



# Next Generation

► Postcard from an NJAA director and state spotlights

## Summer memories

As the long, hot days of summer 2007 come to an end, it is important to remember the memories and friendships that were made. For many members of the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA), summer is easily the best three months of the year. It is the time of year when many members load up their trailers, hop into the backseat of the pickup truck, and set up their tack at cattle shows. Whether it is a short drive to a local fair, hundreds of miles to a state preview show, or thousands of miles to the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS), numerous friendships and memories were made along the way.

Friendships may have been made with the person stalled next to you at the state preview show or your roommates at the national Leaders Engaged in Angus Development (LEAD) Conference. Wherever these friendships were made, it is important to remember that these are the people who will become your lifelong colleagues. These people will be your contacts throughout your NJAA career and as you go through the next steps of life.

It is important to stay in touch with these friends, even if they live in the next state or

across the country. With cell phones, Facebook, text messaging and e-mail, it is easy to remain in contact with all of your friends. Use these forms of communication to help make more memories and make the feeling of summer last year-round.



Rebecca Tokach

Just as numerous friendships and memories were made during the past three months, many juniors have gained leadership skills that will last a lifetime. These leadership skills may have been gained through a workshop at LEAD, a contest at the NJAS, or through the showing at a local show.

As summer draws to an end, it is vital that you take those leadership skills and use them to bring your own state association up to the next level. Use the friendships and contacts you have made to organize a regional LEAD conference or another event. These activities will allow you to become reacquainted with your friends and possibly build new relationships.

Just because the hot, sweaty days of summer have come to an end, it doesn't mean the friendships and leadership skills you have gained have to become a memory of the past.

— Rebecca Tokach, North Dakota

### ► Texas Junior Angus State Show, Fredericksburg, June 2-3



► Receiving Texas Angus Ass'n scholarships from past president Ernest Shelton are (from left) Gretchen Ettredge, Pilot Point; Kevin Gleason, Midlothian; and Ashley Stevenson, Brenham.

### ► South Carolina Junior Angus Show, Clemson, June 2



► South Carolina Junior Angus royalty are (from left) Teddi Steadman, Greenwood, queen, and Breann Steadman, Greenwood, princess.

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► The 2007 South Carolina Junior Angus Ass'n board includes (from left) Sally Yon, Ridge Spring, vice president; Savannah Groce, Fountain Inn, secretary-treasurer; and Ann Blumer, Chesnee, president.

**Alabama Angus Ass'n Field Day & Junior Preview Show, Opelika, June 1**

►Alabama Junior Angus Ass'n officers and directors are (seated, from left) **Kindra Wood**, Holly Pond, president; **Chris Jones**, Blountsville, vice president; **Baily Anderson**, Opelika, secretary-treasurer; **Keri Hyde**, Wetumpka, reporter; (standing, from left) **Tyler Wood**, Holly Pond; **Blake Shropshire**, Thorsby; **Madison Morrow**, Slocomb; **Caleb Ficken**, Huntsville; and **Hannah Barton**, Dutton.



►Alabama junior voting delegates are (from left) **Caleb Ficken**, Huntsville, delegate; **Chris Jones**, Blountsville, delegate; **Blake Shropshire**, Thorsby, alternate; and **Tyler Wood**, Holly Pond, alternate.



►Alabama Angus royalty are (from left) **Hannah Whitecotton**, Pisgah, junior queen; **Tyler Wood**, Holly Pond, senior ambassador; and **Anne Stanford**, Pine Apple, senior queen.



►Representing Alabama at the 2007 National Junior Angus Showmanship Contest are (from left) **Chris Jones**, Blountsville, and **Anne Stanford**, Pine Apple.



►**Callie Rutherford**, Town Creek, and **Corey Briscoe**, Joppa, receive the Richard Dyar Scholarship.



►**Jon Paul Whitlock** (right), Iuka, Miss., receives his Bronze and Silver awards from Richard Dyar, American Angus Association regional manager.

**California Junior Angus Preview Show, Turlock, May 26-27**

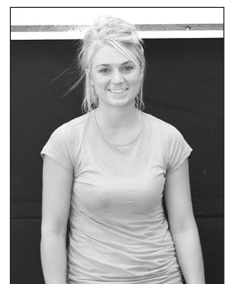
►The California Junior Angus Ass'n board of directors includes (from left) **Sierra Meyers**, Madera, president; **Garrett Blanchard**, Firebaugh, vice president; **Ashley Judge**, San Luis Obispo, secretary; **Macy Perry**, Prather, treasurer; **Austin Perry**, Prather, reporter; and **Jessica Judge**, San Luis Obispo and **Mikenzi Meyers**, Madera, historians.



►California Angus royalty are (from left) **Ashley Judge**, San Luis Obispo, senior princess; **Sierra Meyers**, Madera, queen; and **Mikenzi Meyers**, Madera, junior princess.



►Representing California at the 2007 National Junior Angus Showmanship Contest are (from left) **Kirbe Schnoor**, Chowchilla, and **Patricia Walker**, Salinas.



►**Kirbe Schnoor**, Chowchilla, receives the Jean Fearrien Memorial Scholarship.

**Louisiana Junior Angus Ass'n Field Day, Alexandria, June 2**



►Judging contest winners are (from left) **Stephanie Hymel**, Vacherie; **Avery Boone**, Calhoun; **Dusti Greer**, Keithville; **Frank Sotile III**, Donaldsonville; **Jess Roussel**, Gramercy; and **Jacob Chicola**, Deville.

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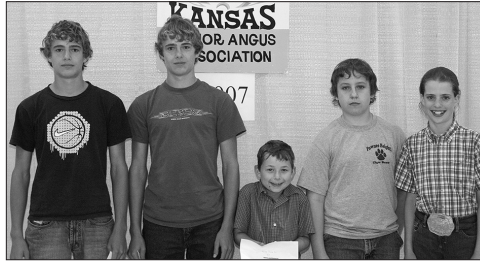
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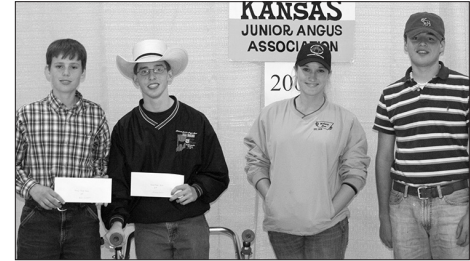
### ▶ Kansas Junior Angus Preview Show, Hutchinson, June 2



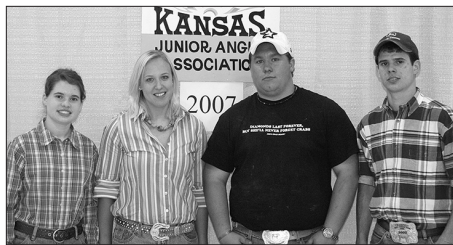
▶ American Angus Association Regional Manager Matt Caldwell (right) presents Bronze and Silver awards to (from left) **Tyler Ottensmeier**, McLouth, Bronze; and **Kristen Lundgren**, Ottawa, Bronze and Silver.



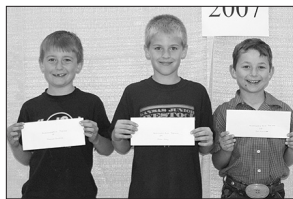
▶ Junior division sales contest winners are (from left) **Ransom Gardiner**, Ashland, first; **Cole Gardiner**, Ashland, second; **Cale Hinrichsen**, Westmoreland, third; **Mitchell Rucker**, Burdett, fourth; and **Johanna Lundgren**, Ottawa, Kan., fifth.



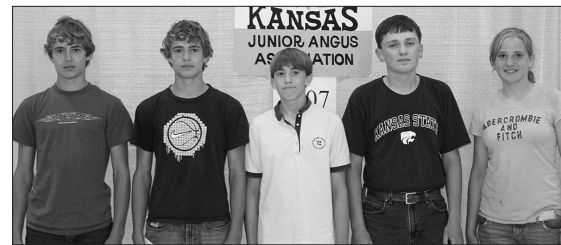
▶ Intermediate division sales contest winners are (from left) **Peter Lundgren**, Ottawa, first; **Clinton Laflin**, Olsburg, second; **Courtenay DeHoff**, Tonganoxie, third; and **Joshua Laflin**, Olsburg, fourth.



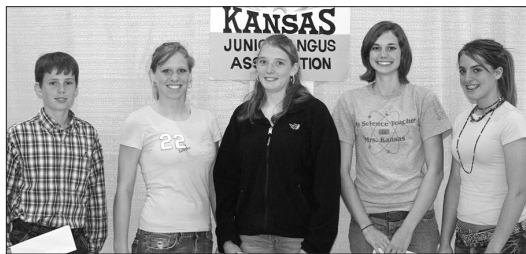
▶ Senior division sales contest winners are (from left) **Kristen Lundgren**, Ottawa, first; **Chelsea Dickinson**, Glasco, second; **Samuel Rucker**, Burdett, third; and **David Lundgren**, Ottawa, fourth.



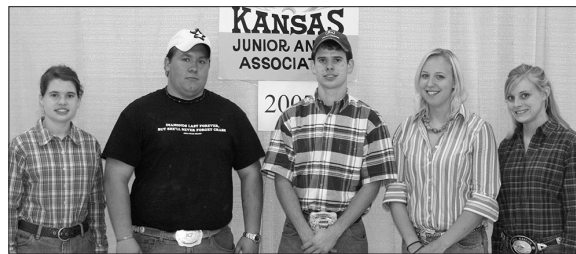
▶ Peewee division herdsman quiz winners are (from left) **Quannah Gardiner**, Ashland, first; **Caleb Flory**, Baldwin City, second; and **Cale Hinrichsen**, Westmoreland, third.



▶ Junior division herdsman quiz winners are (from left) **Cole Gardiner**, Ashland, first; **Ransom Gardiner**, Ashland, second; **Cody Theis**, Leavenworth, third; **Evan Woodbury**, Quenemo, fourth; and **Esther McCabe**, Elk City, fifth.



▶ Intermediate division herdsman quiz winners are (from left) **Peter Lundgren**, Ottawa, first; **Hannah McCabe**, Elk City, second; **Allison Jones**, Manhattan, third; **Meghan Blythe**, White City, fourth; and **MacKenzie Flory**, Baldwin City, fifth.



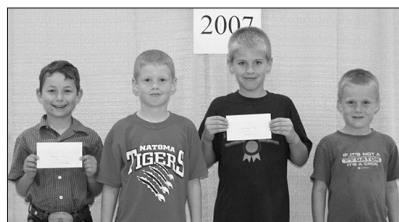
▶ Senior division herdsman quiz winners are (from left) **Kristen Lundgren**, Ottawa, first; **Samuel Rucker**, Burdett, second; **David Lundgren**, Ottawa, third; **Chelsea Dickinson**, Glasco, and **Bailey Shaw**, Erie, tied for fourth.



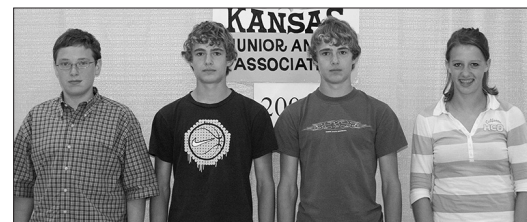
▶ **Bailey Shaw** (left), Erie, receives a Kansas Angus Auxiliary scholarship from scholarship chairperson Mary McCurry.



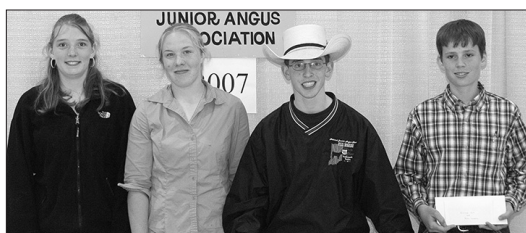
▶ Intermediate division prepared public speaking winners are (from left) **Hannah McCabe**, Elk City, first; **Brady Jensen**, Courtland, second; and **Tanner Rayl**, Hutchinson, third.



▶ Peewee division extemporaneous speaking winners are (from left) **Cale Hinrichsen**, Westmoreland, first; **Grady Dickerson**, Paradise, second; **Caleb Flory**, Baldwin City, third; and **Ethan Dickerson**, Paradise, fourth.



▶ Junior division extemporaneous speaking winners are (from left) **Tyler Ottensmeier**, McLouth, first; **Ransom Gardiner**, Ashland, second; **Cole Gardiner**, Ashland, third; and **Amanda Laas**, Brookville, fourth.



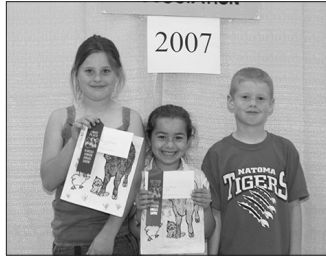
▶ **Left:** Intermediate division extemporaneous speaking winners are (from left) **Allison Jones**, Manhattan, first; **Jacinda Dickinson**, Glasco, second; **Clinton Laflin**, Olsburg, third; and **Peter Lundgren**, Ottawa, fourth.

▶ **Right:** Senior division extemporaneous speaking winners are (from left) **Chelsea Dickinson**, Glasco, first; and **David Lundgren**, Ottawa, second.





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► Receiving peewee division coloring contest honors are (from left) **Taylor Nikkel**, Maple Hill, first; **Eva Hinrichsen**, Westmoreland, second; and **Grady Dickerson**, Paradise, third.



► **Kyleigh Santee** (left), Langdon, receives the Kansas Angus Auxiliary Challenge Award from **Lynne Hinrichsen**, Kansas Angus Auxiliary vice president.



► Kansas Junior Angus Ass'n board members are (front row, kneeling, from left) **Courtney Rump**, Galva, president; **Kyleigh Santee**, Langdon, president-elect; **Chelsea Dickinson**, Glasco, first vice president; **Bailey Shaw**, Erie, secretary; **Megan Fink**, Manhattan, treasurer; **Meghan Blythe**, White City, co-reporter; **Jacinda Dickinson**, Glasco, co-reporter; **Clinton Laflin**, Olsburg, membership director; (back row, standing, from left) **Flinton McCabe**, Elk City, past president; **Cody Theis**, Leavenworth, District 1 director; **Allison Blythe**, White City, District 2 director; **Hannah McCabe**, Elk City, District 3 director; **Joshua Laflin**, Olsburg, District 4 director; **Samuel Rucker**, Burdett, District 5 director; **Tanner Rayl**, Hutchinson, District 6 director; **Cole Pearson**, Scott City, District 7 director; and **Ransom Gardiner**, Ashland, District 8 director.

**▣ Nebraska Junior Angus Preview Show, York, June 10**



► **Left:** Representing Nebraska at the 2007 National Junior Angus Showmanship contest are (from left) **Samantha Harl**, Hastings; **Kellen Jorgensen**, Exeter; **Victoria Armstrong**, Brule, alternate; and **Jara Settles**, Hoskins, alternate.



► **Right:** **Jara Settles** (right), Hoskins, receives Bronze and Silver awards from **Mathew Printz**, American Angus Association regional manager.



► Serving on the Nebraska Junior Angus Ass'n board of directors are (from left) **Jara Settles**, Hoskins, director; **Cassie Nelson**, Ansley, historian; **Jacob Hoffschneider**, Arlington, first vice president; **Jessica Clowser**, Milford, president; **Kellen Jorgensen**, Exeter, second vice president; **Samantha Harl**, Hastings, director; **Chet Ely**, McCook, director; and **Ellen Hoffschneider**, Arlington, secretary/treasurer.



► **Left:** **Jessica Clowser**, Milford, receives the Nebraska Angus Auxiliary's top female scholarship award.



► **Right:** **Cassie Nelson**, Ansley, is the 2007-2008 Nebraska Angus Queen.



► **Left:** Receiving Nebraska Angus Ass'n scholarships are (from left) **Samantha Harl**, Hastings; **Jacob Hoffschneider**, Arlington; **Victoria Armstrong**, Brule; and **Kellen Jorgensen**, Exeter.

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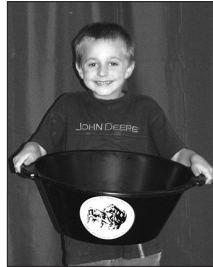
### ▶ Arkansas Junior Angus Ass'n Summer Preview, Fayetteville, May 27



▶ Arkansas junior Angus royalty are (from left) **Jade Vaught**, Horatio, queen; **Jacy Alsop**, Gravette, princess; **Sheyann Moore**, Norfolk, princess; **Ashley Stallings**, Black Rock, princess; and **Emily Howell**, Camden, princess.



▶ Showmanship division winners are (from left) **Haley Rieff**, Bentonville, senior; **Emily Howell**, Camden, junior; and **Derrick Riddick**, Mountain View, peewee.



▶ **Left:** Winning first place in the peewee contest is **Nicholas Pohlman**, Prairie Grove.



▶ **Right:** Winning the senior division of posters — herd advertisement, breed promotion and membership recruitment, is **Haley Rieff**, Bentonville.



▶ **Katlyn Tunstill** (left), Fayetteville, is Exhibitor of the Year; **Haley Hipp**, Harrison, is runner-up.

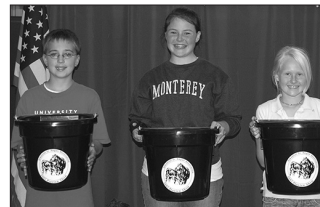


▶ Receiving the Outstanding Leadership Award is **Elizabeth Williams**, Fort Smith.



▶ **Katlyn Tunstill**, Fayetteville, receives Junior Breeder and Showman of the Year awards.

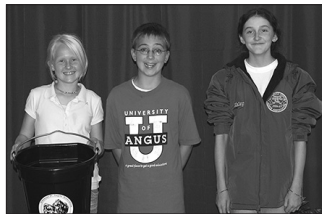
▶ Team fitting winners are (from left) **Kirk Boecker**, **Andy Boecker** and **Mathew Boecker**, all of Bentonville, and **Carson Alsop**, Gravette.



▶ Junior division team sales winners are (from left) **Will Pohlman**, Prairie Grove; **Madeline Taylor**, Lavaca; and **Katlyn Tunstill**, Fayetteville.



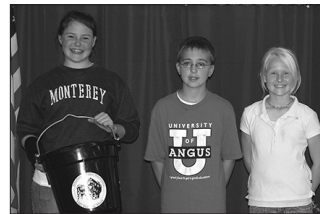
▶ Intermediate division team sales winners are (from left) **Paige Tribble**, Pocahontas; **Jacy Alsop**, Gravette; and **Sarah Connolly**, Rogers.



▶ Junior photography winners, Angus cattle division, are (from left) **Katlyn Tunstill**, Fayetteville, first; **Will Pohlman**, Prairie Grove, second; and **Haley Hipp**, Harrison, third.



▶ Junior photography winners, people division, are (from left) **Katlyn Tunstill**, Fayetteville, first; **Madeline Taylor**, Lavaca, third; and **Will Pohlman**, Prairie Grove, second.



▶ Junior photography winners, around the farm or ranch division, are (from left) **Madeline Taylor**, Lavaca, first; **Will Pohlman**, Prairie Grove, second; and **Katlyn Tunstill**, Fayetteville, third.



▶ Intermediate photography winners, landscape division, are (from left) **Amanda Holland**, Imboden, first; **Audrey Taylor**, Lavaca, second; and **Christine Taylor**, Lavaca, third.



▶ Intermediate photography winners, Angus cattle division, are (from left) **Paige Tribble**, Pocahontas, first; **Christine Taylor**, Lavaca, second; and **Amanda Holland**, Imboden, third.



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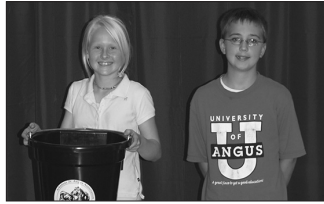
▶ Intermediate photography winners, around the farm or ranch division, are (from left) **Paige Tribble**, Pocahontas, first; **Audrey Taylor**, Lavaca, second; and **Christine Taylor**, Lavaca, third.



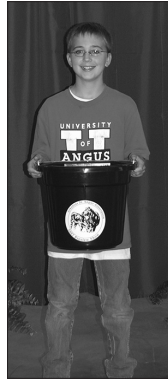
▶ Junior photography winners, landscape division, are (from left) **Katlyn Tunstill**, Fayetteville, third; **Haley Hipp**, Harrison, first; and **Madeline Taylor**, Lavaca, second.



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▶ Junior division, creative writing, graphic design, posters — herd advertisement and membership recruitment winners are (from left) **Katlyn Tunstill**, Fayetteville, first; and **Will Pohlman**, Prairie Grove, second.



▶ **Left: Will Pohlman**, Prairie Grove, receives first place in the junior division of posters — membership recruitment, junior extemporaneous speaking and junior public speaking.

▶ **Right: Paige Tribble**, Pocahontas, receives first place in the intermediate division of posters — herd advertisement, breed promotion and membership recruitment.



▶ Intermediate extemporaneous speaking winners are (from left) **Amanda Holland**, Imboden, and **Ashley Stallings**, Black Rock, tied for first place.



▶ Junior quiz bowl winners are (from left) **Carson Alsop**, Gravette, first; **Katlyn Tunstill**, Fayetteville, second; and **Sheyann Moore**, Norfolk, third.



▶ Senior quiz bowl winners are (from left) **Claire Taylor**, Lavaca, first; **Sarah Holland**, Imboden, second; and **Deborah White**, Manila, third.



▶ Herdsmanship award winners are (from left) **Taylor LaCour**, Berryville, and **Cole Umberson**, Canehill.



▶ Senior photography winners are (from left) **Claire Taylor**, Lavaca; **Sarah Holland**, Imboden; and **Haley Rieff**, Bentonville.



▶ **Sarah Holland** (right), Imboden, receives Bronze and Silver awards from Richard Dyar, American Angus Association regional manager.



▶ Selected as voting delegates to the NJAA Annual Meeting are (from left) **Claire Taylor**, Lavaca, delegate; **Andy Boecker**, Bentonville, delegate; and **Brandi Cromer**, Lamar, alternate.

▶ Serving on the Arkansas Junior Angus Ass'n board are (kneeling, from left) **Madeline Taylor**, Lavaca, director at large; **Matthew Boecker**, Bentonville, northwest director; **Amanda Holland**, Imboden, northeast director; **Emily Howell**, Camden, southwest director; (standing, from left) **Jimmy Williams**, Paragould, president; **Paige Tribble**, Pocahontas, president-elect; **Brandi Cromer**, Lamar, secretary; **Audrey Taylor**, Lavaca, treasurer; **Christine Taylor**, Lavaca, reporter; and **Katlyn Tunstill**, Fayetteville, historian.

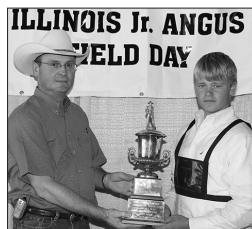


### ▶ Missouri Cattleman's Ass'n All-Breeds Show, Sedalia, June 9



▶ Missouri Angus royalty are (from left) **Austin Sayre**, Creighton, ambassador; **Rachel Bartholomew**, Archie, queen; and **Kathryn Coon**, Bethel, princess.

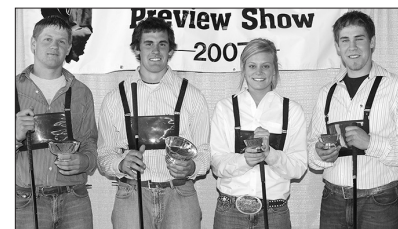
### ▶ Illinois Junior Angus Preview Show, Bloomington, June 9



▶ **Kyle Anderson** (right), Chrisman, receives the Joseph Bessler Memorial Award from Jim Bessler.



▶ Scholarship winners are (from left) **Rebecca Hurst**, Dorsey, second female; **Nathan Frost**, Tallula, first male; and **Gretchen Frost**, Tallula, first female.



▶ Representing Illinois at the 2007 National Junior Angus Showmanship Contest are (from left) **Justin Adcock**, Moweaqua, first; **Nathan Frost**, Tallula, second; **Tera Moritz**, Piper City, alternate; and **Jacob Jones**, Pontiac, alternate.

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### ▶ Mississippi Angus Ass'n Field Day, Wiggins, June 8-9



▶ Pictured at the presentation of the judging contest awards are (from left) Michael Bishop, 7-L Farms, host; **Molly Swinney**, Koscusko, junior winner; **Lexi Overby**, Morton, intermediate winner; **Jessica Swinney**, Koscusko, senior winner; Scott Overby, Morton, adult winner; and Jimmy Levens, also of 7-L Farms.



▶ Pictured at the presentation of the skillathon contest awards are (from left) Bishop; **Cheyenne Jones**, Franklinton, La, junior winner; **Joshua Scott**, Loranger, La., intermediate winner; **Jessica Swinney**, Koscusko, senior winner; Lori Williams, Quitman, adult winner; and Levens.



▶ **Kayla Williams** (second from right), Quitman, receives the Top Gun Award. Pictured are (from left) Steven Anderson, 7-L Farms; **Williams**; and Levens. The Top Gun Award is given to the individual who earns the most points for participation in the heifer show, skillathon, judging and showmanship contests. Williams will receive a \$500 credit toward any purchase in 7-L Farms' production sale.

### ▶ Washington Junior Angus Field Day, Othello, June 9



▶ **Amanda Lewis**, Elma, is the Washington Angus Queen.

▶ The Washington Junior Angus Ass'n board of directors are (from left) **Jessica Schmidt**, Othello, secretary; **Shannon Schmidt**, Othello, president; **Amanda Lewis**, Elma, vice president; **Callie Hanson**, Newport, director; and **Ted Ware**, Sedro-Woolley, director.



### ▶ Michigan Angus Ass'n Preview Show & Showcase, East Lansing, June 10



▶ Representing Michigan in the 2007 National Junior Angus Showmanship Contest are **Wren Schroeder** (left), Deckerville, and **Julie Thelen**, Saline.

### ▶ Montana Junior Beef Expo Angus Show, Lewistown, June 16



▶ The Montana Junior Angus Ass'n board of directors are (from left) **Benjamin Van Dyke**, Bozeman, president; **Kyla Olson**, Saint Ignatius, secretary; and **Allison Dubs**, Billings, reporter.



▶ Montana Angus royalty are (from left) **Cortney Bromenshenk**, Billings, princess; **Jena Wagner**, Billings, queen; and **Catherine Callantine**, Belgrade, princess.

### ▶ Wisconsin Junior Angus Preview Show, Jefferson, June 9



▶ **Left:** Representing Wisconsin in the 2007 National Junior Angus Showmanship Contest are (from left) **Daniel Trickey**, Fennimore; and **Kori Konkol**, Menomonee Falls.

▶ **Right:** Representing Wisconsin as delegates to the NJAA Annual Meeting are (from left) **Kasey Wisnefski**, Union Grove, alternate; **Kaley Bockhop**, Belmont, delegate; and **Courtney Jentz**, Fennimore, delegate.



### ▶ Kentucky Junior Angus Preview Show, Bowling Green, June 8



▶ Individuals representing Kentucky at the 2007 National Junior Angus Showmanship Contest are (from left) **Katrina Womack**, Telephone, Texas, formerly of Kentucky, representative; **Ericka Waggener**, Harrodsburg, alternate; and **Jenna Brown**, Woodburn, representative.



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### ▶ Iowa Angus Summer Junior Show, Bloomfield, June 16

▶ Named to the Iowa Junior Angus Ass'n board of directors are (from left) **Megan Orman**, Ottumwa, historian; **Wesley Ruby**, Greene, historian; **Ashley Kuehn**, Durant, secretary; **Austin Brandt**, Corning, historian; **Jordan Pauls-rud**, Danbury, second vice president; **Kyle Greiman**, Garner, treasurer; **Madison Henderson**, Drakesville, first vice president; **Jordan Eggman**, Creston, historian; and **Lauren Schroeder**, Clarence, president.



▶ Receiving scholarships from the Iowa Angus Auxiliary are (from left) **Austin Brandt**, Corning; **Ashley Kuehn**, Durant; and **Wesley Ruby**, Greene.

### Ohio Cattlemen's Ass'n BEST, Columbus

The 2006-2007 Ohio Cattlemen's Association BEST (Beef Exhibitor Show Total) Program wrapped up June 9 with its Annual Awards Banquet at the Ohio Expo Center in Columbus. Several representatives of the program's corporate sponsor, Steve R. Rauch Excavation and Demolition of Dayton, were on hand to help with the presentation of more than \$25,000 in awards in the form of U.S. Savings Bonds, luggage, coats and show materials. In addition, a BEST participant was awarded the use of an 8 x 24-ft. Ruff Neck livestock trailer donated by Eby Trailers for the 2007-2008 BEST season. The winner was drawn from more than 2,500 entries based on the number of shows and entries each participant had throughout the November through April season.

The 2006-2007 BEST program featured 13 sanctioned shows across the state. More than 430 head of cattle and more than 300 youth were entered in the program.

The champion Angus heifer belongs to Lindsey Grimes of Hillsboro. Grimes' heifer, Maplecrest Rita 5120, is a Nov. 2005 daughter of Rito 112 of 2536 Rito 616. She was also named champion bred-and-owned heifer in the BEST program.

The reserve champion Angus heifer was exhibited by Cassidy Ruff of Patriot. Ruff's heifer, Champion Hill Lady 5375, is a Feb. 2006 daughter of Leachman Saugahatchee 3000C.

The champion Angus steer, JBS G3 Steer 954, was exhibited by Stephanie Dickson of Edison. The steer is sired by JBS G3. William Harsh of Radnor exhibited the reserve champion Angus steer. HFS Forum 624 is sired by QLC LaGrand Forum.

BEST is a youth program of the Ohio Cattlemen's Association that recognizes Ohio's junior beef exhibitors through a series of shows. Juniors who participate in these sanctioned shows earn points for their placing at each show. The OCA BEST program promotes educating Ohio's juniors about beef industry issues and rewards the successful accomplishments and hard work of those junior beef producers. For further information call Jamie King at 614-873-6736.



▶ Champion and reserve Angus BEST winners include (from left) Steve R. Rauch of Rauch Excavation and Demolition, corporate sponsor of the BEST program; **Lindsey Grimes**, Hillsboro, champion Angus heifer; **Cassidy Ruff**, Patriot, reserve Angus heifer; and **Will Harsh**, Radnor, reserve Angus steer. **Stephanie Dickson**, Edison, exhibited the champion Angus steer.



▶ Three Angus exhibitors were honored during the BEST banquet for placing in the top five of the bred-and-owned division. **Lindsey Grimes**, Hillsboro, showed the champion bred-and-owned heifer in the program, **Lauren Grimes**, Hillsboro, exhibited the third overall heifer; and **Kayla Alexander**, Sabina, owned the fourth overall heifer.



▶ Iowa Angus royalty are (from left) **Madison Henderson**, Drakesville, princess; **Lauren Schroeder**, Clarence, queen; and **Ashley Kuehn**, Durant, princess.

### ▶ Mississippi Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet, Raymond, May 4



▶ **Emma Collins**, Morton, receives her Bronze and Silver awards from Richard Dyar, American Angus Association regional manager.



▶ **Emma Collins** (left), Morton, receives the Mississippi Angus Auxiliary Scholarship from Melanie Kiani, Mississippi Angus Auxiliary.

