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At the Backdrop Juniors were recognized for their accomplishments July 20

during the 2012 National Junior Angus Show Awards Ceremony.

SWEEPSTAKES AWARDS



► Above: The Illinois Jr. Angus Ass'n won the sweepstakes award for states exhibiting more than 30 head.

More backdrop photos

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► The Arkansas Jr. Angus Ass'n won the sweepstakes award for states exhibiting fewer than 30 head.

CRYSTAL AWARDS



► Left: The American Angus Auxiliary presents a Janet Castle Crystal Award to the top boy and top girl in contest performance. Pictured are (from left) Anne Lampe, American Angus Auxiliary president; Katlyn Tunstill, Fayetteville, Ark., top girl; Will Pohlman, Prairie Grove, Ark., top boy; and Cathy Watkins, American Angus Auxiliary Crystal Award chairwoman, presenting.

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GRAPHIC DESIGN



▶ Winning the junior division are (from left) **Baxter Knapp**, Bloomfield, Iowa, third; and **Skylar Lienemann**, Princeton, Neb., first. Not pictured is **Danika Gordon**, Whitewood, S.D., second.



Winning the intermediate division are (from left) Clayton McGuire, Waverly, Ala., first; Katlyn Tunstill, Fayetteville, Ark., second; and Jera Pipkin, Republic, Mo., third.



Winning the senior division are (from left) Brooke Harward, Richfield, N.C., third; Lauren Adcock, Moweaqua, Ill., second; and Lauren Barker, Monticello, Iowa, first.

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▶ Right: Placing in the junior division are (from left) Jocelyn Duncan, Otego, N.Y., third placepeople, HM-around the farm or ranch; Baxter Knapp, Bloomfield, Iowa, third place-Angus cattle; Quanah Gardiner, Ashland, Kan., first place-people, HM-Angus cattle; and Jenna Hamilton, Buena Vista, Va., first place-Angus cattle, HM-people, second placelandscape, third place-around



the farm or ranch. Hamilton won overall contest champion and overall division champion. To see the winning photos and for a complete list of winners, see the article on page 160.

LEAD CONFERENCE AWARD



► Kayla Widerman (left), Good Hope, Ill., and Katelyn Wilson, Orleans, Ind., receive the Gary Brost LEAD Conference Award.

► Right: Placing in the intermediate division are (front row, from left) Alexis Timmel, Johnson Creek, Wis., first placepeople; Sierra Day, Cerro Gordo, Ill., third place-people; Destiny McCauley, Bowling Green, Fla., first place-around the farm or ranch, second place-division; Courtney Younge, Ventura, Iowa, second place-Angus cattle; (back row, from left) Chris Kahlenbeck, Union, Mo., second place-people; Catie Hope, Berryville, Va., second place-around the farm or ranch, third place-division; Joshua Scott, Loranger, La., third place-Angus cattle, sec-



ond place–landscape; Keegan Cassady, Normal, Ill., third place–landscape; Cooper Sadowsky, Eagleville, Mo., first place–landscape; Macy Perry, Prather, Calif., third place–around the farm or ranch; and Clayton McGuire, Waverly, Ala., first place–Angus cattle. Timmel claimed overall division champion.

▶ Right: Placing in the senior division are (from left) Lauren Barker, Monticello, lowa, third place-around the farm or ranch; Lauren Adcock, Moweaqua, Ill., second place-Angus cattle; Samantha Schermer, Latimer, Iowa, HM-people, third place-landscape; Lauren Jernas, Knox, Ind., third place-Angus cattle, first place-landscape; Lincoln Deitrick, Zanesville, Ohio, first place-around the farm or ranch, third place-division; Sadie Kinne, Eagleville, Mo., second placelandscape; Michelle Malson, Parma, Idaho, third place-people; and Audrey Taylor, Lavaca, Ark., first place-people, second place-division.



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TEAM SALES CONTEST



► Winning first in the junior division, representing Kansas, are (from left) **Eva Hinrichsen** and **Cale Hinrichsen**, both of Westmoreland; and **Quanah Gardiner**, Ashland.



▶ Winning second in the junior division, representing Virginia, are (from left) Jacob McCall, Greenville; Caleb Boden, Clearbrook; William Clark, Culpeper; and Jenna Hamilton, Buena Vista.



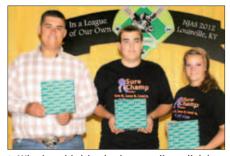
► Winning third in the junior division, representing Illinois, are (from left) Lindsey Decker, Philo; Dalton Lemenager, Clifton; and Eric Schafer, Owaneco.



► Winning first in the intermediate division, representing Illinois, are (from left) Laramie Chaffin, Roodhouse; Sierra Day, Cerro Gordo; and Keegan Cassady, Normal.



► Winning second in the intermediate division, representing Missouri, are (from left) **Hannah Moyer**, Lamar; Jera Pipkin, Republic; Kendra Pryor, Pleasant Hill; and Sydney Thummel, Sheridan.



► Winning third in the intermediate division, representing Kansas, are (from left) Jackson Wingert, Ottawa; Reid Shipman, Manhattan; and Anna Carpenter, Wamego.



▶ Regional Manager Vern Frey and Jessica Johnson, host state education committee member from Tennessee, line up juniors for the team sales competition.





► Winning first in the senior division and receiving the Bob Laflin Award in memory of the late Angus breeder is the Texas team. Pictured are (from left) Sharee Sankey and Cody Sankey, presenting; team members **Brazos Williams** and **Tylee Jo Williams**, both of Clarendon; **Jacob Steph**, Tatum; **Robert Dolson**, Hico; and Chris Sankey, presenting.

►Left: Winning second in the senior division, representing Arkansas and Louisiana, are (from left) Daniel McFarland, Keithville, La.; Katlyn Tunstill, Fayetteville, Ark.; and Will Pohlman, Prairie Grove, Ark.

► **Right:** Winning third in the senior division, representing Nebraska, are (from left) **Garrett Borgelt**, Beemer; **Claire Volk**, Bennington; and **Michaela Clowser**, Milford.



POSTER CONTEST

▶ Placing in the junior poster contest are (from left) **Samuel Henderson**, East Troy, Wis., second place-membership recruitment; **Nick Innis**, Milroy, Ind., third place-breed or association promotion; **Nicholas Pohlman**, Prairie Grove, Ark., second place-breed or association promotion, third place-membership recruitment, first place-herd advertisement; **Caleb Flory**, Baldwin City, Kan., first place-membership recruitment; **Skylar Lienemann**, Princeton, Neb., first place-breed or association promotion; **Kady Figge**, Onaga, Kan., third place-herd advertisement; and **Marcie Harward**, Richfield, N.C., second place-herd advertisement. Skylar Lienemann won overall champion in the poster contest.



QUIZ BOWL



► Winning first in the junior division, representing Virginia, are (from left) Jacob McCall and Zachary McCall, both of Greenville; Sarah Harris, Buchanan; and Amanda Bowman, Riner.



► Winning second in the junior division, representing Kansas, are (from left) Eva Hinrichsen, Westmoreland; Laura Carpenter, Wamego; Cale Hinrichsen, Westmoreland; and Quanah Gardiner, Ashland.



► Winning first in the intermediate division, representing Arkansas, South Dakota and Colorado, are (from left) **Austin Vieselmeyer**, Amherst, Colo.; **Will Pohlman**, Prairie Grove, Ark.; **Katlyn Tunstill**, Fayetteville, Ark; and **Alex Rogen**, Brandon, S.D.



► Winning second in the intermediate division, representing Missouri, are (from left) Carter Ward, Plattsburg; Jacob Coon, Bethel; Cooper Sadowsky, Eagleville; and Jera Pipkin, Republic.



► Winning first in the senior division, representing Indiana, are (from left) Shelly Streitmatter, Lafayette; Madison Butler, Vincennes; Robbie Dragani, Plymouth; and Kyrsten Retherford, Indianapolis.



► Winning second in the senior division, representing Virginia, are (from left) Matthew Moulden, Clearbrook; Adam Murray, Leesburg; Will Fiske, Greenville; and Bobby Strecker, Rockbridge Baths.

TEAM FITTING



► Winning first in team fitting, representing Wisconsin, are (from left) **Calli Bayer**, Ringle; **Jared Radcliffe**, Weston; **Ty Bayer**, Ringle; and **John Henderson**, East Troy.



► Winning second in team fitting, representing Missouri, are (from left) Jacob Heimsoth, Cameron; Chase Monte, Mexico; Samuel Wallace, Stotts City; and Cameron Ward, Plattsburg.



► Winning third in team fitting, representing Indiana, are (from left) **Cole Janssen**, Fowler; **Kyle Eischen**, Greenfield; **Conner Cross**, Wilkinson; and **Conner Stacy**, Oxford.

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LIVESTOCK JUDGING



▶Winning the junior division, ages 9-10, are (from left) **Zach McCall**, Greenville, Va., first; and **Marcie Harward**, Richfield, N.C., third. Not pictured is **Jeremy Bentzel**, East Berlin, Pa., second.



► Winning the intermediate division, ages 11-13, are (from left) **Chase Mogck**, Olivet, S.D., first; **Alexis Rich**, Nicholasville, Ky., second; and **Genesis Brannon**, Ellsinore, Mo., third.



► Winning the intermediate division, ages 14-17, are (from left) **Catie Hope**, Berryville, Va., first; **Blake Holtzhower**, Dade City, Fla., second; and **Lauren Grimes**, Hillsboro, Ohio, third.



► Winning the senior division, ages 18-21, are (from left) **Bobby Strecker**, Rockbridge Baths, Va., first; **Drake Yon**, Ridge Spring, S.C., second; and **Weston Geppert**, Mitchell, S.D., third.



► The Maryland Jr. Angus Ass'n won first place in the NJAA scrapbook contest.



The Virginia Jr. Angus Ass'n won second place in the scrapbook contest.



The **lowa Jr. Angus Ass'n** won third place in the scrapbook contest.

VIDEO CONTEST



► Winning the junior division are (from left) Hannah Williams, Milan, Ga., first; and Daniel Rohrbaugh, Seven Valleys, Pa., second.



▶Winning the intermediate division are (from left) Katlyn Tunstill, Fayetteville, Ark., first; Esther McCabe, Elk City, Kan., second; and Chris Kahlenbeck, Union, Mo., third.



▶ Winning the senior division are (from left) Brooke Harward, Richfield, N.C., second; and Tyler Ottensmeier, McLouth, Kan., first.





▶ Winning in the intermediate division are (from left) **Katlyn Tunstill**, Fayetteville, Ark., first-résumé, third-interview, first-overall; **Will Pohlman**, Prairie Grove, Ark., first-interview; **Michaela Clowser**, Milford, Neb., second-résumé; **Maci Lienemann**, Princeton, Neb., second-interview; and **Elizabeth Nixon**, Rapidan, Va., third-résumé.



► Winning the senior division are (from left) **Brooke Harward**, Richfield, N.C., first-interview, third-résumé, first-overall; **Lauren Adcock**, Moweaqua, Ill., first-résumé; **Paige Wallace**, Stotts City, Mo., second-interview, second-résumé; and **Lindsay Upperman**, Chambersburg, Pa., third-interview.

GOLD AWARDS



Earning the Gold Award are (front row, from left) Ty Bayer, Ringle, Wis.; Paige Tribble, Pocahontas, Ark.; Ethan Whiteside, Queenstown, Md.; Hannah Rowlett, Hurricane Mills, Tenn.; Samantha Yantis, Bunkie, La.; JanLee Rowlett, Hurricane Mills, Tenn.; Kassandra Pfeiffer, Orlando, Okla.; Kelli Retallick, Glen Haven, Wis.; Katy Satree, Montague, Texas; Jennifer Ewing, Rushville, Ill.; Taylor Short, Mansfield, Mo.; Hannah McCabe, Elk City, Kan.; Bryanne Duckett, New Liberty, Iowa; Patricia Vaassen, Ann Arbor, Mich.; Lauren Herman, Kingman, Kan.; (back row, from left) Alissa Stai, New London, Minn.; Caleb Sadler, Carlisle, Ky.; Andrea Hosto, Alhambra, Ill.; Samantha Schermer, Latimer, Iowa; Nathan Butler, Midland, Va.; Meredith Mayfield, Pulaski, Tenn.; Weston Brandt, Corning, Iowa; Kyle Greiman, Garner, Iowa; Lincoln Deitrick, Zanesville, Ohio; Justin Kennedy, Nashville, Mich.; Clay Williams, Bishop, Ga.; and Meghan Blythe, White City, Kan. Not pictured are Allison Dubs, Billings, Mont.; Tanner Rayl, Hutchinson, Kan.; and Forrest Thompson, Mount Vernon, Mo. See story on page 118.

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OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP AWARD



▶ Paige Wallace (left), Stotts City, Mo., is presented the NJAA Outstanding Leadership Award by Garrett Knebel, retiring NJAA Leadership Director. She will be presented the Barbara Smalstig Leadership Award at the American Angus Association Annual Banquet this November in Louisville, Ky. See story on page 130.

Placing in herdsmanship

The purpose of the herdsmanship contest is to encourage cooperation, fellowship and teamwork among state juniors in developing and maintaining a display of cattle and stall area. See "The Scoop on Herdsmanship," on page 94 for backdrop pictures of the winning states and insight into what the judges look for when they evaluate this contest.

States with 15 or fewer head

1. New York

2. North Carolina

3. South Carolina

States with 61 head

- or more 1. Missouri
 - 2. lowa
 - 3. Indiana

States with 46-60 head

- 1. Maryland
- 2. Pennsylvania
- 3. Kentucky

States with 31-45 head

- 1. Louisiana
- 2. Virginia
- 3. Nebraska

States with 16-30 head

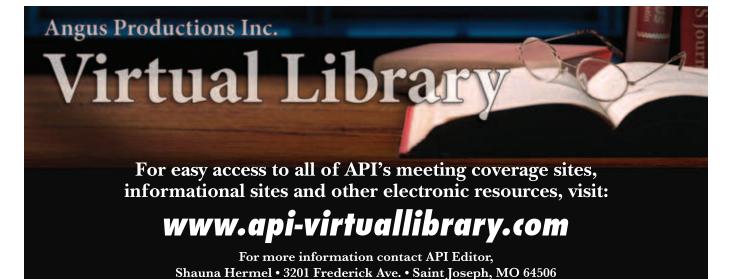
- 1. Michigan

- 2. Minnesota
- 3. Florida





The Missouri Jr. Angus Ass'n hopes to see you next year for "Aberdeen in twenty-thirteen."



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