



Newsmakers

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

IN THE NEWS

Scholl Angus, Springboro, Ohio, has received the Historic Herd Award from the American Angus Association. Robert Scholl and his son, David, started the herd in the 1950s in Franklin, Ohio, with the purchase of two females. The Scholls joined the Association in 1956.

Scholl Angus has stayed in the family through the decades, although the herd has moved between Ohio and Iowa. David moved to Iowa in 1966 and moved his portion of the herd with him. When Robert sold his farm in the early 1970s, he moved his herd to Iowa to be closer to David. After the deaths of his parents, David moved the herd back to Ohio, just three miles from where it originated. Today, he and Paula Ruppert manage the Scholl Angus herd and exhibit at local and state levels.

M.H. Barnett, Washington, Ga., has received the Historic Herd Award. The herd was started by M.H. Barnett Sr. with his son, M.H. Barnett Jr. They joined the Association in 1945.

The herd has been in the same location for more than 60 years. Today, Barnett Jr. and his son, Wilkes, continue raising Angus cattle. Barnett Jr. remembers his father starting the herd by purchasing about 14

cows and one bull. The Barnetts have been active in the Georgia Angus Association and have regularly participated in the Georgia Performance-Tested Bull Sale since 1969.

Callan Angus Farms, owned by Mike Callan, Stonington, Ill., has received the Historic Herd Award. John and Jean Callan established the herd in 1956 with 15 heifers and joined the Association the same year.

The Callans raised 13 children while raising Angus cattle, and all of the children exhibited cattle. Today, the oldest son, Mike, and his nephew Brian Callan continue the family's tradition of raising registered Angus cattle.

Harlan Angus Ranch, owned by Bill Harlan, Huntsville, Mo., has received the Historic Herd Award. The herd was started by Ural and Edmond Harlan, and in 1949 Edmond Harlan and Sons joined the Association. Today, Edmond's son, Bill, still owns registered Angus cattle, taking pride in the production records and eye appeal of his cattle.

Through the years, Harlan Angus has successfully consigned to sales and exhibited cattle at many shows, including the Missouri State Fair and American Royal.

Carl Dethlefs & Sons, Rockville, Neb., has received the Historic Herd Award. Carl purchased his first Angus cattle in 1949 and became a lifetime member of the American Angus Association in 1955. Carl and his wife, Laura, grew their herd of registered Angus while raising sons Jerry and Kenneth "Dutch." Both boys showed Angus in 4-H and started their own herds.

The Angus business has been passed down through the generations. Today, Jerry and his son, Gary, maintain the herd of registered Angus cattle that was established more than half a century ago. Jerry's daughters, Carol and Tracy, also maintain an interest in the Angus business, as do his grandchildren. Carl Dethlefs & Sons hosted their 39th production sale in early March, where this honor was presented to Laura and Jerry.

IN PASSING

Henry Ferebee III, Camden, N.C., died Feb. 23, just short of his 87th birthday.

A life member of the American Angus Association since 1944, Henry served on the first board of directors of the North Carolina Aberdeen-Angus Association when it was formed in 1945. He continued to be an active member of both organizations throughout his life until recent years.

A graduate of North Carolina State University, Henry served on several university boards, and particularly enjoyed his tenure on the Centennial Authority, which oversaw the building of the RBC Arena. He served as a Navy lieutenant during World War II, earning a Bronze Star for valor.

Henry was a lifelong member and served as deacon and Sunday school superintendent of Sawyer's Creek Baptist Church, as Camden County commissioner, as president of the Elizabeth City Boys Club, on the COA Nursing Board, as president of FCX in Raleigh, N.C., and as president of the North Carolina Potato Growers Association.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Nancy (Meekins) Ferebee; two sons, Henry IV and Gregory; two daughters, Mary and Anne; two step-daughters, Julie and Debbie; two grandchildren; and one step great-granddaughter.



Callie Birdsell, Sparta, N.C., made it to the final four of the American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF) national Discussion Meet during AFBF's 88th annual meeting in January in Salt Lake City, Utah.

The Discussion Meet awards recognize young farmers between the ages of 18 and 35 who are judged to be the most effective in regard to consensus building on some of the real issues affecting today's agricultural industry. The Discussion Meet simulates a committee meeting in which active discussion and participation are expected, and participants are evaluated on their ability to exchange ideas and information on predetermined topics.

Birdsell's knowledge of farm and rural concerns, in combination with her public speaking and debate skills, put her among the final four participants. She was presented a \$6,000 savings bond and a new chainsaw for making the Discussion Meet final four. Birdsell is a member of the North Carolina Cattlemen's

Association, North Carolina Angus Association and the American Angus Association.

Keith Turner, 90, Mahomet, Ill., and Nokomis, Fla., died Feb. 16.

Keith was born Nov. 13, 1916, in Fisher, Ill., to Ernest and Esther Turner. He married Thelma Primmer Jan. 7, 1935. Keith and Thelma were lifelong residents of Champaign County, where they raised grain and cattle. A breeder of champion Angus cattle, Keith raised the steer "Julius" that his daughter Nancy showed to the grand championship at the International Livestock Exhibition in 1955. The Turners were interviewed as a typical farm family by Edward R. Murrow for his *Person-to-Person* television show.

Keith was a member of the Champaign County Farm Bureau, a life member of the American Angus Association, and a 4-H leader. After retiring, the Turners began spending winters in Nokomis, Fla., where Keith enjoyed golf, tennis, pool and traveling with his wife. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Champaign and attended the Venice Nokomis United Methodist Church.

In addition to his wife, Keith is survived by two daughters, Nancy and Jane; a brother and sister; four grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Philip Shafer, 88, Huntington, Ind., died Jan. 8 at his home.

Philip was born Sept. 4, 1918, in Warren, Ind., to Harry and Dalta (Garrison) Shafer.

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► **2007 Wisconsin Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet**, Poynette, Jan. 27



► The 2007 Wisconsin Angus Ass'n board of directors are (seated, from left) **Anthony Weber**, Dousman, president; **David Horstmeyer**, Marshall, vice president; **Ardel Quam**, Lodi, secretary-treasurer; **James Ward**, Palmyra, past president; **Debbie Kind**, Jefferson, Auxiliary president; (standing, from left) **Jeff Kind**, Jefferson; **Kevin Konkol**, Menomonee Falls; **Aaron Galbreath**, Oconto; **Tom Tomaw**, Barneveld; **Daniel Downing**, Waukesha; **James Hawthorne**, Monroe; **Steve Wagemester**, Viroqua; **Leslie Mindemann**, Sullivan; and **Kelsi Retallick**, Glen Haven, junior president.

► The Wisconsin Angus Auxiliary board of directors are (from left) **Debbie Kind**, Jefferson, president; **Kathy Miller**, Bristol, vice president; **Christine Konkol**, Menomonee Falls, secretary-treasurer; and **Mary Kohl**, Waterloo, ambassador program director.



► **Kathy Miller**, Bristol, was named Ambassador of the Year.

► **2007 Florida Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet**, Alachua, Feb. 3



► The 2007 Florida Angus Ass'n board of directors are (standing, from left) **Kenneth McLeod**, Madison, director; **Patricia Izdebski**, Ocala, treasurer; **Luis Rodriguez**, Monticello, director; **Don Bailey**, Clermont, president; **Jeffery Cone**, Greenville, second vice president; **Michael Thompson**, Marianna, director; **Steven Hines**, High Springs, director; **Jean Jones**, Trenton, secretary; **Elmo Douglas**, High Springs, director; **Chad Campbell**, Micanopy, vice president; and **Joy Papy**, Ocala, director.



► The 2007 Florida Angus Auxiliary officers are (standing, from left) **Emily Hines**, High Springs, vice president; **Wendy Petteway**, Zolfo Springs, president; and **Patricia Izdebski**, Ocala, secretary-treasurer.

2007 North Carolina Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet, Winston-Salem, Jan. 27



►The 2007 North Carolina Angus Ass'n board of directors are (seated, from left) **Dean Crocker**, Cherryville, vice president; **Steve McPherson**, Snow Camp, president; **J.F. Lancaster Jr.**, Rocky Mount, immediate past president; **Suzanne Brewer**, Lexington, executive secretary; (standing, from left) **Russell Wood**, Willow Spring; **Randy Jones**, Kinston; **John Bray**, Jonesville; **James Scarlett**, Snow Camp; **Joe Hampton**, Mount Ulla; **Matthew Cox**, Louisburg; **Roy Outlaw**, Seven Springs; **Russell Vinson**, La Grange; **Stephen Williamson**, Kenansville; **Roy Swisher**, Statesville; and **Joseph Wachs**, Troy.



►**J.F. Lancaster Jr.** (left), Rocky Mount, N.C., was honored as the outgoing president with a plaque, presented by Steve McPherson.



►**Bettie Garner** (left), Smithfield, was honored as the retiring executive secretary with a plaque, presented by J.F. Lancaster Jr.

He married Evelyn Shell Sept. 3, 1939, in Huntington County. He graduated from Warren High School in 1936. He was a lifelong Polk Township farmer and Angus breeder, establishing his herd in 1943.

Philip was a life member of the American Angus and the Indiana Angus associations. He was a director of the Indiana Angus Association for several years, and in 1969 he served as president.

Philip served his community as a member of the County Planning Commission and as president of the Holding Corp. for Huntington County Consolidated Schools. He was a lifelong member of Pilchers Chapel Methodist Church where he served as superintendent of Sunday school and on the board of trustees.

Philip is survived by his wife of 67 years, Evelyn; three daughters, Bonnie, Connie and Sonnie; one son, Philip; one brother; two sisters; 10 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

ANGUS ARRIVALS

Jesse and Rhonda McCurry, Colwich, Kan., announce the birth of their son, **Jackson Dean**, born Feb. 3. He weighed 6 lb., 2 oz., and was 18½ in. long.

Grandparents are Brenda Tautfest, Red Rock, Okla.; and Greg and Pam McCurry, Sedgwick, Kan. Great-grandparents are Ron and Iola Schaumburg, Wichita, Kan., and Cecil and Sandra McCurry, Mount Hope, Kan.

Brad and Lea Ann Maudlin, Gower, Mo., announce the birth of their daughter, **Karlee Lyn**, born Feb. 27. She weighed 7 lb., 1 oz., and was 20½ in. long. She joins sister Kylee. Grandparents are David and Ginger Maudlin, Saint Joseph, Mo.

Lea Ann is photo coordinator for the Association.

Brent and Melanie Schuering, Mexico, Mo., announce the birth of their daughter, **Bailey Lavinder**, born Feb. 8. Bailey, who weighed 7 lb., 15 oz., and was 21 in. long, was welcomed home by her brother, Garrett.

Grandparents are Edna Mae Lavinder and the late Larry Lavinder, Thompson, Mo.; and Diane Schuering and the late Paul Schuering, Mansfield, Ill.

INDUSTRY EXTRAS

Steve Langley has been appointed general manager of the U.S. headquarters of Osborne Industries Inc. in Osborne, Kan.

Langley has 30 years experience serving both large and small agribusiness companies as a commodity trader, purchasing manager, merchandiser, salesman, process manager, and managing director of sales and marketing.

Scott Holt has been named associate national sales manager for Allflex USA. In addition to retaining his role as northwestern regional manager, he will provide additional

sales and marketing support to the company's regional sales managers across the country, provide marketing and communications support in the field, and work closely with Allflex distributors.

Brian Rainey has been named electronic identification (EID) product marketing manager for Allflex USA. In addition to retaining his role as western regional manager for California, Arizona and Nevada, he will work with regional managers and customers to provide technical information and training on Allflex EID products, and assist in research and development of ID products across all marketing and specie groups.

Max Thornsberry, vice president and Region VI director for Ranchers-Cattlemen Action Legal Fund United Stockgrowers of America (R-CALF USA), was asked Feb. 9 to succeed Chuck Kiker as president of the organization, effective immediately.

Marsha Zarley Taylor has been named executive editor of DTN, a provider of real-time market, news and weather information services for agricultural and energy markets. Taylor formerly served as editor-in-chief for *Top Producer* magazine and as the Washington, D.C., editor of *Farm Journal*.

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Brent Bryant has resigned as executive vice president of the Missouri Cattlemen's Association to assume duties as managing partner of the Hoop Beef System® LLC, his family's cattle feeding business.

Gene Leman, retired Tyson executive, has joined the board of directors for Cactus

Feeders Inc. Leman's 41-year career in the meat packing industry included 25 years with Tyson, previously IBP, with the company's pork and beef operations experiencing significant growth and strong financial performance under his leadership.

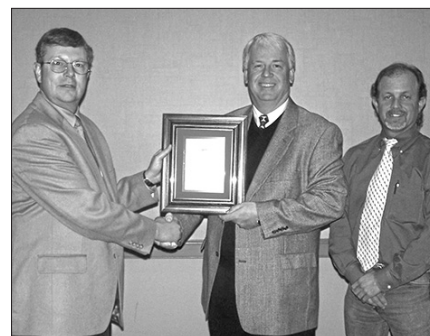
Gary Mast has been selected as deputy undersecretary for the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA's) Natural Resources and Environment (NRE). Mast succeeds Merlyn Carlson, who retired from the position Jan. 5.

David Dick, immediate past chairman of the Missouri Beef Industry Council, has been re-elected to a second term on the Operating Committee for the Cattlemen's Beef Board (CBB). He has also been elected to represent Region 3 for the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA). Dick now represents Missouri, Iowa, Illinois, Minnesota and Wisconsin on the NCBA Executive Committee.



2007 Georgia Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet, Athens, Jan. 27

► The 2007 Georgia Angus Ass'n board of directors are (seated, from left) **David Echols**, Hull, director; **Christy Page**, Winder, secretary-treasurer; **Carolyn Gazda**, Athens, president; **Charles Idone**, Macon, vice president; **Brent Chitty**, Moultrie, past president; (standing, from left) **Larry Bramblett**, Elberton; **Harvey Lemmon**, Woodbury; **Stacey Britt**, Monroe; **Thomas Dalbey**, Adel; **Blake Callaway**, Rayle; **John Jarrell III**, Butler; **Mike McCravy**, Bowdon; and **Melvin Porter**, Jefferson.



► **Greenwood Farm**, Bowman, was named Member of the Year. Pictured are (from left) Brent Chitty, presenting the award to Chris Beaty, owner, and David Echols, manager.



► **Brent Chitty** (right), Moultrie, was honored as the outgoing president with a plaque presented by Carolyn Gazda.