



Next Generation

► Postcard from an NJAA director and state spotlights

Investing in education

Along with cooler weather, September brings about a ritual that I have enjoyed each year for the past 17 years. This month I will be heading back to school. This will be my fifth and final year at the University of Wisconsin. As I reflect on the opportunities I have had, I realize how important my education has been. It has brought me to where I am today. From kindergarten to college, my parents have often stressed the importance of doing my best. I use this bit of advice in my daily life, and it has helped me lay a solid foundation for my future education and my future career.

Even basketball star Shaquille O'Neal has taken his talents off the court and into the classroom. Several months ago, Shaq earned his master's degree in business. Shaq is one example of how we can combine an educational foundation and a passion to establish a successful and enjoyable career. For Shaq, this passion is playing basketball. For me, it's raising Angus cattle. Either way, we both have to focus on scholastic achievement in order to reach our lifelong goals.

It is very important in school to strive to do the best you can. With the strong base of a good education, you will be able to fulfill your dreams, and more opportunities will be available in the future. This year I encourage you to strive to do your best as you go back to school. An education is one of the most important investments you can make!



Casey Jentz

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Angus royalty reception

The Atlantic National Angus Auxiliary hosted an "Angus Women of Excellence, No Exception" reception, honoring 15 Angus queens and royalty representing seven states. The queens' reception took place May 27 at the Maryland State Fairgrounds.

Distinguished guests Miss American Angus Chelsey Warfield, Andersonville, Tenn., and past Miss American Angus Cortney Hill-Dukehart, Sykesville, Md., joined Marlene Dukehart and Melissa Davis in providing the program for the evening.



► The Atlantic National Angus Auxiliary hosted a reception honoring Angus queens and royalty from seven states.

Angus royalty attending included Emily Murray, Leesburg, Va.; Mandy Richardson, Louisa, Va.; Candace Howard, Keymar, Md.; Amanda Arrington, West Friendship, Md.; Burke Holvey, Sand Fork, W.Va.; Jennifer Ringwelski, Marengo, Ill.; Courtney Carnahan, Lecanto, Fla.; Barbara Pfender, Holtwood, Pa.; Kate Livingston, Dover, Pa.; Leah Walton, Kennett Square, Pa.; Emilie Campbell, Pennsylvania Furnace, Pa.; Katrina Frey, Quarryville, Pa.; Amanda Thompson, Wellsville, Pa.; and Hannah Grim, East Berlin, Pa.

Eberlee Farms, Sparta, N.C.; Sycamore Farms, Pennsylvania Furnace, Pa.; and Sunrise Sunset Farm of Sykesville, Md., sponsored the evening.

Junior donation program extended

Hilltop Angus, Mount Gilead, N.C., offered a total of 100 straws of GAR New Market 7892 semen to junior Angus associations across the country to be used in fund-raising events. The New Market semen was offered in lots of 10 straws to each junior association that requested it. In a matter of days, junior Angus associations across the country had requested all 100 straws.

In addition to this program's success for the North Carolina Junior Angus Association (see "Next Generation," page 44, in the July *Angus Journal*), the Colorado Angus Association sold their 10 straws at their state show in Trinidad, Colo., for a total of \$500.

Due to the success of this program, Hilltop Angus has decided to extend its offer to other junior Angus associations. Junior associations can request 10 straws of New Market semen to be used in their fund-raising efforts by going to www.hilltopangus.net/juniors.

Accelerated Genetics 2006 internships

Accelerated Genetics is offering two types of summer internships to college students for summer 2006 — an advertising and public relations internship and a marketing

internship. Accelerated Genetics' internships provide a variety of opportunities to work hands-on within the artificial insemination (AI) industry, to network and to gain valuable experiences that will help students prepare for a future career. The application deadline for both internships is Nov. 1, 2005.

Advertising and Public Relations

Internship: The advertising and public relations intern is based at Accelerated Genetics' administrative headquarters in Baraboo, Wis. In this position, the intern will represent Accelerated Genetics at numerous functions throughout the summer, including conventions, dairy shows and young producer activities. The intern will be responsible for interviewing dairy producers and industry professionals and writing feature articles for the company newsletter, as well as writing general news releases. Other duties include developing and designing brochures and various types of ads.

Interested candidates should be proficient in both written and oral communications as well as have good computer skills. Training will be given in all areas. Send résumé and cover letter to: Kari Stanek, Accelerated Genetics, E10890 Penny Ln., Baraboo, WI 53913. For more information contact Stanek at 1-800-451-9275, Ext. 222, or kstanek@accelgen.com.

Marketing Internship: Marketing interns will receive a broad range of experience in all marketing positions and Accelerated Genetics programs. Individuals will develop skills in AI and will provide relief service for assigned technicians. Other responsibilities will include marketing penetration studies and assisting on retail sales routes. Marketing interns will assist with sire and daughter photography and take pictures of exhibitors with their animals at county fairs. Additionally, they will be trained in AI breeding techniques. Previous experience is advantageous, but not required.



Rishel Angus donates Angus Foundation heifer

The Bill Rishel family of Rishel Angus, North Platte, Neb., will donate the 2006 Angus Foundation Heifer, set to sell at 2 p.m., Jan. 12, 2006, during the National Western Stock Show (NWSS) in Denver, Colo.

B/R Ruby of Tiffany 4214, a February 2004 daughter of Twin Valley Precision E161, will headline the package, which also includes various services and products provided by the American Angus Association and other Foundation donors. Her dam is B/R Ruby of Tiffany 9148, a daughter of N-Bar Emulation EXT. As a special feature this year, the heifer is bred to Ironwood New Level and expected to calve in early February 2006.

For more information about the Angus Foundation Heifer Package, contact the Angus Foundation at (816) 383-5100 or visit with any regional manager.

If interested in the marketing internship, please send résumé and cover letter to: Sue Lindloff, Accelerated Genetics, E10890 Penny Ln., Baraboo, WI 53913. For more information contact Lindloff at 1-800-451-9275, Ext. 254, or slindloff@accelgen.com.

BEST winners recognized

The 2004-2005 Ohio Cattlemen's Association (OCA) Beef Exhibitor Show Total (BEST) Program wrapped up June 11 with its Annual Awards Banquet hosted at the Clark County Fairgrounds in Springfield. More than \$25,000 worth of awards was presented, and a BEST participant was awarded the use of a Wrangler livestock trailer for the 2005-2006 BEST season. The winner was drawn from more than 2,400 entries based on the number of shows and entries each participant had throughout the November-April season.

The 2004-2005 BEST program featured 15 shows. Nearly 500 head of cattle and almost 300 youth were entered in the program.

Champion bred-and-owned Angus female, HFS Blackclass 411, was shown by Bailey Harsh, Radnor. She's a Jan. 2004 daughter of CA Future Direction 5321.

Champion Angus female, Grandview

Womack Lucy 2243, belongs to Sarah Davis, Kingston. She's an Oct. 2003 daughter of KF Precision 361. Reserve champion Angus female, OMA Tiffany 4007, was exhibited by Lindsey Grimes, Hillsboro. She's a Feb. 2004 daughter of Twin Valley Precision E161.

Champion bred-and-owned Angus steer was shown by Davin Sherman, Cardington. Batman is a Feb. 2004 son of CA Future Direction 5321.

Champion Angus steer, Cedar Springs Bubba 21P, was exhibited by Erin Ward, Canal Fulton. He's a Feb. 2004 son of BEB Juneau 104. Reserve champion Angus steer, Mr. Maxi, was shown by Abby Kiplinger, Massillon. He's an April 2004 son of Herring's Maxi Million HAR.

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



► Champion and reserve champion Angus winners receive honors at the BEST banquet. Pictured are (from left) Allen Gahler, BEST committee vice chairman; Sarah Davis, Kingston, champion Angus female; Lindsey Grimes, Hillsboro, reserve champion Angus female; Erin Ward, Canal Fulton, champion Angus steer; and Steve Rauch and Valentine Gelata, representing BEST sponsor Steve Rauch Excavation and Demolition.



► Champion bred-and-owned Angus winners are honored. Pictured are (from left) Bill Sexten, OCA president; Bailey Harsh, Radnor, champion bred-and-owned Angus female; Rauch; and Gelata.