



Next Generation

► Postcard from an NJAA director and state spotlights

Live life with no regrets

The National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) is over; Leaders Engaged in Angus Development (LEAD) Conference is here; and for the officers of the National Junior Angus Association (NJAA), our two-year term is almost complete.

Take the opportunity

What a ride the past two years have been! For every junior Board member, the journey



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of Directors? Of course, my decision is obvious, but I tossed the idea around for a few months.

started when each person was faced with the choice of seeking a state nomination. I was faced with this decision in March 2007. Did I want to seek the position of being a member

One of the deciding factors in my decision was the answer to this question posed by my mother, "If I didn't run for the Board, would I regret my decision?" I was led to the opportunity, as I knew the answer.

Just as my decision to run for the Board provided me with one of the most exciting experiences in my life, approaching both big and small decisions with the mind-set of taking advantage of every opportunity and having no regrets can expand your possibilities in life. Here are a few examples:

- Instead of regretting bad grades in high school, you were a good student and were accepted to the college of your choice with an academic scholarship.
- Instead of regretting being too shy and

timid, you met the guy or girl who grabbed your attention and went home with his or her number.

- Instead of regretting lack of participation in your state association, you were elected to a state officer position and a few years later to the NJAA Board of Directors.

The possibilities are endless if you live life to have no regrets.

When I approach decisions with the question, "What have I got to lose? I don't want to end up regretting this decision," I find myself stepping out of my comfort zone and taking a chance. Embarrassment fades, but a lost opportunity rarely comes again.

The past two years have been a life-changing experience. I appreciate the support of my Angus friends and family, the association staff, the Angus Foundation with its patrons, and my fellow board members. I don't regret my decision.

— **Walt Stinson, Tennessee**

California Jr. Angus Preview Show, Turlock, May 23-24



► California Angus royalty are **Regina Pozzi** (left), Petaluma, princess, and **Alexis Leage**, San Luis Obispo, queen.

Colorado Jr. Angus Ass'n Golden Trend Show, Lafayette, June 6

► The Colorado Jr. Angus Ass'n officers and directors are (front row, from left) **Holly Heckendorf**, Fort Collins, director; **Jessica Harrison**, Laporte, director; (back row, from left) **Britney Creamer**, Montrose, president; **Kati Keys**, Loma, reporter; **Aeriel Belk**, Fort Collins, vice president; **Morgan Penner**, Lafayette, secretary; and **Andrew Schaffer**, Cortez, treasurer.



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Kansas Jr. Angus Ass'n Preview Show, Hutchinson, June 5-6



►Receiving Kansas Angus Auxiliary scholarships are (from left) **Ethan Hager**, Stafford, \$500; **Peter Lundgren**, Ottawa, \$500; **Ashley Laas**, Brookville, \$500; **Jacinda Dickinson**, Glasco, \$500; **Meghan Blythe**, White City, \$800; **Hannah McCabe**, Elk City, \$1,000; and **Parker Rayl**, Hutchinson, \$1,000. Karen Santee, Kansas Angus Auxiliary, presents the awards.



►Receiving their Bronze and Silver awards are (from left) **Meghan Blythe**, White City; **Tanner Rayl**, Hutchinson; and **Tyler Ottensmeier**, McLouth.



►**Hannah McCabe**, Elk City, receives the Kansas Angus Auxiliary Challenge Award from Kansas Angus Auxiliary Vice President Sandy Lundgren.



►Winning the peewee division of public speaking are (from left) **Eva Hinrichsen**, first, and **Cale Hinrichsen**, second, both of Westmoreland.



►Winning the junior division of prepared public speaking are (from left) **Lauren Prill**, first, and **Luke Prill**, second, both of Wichita.



►Winning the intermediate division of prepared public speaking are (from left) **Hannah McCabe**, Elk City, first, and **Jacinda Dickinson**, Glasco, third.



►Winning the peewee division of extemporaneous speaking are (from left) **Eva Hinrichsen**, first, and **Cale Hinrichsen**, second, both of Westmoreland; and **Britt Bair**, Hutchinson, third.



►Winning the junior division of extemporaneous speaking are (from left) **Justin Nelson**, Windom, first; **Grady Dickerson**, Paradise, second; and **Dylan Bair**, Hutchinson, third.



►Winning the intermediate division of extemporaneous speaking are (from left) **Hannah McCabe**, Elk City, first, and **Tyler Ottensmeier**, McLouth, second.

►Right: Winning the junior division of the quiz bowl contest are (from left) **Quanah Gardiner**, Ashland, first; **Johanna Lundgren**, Ottawa, second; **Cale Hinrichsen**, Westmoreland, third; and **Taylor Nikkel**, Maple Hill, fourth.



►Winning the intermediate division of the quiz bowl contest are (from left) **Hannah McCabe**, Elk City, first; **Cody Theis**, Leavenworth, second; and **Peter Lundgren**, Ottawa, fourth.



►Winning the senior division of the quiz bowl contest are (from left) **Ethan McCabe**, Elk City, first; **Cole Pearson**, Scott City, second; **Clinton Laffin**, Olsburg, third; and **Samuel Rucker**, Burdett, fourth.



►Left: Peewee coloring contestants are (from left) **Eva Hinrichsen**, Westmoreland, first; **Sarah Pelton**, Paradise, second; and **Alexandria Cozzitoro**, De Soto, third.



►Left: Winning the junior sales contest are (from left) **Quanah Gardiner**, Ashland, first; **Johanna Lundgren**, Ottawa, second; and **Cale Hinrichsen**, third, and **Eva Hinrichsen**, fourth, both of Westmoreland.

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▶ Kansas Jr. Angus Ass'n Preview Show cont.



▶ **Left:** Winning the intermediate division of the sales contest are (from left) **Hannah McCabe**, Elk City, third, and **Peter Lundgren**, Ottawa, fourth.

▶ **Right:** Winning the senior sales contest are (from left) **Samuel Rucker**, Burdett, first, and **David Lundgren**, Ottawa, second.



▶ **Left:** **Cole Gardiner** (left), and **Ransom Gardiner**, both of Ashland, placed in intermediate sales. Cole placed second while Ransom placed first in intermediate sales, third in intermediate extemporaneous, and third in intermediate quiz bowl. Ransom will also serve as a director for the Kansas Junior Angus Association.



▶ Kansas Jr. Angus Ass'n officers and directors are (seated, from left) **Miles Pearson**, Scott City; **Cody Theis**, Leavenworth; **Tucker Rayl**, Hutchinson; (second row, from left) **Trenton Blythe**, White City; **Esther McCabe**, Elk City; **Evan Woodbury**, Quenemo; **Tyler Ottensmeier**, McLouth; **Brady Chadwell**, Morrill; **Amanda Laas**, Brookville; **Tanner Rayl**, Hutchinson, membership director; (standing, back row, from left) **Kyleigh Santee**, Langdon, past president; **Chelsea Dickinson**, Glasco, president; **Courtenay DeHoff**, Tonganoxie, president-elect; **Megan Fink**, Randolph, first vice president; **Ethan McCabe**, Elk City, second vice president; **Meghan Blythe**, White City, secretary; **Hannah McCabe**, Elk City, treasurer; **Jacinda Dickinson**, Glasco, reporter; **Allison Blythe**, White City, historian; and **MacKenzie Flory**, Baldwin City, membership director.

▶ Michigan Angus Ass'n Preview Show, East Lansing, June 14



▶ **Right:** From left, Ricka Boehmer presents Michigan Angus Auxiliary scholarships to **Justyn Kennedy**, Nashville, and **Patricia Vaassen**, Ann Arbor.

▶ Wisconsin Spring Jr. Angus Preview Show, Jefferson, June 6



▶ **Left:** **Ty Bayer**, Ringle, receives the Bronze and Silver awards. The Bronze and Silver awards are the first two levels of the NJAA Recognition Program. Juniors must apply for the awards and then meet point requirements in many areas of participation before receiving them.



▶ **Left:** **Calli Bayer**, Ringle, receives the Bronze and Silver awards.

▶ Illinois Jr. Angus Field Day, Bloomington, June 13



▶ **Kayla Widerman** (left), Good Hope, receives the Bronze and Silver awards from Association Regional Manager Jerry Casady.



▶ The Illinois Jr. Angus Ass'n officers and directors are (front row, from left) **Rebecca Hurst**, Dorsey, president; **Gretchen Frost**, Tallula, first vice president; **Kyle Anderson**, Chrisman, second vice president; **Jennifer Ewing**, Rushville, secretary; **Lauren Adcock**, Moweaqua, treasurer; **Kayla Widerman**, Good Hope, show secretary; **Casey Adamick**, Highland, reporter; (back row, from left) **Gabrielle Lemenager**, Clifton; **Casey Widholm**, Clifton; **Ashley McEwen**, Bushnell; **Heather Kiner**, Mendota; **Andrea Hosto**, Alhambra; **Austin Betzold**, Nokomis; **Kurtis Devore**, Mulberry Grove; **Dillon Lemenager**, Clifton; **Chase Anderson**, Chrisman; and **Cade Moritz**, Roberts.

► **Southern National Jr. Angus Show**, Perry, Ga., June 5



► **Christa Royster** (left) Dacula, Ga., and **Katherine Throne**, West Point, Ga., receive Georgia Angus Ass'n scholarships.

► **Right:** Georgia Jr. Angus Ass'n officers and directors are (from left) **Clay Williams**, Bishop, president; **Shelby Eidson**, Arnoldsville, secretary; **Katherine Throne**, West Point, treasurer; **Christa Royster**, Dacula; **Madison Baugh**, Macon; and **Haley Throne**, West Point.



► **Iowa Angus Summer Jr. Show**, Eldora, June 6

► **Right:** Iowa Jr. Angus Ass'n officers and directors are (from left) **Mary Mardesen**, Oxford, president; **Bryanne Duckett**, New Liberty, first vice president; **Kyle Greiman**, Garner, second vice president; **Madison Henderson**, Drakesville, secretary; **Cole Henderson**, Drakesville, treasurer; **Erin Steele**, Anita; **Samantha Schermer**, Latimer; and **Lauren Barker**, Monticello.

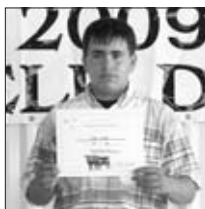


► **Left:** Representing Iowa at the NJAS are (from left) **Kyle Greiman**, Garner, alternate; **Austin Brandt**, Corning, delegate; **Wesley Ruby**, Greene, candidate for junior board; **Jordan Paulsrud**, Danbury, delegate; and **Erin Steele**, Anita, alternate.

► **Right:** **Kyle Greiman** (left), Garner, and **Samantha Schermer** Latimer, receive their Bronze and Silver awards.



► **Louisiana Jr. Angus Preview Show**, Folsom, June 7



► **Joshua Scott**, Loranger, won intermediate posters — breed or association promotion. He also won intermediate graphic design — breed or state promotion contest.



► **Lee Hymel**, Vacherie, won intermediate photography — people and intermediate graphic design — membership recruitment.



► Winning intermediate photography — around the farm or ranch are (from left) **Cheyenne Jones**, Franklinton, first; and **Joshua Scott**, Loranger, second.



► Winning intermediate photography — Angus cattle are (from left) **Joshua Scott**, Loranger, first; **Lee Hymel**, Vacherie, second; **Cheyenne Jones**, Franklinton, third.



► Winning senior photography — people are (from left) **Jared Yantis**, first, and **Samantha Yantis**, second, both of Bunkie.



► Winning senior photography — Angus cattle are (from left) **Jess Rousel**, Gramercy, first; **Samantha Yantis**, Bunkie, second; and **Rene Rousel**, Gramercy, third.



► **Jared Yantis**, Bunkie, won senior photography — landscape.



► **Samantha Yantis**, Bunkie, won senior graphic design.



► **Jess Rousel** (left), Gramercy, and **Samantha Yantis** (right), Bunkie, were nominated to represent Louisiana at the NJAS as voting delegates.



► Winning intermediate posters — membership recruitment are (from left) **Joshua Scott**, Loranger, first; and **Jacob Chicola**, Deville, second.

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▶ Arkansas Jr. Angus Preview, Greenwood, May 24



▶ **Christine Taylor** (left), Lavaca, and **Paige Tribble**, Pocahontas, were nominated to represent Arkansas at the NJAS as voting delegates.



▶ Arkansas Angus royalty are (from left) **Jessica Fritts**, Huntsville, princess; **Katlyn Tunstill**, Fayetteville, state princess; **Jacy Alsup**, Gravette, queen; and **Taylor LaCour**, Berryville, princess.



▶ The Arkansas Jr. Angus Ass'n officers and directors are (kneeling, from left) **Audrey Taylor**, Lavaca, vice president; **Katlyn Tunstill**, Fayetteville, membership director; **Christine Taylor**, Lavaca, finance director; **Madeline Taylor**, Lavaca, communications director; (standing, from left) **Jessica Fritts**, Huntsville, senior director; **Dillon Doublehead**, Gravette, senior director; **Taylor LaCour**, Berryville, junior director; and **Will Pohlman**, Prairie Grove, junior director.



▶ **Katlyn Tunstill** (left), Fayetteville, won first place in the junior divisions of photography — landscape, cattle, people and around the farm or ranch. Tami Pohlman is pictured presenting the awards.



▶ **Haley Hipp** (left), Harrison, receives first-place intermediate photography — landscape from Pohlman.



▶ **Jessica Fritts** (left), Huntsville, receives first-place intermediate photography — Angus cattle from Pohlman.



▶ **Audrey Taylor** (left), Lavaca, receives first-place intermediate photography — people from Pohlman.



▶ **Paige Tribble** (left), Pocahontas, receives first-place intermediate photography — around the farm or ranch from Pohlman.



▶ **Will Pohlman** (left), Prairie Grove, won first-place junior creative essay, as well as first-place junior extemporaneous speaking and prepared public speaking. Pohlman presents the awards.



▶ **Laykyn Rainbolt** (left), Leslie, receives first-place junior graphic design from Pohlman.



▶ **Jessica Fritts** (left), Huntsville, receives first-place intermediate graphic design from Pohlman.



▶ **Katlyn Tunstill** (left), Fayetteville, receives first-place junior posters — herd advertisement, membership recruitment and breed promotion from Pohlman.



▶ **Paige Tribble** (left), Pocahontas, receives first-place intermediate posters — membership recruitment and breed promotion from Pohlman.



► **Left:** Winning junior team sales are (from left) **Will Pohlman**, Prairie Grove; **Katlyn Tunstall**, Fayetteville; and **Taylor Lacour**, Berryville. Pohlman presents.



► **Right:** Winning the fitting contest are (from left) **Matthew Boecker**, Bentonville; **Holly Loyd**, Centerton; **Katlyn Tunstall**, Fayetteville; and **Taylor Lacour**, Berryville. Pohlman presents.



► **Will Pohlman** (left), Prairie Grove, receives first-place junior quiz bowl from Pohlman.



► **Paige Tribble** (left), Pocahontas, receives first-place intermediate quiz bowl from Pohlman.



► **Laykyn Rainbolt** (left), Leslie, receives the Rookie of the Year Award from Hailey and Leslie Roye.



► **Will Pohlman** (left), Prairie Grove, receives the Breeder of the Year Award from Pohlman.



► **Katlyn Tunstall** (left), Fayetteville, receives the Exhibitor of the Year and Showman of the Year awards from Laura Tribble.



► **Paige Tribble** (left), Pocahontas, receives the Outstanding Leadership Award from Pohlman.



► **Vickie DeClerk** (left), Pocahontas, won the pop tab contest with 4 lb., 6.5 oz. of pop tabs collected. Pohlman presents the award.



► **Nicholas Pohlman** (left), Prairie Grove, receives first-place peewee showmanship and peewee photography from Pohlman.



► **Hailey Roye** (left), Fayetteville, receives first-place peewee poster from Pohlman.



► **Ellen Hoffschneider** (right), Arlington, receives her Bronze and Silver awards from Matthew Printz, American Angus Association regional manager.



► **Victoria Armstrong** (right), Brule, is the 2009-2010 Nebraska Angus queen. Also pictured is **Ellen Hoffschneider**, Arlington, 2008-2009 queen.



► Receiving scholarships from the Nebraska Angus Association are (from left) **Klaire Jorgensen**, Exeter; **Victoria Armstrong**, Brule; and **Ellen Hoffschneider**, Arlington.

► **Montana Jr. Beef Expo Angus Show**, Lewiston, June 13



► **Catherine Callantine**, Belgrade, is Montana Angus Queen.



► **Left:** Nebraska Jr. Angus Ass'n officers and directors are (front row, from left) **Hannah Uden**, Franklin; **Michaela Closser**, Milford, historian; **Cassie Nelson**, Ansley, secretary-treasurer; **Garrett Jacobs**, Osceola; (back row, from left) **Ellen Hoffschneider**, Arlington, president; **Judson Hoffschneider**, Arlington, second vice president; **Drew Feller**, Wisner; and **Ryan Nelson**, Lincoln, first vice president.

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▶ Alabama Angus Ass'n Field Day and Jr. Preview Show, Auburn, June 6

▶ **Right:** The Alabama Jr. Angus Ass'n officers and directors are (front row, from left) **Hannah Barton**, Dutton, president; **Tyler Wood**, Holly Pond, vice president; **Baily Anderson**, Tuskegee, secretary; **Keri Hyde**, Wetumpka, reporter; (back row, from left) **Brittney Edwards**, Holly Pond, north district; **Andrew Pinyan**, Auburn, central district; **Brooke Enfinger**, Hartford, south district; **Anne Stanford**, Pine Apple, at large; and **Justin Johndrow**, Opelika, at large.



▶ **Andrew Pinyan**, Auburn, delegate; **Tyler Wood**, Holly Pond, delegate; and **Brittney Edwards**, Holly Pond, alternate, were selected as Alabama's voting delegates to the NJAS.



▶ Alabama Jr. Angus royalty are **Madison Morrow** (left), Slocomb, queen; and **Paige Crowell** (right), Elrod, junior queen.



▶ Receiving the Alabama Angus Women's scholarships from Kim Barrentine (left) are (continuing from left) **Tyler Wood**, Holly Pond; **Madison Morrow**, Slocomb; and **Anne Stanford**, Pine Apple.

▶ **Right:** **Hannah Barton** (center), Dutton, and **Baily Anderson** (right), Tuskegee, receive the Richard Dyar Scholarship from Richard Dyar, American Angus Association regional manager.



▶ **Madison Morrow** (right), Slocomb, won the donation heifer. Jason Spears is also pictured.



▶ Winning the poster contest are (from left) **Keri Hyde**, Wetumpka, first, third and fifth; and **Megan Crowell**, second; and **Paige Crowell**, fourth, both of Elrod.



▶ Winning the graphic design contest are (from left) **Paige and Megan Crowell**, both of Elrod.



▶ Winning the junior division of photography are (from left) **Paige Crowell**, Elrod, first; **Baleigh Moseley**, Wetumpka, second, fourth, and fifth; and **Megan Crowell**, Elrod, third.



▶ **Tyler Wood**, Holly Pond, entered photos that placed first, second and third in the senior division of the photography contest.



▶ **Paige Crowell**, Elrod, won the writing contest.



▶ Coloring contest participants are (from left) **Aspen Adams** and **Layton Adams**, both of Union Springs, and **Chad Johndrow**, Opelika.

▶ Kentucky Jr. Angus Preview Show, June 12



▶ Kentucky junior Angus members who qualified to compete in the National Junior Angus Showmanship Competition at the NJAS are **Amanda Chumley** (left), Stamping Ground, and **Thomas Lundy** (right), Bardstown. Also pictured is Roger Worthington, judge.

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Ultimate heifer makeover

Four North Carolina beef cattle enthusiasts received first-place honors in the "Ultimate Heifer Makeover" competition during the North Carolina Junior Beef Roundup, June 5-7, at the North Carolina State Fairgrounds in Raleigh. The event was sponsored by Novartis Animal Health U.S. Inc., which is headquartered in Greensboro, N.C.

Sarah McEntire of Four Oaks, Jordan Kennedy of Kinston, and **Jordan** and **Sidney Cox** of Trenton, were this year's winners of the competition, which showcased cattle-fitting skills and teamwork. Each member of the winning team received cattle grooming clippers and an award medal. Second- and third-place team participants received gift certificates for cattle grooming supplies and award medals.

"We were pleased to see the number of exhibitors interested in taking part in the contest this year," said Bryan Blinson, executive director of the North Carolina Cattlemen's Association. "We changed the contest name and the rules so that participants could focus on basic grooming skills and work easily as a team."

A total of 36 participants made up nine teams that took part in the event. Each team was required to have four members, and only one member could be between the ages of 17-21 years; all others had to be younger. Beef heifers used in the contest had to be entered in the cattle show.

Once all teams had finished preparing their heifers in the wash area, they were timed for 30 minutes to finish grooming their cattle. Only clippers, conditioning products, blowers, combs and brushes could be used. Once the time ran out, one member from each team presented their team's heifer in the showring to four judges who asked questions, evaluated work and determined the winners.

Accelerated Genetics awards scholarships to enthusiastic youth

Every year Accelerated Genetics awards four \$500 scholarships to youth just graduating from high school and beginning college. The 2009 recipients are Mandy Brazil of Petaluma, Calif.; **Lauren Holterman** of Watertown, Wis.; Carrie Jo Leum of Viroqua, Wis.; and Mary Pat Speerstra of Whitehall, Wis.

Two \$1,000 scholarships are awarded to students currently enrolled in agricultural programs at college. Accelerated Genetics works with the National FFA organization to select these students. The 2009 recipients are

Justin Belling of Lomira, Wis., and Michele Belling of Lomira, Wis.

Accelerated Genetics offers these scholarship programs to youth pursuing careers in agriculture. Eligible candidates or their parents must be customers of Accelerated Genetics and be pursuing a degree in an agricultural field. Applicants are evaluated on their leadership, scholarship and involvement in agriculture. For more information about the Accelerated Genetics Scholarship program, please contact your local sales representative, call 1-800-451-9275, e-mail info@accelgen.com or go to www.accelgen.com.

Junior ownership deadline changed at NAILE

► The ownership deadline for junior entries at the NAILE is now Sept. 1.

Junior deadlines for the fall

- Sept. 10 is the entry and ownership deadline for the American Royal junior Angus show.
- Oct. 1 is the entry deadline for the NAILE junior Angus show.
- Nov. 20 is the ownership and entry deadline for the NWSS junior Angus show.

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▶ South Carolina Jr. Angus Show, Clemson, June 6



▶ **John Petty** (left) Clover, and **Sally Yon** (right), Ridge Spring, were selected as South Carolina's voting delegates to the NJAS.



▶ The South Carolina Jr. Angus Ass'n Board of Directors are (from left) **Mary Hall**, York, secretary-treasurer; **Savannah Groce**, Fountain Inn, reporter; **Thomas Yon**, Ridge Spring, vice president; and **Cory Watt**, Iva, president.



▶ South Carolina Angus royalty are (from left) **Carly Watt**, Iva, princess; and **Sally Yon**, Ridge Spring, queen.



▶ **Sally Yon** (left), Ridge Spring, receives the Bronze and Silver awards from Ann Blumer, NJAA Board member.

▶ Missouri Jr. Angus Preview Show, Sedalia, June 13



▶ **Taylor Short** (right), Ava, receives the Missouri Angus Ass'n Scholarship from Susan Coon.



▶ Missouri Angus royalty are (from left) **Jessica Siedhof**, New Haven, princess; **Garren Bellis**, Orick, ambassador; and **Emelia Heimsoth**, Lathrop, queen.

▶ Indiana Angus Ass'n Jr. Preview Show, Lebanon, June 20



▶ Indiana exhibitors qualifying for the National Junior Angus Showmanship Competition at the NJAS are (from left) **Adam Leeper**, Argos; **Clinton Coverdale**, Cicero; and **Jayne Sherfield**, Spencer, alternate. 