#### **▶** IN THE NEWS

**K-2 Angus Farm,** owned by Fred Holder Jr., Milton, Kan., has received the Historic Herd Award from the American Angus Association. Holder purchased his first Angus cattle in the early 1950s and joined the Association in 1952. He purchased 10 registered Angus cows in 1951, and his herd has been closed since that time.

Holder still owns and manages his herd of Angus cows. During his time in the business, he has consigned champion entries to the Kansas Beef Expo and sold bulls through the Denver bull sale. For more than 30 years, he conducted production sales with Gerald Schmidt.

William Ramsey & Sons, Frankfort, Ind., has received the Historic Herd Award. Ramsey established his herd with the purchase of a registered Angus heifer as a 4-H project in 1948. In 1952, he joined the Association while continuing to build his herd.

Ramsey's sons, Jeff and Bob, also became involved with Angus while in 4-H. In 1998, Bob purchased the herd from his dad. Bob and his wife, Penny, still maintain the herd today. They market their bulls into the Western states. Bob is a past president of the Indiana Angus Association. Jeff and his family also have established an Angus herd.

**David Lutchka,** Grass Lake, Mich., has received the Historic Herd Award. David established his herd at South Lyon, Mich., when he purchased his first Angus heifer for \$300 in 1955 as a 4-H project. He joined the Association that same year.

Lutchka maintained a small herd of Angus cows while attending Eastern Michigan University. After graduating from college and marrying Joan, he increased his herd size. Lutchka's three children, Lisa, David and Derek, were involved in junior Angus programs and attended the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) from 1979-1994. The family is still involved in raising Angus cattle today, and the operation includes four grandchildren.

**Stueland Angus Inc.,** Tipton, Iowa, has received the Historic Herd Award. Paul and Bo Buff Stueland own and operate the herd that was started as Stueland Bros. by Victor and Henry Stueland at Calamus, Iowa, in 1953.

Paul and Bo also formed a partnership with Bo's father, and exhibited and marketed cattle around the Midwest under the name of Bradley and Stueland Angus. Paul served on the Association board of directors during the 1980s. Today, he remains active in the Iowa Angus Association while maintaining his herd.

#### Illinois Angus Ass'n Board of Directors Meeting, March 22, Springfield



Serving on the 2006 Illinois Angus Ass'n board of directors are (seated, from left) Rick Dickinson, Congerville, president; Brian Finnestad, Cordova, vice president; Stan Prox, Macomb, business manager; Rob Murray, Milford, secretary; Gary Sandrock, Rock Falls, past president; (standing, front row, from left) Luke Lemenager, Hudson; Doug Turner, Mahomet; Fred Swanson, Trivoli; Chad Hoffman, Colfax; Jeff Dameron, Lexington; Steve Spivey, New Windsor; William Riley, Secor; Bud Hobbs, Good Hope; Joel York, Palestine; Mike Dorethy, Macomb; (standing, back row, from left) Wayne Conrady, Lincoln; Lee Stremsterfer, Pleasant Plains; T.J. Curtin, Blue Mound; Dale Rhode, Kingston; Jim Marsh, Union; Jerry Mollett, Pocahontas; Reid Thacker, Sumner; and Don Hamilton, Ava.

## California Angus Ass'n Board of Directors Meeting, March 1, Elk Grove

➤ Serving on the California Angus Ass'n Board of Directors for 2006 are (seated, from left) Mark Perez, Crows Landing; Kelli Toledo, Visalia; J.J. Reinhardt, Sloughhouse, vice president; Carter Pierce, Selma, president; Betsy Cardoza, O'Neals, treasurer; Casey Cooley, Wilton, junior advisor; Jim Vietheer, Wilton, past president; (standing, back row, from left) Lyle Setter, Jackson; Stacey Sosa, Denair; Cheryl LaFranchi-Mongini, Calistoga; Jake Parnell, Sacramento; Kris Gudel, Elk Grove; and Gregory Schafer, Orland.



## Minnesota Angus Ass'n Annual Banquet, March 22, Rochester

► Officers and directors of the Minnesota Angus Ass'n include (seated, from left) Jim Scharpe, Arlington, secretary-treasurer; Joe Hammell, Caledonia, president; Richard Walser, Minnesota Lake, vice president; (back row, from left) Greg Johnson, Pipestone; Dustin Marten, Blue Earth; Tammy Johnston, Houston; and Dan Palmer, Fairfax.





► Jim (left) and Myrna Scharpe, Arlington, are recognized for their 10 years as Minnesota Junior Angus Ass'n advisors.

The **Sayre family** of Waffle Hill Farm in Harford County, Md., has been named Conservationist of the Year by the Chesapeake Bay Foundation. The award is given annually to honor outstanding service and commitment to the restoration and protection of the Chesapeake Bay. Lawrason Sayre and his son, Ned, raise 300 head of registered, grass-fed Angus cattle on their 400-acre farm.

**Parker Friedrich** has been named area sales manager in Texas for ABS Global. **Jared Herbst** has been named area sales manager for Central Texas.

At the Southwest Virginia Angus Association Annual Meeting March 31, four new board members were elected to serve three-year terms, including **Freddie Mullins**, Clintwood; **Wayne Waddle**, Saltville; **Jennings Whicker**, Bristol; and **Lynn Udell**, Crockett.

**James Laningham** and his wife, **Louise**, of Grandview Farm, received the Hall of Merit Award for 2006 for their work in supporting the growing Southwest Virginia Angus Association.

The **C.W. Pratt family** of Echo Ridge Farm, Atkins, received the Top-Selling Consignment Award for the Oct. 22, 2005, "More for Your Money Sale."

## **□** ANGUS ARRIVALS

Jeff and Jana Brand, Lake City, Minn., announce the birth of their son, **Thomas** Jeffrey, born Jan. 7. He weighed 7 lb. and was 19.5 in. long. Grandparents include Frank and Darleen Brand and Larry and Mary Klindworth, all of Lake City.

**Brad** and **Dawn Gohr,** Dallas, Ore., announce the birth of their daughter, **Fallon Christine,** born Feb. 10. Grandparents include Frank and Janice Gohr, Gary and Deanne Johnson, and John and Chris McIntyre.

**Ty** and **Gina Byrd**, Red Bluff, Calif., announce the birth of their daughter, **Hayley Rae**, born April 26. She weighed 8 lb. and was 20.5 in. long. Grandparents include Dan and Chris Byrd, Red Bluff, and Jim and Nadine Bass, Ferndale, Calif.

Rance and Johnna Long, Baker City, Ore., announce the birth of their son, Gage Aberdeen, born April 28. He weighed 7 lb., 4 oz. and was 19 in. long. He joins older brother, Blake. Grandparents include Ron Long, Connie Long, and Stan and Cathy Fury.

# **►** IN PASSING

**Charles Wayland "Smokey" Crouch,** 64, Boones Creek, Tenn., died April 25.

Smokey was a native and lifelong resident of the Boones Creek community of Washington County. He was a son of the late Charles Wayland Crouch Sr. and Mabel (Dyer) Crouch.

He was a 1960 graduate of Boones Creek High School and in 1965 received his bachelor's degree in agriculture from the University of Tennessee (UT), Knoxville. He later received a master's degree in engineering technology from East Tennessee State University (ETSU), a master's degree in vocational education from UT, and a master's degree in education from ETSU.

Smokey was retired from the Washington County School System, where he taught agricultural science and horticulture at David Crockett and Daniel Boone High Schools, respectively.

He was a former director and president of the East Tennessee Angus Association, former director of the Tennessee Angus Association, former member of the American Angus Association, former director of the Appalachian Fair and the local Soil Conservation Society, and a former chairman of the Washington County Democratic Party.

He is survived by his son, Matthew; daughter, Whitney; brother, John; and nieces and nephews.

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► Minnesota Angus Auxiliary officers include (seated, from left) **Barb Nelson**, Mabel, president; **Myrna Scharpe**, Arlington, vice president; (back row, from left) **Judy Nelson**, Windom, scholarship chairperson; **Barb Friese**, Pipestone, treasurer; and **Nancy Johnson**, Pipestone.



► Lorimer and Sandy Nelson are honored for their years of dedication to the Minnesota Angus Ass'n and to Angus cattle. Pictured are (from left) Tom Burke, receiving a Historic Herd Award; Sandy and Lorimer Nelson, receiving their Historic Herd Award; and Joe Hammell, presenting the award.

## ► Kansas State University Research Roundup, April 6, Hays



► John Brethour (right), retired professor and beef cattle scientist for the Kansas State University Agricultural Research Center-Hays, receives the 2006 Stockman of the Year Award from Kansas House Representative Dan Johnson.

#### **□** NEWSMAKERS

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Memorial contributions can be made to the Angus Foundation and sent to 3201 Frederick Ave., Saint Joseph, MO 64506.

**Dale Meyer,** 54, Douglass, Kan., died April 27.

He is survived by daughter, Jamie; mother, Helen; sisters, Carol and Donna; and numerous relatives and friends. Memorials can be made to the Angus Foundation and marked for the Kansas Scholarship.

**Stanley E. Stout,** 64, Cottonwood Falls, Kan., died April 30.

The son of Elmore G. and Doris L. (Titus) Stout was born Nov. 23, 1941, in Emporia, Kan. He married Brenda Williams Feb. 1, 1996, in Kansas City, Mo.

He grew up on the TS Ranch near Cottonwood Falls and remained active in the family's horse and cattle business during his professional auctioneering career. A graduate of Kansas State University, Stout auctioned livestock for genetic suppliers across the country.

He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Cottonwood Falls, the American Hereford Association, the American Quarter Horse Association, the National Auctioneers Association, the Kansas State Ahearn Club, the Livestock Marketeers, and the Kansas State Block and Bridle. He was on the Board of Directors of the American Royal and a Chase County 4-H Alumnus of the Bazaar 4-H.

He is survived by his wife; son Justin; daughters Jessie, Jamie and Jodie; his father; sister Marcia; stepsons Wesley and Andrew; stepdaughter Sarah; and six grandchildren.

# **INDUSTRY EXTRAS**

**Mike Bennett** has been appointed state director for U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development in Colorado. Bennett currently serves as president of Heritage Bank for the Boulder region.

**Glen Keppy** has been appointed to the post of associate administrator for the Farm Service Agency (FSA). As associate administrator, Keppy will oversee management of FSA farm and farm loan programs and commodity operations activities.

**Shelley Khal,** chairman of the World Ag Expo Media Committee, has been named 2008 World Ag Expo show chairman.

New officers of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) include C.R. "Dick" Sherron,
Beaumont, president; Jon Means, Van
Horn, first vice president; and G. Dave Scott,
Richmond, second vice president and
secretary. Honorary directors include Jim
Brizendine, Winona; Scott Felton, Waco;
Dan Hankamer, Hankamer; Robert
Moore, College Station; A.B. Wharton,
Vernon; and Gene Willingham, Vernon.
Directors include Van Baize, Muenster;
Marty Harris, Tilden; Rick Peebles,
Baytown; Tim Pennell, Cuero; Richard
Thorpe III, Winters; and Tom Woodward,
Decatur.

**Terry Hastings** has been appointed Kemin AgriFoods North America key account manager for the Great Plains. **Bruce Boren** has been appointed product manager for food safety.

William Weiss, animal nutritionist with Ohio State University's Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center (OARDC), was honored for his work during OARDC's 2006 annual research conference April 20 in Wooster, Ohio. Weiss received the 2006 Distinguished Senior Faculty Research Award. A professor of animal sciences, he conducts research on

forage utilization by dairy cattle, estimating feed energy, and how mineral and vitamin nutrition affects animal health.

Blaine Northrop of Dickinson, N.D., North Dakota Stockmen's Association (NDSA) West River fieldman, was elected vice president of the Western States Livestock Investigators Association (WSLIA) at the organization's annual conference in Reno, Nev. He now serves as one of four officers on the organization's board and will work his way to the WSLIA presidency in 2007.