



Newsmakers

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

IN THE NEWS

The **Montana Angus Association** has appointed **Amy Van Dyke-Crowder** to serve as secretary and editor of the *Montana Angus News*. She will facilitate communication between the board of directors and the membership, ensuring a good flow of information concerning the Montana Angus Association and its activities. As editor, Van Dyke-Crowder is the official press contact for the Association and will attend important industry events. The editor is also responsible for publishing an annual directory and quarterly issues of the *Montana Angus News*.

John Stika, Lincolnville, Kan., native, Kansas State University (K-State) meat science graduate and president of Certified Angus Beef LLC (CAB), was named the 2010 Outstanding Young Alumnus at the K-State Agricultural Alumni Awards Banquet May 8. The Animal Science Department's

nomination for the award said, "From his early involvement in the meat business to his current role in leading CAB, Stika has shown the vision and ingenuity to face future challenges, and the practicality to take steps one at a time."

Stika shared the weekend honors with industry icon Max Deets, Beloit, Kan., former National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) president, cattle feeder and CAB consultant, who was named 2010 Outstanding Alumnus.

In March, The Ohio State University (OSU) College of Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences named another CAB leader as 2010 Distinguished Alumnus. Brent Eichar, CAB senior vice president, was honored for his contributions during the past 23 years, from developing product tracking in 1988 to legal and fiscal management today that help ensure brand integrity for 15,100 partners worldwide.

Mississippi Angus Ass'n Meeting & Banquet, Raymond, April 30



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► The Mississippi Angus Ass'n officers and board of directors are (seated, from left) **Buddy Jones**, D Lo, president; **Terry Kiser**, Mississippi State, vice president; **Mike Howell**, Baldwyn, secretary; (standing, from left) **Cary Childs**, Ripley; **Brian Garner**, Newhebron; **William Howard**, Canton; **Jimmy Levens**, Wiggins; **Gary Tanner**, Ellisville; **Paul Whitlock**, Iuka; **W.E. Warren**, West; **Larry Fitzgerald**, Poplarville; and **Brandon Alberson**, Falkner.



► **Tanner Farms, Gary and Lorrie Tanner** (from left), Ellisville, receive the Mississippi Progressive Breeder of the Year Award from Mike Howell.



► **The Levens family**, Wiggins, was recognized as the Mississippi Angus Family of the Year. Pictured are (from left) Michael Bishop and Jimmy Levens, recipients; and Edward, Lori and Kayla Williams, presenting the award.

IN PASSING

Archie Hamilton, 86, Ava, Ill., died May 12 in the Missouri-Baptist Hospital in Saint Louis, Mo.

Archie was born Nov. 5, 1923, in Cora, Ill., to Archie Sr. and Eula (Clendenin) Hamilton. He married Eileen Heins May 10, 1947, at Christ Lutheran Church in Jacob, Ill.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving from July 1945 to January 1947 during WW



Archie Hamilton

II. During his venue he served a one-year term of duty in Germany in the 331st Military Police Unit.

Archie was the founder of Hamilton Angus Farms in 1938. He was in the Angus business for 72 years, starting with help from

his ag teacher by purchasing his first Angus heifer as a youngster. After returning from the military his love of Angus cattle did not diminish. His family farm was the heart of the family.

From early mornings to late nights Archie always had the best interest of his family, Angus cattle and his farm in mind. Along with this, he always found time to be heavily involved in his church and community. As the Angus breed progressed, Archie's goal was to raise superior, functionally sound, performance-oriented cattle for friends, neighbors and local customers.

As time progressed, Archie and Eileen's three sons, Kenny, Glenn and Don, offered a driving force to Archie and the Angus breed. All three grew up showing Angus cattle and continue to this day. In later years, Archie enjoyed his two grandsons, Doug and Dusty, as well as his granddaughters Kim, Kelly and Kayla showing his Angus cattle.

Archie had been a life member of the American Angus Association since 1948. He was a member of the Illinois Angus Association and the Southwestern Illinois Angus Association, and Hamilton Angus is a member of the Wabash Valley Angus Association.

Archie was a trusted and loyal director of the Egyptian Electric Cooperative for 37 years. For 24 years, he was a devoted member of the board of education for the Mississippi Valley School District 166 board, serving as president of the board for several years.

He was a member of the Kaskaskia VFW Post 33533 of Chester, Ill.; B.B.K. American Legion Post 480 of Steeleville, Ill.; the Jackson County Farm Bureau; Southern Illinois Power Coop; the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives; a charter member of the Mississippi Valley Gun Club; and a

member of the Chester Valley High School Athletic Hall of Fame.

At the time of his death he was serving as the Degonia Township Clerk. Archie was a member of Christ Lutheran Church in Jacob.

Archie is survived by his wife; sons Kenneth, Glenn and Don; and five grandchildren.

Jerald "Jerry" Morrow, 84, Pickens, Miss., a well-known cattleman and dog trainer/breeder died May 16.

Jerry was born Oct. 25, 1925, to Ira and Martha (Breen) Morrow in Crested Butte, Colo. His family owned and operated the Puritan Dairy in Kemmerer, Wyo. He served in the Air Force during World War II. He graduated from the University of Wyoming with a bachelor's degree in animal science.

Jerry worked in the agriculture industry and managed multiple cattle operations throughout North America. He served as regional manager and director of regional managers for the American Angus Association in Saint Joseph, Mo. He was the executive vice president of the International Brangus Breeders Association and president of the *Brangus Journal* in San Antonio, Texas.

Jerry served as president of the National Pedigreed Livestock Council (NPLC) and formed the Wineglass Genetics consulting firm, which serviced individual cattle operations in which he formulated a new breed of cattle, Angus Plus. He later served as the foreign marketing consultant with the American Angus Association in Mexico and South America. Upon retiring, he devoted his talents to breeding and training Labrador retriever dogs at Wineglass Kennels in Pickens, Miss.

Memorial donations in Jerry's name may be made to the Angus Foundation; 3201 Frederick Ave., Saint Joseph, MO 64501.

Russell Marshall Jr., 85, Nicholasville, Ky., widower of Peggy (Adams) Marshall, died May 17.

He was born in Woodford County, the son of Russell and Maurice Marshall. He was a World War II Marine veteran and was the retired owner of Russ Marshall Tire Co.

He had been a member of the American Angus Association, the Kentucky Beef Cattle Association, the Jaycees and Kiwanis Club and the Jessamine Christian Church.

Russell is survived by sons David and Kent; daughter Judy; seven grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and special companion Annie Young.

joined Colorado State University (CSU) May 1 to oversee the Infectious Disease Research Center on the university's Foothills Campus and the infectious disease supercluster. Lyons will replace Ralph Smith, who retired from CSU May 30 after more than 27 years of service.

Charles Michell Jr. has been named president and COO for Arkansas-based AgRobotics LLC.

Gary Fassett has joined Accelerated Genetics as vice president of sales with responsibilities to provide leadership,

training, guidance and strategic planning for the domestic and international sales staff and representatives.

Gowan Co. LLC has announced the formation of **Gowan USA LLC** (GUSA), a wholly-owned subsidiary with its sole focus on the U.S. agriculture and turf and ornamental crop protection product business. The new company will be comprised of domestic U.S. sales, tech services and field development. It will be headquartered in Overland Park, Kan.

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■ INDUSTRY EXTRAS

Rick Lyons, formerly with the University of New Mexico Health Sciences Center,

Alabama Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet, Cullman, April 16

►Officers and directors of the Alabama Angus Ass'n are (seated, from left) **Lanny Upton**, Decatur, president; **Randy Crowell**, Elrod, first vice president; **Gregg Blythe**, Madison, second vice president; **Philip Gleason**, Steele, treasurer; **Tillman Griggs**, Gurley, past president; **Mike McGuire**, Waverly, secretary; (standing, from left) **Rusty Graydon**, Montgomery; **Mike Hill**, Holly Pond; **Dale Parris**, Albertville; **Joe Walters**, Leeds; **George Richburg**, Auburn; **Jason Upchurch**, Lineville; **Tim West**, Centre; **John Briscoe**, Joppa; **John Harrell**, Opelika; and **Jack Tate**, Boaz.



►Honored for consigning winning animals at the annual meeting are (from left) **Jay Watson**, Lincoln, champion female; **Jackie Thrower**, Arab, reserve champion female; **Randy Crowell**, Elrod, reserve champion bred heifer; and **George Richburg** and **Malhon Richburg**, both of Auburn, reserve champion bull.



►Serving as officers and directors on the Alabama Angus Auxiliary board are (standing, from left) **June Wood**, Holly Pond; **Judy Parris**, Albertville; **Angelika McGuire**, Waverly; **Brianna Upchurch**, Lineville; **Melody Barton**, Dutton, secretary; and **Mary Richburg**, Auburn, president.



►**Jack Tate** (left), Windy Hill Angus, Boaz, receives the Alabama Beef Cattle Improvement Ass'n (BCIA) Purebred Breeder of the Year Award from **Tillman Griggs**, Alabama Angus Ass'n president.



►**R.E. "Bob" Adams** (left), Union Springs, receives the Lifetime Achievement Award from **Griggs**.



►**Tillman Griggs** (right), Gurley, receives the Outgoing President Award from **Lanny Upton**, newly elected Alabama Angus Ass'n president.



►Receiving Outgoing Director Awards are (from left) **Jay Watson**, Lincoln; **Len Colvin**, Bridgeport; and **Tillman Griggs**, Gurley.

