



Newsmakers

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

IN THE NEWS

Perlich Bros. Auction Market in Lethbridge, Alta., was named Auction Market of the Year by the Canadian Angus Association (CAA). It has been serving southern Alberta since 1967. They are a family-owned company known for innovative auction-market methods, attention to detail and commitment to their customers. They pride themselves on customer satisfaction. Confidence of both buyers and sellers has enabled Perlich to become one of the largest and most diversified auction companies in western Canada.

Their facilities can feed and water 4,000 head and up to half of those can be under cover in clean, straw-bedded pens. Perlich Bros. Auction has experience selling equipment and machinery, as well as livestock.

The Auction Market of the Year Award was introduced in 2006 to recognize and honor those auction markets that work hard to promote Angus cattle.

Shawn Gist, who sells for Vold Jones Vold in Dawson Creek, B.C., won the Livestock Markets Association of Canada (LMAC) Auctioneer Competition. Gist dedicated the award to the late CAA Alberta fieldman Ken Cox.

There were 27 participants in this year's competition. The annual competition moves around to different parts of Canada each year. **Kirk Goldsmith**, who sells out of Veteran, Alta., received reserve honors.

Doug Henderson, Alta.; Willms family, Sask.; and Peak Dot Ranch, Sask., were honored for 50 years of continuous membership. **Isla Bank Angus/Stables family, Sask.**, and the **Harold Spady family, Alta.**, were recognized for 75 years of continuous membership and commitment to the agriculture industry.

Doug and Linda Henderson operate Douglas J Henderson and Associates Ltd. (DJH). They are dedicated to the promotion of top-quality livestock that help advance the agriculture industry. Doug is a life member of the CAA.

The Willms family resides in Saskatchewan. Jake and Berniece live on the original homestead and began the family farm. Today the third generation of the family is working on the farm. Tom Willms and Bryan Willms with wife Tracey and children Kylie and Owen are the operators of Wilbar Farms.

Terry and Barbara Moneo are the founders of Peak Dot Ranch, located in the rolling hills of Saskatchewan and one of the largest purebred operations in Canada. It is a family-run operation that raises 750 mature cows.

Isla Bank Angus was established in 1938 by Robert Stables. Today the operations are managed by Iain Stables, great nephew to Robert. The farm is located in Delisle, Sask., and continues to grow.

The Spady family has their farm, Vallemere Angus, in the Battle River Valley near Alliance, Alta. Jack Spady began

the herd in 1937, and then Harold Spady continued the family farm until he passed away. Today, both of Harold's sons help to operate the family farm. The cattle business has helped the Spady family to make a living for the past three generations.

The CAA is Canada's largest purebred beef breed organization. The Association represents 3,000 members across Canada.

Sylvia Jackson, Caledon, Ont., was named the new chair of the Canadian Angus Foundation, replacing retiring chair Doug Fee, who will remain on the board for another year.

The third annual Canadian Angus Foundation (CAF) Building the Legacy sale exceeded expectations by raising more than \$120,000 for the CAF during the Canadian Angus National Convention in Moose Jaw. The sale was initiated in 2012 to support the CAF in preserving and expanding the Angus breed for future generations through education, youth development, scientific and market research, and historical restoration.

Donors contributed 56 lots of Angus semen and embryos, three heifer picks of the herd, artwork and experience packages.

IN PASSING

John McPhail, 73, Seneca, S.C., died June 12 at his residence.

A native of Oconee County, John was the son of Walter and Addie (Prater) McPhail. He was the owner of McPhail Realty, a

Alabama Angus Ass'n Field Day, June 6-7, Union Springs



► The **Rob Adams Family**, Adams Angus Farm, Union Springs, Ala., was named Family of the Year. Pictured are (front row, from left) Aspen and Layton Adams and (back row, from left) Joseph, Connie and Rob Adams, recipients. Also pictured is Scott Bonds, Alabama Angus Ass'n president, presenting.



► **Christy and Michael Rorex** (left and center), Widows Creek Angus, Bridgeport, receive the Breeder of the Year award from Bonds.

NEWSMAKERS

Mississippi Angus Ass'n Meeting & Banquet, May 2, Jackson



► Officers and directors of the Mississippi Angus Ass'n are (front row, from left) **Mike Howell**, Baldwin, treasurer; **Steve Gaines**, New Albany, vice president; **Paul Whitlock**, luka, president; **Misty Garner**, Newhebron, secretary; (back row, from left) **William Howard**, Canton; **D.R. Bozeman Jr.**, Flora; **James Peden**, DeKalb; **Randy Walker**, Potts Camp; **W.E. Warren**, West; **Brian Garner**, Newhebron; **Gary Tanner**, Ellisville; and **Larry Blocker**, Starkville.

► **Right: Roland Preuss**, Monogram Farms, Terry, was named Progressive Breeder of the Year. Pictured are (from left) Kendra and Jon Paul Whitlock holding Ty Nunley, presenters; Melanie Kiani, accepting the award on behalf of Preuss; and Kinsley Nunley, presenter.



member of the Sertoma Club, and was previously president of the South Carolina Angus Association. He served on the board of directors for both the South Carolina National Bank and Wachovia Bank, was a member of the South Carolina Association of Realtors, and a member of the Seneca Masonic Lodge 185. He had been a life member of the American Angus Association since 1966.

In addition to his wife, Jane (Rankin) McPhail, John is survived by son John II; daughter Kelley; sisters Hazel and Elaine; brothers Walter, Floyd and Neil; and five grandchildren.

Memorials may be made to the South Carolina Junior Angus Association at 1717 St. Paul Church Rd., Clover, SC 29710; or to the Angus Foundation at 3201 Frederick Ave., Saint Joseph, MO 64506.

INDUSTRY EXTRAS

Jay Weiker has been named by the National Association of Animal Breeders (NAAB) as the organization's vice president, beginning his duties Sept. 1. Weiker will work closely with the NAAB president and International Marketing Committee on

international market development activities and trade servicing projects to provide direction to the association in these areas. He will also be working closely with NAAB's genetics programs and Certified Semen Services Inc.

J. Patrick Boyle, president and CEO of the American Meat Institute for nearly 25 years; **Zerle Carpenter**, a professor of animal science at Texas A&M University for 35 years; **Graeme Goodsir**, writer, analyst and publishing executive; **Melvin Hunt**, a professor at Kansas State University (K-State) in the Animal Science and Industry Department since 1975; **Steve Kay**, editor and publisher of *Cattle Buyers Weekly* since its inception in 1987; and **James Marsden**, regents distinguished professor of food safety and security at K-State and senior science advisor for the North American Meat Association, are the six new inductees voted into the Meat Industry Hall of Fame for 2014.

Dan Harris, owner of Holton Livestock Exchange in Holton, Kan., has been elected president of the Livestock Marketing

► **Above: The Bozeman Family**, Flora, was named Family of the Year. Pictured are (from left) Randy Walker, presenter; D.R. Bozeman Jr., recipient; Connie Walker and Haley Walker, presenters.

► **Below: Brian Gardner** (left), Newhebron, receives the Outgoing President Award from Paul Whitlock, incoming president.



Association (LMA). In this role he will spend two years leading the nation's largest membership organization representing more than 800 local livestock markets and allied businesses.

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LMA immediate past president **Tim Starks**, Cherokee, Okla., will now become chairman of the board. **Jerry Etheridge**, Montgomery, Ala., has been elected vice president; with regional directors **Mark Barnett**, Guthrie, Ky.; and **Tom Frey**, Creston, Iowa; joining the executive committee.

Directors elected from the Western Region include **Joe Goggins**, Billings, Mont.; **Jake Parnell**, Galt, Calif.; and **Lex Madden**, Torrington, Wyo. Goggins and Parnell will

serve one-year terms; Madden will serve a two-year term.

Directors elected from the Midwest Region include **Tom Frey**, Creston, Iowa; **Clay Myers**, Texhoma, Okla.; and **Larry Schnell**, Dickinson, N.D. Frey and Myers will serve one-year terms; Schnell will serve two years.

Directors from the Eastern Region include **Mark Barnett**, Guthrie, Ky.; **Brian Glick**, Bellville, Pa.; and **Dean Hanson**, Lewisburg, W.Va. Barnett will serve a one-

year term; Glick and Hanson will serve two years.

Justin O'Flaherty has been hired by Rock River Laboratory as nutrition analytical consultant and Rock River Laboratory–Ohio lab manager. In her new position, O'Flaherty will work to conduct and manage feedstuff sample analysis for the Ohio region, in addition to handling regional relationships and fostering new opportunities to grow laboratory relations and partnerships.

Elizabeth Parker will serve as the chief veterinarian for the Institute for Infectious Animal Diseases (IIAD), effective Aug. 18. Parker will utilize her extensive national and international experience and network to develop collaborations between IIAD and animal health stakeholders, including private business, agriculture associations and veterinary practitioners, as well as federal and international governments.

In addition to her work with IIAD, Parker will hold a joint appointment with the

Office of the Director, Texas A&M Agrilife Research, serving as a subject-matter expert related to livestock and animal health. In this role, she will assist with research proposals, technical and operational responses, grant writing, and other funding requests for veterinary and animal health efforts.

Gregg Hillyer, editor of *Progressive Farmer* magazine; **John Miller**, vice president of agricultural products, Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad; and **Craig Yunker** of CY

Farms were elected to the board of trustees of the Farm Foundation.

Norm Davy has been appointed executive vice president, global sales and marketing for Eco Agro Resources. Davy will be based in Minneapolis, Minn.



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