



590 Enjoy Certified Angus Beef at MN Beef Expo!

590 Junior exhibitors, their parents, grand parents, brothers, sisters, industry representatives, sale consignors and buyers all enjoyed the supreme championship event on Saturday evening, October 20, 2007 at the Minnesota Beef Expo. Beside the selection of the Supreme Champion Sale animals, and the presentation of MYBEP Heifers, the attention was on the Certified Angus Beef Brisket dinner served by the Minnesota Angus Association. This was the largest crowd served at the expo.



Angus Association and Junior members took an active role at the Expo with members helping out with the Jr Show and the Showmanship Contest. Association President Dick Walser addressed the group. Jr Association President Lindsay Waugh led the group in a table prayer and shared information regarding Angus activities.

In the showing, Angus was a favorite. Scharpe Angus of Arlington, Minnesota consigned the Champion Sale Female. Scharpe Skymere Sadie is a September 25, 2006 daughter of SAV8180 Traveler 004. Layton Gruis of Adrian, Minnesota, purchased her. 4 Winds Angus of Kasson, Minnesota consigned the

Reserve Champion Female. 4WA Emma 713 is a February 2, 2007 daughter of G 13 Structure. Darrell Zahrer of Dayton, Minnesota purchased this heifer. Twenty one Angus Females averaged \$1,671.00. The Reserve Champion, all other breeds steer, was a registered Angus Steer. Scharpe Tormente 1207 is a April 8, 2007 son of G 13 Structure and consigned by Scharpe Angus. Kevin Stork of New Richmond, Wisconsin purchased the steer.



The Champions of the Junior show came from Wisconsin. Ty



Bayer of Ringle, Wisconsin, showed the Champion Heifer. His heifer is an April 3, 2006 daughter of TC Freedom. Trent Gabler of Augusta, Wisconsin exhibited the Reserve Champion Angus Heifer. His heifer is a February 15, 2006 daughter of LaGrand Major League.

The Minnesota Youth Beef Experience Heifer was donated by Lonesome Dove Angus, Tom Carlisle of Wyoming, Minnesota. Jr Association member, Emily Scholtz of Comfrey was the recipient of the Heifer. An achievement award was presented to Adam Jensen from Springfield, MN. He received the 2006 Minnesota Youth Beef Experience Program Angus heifer donated by Lindeland Farms.

Many of Minnesota's junior members received top honors in other areas. Ryan Mitteness of Ada, Minnesota claimed the Supreme Champion Market Steer with a 1370 lb. crossbred steer. Jaden Carlson of Pipestone, Matt Purfeerst, and Chelsey Drysdale of

Wabasha placed in the Showmanship Contest. Those who placed in the Judging contest include: Jared Carlson of Pipestone, Jaden Carlson also of Pipestone. Ashley Graner, of Kellogg joined Chris and Art Hoffman of Theilman in an adult team. Minnesota Juniors can be counted on to always do their best.

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Thoughts from the Secretary/Treasurer

On the Subject of Change! The Minnesota Angus Association has made big changes! The Board of Directors has listened to consignors, buyers as well as industry professionals. We've made changes to improve our State Sale. Over the past few years, and after the 90th State Sale, it became evident that a major change was needed. The board made the decision to manage the 91st Minnesota State Sale. This was no easy decision and was only made after careful consideration and debate. The board members decided the change was necessary to preserve the integrity of our sale along with the integrity of consignors and buyers. In order to maintain a working relationship with industry professionals who help us to build and improve our Association and State Sale, the Association and sale committee determined there was no other recourse but to make this change.

Perhaps the most important outcome of the Association managing the state sale is that the board of directors and sale committee has a greater control over expenses, can establish a closer relationship with consignors and keep the money in our Association where it will be returned to the membership through educational and promotional programs for our breeders and customers. Through these programs, we will work to increase knowledge and in time, prices for our Registered Angus cattle.

If you have any questions on this decision, please feel free to call a Board member or myself to discuss it further. The Minnesota Angus Association Board of Directors do not take these decisions lightly and we try to make decisions that will benefit all our members whether you are just getting started with a small herd or you have a well established herd and have been in business for many years.

On the subject of the 91st Minnesota State Angus Sale! The sale committee and Board of Directors have been in contact with our members to put together a great sale. I want to thank all of you who have chosen to support your Angus Association in this new direction. It's been a challenge, especially when another Angus Sale, which has no affiliation to our Minnesota Angus Association, is being planned earlier in the month of March. Please try to get your information on your consignments to me, Jim Scharpe, by Feb 1st so that we can get our catalogs into the hands of potential buyers, giving them the opportunity to make their selections. Your consignments will also be put on our website as soon as they are received.

As we have worked to put this sale together, there seems to me to be a misconception as to what a State Sale should be. I hear from many of you that you have your own production sale. The State Sale isn't designed to be a production sale for anyone, large or small. It is a sale where all breeders can bring one or a group of cattle that represent their breeding program and advertise their whole program including their production sales. It gives other breeders the opportunity to put your genetics to work in their herd. It is a way to bring satisfied customers back to your production sale. In the process you support your Association, in its efforts to promote Angus Cattle, Junior Activities, and educational programs for our breeders and customers.

The Annual meeting and Banquet held the day before the sale, gives you the opportunity to socialize and exchange ideas with other breeders. Last year we began an educational program and lunch at noon on Tuesday before the Annual meeting. This event was well attended last year and we were encouraged to continue with it. We look forward to hosting a similar event this year on March 18th at the Holiday Inn South. I hope to see all of you at Rochester in March.

On the subject of Membership! Membership Applications were mailed January 4. Please fill these out and return them to me as soon as possible. Read them carefully, we've made some changes and added a couple more opportunities for you. Also we encourage you to advertise your program in the Directory. Remember the Directory is seen 7 days a week, 24 hours a day, all year long. It's the greatest advertising tool you can have.

Something for you to think about is that we have over 650 National members in Minnesota registering Angus cattle. Wouldn't it be great if they would all join the Minnesota Angus Association? The things we could do would be endless. Many of these members may be just starting with Registered Angus cattle. Sometimes I think we forget that all of us and our fathers and grandfathers started their programs by Registering just a few head and it grew from there. Please encourage your friends and neighbors to join our Minnesota Angus Association.

Remember the Minnesota Junior Angus Association is hosting the 2009 North Central Regional Preview Show in Austin June 18 - 20, 2009. This will be a joint effort with the Juniors, Auxiliary and Minnesota Angus Association. This is a first for us and we are planning a great event. One way to support the show would be to purchase one of the 9 Special ads at the March Banquet or a regular ad in our directory. There will be a special auction at our March Banquet this year to kick off the Juniors fundraising for this event.

On behalf of the Association, thank you for your support and I hope to see all of you at the meeting, banquet, and 91st State Sale in Rochester March 19 and 20 at the Olmstead Fairgrounds and Holiday Inn South.

Jr Scholarships & Awards

Yes, it is that time of year to honor our Junior members for the outstanding work they have done with their Angus projects and as leaders to the Junior Association. The Association, together with the Auxiliary will award two \$500.00 scholarships, two Juniors will be recognized for their successes in the show ring this year through the Show Steer and Show Heifer of the Year Award. One Junior member will be honored with the Outstanding Leadership Award for 2008.

Scholarships - Junior members who are High School Seniors, or those attending a 2 or 4 year College or University and have not received a scholarship previously are eligible to apply. Judy Nelson of Windom, MN is the state Scholarship Coordinator. The Minnesota Scholarship program uses the same forms the National Auxiliary Scholarship program. The application is available online at www.angusauxiliary.com/scholarships/index.html. Be sure to follow application instructions very carefully and correctly. The National form is used as Minnesota may submit one Junior boy applicant and one Junior girl applicant who are graduating high school seniors to compete for National Auxiliary Scholarships. Scholarship applications may be mailed to Judy Nelson 48602 87th St. Windom, MN 56101 or brought to the auxiliary meeting on March 18, 2008.

Show Steer and Show Heifer of the Year Award - Since 2003, Minnesota has awarded embroidered jackets to two Junior Members who have had the highest success in the show ring. Points are earned for placings at 5 shows. Applications are available from Junior Advisors, and on the MN Angus Website www.mn-angus.com. A junior member may only enter one animal, either a steer or heifer to be considered for an award. Applications need to be sent to Junior Advisors.

Outstanding Leadership Award - This award was first offered in 2003 and recognized the contributions a junior member has made to the association and their community. An application similar to the National Outstanding Leadership Award form is used for this award. The application is available from the Junior Advisors or online at the MN website. This application should be sent to the State Secretary Treasurer, Jim Scharpe, 20573 401st Ave Arlington, MN. and postmarked by March 1. Applications for this award are independently judged by an association and/or auxiliary member, an extension educator or FFA advisor not familiar with any of the candidates and a member of the National Junior Angus Board of Directors.

Bake A Cake or Buy One

What's a meal without dessert? Some would say that the sweet treat is the best part of any meal. This year, to top off our delicious steak dinner at the Association Annual Banquet, dessert will be an auction item.

While you are enjoying your meal, you and those seated with you, have the chance to bid on a number of delicious homemade cakes. You will be able to choose the kind you like best and have it served to you.

Here's how it will work: Anyone can bring a cake, the cakes will be auctioned and sold to tables. So bring a cake, or plan to buy one for desert! The proceeds for the cake auction will be used by the auxiliary to plan meals or snacks for the regional show next June.

Cakes can be any kind but need to serve 8 to 10 people.

Minnesota Angus Association State Sale Reward Program

This program is available to MN Junior members who purchase a show heifer at the Minnesota State Angus Sale. This is a one-time reward for the highest placing.

1.	National Junior Show	
a.	Grand Champion	\$750.00
	b. Reserve Grand Champion	\$500.00
	c. Division Champion	\$400.00
	d. Division Reserve Champion	\$300.00
	f. Class Winner	\$200.00
2.	Minnesota State Fair 4-H show	
a.	Supreme Champion	\$300.00
	b. Supreme Reserve Champion	\$250.00
	c. Champion	\$200.00
	d. Reserve Champion	\$100.00
3.	Minnesota State Fair FFA Show	
a.	Champion	\$200.00
	b. Reserve Champion	\$100.00
	4. Minnesota State Fair Open Show	
a.	Champion	\$200.00
	b. Reserve Champion	\$100.00
5.	Minnesota Junior Angus Field Day Show	
a.	Champion	\$200.00
	b. Reserve Champion	\$100.00
6.	Minnesota Beef Expo	
a.	Supreme Champion	\$300.00
	b. Supreme Reserve Champion	\$250.00
	c. Champion	\$200.00
	d. Reserve Champion	\$100.00

To be eligible for the program you must be a member of the MN Junior Angus Association. Junior members will need to turn in a copy of the sale receipt to claim their reward. This program is available to junior members who purchase a heifer or a cow/calf at the MN state sale. Junior members may request the reward for only one placing in one show as a heifer. The reward must be claimed within one year from the state sale on the purchase of a heifer, up to two years on a calf from a cow/calf pair.

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The Show Scene

New to the Connections this year will be "Show Scene". This column will list Cattle shows in our area and entry deadline information when available. Although there is so much more to be involved in and to learn about than just showing cattle, cattle shows do hold an important place. By participating in shows, you learn how the cattle you raise or the cattle you have picked from someone else's herd compare to other cattle in phenotype. That's important, but don't forget to meet new people, and attend educational opportunities when included with a show. You may even be able to use shows as a method to make other breeders aware of the quality of the cattle you raise. Just think outside the show ring from time to time and make the most of each event

If you don't go to exhibit, go to watch the show, see some excellent Angus Cattle and support our young people.

I would appreciate more information on these shows for the Spring Connections, entry deadlines, contacts and phone numbers and show times would be helpful.

Lonesome Dove Angus Donates to Juniors



Pictured right to left: Kari Scholtz, Andrew Scholtz, Greg Scholtz, Tom Carlisle and Emily Scholtz.

Tom Carlisle of Lonesome Dove Angus, located in Wyoming Minnesota, donated two heifers to Juniors this year. First, Tom sponsored the Minnesota Youth Beef Experience Program heifer on behalf of the Minnesota Angus Association, at the Minnesota Beef Expo. Emily Scholtz of Comfrey was the recipient of the heifer. Then at Tom's sale held October 27, 2007, a heifer was sold and the proceeds donated to the Minnesota Junior Angus Association. Thank you to Tom for these generous gifts!

Dear MN Angus Association,

Thank you for supporting the MN Beef Expo. Without you support an event like this would not be possible.

Each year I look forward to attending the Beef Expo during my MEA break. This year I was fortunate to receive the ANGUS MYBEP heifer. Thank you for supporting the MYBEP program. This will give me a great start to my cattle future.

I am already looking forward to next years event. Thanks again for all your support.

Emily Scholtz

Show Scene

March Maddness Freeborn Co Fairgrounds	March ? Albert Lea
MN Jr Spring Classic (former MJPHC) Mower Co Fairground	April 19 & 20 Austin
Tri State Show Olmsted Co Fairgrounds	June ? Rochester
MJAA Field Day Show Lyon Co Fairgrounds	June 14 & 15 Marshall
West Central Jr Livestock Show Red Horse Ranch	June 21 Fergus Falls
Red River Valley Fair West Fargo	June 13 -24 North Dakota
National Jr Angus Show (entry due 6/1) Iowa State Fairgrounds	July 13 - 19 DesMoines, IA
MN State Fair Open Show (entry due 7/28) MN State Fair grounds	August 30 St Paul
MN Beef Expo MN State Fairgrounds	Oct 16 - 19 St Paul
North Star Classic	Dec Valley City, ND
North Central Regional Jr Angus Show June 18-20, 2009 Mower Co Fairgrounds	Austin

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We Remember

Herbert Mensch

Funeral services for Herbert L. Mensch, 99, Fairmont, MN were held Saturday, November 10, 2007 at the Christian Church in Fairmont with interment at Lakeside Cemetery, Fairmont. Herbert died November 8, 2007 at the Lakeview Methodist HealthCare Center, Fairmont.

Herbert Mensch, son of Charles and Cora (Ulum) Mensch, was born July 7, 1908 on his grandparents farm at Keswick, IA. He started country school at Keswick. The family moved to a farm north of Winnebago, MN in 1914 and he attended school in Winnebago. He worked as a farm hand, hunted and trapped along the Blue Earth River and raised bees. On June 7, 1934 he married Dorothy Mae Leeman at Sherburn, MN. He continued to work as a farm hand until 1936 when they rented a farm in Nashville Township. In 1941 they bought the North Star farm and lived there until 1963 when they sold the North Star Farm and bought the Eagle Lake Ranch north of Welcome. Herbert specialized in raising purebred Hampshire hogs and Angus cattle and received many prizes at the county and state fairs for his livestock. He was honored as Man of The Year by the MN State Angus Association in 1995 for having raised registered Angus cattle for 50 years. He held numerous positions in the state Angus association including President in 1962. He was an active member of his church, several community organizations and supporter of 4-H activities. Herbert retired in 1973 and entered into a farming partnership with Aldo Senne which has continued until this day. Dorothy died on January 18, 1983. Herbert married D. Glee Morrison on June 5, 1983 at Fairmont. Glee passed away on November 15, 1999. Herbert lived alone at the farm until moving to Ingleside Assisted Living in 2004 and then to Lakeview Methodist Health Care Center in August of 2007. Herbert was a member of the Christian Church of Fairmont and former member of the Emanuel E.U.B. Church at Welcome and Fairmont Baptist Church.

Herbert is survived by one son, Robert Mensch and wife Jane, Fairmont, MN and one daughter, Rachel Ellingson and husband Ken, Vadnais Heights, MN; granddaughters Karen Senne and husband Aldo, Welcome, MN and Susan Mensch, Fairmont, MN; grandson, Jeff Ellingson and wife Christine, St. Paul, MN; great granddaughters Christina and Melinda Senne; step daughter, Martha Swenson and husband Robert, Mendota Heights, MN; step grandchildren Kristen Atton and husband Andrew, Madison, CT, Heidi Fluth and husband Brian, Andover, MN, Robyn Kayport and husband Doug, Prescott, WI, Erik Swenson and wife Amy, Champlin, MN; step great grandchildren, Jessica & Emily Atton, Benjamin, Brittany & Hannah Fluth, Bayley & Ren Keyport, Tanner & Catherine Swenson. He is also survived by special friend of recent years, Mildred Mallery, Truman, MN and other relatives and friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Marvin and Maurice; sister, Fonda Mensch; first wife, Dorothy Mae Leeman and second wife, Dorothy (Glee) Morrison. Obituary provided by the Lakeview Funeral Home of Fairmont.

From the Family: During a time like this we realize how much our friends mean to us... Your kind expression of sympathy will always be appreciated. Thank you for the lovely bouquet. Our dad was proud to be a member. He was pleased to be honored as "Man of the Year" in 1995. The family of Herbert Mensch, Robert Mensch and Rachel Ellingson.

Dustin J. Volz

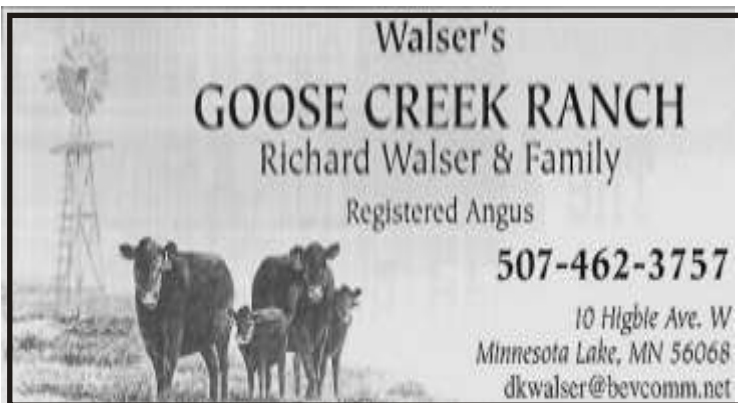
Dusty was born June 8, 1980, at Blue Earth, MN, the son John G. and Rita C. (Pries) Volz. Funeral services were held Saturday December 29, 2007 at the Elmore United Methodist Church, Elmore, MN. Dusty died as the result of injuries sustained in a car train accident on Friday, December 21, 2007.

He was raised and educated in Elmore where he was a 1999 graduate of Blue Earth Area High School. He attended South Dakota State University where he earned his bachelors degree in Animal Science in 2006. Since June 2006 he had worked for Land-O-Lakes Company at the Hull Coop Elevator, Hull, Iowa as a swine specialist. Dusty was a very active participant in all aspects of 4H and FFA, winning the FFA Region VII Star Farmer Award. He was recently raising Simmental Cattle with his father and very excited about helping organize The North Central Jr. Regional Simmental Cattle Show event this coming summer.

Dusty is survived by his parents, John (& Rita) Volz of Elmore, his sister, Hannah (& Austin) Bressler of Winnebago, his paternal grandmother, Bee Volz of Elmore, his maternal grandmother, Arlee Pries of Winona, his aunt, Mary (& John) Morrison of Scandia, his uncle, Jim (& Kim) Volz of Elmore and many good friends.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather-Jim Volz and his maternal grandfather-Raymond Pries. Obituary taken from the Patton Funeral Home website.

The MN Angus Association also extends its sympathy to Joe and Diana Hammell at the loss of Joe's mother on January 11, 2008



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New Logo Introduced at Beef Expo!

Through a collaboration of some of the Board members, Auxiliary members and Junior members, a new logo was chosen for the Association. The new logo, pictured left, builds on the old, but brings a more modern and upbeat appearance to the familiar. The background for the logo is the state of Minnesota, symbolizing the Association, including the Junior and Auxiliary Associations, and representing all Minnesotans who raise Angus Cattle. The outline is light in color, symbolizing that the members are not restricted by state borders, but cross those state lines to National events. The Cow Calf, brings in a youthful aspect. Even though the original Articles of Incorporation date back to 1929, the Association is still growing, just like the young calf on the logo. The Association is growing in numbers, opportunities and knowledge for all who participate. The font used for "Minnesota", brings in a fun flair to the logo. The font used for "Angus", is a strong traditional one often associated with a western theme.

The logo was first seen on brown windbreaker pullover jackets and other Angus Wear at the Beef Expo. Jackets and other items with the new logo can be ordered by contacting Nancy Johnson, 898 Hwy 23, Pipestone, MN 56164 or phone 507-825-3744. Proceeds from Angus Wear Sales, support the Auxiliary. *Order yours today!*

Annual Meetings & Banquet Association, Auxiliary and Juniors

The Annual Meeting of the Minnesota Angus Association will be held March 18, 2008 at the Holiday Inn South in Rochester, Minnesota. The meeting will begin at 2:00 following lunch and the presentation by Certified Angus Beef. Three members will be elected to the Board of Directors.

Members are invited to have lunch, prior to the Annual meeting, sponsored by Certified Angus Beef at noon on Tuesday, March 18, 2008. CAB will present a short program.

The Annual Meeting of the Minnesota Angus Auxiliary will be held March 18, 2008, at the Holiday Inn South in Rochester, Minnesota. The meeting will begin at 2:00p.m. in the Hotel Apartment. Election of officers will take place. Miss Minnesota Angus interviews and scholarship selection will take place following the meeting.

The Annual Meeting of the Minnesota Junior Angus Association will be held March 18, 2008 at the Holiday Inn South in Rochester, Minnesota. The meeting will begin at 3:30. p.m. Election of Vice President and Secretary will be held. Members will discuss the June 2008 Field Day show and The Regional Preview show to be hosted by Minnesota in June of 2009.

The Annual Banquet will be held on March 18, at the Holiday Inn South in Rochester, Minnesota. Social hour will begin and 6:00 pm followed by the meal at 7:00. Jim and Marie Hassing of Wells will be honored as Breeder of the Year. The banquet will include Junior Activity Slide Show, announcement of Junior Awards and Miss Minnesota Angus.

This year to help eliminate the waiting line for the banquet, advanced tickets are available by contacting the Secretary Treasurer. All consigners are expected to attend the banquet.

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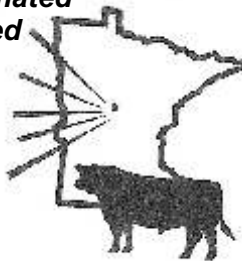
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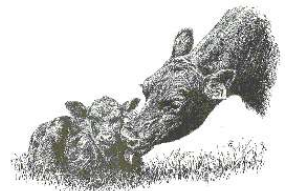
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Who will be the next two Miss Minnesota Angus? Each year two young ladies are selected to fulfill this role. Selection will take place at the Annual Banquet in Rochester on March 18. Miss Minnesota Angus is the official representative of the Minnesota Angus Association. They will represent Minnesota Angus breeders at fairs and shows throughout the year. And if she chooses to attend, is invited to a reception hosted by Miss American Angus held during the National Junior Angus Show. They will receive a monetary gift at the start of the year and another gift when successfully completing their duties.

To be considered for a position as Miss Minnesota Angus, girls must be age 16 by January 1, 2008. They must complete an application that details their experiences and knowledge of Angus Cattle. They will need to be present for an interview at the Minnesota Angus Auxiliary meeting on March 18 at the Holiday Inn South in Rochester. Applications are available from Myrna Scharpe, 507-964-5756, and the website: www.mn-angus.com and must be returned by March 1, 2008. All young ladies are encouraged to apply.

Attention! Special Announcement
Embryo Flush Package Available at Auction



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Minnesota Angus Association



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Minnesota Breeders Do Well at

North Star Classic

The 2007 North Star Classic Angus Show is fast becoming a popular event for Minnesota Angus Breeders. The show held at Valley City, North Dakota on November 30, 2007, attracted 81 entries. The show was judged by Jeff Gooden of Ibena, Missouri. Minnesota Breeders who won top honors are listed below.

Chestnut Onyx 167 won grand champion bull. Wesly Johnson, Pipestone, Minn., owns the February 2007 son of Chestnut Freedom 115. He earlier won junior calf champion.

Chestnut Wacker 106 won junior champion bull.. Nord Land & Livestock, Wolverton, Minn., and Chestnut Angus Farm, Pipestone, Minn., own the winning bull.

Moffitt Lassie M637 won grand champion female. Matt Purfeerst, Faribault, Minn., owns the April 2006 daughter of Exar Lutton 1831. She earlier won junior champion.

MBA Blackbird Lady S31 won intermediate champion heifer . Mark Mitteness, Ada, Minn., owns the winning heifer.

Chestnut Angus Farm, Pipestone, Minn., exhibited the reserve champion pen of three heifers. . The winning group was sired by Chestnut Freedom 115 and Chestnut Improvement 104.

Chestnut Angus Farm, Pipestone, Minn., exhibited the champion pen of three bulls The winning group was sired by Chestnut Freedom 115, Chestnut Improvement 104 and WK Vegas.

Roger and Marge Sunvold, Sacred Heart, Phil Abrahamson, Lanesboro, Chuck Carlson, Thief River Falls and Warren Macemon, Glencoe, went to Louisville for the annual Angus meeting/banquet. Roger served as chairman of the MN delegation. The meetings were at the convention center in Louisville Nov. 11-12 during the NAILE, North American International Livestock Exposition.

The dates and location for the Leaders Engaged in Angus Development (LEAD) have been announced. Please take note the change in schedule. The dates are Friday, August 1st through Monday, August 4th, and it will be held in Billings, Montana.



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Thanks For Helping!

The 2008 Beef Expo was a huge success. Both for the exhibitors and those attending, but also for the Organization Committee who work with Mark Goodrich and the State Fair staff to put on the Expo. This year, Minnesota Angus Association members took on much of the behind the scenes work to help the expo run smoothly. Members assisted with lining up cattle for the showmanship and Junior Show Classes and helped in the showing. There was more than enough help to set up and serve the meal as well as help with clean up. We would like to thank all of you! Your help made a made the difference!



Juniors - Want to Run for the National Board?

Any Junior members who are interested in the being a candidate for the National Board of Directors must follow the procedure below. This policy was adopted at the March 2006 meeting of the Junior Association.

1) Inform Junior Advisors, Bruce and LeAnn Waugh of their intent to seek candidacy for the National Junior Board by March 1, 2007.

2) Prepare a Resume and Cover letter outlining the member's qualifications for the National Board. Send a copy of the Resume and Cover letter to each of the Minnesota officers and directors by March 10. Contact Advisors for addresses.

3) Be present at the March 18, 2008 Junior meeting. Prior to the meeting, the officers and directors will interview each potential candidate. Candidates may be asked to discuss their qualifications and answer questions from the membership at the meeting.

4) In the event of more than one potential candidate, the current officers and directors will vote to determine who will be Minnesota's candidate for the National Board. If an officer or director is unable to attend the meeting, they may submit their vote in writing to the advisors prior to the meeting. Those votes will be used in the event of a tie. The name of the candidate will be announced at the Annual Banquet.

From the Mailbox

Dear Minnesota Angus Association

My name is Michael Kitchell and was the recipient of the Champion Black Angus Cow/Calf plaque that you Sponsored. I would like to thank you for your generous support of 4-H the great youth organization that it is today.

Thanks again
Michael Kitchell

Dear Minnesota Angus Association:

Thank you for sponsoring the 2007 Champion Black Angus Heifer plaque at the Minnesota 4-H State Fair Show. Your support of youth involved in the Angus project is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,
Matt Purfeerst

Dear Jim Scharpe,

Thank you for sponsoring the individual beef plaque for the intermediate division. We are fortunate to have people like you supporting the 4-H livestock Judging contest.

Thank you
John Curley
Windom, MN

(Intermediate 1st place plaque sponsored by MN Angus Association)

To the Minnesota Angus Association,

I would like to thank you for your support of my steer in the purple ribbon auction at the Minnesota State Fair. It meant a great deal to me to hear your name read off as one of the buyers of my steer. Thanks again! Also thanks for the cash award

Miles Eddy

Dear Minnesota Angus Association,

Thank you for sponsoring the \$150.00 cash award for my beef exhibit at the 2007 Minnesota State Fair. I had a great time showing my Angus heifer this year and really appreciate this award.

Sincerely,
Matt Purfeerst

MN Angus Association:

Thank you for sponsoring the 2007 Reserve Champion Black Angus Steer Award. The 4-H program greatly appreciates your support. I have appreciated your continued support over the years as I have shown various Angus projects.

Thanks
Kara Walser

Minnesota Angus Association

Thank you for purchasing my 2007 Reserve Champion Angus Steer at the Minnesota State Fair 4-H Livestock Auction this summer. As this was my last year in 4-H, I appreciate your continued support over the years and have enjoyed my 4-H experience.

Thanks Again,
Kara Walser

Dear MN Angus Association

Thank you for sponsoring the Minnesota Beef Expo. We had a GREAT time.

Thank you!
Caroline Mayer

The following 6 Thank you were received for the \$20.00 participation award given to 4-H State Fair Participants.

Dear Mr. Scharpe,

I would like to Thank you for your gift to the State Fair participants. It sure helps cover some of the costs of State Fair.

Thanks Again,
Brandon Moeller

Thank you Minnesota Angus Association for my award and recognition of my Angus 4-H State Fair trip

Thank you,
Aaron Miller

I want to Thank the Angus Association for the \$20.00 gift for making it to the state Fair 4-H with my Angus heifer.

Thank you
Aaron Miller

Dear Mr. Scharpe:

Enclosed is the Angus Association award form which I received at the Minnesota State Fair after the beef show.

I enjoy showing cattle for 4-H and FFA and very much appreciate you association's support of Minnesota youth with this program

Sincerely,
Charlie Tank

James R. Scharpe,

Thank you for sending the premium and letter. Hope you and the Minnesota Angus Association have a safe and Merry Christmas!

Austin Moe

Season Greetings from Four Ace Angus

Dear Minnesota Angus Association

I would like to thank you for the money you gave me for my ribbon at state Fair. I have used it toward a new Show Stick

Thanks Again
Cody Sleiter

Dear Minnesota Angus Association,

It was an honor to be the recipient of the Reserve Champion silver tray at the FFA State Fair Show. Without support from organizations like the Minnesota Angus Association many shows would not be possible. Thanks again

Sincerely,
Laura Ewald

Minnesota Angus Association,

Thank you for being a Hole Sponsor at the 2007 Angus Foundation Golf Tournament. This year over 66 people participated. Thank you for supporting the golf tournament and the Foundation.

Sincerely,
Rebecca Tokach
NJAA Foundation Director

We appreciate your help in sponsoring a meal for the 2007 NJAS held in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Through your generosity we were able to feed 679 exhibitors as well as the contestants and all families. Thank you for supporting our Juniors.

Sincerely,
A-OK NJAS
Show Committee

With appreciation and gratitude, We wish you a happy holiday Season. Thank you for your continued support of Minnesota Ag in the Classroom Foundation.

Doris Mold Emily Zueber

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2:00 - Annual Meeting of The Angus Auxiliary
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Election of Vice President and Secretary

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7:00 - Banquet & Cake Auction
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