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Dear Minnesota Angus Breeder,

It is hard to believe another year has gone by. Once again it is time to renew our Minnesota Angus Association memberships. Enclosed are membership forms and state sale consignment forms. Please do your part as an Angus breeder and fill these out promptly and return them so you won't forget. Also enclosed is a new support program. Please look it over. If you are registering Angus cattle, you should be a member of our Minnesota Angus Association. All of us are receiving the Minnesota Angus Connections Newsletter and directory, which keeps us, our customers and affiliates informed of what is going on in our Association. We also use our Website; www.mn-angus.com, to inform and offer free advertising of cattle. Our dues and advertising dollars along with a percentage of proceeds from our state sale are used to pay for the costs of these programs for our members.

Our memberships also support an ever increasing number of cattle shows which our young people participate, including state fair 4-H, FFA, a number of open shows and the Minnesota Beef Expo. Proceeds from membership, advertising, and a state sale percentage are also returned to our breeders and customers for educational programs. These programs help our Angus breeders and customers to be more profitable by understanding new practices and raise the price of our Angus cattle.

Our Association also has a very active junior Angus Association both locally and nationally. The Junior Association will be hosting a fitting clinic in March. We currently have our third junior member serving on the National Junior Angus Association Board of Directors.

The Minnesota Angus Auxiliary serves to further the interests of the junior members through the Miss Minnesota Angus program and manage our state scholarship program.

The 94th Minnesota State Angus sale and Annual meeting will be held March 5 and 6, 2011 at Cannon Falls, Minnesota at Simon Arena. In 2010, we moved our state sale to Simon Arena in Cannon Falls, Minnesota. Both consigners and customers commented favorable on an excellent facility. We will recognize junior members' achievements and the lifetime achievements of one of our members at our Annual Banquet on Saturday evening.

We are looking forward to an excellent set of cattle from our breeders this year at our state sale. Advertise your breeding program and support our Angus Association by consigning a good heifer, bred heifer or cow or a good heard bull. We also take pens of three open or bred heifer and pens of three bred cows.

We look forward to meeting you and make completing your membership and state sale consignments at the top of your list of things to do. Have a great 2011!

Sincerely,

Jim Scharpe, Executive Secretary

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