Seize every opportunity, beginning this fall

As the fall season approaches, this is a time to enjoy county and state fairs; a large plethora of livestock sales; and the cool, crisp weather. The fall season, in a sense, begins the first step of the new show year. Since the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) was completed at the beginning of July, juniors now begin picking out and developing animals that they will possibly take to next year's NJAS.

make decisions, make sure they are ones that have value and will possibly help you professionally and socially. No matter how old you are, your everyday decisions affect your life's plan and can change it whether for better or worse.

— Daniel McFarland, Louisiana

Use the time wisely

In addition to that, some juniors are constantly aware to try and catch that perfect photo throughout the year to win the NJAS photo contest. Nevertheless, the fall season is a time in which individuals who did not



Daniel McFarland

necessarily get the top placing that they wanted now have the opportunity to tweak their approach and possibly reach that goal.

County and state fairs all across the country are opportunities for

individuals who have no agricultural background to learn from exhibitors and producers about their everyday practices. The main reason exhibitors go to fairs is to present their hard work and determination to see how they face up to competition. All the while, spectators are learning from these exhibitors.

Naturally, people learn from asking questions about things that they do not understand. When individuals approach and ask why the animals have to be rinsed and

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put under fans, give an explanation that is thorough. By providing an explanation, that individual has a better understanding of the agriculture industry. I know some individuals may have a question that may seem ridiculous. In these scenarios, be sympathetic to these questions, because that individual may not have been brought up the same way.

I have a challenge for all junior and adult members. This fall, I challenge you to seize every opportunity you are given. Take every opportunity to educate the public about the agriculture industry and what it has to offer. I have always been told that behind each door, there is always either a positive outcome or a negative one. These opportunities could be as small as allowing a school or church group to come to your farm and learn simple farming practices, or even giving a presentation at school about the exhibition of cattle. As you

North Dakota Ir. Angus Ass'n Field Day. May 31-June 1, Carrington



▶ Peyton Sundsbak (left), Des Lacs, reserve champion, and Kaitlin Geyer (right), Lisbon, champion, won the junior showmanship division.



► Connor Wendel (left), Carrington, reserve champion, and Garrett Becker (right), Minot, champion, won the intermediate showmanship division.

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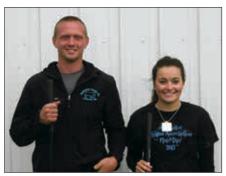
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►Clay Hatlewick (left), Jamestown, and Caleen Crider (right), Donnybrook, won the senior showmanship division.

Northwest Regional Preview Jr. Angus Show, June 13-14, Prineville, Ore.



► Katelyn McCoy (right), La Grande, Ore., receives the Northwest Herdsman Award from Michael Wiseman, 2012 winner. She was also named Premier Breeder.



►Winning peewee showmanship are (from left) Preston Rusher, Wilsonville, Ore., first place; Bestie Garcia, Alfalfa, Ore., second place; and Rachael Stirewalt, La Grande, Ore., third place.



►Winning junior showmanship are (from left) Corrie Falleur, Gearhart, Ore., champion; and Madison Cox, Eagle Point, Ore., reserve champion.

2013 Bronze and Silver Awards to date

Nancy Bickham, Saint Francisville, La. Michael Cropp, Damascus, Md. Aliesha Dethlefs, North Platte, Neb. Mallory Espenscheid, Traer, Iowa Ian Hall, Berthold, N.D. Catherine Harward, Richfield, N.C. Patrick Johnson, Slaughters, Ky. Gabrielle Lemenager, Clifton, Ill. Kensey Mikkelsen, Hobson, Mont. Ruth Myers, Harrodsburg, Ky. Matt Purfeerst, Faribault, Minn. J.D. Rosman, Creston, Wash. Ty Ruby, Greene, Iowa Justin Ruggles, Kingston, Mich. Allyson Stanek, Hayward, Minn. Logan Steed, Carrollton, Ga.



►Winning intermediate showmanship are (from left) **Ashley Cox**, Eagle Point, Ore., champion; and **Eric Summers**, Klamath Falls, Ore., reserve champion.



►Winning senior showmanship are (from left) Cole Page, Kalama, Wash., champion; and Katelyn McCoy, La Grande, Ore., reserve champion.

South Dakota Jr. Angus Ass'n Field Day, June 22, Watertown



► Receiving South Dakota Angus Ass'n Auxiliary Scholarships are (from left) Alex Rogen, Brandon; Brittany Bush, Britton; and Christina Mogck, Olivet.



► Winning peewee showmanship honors is **Mason Schelske**, Virgil.



C.J. Stevenson, Hobson, Mont.

►Winning junior showmanship are (from left) **Ty Mogck**, Olivet, champion; and **Cadee Schelske**, Virgil, reserve champion.



► Winning intermediate showmanship are (from left) **Tyler Bush**, Britton, champion; and **Chase Mogck**, Olivet, reserve champion.



►Winning senior showmanship are (from left) Alex Rogen, Brandon, champion; and Christina Mogck, Olivet, reserve champion.

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lowa Jr. Angus Ass'n Preview Show, June 15, Indianola



►The lowa Jr. Angus Ass'n board of directors are (from left) Katie Friederichs, Walcott, president; Taylor Duckett, New Liberty, vice president; Katelyn Holmes, Benton, second vice president; Courtney Younge, treasurer, and Sydney Younge, secretary, both of Ventura; Franchesca DeVore, Promise City, historian; Lexi Knapp, Bloomfield, historian; and Olivia Johnson, Prole, historian.



► Winning junior showmanship are (from left) **Grace Greiman**, Goodell, champion; and **Olivia Johnson**, Prole, reserve champion.



►Winning intermediate showmanship are **Courtney Younge** (right), Ventura, champion; and **Abe Troyer**, Kalona, reserve champion.



► Voting delegates representing lowa at the 2013 National Junior Angus Show are (from left) Katie Friederichs, Walcott, alternate; Tim Mardesen, Oxford, delegate; Taylor Duckett, New Liberty, delegate; and Mallory Espenscheid, Traer, alternate.



► Selected to represent lowa at the 2013 National Junior Angus Showmanship Contest are (from left) **Tyler Orman,** Ottumwa, alternate; **Mary Kate Mardesen,** Oxford, representative; **Erin Steele,** Anita, representative; and **Lauren Barker,** Monticello, alternate.

Tennessee Angus Ass'n Jr. Preview Show, June 21, Lebanon



►Winning peewee showmanship are (from left) **Austin Bridgewater**, Riddleton, and **Weston Rowlett**, Martin.



► Tennessee Angus royalty are (from left) Cierra Berry, Knoxville, East Tennessee princess; Mary Oliver, Union City, Tennessee Angus queen; and Shelley Rowlett, Martin, West Tennessee princess.



► From left, Mark Davis, sponsor, presents showmanship awards to **Joshua Rollins**, Shelbyville, senior champion; **Lawson Rowlett**, Hurricane Mills, intermediate champion; and **Morgan Hutchins**, Columbia, junior champion. Also pictured is Bradley Wilson, judge.



►Lindsey Turner, Covington, qualified to represent Tennessee at the 2013 National Junior Angus Showmanship Contest.