Portland Spirit

Agricultural Media Summit hosted in Northwest.

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pioint meeting of the American Agricultural Editors' Association (AAEA), the Livestock Publications Council (LPC) and the American Business Media (ABM) Agri-Council, the Agricultural Media Summit (AMS) was hosted this year in Portland, Ore., July 23-26.

Event highlights included a welcome reception aboard the Portland Spirit cruise ship; professional development seminars, including a presentation on "Making the Most of Bad Photos," by Kathrin Gresham Breytenbach, photo services coordinator for Angus Productions Inc. (API); the trade show, also known as the

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▶ Right: From left, Rod Wesselman, Association regional manager; Shelia Stannard, Association director of communications and events; Micky Wilson, API assistant editor; and Kathrin Gresham Breytenbach, API photo services coordinator, get ready to board the Portland Spirit for the AMS welcoming reception.





► Crystal Albers, API associate editor, accepts an award at the LPC awards presentation.

"InfoExpo"; and individual award ceremonies and receptions.

API editorial, advertising and Web Services, as well as Certified Angus Beef LLC (CAB) and the American Angus Association, received many awards at the summit. The high point of the awards ceremonies occurred when Crystal Albers, associate editor for API, won the "On-Farm Production Article" category of the AAEA Writing Awards Program. Her winning feature story, "Lost in Translation," is eligible to compete for the Star Prize at the International Federation of Agricultural Journalists (IFAJ) annual writing competition. Additionally, Albers moved to Level 2 in the Master Writer standings.

Shauna Rose Hermel brought home dual awards from LPC for her personality profile, "Of Grit and Determination," about American Angus Association past president Minnie Lou Bradley. Her awards included first-place finishes in the "Published Editorial Photography" and "Producer/Farm/Ranch Profile, Association" categories.

Other first-place finishes for API, CAB and the Association in the LPC contest included the categories of Newsletter; National Show Coverage; Marketing Article, Association; Technical Article, Non-Association: Two- or Three-color. Less-than-full-page Ad for a Livestock Supplier, Service or Association; Onecolor, Less-than-full-page Livestock Ad; Annual Report; Miscellaneous Design; and Web Publishing, Livestock Affiliated Design.

Following is a complete list of Angus contest results.

Angus winnings from American Agricultural Editors' Association Writing Awards Program

On-Farm Production

1st Crystal Albers, "Lost in Translation," Angus Beef Bulletin

Angus winnings from Livestock Publications Council Critique Contest

Newsletter

1st Christy Benigno, "Directions"

Special Issue — Under 100 Pages

2nd Certified Angus Beef LLC, "Brand Update '05"

Single Graphic Illustrating an Article

HM Mary Black, "Is It Curtains for Private Property Rights?" Angus Journal HM Mary Black, "Creep-Feeding Options," Angus Journal

Published Editorial Photography

1st Shauna Rose Hermel, "Of Grit and Determination," Angus Journal

2nd Steve Suther, "Ace in the Hole," *Angus Journal*HM Shelby Axtell, "Little Eyes Upon Us," *Angus Journal*

HM Shelia Stannard and Rod Wesselman, "Angus Youth Strike It Rich at 2005 LEAD Conference," Angus Journal

National Show Coverage

1st Mary Black, Shelia Stannard, Brooke Byrd & Corinne Patterson, "Bring On the Cold," Angus Journal

Production Management Article, Association

HM Brooke Byrd, "Under Pressure," Angus Journal

Marketing Article, Association

1st Troy Smith, "Shrink Happens," Angus Beef Bulletin

2nd Barb Baylor Anderson, "Cull Value," Angus Journal

Technical Article, Association

HM Crystal Albers, "Hidden Dangers," Angus Beef Bulletin

Producer/Farm/Ranch Profile, Association

1st Shauna Rose Hermel, "Of Grit and Determination," Angus Journal

Marketing Article, Non-Association

2nd Lance Zimmerman, "Beef in the Fast Lane"

Technical Article. Non-Association

1st Steve Suther, "Yield Grades: Sort It Out & Take Charge," Angus Journal

HM Lance Zimmerman, "Convenience Pays," Angus Journal

Producer/Farm/Ranch Profile, Non-Association

HM Susie Knetter, "Jackson's Golden Rule," Angus Journal

Regular Column

HM Tom Field, "Outside the Box," Angus Journal

Four-color, Full-page Ad for a Livestock Supplier, Service or Association

HM Certified Angus Beef LLC, "2005 National Angus Carcass Challenge"

Two- or Three-color, Less-than-full-page Ad for a Livestock Supplier, Service or Association

1st Certified Angus Beef LLC, "2005 National Angus Carcass Challenge"

One-color, Less-than-full-page Livestock Ad

1st Certified Angus Beef LLC, "2005 National Angus Carcass Challenge"

Annual Reports

1st Mary Black, Crystal Albers & Staff, "2005 American Angus Association Annual Report"

HM Mike Bush & Keith Evans, "2005 Angus Foundation Annual Report"

Miscellaneous Design

1st Certified Angus Beef LLC, "Black Ink Basics Technical Bulletins"

2nd Shelby Axtell, "Honorees Named: NJAA Honors Three Couples with Induction into Honorary Angus Foundation'

Web Publishing, Association Web Site

HM Ray Palermo, www.floridaangusassociation.com

Web Publishing, Breeder Web Site

2nd Tim Blumer, www.assmananguslandandcattle.com

Web Publishing, Livestock-Affiliated Web Site

1st Certified Angus Beef LLC, www.cabpartners.com

Angus winnings from Livestock Publications Council Paul Andre "Best of the Bunch" Photo Contest

Livestock

2nd Micky Wilson