



Newsmakers

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

IN THE NEWS

Graham Angus Farm, Gilman, Iowa, has been named a Historic Angus Herd. Earl Graham started the herd in 1947 with the purchase of a 4-H heifer for his sons. Their farm was known then as Earl Graham & Sons. Today, Earl's son George Graham manages the herd of 35 cows. The American Angus Association presents the Historic Angus Herd Award to herds that have been in the continuous production of registered Angus cattle by the same family for 50 years or more.

Whitstone Farm, Aldie, Va., and **George's Mill Farm & Stables**, Lovettsville, Va., were awarded the Loudoun Chamber of Commerce 2004 Small Business Awards in agribusiness and entrepreneur categories, respectively. According to the *Loudoun Times-Mirror*, the chamber honored the operations for setting examples of achievement and excellence in the community.

Whitstone Farm is home to approximately 500 registered cows and 150 commercial cows. George's Mill Farm & Stables features a trail-riding/boarding operation, as well as a few Angus cattle.

Harold Catlin of All-West Select Sires donated a sorting stick to the Whitman County Cattlemen's Association during its annual meeting Nov. 23, 2004. State Rep. Mark Schoesler (R-Ritzville), auctioneer Butch Booker and 20 local meeting attendees helped raise \$650 from purchases of the stick, with proceeds benefiting the Colorado Beef Council's Beef Up the Troops campaign.



► A group of more than 20 donors gave a collective \$650 to purchase a sorting stick at the Whitman County Cattlemen's Association Annual Meeting Nov. 23. Proceeds went to the Beef Up the Troops campaign.

Raymond Nebel has been named senior reproduction and dairy herd management specialist for Select Sires Inc. A former professor at Virginia Tech, Nebel will conduct training seminars on basic bovine reproduction and artificial insemination (AI), as well as highly advanced reproductive training and research. He is scheduled to begin his new position in July.

Doug Geppert, Columbia, Mo.; **Paul Kiesler**, Borden, Ind.; **Kevin Phillips**, Nixa, Mo.; **Holland Smithson**, Everton, Mo.; and **Cliff Strieler**, Jackson, Mo., were named members of the Select Sires President's Club. The five AI representatives employed by KABA/Select Sires Inc. were honored for their excellence in sales and service to dairy and beef customers.

Mark Kuna has been appointed Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of ABS Global. As CFO, he will oversee the company's worldwide finances, information systems and legal functions.

IN PASSING

Edgar Denslow Eversole, 80, Baltimore, Ohio, died Dec. 8, 2004, at Mount Carmel East Hospital in Columbus, Ohio.

Born July 10, 1924, in Carroll, Ohio, Denslow graduated Carroll High School and became an avid farmer and Angus breeder for 68 years. He was a skilled craftsman of wood and stained glass.

He is survived by his wife, Josephine Bader Eversole; two sons, Dan and Dave; two daughters, Joy and Jill; and 10 grandchildren.

J. Robert "Bob" Carr, 82, Brookville, Ohio, died Nov. 8, 2004, at his home.

A native of Ohio, Bob traveled to Iowa as a young man and worked as a skilled fitter and showman, traveling across the nation in the legendary railroad boxcars as herdsman for Wilton Farms near Davenport, Iowa. He became a managing partner at Hawkeye Acres, also in Iowa, where he bred the foundation herd sire HA Keyban. Bob became a very active judge at livestock shows, becoming the only man to judge both the National Western Stock Show (NWSS) Angus show and the North

American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE) Angus show during the same calendar year. After dispersing the Hawkeye herd, he returned to Ohio as unit manager of Schearbrook Land & Cattle Co., Clayton.

He is survived by his daughter, Diane; two sons, Allyn and Jon; and five grandchildren.

Homer Brecher, 90, Groveland, Ill., died Nov. 30, 2004, at his home.

He was born March 8, 1914, in Tazewell County to Phillip and Esther Huser Brecher.

Homer joined the American Angus Association in 1964 when he founded Brecher Bros. Angus. He remained an active Association member and became a pioneer in seedstock performance testing in Illinois. Homer was also a member of the Tazewell County Farm Bureau.

He is survived by two nephews, Dan and Bill.

Richard Ward, 77, formerly of Brookston, Ind., died Dec. 4, 2004, in Millers Merry Manor in Lagrange, Ind.

Richard was born June 28, 1927, in Grass Creek, Ind., to Albert and Martha Knapp Ward. He graduated Brookston High School in 1945 and married Barbara "Sue" Vanderbilt Oct. 11, 1947, in Brookston. A lifelong grain and livestock farmer, Richard was an American Angus Association member and received the pioneer breeder award at The All-American Angus Breeders' Futurity Roll of Victory (ROV) Show in 2002.

From 1986 to 1999 he served as a custodian at Frontier Elementary School.

He is survived by three sons, Jim, Steve and Jack; two daughters, Jean and Becky; 12 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

INDUSTRY EXTRAS

Thirty-nine appointees have been named to the Cattlemen's Beef Promotion and Research Board (CBB). They all will serve three-year terms beginning this month. Appointees include: **S. Wayne Thomas**, Alabama; **Al Wright**, Arkansas; **Virginia Coelho** and **David Albers**, California; **Michael Thoren**, Colorado; **Louis Larson**

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Jr., Florida; **Carl Crabtree**, Idaho; **Dave Bateman**, Illinois; **Virginia Davis**, Indiana; **Daniel Peterson** and **William Carroll**, Iowa; **Dana Hauck** and **Glenda Fuller**, Kansas; **Al Pedigo**, Kentucky; **Doug Dickmann**, Minnesota; **O.D. Cope** and **A. Loretta Broderick**, Missouri; **Carol Mosher**, Montana; **Ross Garwood** and **Doris Rush**, Nebraska; **Donald Gray**, New York; **Jeff Dahl**, North Dakota; **Frank Phelps**, Ohio; **Mike Brooks** and **Terry Detrick**, Oklahoma; **Peggy Biaggi**, Oregon; **Glenn Eberly**, Pennsylvania; **Merrill Karlen Jr.**, South Dakota; **Robert Fugate**, Tennessee; **Sharon Spenrath**, **J. Jay O'Brien**, **Austin Brown III**, **C.R. Sherron** and **Richard Hodge**, Texas; **Bobby Lee Combs**, Virginia; **William Ehrke**, Wisconsin; **Neil Kayser**, Northwest Unit; and **Robert Foutain Jr.**, Southeast Unit. **Donald Stewart** has been appointed to represent importers.

Tom Toll, Lindsborg, Kan., and **Ron Estes**, Atchison, Kan., were appointed Kansas Livestock Association (KLA) president and president-elect, respectively, during the organization's annual meeting Dec. 3, 2004.

The Idaho Cattle Association (ICA) honored three of its leaders during its 2004 annual convention in Sun Valley. **Laurie Lickley**, Jerome, was presented the Cattlewoman of the Year Award; **Carl Crabtree**, Grangeville, was named the 2004 Cattleman of the Year; and **J.R. Simplot**, Boise, was named the 2004 Cattle Feeder of the Year.

Jim Gregory of Gregory Feedlots in Tabor, Iowa, was awarded an in-house dinner for eight prepared by a personal chef. Intervet Animal Health awarded Gregory the dinner after the Certified Angus Beef LLC (CAB) feedlot licensee won the giveaway at the 2004 Cattle Industry Convention and Trade Show.

The **Beef Checkoff Program** was awarded the Plambeck Award for Creative Excellence in a producer-directed radio advertising series. The honor, given by the National Association of Farm Broadcasters (NAFB), recognizes the program for excellence in advertising and its efforts to educate and inform beef producers of efforts to reassure consumer audiences about the safety of the U.S. beef supply.

