## **IN THE NEWS**

**Harold Trump,** Trump Grass & Grain, Luray, Mo., was inducted Dec. 7, 2012, into the Missouri Livestock Symposium Hall of Fame and named the 2012 Missouri Livestock Person of the Year.

Trump was born on his grandpa Neumann's farm just west of Kahoka. He has lived his entire life in Clark County. He began his career with four free pet lambs. He had a flock of registered Corriedale sheep and sold breeding stock as a young teenager.

In 1950, he purchased two registered bred Angus heifers from his grandfather Harkness, beginning his Angus herd. By the age of 20, he had built his registered Angus herd to 20-25 cows and sold the calves as fat cattle.

From 1970 to the present, he raised and sold Angus breeding stock. In the 1980s he raised show steers and had a few state fair champions. He quit raising show steers in the

early 1990s to breed more heifers to sell at area sales and privately.

Trump was an early participant in the Missouri Show-Me Select heifer program. He had his first sale in 2000 and has continued to have his own annual bred-heifer sale each year.

Trump is currently serving as an MFA Agri Service board member, a University of Missouri (MU) Greenley Research Farm Advisory Board member, and an Industrial Opportunities Inc. board member. He has been a member and former consistory member of the Saint Paul United Methodist Church of Christ, a Missouri Cattlemen's director, an ASCS county committee member, and a board member of the Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone Board. He has also served on the Clark County MU Extension Council and is a long-time member of the Missouri Livestock Symposium committee.

Trump has been honored with many awards and recognitions. Some of these include the Goodyear Conservation Award, the MU Farm Management Award and the NEMO Outstanding Commercial Beef Cattle Producer Award in 1989. Always one to assist, Trump was one of the hosts for the Missouri State Beef Tour in 2001 and has hosted numerous area, state and foreign group farm tours through the years.

Trump has been quoted or featured in several agricultural magazine articles, including the *Missouri Ruralist* and in the *High Plains Journal* in an article about the development of quality replacement heifers.

Like most producers, Trump is blessed with an outstanding farm wife, Marvis. They have two children, Marla and Mark. Mark is deceased. They have one granddaughter, Karlee, and one stepgranddaughter, Kristel.

Tom Loehner and Glen Klippenstein

were honored by the Missouri Cattlemen's Association (MCA) as *Friends of the Industry* award winners at MCA's annual convention and trade show in Columbia, Mo. The award is presented to state legislators who have helped the cattle industry during their time in office.

## **INDUSTRY EXTRAS**

**Danny Murphy,** Canton, Miss., has been confirmed as president of the American Soybean Association (ASA) by its board of directors. **Steve Wellman,** Syracuse, Neb., has been confirmed as chairman. **Ray Gaesser,** Corning Iowa, was elected by board members to serve as first vice president, placing him in line to be ASA president in 2014.

Randy Mann, Auburn, Ky., was elected secretary and Richard Wilkins from Greenwood, Del., was elected treasurer. Bob Henry, Robinson, Kan.; Bob Worth, Lake Benton, Minn.; Wade Cowan, Brownfield, Texas; and Mark Jackson, Rose Hill, Iowa; were elected vice presidents.

**Dick Monfort,** scion of one of the West's most prominent cattle families, was honored by the Colorado State University Department of Animal Sciences during a reception Jan. 19

at the National Western Stock Show (NWSS) as 2012 Livestock Leader for his role as a champion of the nationwide beef industry and for high-impact philanthropy that benefits agriculture.

**Arjun Mirdha** has been appointed CEO of JCB Inc., effective Jan. 1, 2013. He will oversee sales, commercial operations parts and service, manufacturing, marketing communications and product marketing.

**Jodi Letham,** Clymer, Pa., has joined Brandt as northeast territory sales manager. She will lead the company's specialty formulations sales initiatives in Pennsylvania, New York and New Jersey.

**Harold Workman,** Louisville, Ky., president and CEO of the Kentucky State Fair Board, was one of five distinguished graduates of the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture to be named as inaugural inductees to the Hall of Distinguished Alumni.

**Timothy Riggan** was promoted to eastern region sales manager for Nichino America.

**Robert Shideler,** Manacos, Colo., was honored with the Friend of the National

Western Stock Show and Red Meat Industry award by the Red Meat Club of Denver, Colo., Jan. 17.

**Randy Bernard** has been named CEO of the Rural Media Group Inc. (RMG), current broadcasters of RFD-TV, Rural TV and FamilyNet. He joins **Michael LaBroad**, chief marketing officer, and **Steve Campione**, who will assume the additional duties of chief operating officer in addition to his present chief financial officer role, as the company's 2013 executive team.

Jay Turner has joined Brandt as midsouth territory sales manager. Turner will work from his home in Olive Branch, Miss., and will lead specialty formulations sales initiatives in western Tennessee, Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi, reporting to the eastern seaboard regional manager.

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