



Newsmakers

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

IN THE NEWS

Dale and Judy Parris, Hillside Angus Farm, Albertville, Ala. were honored as the Alabama BCIA Purebred Producer of the Year during the Alabama BCIA Annual Meeting and Awards Program.

Hillside Angus Farm, owned and managed by Dale and Judy Parris, is a registered Angus seedstock operation in the Sand Mountain region of Alabama near Albertville. Hillside Angus Farm began in 1992 and quickly became active in the American Angus Association and the Alabama Angus Association.

Performance recordkeeping through the Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR®) program began in 1986. Through dedication



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Judy Parris is an active leader in the Alabama Angus Auxiliary. Dale is also the founder and leader of the Northeast Performance Breeders' Sale, which just reached its 20th anniversary.

to genetic improvement and diligent recordkeeping for the past 30 years, performance of their herd has progressively advanced. A long-term goal of Hillside Angus Farm is to further genetic improvement utilizing all available genetic selection tools.

Dale Parris serves in many leadership roles within the cattle industry. He is a past president of both the Alabama Angus Association and the Marshall County Cattlemen's Association and is still in active leadership.

Hillside Angus Farm will also be nominated by the Alabama BCIA for the national Beef Improvement Federation (BIF) 2017 Outstanding Seedstock Producer of the Year.

Ron Hinrichsen has been named director of beef sales and marketing for the Genex beef team. In this role, Hinrichsen will lead the beef sales and service team in providing cattle producers across the United States with science-based beef genetics and chuteside reproductive service.

Hinrichsen is a graduate of Kansas State University (K-State) with a degree in animal science and business. He previously held sales positions with animal health and nutrition companies. Hinrichsen has been a member of the American Angus Association since 1990. He is also a member of the Kansas Angus Association, the American Simmental Association, the National Cattlemen's Beef Association and the Kansas Livestock Association.

South Carolina Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet, Clemson, March 17



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► The South Carolina Angus Ass'n officers and directors are (front row, from left) **Nancy Blumer**, Chesnee; **Mike Johnson**, Kinards, treasurer; **Steve McPhail II**, Inman; **Danny Winchester**, Six Mile; **Sharon Furr**, Blackstock, secretary; (back row, from left) **Dixon Shealy**, Newberry, vice president; **Neil Boyd**, Clover; **Larry Olson**, Barnwell, past president, and **Jody Watt**, Iva.



► **Larry Olson**, Barnwell, was honored with the 46th Annual Carolina Angus Futurity dedication. Pictured are (from left) Kevin Yon, presenting; Larry Olson, recipient; and Steve McPhail II, sale chairman.



► **Bobby Rice**, Rice Farms, Fountain Inn, was inducted into the South Carolina Angus Ass'n Hall of Fame. Pictured are (from left) Francis and Bobby Rice.

David Sibbald, president of the Canadian Angus Association (CAA), has become the president and chairman of the board of the Calgary Stampede. He will continue in his role as president of the CAA until the conclusion of the annual general meeting in June. He will serve as Calgary Stampede president until 2019.

He, wife Mary Beth, and sons Dylan and Adam operate SSS Red Angus. They also maintain a commercial cow-calf operation complemented by their seedstock herd bulls. David is a fifth-generation rancher from a pioneering family on the Sibbald Flats in the Jumping Pound area west of Calgary. He has judged several Canadian national shows, along with numerous 4-H shows in British Columbia, Alberta and Saskatchewan, and is a proven noted industry and organizational leader, planner and thinker. David was elected to the CAA board in 2013 and the Calgary Stampede board in 2009.

"I am proud and humbled to be leading two of the largest organizations in Canada," says Sibbald. "I am passionate about and visionary toward Angus, agri-business, rural values and volunteerism. The Calgary Stampede and Canadian Angus Association are both internationally respected organizations with great staff and volunteers,

North Carolina Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet, Winston-Salem, Feb. 11

► **Right:** The North Carolina officers and directors are (seated, from left) **Sharon Rogers**, Roxboro, executive secretary; **John Smith Jr.**, Pink Hill, past president; **Roy Outlaw**, Seven Springs, president; **Eugene Shuffler**, Union Grove, vice president; **Joe Hampton**, Mount Ulla, treasurer; (standing, from left) **Mark Wilburn**, Asheboro; **Bruce Shankle**, Polkton; **Tim Goforth**, East Bend; **Roy Swisher**, Statesville; **Michael Moss**, Ramseur; **Russell Wood**, Willow Spring; **David Gragg**, Boone; **Edward Leagans**, Mocksville; and **Brooke Harward**, Norwood.



► **Left:** **Tim and Andrea Goforth**, Goforth Angus, East Bend, received the Ira Gentry Memorial Trophy for consigning the high-selling lot at the 2016 Spring Fever Sale. Pictured are (from left) **Mark Wilburn**, chair of the Spring Fever Sale committee, presenting; and **Andrea and Tim Goforth**, recipients.



► **Right:** **William and Jane Ebert**, Eberlee Farms, Sparta, were inducted into the North Carolina Angus Ass'n Hall of Fame. Pictured are (from left) **James Scarlett**, presenting; and **William and Jane Ebert**, recipients.



► **John Smith Jr.** (right), Pink Hill, receives the President's Award from **Roy Outlaw**, 2017 North Carolina Angus Ass'n president.



► **Joe and Robin Hampton**, Mount Ulla, donated a Frank Murphy print that was sold at the 2017 North Carolina Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet, with proceeds going to the DeEtta Wood Scholarship Fund. The print generated \$1,850 for the scholarship fund. Pictured are (from left) **Justin Wood**, DeEtta's son; **Craig and Gayle Jones**, DeEtta's parents; **Joe and Robin Hampton**, donors; **Russell and Elaine Wood**, DeEtta's parents-in-law; **Riley Wood**, DeEtta's nephew; and **Jeff Wood**, DeEtta's husband.

and it is exciting that my terms overlap for two and a half months."

He was also elected to the Canadian Beef Breeds Council (CBBC) board of directors for a two-year term. CBBC provides a unified voice in support of the purebred genetics provided within the Canadian beef cattle industry.

ANGUS ARRIVALS

Andrew and Landi McFarland-Livingston of Ellston, Iowa, welcomed a baby girl Dec. 30, 2016. **Gwen Linda Livingston** weighed 7 pounds, 1 ounce, and was 19¼ inches long. Grandparents are **David and Joy McFarland** of Ellston; great-



Gwen Livingston

grandfather is **John Kiburz** of Tingley, Iowa.

Gwen is the fifth generation of Hoover Angus, which her parents, grandparents and great-grandfather own and operate.

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Barb Kiburz, 91, of Tingley, Iowa, died March 1 at the Greater Regional Hospice Home in Creston, Iowa. Barb's family's business, Hoover Angus, has been in the Angus business for 89 years.

Barb Hoover was born on Jan. 24, 1926, to **Walt and Sadye (Law) Hoover** of Ellston, Iowa. She was born in the same rural farmhouse as **Walt**, on the original homestead of Hoover ancestors. Barb was the only child of **Walt and Sadye** and went to a country school, then graduated from Tingley High School. She graduated from **Drake University**.

Barb married **John Kiburz** May 30, 1949,

at the Little Brown Church in Nashua, Iowa. The couple then became school teachers in Arispe, Iowa. Barb taught music, typing and shorthand. Barb then became a full-time mom with the birth of their daughter **Joy**, followed by daughter **Judy**.

John and Barb became partners with **Walt and Sadye Hoover** in Hoover Angus and later took over the family business. Barb witnessed during her lifetime how Hoover Angus grew from a small herd to one of international prominence, where semen from Hoover-bred bulls is used on four continents and in numerous foreign countries. Hoover Angus had been a life member of the American Angus Association since 1953.

Barb's hobby was baking for the Iowa State Fair, where she competed for many decades. This was a family tradition started by **Sadye Hoover**. Barb's primary entries in

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the State Fair were cookies. She once claimed the prestigious “Cookie of the Fair” award and twice she claimed the Cookie Sweepstakes award.

In addition to her husband of 67 years, Barb is survived by daughters Joy and Judy;

granddaughter Landi; and newborn great-granddaughter Gwen.

Clarence Cheshier, 86, Cameron, Texas, died March 11 at his residence.

Clarence was born April 17, 1930, in Fort

Worth, Texas, to Horace and Juanita (Ethetton) Cheshier. He graduated from a technical high school in 1948. He attended Texas Christian University, and served in the Navy Reserve. He worked more than 45 years in the telecommunications industry,

Virginia Angus Ass’n Annual Meeting & Banquet, Feb. 11, Natural Bridge



► **Jon Repair**, Glasgow, received the Hall of Merit Award. Pictured are (from left) Judy and Jon Repair; and Jerry Crenshaw, presenting.



► **Brett Stratton**, Appomattox, received the Commercial Cattleman Award. Pictured are (from left) Connor, Madison, Rylee, Tammy and Brett Stratton; and Dalton Bennett, presenting.



► **Glenn Covington** (right), Warrenton, receives the Distinguished Service Award from Jon Repair.



► **The Pearson family**, Warrenton, received the Handbook Dedication Award. Pictured are (from left) Rebecca, Hunter, Harvey, Dennis and Miriam Pearson, recipients; and John Pennington, presenting.



► **MC Livestock**, Greenville, received the Vanguard Award. Pictured are (from left) Tom and Sarah McCall, recipients; Scott Buchanan, presenting; and Zach and Jake McCall, recipients.



► **Graham Winn** (left), Gretna, receives the Manager of the Year Award from Buddy Shelton.



► **Gerald Scott III**, Marshall, received the Herdsman of the Year Award. Pictured are (from left) Scott Buchanan, presenting; Gerald Scott III, recipient; and Chris Wojciechowski, presenting.



► **Jason Carter** (right), Stuarts Draft, receives the Promoter of the Year Award from Jon Repair.



► **Buddy Shelton**, Gretna, receives the Seedstock Producer of the Year Award. Pictured are (from left) Nick, Taylor, Karen and Buddy Shelton, recipient; and Mike McDowell, presenting.



► **The Tom Nixon family**, Rapidan, received the Angus Family of the Year Award. Pictured are (from left) Kymberly Coffman, presenting; and Kim Nixon and Elizabeth Nixon, recipients.

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including management and executive positions with Southwestern Bell, Centel and Mid-Texas Telecommunications. He later started a telecommunications consulting firm and owned a long-distance telephone company.

He served as president of the board of directors of Hillside Memorial Christian Church in Fort Worth. He was general manager of the Fort Worth Fat Stock Show in the 1960s and 1970s. He married Gail Harris in 1985. They lived in Austin, then

moved to Cameron, Texas, in 2000.

They started Cheshier Angus Farm in 2002 and began raising registered Angus cattle. He was a member of the Texas Angus Association and was inducted into the Texas

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▶**Left: Lucas Farms, Blacksburg,** receives the Bartenslager Award. Pictured are (from left) Tim, Matthew and Joe Lucas, recipients; and Doug Hughes, presenting.

▶**Right: Jon Repair (left), Glasgow,** receives the Past President Award from Scott Buchanan, 2017 Virginia Angus Ass'n president.



Angus Hall of Fame in 2015. Cheshier Angus Farm had been a member of the American Angus Association since 2003.

In addition to his wife, Clarence is survived by sons Richard and Phillip; daughter Carla; stepdaughter Melinda; stepson Troy; nine grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the Texas Junior Angus Scholarship Fund.

Don Norton, 63, Lenexa, Kan., died March 13.

Don married Connie Klaassen Dec. 14, 1974, and they became the parents of two children, Shad and Seth. They have one grandchild, Kellan Norton.

Don was an active member of Heartland Community Church where he volunteered, helping children with special needs. For the last 20 years he was a printing salesman at Boelte-Hall Litho and prior to that owned his own printing company for 22 years.

In addition to his wife, Don is survived by son Seth; sister Sharon; brother Bruce; and grandson Kellan.

Pamela “Pam” Patterson, 62, Billings, Mont., died at her home March 23.

Pam was born Sept. 16, 1954, in Chicago,

Ill., to George and Jane Wilson. The youngest of four children, she joined older twin brothers Jay and Jerry and sister Whitney.

She grew up in a beautiful neighborhood on Woodland Lane in Northfield, Ill. She attended Sunset Ridge elementary school and graduated from New Trier West High School in 1972.

Her childhood was filled with routine activities and attending many Shrine events with her parents. Her love of animals probably started on her annual visits to her grandparents’ farm in Colorado. Dogs and cats soon evolved into horses. From a pony named Ned to showing American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA) horses April and Tuffy, she won youth all-arounds all over the Midwest. She represented the “Land of Lincoln” on their youth team and also as their queen at the Quarter Horse Congress.

Following in her brother Jay’s footsteps, she entered Montana State University (MSU) in Bozeman in the fall of 1972. Majoring in animal science she was a member of Pi Beta



Pam Patterson

Phi Sorority. Her 42-year adventure with a kid from the hills of Montana began behind a cow in artificial insemination (AI) class in 1974. Pam and John Patterson were married Nov. 9, 1974, and returned to his family’s ranch on Shane Ridge south of Columbus. She enrolled in Billings Vo-tech after several years and became a Licensed Practical Nurse. Using her degree, she worked at a nursing home in Red Lodge until her sons Tom and Mark were born in 1980 and 1983, respectively.

Simultaneously using the AI skills that brought them together, she and John began building a small purebred Angus herd, 3210 Angus. They have been members of the American Angus Association since 1982. As the boys grew and entered school in Columbus she returned to medicine, this time as a dental assistant — first for Dr. Schlehner and more recently for Dr. Vesbach. The next 30 years she spent with kids, cattle and cavities until her failing health forced her to retire in June of 2016.

She served as vice-president and president of the Montana Angus Auxiliary and for years chaired their Ways and Means program. For many years she and John served as advisors of the Montana Junior Angus Association. They were honored to be

Angus Foundation representative to 2017 NCBA YCC

The Angus Foundation is pleased to announce that third-generation Angus breeder Lake Elliott of Robert Elliott & Sons Angus, Adams, Tenn., has been selected as the Angus representative to the 2017 Young Cattlemen’s Conference (YCC), hosted by the National Cattlemen’s Beef Association (NCBA).

NCBA’s YCC program is an opportunity for young leaders to gain an understanding of all aspects of the beef industry, from pasture to plate, and showcase the industry’s involvement in policy making, issues management, research, education and marketing.

“The opportunity to learn more about all aspects of our end product and the placement/regulation of that product is very important to my operation,” Elliott says. “Also, the amount of interaction with legislators in the YCC program allows for some guidance in what needs to be done to ensure a future.”

Robert Elliott & Sons Angus raises 260 registered Angus cattle, and Elliott serves as herdsman for the operation.

Elliott’s leadership skills blossomed as a teenager, serving as a Tennessee Junior Angus Association director for four years and then as vice president. He also represented Tennessee as a voting delegate in National Junior Angus Association (NJAA) elections. As a teenager, Elliott served as a voting delegate to the annual Angus Convention of Delegates, a role he has served in more than 10 times, to date.

Elliott has a degree from the University of Tennessee–Knoxville (UTK) in animal science with emphasis in production and management. During his college years, Elliott was a member and

officer in Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity, the UTK Student Cattlemen’s Association and Block & Bridle.

He’s also been a member of NCBA for 20 years and has attended the Cattle Industry Convention.

Elliott has served for six years as an advisor to the Tennessee Junior Angus Association and served as the adult chair of the education committee at the 2012 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS). He has also served six years on the Tennessee Angus Association board of directors. He participated in the 2009 Beef Leaders Institute.

“My involvement with youth activities has been the most rewarding,” Elliott says. “I believe our junior members will carry the torch for our breed and its place within the beef industry. Several junior members that I once mentored are extremely successful adult members today.”

Outside the Angus industry, Elliott has also stepped into leadership roles. He served for six years as a director of the Tennessee Beef Industry Council, and four of those years as vice chairman. In addition, Elliott has served three years as Montgomery County Farm Bureau Young Farmers & Ranchers president.

“Lake is a natural-born leader,” says Chuck Grove, Forest, Va., one of Elliott’s references. “He is precisely the type of individual this program was designed to assist — future leaders of the beef industry.”

“We feel that Lake will be an outstanding representative of the Angus breed,” says Milford Jenkins, Angus Foundation president. “His outstanding leadership skills and activity in giving back to the Angus industry made him an ideal choice for the YCC opportunity.”

For more information about the Angus Foundation, call 816-383-5100 or email mjenkins@angusfoundation.org.



Lake Elliott

selected in 2005 as National Advisors of the Year.

Her passion for photography transitioned into digital scrapbooking as she documented her many travels, literally around the world, with her sister Whitney. The quality of the scrapbooks she created, and her eye for design did not go unnoticed and she was named to the creative team at Designer Digitals. There she shared ideas, photos and design layouts daily with friends and colleagues around the world. She loved it!

Of all her activities, skills and accomplishments, there was nothing in her life that she took more pride in than her family. She would do anything for Tom and Mark and reveled in their successes, careers and families. Her daughters-in-law, Corinne and Julie, were truly her daughters. Pam's biggest regret her last few months was that "GiGi," as her grandchildren Clara Jane and James Henry called her, would never know the immeasurable love she had for them.

In addition to her husband, Pam is survived by sons Tom and Mark; brothers Jay and Jerry; sister Whitney; their extended families; and two grandchildren.

► INDUSTRY EXTRAS

Glen Klippenstein, Maysville, Mo.; **Ken McCauley**, White Cloud, Kan.; and **Thomas Payne**, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, University of Missouri, were honored with the Jay B. Dillingham Award for agricultural leadership and excellence by the Agricultural Business Council of Kansas City.

Jason Ellis has been named interim department head of the Department of Communications and Agricultural Education at K-State. His appointment began March 12, and he will serve until a national search has been completed and a permanent department head has been named.

Jeremy Roberts has been hired as an area sales manager for BioZyme. The Montana native, based out of Absarokee, will cultivate relationships with dealers and customers while promoting the company's many brands.

Kevin Brady was presented the American Farm Bureau Federation (AFBF) Golden Plow award in March. It is the highest honor the organization gives to members of

Congress. Brady is chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee. The Texas Farm Bureau endorsed Brady for the award because of his commitment to issues important to farmers and ranchers.

Nathan Hrnicek has been hired by Rock River Laboratory as a technical nutrient advisor. In his new position, Hrnicek will consult with agronomist and nutritionists to build relationships, share insights and develop new opportunities for customer success.

Justin O'Flaherty has been hired to serve as the area sales manager for BioZyme in North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia. She is the fifth generation to grow up in an agricultural setting in her family. In her new role, she will work to develop new and build upon current dealer/partner and customer relations while promoting the company's line of products.



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