



Newsmakers

► Items of interest **about** and **for members** of our Angus family

► IN THE NEWS

Allflex USA named **Greg Robey** as central regional manager, based in Harrodsburg, Ky. Robey will lead all sales and marketing



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Angus members were recognized by the North Dakota Stockmen's Association (NDSA) for their recruiting efforts. Director **Joel Schmitz**, Enderlin, N.D., signed five new members during Stockmen's Membership Months in February and March. That was enough to put him on top in the recruitment contest. Schmitz was the organization's top recruiter in 1999, the second-place recruiter in 2003 and 2004, and the fifth-place recruiter in 2001.

NDSA Director **Frank Melchior** of Almont, N.D., won the drawing for an NDSA windshirt. All those who recruited and/or signed up during Membership Months earned a chance in the drawing.

Melchior signed up two new members during February and March.

All Membership Months recruits will count toward year-end recruitment prizes, including the National Finals Rodeo (NFR) trip sponsored by First International Bank & Trust.

North Dakota Stockmen's Association (NDSA) Communications Director **Julie Schaff Ellingson** of Saint Anthony, N.D., was among 30 media professionals from across North Dakota and Minnesota honored at the 2006 North Dakota Professional Communicators awards luncheon May 6 in Bismarck, N.D.

Ellingson won first-place awards for the

► Alabama Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet, Cullman, April 14



► Officers and directors of the Alabama Angus Ass'n are (sitting, from left) **David Ficken**, Huntsville, president; **John Harrell**, Opelika, first vice president; **Mahlon Richburg**, Auburn, second vice president; **Tillman Griggs**, Gurley, treasurer; **Mike McGuire**, Waverly, executive secretary; and **Timothy Hopkins**, Ashford, past president; (standing, from left) **Bruce Randall**, Opelika; **Billy Stephenson**, Higdon; **Rusty Graydon**, Montgomery; **Michael Hill**, Holly Pond; **Dale Parris**, Albertville; **Lanny Upton**, Decatur; **Gregg Blythe**, Madison; **Randy Crowell**, Elrod; **William Rutherford**, Town Creek; and **Kenneth Barrentine**, Pisgah.



► Officers of the Alabama Angus Women's Ass'n are (from left) **Mary Richburg**, Auburn, secretary; **Melissa Reeves**, Slocumb, treasurer; **Kimberly Barrentine**, Pisgah, vice president; and **Sabrina McKinney**, Autaugaville, president.

► Oregon Angus Ass'n Board of Directors Meeting, Reno, April 24



► Officers and directors of the 2006 Oregon Angus Ass'n are (from left) **Larry Jacobs**, Sherwood; **Brad Gohr**, Dallas; **Troy Van Roekel**, Hillsboro, secretary-treasurer; **Kenny Read**, Culver, president; **Kenneth Coleman**, La Pine, vice president; and **James Wilson**, Hood River.

► Oklahoma Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet

Stillwater, April 28



► **Clarence Frey** (right), Mulhall, receives the Oklahoma Angus Hall of Fame Award presented by John Pfeiffer.



► **Harris Penner** (right), Mill Creek, receives the Mr. Angus Award from Keith Grissom.

► NEWSMAKERS

North Dakota Stockman magazine in two contest divisions — (1) publications regularly edited by entrant, general or specialized magazines, and (2) public relations printed materials, one- to three-color magazines.

Ellingson, who is a member of the American Angus Association, has been the editor and advertising manager for the *Stockman* for more than 10 years. Her entries will advance to the national contest sponsored by the National Federation of Press Women this fall.

► ANGUS ARRIVALS

Danny and Elizabeth Wann, Wann Ranch, Poteau, Okla., announce the birth of a daughter, **Faith Ellen Wann**, on April 26. She weighed 7 lb., 7 oz. and was 21 in. long. Grandparents are Floyis and Wanda Clay and Jim and Nancy Wann, all of Poteau, Okla.

Josh and Maggie Malson, Malson Angus Ranch, Parma, Idaho, announce the birth of a daughter, **Emma Claire Malson**, on May 5. She weighed 6 lb., 2 oz. and was 18 in. long. Grandparents are Brock and JoAnn Martin, Johnson, Kan.; Mark and Carla Malson, Parma; and Katrina Craig, Nampa, Idaho. Emma was welcomed home by her sister, Mackenzie.

Kent and Linda Powell, Powell Ranch, Kalvesta, Kan., announce the birth of **Trace Lawson Powell** on May 10. Welcomed home by sister Jayelynn and brother Garrison, Trace weighed 7 lb., 5 oz. and was 20 in. long. Grandparents are Tim and Susan Myers of Kalvesta and Rep. Larry and Myrna Powell. Great-grandparents include Sarah Myers of Kalvesta and Ruth Powell and Clara Helle, both of Garden City, Kan.

John and Angie Denton, Blue Rapids, Kan., announce the birth of their son,

Dustin Darrell Denton, on May 14. He weighed 9 lb., 12.5 oz. and was 22 in. long. Dustin was welcomed home by his brother, Wesley. Maternal grandparents are Dave and Delores Stump, Blue Rapids, Kan.; and Darrell and Kay Denton, Leawood, Kan. Angie is a former Angus Productions Inc. (API) staff member.

Dan and Jennifer Shike, West Lafayette, Ind., announce the birth of a daughter, **Olivia Jane Shike**, on May 19. She weighed 7 lb., 13 oz. and was 19½ in. long. Jennifer was an intern for the *Angus Journal* during the summer of 1999.

► WEDDINGS

Meghan (Soderstrom) and **Ben Richey**, Gower, Mo., were married May 27 in San Luis Obispo, Calif. Meghan is the public relations and marketing assistant for the Angus Foundation and former assistant editor for Angus Productions Inc (API).

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► Mississippi Angus Ass'n Annual Meeting & Banquet, Raymond, May 5



► Elected to serve on the Mississippi Angus Ass'n board of directors are (seated, from left) **Mike Howell**, Baldwin, vice president; **Cheryl Evans**, Winona, secretary-treasurer; (standing, from left) **Richard Garner**, New Hebron; **Wayne Carleton**, Union; **Russell Carson**, Coldwater; **Buddy Jones**, D'Lo; **Terry Kiser**, Starkville; **Robbie Woods**, Benton; **William Howard**, Canton; and **Tom Ward**, Perkinston.

► **Right: Carson Farms**, Coldwater, is recognized as the Mississippi Progressive Breeder of the Year. Pictured are (from left) Patsy Carson; Cody Carson, grandson; Russell Carson; and Dolores Townsend, presenting the award.



► **Left: The Kiani family**, Morton, is recognized as the Mississippi Angus Family of the Year. Pictured are (from left) Joe Magee, presenting the award; Ivan Kiani; Clint Collins; and Emma Collins.



► Jarold Callahan (left) presents the Commercial Producer of the Year award to **Gary Smith** (center), Edmond. Also shown is Randy Witte, ranch manager.



► Serving on the Oklahoma Angus Ass'n board of directors are (seated, from left) **Jot Hartley**, Vinita, American Angus Association vice president; **Al Williams**, Tahlequah, past president; **Chuck Stewart**, Ravia, vice president; **Alan Armbruster**, Burlington, president; **Jarold Callahan**, Yukon, American Angus Association director; and **Richard Samuelson**, Chester, secretary-treasurer; (standing, from left) **Earl Abernathy**, Altus; **Lon Hawkins**, Cherokee; **Mark Squires**, Noble; **Don Abernathy**, Altus; **Will Cabbage**, Oologah; **Rod Channel**, Miami; **Tim Meier**, Hitchcock; **Clarence Frey**, Mulhall; **Walter Emory**, Tecumseh; and **Allen Barrington**, Lawton.

▶ INDUSTRY EXTRAS

National Beef Packing Co. LLC

(National Beef) and its majority owner, U.S. Premium Beef LLC (USPB), announce the acquisition of Brawley Beef LLC of Brawley, Calif. The acquisition results in Brawley contributing its assets in exchange for an ownership interest in USPB. National Beef will own and operate the Brawley Beef processing facility at Brawley. This state-of-the-art beef processing plant, constructed in 2001, has capacity to process more than 400,000 cattle annually.

The National Institute for Animal Agriculture (NIAA) announces **Kenneth Olson** as director of educational programs. During the past year, Olson worked with NIAA to establish the National John's Education Initiative (www.johnesdisease.org) that NIAA coordinates with a grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Animal and Plant Health Inspection System (APHIS) Veterinary Services (VS). In addition to the John's Education Initiative, Olson will oversee NIAA's award-winning animal handling and transportation resources; provide NIAA members with

additional continuing education (CE) opportunities; and develop new education programs for the industry.

Accelerated Genetics announces the promotion of **Jim Martin** to vice president of semen production and technology. Martin will be responsible for all lab personnel and will direct the quality control program at the production facility in Westby, Wis. He will continue to work with new technology in regard to semen and processing, including field trials if appropriate, and assist in training for semen collection.

Accelerated also announces the selection of **Charlotte Muenzenberger**, Coon Valley, Wis., as public relations and advertising intern. She will be based out of the administrative headquarters in Baraboo, Wis.

Fort Dodge Animal Health in late May announced its donation of \$5,000 to the Cattlemen's Disaster Relief Fund. The donation will help Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico cattlemen rebuild their

operations affected by wildfires, drought and other natural disasters that have affected the area this spring.

The Texas Cattlemen's Association (TCA), the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association (TSCRA) and the Livestock Marketing Association (LMA) of Texas established the Cattlemen's Disaster Relief Fund with the Amarillo Area Foundation. Donations will help ranchers, producers and farmers replace fences, buildings, agriculture and cattle lost during the fire storms.

Sundowner Trailers is celebrating its 30th anniversary. Still a family business, Sundowner Trailers is today the largest manufacturer of horse and livestock trailers in the United States, according to a company release. For more information visit www.sundownertrailer.com.

Allflex USA names **Tod Adams** Great Plains regional manager. He will lead all sales and marketing activities for North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas.

