This expanded version of 'Newsmakers' contains photos not published in the May edition.

▶ IN THE NEWS

Col. Ray Sims, Raymore, Mo., was approved by the Kentucky State Fair Board, upon the recommendation of the Saddle and Sirloin Committee, as the recipient of the Saddle and Sirloin Portrait Award. The Saddle and Sirloin Portrait Collection is rich in history and tradition. Founded in 1903, it is unequalled as a collection of oil paintings honoring outstanding leaders in the livestock world during the past three centuries. Today, many of the 340-plus portraits are displayed in the West Hall of the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center (KFEC).

The auction method of marketing livestock has become the most popular approach for selling and buying livestock during the past 50 years. Col. Sims was at the forefront of this movement. His auction career spanned 46 years. He traveled throughout the United States, selling for large- and small-scale livestock breeders, as well as senators and three U.S. Presidents. He estimates that he worked more than 7,000 auctions.

It is the gallery's tradition to honor one recipient each year in November during the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE). It has been almost 60

years since an auctioneer has received this honor.

Col. Sims has received many honors throughout his career, including induction into the National Auctioneers Association Hall of Fame in 1990. In 1989, the American Angus Association inducted him into the Angus Heritage Foundation. He has been a life member of the American Angus Association since 1951.

This year's portrait presentation will be Sunday, Nov. 14, at the KFEC in Louisville, Ky.

Vance Uden was posthumously honored by the University of Nebraska–Lincoln (UNL) Block and Bridle as the 76th member of its Hall of Fame.

The Franklin native was honored April 23 at the Department of Animal Science and Block and Bridle annual honors banquet. A reception honoring Uden's family, friends and past honorees preceded the banquet. Uden's widow, Connie, and children, Dru and Ty, represented the family at the event.

The Block and Bridle Hall of Fame honors individuals who have made commendable contributions to Nebraska agriculture through leadership, service, youth projects and community projects. Uden's family owns and operates the TC Ranch and are Angus seedstock producers. Uden had been a life member of the American Angus Association since 1964.

Uden and his wife established TC Ranch as a leader in the Angus breed. Uden spent his life actively promoting the beef cattle industry in Nebraska and nationally and helped and worked with young people in the beef industry.

The Udens hosted 4-H'ers, university students, judging teams and producer groups at the ranch on many occasions. He spoke to UNL classes and was a supporter of 4-H locally and throughout the state. He took particular pride in his support and stewardship through many different avenues of the animal science department.

Uden was a UNL graduate, member of the UNL livestock judging team and Block and Bridle. He was a member of the Board of CONTINUED ON PAGE 2

□ Illinois Angus Ass'n Annual Banquet, Springfield, Feb. 26



► Keith Pezanoski, Peru, received the Troy Miller Memorial Award for champion spotlight heifer. Pictured are (from left) Luke Lemenager, Lemenager Cattle, Hudson, breeder; Tracey Rawlings and Troy Rawlings, presenting; Keith Pezanoski; and Chuck Lemenager, Lemenager Cattle, Fairbury, breeder.



► Trisha and Brad Bergman, Top Line Farm, Mason City, receive the Illinois Jr. Angus Ass'n (IJAA) Appreciation Award.



► William Werner, Cordova, received the IJAA Man of the Year Award. Pictured are (from left) Elizabeth and William Werner.



► The Anderson family, Chrisman, received the Mitchell Widholm Memorial Outstanding Junior Family Award. Pictured are (from left) Scott, Kyle, Chase, Cindy and Reese Anderson.

■ WINNERS NOT PICTURED

▶ Recognized for their showring honors at the Illinois State Fair were Lucas Wall, Hopedale, champion bull; Chuck Pezanoski, County Line Angus, Peru, champion female; Michael Ring, Oregon, Certified Angus Beef® (CAB®) Steer Award; and Prairie Creek Angus, Pleasant Plains, J. Garrett Tolan Memorial Trophy for first-place get-of-sire.

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Directors for the American Angus Association, member of the Nebraska Cattlemen's Beef Association, Nebraska Cattlemen and Kearney/Franklin County Cattlemen and a member and past president of the Nebraska Angus Association.

He was awarded the 2008 Beef Improvement Federation (BIF) Seedstock Producer of the Year, 2008 Nebraska Angus Breeder of the Year, 2007 BIF Seedstock Producer Roll of Excellence, 2005 Inductee into the Angus Heritage Foundation, 1996 Master Breeder of the Year, and 1992 Soil and Water Conservation Steward.

James Coffey of Hustonville, Ky., has been selected to represent the American

Angus Association at the 2010 National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) Young Cattlemen's Conference (YCC). The Angus Foundation will sponsor Coffey's registration and travel expenses for the event, scheduled for June 3-10. This is the eighth year the Angus Foundation has provided funding for an Association member to attend YCC.

YCC allows young leaders the chance to see firsthand and further understand all aspects of the beef industry. Attendees participate in a nationwide tour of the beef production chain — from ranch to feedlot to packing plant, through marketing and regulatory affairs and finally ending at consumer foodservice.

A partner in Branch View Angus, his

family's registered Angus operation, Coffey has excelled in leadership roles throughout his life. With membership in a number of organizations, including the Kentucky Angus Association (KAA) and Kentucky Cattlemen's Association, he has shown his passion for serving the cattle industry. As the chairman of multiple committees within the KAA and a past president of the Central Kentucky Angus Association, it's plain to see his peers recognize his talent as well.

"As a fifth-generation Angus producer, I have always considered it important to be involved in the Angus and commercial beef industries outside our fences," Coffey states. "I'm excited to fulfill the role of an advocate

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Kentucky Angus Ass'n Annual Banquet, Louisville, March 5

► Right: The Kentucky Angus Ass'n officers and directors are (seated, from left) Joe Goggin, Danville, director; Henry Smith, Russell Springs, past president; Kenley Conner, Hodgenville, vice president; Mark Warren, Lebanon, president; Anne Stewart Clark, Sharpsburg; secretary-treasurer; Anne Patton Schubert, Taylorsville; (standing, from left) Herbert Brown, Woodburn; William Jasper, Nicholasville; Keith Johnson, Slaughters; Eddie Burks, Park City; James Coffey, Hustonville; Gil Cowles, Rockfield; and Shawn Gibson, Bradfordsville.





► Gil Cowles (right), Rockfield, receives the Performance Breeder of the Year Award from Henry Smith.



►Anne Stewart Clark, Sharpsburg, received the Junior Appreciation Award. Pictured are (from left) Nikki Bugg, Kentucky Jr. Angus Ass'n board president; Anne Stewart Clark, and Joshua Wheatly, presenter.



► Lacey Radabaugh (right), Circle R Angus, Fountain Run, receives the Herdsman of the Year Award from Henry Smith.



- ► Left: Joe Neely (right), Neely Bros., Franklin, receives the Lifetime Achievement Award from Davis Holder.
- ▶ Right: Gordon Conner, formerly of Buffalo, was posthumously honored with the Distinguished Service Award. Accepting the award are (from left) Dawn Conner, Hannah Conner, Norma Conner and Kenley Conner.



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for the beef industry by being involved, having an active voice, participating in educational programs and, above all, by acting in the best interests of the beef producers I represent."

Arlie and Patricia Lohrding, Coldwater, Kan., are one of six couples named Kansas Master Farmers and Master Farm Homemakers for 2009. The award program dates to 1927 and is sponsored by Kansas State University (K-State) Research and Extension and *Kansas Farmer* magazine. The

couples were honored at a banquet March 19. Lohrding 3 Bar Ranch is a member of the American Angus Association.

Married in 1964, Arlie and Patricia purchased the ranch that is the base of their operation in 1989. The ranch covers 11,775 acres, with a few acres devoted to wheat and alfalfa. Nearly 600 head of beef cows, with 1,000 calves, breeding heifers, yearling bulls and breeding bulls comprise the operation.

The ranch supplies recipient cows to Gardiner Angus Ranch, Ashland, Kan. The ranch synchronizes groups of cows so the Gardiner embryos can be placed in viable females. When the calves are weaned, they are delivered to Gardiner Angus Ranch for a premium price.

In addition, the Lohrdings offer hunting leases on their ranch. The ranch provides the land, opportunity and lodging for a small group of individuals who lease it by the acre on a non-guided basis. The Lohrdings also partner with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in a program to restore habitat for the lesser prairie chicken.

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Missouri Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet, Feb. 27, Columbia



▶ The officers and directors for the Missouri Angus Ass'n are (seated, front row, from left) Josh Worthington, Dadeville, general manager; Rick Washam, Pierce City, president; Brent Murphy, Houstonia, president elect; Deb Thummel, Sheridan, vice president; Alan Mead, Barnett, secretary; Mary Anne Mauss, Bois D'Arc, treasurer; Steve Birk, Gordonville, past president; (standing, from left) Mark Herd, Fair Grove; Brian Meier, Jackson; Brian Brockman, Brookfield; Jeff Gooden, Iberia; Todd Ragsdale, Paris; Kent Dye II, Elsberry; Cynthia Ulm, Pomona; and Kenny Hinkle, Nevada.



► Orville Birk, Jackson, receives the Getof-Sire Award.



► Serving the Missouri Angus Auxiliary are (seated, from left) Susan Coon, Bethel; Darla Eggers, Mexico; and Tammy Bartholomew, Archie.

► Right: Frank Eitel and Sons, Green Castle, received the Pioneer Breeder Award. Pictured accepting the award are Kenneth and Barbara Eitel and family.



► Payree and Tim Short, Mansfield, were honored for

Mansfield, were honored for their years of service as Missouri Jr. Angus Ass'n advisors.

Louisiana Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet, Lecompte, March 12

▶ Right: The Louisiana Angus Ass'n officers and directors are (seated, from left) Enyart Mitchell, Coushatta, president; Chris Roussel, Gramercy, vice president; Gary Greene, Covington, treasurer; Ray Gendron, Moonshine, secretary; (standing, from left) Dale Hoover, Clinton; Lana Myers, Jennings; Ron Dobson, Campti; David Billingsley, Keithville; Drew Hall, Ethel; Dave Means III, Gloster; Warren Bryan, Choudrant; Greg Tate, Ville Platte; and Edward Hymel, Vacherie.



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Formerly a math teacher, Arlie and Patricia moved to the ranch in 1966 and formed a partnership with Arlie's parents. He is the third generation of Lohrdings to farm and ranch in Comanche County. Arlie has served on the board of the Farm Bureau, is a founding director of the Comanche Pool Prairie Resource Foundation, served on the Comanche County Conservation Board, the Extension Council, the Protection Cooperative Board of Directors, and is a past Kansas Livestock Association (KLA) area director.

The ranch received the Comanche County and District 7 Farm Bureau Natural Resources Award in 2003. Patricia started teaching high school mathematics at Haviland in 1997. They are the parents of six children and have several grandchildren.

► IN PASSING

Sandra "Sandy" (Graham) Younts, 59, a longtime resident of Miami Lakes, Fla., died March 3 in Albany, Ga., following a courageous battle with breast cancer.

The oldest daughter of William and Patricia Graham, she joined The Graham Cos. in 1974 following her graduation with a master's degree in business administration (MBA) from the University of South Florida. Her 36-year career was devoted to her family's hotel and real estate operations in Miami Lakes, the New Town community her late father created in 1962.

In 1990 she was named president of Don Shula's Hotel & Golf Club, which included the company's two hotel properties, Shula's Athletic Club and golf course. In 2005, Sandy took on the added role of chairman of The Graham Cos. Sandy graduated from Miami Springs High School in 1968, and received a bachelor's degree in marketing from the University of South Florida.

An active participant in many associations related to the hospitality industry, Sandy was also very involved in her community, serving in numerous leadership positions over a 16-year span with the Historical Association of South Florida, the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, the Orange Bowl Committee and the Zonta Club of Miami Lakes.

Sandy was an avid supporter of the Miami Hurricanes and the Miami Dolphins. For many years she spent much of her spare time in Colorado where she loved to ski and spend time with family. An avid horsewoman in her early years, her love of horses was recently rekindled as her husband, David, began a Paso Fino horse breeding operation in Albany.

Selfless, compassionate, caring — Sandy always looked to find ways to ease the

burdens of those around her. Her kind, giving way will be her legacy.

Sandy is survived by her husband; her mother; brother William; sisters Carol, Cynthia and Elizabeth; an uncle; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Morris Fannon, 86, Pennington Gap, Va., died March 7 at Lee Rehabilitation and Nursing Center.

Morris was born Sept. 22, 1923, in Lee County, Va., to William and Ara Fannon. He was a graduate of Pennington High School and Reppert School of Auctioneering. Morris, a well-known livestock auctioneer, was a charter member of the Virginia Auctioneers Association and served as its president as well as president of the National Auctioneers Association.

Morris received many professional awards, including the Hall of Fame Award for both the Virginia and the National Auctioneers associations, and he will be inducted into the Virginia Livestock Hall of Fame in 2010. He served on the board of directors for Farmers and Miners Bank and was a member of the Pennington Gap First United Methodist Church.

Morris is survived by his wife of 61 years, Velda; daughter Cynthia; son Sid; brother

South Carolina Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet, Anderson, March 19

►Right: The South Carolina Angus Ass'n officers and directors are (seated, from left) Mike Johnson, Kinards, treasurer; Steve McPhail, Seneca, immediate past president; Lewis Smith, Pendleton, president; Windy Bartee, Clover, secretary; and Frankie Mullikin, Pendleton, vice president; (standing, from left) Neil McPhail, Seneca; Charles Cox Jr., Pelzer; Bruce Stuart, Aiken; Jesse Adkins, Pelzer; and William Rushton, Johnston.





► Walter Bishop (left), Greenwood, receives the South Carolina Angus Hall of Fame Award from Walter Shealy III.



► Charles Cox Jr., Pelzer, was honored with the 39th Annual Carolina Angus Futurity dedication. Pictured are (from left) Faye and Charles Cox.



► Steve McPhail (left), Seneca, receives the Outgoing President Award from Lewis Smith, incoming president.

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Fred; two grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

James "Jim" White, 51, Boise, Idaho, died March 17 at his home.

Jim was born Oct. 11, 1958, in Nampa, Idaho, the only son of Robert and Pauline White. Jim was raised, attended and graduated from school in Notus, Idaho.

In 1979, he partnered with his parents and bought a cattle ranch along the Boise River in Parma, Idaho. It was at this time that he met and fell in love with Debbie Edens, his best friend and devoted wife of 29 years. Together they raised their three children in a log home they built with their own hands.

In 1982 Jim started another business, Northwest Bull Testing Center, and it became one of the most successful consignment sales of its kind in the nation. He operated the test center for 15 years. In 1988, always looking for new opportunities to provide more for his family, he purchased Energy Tactics Fence Co., operating it with his father for 13 years. Whether volunteering as a coach in summer baseball, YBA basketball or helping his kids with 4-H steers, Jim enjoyed any activity in which his children were involved. He was the consummate coach, both on and off the playing field, and was genuinely interested in seeing that every child succeeded. Jim was an example to his friends and family of a life well-lived, full of honesty, hard work and love.

Jim had a passion for basketball that led to a 10-year period of coaching in the Parma

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Virginia Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet, Natural Bridge, March 6



▶ Right: The Virginia Angus Ass'n officers and directors are (front row, from left) Jon Repair, Glasgow, past president; Kevin Fleenor, Aldie, secretary; Jerry Gustin, Gloucester, president; James Young, Forest, vice president; Jason Pratt, Atkins, treasurer; Rebecca Funkhouser, Edinburg, executive director; (standing, from left) Barry Holland, Buchanan; Pete Henderson, Williamsburg; Jeffrey Kaufman, Culpeper; John Wilkins, Middleburg; and Jason Arehart, New Market.



► Jon Repair (left), Glasgow, receives the Outgoing President Award from Jerry Gustin.



▶ Edgewood Angus LLC, Williamsburg, was recognized as the 2009 Field Day Host. Pictured are (from left) Jerry Gustin, presenting the award, and Pete Henderson and Peter Henderson.



► Roger Scott (right), McConnell Angus Farm, Somerset, receives recognition as the 2009 Spotlight Sale Host from Jerry Hall.



►Tom Nixon of Glenmary Farm LLC, Rapidan, was recognized as the 2009 Commercial Producer of the Year. Pictured are (from left) Robert Nixon III, Elizabeth Nixon, Kim Nixon, Tom Nixon, and Scott Greiner, presenter.



▶ Dwight Houff, Mount Sidney, made a donation to start the John Rucker Family Endowment Scholarship Fund. Pictured are (from left) Milford Jenkins, American Angus Ass'n Foundation president; Dwight Houff; Penny Rucker, Delaplane; Jerry Hall; and Ken Barnhart.



►Vernon Kindig, formerly of Lawrenceville, was posthumously honored with the Handbook Dedication Award. Pictured are (from left) Scott Weller, presenting the award; and Ivy Lynn Kindig Talley, Staunton; and Ashley Kindig, Waynesboro, accepting on behalf of their father.



▶ Receiving the Outgoing Board Member Award are (from left) Jon Repair, Glasgow; Jerry Gustin, Gloucester; C.S. Fitzgerald, Raphine; Jerry Hall, Upperville; and Jeffrey Powers, Moneta.



► C.W. Pratt, Echo Ridge Farm, Atkins, receives the Bartenslager Award. Pictured are (from left) Sara, Shirley, Jason and C.W. Pratt, with Scott Greiner presenter.

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School District, including four years as the girl's varsity coach and three years as the boy's varsity coach.

At the age of 46, Jim bought the old Eden's cabin in Donnelly, Idaho, and for two years, prior to his diagnosis of kidney cancer, he had the time of his life learning to ski at Tamarack. The time spent at the cabin was outdone only by the arrival of his first grandchild. He brought immeasurable joy to his "Papa" and continued to be the best medicine he could get.

Jim is survived by his wife; daughter Lauren; sons Jordan and Morgan; grandson Jack; sisters Cleo and Julie; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Nicholas Wehrmann Sr., 84, North Wilkesboro, N.C., died March 24 at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center.

Wehrmann was born March 31, 1925, in The Hague, Netherlands. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II, became a U.S. citizen as a result of that service, and continued to be a patriot throughout his life. He was married to Virginia Rose (Van Dam) Wehrmann until her death in 2006.

He served as president, CEO, and chairman of the board of directors at Ithaca Industries for many years. He served on the board of directors of The Health Foundation. He was owner of Wehrmann Angus, New Market, Va., with cattle partner and farm manager Richard McClung. He

was a member of Saint Paul's Episcopal Church.

He is survived by wife Barbara; daughter Diane; sons Nicholas and Robert; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Homer Wayne Wyble, 71, Opelousas, La., died March 24 at his home.

Wayne was born Oct. 9, 1938, to Fred and Beulah (Carriere) Wyble. After graduation from the Academy of the Immaculate Conception in 1955, he attended Louisiana State University (LSU), where he earned a bachelor's degree in animal science.

Wayne's jobs included Wyble's JP4 Ranch, Fred J. Wyble Oilfield Construction, Opelousas Concrete, Offshore Processing Service, Little Teche Farms, Farm Power and Fakouri Plumbing. His family's We 7 Angus Farm was his passion.

He served as president of the Louisiana Angus Association and had been a life member of the American Angus Association since 1974. Wayne served as treasurer and vice president and on the Certified Angus Beef LLC (CAB) Board during his tenure on the American Angus Association Board of Directors from 1982 to 1988.

Wayne's leadership abilities extended to the LSU Junior Division Advisory Board, the Acadiana Livestock Show Governing Board, the Saint Landry Livestock Show and Belmont Academy Board.

Wayne is survived by wife Bonnie; sons

Mark, Shawn and Matt; daughters Wendy and Sharon; brother Fred; sisters Mary and Lorna; and 13 grandchildren.

Donald "Don" Eby, 65, Overland Park, Kan., died March 25 at Olathe Medical Center from complications with cancer.

Don was born March 22, 1945, in Newton, Kan., to Olin and Lorene (Prather) Eby. He graduated from Newton High School in 1963 and from Wichita State University in 1967, earning a bachelor's degree in business administration. Following graduation, Don enlisted in the National Guard and served at Fort Carson, Colo., as supply sergeant until 1970.

Don married Judith Bickford Sept. 10, 1966. For 20 years Don worked for Sisco Equipment, starting out as a salesman and working his way up to become president. Don expanded to Kansas City and moved to Olathe. He retired from Sisco in 1991.

Within months, his mother-in-law began to require more care because of her Alzheimer's disease. Don not only built an assisted-living residence for his mother-in-law, he also was instrumental in fashioning legislation for assisted living in several states. Bickford Senior Living has become a leading provider in senior care, with 42 branches through seven states.

Don prepared himself to retire again by beginning a new business — ranching.

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► Chris Johnson (right), Nokesville, receives the Distinguished Service Award from Kevin Fleenor.



► Steve Furrow (right), Rocky Mount, receives the Sale Chairman of the Year Award from Rebecca Funkhouser.



► John Seymour (right), Rectortown, receives the 2009 Herdsman of the Year Award from Jerry Hall.



► John Wilkins (right), Middleburg, receives the 2009 Manager of the Year Award from Jason Arehart.



▶ Pine Hill Farm, Forest, received the Seedstock Producer of the Year Award. Pictured are (from left) Tom McCall, presenting, and Steve Jones.



►Tim Schofield (right), Berryville, receives the 2009 Cattleman of the Year Award from Jay Douglas.



► Ken Barnhart, Purcellville, was honored with the Hall of Merit Award. Pictured are (from left) Jon Repair, presenting, and Nancy and Ken Barnhart.



▶ Dwight Houff (left), Mount Sidney, and James Bennett (right), Red House, receive the Hall of Merit Award from Ike Eller.



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Within a span of six years, Don had become one of the leading producers of Angus cattle in the state of Kansas, specializing in purebred genetics. Don had been a member of the American Angus Association since 2004.

Within the first year of founding his cattle business, Don was diagnosed with terminal cancer, given two months to two years survival. He attacked this diagnosis with the same fighting spirit with which he approached all the rest of his life, outliving his prognosis by more than three years.

Don is survived by his wife; sons Mike, Joe and Andy; and brother Richard.

Col. Calvin A. "Bear" Winter, 80,

Tallahassee, Fla., died March 28.

He was born in Greenville, Ala., Oct. 14, 1929, to George and Ruth Winter. Winter earned undergraduate and master's degrees in animal husbandry from Auburn University, where he was a letterman in football and baseball, and a member of ROTC. He went on to serve in the Korean conflict and was a decorated Korean War veteran, earning a prestigious Silver Star.

He retired from the Army Reserves as a full Colonel and retired as executive director of the Northwest Florida Water Management District. He was a business entrepreneur, owning/operating two barbecue restaurants and catering services, and the owner of Winter Angus Farm.

He was a dedicated Florida State University athletic booster and Auburn University alumni and booster. He had served as a past president, past member of the board of directors, and past member of the Florida Angus Association for more than 40 years.

Winter was a lifetime member of the Korean War Veterans Association, Veterans

of Foreign Wars, Reserve Officers
Association, lifetime member of the
American Angus Association, and American
Legion. He volunteered countless hours of
service, for more than 45 years helping 4-H
and FFA members and their families of
Florida and Georgia with livestock projects.
He was a member of the First Baptist Church
of Tallahassee for more than 40 years. He was
a friend to many and a loyal supporter of the
Lighthouse Children's Home of Tallahassee.

He is survived by sons Calvin A. "Sonny," and Gregory; daughters Vicki, Lynn and Cynthia; 11 grandchildren; and seven greatgrandchildren.

Memorial gifts may be directed to the Angus Foundation, c/o American Angus Association, 3201 Frederick Ave., Saint Joseph, MO 64506 and two other charities (contact the family).

ANGUS ARRIVALS

Mark and Miranda Reiman, Cozad, Neb., announce the birth of their daughter, **Brooklyn Karla,** on Feb. 4. She weighed 7 lb., 7 oz., and was 20 in. long. She was welcomed home by brother Carson.

Grandparents are Mark and Karla Malo, East Chain, Minn., and Ed and Cathy Reiman, Butte, Neb.

Miranda is an industry information specialist with Certified Angus Beef (CAB)

INDUSTRY EXTRAS

Bill and Mona Ball, Sterling; Thomas and Ruth Ann Bigge, Stockton; Richard and Kathy Calliham, Colby; Don and Bonnie Irons, Minneola; and Kenneth and Beth Snyder, Fulton; were named Kansas Master Farmers and Master Farm Homemakers for 2009 in recognition of their leadership in

agriculture, environmental stewardship and service to their communities.

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack announced 36 three-year appointments to the Cattlemen's Beef Promotion and Research Board. The appointments are effective immediately. Newly appointed members are Barbara Jackson, Ariz.; Willem Bylsma, Calif.; Darrel Sweet, Calif.; Robert Buck, Colo.; Jeffrey Clausen, Iowa; Dean Black, Iowa; Daniel Hermann, Kan.; Larry Olten, Kan.; Genevieve Lyons, La.; Andrew Salinas, Mich.; John Schafer, Minn.; David McCormick, Miss.; Kevin Frankenbach, Mo.; Kristy Lage, Neb.; Judith Reece, Neb.; Annalyn Settelmeyer, Nev.; Tamara Ogilvie, N.M.; Ernest Harris, N.C.; Thomas Woods, Okla.; James Kesler, S.C.; Danni Beer, S.D.; Linda Gilbert, S.D.; Robert Reviere Jr., Tenn.; Larry Pratt, Texas; Andrea Reed, Texas; D. Rudolph Tate, Texas; Bruce Dopslauf, Texas; Laurie Munns, Utah; Jane Clifford, Vt.; Larry Echols, W.Va.; Martin Andersen, Wis.; Randall Geiger, Wis.; and Spencer Ellis, Wyo.

Newly appointed members representing importers are **Alberto Senosiain**, Fla.; **Andrew Banchi**, Pa.; and **Scott Hansen**, Va.

Monte Rouquette, Texas AgriLife
Research forage scientist, has received a
Dedicated Service Award from the southern
section of the American Society of Animal
Science (ASAS) for his years of work on what
animal scientists term the soil-plant-animal
interface. Rouquette is based at the Texas
AgriLife Research and Extension Center in
Overton.