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Calving season and sale season is here and in full swing. There are not many other times as a producer that are as exciting as this one. A time to see all of your planning and hard work in action. Be sure to check out the sales our members are hosting this Fall. The genetics being offered cover a wide variety of interests and are backed by industry leading data from the American Angus Association. I hope you all joined us for our Field Day hosted by Biltmore on September 30th. We are grateful for a wonderful working relationship with our members and Industry Partners to bring this type of opportunity to producers across the state. Another great opportunity is our Annual Meeting scheduled for February 10, 2024 in Yadkinville, NC. The planning committee is working hard to bring an exceptional event to life with educational sessions and new features. It is sure to be a great day of fellowship, networking, and education. We strive to bring value to your North Carolina Angus Association membership by offering these type of opportunities. If we can ever be of help to you or your operation, please reach out to us!

Cortney Holshouser

North Carolina Angus Association Executive Secretary

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During high school and college, I was very active in the FFA - my SAE (Supervised Agriculture Experience) was Angus heifers purchased with a rural youth loan through the USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA). It's been a few years since that first heifer was purchased in 1999, but my goals have remained the same. Sound, functional, low maintenance, visually appealing cattle. You and I, NC Angus members, have access to the most recognizable breed in the United States, backed by one of the most recognizable marketing programs in the world with Certified Angus Beef. Right now, it's a good time to be a cattle producer. It's the right time to cull and cull hard animals who aren't car-



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Callie Carson



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NC Angus Association & Biltmore Fall Field Day & Biltmore Sale. September 30

Asheville, NC

Sept 29 - Oct 8 Carolina Classic Fair, Winston Salem, NC October 7 Point Pleasant Angus Sale, Bland, VA

October 12 - 22 NC State Fair, Raleigh, NC

Chessie Creek Farm Bull Sale, Walterboro, SC October 14 Uwharrie Ridge Farms Online Embryo Sale, Angus Live October 19 October 27 - 28 Yon Family Farms Maternal Roots Fall Female & Bull Sale,

Ridge Spring, SC

November 3 - 6 National Angus Convention & Trade Show. Orlando. FL November 4 Craven Angus Farm Bull & Female Sale, Seagrove, NC Locust Level Farm Bull & Female Sale, Vernon Hill, VA November 4 November 9 American Angus Auxiliary Full Circle Online Auction, Angus Live

Lane Angus Bull & Female Sale, Rocky Mount, NC November 10

November 11 22nd Annual E.B. & Shane Harris Influence Commercial Female & Bull Sale, Oxford, NC

McMahan Farms & Hancock Annual Angus Bull Sale, Mocksville, NC November 18

November 18 Shelton Angus/Dogwood Farms Bull Sale, Gretna, VA

November 18 Southeast Bull Expo. Asheboro. NC

Knoll Crest Farm Total Performance Bull Sale, Red House, VA December 1

December 2 NCBCIP Waynesville Bull Test Sale, Canton, NC The Pounds & Profit Bull Sale, Asheboro, NC December 2

Union County Performance Tested Bull Sale, Monroe, NC December 2 December 9 Brushy Mountain Genetics Bull & Female Sale, Taylorsville, NC

December 9 Springfield Angus Bull Sale, Louisburg, NC December 15 NCBCIP Butner Bull Test Sale, Oxford, NC

Spring 2024 Schedule of Events

January 6 Jan 31 - Feb 2 February 10 February 17 Feb 23 - 24 February 24 March 1 April 6

EBS Farms Select Sale, Norwood, NC NCBA Cattle Industry Convention & Trade Show, Orlando, FL NC Angus Association Annual Meeting, Yadkinville, NC Yon Family Farms Spring Bull & Female Sale, Ridge Spring, NC NC Cattlemen's Association Annual Conference, Hickory, NC Blue Ridge Brutes Bull & Commercial Female Sale Advertising deadline for the Spring NC Angus News Green Hills Cattle & Hope Cattle Spring Turn Out

Bull & Female Sale, Oxford, NC

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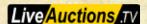
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Roy Outlaw

Receives North Carolina Angus Hall Of Fame Award

By: Cortney Holshouser, NCAA Executive Secretary





Roy competing in an FFA contest.

Outlaw Angus has beautiful views.

Roy Outlaw was a dedicated and valued member of the North Carolina Angus Association for many years. He served on numerous committees and held many leadership roles through the years, including President. He was instrumental in forming the Down East Sale, which was vital to the Association for many years. It seems only natural that Roy was awarded the North

Carolina Angus Hall of Fame Award. To receive this award is the ultimate testament to one's dedication and commitment to the Angus breed in North Carolina: This past February during the Association's Annual Meeting, that honor was given to Roy posthumously.



Roy would be proud of his daughters, Courtney and Chelsea and their families, for carrying on with the Outlaw Angus legacy.

Roy was involved in agriculture from a very early age. He loved all things farming. Roy was involved in FFA and exhibited at the Wayne County Livestock Development Association Show. He won many awards for his participation in FFA and the livestock association show. As an adult, Roy continued to volunteer at this show and give back to the youth of Wayne County. He even served as their Livestock

Association President and Vice-President. This dedication earned him the Dedicated Service Award.



Roy loved to ride and check on his "girls".

After graduating from Southern Wayne High School in 1980, Roy earned a degree in Livestock Management and Technology and Field Crops Technology from the Agricultural Institute at NC State University in 1984. Roy then went on to work for the state of North Carolina through the NC Department of Agriculture for 30 years. He was also a lifelong Church member.

Roy and his father, Joe, established Outlaw Angus and were active in their community and often received recognition for their dedicated service to the agriculture community.



Roy was a lifetime church member.



Roy Outlaw

Receives North Carolina Angus Hall Of Fame Award Continued





Roy's long time Angus friend John Smith (I) was able to present Roy's family with his North Carolina Angus Association Hall of Fame Award during the Annual Meeting and Banquet in February of this year.

Receiving the award for Roy is (from left to right) his wife Donna Outlaw, daughter Chelsea Infante, granddaughter Gracelyn, and daughter Courtney Outlaw.



Angus cows on green grass made Roy happy.

Perhaps Roy's greatest accomplishment, however, was his family. Roy's wife, Donna, was usually by his side at any Angus event, and his daughters Chelsea and Courtney were his pride and joy. He was also over the moon to become a Pappy to Gracelyn. Outlaw Angus is still truly a family affair as his daughters and their families are now operating the farm.

Roy's wife Donna had this to say about Roy receiving this honor: "Joseph Leroy Outlaw, Jr. was a country boy. He grew up farming with his Daddy, Joe. They also had a herd of Angus cows. Roy's full-time job was with the North Carolina Department of Agriculture as a Animal Health Technician. Many days after work, Roy would go to the cow pasture. He loved watching his cows. Roy was a member of the NC Angus Association for many years. During this time, he served on many committees. He also served as Vice President and then

President of the Association. Roy loved to talk about cows and go to cow sales. Roy gained many lifelong friendships through the NC Angus Association."



Roy showing hogs at the Wayne County Fair as a youth.

Suzanne Brewer, NC Angus Association Executive Secretary 2007-2014, says of Roy: "Roy joined the North Carolina Angus Association in 1995. He served several terms on the Board of Directors. He & John Smith were leaders on starting the Down East Sale in Clinton, North

Carolina. An avenue for both registered and non-registered cattle & a few bulls to be marketed to cattle producers in Eastern North Carolina. Roy worked for the North Carolina Department of Agriculture which gave him access to a vast knowledge of all things cattle marketing!

In 2007 when I became secretary of the Association and was looking for help clerking sales, Roy began seeing Donna Allen and he recruited her to assist with clerking sales and other aspects in our Association! They were a great team! Roy, Donna, Courtney & Chelsea were a family who loved their cows and the farming life. I think he smiles down daily on his daughters and granddaughter & their love for farming.

Congratulations to Roy Outlaw on his induction to the North Carolina Angus Association Hall of Fame! It is an honor!"



Roy's biggest pride and joy was his family.

39th Annual NORTH CAROLINA ANGUS ASSOCIATION SPRING FEVER SALE

Cortney Holshouser, Executive Secretary NCAA

The 39th Annual North Carolina Angus Spring Fever Sale was held April 22nd at the Shuffler Farm Sale facility in Union Grove, NC. It was a rainy morning for potential buyers to view the cattle, but that did not affect the enthusiasm and number of attendees that came to evaluate the 70 live and frozen lots sold. The sale was a huge success, grossing \$267,750 with an average of just over \$3,915 on the 64 live lots. The sale was managed by Zach Moffitt Cattle Marketing & Consulting of Concord, NC. The consignors, along with Zach, worked hard showcasing the females before and during the sale. The offering included cow/calf pairs, bred heifers, open heifers, NC Elite heifers and show heifer prospects, elite pregnancies, and embryos. Consignors for this year included 4K Farms, Biltmore Company, Black Cedar Angus, Butcher

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The sun was shining on Friday as folks came early to inspect the cattle

The barn was packed with bidders and buyers on sale day

Cattle Company, Chase Angus, Chessie Creek Farm, Dalton Angus, Dancing Pedlar Farm, Elite Cattle Company, Hawks Nest Farm, Hi-Lo Farms LLC, Hidden Hills Angus Farm, Legacy at Pine Hill Farm, Locust Level Farms, Rivers Bend Ranch, Ruckus Hill Farms – Smith, S & H Poultry, S & J Farms, Scarlett Farms, Shelton Angus Farm, Shuffler Farm, Straightstone Angus, Triple LLL Angus, Walkers Branch Angus, Windy Hill Farms LLC, and Wood Angus. Several visitors came out on Friday afternoon to view the cattle and lots more arrived

early on Saturday morning. Between the crowd and the internet viewers, the sale reached bidders and buyers all over the country. A heifer was even sold to a buyer in Canada this year. The sale arena was full as Colonel Will Thompson kicked off the auction at noon. Thank you to the North Carolina Junior Angus Association for preparing a wonderful lunch of brisket sandwiches, chips, and banana pudding. The North Carolina Angus Auxiliary once again decorated the sale ring with flowers. We appreciate the working partnership we have with these two groups.



Lot 3 was ready for a close up

The high selling lot in the 2023 Spring Fever Sale was lot 43, a heifer pregnancy due in the Fall by Poss Winchester and Biltmore Lucy 148J, consigned by Biltmore Company of Asheville, NC. 148J is a young donor in the Biltmore

program sired by GAR Home Town and out of a Stallion daughter that stems from the \$1 million producer Lucy 3056. 148J is in the top 10% of the breed or better for CED, BW, CEM, PAP, HS, Marb, Fat, Dairy Indexes, \$M, \$G, \$B, and \$C. This pregnancy was selected by Dr. Barry Pollard of Waukomis, Oklahoma for \$13,000.

The North Carolina Angus Elite Heifers were a sale feature once again. To qualify for the Elite Heifer status, the females must meet a stringent set of performance and breeding guidelines. The consignors continue to make the extra effort to have their top-quality heifers meet the standards and this year, seventeen of the bred heifer consignments were designated Elite. The Elite Heifers sold for an average of \$3,853. Lot 38, Scarletts Countess 1PS18 was the high selling Elite Heifer at \$5,000. She was a KR Pacesetter daughter bred to the popular Connealy Craftsman consigned by Scarlett Farms. Mickey Love of Pilot Mountain, NC purchased Lot 38. Other NC Angus Elite Heifer consignors included: Chapman Cattle Company, S&J Farms, Butcher Branch Land & Cattle LLC, Hi-Lo Farms, Locust Level Farms, Triple LLL Angus, Rivers Bend Ranch, Shelton Angus Farm, Shuffler Farm



Zach Moffitt and Will Thompson ready to get things started

39th Annual NORTH CAROLINA ANGUS ASSOCIATION SPRING FEVER SALE

Continued



Nothing better than black cows on green grass... these girls are ready to go to work for their new owners

and Windy Hill Farms. In total twenty-seven bred heifers sold for \$93,500 to average \$3,463.

Once again there was a strong set of Fall bred cows with big stout calves. The top Fall pair was Lot 11 and 11A consigned by Locust Level Farms of Vernon Hill, VA. Lot 11, LLF 405 Patriot 867, was a daughter of Deer Valley Patriot 3222 with GAR Prophet on her maternal side. The cow was bred to HPCA Veracious for a Fall calf. She sold to Chris Dula of Dula Farms for \$6,000. Her September heifer calf, LLF 867 Identified 270 sired by SS Identified 7551, sold to Bowman Family Farms for \$5,000 for half interest. Another Fall pair standout was lot 6, Fulcher Lady Ida 0138, consigned by Hi-Lo Farms. The cow sold to Seth Wilson for \$4,500. Chapman Cattle Company selected the fancy heifer calf at side for \$4,500. She is a daughter of Ankonian Paragon 0C4. The thirteen Fall cow/calf pairs sold for an average of \$6,619. The nine Spring cow/calf pairs averaged \$2,978.

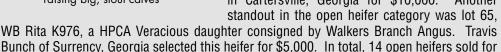
The frozen lots also made a positive impact in the sale. Lot 43, the Biltmore Company heifer pregnancy by Poss Winchester and Biltmore Lucy 148J generated lots of attention. Another exciting pregnancy was lot 44B, a heifer pregnancy by Basin Jameson 1076 and WHS Home Town Burgess J6 consigned by Shelton Angus Farm in Gretna, Virginia. This pregnancy sold



The Fall pairs doing their job raising big, stout calves

for \$4,250 to Rowdey Collier of Knoxville, Tennessee. Chessie Creek Farm of Walterboro, SC consigned one of the high selling embryo lots, offering three IVF embryos by Basin Jameson 1076 and Linz Lady Acclaim 4107-8809. These embryos sold to Carson Family Farms in Laurel Springs, NC for \$1,200. 12 embryos averaged \$412.

The top selling open heifer was Hidden Hills -Cox Lucy 611K, consigned by Hidden Hills Farm and Cox Ranch. She is an October 2022 heifer sired by GAR Home Town. She sold to Katie Colin Farm in Cartersville, Georgia for \$10,000. Another standout in the open heifer category was lot 65,





The clerking crew was a big help on sale day

an average of \$2,978.



NCAA President, Callie Carson, greets everyone and leads us in prayer

Volume buyers were Michael Jensen with 323 Ranch, Chapman Cattle Company, Jason Phillips, and Vinson York. CCi.LIVE hosted the sale online. Cattle and embryos sold into North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee, Kentucky, Oklahoma, Georgia, Ohio, and Ontario. Thank you to all the buyers who bid and purchased from the sale.

Again, this year we had a great sale day crew. Thanks to AAA Regional Manager Reese Tuckwiller, Joe Hampton, and Neil Bowman for serving as ring men. A special thank you to Suzanne Brewer, Alicia Brenseke, and Teresa Swisher for helping to clerk the sale. Also thank you to the Spring Fever Sale Committee, especially Brent Scarlett and Daniel Wall, to Colonel Will Thompson, and Zach Moffitt for making the sale a success. We look forward to seeing everyone again next spring for the 40th Annual Spring Fever Sale.

40TH ANNUAL SPRING FEVER SALE

April 27, 2024

North Carolina Angus Association
Premier Angus Female Event

By: Zach Moffitt, Zach Moffitt Cattle Marketing & Consulting; Spring Fever Sale Manager

North Carolina Angus Association members, Fall is approaching fast and many of you will start calving soon if you have not already. Calving season creates so much excitement and I wish you all the best. The reward of hard work and a look into the future of the breeding program always bring great enthusiasm. We are also seeing high prices on feeder calves in the marketplace and some of us are finally getting rain. It is great to have some positive things happening.

Now is also time to begin thinking ahead for the 40th Annual Spring Fever Sale on April 27, 2024. Start evaluating those females that best represent your breeding programs now. We have had strong sales for the last three years

sending cattle all over the country. I do believe North Carolina has positive momentum which will bring more attention to the cattle and producers in our region.

Right now, things to be considering: reach out to the NCAA office for sale guidelines so you can be prepared to meet the requirements to participate, get your registrations and DNA completed and submitted to the American Angus Association early, watch for information about a potential consignor question and answer session via Zoom, be ready for my cattle tour in December or January, and finally let Cortney know how many lots and what category they fit in as soon as possible.

I look forward to working with everyone and hope this is your best calf crop to date. Always feel free to stay in touch with me on the Spring Fever Sale and any other events.

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2023 RAISING THE BAR CONFERENCE



Representatives of the North Carolina Junior Angus Association, were among several Angus youth at the 2023 National Junior Angus Association's Raising the Bar conference, March 30 - April 2 in Greenville, SC. Pictured from left are Marcie Harward, Richfield, National Junior Angus Board Foundation director; Madalyn Carpenter, Wadesboro; and Ava Wood and Mary Wood, both of Willow Spring. Eighty-six juniors from 24 state junior Angus associations participated in the conference, where they grow as leaders and explore future college and career opportunities, while networking with peers. Photo by Peyton Schmitt, American Angus Association.



Angus youth gathered at the 2023 National Junior Angus Association's Raising the Bar conference, March 30 - April 2 in Greenville, SC. A total of 86 juniors from 24 states attended the conference, "Tearin' it up with the Tigers," where they grow as leaders and explore future college and career opportunities, while networking with peers. The group is pictured at Clemson University, Clemson, SC. Photo by Peyton Schmitt, American Angus Association.

2023 ATLANTIC NATIONAL REGIONAL PREVIEW SHOW

Angus exhibitors led 122 entries at the 2023 Atlantic National Regional Preview Junior Angus Show, May 27 in Timonium, MD. Chris Wojciechowski, Middlebrook, Va., evaluated the entries before naming champions.

North Carolina Juniors excelled in showmanship and were the recipients of Merit Awards.



These junior Angus members won top honors in senior showmanship at the 2023 Atlantic National Regional Preview Junior Angus Show, May 27 in Timonium, Md. Pictured from left are Mary Wood, Willow Spring, N.C., champion; Kathryn Coleman, Modesto, Calif., reserve champion; and Jack Dameron, Towanda, Ill., third place champion. Photo by Next Level Images.



These Angus juniors were awarded Atlantic National Merit Scholarships at the 2023 Atlantic National Regional Preview Junior Angus Show, May 27 in Timonium, Md. Pictured from left are Betsie Micheal, presenting; J. Gordon Clark and Suter Clark, both of Gretna, Va.; Allison Davis, Shelbyville, Tenn.; Reese Anderson, Chrisman, Ill.; Ella Jordan, Savannah, Mo.; Mary Wood and Riley Wood, both of Willow Spring, N.C.; and Deanna Hofing, presenting. Photo by Next Level Images.

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2023 ATLANTIC NATIONAL REGIONAL PREVIEW SHOW (CONTINUED)



Marcie Harward works the ring during the Open Show



Elaine Wood, of Wood Angus in Willow Spring, was honored with the Calderazzo Award for outstanding service to the Atlantic National Angus Foundation. Elaine puts in countless hours coordinating the silent and live auctions during the show to raise funds for the Atlantic National Merit Awards.

2023 EASTERN REGIONAL JUNIOR ANGUS SHOW

Angus exhibitors led 187 entries at the 2023 Eastern Regional Junior Angus Show, June 23-24 in Lebanon, TN. Mark McClintock, San Angelo, TX, evaluated the bulls, females, cow-calf pairs and steers and Jeremy Leister, Stillwater, OK, evaluated the phenotype and genotype females. North Carolina Juniors in attendance included Maddie Grace Carpenter, Caroline and Jonathan Scarlett, and Mary and Ava Wood. These Juniors did an amazing job in the showmanship competition and we are extremely proud of them.

In the Senior division, Mary Wood placed 4th, in the Intermediate A division, Maddie Carpenter placed 4th, and in the Intermediate B division, Ava Wood placed 5th, while Caroline Scarlett earned Reserve Champion honors!



These juniors won senior showmanship at the 2023 Eastern Regional Junior Angus Show, June 23-24 in Lebanon, TN. Pictured from left are Mackenzie Neal, Lewisburg, OH, champion; Andrew Meier, Clinton, TN, reserve champion; Alli Perry, Fayetteville, TN, third place; Mary Wood, Willow Spring, NC, fourth place; and Alexandra Duckworth, Afton, TN, fifth place. Photo by Next Level Images.



These juniors won intermediate A showmanship at the 2023 Eastern Regional Junior Angus Show, June 23-24 in Lebanon, TN. Pictured from left are Kadyn Harris, Staunton, VA, champion; Ellie Taylor, Nashville, GA, reserve champion; Remi Gardner, Paris, TN, third place; Maddie Carpenter, Wadesboro, NC, fourth place; and Ansley Segars, Cornelia, GA, fifth place. Photo by Next Level Images.



These juniors won intermediate B showmanship at the 2023 Eastern Regional Junior Angus Show, June 23-24 in Lebanon, TN. Pictured from left are Bryanna Smith, Russell Springs, KY, champion; Caroline Scarlett, Asheboro, NC, reserve champion; Madison Stratton, Appomattox, VA, third place; Ashton Dillow, Villa Ridge, IL, fourth place; and Ava Wood, Willow Spring, NC fifth place. Photo by Next Level Images.

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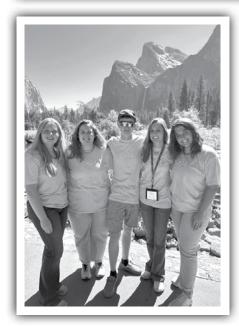
2023 LEAD CONFERENCE

By: Maddie Grace Carpenter

Seven members from the North Carolina Junior Angus Association attended the LEAD (Leaders Engaged in Angus Development) Conference in Modesto, California August 3rd through August 6th. On Friday, August 4th we toured E & J Gallo Winery where we watched wine bottles being blown and toured their underground wine cellar. Afterwards, we went to Fiscalini Farmstand where we learned about their robotic milking operation and process of fermentation and manure digester. From there, we left to visit Ratto Bros packing and storage plant of different vegetables. After that, we went to tour Duarte Nursery where we toured their greenhouses and Laboratory. Then we ended the evening at Vintage Angus Ranch where we participated in many different learning labs including an IVF and Al learning lab, Trans Ova learning lab, Marketing learning lab, and a Hot Branding learning lab, along with being able to view Vintage Angus Cattle. On Saturday, August 5th we visited Yosemite National Park, where we had a park tour. Afterwards, we visited Minturn Nut Co. where we toured the almond processing plant. We ended the night at the Schnoor Sisters Park where we listened to their stories about growing up in the Angus industry and showing Angus cattle. On Sunday August 6th, we listened to a devotional and watched an educational skit put on by the Junior board members. Overall, it was a great weekend, and we all had a lot of fun.



These NC Junior Angus members had a great time at LEAD Conference. Attendees included (from left to right) retiring Junior Board Foundation Director Marcie Harward, Maddie Grace Carpenter, Ava Wood, Shane Kendall, Emma Vanhoy, Hannah Vanhoy, and newly elected Junior Board director Mary Wood.

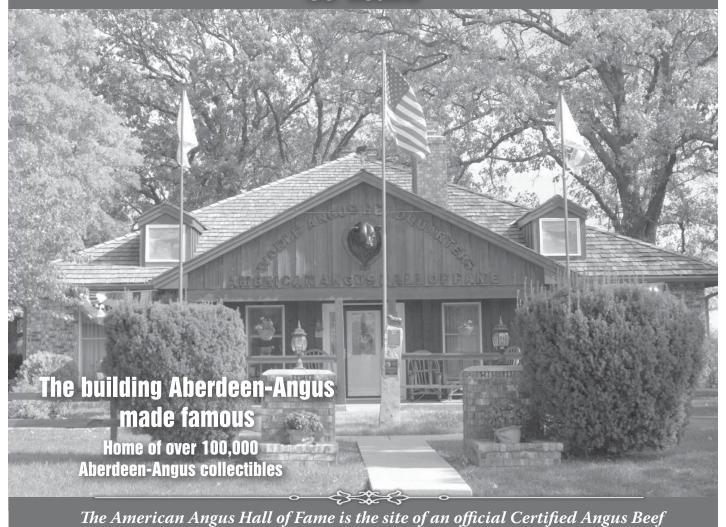


The North Carolina kids at Yosemite National Park.



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EXCEL AT NJASBy Cortney Holshouser, North Carolina Angus Association Executive Secretary



The kids from North Carolina had a great week working together in the stalls and in contests.

The National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) is a unique experience for Junior Angus members from across the country. A time to exhibit their cattle, compete in contests, and work as a team to learn valuable life skills. The 2023 National Junior Angus Show was held July 1-8 in Grand Island Nebraska and the North Carolina Junior Angus members who made the long trip West represented us well. Lynae and Nate Bowman, Maddie Grace and EB Carpenter, Rylea Suddreth, Emma and Hannah Vanhoy, and Mary and Ava Wood attended the week-long event and brought 10 head of cattle.

Angus exhibitors from across the country led 1,096 entries at the 2023 NJAS. Jirl Buck, Madill,

OK, judged the owned heifers; Ethan Moore, Madill, OK, assisted with the owned heifers; Jarold Callahan, Edmond, OK, judged the bred-and-owned heifers, cow-calf pairs, and bulls; Ryan Callahan, Edmond, OK, assisted with the bred-and-owned heifers; Brigham Stewart, Washington, KS, judged the steers; and Joe Myers, Harrodsburg, KY, judged the phenotype and genotype females.

There were many highlights of the week for team North Carolina. One of the most memorable was Marcie Harward completing her term as a director for the National Junior Angus Board as the Foundation Director. An

honor many Juniors dream about for years. Moments later, Mary Wood was announced as one of the new six Juniors elected to serve as a National Junior Angus Association Director.



Diamond T 2180 Georgina won owned heifer class 13 at the 2023 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS), July 1-8 in Grand Island, Neb. Emma Vanhoy, Richfield, N.C., owns the winning heifer. Photo by Pearl's Pics.

An ambitious group of young cattlemen and women from across the U.S. were awarded scholarships from the Angus Foundation at the 2023 National Junior Angus Show in Grand Island, Nebraska. To be awarded one of these scholarships is a true accomplishment. Since 1998, the Angus Foundation has awarded more than \$4.2 million in undergraduate and graduate scholarships to An-

gus youth. Mary Wood and Emma Vanhoy both received \$2,000 general scholarships.

Lynae Bowman received the DeEtta Wood Memorial \$1,500 Scholarship in memory of DeEtta Wood. DeEtta (Jones) Wood served as president of the North Carolina Angus Auxiliary and advisor of the North Carolina Junior Angus Association. At the Wood family's 2015 annual production sale, an Angus heifer was sold.

raising more than \$20,000 towards starting the DeEtta Wood Memorial Scholarship and Achievement/Leadership Awards Endowment Fund. A scholarship is given to an undergraduate student in

her honor each year. First priority is given to students from North Carolina, as it was DeEtta's passion to see Angus Juniors from North Carolina succeed on the National level.



The Cook Off Team did a great job.
Photo by Pearl's Pics

One of the most prestigious showmanship competitions in the country is the National Junior Angus Showmanship Contest. A once in a lifetime chance to represent your state, it is a competition years in the making for Juniors. This year, Lynae Bowman and Emma Vanhoy represented North Carolina in the contest and did a great job.

Team North Carolina placed 1st in recipe, 2nd in showmanship and 2nd overall in the Senior Roast division of the American Angus Auxiliary sponsored Certified Angus Beef Cook Off with their presentation of "Beef and Broccoli". This contest is a chance for Juniors to show

off their cooking skills while also promoting Certified Angus Beef and its specifications through a skit. Maddie Grace Carpenter, Emma Vanhoy, Hannah Vanhoy, and Ava Wood were members of this award-winning team.



Marcie Harward ends her term on the

National Junior Angus Board as

Mary Wood gets elected to serve.

Lynae Bowman, Germanton, left, and Emma Vanhoy, Richfield, right, represented North Carolina at the 2023 National Junior Angus Showmanship Contest, held in conjunction with the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS), July 6-8 in Grand Island, Neb. Forty-three youth from across the country competed for top honors in the 57th annual event. Photo by Pearl's Pics.

North Carolina Angus I JUNIORS

EXCEL AT NJAS

By Cortney Holshouser, North Carolina Angus Association Executive Secretary

Continued



These junior members received the Angus Foundation Undergraduate \$2,000 Scholarship at the 2023 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) Scholarship Presentation, July 5-7 in Grand Island, Neb. North Carolina members Mary Wood (front row, second from left) and Emma Vanhoy (front row, center) were part of this group.

Photo by Pearl's Pics.

E.B. Carpenter placed 1st in the Junior A division of the Extemporaneous Speaking Contest, his first time ever competing in this contest. This competition tests a Junior's ability to prepare and defend a discussion topic and showcases their quick thinking skills. Nate Bowman also competed in Intermediate division of the Extemporaneous Public Speaking Contest.

The NC Juniors also competed in the Intermediate division of the Quiz Bowl contest. Team members included Hannah Vanhoy, Nate Bowman, Ava Wood, and Maddie Carpenter. Rylea Suddreth, Emma Vanhoy, Maddie Carpenter, and Hannah Vanhoy also competed in the Skill-a-thon contest.

Maddie Grace Carpenter also represented North Carolina at the Angus Royalty Breakfast as the North Carolina Angus Princess.

Ava Wood and Hannah Vanhoy also represented North Carolina as voting delegates at the National Junior Angus Association Annual Meeting.



Lynae Bowman, Germanton, N.C., right, received the DeEtta Wood Memorial \$1,500 Scholarship at the 2023 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) Scholarship Presentation, July 5-7 in Grand Island, Neb. Pictured presenting the award is Mary Wood, left. Photo by Pearl's Pics.

One of the most rewarding presentations at the NJAS is the Gold Award, presented to National Junior Angus Association members in their last year of eligibility. It is a culmination of years of cattle competitions, contests, and leadership experiences. It is a perfect end to a Junior Angus career. Lynae Bowman received her Gold Award this year.

There is no doubt that the future of the Angus breed in North Carolina is in good hands with hard working and dedicated youth representing us.



These junior members received their Gold Award at the 2023 National Junior Angus Show (NJAS) Awards Ceremony, July 7 in Grand Island, Neb. Pictured from North Carolina is Lynae Bowman (10th from left). Photo by Pearl's Pics.



The North Carolina kids had a great cheering section all week long through contests and competitions.

Serving on the

National Junior Angus Board of Directors

Greetings! My name is Mary Wood, and I'm from Willow Spring, NC. I was raised on my family's Angus cow-calf operation, Wood Angus Farm. As a junior member of the NCJAA and NJAA with a passion for Angus cattle, I have always been involved with the breed. The multitude of opportunities I have been blessed with has inspired me to instill the same passion into other juniors.

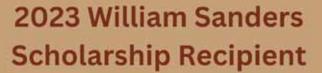
This past July, at the National Junior Angus Show, I was awarded a position on the National Junior Angus Association Board of Directors. I have always aspired to wear the green jacket and am excited for the opportunities that lie ahead. With this responsibility, I am an advocate for both the NJAA and the Angus breed. I am also looking forward to being a role model for the juniors of the NCJAA and the NJAA.

When I first began my career as a junior in the Angus breed, the board of directors were always a positive influence in my life. My biggest goal during my time on the board is to provide endless opportunities to juniors and encourage each of them to reach their fullest potential. I aspire to be the role model that many NJAA board members were for me.

Not only am I excited for this position, but thankful for those who have helped me achieve it. Without the investment of its juniors from the North Carolina Angus Association and the leaders within it, I would not have been able to develop the necessary qualities for this leadership role. I look forward to advocating for North Carolina agriculture on a national stage, and shed light on the importance of what we do.

I look forward to seeing you all at multiple Angus events in the future and representing you well in the green jacket!







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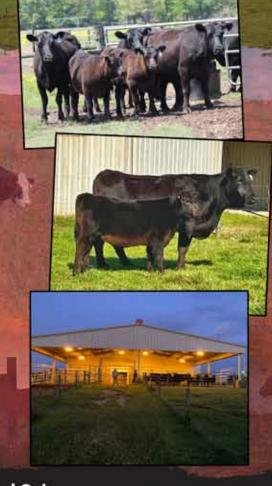
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LAUNCHES DIRECT-TO-CONSUMER PROGRAM

Ranchers can leverage CAB logo to market beef directly to consumers.

By: Lindsay Graber Runft, director of producer communications

Could your freezer beef carry the Certified Angus Beef ® (CAB) brand logo? Perhaps. With the launch of a new program, Angus farmers and ranchers have the option to market their beef directly to consumers as CAB product.

Ranch to Table, a direct partnership program between CAB and cattle operations using Angus genetics, allows ranchers to use the brand's trusted reputation for increased gain. "Many Angus ranchers take a tremendous amount of pride when they see the Certified Angus Beef logo on product, whether it's in their local grocery store or on a restaurant menu," says Kara Lee, director of producer engagement for CAB. "This is just another way for them to continue to have equity in the brand by being able to hang brand standards on those cattle that ultimately qualify.



To participate in the Ranch to Table program, a producer's cattle supply must incorporate registered Angus genetics, which may require American Angus Association ® active membership or proof of bull registrations. Producers must also be Beef Quality Assurance certified. As with any CAB product, cattle must meet the brand's live-animal evaluation with a predominantly solid-black hide. In addition, carcasses must meet CAB's 10 specifications. "One of the beautiful things about the Ranch to Table program is that the end product itself is going to be just as consistent with the end product of other traditional CAB outlets," Lee says. "So, we are not compromising on any of our brand standards."

Typically, cattle move from feedyard to a CAB-licensed packing plant and then are distributed to the end-user.

With the Ranch to Table program, licensed producers are responsible for working with a processor and USDA grader to verify that brand specifications are met. A marketing plan is required for the application process, but upon being licensed, producers will have access to a tool kit and marketing resources to use in leveraging the brand's quality.

"For some, direct-to-consumer beef merchandising is an expanded financial opportunity. Perhaps it's the opportunity for the next generation to come back and join the family business," Lee says. "A lot of members have years of carcass data that supports the quality of the cattle they are raising. Previously, we didn't have an infrastructure that allowed them to access CAB-brand merchandising, and the Ranch to Table initiative allows us to do just that."

The program is not restrictive solely based on the quantity of cattle a producer would process. Instead, CAB will evaluate the business' operating plans and marketing approach for the beef produced. "Ultimately, we're looking to put an asset in the toolbox of registered Angus breeders—something that allows them to add value to their own product or to the calves they're purchasing back from customers whose genetics tie to the breeder's own operation," says Lee.

Farmers and ranchers interested in becoming part of the Ranch to Table program should visit cabcattle.com/ ranch-to-table for more information or to begin the application process.



PROTEIN SUPPLEMENTS > FOR MATURE, DRY PASTURES

Tips for meeting protein requirements of cattle during fall and winter months.

Story & photo by Heather Smith Thomas

As published in the Sept. 7, 2023, Angus Beef Bulletin EXTRA available at www.angusbeefbulletin.com/extra.

During fall and winter, most forages are low in protein (unless fall rains have stimulated new growth). Yet, many stockmen try to extend grazing as long as possible since winter feeding is usually the most expensive part of raising cattle. Adding a little protein supplement to mature, dry pastures is generally cheaper than feeding hay. An adequate protein level in ruminant diets is crucial for optimal microbial function. Rumen microbes are key to utilization of complex carbohydrates in dry, standing forage. Cattle may lose weight on dry fall pastures, at a time when they should be building reserves in preparation for winter and next spring's calving. Without protein supplement on mature, dry pasture, the rumen cannot adequately digest low-quality forages.

The first thing that happens when a ruminant is short on protein is feed intake goes down. Cattle can't eat enough forage to maintain themselves. A protein supplement feeds the microbes that break down feed components into the basic parts — sugars and amino acids — and then the animals build everything back for what they need. With adequate nitrogen (protein), the microbes multiply more, digest feed better and feedstuffs move through the digestive tract faster. The animal can then eat more, process more and get more benefit from it.

Ken Olson, Extension beef specialist for South Dakota State University, says the key number is 7% crude protein (CP).

"In general, the requirement for a cow, even a mid-gestation dry cow whose calf is weaned, is a little higher than that. But, we are meeting the requirement for rumen microbes, so they can digest the forage. That's our first need, before we worry about the cow," he says. If we meet the requirements of the rumen microbes, they will provide for maintenance requirements of the cow.

When the protein level in forage falls below 7%, it begins to limit microbial fermentation in the rumen. There aren't enough microbes to get the job done. Digestion slows, food moves through slower and the cow can't eat as much.

"Low digestibility reduces feed intake. The big question is: What's the protein level in the forage the cattle are selecting? That question is nearly impossible to answer on pasture," Olson says. "Cattle are selective grazers. If we clip a sample of forage, it is probably poorer in protein content than what they are eating. Our estimate is closer by observing what the cows are actually eating than by hand plucking a sample of plants."

Many of the native cool-season grasses in western and northern states can be good fall and winter pasture just by themselves, without a protein supplement. They have more nutrients in their mature, dormant state than most tame grasses do. Some native forbs and shrubs (like winterfat/white sage) make good winter forage. Winterfat contains 10% CP.

"To know whether forages are protein-deficient, watch cow body condition and observe feces," Olson advises. "You don't need to send samples for analysis; just see how moist/fluid or dry the feces are. When cattle are on lush, green feed and manure is loose and liquid, this is a sign of excess protein." The material is digested quickly and travels through the digestive tract too fast, with some waste of nutrients.

Firm/dry manure that makes a pile that stacks up is a sign of protein deficiency, says Olson. There is not enough protein to digest forage efficiently and keep things moving through at a proper pace. If the protein level is where it should be, manure will be moist and loose, but not liquid. Moisture content and consistency of feces is probably the best indicator of forage quality, along with body condition. If cattle start losing weight, they are probably protein-deficient.

Grazing management plays a role and can minimize the need for supplements. "In the fall with good management, protein may be adequate for rumen microbes. As we go into winter, with forage in complete dormancy, we probably need supplement," he says.

"It's amazing how well cattle can do when you first put them into a new, ungrazed dormant pasture," Olson observes. At first, they select a diet high enough in protein that they don't need a protein supplement. However, the longer they stay in that pasture, the less protein they can find.

"The pasture is dormant (no regrowth), so every day the cattle are there, they are taking whatever is best of what's left," he explains. "As time goes on, protein content in remaining forage becomes less. Thus, grazing management (such as rotating to new pastures) can do a lot in terms of improving protein status of cattle, even on dormant pastures," he says.

Editor's note: Heather Smith Thomas is a freelance writer and cattlewoman from Salmon, Idaho.



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By Cortney Holshouser, NCAA Executive Secretary

Most of us know Dr. Joe French from his many dedicated years of service to the Upper Piedmont Research Station in Reidsville as research operations manager. You likely saw him behind the scenes at our Spring Fever Sales through the years, at Field Days,



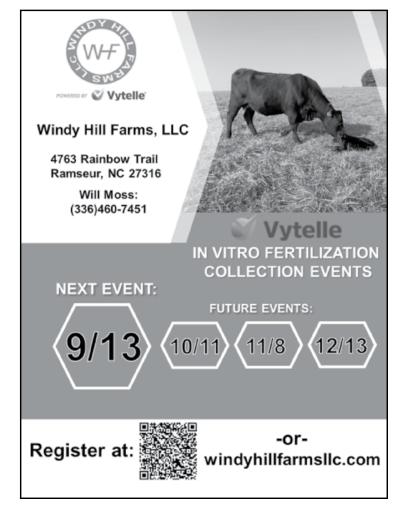
and many other events as he kept the wheels turning on important research for the Angus breed and the cattle industry as a whole. This is a position that he has held with NC State University since January 1993 where he has worked in collaboration with the NC Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services Research Stations Division staff. Joe is a graduate of N.C. State with an Animal Science degree, and he earned his Master's degree and Doctorate in Reproductive Physiology from Texas A&M University.

Joe has recently been promoted to the role of Assistant Commissioner of Agricultural Services within the NCDA & CS. In his new role as assistant commissioner over agricultural services, Joe will oversee seven divisions in the department, including Agronomic Services, Food Distribution, Marketing, Plant Industry, Research Stations. Small Farms and Soil & Water Conservation.

North Carolina Commissioner of Agriculture Steve Troxler says of Joe, "I've seen

firsthand the strong leadership Joe has provided to the Upper Piedmont Research Station. His knowledge, gained both in the class-room and the field, has served him well in more than 30 years of experience at the station. I have no doubt he'll bring those assets to serve the department and greater agricultural community in North Carolina."





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By Lindsay Graber-Runft, producer communications director, Certified Angus Beef

Sysco, the global leader in foodservice distribution, and Certified Angus Beef, a brand known for its commitment to quality beef, are pleased to announce a strategic partnership aimed at promoting animal welfare and beef sustainability. The collaboration will focus on providing Beef Quality Assurance (BQA) training and certification to 1,000 farmers and ranchers through nine training events between August 2023 and June 2024.

"We're proud to partner with Certified Angus Beef, a brand led and owned by farmers and ranchers and known for its commitment to excellence," said Henry Fovargue, Sysco's Vice President of Sustainability. "Through this initiative, we hope to support and strengthen the livelihoods of family farmers and ranchers who are dedicated to producing high-quality beef and prioritizing the welfare of animals and the environment."

BQA, a nationally recognized education and certification program, encompasses the best practices for cattle care, including animal handling, nutrition and responsible use of antibiotics. The training helps producers stay current on the best management practices, and its certification boosts consumer confidence in how beef is raised.

According to research from NCBA (on behalf of the Beef Checkoff), 70% of consumers agreed that BQA certification increased their confidence in knowing the beef they eat is safe, and 67% agreed that it increased their confidence that cattle are humanely raised. Prior to learning about the program, 44% of consumers had positive perceptions about cattle production and that increased to 70% after learning of the BQA program.

"Through this partnership, we can continue to foster a culture of cattle care and with BQA certifications, communicate ranchers' commitment to doing the right thing" says John Stika, president, Certified Angus Beef. "Today's consumers have greater interest in how their beef is raised and the practices behind it. Programs like BQA help bring our customers and beef community closer together in that understanding, building trust to ensure a sustainable future for our industry."

The Cattle Care Partnership between Sysco and Certified Angus Beef highlights the shared commitment of both companies to support farmers and ranchers and the beef community as a whole. By investing in BQA training, the partnership elevates the industry's work to address consumer concerns, reinforce trust, and ensure future demand for beef.



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Peyton Schmitt, American Angus Association
As first published in the Angus Journal



The 2024 Angus Foundation Heifer Package will be donated by Yon Family Farms of Ridge Spring, S.C.

The sale of the Angus Foundation Heifer Package will take place Friday, January 5, 2024,
prior to the start of the 85th National Angus Bull Sale during Cattlemen's Congress.

The 2024 Angus Foundation Heifer Package will be donated by Yon Family Farms of Ridge Spring, South Carolina. The heifer, Yon Sarah K1233 (AAA *20450734), is a maternal sister to both Yon Top Cut G730 (AAA +*19476453) and Yon Saluda (AAA +*20336998). Yon Sarah K1233 is safe in calf to Yon Toccoa F1054 (AAA +*19306162), with an anticipated due date of March 21, 2024.

The heifer, offered for sale in January at the 2024 Cattlemen's Congress, will support the Foundation's mission of furthering Angus education, youth and research efforts.

"It was very humbling for our family to even be asked to donate the heifer package to the Angus Foundation," said Kevin Yon. "The Sarah cow family is one of those families here at Yon Family Farms that has done extremely well."

Yon Family Farms is a first-generation seedstock operation whose focus is to provide high quality, value-added cattle to satisfied customers. They aim for their customers to believe that honesty, quality, service and value are synonymous with their name.

Kevin and Lydia Yon started the operation in 1996, and now work alongside their three children, Sally, Drake and Corbin, who each returned to the farm after attending college. The Yons host both a spring and fall production sale, selling around 425 registered Angus bulls and 200 females annually.

"We feel incredibly fortunate to have the Yon family offer this bred female from their proven donor, Yon Sarah D668," said Jaclyn Boester, Angus Foundation executive director. "The Yon family is a testament to our mission, having participated in many opportunities supported by the Angus Foundation themselves. We can't thank them enough for their dedication to the future of our breed."

The sale of the heifer package benefits the Angus Fund, which provides unrestricted funding for a variety of programs supported by the Angus Foundation. Beef Leaders Institute, Leaders Engaged in Angus Development (LEAD) conference, Angus University and several ongoing research projects are among the numerous efforts funded by the Foundation.

Again, the Angus Foundation Heifer Package will sell Friday, January 5, 2024, prior to the start of the 85th National Angus Bull Sale during Cattlemen's Congress. The sale will start at 2 p.m. at the Oklahoma State Fairgrounds, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

For more information about the 2024 Angus Foundation Heifer Package, contact Boester at JBoester@Angus.org or visit www.AngusFoundation.org.



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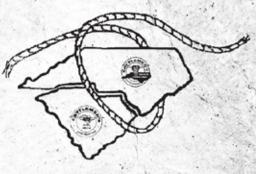
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American Angus Auxiliary

Spring and Summer Review

By Christy Perdue, American Angus Auxiliary Region 4 Director

I am honored to continue to serve as the American Angus Auxiliary Region 4 Director, as I have for the last 3 years. Along with North Carolina, I cover and support the states of South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Arkansas, Alabama, and Tennessee. Although many states do not have their own Angus Auxiliary, they are represented and have a voice in the American Angus Auxiliary.

Due to distance, a lot of the business throughout the year is forced to occur online or through Zoom, but three times a year, the Executive Board meets to make plans for the upcoming months and year, update policies and guidelines, prepare for the scholarships and awards that are presented to Angus Juniors throughout the year, and plan for fundraising efforts for the year.

In April, the ten ladies that make up the Executive Board met in Hermann, Missouri to carry out our Spring Executive Board Meeting. The quaint little town made the perfect backdrop for a fun but successful weekend. A large portion of our meeting focused on rejuvenating the long time, continuous fundraiser of the American Angus Auxiliary, the Angus Gift Barn. We hope you will check out new and exciting items, both online and at the Angus Convention. After a successful meeting, we enjoyed the wonderful restaurants, unique gift shops, and beautiful wineries throughout the town with a trolly as our transportation.

We joined the Juniors and their families in July in Grand Island, Nebraska for the National Junior Angus Show. During this busy and fun filled week, we carried out a Scholarship Workshop and our Mid-Year Meeting. We had good attendance for both, making for a successful afternoon. The American Angus

Auxiliary took over the duties of hosting the Royalty Reception this year. Angus Royalty and their adult guests were treated to a delicious breakfast and wonderful program. It was a huge hit. The American Angus Auxiliary was also represented at the Annual Tailgate. Cupcakes were on the menu this year, serving up a sweet treat to Juniors and their families from around the country.

Our next meeting will be our Annual Meeting, which occurs in conjunction with the American Angus Association Convention. The 2023 Convention will take place on the East Coast this year in Orlando, Florida. The Convention will take place November 3 – 6 and is packed full of meetings, educational sessions, a large trade show, as well as many additional tours and adventure packages. Disney is also just a few miles away and is packed full of adventures as well. The American Angus Auxiliary will host our Annual Meeting, our Auxiliary Breakfast, and will support, sponsor, and conduct the Miss American Angus Contest. We hope you can join us, either in person or through Zoom. If you have any questions or concerns you would like addressed at the meeting, please let me know...I am happy to be your voice.

In addition to my role as Regional Director, I have also served on the Committee for our Full Circle Online Auction. This auction has become our largest fundraiser each year. We have so many wonderful and unique items to offer, including jewelry, leather bags, a jewelry case, a custom rocking chair, LED sign, Apple leather watch band, custom cutting board, popular semen from breed leading sires, and tickets to Biltmore, just to name a few. Please view these wonderful items at www.angusauxiliary.com and bid often on November 9th on Angus Live.





North Carolina Angus Auxiliary Summer Outing to the Pottery Capital of the United States

Christy Perdue, North Carolina Angus Auxiliary Publicity Chair



Friday evening dinner at Positano's for those that arrived in town early

The town of Seagrove is considered "The Handmade Pottery Capital of the United States," with visitors including those from all 50 states and as far away as Australia. This beautiful countryside has the largest concentration of working potters in the United States.

Seagrove is a small town in central North Carolina and has been home to pot-

ters since the 18th century. Potters were drawn to the area by two things that all potters needed in that era: good clay and an abundant supply of trees for firewood to heat their kilns.

Seagrove is home to more than 100 individual potters. Some of the most widely known potters include Vernon Owens, Ben Owen III, and Waymon Cole. The forefathers of Ben Owen III came to North Carolina from England as early as the late 1700s to ply their craft and furnish storage jars and other utilitarian wares to early settlers.

Fifteen miles North of Seagrove is the growing town of Asheboro, "Zoo City," which is part of the Greensboro-High Point Met-

> ropolitan Area of the Piedmont Triad. The North Carolina Zoo is the world's largest natural habitat zoo. Along with the Zoo.



The North Carolina Pottery Center gave everyone a glimpse into the rich history of the Seagrove area

Asheboro has a booming downtown, full of coffee shops, antique and thrift shops, and delicious, unique restaurants. There is really something for everyone and is "exactly where you want to be." Asheboro and Seagrove have always been special places to me and my family, our

Cortney created and led our North Carolina Angus Auxiliary

members and friends on an outing in and around the Pottery Capital of the USA. This year, like last year, we offered the option of an overnight

second home for sure. My mother was raised in Seagrove and then moved to Asheboro as a teenager. We have many rich and wonderful roots that run through this area, and we always love showing it off! So, when it came to planning this year's summer outing for the North Carolina Angus Auxiliary, Cortney Holshouser (NC Angus Auxiliary President Elect) knew she needed to show off her "home away from home."

stay. Ten members and friends extended their adventures and spent Friday exploring downtown Asheboro and the many Antique Stores, set out to do some early pottery shopping, and then met at Positano Italian Restaurant, in downtown Asheboro, for a delicious dinner and wonderful fel-



Potter, Sandra O'Quinn turned several pieces of pottery for our group

The Table. Twenty-one guests gathered to start the day off right with amazing pastries, unique breakfast sandwiches, and delicious French toast, just to name a few. The coffee was just the energy we needed to take on a busy day of shopping and exploring.

We then made our way, 15 miles South, to the quaint town of Seagrove. Our quests were able to take in a variety of what the potters of Seagrove have to offer at Seagrove Pottery Consignment Store. The consignment shops



Sandra and Glen

Saturday morning began at one of Asheboro's more unique and delicious restaurants.

lowship.

North Carolina Angus Auxiliary Summer Outing to the Pottery Capital of the United States

continued



Glen was gracious enough to open the kiln for our group to see pottery that had been fired the day before

allow visitors to purchase pieces from local potters that do not have a store front, from pottery shops that are no longer in business, or to set sights on those pottery shops they would like to visit in person.

Our next stop took us behind the consignment shop, to the North Carolina Pottery Center. Here, we were able to view the history and progression of pottery in North Carolina. A Face Jug exhibit showed off a unique category of pottery found in Seagrove. The Pottery Center also provides maps and guides to the local potteries. An added bonus is the ability to purchase a variety of pottery pieces, both new and vintage. A special find was the Cole Pottery that we purchased.

We then set out to visit some of the individual, unique, and well-established pottery shops deeper into Seagrove, including Jugtown Pottery, Chrisco Pottery, and O'Quinn Pottery. O'Quinn Pottery was the site of our delicious, homemade charcuterie box lunches, in addition to homemade oatmeal cookies and a regional favorite, persimmon pudding, made by our host, Sandra. Owners, Sandra and Glen, outdid themselves as host site of our lunch as well as providing a wonderful demonstration of the traditional process of turning pottery. We were lucky enough to see the opening of a kiln as well...a special treat for sure! O'Quinn Pottery also made our adorable ear tag ornaments that were a gift to all that attended.

Our crew ended the day at another regional favorite, Sir Pizza, in Asheboro. We had a wonderful two days in Asheboro and Seagrove! If you get a chance to visit the area, I hope this helps you plan your trip. Enjoy your day on a self guided driving tour down some of North Carolina's scenic byways!



The ladies enjoying a charcuterie lunch between shopping



We had a great group join us for this trip

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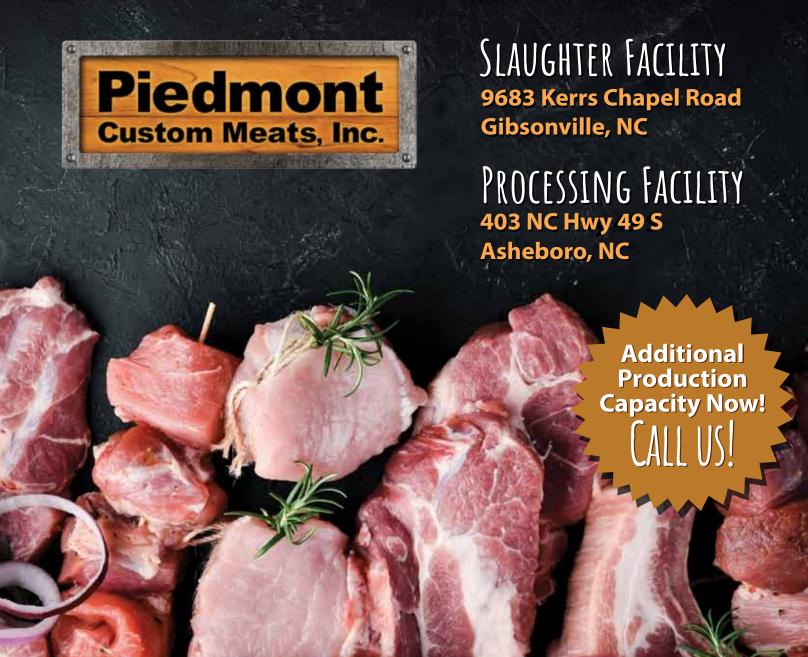
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- 8 ounces fresh baby bella (cremini) or button mushrooms, quartered
- 2 tablespoons Hungarian paprika
- 2 tablespoons Dijon mustardd
- 1 1/2 cups beef stock
- 1 cup light sour cream
- 3 tablespoons flour
- 1 pound egg noodles
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh flat leaf Italian parsley

INSTRUCTIONS

- Pat steak cubes dry and season evenly with salt and pepper. Heat large sauté pan over medium-high heat; add oil to coat pan. Sear cubes in batches in a single layer, developing a good browned crust on at least two sides, about 2 minute per side. Transfer cubes to slow cooker.
- Add butter, shallots and mushrooms to pan, stirring and scraping the browned bits from the bottom of the pan. Cook 5-8 minutes until water from mushrooms evaporates. Stir in paprika, mustard and stock and transfer to slow cooker; cover and cook on low for 5 hours.
- In a small mixing bowl, whisk together sour cream and flour. Stir into cooker; cover and simmer an additional 30 minutes. Cook noodles according to package directions and drain. Stir noodles into stoganoff and serve, garnishing with parsley.

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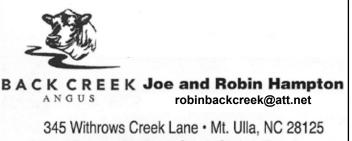
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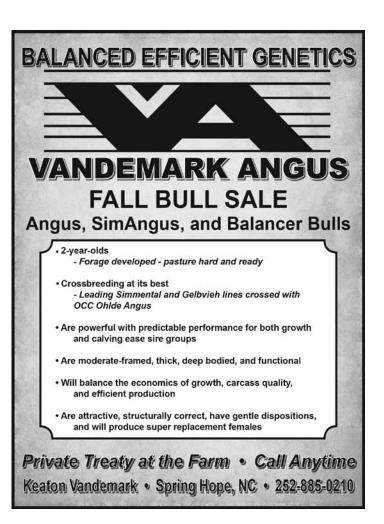
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