



Newsmakers

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

■ IN THE NEWS

Dick Hollman, Hallam, Neb., assumed responsibilities of secretary/manager for the Nebraska Angus Association (NAA) Oct. 1. A 1980 graduate of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Hollman served as president of the NAA in 2001. He has been a 4-H leader for most of the last 30 years and currently owns and operates Hollman Angus Farm at Hallam.

Hollman replaces Jennifer Svoboda who had held the position of secretary/manager since 1999.

Judy Prosser, Arizona; **Jack Cowley**, California; **T. Barrett Porter**, Louisiana; **Charles Hull**, Mississippi; and **Robert Reviere**, Tennessee, were appointed to serve a three-year term on the Cattleman's Beef Promotion and Research Board (CBB) by Deputy Secretary of Agriculture Chuck Conner. The appointees will serve three-year terms beginning Feb. 3, 2007.

Also appointed to serve three-year terms were Richard Nock, California; Roger Evans, Colorado; Jeffrey Clausen and Robert Johnson, Iowa; Jerald Bohn and Don Hullman, Kansas; Charles Markley, Michigan; Aquilla Ward, Mid-Atlantic; John Schafer, Minnesota; Jerry King, Missouri; Kristy Lage and David Lamb, Nebraska; Preston Wright, Nevada; Margaret McKeen, New Mexico; Roger Pendleton, North Carolina; Lucinda Williams, Northeast; Bill Boyer, Oklahoma; Allen Walth and Myron Williams, South Dakota; Jennifer Senn, Southeast; Peter Case, Justin Dauer, Charles Kiker III and Walter Lasley, Texas; Richard Nielson, Utah; Mark Riechers and Nancy Thomas, Wisconsin; and Dianne Kirkbride, Wyoming. Michelle Gorman, Maryland, was appointed to serve the remaining two-year term vacated by David Palmer, Washington, D.C.

The American Angus Association recently presented **McLaughlin's Angus Farm**, Mason City, Ill., and **Clark Angus Ranch**, Crockett, Texas, Historic Angus Herd awards. The recognition is given to Angus herds that have been in the continuous production of registered Angus cattle by the same family for 50 years or more.

► McLaughlin's registered Angus herd was established by Howard and Dorothy

McLaughlin and their oldest son, Edwin, in 1956, when Edwin purchased a heifer to exhibit in 4-H and FFA. Today, son Jim and his wife, Emily, still maintain a herd of about 20 registered Angus cows on the original place. Dorothy, 88, still enjoys going through the cattle.

All of the McLaughlin's children, including Edwin, Jim, Ken and Janet, owned and showed cattle while growing up. At its height, McLaughlin's Angus Farm had 70 cow-calf pairs.

► William Clark started the Clark's herd of registered Angus cattle and is still responsible for the herd today. He purchased his first cattle from the Tommy Brooke Ranch, San Saba, Texas. William exhibited his Angus extensively in the 1960s, 70s and 80s throughout the Southwest. He built his herd by retaining replacement females and purchasing females at sales.

William bought many of his herd sires in Denver during the National Western Stock Show (NWSS) and began using artificial insemination (AI) in his herd in the 1960s. In addition to operating his cow herd, which currently numbers about 600 cows, he served as president of the American Angus Association in 1975.

■ IN PASSING

Gary Eugene Parker, 62, of Laramie, Wyo., died Oct. 20.

Gary was born Sept. 10, 1944, to Alton and Esther (Rooney) Parker in Great Falls, Mont. He graduated from Great Falls High in 1962 and married Cathy Darko in 1964. They had two daughters and were divorced in 1988. In 1991, Gary married Gloria Lindeman, and they had three daughters.

Gary started his career as a breeder and trainer of bird dogs before deciding to become a cattleman. He worked at Jolly Roger Angus Ranch of Belt, Mont., and Taylor Angus of Laramie, Wyo., before he and Gloria bought the ranch that became Shamrock Angus. Gary helped pioneer high-elevation/brisket disease awareness and pulmonary arterial pressure (PAP) testing.

Gary is survived by his wife; daughters Roni, Gerri, Annette, Sanya and Kelly; seven grandchildren; a sister; a brother; and his parents.

William (Bill) Killpack, 82, died Oct. 9 at the Muse Norris Hospice Inpatient Unit in Mason City, Iowa.

Bill was born Feb. 28, 1924, in Persia, Iowa, to James and Dorothy Killpack. After graduating from Shaker Heights high school in 1941, Bill attended Iowa State College to study animal husbandry. After failing a physical to enter military service, he decided to learn about the Aberdeen Angus business and worked for several breeders, most notably the Leachman brothers.

Bill later finished his college studies at Iowa State where he was active on campus with Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity, the Agriculture Council and Block and Bridle Club. After graduating, he served as herdsman for White Gates Farms in Flanders, N.J. He married Lucille Saunders on July 12, 1946, and continued fitting and showing Angus cattle. Bill was named "Herdsman of the Year" at the International Livestock Show in 1959.

For health reasons, Bill changed occupations and pursued a career in banking, starting his career working with his father at the Geauga County National Bank, Chardon, Ohio. After working in banks in Ohio and New Jersey, Bill returned to Iowa in 1972 where he was elected an officer of the United Home Bank. He retired as executive vice president in 1989.

After his retirement, Bill joined the North Iowa Medical Center to help develop and market "The Willows," a senior housing complex. He worked for the North Iowa Area Community College (NIACC) Foundation to establish an alumni association and raise money. In 1994, First Citizens National Bank made plans to move their charter and headquarters to Mason City. Bill retired from First Citizens as vice president of business development December 2000. He later worked as assistant executive director of "The Music Man Square" until September 2002. Bill also served on the board of the Iowa Medical Center for 15 years, and was active with the Rotary Club of Mason City, serving as president and as the governor of district 5970 from 1989-1990.

Bill is survived by his wife and six children, Kathlyn, Sandra, William, Robert, David and Richard.

■ ANGUS ARRIVALS

Paul and Bo Jacquell Lichtenstein, Grand Mound, Iowa, announce the birth of their daughter, **Bo Avalahna**, born Aug. 17. She weighed 7 lb., 6 oz., and was 20 in. long.

Grandparents are Paul and Bo Buff Stueland, Tipton, Iowa. Great-grandparents are Henry and the late Georgia Stueland, Tipton, Iowa; and Becky and the late T.A. Bradley, Grand Mound, Iowa.

INDUSTRY EXTRAS

Darin Clagg, Stratford, Calif., won the Livestock Marketing Association's (LMA's) first-ever regional World Livestock Auctioneer Championship (WLAC) Oct. 16 in Madras, Ore. Clagg's win in the western region contest qualifies him for the 2007 WLAC in June 2007 in Springfield, Mo.

The regional reserve champion, **Jim Pennington**, Bakersfield, Calif., and the runner-up champion, **Andrew McDowell**, Vandalia, Ill., also qualify for the June WLAC. Under LMA's new format for the annual WLAC, the Madras contest was the first of four regional championships. The top eight scorers in each contest — along with the reigning Canadian livestock auctioneer champion — will qualify for the June event. The next five top scorers at the Madras regional were **Jim Knopp**, Bosque Farms, N.M.; **Paul Ramirez**, Tucson, Ariz.; **Don Rodgers**, Bakersfield, Calif.; **Jason Santomaso**, Sterling, Colo.; and **Preston Smith**, Ensign, Kan.

Agriculture Secretary Mike Johanns announced the appointment of **Clyde Holloway**, Forest Hill, La., as Louisiana State Director for U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development.

Andrew McCrea, Maysville, Mo., was elected to serve as the chairman of the Missouri Beef Industry Council (MBIC) at the Oct. 19 board meeting in Kansas City, Mo. **James Rickman**, Stockton, Mo., is the new vice chairman. Other board members include **David "Blue" Geier**, California; **Jim Freeman**, Salem; **Jay Stahl**, Lamar; **Andy Cloud**, Carthage; **John Browning**, Palmyra; **Kevin Frankenbach**, Hannibal; **Leon James**, Hurdland; **Gerald Campbell**, Licking; **Pat Wood**, LaMonte; and **Howard Hardeke**, Bolivar.

Hughes Cattle Co., owned by **John and Robert Hughes**, Bartlesville, Okla., is the winner in the first National Stocker Award. The award was created by Elanco Animal Health and *BEEF* magazine to identify outstanding stocker operations in three production categories so others could learn from proven strategies of stocker management.

Hughes first won in the summer-grazing program before being named overall winner. **Triple Heart Ranch**, owned by **Brock and Shelia Karges**, Wanette, Okla., won in the background/drylot category, and **D&H Cattle Co.**, owned by **Doug Rogers**, Collins, Miss., won the fall/winter-forage category.

The **Beef Checkoff Program** was the first commodity inducted into the Multi-Unit Foodservice Operators (MUFSSO) "Supplier Hall of Fame" during the MUFSSO conference in October. CBB Chairman **Jay O'Brien** accepted the award, which is produced by *Nation's Restaurant News*, the weekly national news publication covering the foodservice channel.

Benjamin Richey was named the first executive director of the United States Animal Health Association (USAHA), effective Nov. 1. During the next year, operations for USAHA will shift from Richmond, Va., to a new headquarters in Kansas City, Mo.

Richey previously served as director of communications for the National Institute for Animal Agriculture (NIAA), and as an account executive for a Kansas City-based advertising agency. He is the husband of Meghan Richey, Angus Foundation public relations assistant.

Brett Stuart, Chad Spearman and **Case Gabel** have been added to the research and analysis staff at Cattle-Fax. They will work in the areas of international trade, cattle production and marketing, feedgrain production and trading, as well as the retail and packing sectors for Cattle-Fax members.

