Debbie, Christopher, and Lawson Hembree IV**, all of Fort Smith; **Tom Huls** and **Tim O'Neal**.



► The Arkansas Angus Ass'n inducted **Jane Morelock**, Fayetteville, into its Heritage Hall of Fame. The award honors those who have made significant contributions to the Angus breed and association. Pictured are (from left) Darrell Tunstill, Fayetteville, presenting the award; **Leslie Morelock Roye** and **Teddy Morelock**, both of Fayetteville.



► **Left:** Elected members of the 2003 Arkansas Angus Ass'n board of directors are (seated, from left) **Tom Huls**, Lincoln, president; **Victoria Whitlock**, Pocahontas, vice president; **Darrell Tunstill**, Fayetteville, secretary/treasurer; (standing, from left) **Teddy Morelock**, Fayetteville; **Shirley Williams**, Fort Smith; **Elaine Williams**, Lavaca; and **Olen Price**, Barling.

► **Right: Keith Shofner** was inducted into the Heritage Hall of Fame. Pictured are (from left) **Bob, Janice, Robby, Alice, and Janeé Shofner**, all of Fayetteville, and Darrell Tunstill, presenting the award.



► **Henry Withers** was inducted into the Heritage Hall of Fame. Pictured are (from left) Darrell Tunstill, presenting the award, **Elaine and Mark Williams, Beatrice Withers, Christy Williams, Larry Withers, and Greg and Sydney Williams**, all of Lavaca.

