



# Newsmakers

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

## WEDDING

**Cortney Hill-Dukehart and Tyler Cates** were united in marriage Oct. 23, 2010, at Walkersville United Methodist Church. Cortney is the daughter of Robert Hill and Marlene Dukehart, Sunrise Sunset Farm, Sykesville, Md. Tyler is the son of Brian and Angie Cates of Cates Farms, Modoc, Ind.



Cortney served as 2002 Miss American Angus and is currently the secretary-treasurer of

the American Angus Auxiliary. Tyler is a prominent Shorthorn breeder and judges many cattle shows across the country. Cortney and Tyler are presently serving as advisors for the Indiana Junior Angus Association.

The couple resides in Modoc, where they raise Angus and Shorthorn cattle.

## IN PASSING

**B.B. Darnell**, 89, Notasulga, Ala., died May 28 at Golden Living Center in Lanett, Ala.

He was born July 29, 1921, in Notasulga to Marshall and Ocie (Cadenhead) Darnell. He graduated from Macon County High School in 1938 and from Auburn University in 1942 as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army. He served in World War II in North Africa and Italy. He was awarded the Purple

Heart for wounds suffered in combat, the Bronze Star with a "V" for Valor in Action, the Silver Star for Gallantry in Action and four Battle Stars.

He was called back into service during the Korean Conflict and served as an instructor at the U.S. Army Guided Missile School at Fort Bliss, Texas.

He married Mildred Moore Nov. 21, 1945.

Following his service in the Army, he taught vocational agriculture and was assistant vocational agriculture supervisor for Alabama. He worked as farm manager for Ivey Farms Poultry Processing plant in Auburn, Ala. He worked for Allied Mills, Wayne Feed Division, for more than 30 years as district sales manager, retiring as southeastern states regional sales manager in 1985.

He was well-known in the beef cattle industry in Alabama for his involvement and development of his herd of registered Angus cattle, B&M Angus Farm, from 1964-1995. He had been a life member of the American Angus Association since 1966.

He joined Notasulga Methodist Church in 1935 and taught Sunday School classes for almost 50 years in Notasulga and other churches where he lived through the years.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by daughters Jeannie and Marsha; sons Byron and Mike; sister Geraldine; eight grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

**John Smith**, 81, Hamilton, Ohio, died June 13 at Hospice of Hamilton.

John was born at home on the family farm in Bloomfield Township, Logan County, Ohio, Sept. 16, 1929, the son of Herman and Ruth (McCoy) Smith.

He was a 1947 graduate of Washington Local High School and entered Ohio State University that fall. He graduated in 1951 with a degree in animal science, having worked his way through college in the beef barn. As a student, he was an outstanding member of the livestock judging team. He placed second judging cattle at the International Livestock Show in Chicago, and was high individual judging sheep at the Eastern National Show in Timonium, Md.

Following graduation, John worked for purebred Angus farms in Pennsylvania, New York and Mississippi, including Old Home Manor, Ankony Farms and the Coy Glenn Farm, fitting and showing Angus cattle at national expositions and state fairs throughout the country.

He served in the U.S. Army in the 1st Infantry Division from 1953 to 1955. In September 1962 he married Carol Ann King. In 1967, John began working for the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), from which he retired. He was county executive director of the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Office, serving Butler and Hamilton counties.

He refinished many of the pieces of furniture in his home. John was a member of

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## Alabama Angus Ass'n Field Day & Jr. Preview Show, Woodville, June 4



► The **Barton Family**, Old Springs Farms, Dutton, was named Family of the Year. Pictured are (from left) Randy Crowell, Alabama Angus Ass'n first vice president, presenting; and Jerry, Melody, Hannah and James Barton, recipients.



► **William Lindstrom**, Lindstrom Angus, Huntsville, was named Breeder of the Year. Pictured are (from left) Crowell, presenting; and William, Carly, Mary and Lori Lindstrom.

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the Butler County Antique Machinery Club. This afforded him the opportunity to display his collection of old horse harnesses and his John Deere toy collection, as well as his corn shellers and grinders. He especially enjoyed giving children the opportunity to grind and shell their own corn.

Because John believed in the practice of conservation, he was also a member of the Izaak Walton Club. Summer fishing trips to Minnesota were highlights of his life, and many days were spent planning and

packing. His fishing trips into the mountains of Colorado by horseback with his son and brothers-in-law were cherished memories, as well.

John was a member of the Macedonia Christian Church, where he served as a deacon.

In addition to his wife, John is survived by sons John and Dave; brothers Nevin, Joe and Bob; sisters Barbara and Sarah; and four grandchildren.

**Marguerite Brockman**, 95, Brookfield, Mo., died June 20 at Boone Hospital Center, Columbia, Mo.

Marguerite was born Aug. 24, 1915, in Linn County, Mo., the daughter of Albia and Rosalie (Gelski) Robinson. She married Raymond Brockman Dec. 2, 1944, in Brookfield.

She was a member of the Immaculate Conception Church, Altar Society and the Catholic Card Club. She served as a past 4-H project leader and was a past member of the Extension Club. She enjoyed ceramic and latch-hook projects.

Marguerite is survived by daughter Margaret; son William; brother Leon; sister Joan; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

### **INDUSTRY EXTRAS**

The USDA Agricultural Research Service (ARS) named **Sarah Hake**, director of the ARS Plant Gene Expression Center in Albany, Calif., the agency's Distinguished Senior Research Scientist of 2010 for her scientific leadership, research and seminal discoveries in plant biology.

USDA-ARS also recognized **Joan Lunney**, Animal Parasitic Diseases Laboratory, Beltsville, Md.; **N. Andy Cole**, Renewable Energy and Manure Management Research Unit, Bushland, Texas; **Robert Graybosch**, Grain, Forage and Bioenergy Research Unit, Lincoln, Neb.; **Karamat Sistani**, Animal Waste Management Research Unit, Bowling Green, Ky.; **Roger Wise**, Corn Insects and Crop Genetics Unit, Ames, Iowa; **James Giovannoni**, Plant, Soil and Nutrition Research Unit, Ithaca, N.Y.; and **Thomas Carter Jr.**, Soybean and Nitrogen Fixation Research.

**Mark Stewart** joined Agriculture Future of America (AFA) as director of development June 21. In this role, he will be responsible for fund development with national and regional corporate partners, associations, rural businesses and individuals, and will also be collaborating with other association leaders in grant development and special funding proposals to expand the capacity of the organization.



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