



Newsmakers

► Items of interest **about** and **for** members of our Angus family. *Compiled by Linda Robbins.*

IN THE NEWS

Goodfellow Angus, Bruce, S.D., has been recognized by the American Angus Association as a Historic Angus Herd, an award presented to Angus breeders or immediate families who have been in continuous production of registered-Angus cattle for 50 years or more.

Steven Goodfellow fell in love with Angus cattle at the “Little International” livestock show at South Dakota State University in Brookings. He was in college at the time, studying agriculture. After showing an Angus heifer, he knew he wanted to be involved with the business breed.

In 1956, Goodfellow purchased seven registered-Angus heifers from Benno Stark in Madison, S.D. The foundation cow, Pride 886 SDG, was sired by Baldrige Oscar and had a heifer calf that won honors at the 1994 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) in Des Moines, Iowa. Goodfellow Angus has also had several cows receive Pathfinder® recognition, which is awarded by the Association to superior performing females.

The first Goodfellow Angus bull was Dor

Macs Bardoliermere 425. Other bulls used throughout the operation’s history were GW Farcear, LCR Precision, Mytty in Focus and Connealy Onward. The Goodfellow Angus herd grew to about 150 head in the mid-1970s. Drought years in 1975 and 1976 forced them to disperse a majority of the herd; however, they kept back a few older cows and have slowly continued to build. Currently, Goodfellow Angus consists of 15 cows.

Steven Goodfellow has belonged to the South Dakota Angus Association since 1957 and has been a life member of the American Angus Association since 1959. Through the years, he has shown cattle at the Black Hills Stock Show, Rapid City, S.D.; the Sioux Empire Farm Show, Sioux Falls, S.D.; and the Farm Show in Watertown, S.D.

Temple Grandin of Colorado State University was recognized on the floor of the Colorado House of Representatives and the Colorado Senate April 2 as part of World Autism Awareness Day for using insights gained from her autism to design humane

livestock-handling systems that have revolutionized the agricultural industry.

Grandin was a keynote speaker at an event in Denver, Colo., that evening that served as a fundraiser for an international nonprofit called Specialisterne. The organization, founded in Denmark, is an information technology consulting firm that employs people with autism and advocates for the hiring of qualified candidates with the condition. The fundraiser was to help establish a Specialisterne office in Denver.

Bob Hahn and **David Sibbald** have been elected to represent Alberta on the board of the Canadian Angus Association for a three-year term. **Tammi Ribey** has been elected to represent Ontario.

Hahn has served on the Alberta Angus Association for five years, including serving as treasurer. Sibbald has served in numerous volunteer ventures, including president of the Canadian Red Angus Promotion Society and was recently elected second vice chairman of the Calgary Stampede board of directors.

Ribey has a 25-year-old veterinary practice

Alabama Angus Ass’n Annual Meeting & Banquet, April 19, Cullman

► The Alabama Angus Ass’n officers and directors are (seated, from left) **Philip Gleason**, Springville, president; **Scott Bonds**, Guntersville, first vice president; **George Richburg**, Auburn, second vice president; **Tim West**, Centre, treasurer; **Mike McGuire**, Waverly, executive secretary; (standing, from left) **David Osborn**, Athens; **John Elbert Harrell**, Opelika; **Randy Crowell**, Elrod; **Kenneth Barrentine**, Pisgah; **Jennifer Lee**, Daviston; **Kenneth Tyler**, Union Grove; **J.B. Turner Jr.**, Harvest; **Michael Rorex**, Bridgeport; **Tandy West**, Centre; and **Chris Wisener**, Arab.



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► **William Maples** (center), Elkmont, receives the Lifetime Achievement Award from Alabama Angus Ass’n President **Gregg Blythe** (left) and **John Elbert Harrell**, American Angus Ass’n board member.



► **Gregg Blythe** (right), Madison, receives the outgoing president recognition award from **Philip Gleason**, newly elected Alabama Angus Ass’n president.



► The Alabama Angus Women’s Ass’n officers are (from left) **Melody Barton**, Dutton, vice president; **June Wood**, Holly Pond, secretary; and **Meghan Hill Rutherford**, Hanceville, treasurer.

■ **Illinois Angus Ass'n Board of Directors Meeting, April 1, Springfield**



►The Illinois Angus Ass'n officers and directors are (seated, from left) **Luke Lemenager**, Hudson, president; **Kevin Rose**, Salem, vice president; **Aaron Schafer**, Owaneco, secretary; **Douglas Turner**, Mahomet, business manager; **Stan Prox**, Macomb, business manager; **Kevin Cassidy**, Ancona, past president; (standing, from left) **John Kirchner**, Mount Morris; **Trever Kuipers**, Le Roy; **Lee Stremsterfer**, Pleasant Plains; **Cheryl Day**, Cerro Gordo; **Stephen Kieseewetter**, Farmington; **Chad Daugherty**, Cerro Gordo; **Ryan Schlipf**, El Paso; **Kevin Eathington**, Avon; **Richard Hurst**, Dorsey; **Wayne Conrady**, Lincoln; **Dale Rhode**, Kingston; **Annie Ruyle**, Roodhouse; **Michael Prescott**, Springfield; **Joel York**, Palestine; and **Tyler Schleich**, Monmouth.

with both large and small animals, in addition to maintaining a 400-acre farm. She has donated much of her spare time to the Ontario Angus Association during the past six years, with a recent two-year stint as president.

■ **WEDDINGS**

Kasey Miller and **Jared Brown** were married April 6 in College Station, Texas, where they both went to school at Texas A&M University.



Parents of the bride are Kevyn and René Miller, Thorntown, Ind. Parents of the groom are Mark and Sherrie Brown, Riviera, Texas.

Kasey is associate editor at the *Angus Journal* and Jared is employed at BioZyme Inc. in Saint Joseph, Mo., where the couple is making their home.

■ **IN PASSING**

Dorothy McLaughlin, 95, Mason City, Ill., died March 14 at Mason City.

Dorothy was born in rural Mason City March 8, 1918, to Lewis and Nora (Vorn) Holt. She was the older of two sisters, so she worked on the farm the same as a son would have, including working with the livestock and row-crop farming with horses.

She married Howard McLaughlin in Excelsior Springs, Mo., Dec. 29, 1949. Howard and Dorothy started raising livestock and row cropping south of Mason City in 1951. The first registered-Angus came to their operation when their oldest son,

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Edwin, purchased a 4-H project heifer in the fall of 1956 from Robert Copper of Mason City.

In 1957, they purchased a Tolan-bred Eileenmere bull from Hoppler Bros. of Greenview, Ill. Shortly thereafter they switched their commercial cattle herd to all registered Angus. All four of the McLaughlin children owned and showed Angus cattle. Dorothy and Howard enjoyed visiting with fellow Angus breeders and made many friends in the cattle business.

Dorothy worked with Howard with the livestock and row cropping as she had as a youngster, but with tractors instead of horses. She was an excellent cook, and it was not unusual to walk into her kitchen on an early spring morning, smell great food cooking and see a new calf warming in the middle of the floor!

Dorothy was active in her church, home extension, and “Rockin Readers” at the local school. She started her own home economics 4-H club: Stitch and Stir.

Although she retired and moved to town after Howard’s death in 1994, she took an active interest in the cattle. She was in attendance at the 2006 Illinois Angus Futurity banquet where she was honored with the Historic Angus Herd award for having registered Angus as a family business for 50 years.

McLaughlin Angus Farm has been a member of the Central Illinois Angus Association, and a life member of the American Angus Association since 1958. Dorothy’s youngest son, James (Jim), lives on the home place south of Mason City and continues McLaughlin Angus Farm, now in its 57th year.

Dorothy is survived by daughter Janet; sons Edwin, Kenneth and James; 13 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Cecilia (Flehmer) Eck, 82, Pierce City, Mo., died March 28 at Mercy Hospital in Joplin, Mo., after a short illness.

Cecilia was born May 13, 1930, to Paul and Minnie Flehmer. She was a lifelong Pierce City resident and a 1947 graduate of Pierce City High School. She attended Marymount College in Salina, Kan., and was employed by Murray Auto Service in Pierce City, where she sold Studebaker cars for four years before marrying John Eck Aug. 20, 1951, at Saint Mary’s Catholic Church.

She served Saint Mary’s Catholic Church and the Saint Mary’s School throughout her lifetime in many capacities. She served on the Board of Education of McAuley Regional High School in Joplin, was a 4-H leader for 40 years and was inducted into the Missouri 4-H Hall of Fame in 2009.

A self-employed farmer and cattlegirl, Cecilia served for many years as secretary of the Southwest Missouri Angus Association, managing many group sales. She was a member of the Missouri Angus Association, having served on the board of directors and as a delegate of the association to the national convention.

She had been a life member of the American Angus Association since 1951, and was instrumental in organizing the Southwest Missouri Beef Cattle Improvement Association (SWMBCIA). She was named Cattlegirl of the Year in 1980 by her Missouri peers. She was a strong proponent of youth in agriculture and attended cattle shows across the United States either as an exhibitor or a supporter of her children and grandchildren.

During the past 62 years, the progressive farming efforts of Cecilia and her husband

2013 Saddle & Sirloin Portrait Gallery inductee

David Hawkins has been announced by officials of the Kentucky State Fair Board as the 2013 Saddle & Sirloin Portrait Gallery inductee. For those involved in animal agriculture, this selection is a very high honor. It is bestowed by the Saddle & Sirloin Award Committee based on service to and impact on the livestock industry. The portrait gallery is the livestock industry's hall of fame.

Hawkins began his teaching career at Michigan State University after earning his doctorate from that institution in 1969. In 1973, he was named the faculty coordinator of the MSU Beef Cattle Teaching Center. Under his leadership, the success of the MSU purebred beef cattle herds has served to recruit many potential students and motivate them to become successful stockmen.

During his 40+-year career at MSU, he has been a teacher, livestock judging team coach, student mentor, purebred livestock show judge and National Collegiate Livestock Judging Contest superintendent.

He is the recipient of numerous awards, including the Distinguished Teacher, Animal Industry Service and Fellow awards from the American Society of Animal Science (ASAS). Today, he and his wife, Kathleen, live in Michigan, where they maintain a noted Angus cattle herd.

During his career, Hawkins contributed significantly to the

worldwide livestock industry. Under his leadership the MSU herd was selected for both type and performance, producing cattle that were excellent classroom models and highly sought after by the industry for their genetic excellence.

He became one of the most respected beef cattle show judges in the United States and internationally. He officiated at national shows for seven breeds of cattle in more than 36 states and in Canada, Europe and Australia. He is the only person invited twice to judge national Angus shows at both the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE) and the National Western Stock Show (NWSS).

Because of his animal science expertise, he has presented seminars on beef cattle breeding, selection and genetic improvement in North and South America, Australia and Europe.

The Saddle & Sirloin presentation will take place in November at the 40th annual NAILE, scheduled for Nov. 9-22, 2013.

The Saddle & Sirloin Portrait Gallery is curated by the Kentucky State Fair Board and is displayed throughout the Kentucky Exposition Center in Louisville, Ky. The collection includes nearly 350+ oil paintings and dates back to the turn of the last century.

Hawkins has been a life member of the American Angus Association since 1962.

were recognized with numerous awards. The herd of registered Angus cattle they developed was recognized as a Historic Angus Herd in 1983. They were honored as Seedstock Producers of the Year by the SWMBCIA in 1985 and as Pioneer Angus Breeders by the Missouri Angus Association in 2002.

Cecilia is survived by son Richard; daughters Linda and Mary Jo; sister Mary; brother John; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be sent to the Angus Foundation/Missouri Junior Angus Scholarship Fund at 3201 Frederick Ave., Saint Joseph, MO 64506-2997.

Bessie (Lee) Allen, 92, Princeton, N.C., died April 1.

Bessie was born April 11, 1920, the daughter of Stephen and Emma (Bridgers) Lee. She was the widow of Needham Earl Allen.

Bessie is survived by daughters Patricia, Shirley, Brenda and Donna; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Jessica (Brewer) Fletcher, 39, Reedy Creek, N.C., died April 5 at her home, surrounded by her family.

Jessica was born May 25, 1973, in Shelby County, Memphis, Tenn., to Ray and Suzanne (Wilson) Brewer. She was diagnosed with LAM (Lymphangiomyomatosis) disease in 1998. In 2009, she was diagnosed with lung cancer, fought gracefully and was in remission for more than two years.

In April 2012 she was again diagnosed with cancer and fought with dignity and grace. In late February of this year, she

gathered the strength to enjoy a cruise with friends that was truly a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

Jessica was ultimately the "I'll do it my way" kind of person. She lived life to the fullest, was loved, and her strength was admired by many. Jessica was a 1991

graduate of North Davidson High School, completed training for medical technologies at ECPI in Greensboro, N.C., and was employed with Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina in Winston-Salem.

She enjoyed mud racing, drag racing, High

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Rock Lake, Myrtle Beach, anything outdoors, and involvement with her parents with cattle and farming. She proudly lived in her Brewer grandparent's home and her life revolved around her niece and nephews. Jessica had been involved with Relay for Life of Davidson County since 2010.

Jessica is survived by her parents; sisters Robin, Wendy and Alicia; niece Rebekah; and nephews Zachary, Matthew and Mark. She is also survived by her "cherished sister" Margaret Wilson Snider, as well as her former husband Mike Fletcher.

J.W. Hobbs, 84, Moberly, Mo., died April 10 at Moberly Regional Medical Center.

He was born Nov. 14, 1928, in Mendon,

Mo., to Gusty and Marjorie (Littrell) Hobbs. He married Betty Ellen Manning July 31, 1954, and they raised four sons together.

He served his country honorably as an I.C. Electrician in the U.S. Navy from 1946 to 1948. Dr. Hobbs spent his life in service to his patients and was known throughout the area as a generous and caring soul.

He raised Angus cattle for more than 40 years, and always enjoyed spending time on his farm. He had been a life member of the American Angus Association since 1963.

Survivors include sons David, Jeff and John; sister Beverly; two grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

JoAn Beal, 83, Adrian, Mich., died April 15 at Grand Court under the care of Hospice of Lenawee.

JoAn was born Nov. 1, 1929, in Ecorse, Mich., the daughter of Robert and Marian (Armstrong) Eberts. JoAn earned a bachelor's degree from Eastern Michigan University. She married Samuel Beal in Adrian Jan. 8, 1956.

JoAn taught for many years in several school districts, including Adrian, Madison, Ypsilanti and Lincoln Park. She also supervised the student teachers for Adrian college. For several years she and Sam owned and operated hardware stores, first in Manchester and then in Tecumseh, Mich.

Through the years JoAn was active in

many churches, including Saint Francis of Assisi in Florida, the United Church of Christ in Manchester, Christ Episcopal Church in Adrian and the Adrian First United Methodist Church. One of her proudest accomplishments was her completion of her education for ministry from the School of Theology at the University of the South in 2001.

JoAn's high energy and spirit set an example of living life to the fullest for the many people she and Sam encountered through church, volunteering, traveling and for their family. JoAn was also an active volunteer for Hospice of Northwest Florida and Hospice of Lenawee. As a lifelong learner, JoAn and Sam enjoyed extensive travels abroad through Elder Hostel.

In addition to Sam, her husband of more than 57 years, JoAn is survived by daughters

Kathie and Connie; son Bill; eight grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

■ **INDUSTRY EXTRAS**

Eric Hubbard has been appointed regional sales manager for Alltech New Mexico. The company's office is located in Clovis, N.M., and services the territories of New Mexico, Texas, Colorado, Kansas, Oklahoma and Louisiana.

Julian Casas has joined ABS Global Inc. as a technical services consultant. In this role, Casas will be responsible for implementation of the company's proven technical solutions through hands-on involvement and training with clients, their staff and local ABS management. He will measure and report progress of technical-service initiatives, as well as seek new ways to deliver value to

customers in cooperation with the technical-service team.

Casas and his family will be based in Visalia, Calif., servicing the California, Idaho and Washington region.

Jerry Lipsey has retired after 17 years of service as the executive vice president of the American Simmental Association (ASA).

Wade Shafer has accepted the position of executive vice president for ASA.



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