



Cow Chips *March/April 2010*

Angus enthusiasts gather for annual meeting and banquet

The Georgia Angus Association (GAA) recently gathered in Athens, Ga., for the GAA Annual Meeting and Banquet on January 30, 2010 at The Classic Center.

GAA committees presented committee reports on 2009 association activities and gave a glimpse of what is in store for 2010 at the annual meeting. At the conclusion of the meeting, recently elected GAA Board of Directors were announced. Those elected through a mail in mail to serve on the board for 2010-2012 include: John Jarrell, Butler, Ga.; Smitty Lamb, Tifton; Mike McCravy, Bowdon; Andrew McPeake, Arnoldsville; Melvin Porter, Jefferson; Roland Starnes, Woodbury; and Doug Williams, Milan.

Following the annual meeting, breeders enjoyed fellowship during the social hour. This year's banquet gathered the largest crowd seen in several years. More than 125 members gathered for an excellent CAB prime rib dinner, awards, presentations and the inaugural Georgia Angus Hall of Fame presentation.

Georgia Angus royalty was announced during the banquet. Samantha Allen, Talmo, was crowned the 2010 Miss Georgia Angus, and Logan Steed, Carrolton, was crowned the 2010 Georgia Angus Princess. Outgoing royalty were recognized for their service to the GAA during 2009 including Miss Georgia Angus Taylor Gazda, Athens, and Georgia Angus Princess Lakyn Davis, Doerun. Additionally, the GAA recognized 2009 Miss American Angus Katie Gazda, Athens, for her service to the Angus breed throughout the country. Thank you to the Greg Eidson family, Arnoldsville, for sponsoring the flowers for the contests; to Whitney Chitty, Moultrie, for serving as the Queen's Committee chairperson and organizing this year's contest; and to the judges of this year's event which include Stephanie Chitty, Moultrie;

John Kelley, Young Harris; and Nina Lemmon, Woodbury.

A very special presentation was made to the Brent Chitty family, Moultrie, for the 2009 GAA Member of the Year award. The Chitty family remains very active in the association and assists with various activities. The family works with the Southern National Angus Show committee each year where they provide watermelons for show attendees and conduct the silent auction. The entire family organized the much successful hospitality area during the 2009 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS). Whitney also serves as the chairperson for the GAA Queen's Committee. The family attends sales, shows and other livestock events throughout the year. Congratulations to the entire family!

The Georgia Junior Angus Association (GJAA) showcase the junior activities throughout 2009 with a slide show including a recap of the 2009 NJAS. Katherine Throne, Lexington, received her Bronze and Silver Pins through the National Junior Angus Recognition Program. This program is based on activities over a junior member's entire career.

A very special part of the evening was the presentation of the inaugural Georgia Angus Hall of Fame awards. Five of the seven families honored were at the banquet to accept their awards. Inaugural inductees include: John Crouch, O.G. "Dan" Daniel, Bill Graham, James S. "Jimmy" Johnson, Ed and Wilma Minix, John Phillips Pickett, and Jim Vogt. The Georgia Angus Association Hall of Fame award was established to recognize individuals that have made significant contributions to the Angus industry in Georgia and across the country. A complete biography on each inductee is presented starting

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The Brent Chitty family, Moultrie was presented the 2009 GAA Member of the Year award. Pictured from left includes Horace, Macie, Whitney, Stephanie and Brent.



New Angus royalty from left includes Georgia Angus Princess Logan Steed, Carrolton; and Miss Georgia Angus Samantha Allen, Talmo.



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Letter from your President



Greetings fellow members! I recently returned from the Schaff Angus Valley bull and female sale in St. Anthony, N.D. The 500 bulls grossed \$3.5 million and averaged \$7,000 each. Ninety-five percent or more of the buyers were commercial beef cow breeders. C.L. Cook also had a very good bull sale in late January. The Calhoun bull test station sale had the highest lot average in the history of the sale. The fed cattle market has been edging up since January 1. In addition, the University of Georgia bull sale was up around \$300 per lot over the previous year. With a little help from our economy, cattle prices will be better in 2010. Get fired up about your cattle and your association!

Very soon, the Angus female sale season will commence. In this regard, we need to get out and support our fellow Angus breeders. These folks work hard providing us the opportunity to purchase high quality seedstock. Christy has included a listing of these events in this newsletter. If you do not receive sale information on these sales, get in touch with us and we can help you get what you need.

In late February, a steering committee was set for a Georgia Angus Auxiliary. I'm sure they will get the Georgia chapter going in fine fashion. I thank them in advance for their committee work. Also in late February, the GJAA elected their candidate for the National Junior Angus Association Board of Directors. Congratulations and good luck to Clay Williams, Bishop, who will be representing the state this summer. Both of these meetings were held during the Georgia National Livestock Show in Perry. If you have never been, I encourage you to go next year to watch our juniors show the highest quality heifers we have to offer. Congratulations to everyone that competed!

Let us all remember the Georgia Cattlemen's Association Convention and Beef Expo Angus Sale on Friday, April 2 in Perry. John Jarrell and the Beef Expo Sale committee have made the final selections for the sale and are now working on catalogs and promoting the event. John would appreciate any assistance with the sale. If you would like to help, please call John at 770/468-4812.

This year, the GAA Board of Directors and I are going to work on membership inclusiveness and membership services. We want each and every member to have a voice and to have the opportunity to serve. We hope to add some new services and to make your membership valuable to you. With this said, feel free to contact me or any board member. The board is comprised of quality individuals and they are ready to help you any way they can. In that regard, a committee list has been provided in this newsletter. If there is a committee you would like to serve on, please contact Christy or myself.

There have been several losses in the Angus family in recent months. Please continue to pray for these families.

I look forward to seeing you at upcoming Angus events!

Larry Bramblett

Sale Report

- ◆ Yon Family Farm PT Bull Sale - 116 Lots Grossed \$365,300 and Averaged \$3,149
- ◆ UGA Bull Sale - 25 Lots Grossed \$45,300 and Averaged \$1,812
- ◆ Georgia Genetics Bull Sale - 45 Lots Grossed \$103,500 and Averaged \$2300

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Another special presentation was made to Carolyn Gazda, Athens, Christy Page and Heather Shultz, both of Jefferson, for their leadership and service to the state while serving as co-chairpersons of the 2009 NJAS.

Col. Mike Jones took the podium and sold advertising

space for the annual GAA Membership Directory. More than \$10,000 was raised for the association that evening in ads. GJAA President Clay Williams conducted the drawing of door prizes.

In closing, a special presentation was made to honor Chuck Idone for his service to the GAA as president during 2009.

Thank you to the GAA Banquet Committee Tanya Eidson, Arnoldsville; Nina Jarrell, Butler; and Christy Page, Jefferson, for a great event. Thank you also to everyone that brought door prizes.



GAA Board of Directors - seated from left includes Mike Jones, West Point, Ga., director; Christy Page, Jefferson, secretary-treasurer; Harvey Lemmon, Woodbury, vice president; Larry Bramblett, Elberton, president; Carolyn Gazda, Athens, director; and Melvin Porter, Jefferson, director. Directors standing from left include John Jarrell, Butler, ; Chris Throne, Lexington; Andrew McPeake, Arnoldsville; Roland Starnes, Woodbury; and Smitty Lamb, Tifton. Directors not pictured include Blake Callaway, Rayle; Mike McCravy, Bowdon; and Doug Williams, Milan.



Outgoing Georgia royalty from left includes Katie Gazda, 2009 Miss American Angus, and Taylor Gazda, 2009 Miss Georgia Angus, both of Athens.



The GAA presented O.G. "Dan" Daniel, Colbert, right, with the Georgia Angus Hall of Fame award. Pictured presenting the award is Larry Bramblett, GAA president.



The GAA presented the late William Graham, Albany, with the Georgia Angus Hall of Fame award. Pictured from left is Larry Bramblett, GAA president, presenter, and Jimmy Bowles, Graham Angus Farm, accepting the award.



The GAA presented Wilma and the late Ed Minix, Athens, with the Georgia Angus Hall of Fame award. Pictured from left is Larry Bramblett, GAA president, presenter, and Wilma Minix, accepting the award.



The GAA presented the late Jimmy Johnson, Jefferson, with the Georgia Angus Hall of Fame award. Pictured from left is Dewey and Robin Johnson; Larry Bramblett, GAA president, presenter; Ruth Johnson; and Nathan Johnson.



The GAA presented the late James Vogt, Perry, with the Georgia Angus Hall of Fame award. Pictured from left is Jeff Vogt; Larry Bramblett, GAA president, presenter; June Vogt; and Janna Dixon.

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Carolina Angus Breeders' Futurity

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March 20, 2010

Held at the T. Ed Garrison Livestock Arena • Clemson University, Clemson, SC



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GAA Annual Meeting Minutes

The Georgia Angus Association (GAA) Annual Meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. by Vice President Larry Bramblett. The meeting was held in Athens at The Classic Center. An invocation was given by GAA member Tim Royster.

The GAA members first discussed minutes from the 2009 meeting and financials.

Motion A motion was made by John Morgan, seconded by Mike Jones, and unanimously passed by all accepting the January 31, 2009 minutes as presented in the May/June issue of *Cow Chips*.

Motion A motion was made by Carolyn Gazda, seconded by John Jarrell, and unanimously passed by all accepting the financials dated December 31, 2009.

Next GAA committee chairmen presented committee reports.

Larry Bramblett reported on the Angus Promotion & Membership. Committee members included Chuck Idone and John Morgan. There were 375 total GAA members in 2009. He said GAA directors try to attend as many cattle industry events and Angus sales throughout the state as possible including the Georgia Cattlemen's Convention and Sunbelt Ag Expo.

Christy Page reported on the Banquet. The 2009 committee also included Nina Jarrell and this year Tanya Eidson was added to the committee. It was held January 31, 2009 at The Classic Center and around 100 people attended. She thank everyone for coming to the 2010 banquet and said the committee is always looking for speaker and/or guest ideas.

John Jarrell reported on the Beef Expo. Other committee members included Chuck Idone, Mike Jones and Mike McCravy. The Angus sale was on April 3, 2009. Nearly 35 Angus breeders consigned 45 lots to gross \$92,400 and averaged \$2,053. This year, the sale will be on Friday, April 2.

Mike Jones gave the Fall Sale committee report. Other committee members include Melvin Porter, Mike and Christy McCravy, David and Carolyn Gazda, and Chuck Idone. After conducting a survey to the GAA members, the board decided to cancel the sale in 2009. The board will reconsider sponsoring the sale in 2010.

Harvey Lemmon presented the Hall of Fame Awards committee report. Mike Jones serves on this committee with him. He announced the inaugural awards would be presented that evening during the banquet and were excited about these inductees. He said this award was created to honor those that have made great contributions to the Angus industry in Georgia.

Carolyn Gazda reported on the Junior Activities Committee.

Other committee members included David Gazda, Chris and Julie Throne, David Williams and Doug Williams. She thanked all of the GAA members for their support of the 2009 NJAS with their financial support and physical labor put into the show. The show was a tremendous success and was enjoyed by all from coast to coast.

Melvin Porter reported on the Resource Committee and said other committee members included Blake Callaway. This committee works to sale ads for the GAA Membership Directory. In 2009, 37 ads were sold which brought in more than \$22,230. The association made about \$15,000 on this project. He said 2010 ads would be auctioned off at the banquet that night. The highest bidder gets page of choice. All ads sold are based on black and white copy, and color can be purchased for additional charges. The ad deadline is April 15, 2010!

The Southern National Angus Show committee report was presented by Smitty Lamb and other committee members included Larry Bramblett, Harvey Lemmon and Christy Page. Last year's show was held June 5-6, 2009. The show had 55 exhibitors from two states that exhibit approximately 100 head of cattle in the junior and open shows. The junior show judge was Cody Sankey of Lansing, Mich, and the open show judge was John Chism of Winchester, Ky. Smitty thank all the sponsors and volunteers. This year's show is set for June 4-5 in Perry, Ga. The committee is working on selecting the judges and getting information ready to be mailed in mid April.

Chris Throne gave the State 4-H and FFA Show report and other committee members included Doug Williams. There were over 100 head of heifers and approximately 10 registered Angus steers that competed in 2009.

In new business, Christy Page presented the 2010 Proposed Budget.

Motion A motion was made by Harvey Lemmon, seconded by Patrick Steed, and unanimously passed by all accepting the 2010 proposed budget as presented.

Next, Larry Bramblett encouraged GAA members to get involved with the committees and sign-up. Christy Page announced there would be Georgia Angus Auxiliary Interest Meeting on Thursday, February 18 in Perry.

Last, Christy Page announced the newly elected directors to the GAA board. An election was recently conducted by mail by the Georgia Angus membership to elect seven new people to serve on the Georgia Angus Association Board of Directors. Those seven people elected to serve a two year term include: John Jarrell, Smitty Lamb, Mike McCravy, Andrew McPeake, Melvin Porter, Roland Starnes and Doug Williams.

The meeting was adjourned.

Southeastern Angus Showcase Sale



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The Junior Corner - News from the Georgia Junior Angus Association

Dear Georgia Junior Angus Member:

Hey ya'll! First off, I want to say thank ya'll SO much for electing me to serve as your 2010-2011 Georgia Junior Angus Association (GJAA) President! It's crazy to look back and think about how I always thought the president of the junior association was SO old and now I'm in those shoes!

This year there are many things in which I hope to accomplish. As a whole, I really want to try to bond our association together. I know that this has been said by every president every year, but I'm serious! I am hoping to host a GJAA Officers Training at my house sometime towards the end of the school year, and as for those who are not officers but are still extremely active, I want to have a junior party at Southern Nationals. I'm thinking that all of us are kind of sick of the same ole pizza party so I'm trying to think of some new ideas. If you have any PLEASE let me know!

Also the 2010 National Junior Angus Show - DENVER, COLORADO! Last time nationals were in Denver, Georgia got a pot for the cattle then we all flew out. If you are interested in going please let me know! It'll be TONS of fun!

Speaking of fun, LEAD 2010 will be in NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE! In my eyes, that's also known as the most AMAZING city in the United States! If you haven't been to LEAD I STRONGLY

encourage you to go as do my other fellow GJAA members that have gone before! It's a great chance to get away with the cow people you love, without the cows!

Lastly I want to bring up a more serious topic. Not long ago a Georgia Angus breeder, Chuck Idone, passed away. Mr. Idone, along with his wife, were always HUGE supporters in any and everything that the junior association did. If possible I would love to start scholarship of some kind or even just some kind of an achievement award in memory of all the support that Mr. Idone gave to us. Let me know what ya'll think about that!

Don't ever hesitate to contact me if you have any questions! I love, love, love talking to and meeting new people, especially if they love Angus cattle! Email (tgazda11@athensacademy.org), text, call, Facebook . . . you name it and I've got it! Hope to talk to and see all of ya'll soon!

Sincerely,

Taylor Gazda, President

P.S. - If you have Facebook and aren't already a fan of the GJAA, please join! It's an easy way for us to send out any information that ya'll may need!



GJAA elects officers and directors



The GJAA elected officers on February 18, 2010 during the Georgia National Livestock Show in Perry. Pictured from left on the front row includes Abbey Gretsch, Crawford, director; Shelby Eidson, Arnoldsville, secretary; Katherine Throne, Lexington, vice president; Taylor Gazda, Athens, president; Haley Throne, Lexington, treasurer; and Sarah Waters, Statesboro, director. Pictured from left on the back row are directors Kayla Whitehead, Colbert; Fabiola Garcia, Lexington; Suleica Garcia, Lexington; Clay Williams, Bishop; Madison Baugh, Macon; and Hope Edwards, Temple.

Congratulations to these Scholarship Winners presented during the 2010 Georgia National Livestock Show

2010 Georgia Beef Cattle Exhibitors "Youth Leadership Scholarships" were awarded to:

Jessica Fife, Jackson Co. FFA
Keaton Griner, Colquitt Co. FFA
Morgan Strickland, Houston Co. 4-H/Perry FFA
Clay Williams, Oconee Co. 4-H/FFA
Weslie Williford, Houston Co. 4-H/Perry High FFA

Stan Kalino Memorial Scholarship was awarded to:

Kim Chandler, Madison Co. FFA

Congratulations to Clay Williams, Bishop, who was elected as Georgia's candidate to run for the National Junior Angus Association Board of Directors this summer!

About the Georgia Angus Hall of Fame Inaugural Inductees

Crouch

John Crouch is the retired chief executive officer of the American Angus Association with headquarters in St. Joseph, Missouri. His duties included overseeing all operations for the not-for-profit organization and working closely with the staffs of Angus Productions Inc., the Association's communication arm, Certified Angus Beef, LLC, the world's largest branded beef marketing program, Angus Genetics, Inc., a research and genetic evaluation company and the Angus Foundation, which is involved in funding research, education and youth development. Crouch and his staff developed and maintained programs and services for more than 35,000 members and 100,000 commercial affiliates, under the direction of the Association's 16-member board of directors.

Before accepting the role of executive vice president in 2002, Crouch served as the Association's director of performance programs for 21 years, where he worked to develop the world's largest database of beef cattle performance records. His leadership in that position elevated the American Angus Association to the industry's number one source of beef cattle performance data and expected progeny differences (EPD) and provided members with the tools to make genetic progress in the industry. In 2001, John was appointed executive vice president and further named chief executive officer of the Association in 2007. His tenure with the American Angus Association began in 1974 when he served as regional manager for the states of Georgia, Florida, North Carolina and South Carolina.

Crouch has lectured throughout the United States, as well as in Canada, Mexico, Australia, New Zealand, Scotland, Ireland, Denmark, Chile, Argentina, Brazil, Zimbabwe, and South Africa. He was actively involved in the Beef Improvement Federation (BIF) and has served on its board of directors for four three-year terms. He has chaired BIF's live animal and carcass evaluation committee and the ultrasound proficiency committee. John also served on the boards of directors of the US Beef Breeds Council and the National Pedigreed Livestock Council.

John Crouch grew up on a registered Angus farm near Jonesborough, Tennessee and received his bachelor's degree in animal husbandry in 1963 from the University of Tennessee-Knoxville. There, he was a member of the first place livestock judging team at the 1962 International Livestock Exposition in Chicago, Ill., and a member of Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity.

Some of John's honors and awards have included 2005 Record Stockman Marketeer of the Year, 2008 Inductee to the Angus Honorary Foundation, 1999 Inductee to the Angus Heritage Foundation, 1999 Iowa State University Centralized Ultrasound Commemorative Award, 1998 Beef Improvement Federation Pioneer Award, 1990 Beef Improvement Federation Continuing Service Award, 1986 University of Tennessee Block & Bridle Club Alumnus of the Year, 1973 Tennessee Angus Association Member of the



Year, and 1971 Tennessee Hereford Association Man of the Year.

He and his wife, Judy, now live in Taos, New Mexico.

Daniel

O.G. Dan Daniel was born in Paris, Arkansas in 1920, served five years in the U.S. Air Corps, earned his BS from the University of Maryland in 1949; his MS from Oklahoma State in 1951 and PhD in 1957. He served five years as an animal science professor at Panhandle A&M in Goodwell, Oklahoma.

When Dr. Dan became head of the UGA Extension Animal Science Department in 1958, he immediately began serving Georgia agriculture with his abilities as an innovator and organizer. He revitalized the 4-H livestock program, started the first state extension newsletter and formed the Beef Cattle Improvement Association. He built and supervised a new bull test station, organized the Georgia Cattlemen's Association Stocker-Finisher Council and helped begin cattle "tele" auctions in the state. By his 1981 retirement as Animal Science Department Head and Division Chairman, Dr. Dan had helped build a department of more than 40 animal scientists. He was tireless in youth development efforts, serving as the official judge at steer shows in 27 states and serving as Superintendent for the Southeastern Livestock Judging Contests for 18 years. He also served on the Georgia Angus Association Board of Directors and was very active with junior and adult Angus programs. Dr. Dan was one of the pioneers of the Georgia Angus newsletter *Cow Chips*.

Dr. Dan was named to the Georgia Cattlemen's Association Hall of Fame, and a scholarship named in honor of him is awarded each year to the high-scoring member of the Georgia 4-H livestock judging team. He was inducted into the University of Georgia Ag Alumni Association Hall of Fame, honored as an Oklahoma State Outstanding Graduate and received the BIF Pioneer Award. In 2001, Dr. Dan was inducted into the prestigious Saddle and Sirloin Club which pays tribute to influential leaders in the livestock industry. His portrait is hung in the Saddle and Sirloin portrait gallery housed at the Kentucky Fair & Exposition Center in Louisville, Kentucky.

Dr. Dan and his late wife Nemah, have always been adored by the young and old. The youth and the livestock industry has always been their passion. They have three children - a son and daughter-in-law Randy and Beth Daniel; daughters and sons-in-law Dannette and Andy Denman; and Pam and David Loughridge. Dr. Dan resides in Colbert, Georgia, on Partisover Ranch and is active in the family cattle operation.

Graham

William "Bill" Graham, a life long resident of Miami-Dade County, Florida, has distinguished himself in not one



but several industries. His family's business, which began more than 70 years ago, has taken a rather unusual course. Beginning as a small dairy operation, Graham masterminded the company's decision to develop a portion of the dairy land into what has become Miami Lakes, a planned community that is now more than 40 years old and has received extensive recognition of its innovative planning and design concepts.



Today, The Graham Companies is a successful, family-operated enterprise that continues to milk dairy cows in Moore Haven, Florida, runs a highly respected registered Angus herd in Albany, Georgia, grows pecans, sugarcane and pine trees, and owns and operates Don Shula's Hotel, Athletic Club and Golf Course, 1,500 apartments, over two million square feet of office, industrial and retail properties.

Beginning in the dairy business, Graham provided leadership to the industry while also operating a successful business. In the mid 1950's, a difficult time for the dairy industry, he brought the farmers together within one organization, the Independent Dairy Farmer's Association (IDFA), an association which still exists today. He also took a leadership role in securing a Federal Milk Marketing Order for Florida, this bringing some order to a chaotic industry. He was president of the IDFA for five years. Additionally, under his guidance, Graham's Dairy pioneered such modern dairy procedures as pipe line milking and the use of a herringbone milking parlor.

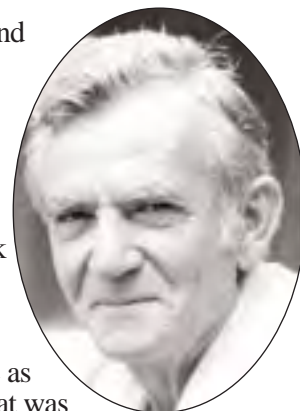
The Graham registered Angus herd has been maintained at its present location near Albany, Ga., for over 50 years. Founded in south Florida in 1947 to provide bulls for a growing commercial herd in south Florida, it was moved to Georgia in 1954. Since founding the herd, Graham's philosophy has been to raise cattle that will improve economic efficiency of commercial beef herds in the southeastern United States, particularly in Florida and Georgia. In 1958, Graham Farm began to weigh their calves and to use that information to cull the herd. In 1960, they purchased two bulls from Wye Plantation and several bulls and heifers from breeders in Oklahoma who were using performance information to develop their herds. Big Elban of Moore was a major addition at that time. This changed the whole herd and calf weights and yearling weights began to rise rapidly. Clarence Burch president of PRI (Performance Registry International) invited Bill to serve on the PRI board, which he did for several years where he met and learned from progressive breeders of many breeds. For many years the Graham herd was a closed herd using only Graham bulls. In 1995, they began to breed a few cows artificially to selected highly proven sires to carefully introduce beneficial genes. The offspring of these breedings have to perform under severe southwest Georgia conditions. The Graham herd is now a herd with excellent EPDs and adapted to their location. Over the years, Bill's leadership has propelled and accelerated the use of artificial insemination, embryo transfer and, most recently, ultrasonography of carcass traits within the cattle breeding industry.

In recognition of his contributions to his community and the business industries within which he has spent his career, Bill has been awarded by several prestigious entities for his lifetime achievements. Bill was inducted into the American Angus Association's Heritage Foundation Hall of Fame in 1999, Florida Agricultural Hall of Fame in 2000, 2001 recipient of the National Association of Industrial and Office Properties South Florida Chapter's Lifetime Achievement Award, and in 2003, The Graham Companies were honored with the Mass Mutual Financial Group's National Family Business of the Year.

Johnson

Jimmy Johnson spent an entire lifetime from 1922 until 2009 on the family farm in Jackson County near Jefferson, Georgia where his father and family operated a diversified farming operation of cattle, hogs, poultry, cotton and crops. In 1990, the Johnson Angus herd was awarded the American Angus Association Historic Herd Award for 50 continuous years in the Angus business.

Gus Johnson, father of Jimmy and Joe Johnson, started the original Johnson Farm with 1,100 acres in 1905. Gus was quite successful as a cotton farmer having once been named Georgia's "Master Farmer". Before his death in 1938, he visioned the possibility of livestock raising in the Southeast.



Jimmy was always involved in the day-to-day farming chores of a diversified farm and in 1938 chose as his FFA project an Angus heifer that was to be the beginning of the Johnson Angus breeding program. Jimmy's father Gus purchased three heifers and a bull from French Broad Farms to start their herd. The Jackson County Historical Society credits Johnson Angus as being the first Angus herd in their county and it is noted also as one of the oldest, continuous Angus herds in the state of Georgia.

In an article from the 1949 Southern Livestock Journal, the following statements were noted: At the 1948 Macon Angus Sale, a young female 4-Her plunged into the bidding on entries from Johnson farm. Her pre-sale comments were that if she couldn't beat the Johnsons at the fat cattle shows with her entries, she'd get a bit more competitive and buy their cattle and raise her own to show against them. At the end of the auction she went home with a Johnson bull.

The Southern Livestock Journal article went on to say that the Johnson Farms has shown possibly more champions than any Angus herd in the state. At the 1947 and 1948 Georgia Angus Fall Shows, the Johnson Angus females won several first prize awards and at the 1948 Georgia Fat Cattle Show in Atlanta, Joe Johnson won the Grand Champion.

The Johnson family ran a herd of 45 producing cows in the late 1940's. Their famed cow families were the Rosemeres originated from the Otto Battle herd and the Petunias that came from the French Broad Farms in Bowling Green, Ky. These females were mated to F Bar C Burgess Grenadier from the Clark Ranch in Virginia and to Eileenthian 2nd of FB.

In the late 1940's and early 1950's, Jimmy was the

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Georgia Angus Association secretary-treasurer and served twice as president of the Georgia Angus Association. Jimmy was a World War II veteran and an avid private plane pilot. Jimmy served as president of the Jackson County Cattlemen's Association and helped form the Georgia Cattlemen's Association. He was appointed by three different Governors to serve on the State Soil and Water Conservation Committee.

Jimmy Johnson remained active in the production of Angus cattle his entire life and his son Dewey continues to produce high quality Angus cattle on the original home farm in Jackson County. Jimmy and his wife raised four children: Dewey, Randy, Shirley and Linda.

Minix

In 1962, Ed and Wilma Minix bought a 47 acre run-down farm in Gwinnett County, Georgia with both Ed and Wilma having full-time jobs. Ed was vice president and general manager of the Varsity, the world's largest drive-in restaurant, and Wilma as secretary to the Third Army Signal Officer at Fort McPherson. They had little time to drive to their farm which was 16 miles from their home in Atlanta. But, the next 4 years they spent vacations and off-days preparing pastures, fences and fixing up their farm.

With the help of Wayne Shackelford, their county agent and an angus enthusiast, they bought their first Angus cattle in 1966. Neither Ed nor Wilma grew up on a farm and had no experience with cattle and no children, so it was strictly a husband-wife team. It wasn't long until the husband-wife team was drawn to the cattleman's life and they became as dedicated any lifelong breeder to raising the best Angus they could. They set-out to build a quality herd and purchased their foundation females from Burch Angus Ranch in Mill Creek, Okla.

As they became more involved with Angus, the show ring sparked their interest. The real inspiration was sparked at the 1968 Great Southland Futurity. Their show career started later that year with their debut at the Gwinnett County Fair. In 1977, their dream's of the winner's circle came true where they took home the Supreme Champion at the Great Southland Futurity with Black Witch Emulous TN 512 which was a son of the first herd bull they ever raised.

While the Ed and Wilma were concerned with breeding show ring champions, another side of their operation started moving to the forefront - Performance. In 1970, they enrolled in the Georgia BCIA and the American Angus Association AHIR programs.

In the early 1970s, Black Witch Farm sent their first bull to a Georgia test station but soon found they had a ways to go when their bull didn't make weight to sell in the sale. Just 10 years later, they not only surpassed their goals but produced two bulls that wiped out previous Georgia station records. The two half brothers known as "O.G." and "Randy" were by Wagner Graham Corbinaire 624. O.G. was the high performing bull at the Calhoun test station and

broke a 22-year state record with his weight per day of age, actual 203-day weight of 760 lb. and 1,322 lb actual yearling weight. He was the tallest Angus bull ever to come out of a Georgia station standing 51 ½ inches at the hip as a yearling. Lemmon Cattle Enterprises purchased half interest in O.G. and was leased to Select Sires. The bull "Randy" was high performing bull the same year at Tifton where he too broke records, including the sale record going for \$16,100 to Cherokee Plantation in Yemassee, SC.

Ed and Wilma's involvement in the cattle industry always went beyond their own herd and were solid supporters of the cattle industry. Ed served as a delegate to the American Angus Association annual meeting for several years, was a director and president of the Georgia Angus Association, and past president of the Northeast Georgia Angus Association. Both Ed and Wilma served on the state board of the American Angus Breeders' Futurity and were members of the Piedmont Beef Cattleman's Association. In 1983, they received the Georgia Purebred Breeder Award and in 1986, the Georgia Angus Preview Show was dedicate to Ed in recognition of his untiring efforts and dedication in promoting the Angus breed.

In 1985, Ed and Wilma exchanged their 47 acre farm for 286 acres in Jackson County, Georgia and began all over again, retaining their foundation heifers. They finished developing that farm in 5 years, and when Ed died they had 60 head of cattle all haltered broke. Wilma continued operating the farm after Ed's death. In 1993 Wilma consigned to the Tifton Bull Test, the highest indexing bull over all breed ever entered on test. Wilma soon sold her entire herd to Richard Childress owner of Yadkin River Angus Farm.

Pickett

John Pickett was born in 1910 and lived his entire life in Cedartown, Ga. He was an avid Angus breeder and promoter, World War II veteran and successful businessman who had a large influence on politics, commerce and trade in the Cedartown area. John is survived by his daughter Eulalie Pickett Wilson, son-in-law Dan Wilson, three grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren.

John was the son of Pauline and Dr. Jesse Wray Pickett. He graduated from Cedartown High School and Georgia Tech. John enlisted in the Army where he earned the rank of Captain during World War II and served a tour of duty in Africa and in Italy. After the war, John returned to his hometown of Cedartown where he became very involved and influential in business, politics and farming. He owned and operated a Chevrolet and Buick dealership for 47 years. John was selected as one of twelve U.S. businessmen to travel the world for the U.S. Government Trade and Commerce Department. He later ran for Congress and served as State Representative from the Seventh District. John also served as Chairman of the Georgia board of Industry and Trade, was Chairman of the Board of Community National Bank and was a member of



the American Legion.

John was extremely active and influential in the Angus cattle industry in Georgia serving as its President and participating in all aspects of Georgia Angus activities. His Pickett Angus Farm exhibited the Grand Champion bull at the Great Southland Futurity in the early 1970's. This bull was fitted by the trio of Clio Brannon, Doris and Shirley Brown. Pickett Angus consigned cattle to the Georgia Angus Association Bull Sale at Tifton and to the Georgia Angus Association Female Sale at Americus and was very active in the Northwest Angus Association sales and activities.

The July 18, 1965 issue of the Rome-News Tribune ran an article announcing the upcoming Georgia Angus Association Field Day to be held at Pickett Angus Farm. The event was promoted to be one of the outstanding livestock events to be held in Georgia that year. The program was to be led off with a talk entitled "Tools to Work With" presented by Dr. Dan Daniel of the University of Georgia. Sinkola Angus manager Verlyn Denny's speech was "Getting All the Cows in Calf and All the Calves Alive". Dr. Robert Long from the University of Georgia was on the program, as was American Angus Association Executive Secretary Glenn Bratcher. The program included a tour of the Pickett Angus herd to view herd sires O Bardoliermere 99th and Ankonian L255 who was a son of Dor Mac Bardoliermere 200.

The Pickett cattle were heavily influenced by the Hyland Marshall bloodline. Their senior herd sire AP Marshall 8 was a nationally acclaimed sire and his progeny sold throughout the United States. Jim VanMeter now of Rome, Ga., was farm manager at Pickett Angus from 1969-1974. Jim reports that one of their herd sires at that time was another bull of national acclaim Jet Black 3 that John Pickett owned in partnership with John Tyler of Brooks Hill Farm near Thomasville, Ga. Jim was working as cattle manager when the decision to disperse the Pickett herd was made. The auction was to be managed by Ernie Craig of South Carolina. Ernie reported that they had received a private treaty offer of \$180,000 to purchase the entire herd and to cancel the auction. Ernie contacted Livestock Breeder Journal fieldman G. Shirley Myers and asked him what his opinion was on accepting the offer. Myers said "No, let's have the auction, I think we can do better than that". The cattle, equipment and land were sold at auction totaling over \$1 million with the cattle alone totaling about \$400,000!

The love of Angus cattle, business sense, integrity, honesty and friendliness of people like John Pickett are what has made the Georgia Angus Association over the years such a success and the Angus breed so popular. We are a better Association because of the input of John Pickett.

Vogt

Jim Vogt was a long-time supporter and promoter of the Georgia Angus Association and of Angus cattle in Georgia and throughout the southeast. Jim served as the Georgia Angus Association Executive Secretary from 1965-1971 and continued after that to work with Angus breeders in marketing their cattle and promoting the Angus breed.

Jim was born in the Wilmington, Delaware area and spent his early days in the Maryland area. His father was a dairyman and Jim's early association and training with the cattle industry were with dairy cattle and especially Guernsey cattle. At the young age of 16, Jim was hired to accompany

a group of Guernsey cattle that had been sold from Maryland and was to be delivered to a farm in Lodi, California. Jim traveled on the train, in a boxcar with the Guernseys across country. His wife, June recalls Jim saying the train stopped to refill with water in the Colorado Rockies. The conductor came to Jim and invited him to come have dinner while they stopped. Jim reported they had bear steaks for dinner that evening.

Jim enlisted in the Navy where he served in the Navy Air Corp. After the Navy, Jim began his career in the cattle business as a herdsman for an Angus herd in Connecticut where he worked for 4 years. He then was hired to work at the White Tail Angus herd (1951) in Connecticut where he became associated with noted Angus cattle breeder and entrepreneur Myron Furst. In 1953, Myron Furst asked Jim if he would consider moving to South Carolina to manager the Caroland Angus Herd for Ellis Slater near Landrum, SC. Jim spent 10 years at Caroland where the herd was built up to nearly 600 brood cows. Jim purchased Evas Bandolier Lad for Caroland and this bull was one of the premier Angus sires of his time.

In 1963, Jim, wife June and family moved to Texas to work with the Black Mark Angus Ranch owned by Stanley Marcus of Nieman-Marcus fame. The Black Mark Angus Ranch sat on the property that now is known as Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport. Stanley Marcus was then U.S. Ambassador to England and it was at this time (1963) that President Kennedy was assassinated in Dallas. With political ties of Mr. Marcus, Jim and family were on the inside of a lot of political moves at that time.

Jim moved to Florida in late 1964 for a very short stay with a Charolais herd. It was from here that John Tyler contacted Jim and asked him to come to Georgia to become Fieldman for the Georgia Angus Association. In 1965 Jim took the reins of the Georgia Angus Association and the ensuing years saw the Georgia Angus Association gain in strength and numbers. The Georgia Junior Angus Association had become somewhat dormant and Jim was credited with putting a lot of effort into the program and getting it headed back in the right direction. Jim took a group of approximately 20 juniors to the American Angus Breeders Futurity in Lexington, Kentucky. They ranged in age from 9 to 19 and Jim reported that one of his juniors, Dewey Johnson, ate hamburgers all the way to Lexington and back.

After Jim's tenure with the Georgia Angus Association, he formed a partnership with Joe Gayle of Perry, Georgia. Jim and Joe managed Angus sales and developed a franchise with WW Livestock Equipment. Jim continued to support the junior Angus program, promote and merchandise Angus cattle and sell livestock equipment for the remainder of his life.

Jim was a friend to all Angus breeders and is survived by his California wife June who still lives in Perry, Georgia. They raised four children: Jackie Bishop (Arkansas), Janna Dixon (Elberton, Georgia), Jenny Sweat (The Village, Florida) and son Jeff Vogt (Grayson, Georgia).



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Sympathy



- ♦ **Charles "Chuck" Joseph Idone**, 70, passed away Saturday, February 20, 2010. Those who wish may make donations to Fair Havens Ministries, c/o Church of God of Prophecy, 6055 Houston Road, Macon 31216. Mr. Idone was born in Huntington Long Island, NY and was retired from Robins Air Force Base after twenty five plus years of service as a program manager. He was a member of the Church of God of Prophecy, the Adult Sunday School Class teacher, former owner of Idone Angus Farm, former president of the Jones County Farm Bureau, past president of the Georgia Cattleman's Association, a member and past president of the Georgia Angus Association. Mr. Idone was a United States Air Force veteran and was a flying enthusiast. Mr. Idone is survived by his devoted wife, Dot Idone of Macon; son, Rick (Michelle) Idone of Kathleen; daughters, Michelle (Bryan) Craddock of Macon, Elaine (Scott) Hammock of Macon, Sherrill Steffanini of Macon; 8 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; brothers, Christopher Idone of New York, Philip Idone of New York, Marc Idone of Pennsylvania, Peter Idone of Washington State; sister, Carol Anne Idone of Switzerland; numerous nieces and nephews. For more information, visit <http://www.snowsmemorialmacon.com>
- ♦ **Raymond Williams**, age 87, of Snellville, GA passed away February 14, 2010. He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Christine Minor Williams, sons & daughters-in-law John & Jane Williams, David & Connie Williams, Phyllis Oliver (the late Ralph), Becky & Keith Odom; grandchildren, Taylor & Garrett Williams, Mary, Abby, & Clay Williams, Christopher & Ashley Oliver, Christine & Camille Odom; sister, Ruth Williams Sharp, sister-in-law, Rebecca Minor, brother-in-law, Horace Minor, nieces, nephews, relatives, & friends. Mr. Williams was an Army Veteran, a member of First Baptist Church of Snellville, where he served as Chairman of Deacons, and was Chairman of The Board Of Trustees. He was one of two of the longest standing members of the church. He was former Gwinnett County PTA President, and retired from John Deere after 35 years. He served as a former City Councilman in Snellville and was Chairman of Snellville Health Association. Mr. Williams also served with New Church Foundation. Those desiring may make donations to First Baptist Church of Snellville in memory of Raymond Williams.
- ♦ **Verdell Butler**, 93, of Eatonton, died Friday, Dec. 25, 2009, at Oconee Regional Medical Center in Milledgeville. Born Feb. 21, 1916, in Columbia, LA, she was the daughter of the late AC and Eveline Fluitt Banks. Mrs. Butler is survived by a son, Tom (Marcia) Butler; a daughter, Carol (Rod) Kruse; nine grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren;
- ♦ **Cecil C. Butler**, 96, of Eatonton passed away Friday, Jan. 15, 2010. Mr. Butler retired from Georgia Kraft in Macon in 1975. He was an avid gardener and fisherman. Mr. Butler was the husband of the late Verdell Butler, to whom he was married 75 years. Survivors include his son, Tom (Marcia) Butler of Eatonton; a daughter Carol (Rod) Kruse of Longwood, Fla.; nine grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and a sister-in-law Marie Christie.
- ♦ **Sandy Younts Graham**, 59, longtime Miami Lakes resident and Chairman of The Graham Companies, passed away March 3 in Albany, Ga, following a courageous battle with breast cancer. The oldest daughter of William and Patricia Graham, she joined The Graham Companies in 1974 following her graduation with a M.B.A. degree from the University of South Florida. Her 36-year career was devoted to her family's hotel and real estate operations in Miami Lakes, the New Town community her late father created in 1962. In 1990, she was named president of Don Shula's Hotel & Golf Club, which included the company's two hotel properties, Shula's Athletic Club, and golf course. In 2005, Sandy took on the added role of Chairman of The Graham Companies. An active participant in many associations related to the hospitality industry, Sandy was also very involved in her community, serving in numerous leadership positions over a 16-year span with the Historical Association of South Florida, the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, The Orange Bowl Committee and the Zonta Club of Miami Lakes. She was also a member of the Junior League of Miami and the Museum of Science Young Patrons. Sandy loved Game Day as she was an avid supporter of both the Miami Hurricanes and the Miami Dolphins. An avid horsewoman in her early years, her love of horses was recently rekindled as her husband David began a Paso Fino horse breeding operation in Albany. Sandy is survived by husband, David Younts; mother, Patricia Graham; brother William E. Graham (Tracy); sisters Carol Wyllie (Stuart), Cynthia Gordon (Ben) and Elizabeth Martinez (Luis); uncle Senator D. Robert Graham (Adele); brother-in-law Andy Younts (Natasha) and numerous nieces and nephews. Donations in her memory may be made to The Graham Foundation, 6843 Main Street, Miami Lakes, FL 33014. View this Guest Book at www.MiamiHerald.com/obituaries.

GAA joins Facebook

In an effort to better communicate to our members and industry friends, the GAA now has a Facebook page. If you are a Facebook user, please become a fan of the Georgia Angus Association Facebook page. With user interaction, this will be a great way to post photos, promote upcoming events and sales, and have interaction with other Angus enthusiasts. Fans can post upcoming events, post photos or start discussions.

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Steering committee working on state Auxiliary for women

An interest meeting for potentially creating a women's organization called the Georgia Angus Auxiliary was held on February 18 during the Georgia National Livestock Show in Perry. Martha Holshouser, Regional Director for the American Angus Auxiliary, was at the meeting to assist in offering information to get the state Auxiliary started. A steering committee consisting of Holly Alford, Marion Baugh, Tanya Eidson, Carolyn Gazda, Deborah Lents and Christy Page were appointed at this meeting to start making plans in building this organization.

The Georgia Angus Auxiliary will offer women interested in the welfare of the Angus breed the opportunity to work together to provide educational, promotional and social programs and activities. Members from all walks of life involved in promoting or raising Angus cattle can become part of this organization. You don't have to be involved on the national level to be a part of the Georgia Angus Auxiliary!

Anyone interested in becoming a part of the Auxiliary is invited to participate in the Georgia Angus Auxiliary Reception on Friday, June 4 at 5:00 p.m. at the Georgia

National Fairgrounds in Perry in conjunction with the Southern National Angus Shows. The steering committee and other volunteers are working to create a reception with wonderful food and fellowship for all potential Auxiliary members and their families, followed by a brief information meeting about the Auxiliary. A formal invitation will be mail in early May, but please feel free to RSVP now to Tanya Eidson at teidson@windstream.net. If you are interested in helping with food or set-up, please contact Tanya as well.

Inaugural memberships for the Georgia Angus Auxiliary will be available later this year. Please help spread the word about the creation of the Georgia Angus Auxiliary to anyone you feel might be interested.

For more information on the American Angus Auxiliary, its purpose and activities, please visit www.angusauxiliary.com

The steering committee hopes to see you and your family at the Georgia Angus Auxiliary Reception on June 4th!



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Champions named at Georgia National Jr Livestock Show

Georgia junior Angus exhibitors exhibited 79 Angus heifers during the 2010 Georgia National Junior Livestock Shows held February 18-21 in Perry. Randy Perry, Prather, Calif., evaluated the Angus entries.

In addition, 7 head of registered Angus steers participated in the annual GAA Registered Angus Steer Show. Tyler Winegardner, Lima, Ohio, judged the Angus steer show.

Congratulations to all the participants and winners in this year's show. All registered Angus champions were awarded additional premiums by the GAA if the junior exhibitor was a member of the GJAA by February 1 and if the animal was bred by a member of the GAA.

Many Georgia junior Angus exhibitors also received

champion showmanship honors in the heifer and steer competitions. Congratulations in heifer showmanship goes to Callie Akins – 9th Grade. In steer showmanship, congratulations to Gibson Priest - 9th Grade; Johnathan Mobley - 10th Grade; and Taylor Gazda - 11th Grade and Don Griffith Memorial Scholarship Recipient. Additionally, a huge congratulations goes out to Callie Akins who was named Master 4-H Showman in the heifer show and Clay Williams who was named Master 4-H Showman in the steer Show! The top two highest placing 4-H exhibitors in 9th through 12th grades are eligible to compete for the Master 4-H Showman title.



Mark Lents, Chatsworth, exhibited the grand champion Angus heifer. The October 2008 heifer is by Gambles Hot Rod. Mark was awarded \$500 by the GAA. The heifer was bred by his family.



Drew Williams, Milan, exhibited the grand champion registered Angus steer. Turnpike Tenderloin 8147 is a December 2008 son of Turnpike Tenderloin 6024. Drew was awarded \$500 by the GAA. Turnpike Creek Farm, Milan, bred the winning entry.

Other Class Winners:

Jessica Bell
Jackson 4-H

Madeline Deal
Tifton 4-H

Logan Steed
Carroll 4-H

Taylor Gazda
Oconee 4-H



Clara Belle, the December 2008 heifer by Rito 112 of 2536 Rito 616 was named grand champion bred-and-owned Angus heifer. McCall Houser, Rayle, is the owner and breeder of this winning entry. McCall was awarded \$250 by the GAA.



Becky Shirley, Commerce, Ga., exhibited the reserve champion Angus heifer. Meldons Charmette 921 is a November 2008 heifer by B C Marathon 7022. The heifer was bred by Meldons Farm, Jefferson, Ga.



Oleo Ranch, Bowman, bred the reserve champion registered Angus steer for Taylor Strickland, Attapulgus. Oleo Real Deal 828 was born October 2008 and sired by O C C Just Right 619J. Taylor was awarded \$250 by the GAA.



Daniel Divide Dixie W03 claimed the reserve grand champion bred-and-owned heifer title for Madison Baugh, Macon. The February 2009 heifer, sired by S A V Mandan 5664 was bred by Madison and the GAA awarded her \$125.

Mature Angus Cow Herd Dispersal

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GAR Retail Product 2965



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Double B Lady 392



GAR Predestined H118



Murcellago Erica 7242

GAR Retail Product 2965

BW +1.4 WW +48 YW +88 Milk +31
 CW +10 Marb +.68 RE +.43 \$W 36.55 \$B 54.51
 This standout daughter of GAR Retail Product and the \$70,000 third top selling female of a past GAR sale, GAR 1407 New Design 1063. This famous Rita female is one of the very best ever offered from CAM Ranches. Offering one-half interest with the option to double to acquire full ownership.

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BW +3.1 WW +48 YW +92 Milk +27
 CW +24 Marb +1.03 RE +.65 \$W 26.70 \$B 69.42
 This powerful donor in the CAM/OAF programs is a \$70 SB female that is by the high SB GAR Predestined out of the best "unknown" donor in GAR history, GAR 1407 New Design 652. Offering a confirmed heifer pregnancy by SS Objective T510 OT26.

Ogeechee Blackcap 8112

BW +4.3 WW +58 YW +104 Milk +22
 CW +25 Marb +.78 RE +.41 \$W 23.40 \$B 63.66
SALE FEATURE - This special lot is a direct daughter of GAR Predestined and the ever popular GAR Flowman G240, a daughter of the all time high income producing female in the breed. Selling bred to the ABS Global AI, sire R/M Ironstone 4047. Updated scan information will be available sale day. Selling one-half interest with the interest to double.

Double B Lady 392

Sire: BW -.3 WW +33 YW +55 Milk +15
 Dam: BW +3.8 WW +44 YW +87 Milk +25
 This royally bred daughter of N Bar Shadow back to a daughter of the feed efficiency queen mother, Ideal 4465 of 6807 4286, is one of the very best ever offered from this family.

Murcellago Erica 7242

BW -.2 WW +59 YW +103 Milk +28
 CW +1 Marb +.56 RE +.26 \$W 32.90 \$B 48.94
 A special highlight not only with phenomenal numbers but a daughter of SS Objective T510 OT26 back to a daughter of Bon View New Design 1407 out of a full sister to the \$160,000 pathfinder sire Leachman Right Time. Sells bred to calve to GAR Predestined.



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GAA encourages members to get involved

The GAA officers and directors recently finalized committees for the association for 2010. Although board members are required to serve on a committee, any GAA member is welcome to serve on a committee. If you are interested in serving on a committee or would like more information, please contact Christy Page at info@georgiaangus.org or one of the committee members. 2010 GAA committees and members include:

Banquet

Committee: Nina Jarrell, Christy Page and Tanya Eidson
Responsibilities: Establish and secure date, place, time and cost; Select menu, prepare banquet room and decorations; Secure rooms for board meeting, annual meeting, junior meeting and queen's contest; schedule entertainer/guest speaker

Beef Expo

Chairman: John Jarrell
Committee: Mike Jones and Mike McCravy
Responsibilities: Work with Georgia Cattlemen's Association in coordinating date and time; Establish sale management, auctioneer, ringmen and sale help; Screen perspective cattle; Collect paperwork from consignors for sale catalog and communicate sale information to consignors; and Work to promote event.

2010 GAA Proposed Budget	
Income	
Bank Interest	\$100.00
Banquet	\$2,200.00
Beef Expo	\$2,000.00
Directory	\$29,000.00
Fall Sale	\$1,500.00
Membership Dues	\$12,000.00
Newsletter Ads	\$1,500.00
Southern National Angus Show	\$8,000.00
Total Income	\$63,000.00
Expenses	
Awards	\$500.00
Banquet Expenses	\$4,000.00
Beef Breed's Council	\$300.00
Check Printing	\$50.00
Computer Rental	\$720.00
GA State 4-H/FFA Catalog Ad	\$275.00
Georgia Cattleman's Magazine	\$2,725.00
Georgia Jr Beef Futurity	\$250.00
Membership Directory	\$9,000.00
Office Supplies	\$850.00
Payroll Expenses	\$7,200.00
Postage and Delivery	\$4,000.00
Printing and Reproduction	\$4,500.00
Professional Fees	\$250.00
Queen & Princess	\$100.00
Social Security Taxes	\$1,100.00
Southern National	\$12,500.00
Sponsorships	\$750.00
State 4-H/FFA Show	\$2,500.00
State Corporation Fees	\$30.00
Telephone	\$360.00
Travel	\$600.00
Website	\$900.00
Total Expenses	\$53,460.00
Net Income	\$2,840.00

Fall Sale

Chairmen: Mike Jones and Melvin Porter
Committee: Mike and Christy McCravy, David and Carolyn Gazda, Fred Gretsch
Responsibilities: Select location, date and time for event; Establish sale management, auctioneer, ringmen and sale help; Screen perspective cattle; Collect paperwork from consignors for sale catalog and communicate sale information to consignors; and Work to promote event.

Hall of Fame

Committee: Mike Jones and Harvey Lemmon
Responsibilities: Select recipients for award; Contact recipient or families; Collect information about recipient.

Junior Activities

Committee: David and Carolyn Gazda, Chris and Julie Throne, David & Connie Williams, Doug Williams, Trey Davis
Responsibilities: Work with the GJAA to conduct meetings, officers trainings, participation at shows, fundraisers, contests and other activities; Maintain junior membership; Prepare information for newsletter.

Membership and Angus Promotions

Committee: Larry Bramblett, Andrew McPeake and Roland Starnes
Responsibilities: Develop ways to increase membership; Assist with manning Angus display at Georgia Cattlemen's Convention, Sunbelt Ag Expo and other events; Develops ways to further promote Angus cattle.

Queens

Chairperson: Whitney Chitty
Responsibilities: Establish means of contacting eligible contestants and establish timeline; Select judges for contest; Distribute study materials to contestants and comprise written test; Update handbook to keep queen and princess informed of duties, events and attire.

Resources

Chairmen: Melvin Porter and Blake Callaway
Responsibilities: Establish budget proposal; Develop and initiate ways and means of funding activities for association including sale of directory ads, Cow Chip ads, association sales, etc.

Southern National

Committee: Christy Page, Harvey Lemmon, Larry Bramblett and Smitty Lamb
Responsibilities: Establish show location, dates, judges and schedule of events; Develop and mail entry/sponsorship packets; Establish sponsors and order awards; Prepare show program; Coordinate facility rental and set-up, decorations and signage; Conduct check-in and carry out show; Conduct silent auction.

State 4-H and FFA

Chairmen: Chris Throne and Doug Williams
Responsibilities: Establish date, location and time; Update rules for Exhibitor Handbook; Order awards, select judge, conduct check-in, establish classes and carry out show.

Executive/Nominating Committee

Larry Bramblett, Harvey Lemmon, Christy Page, Smitty Lamb, Melvin Porter and John Jarrell

GJAA members win at livestock shows



McCurry Elba 9007 won winter heifer calf champion at the 2010 National Western Stock Show Super Point Roll of Victory (ROV) & National Angus Show, January 13-16 in Denver, Colo. Lakyn Davis, Doerun, Ga., owns the winning heifer. The heifer was also named reserve early junior champion heifer in the junior show.



Reserve champion bull at the Southeast Empire Livestock Show went to Brandon Arnold of Athens, Ga. Crooked Creek Traveler 015 is a November 2008 son of S A V 8180 Traveler 004. The show was held September 21, 2009 in Lawrenceville, Ga.



Crooked Creek Traveler 015 won reserve senior bull calf champion at the 2009 Tennessee State Fair Roll of Victory (ROV) Angus Show, September 13 in Nashville, Tenn. Brandon Arnold, Athens, Ga., owns the winning bull.



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2010 Beef Industry Convention and Expo

The 49th Annual GCA Convention, Trade Show and Beef Expo is set for April 1-3, 2010 in Perry, Ga. This is one event you don't want to miss! This is shaping up to be an exciting event! There will be lots of educational events, more cattle sold than ever and not to mention a new and improved trade show. **YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THIS!**

THE place to see more cattle from the top breeders in the South. You truly win!

Advance Meal & Event Reservation due by March 24, 2010. Register online at www.gabeef.org.

The GAA will once again be sponsoring the Georgia Beef Expo Southeastern Angus Showcase Sale to be held at noon on Friday, April 2. This sale is a great opportunity for all Angus breeders to get involved. Whether you are a breeder from a smaller Angus operation or raise hundreds of cattle a year, this sale is for you. The sale committee is expecting another great set of quality cattle with excellent pedigrees and EPDs, and is anticipating a large crowd to be in attendance. Mark your calendars now for this exciting Angus event and Angus offerings! Catalogs will be available in mid-March or contact sale chairmen John Jarrell, the GAA office, or Jeremy Haag with the American Angus Hall of Fame at 816-516-1309 more information.

5 Great Improvements to the 2010 Convention:

- #1 No Registration Fees – That's right it will not cost you to attend the educational seminars, trade show or to network with your fellow cattlemen!
- #2 New Multi-Purpose Building Layout – All of the trade show, with the exception of a few outside vendors, will be located in the Multi-Purpose Building. The sale ring is now in the middle of the building.
- #3 More Producer Focused Educational Seminars – Hear more about what is working for other producers across the state. Learn ways to reduce cost and maximize income.
- #4 Lower Meal Costs – We have worked really hard to use buildings that cost less and search for caterers who will do a better job at a lower cost to you. We know the economy is tight and we are working hard to make it less expensive for your family to attend!
- #5 More Sales & Cattle – We have more cattle scheduled to sale than any other Expo in history. This is

2010 GCA CONVENTION & BEEF EXPO TENTATIVE SCHEDULE



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31, 2010	THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 2010	FRIDAY, APRIL 2, 2010	SATURDAY, APRIL 3, 2010
9:00 a.m. Luncheon & History Presentation Luncheon	Registration Opens Livestock Marketing Seminar: Dr. Cliff Lacy Live Cattle Value Tele Auction Prize & Cattleman's College Luncheon All cattle in place Trade Show Opens Educational Roundtable Discussion Georgia Fair Bureau Beef Consistency Mtg Commercial Heifer Pen Show Judging Educational Seminars ABAC Reception Membership Awards Dinner	7:00 a.m. Breakfast 9:00 - 4:30 p.m. Trade Show Open 9:00 - 11:30 a.m. GCAWS Education Seminar 9:00 - 11:30 a.m. Pflizer's Cattleman's College & Club Lunch 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. Reproductive Specialties 9:30 a.m. Georgia Livestock Association Annual Meeting 10:00 a.m. GCA General Membership Meeting 10:30 a.m. Milk & Cheese Break 11:00 a.m. NRCS Educational Seminar 11:00 a.m. Georgia Cattlemen's Foundation meeting 11:00 a.m. Trade Show Luncheon 11:20 - 1:00 p.m. Angus Sale in Multi-Purpose 1:00 p.m. Timonius Sale in Beef Barn 2:00 p.m. GCAWS Annual Meeting 2:00 p.m. GCAWS Meeting and Desert Social 2:00 p.m. Commercial Heifer Sale in Beef Barn 3:00 p.m. Pflizer's Cattleman's College 3:00 p.m. Discussion of Commercial Beef Sale in Beef Barn 4:30 p.m. Club Calf Sale Preview in Multi-Purpose 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. Local Leaders Issues Update & Legislative Updates 6:30 p.m. Georgia Hereford Association Annual Meeting 6:00 p.m. Southern Brangus Association Annual Meeting 7:00 p.m. Cattlemen's Ball 7:00 p.m. Live Marine Beef Cattle Auction 7:00 p.m. Georgia Hereford Association Banquet 7:00 p.m. Georgia Florida Chgoctis Association Social 7:00 p.m. Janet Cattlemen's Dinner	7:30 a.m. Awards and Scholarship Breakfast w/ Beef Check- To-Do sponsored by Parma Mills 8:30 a.m. Beef Ambassador Contest Registration 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 a.m. Beef Ambassador Contest 9:00 a.m. GCA Cuck-Cat Contest 9 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Trade Show Open 9:30 a.m. Charolais Sale in the Multi-Purpose 9:30 - 11 a.m. PHVD Testing Workshop 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. New Products Luncheon 12:00 noon Beef Ambassador Winners & Dinner Event, winners Announced during luncheon 12:30 noon Hereford Sale in Multi-Purpose 1:00 p.m. Brangus Sale in Beef Barn 2:00 p.m. Club Calf Sale in Multi-Purpose



Sale catalogs for Southeastern Angus Show Case Sale will be mailed in mid-March!

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Return Service Requested

Calendar of Events

March 2010

- 3 Tifton PT Bull Sale - Irwinville, GA
- 6 Black Crest Farm - Sumter, SC
- 15 Graham Angus Farm - Albany, GA
- 27 Kensington Cattle Co. - Molena, GA

April 2010

- 1-3 Turnpike Creek Farms Pasture Bid Off Sale - Milan, GA
- 2 Southeast Angus Showcase Sale - Perry, GA
- 10 Davis Farms - Doerun, GA
- 16 Britt Angus - Hartwell, GA
- 17 Georgia Genetics - Social Circle, GA
- 18 John Morgan Angus - Mystic, GA

May 2010

- 1 Ogeechee Angus Farm - Wadley, GA
- 8 Bridges Angus Farm - Lexington, GA
- 8 Callaway Farms Rayle - GA

June 2010

- 4-5 Southern Nat'l Angus Shows - Perry, GA

Dates obtained from the Angus Journal Angus Almanac

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