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**PA ANGUS BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MEETING PRIOR TO THE BULL SALE  
MARCH 31, 2017**

(Approximately 10:00 a.m.)  
AT THE LIVESTOCK EVALUATION CENTER, PA  
FURNACE, PA., IN THE CONFERENCE  
ROOM, room under the bleachers in the sale  
arena.

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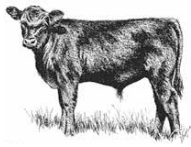
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banquet it will be EXCELLENT!



## Message from our President

Dear Angus Breeders,

I hope you all had an enjoyable holiday season with family and friends. It was good to see many of you at the annual banquet. We had an exciting evening of great food and fellowship. Congratulations to all the deserving award winners. I would like to extend many thanks to our outgoing directors for their service and to our past President Gene Trowbridge for his leadership the last 3 years. I would also like to welcome our new officers and directors.

Congratulations to all of the 2017 PA Farm Show exhibitors. It was a strong showing of quality Angus cattle in both the Junior and Open Angus shows.

The excitement continues as we move into calving season. We anticipate how our newest genetics will develop and shape our future herd. I hope that calving has been, and will be, successful for all.

Numerous opportunities to sell or purchase Angus genetics are approaching quickly. Many of our PA Angus breeders will have bulls selling in the PA Performance Tested Bull Sale on March 31<sup>st</sup>. Later that same day, our Association will sponsor the PA Finest Female Sale. Please get involved! If you are consigning cattle to this sale, or just want to come out to help at an association function, we welcome and need you. We always can use extra help with many aspects of the sale, such as buyer check in, clerking the sale, penning and lining up cattle prior to and during the sale, or helping with load out. Many hands make light work, plus we all have a good time!

The junior's annual Angus semen sale will take place the same day as the Performance Tested Bull Sale and the Finest Female sale, March 31<sup>st</sup>. Please come support them in this fundraiser and purchase quality Angus genetics for your AI breeding season.

In closing, it is an honor to serve this Association as your President. I appreciate the opportunity and look forward to working with you all this year. I encourage you to get involved and don't hesitate to reach out if you have suggestions or ideas for the good of this Association.

Sincerely,

Wendall Landis - President, PA Angus Association

## 2017 PA Bull Test Report - 84 days

102 High quality Angus bulls are on test at the PA Livestock Evaluation Test Center. The Angus bulls at the 84 day report averaged 1,139 lbs. with an average daily gain of 4.75 lbs. and a weight/day of age gain of 3.50 lbs. All bulls that make the sale will have current EPD's, up to date genetic testing, and will have passed the breeding soundness exam.

The top 10 Angus bulls currently are consigned by:

### John Yenny – Triple J Farm

Tag# 245 - sired by 1/0/1900 with a ratio of 141

### Tim Dennis & John Kriese – Finger Lakes Cattle

Tag# 216 - sired by Connealy Comrade 1385 with a ratio of 132

### Alexis Cash & Kohr Farms

Tag# 305 - sired by VAR Ranger 3008 with a ratio of 132

### Susan Godfrey – Tuckaway Angus

Tag# 110 - sired by EXAR Fortify 1447B with a ratio of 127

### Alexis Cash & Kohr Farms

Tag# 304 - sired by VAR Generation 2100 with a ratio of 126

Tag# 302 - sired by VAR Discovery 2240 with a ratio of 123

### Jesse Alspaugh – Hawthorn Valley Farm

Tag# 101 - sired by RB Tour of Duty 177 with a ratio of 122

### Grant Cash – Cash Family Angus

Tag# 303 - sired by VAR Discover 2240 with a ratio of 121

### Alexis Cash & Kohr Farms

Tag# 210 - sired by VAR Generation 2100 with a ratio of 121

### Matthew Mitchell – Mitchell Farms

Tag# 423 - sired by Connealy Final Product with a ratio of 121

### James Kohr – Kohr Farms

Tag# 226 - sired by VAR Discovery 2240 with a ratio of 120

### Alexis Cash – Cash Family Angus

Tag# 209 - sired by VAR Generation 2100 with a ratio of 118

### Jesse Alspaugh – Hawthorn Valley Farm

Tag# 403 - sired by 1/0/1900 with a ratio of 117

**The Pennsylvania Junior Angus Association will be holding a Semen Sale at the PA Finest Female Sale following the female sale on March 31, 2017. We have donations from farms such as Pembroke Cattle Company, Musgrave Angus, Beaver Creek Angus, BCII Show Cattle and Destiny Angus plus many more. Semen will not be available at the sale but we will have the contact information for you to have it shipped to your farm. Buyers will be responsible for covering shipping costs. If you have any questions about the Semen Sale, please contact Daniel Rohrbaugh at 717-819-2471. We will have more information available on our Facebook page in a few weeks. Be sure to follow PA Junior Angus Association on Facebook.**



## JUNIOR ROUNDUP

### 2017 Officer Team

#### PA Junior Angus Association

**President,** Daniel Rohrbaugh  
**Vice-President,** Elizabeth Voight  
**Secretary,** Kaitlin Bell  
**Assistant Secretary,** Cailey Dahlquist  
**Treasurer,** Grant Cash  
**Assistant Treasurer,** Madison Weaver  
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**Directors- (1 year term)** Jade Zimmerman, Sam Parr, Justin Werner, Jacob Werner  
**Directors- (2 year term)** Haley Sweitzer, Katelyn Taylor, Kiersten Baker, Grant Fitzgerald

### January 7<sup>th</sup> Farm Show Meeting Minutes

The January Farm Show of the Pennsylvania Junior Angus Association was called to order by President Matt Mitchell. The secretary's report was given by Madison Weaver. The treasurer's report was then given by Daniel Rohrbaugh. Brody Fitzgerald then gave a presentation about running for the National Junior Angus Board. Matt Mitchell then discussed the bylaw changes. He informed us about the National Angus Junior Board candidates and the requirements they have to meet. A report was then given on the fitting team at the National Junior Angus Show. Nominations for officers were then held. The individuals running for showmanship delegates for the 2017 National Junior Angus Show were then announced; Claudia Hissong, Shelby Dean, and Alana Eisenhour. The American Angus Auxiliary Certificates of Accomplishment were then discussed. The association then updated the advisors. The retiring advisors were Nancy Livingston and Theresa Meyers. The new advisors are Cheryl Fairbairn, Kyle Grim, and Sue Mayle. The new business was then discussed. The officers were elected and they took office. The election of voting delegates for the National Junior Angus Show then took place. Voting delegates are Haley Sweitzer, and Madison Weaver. The election for the National Junior Angus Association Board Candidate then took place. Brody Fitzgerald was nominated and will represent Pennsylvania. A report was then given on the National Junior Angus Show and all of the contests. Show donations were then modified. Alexis Cash proposed to keep all of the donations the same except changing the following: \$150 to Eastern Regional Junior Angus Show, \$400 to Atlantic National, and \$100 to the KILE Beef Scholarship. Claudia Hissong seconded. The display committee was set up for the National Junior Angus Show, they are Brody Fitzgerald, Madison Weaver,

Claudia Hissong. Ideas for a foundation auction item were then talked about and we decided to ask Brenda Rains to hand-paint a Christmas ornament. Important dates were then said. The committee report on fundraising was the given by Daniel Rohrbaugh. Advisors then gave their input and the meeting was adjourned. **Respectfully submitted - Kaitlin Bell**

Daniel Rohrbaugh, Seven Valleys, Pa., has earned the National Junior Angus Association's (NJAA) Bronze and Silver awards, according to Jaclyn Clark, education and events director of the American Angus Association<sup>®</sup> in Saint Joseph, Mo. The 17-year-old son of Doug and Cathy Rohrbaugh attends Susquehannock High School and is a member of the NJAA and the Pennsylvania Junior Angus Association, where he has served as reporter and treasurer.

He has participated in local, state, regional and national shows and showmanship contests. At the National Junior Angus Show (NJAS), Daniel participated in the graphic design, photography, public, prepared and extemporaneous speaking, creative writing, team sales, video, poster, quiz bowl, livestock judging, marketing and career development contests and the All-American *Certified Angus Beef*<sup>®</sup> Cook-Off. He also participated in the mentoring program in 2011 and 2015 and the Leaders Engaged in Angus Development (LEAD) conference in 2014 and 2015.

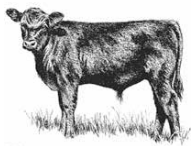
Daniel is also active in his local 4-H Club.



### 2017 Board of Directors

These Angus producers will serve on the Pennsylvania Angus Association board of directors and are pictured at the

2017 Pennsylvania Angus Association Annual Meeting and Banquet, Jan. 6 in Harrisburg, Pa. Pictured front row from left are Chad Cash, York, vice president; Wendell Landis, Pennsylvania Furnace, president; Jamie Brozman, Nazareth, Pa., secretary; and Brad Bishard, York, treasurer. Back row from left are Delbert Voight, Fredericksburg, director; Gene Trowbridge, Meshoppen, past president; Kyle Grim, Thomasville, director; Dennis Byrne, Nottingham, director; and Deric Horting, Newport, director.



### Stewardship Award

Huntingdon Farm is a privately owned and managed business of John and Kathryn Dawes, under the management and supervision of William Shoemaker, farm manager. The operation is an American Angus Association member farm that is home to a registered herd of 50 head with 36 brood cows.

### Seedstock Producer of the Year

JDH Cattle Company, Dover, was named Seedstock Producer of the Year at the 2017 Pennsylvania Angus Association Annual Meeting and Banquet, Jan. 6 in Harrisburg, Pa. Pictured from left are Wendell Landis, Pennsylvania Angus Association president, presenting; and JoAnn and John Hausner, recipients. Photo by Chris Jeffcoat, American Angus Association.



### 2016 NJAS Showmanship Contestants

Logan Foore, Seven Valleys, left, and Alysha Sweitzer, right, qualified to represent Pennsylvania at the National Junior Angus Showmanship Contest held in conjunction with the National Junior Angus Show last July in Grand Island, Neb., Pictured presenting the award is Mindy Seese, Wendall Landis, Pennsylvania Angus Association board of directors Photo by Chris Jeffcoat, American Angus Association.



### Family of the Year

The Voight family, Fredericksburg, was named Family of the Year at the 2017 Pennsylvania Angus Association Annual Meeting and Banquet, Jan. 6 in Harrisburg, Pa. Pictured from left are Lori and Delbert Voight, recipients; and Wendell Landis, Pennsylvania

Angus Association president, presenter. Photo by Chris Jeffcoat, American Angus Association.

### Breeder of the Year

Beaver Creek Angus, Thomasville, was named Breeder of the Year at the 2017 Pennsylvania Angus Association Annual Meeting and Banquet, Jan. 6 in Harrisburg, Pa. Pictured from left are Jared Miller, Hannah Miller holding Sawyer Sparks, Greg Grim, Kassie Sparks, Denton Grim, Casey Grim, Hayden Sparks, Kolton Grim, Kait Grim holding Kinleigh Grim and Kyle Grim. Photo by Chris Jeffcoat, American Angus Association.

### Promoter of the Year

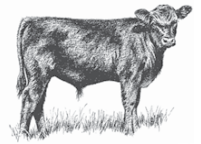
Sandy Sweitzer, Wellsville, left, was named Promoter of the Year at the 2017 Pennsylvania Angus Association Annual Meeting and Banquet, Jan. 6 in Harrisburg, Pa. Pictured presenting the award is Wendell Landis, Pennsylvania Angus Association president. Photo by Chris Jeffcoat, American Angus Association.



### Outstanding Junior Boy/Girl Awards

The Pennsylvania Angus Association presented Alexis Cash, York, left, with the Outstanding Girl Award at the 2017 Pennsylvania Angus Association Annual Meeting and Banquet, Jan. 6 in Harrisburg, Pa. Pictured presenting the award is Cathy Rohrbaugh, junior advisor. Photo by Chris Jeffcoat, American Angus Association.





## News from the Switch

(aka show winners)

**2017 101<sup>st</sup> PA Farm Show – Harrisburg, Pa.  
1/8/17 - 75 head shown - Junior Show  
Judge: Dan Eversole, Blacksburg, VA.**

### **Bred/Owned Champion, & Reserve Champ. Owned**

Cash Barbaretta C508 X002 won grand champion bred-and-owned female and reserve grand champion owned female at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Junior Angus Show, Jan. 8 in Harrisburg, Pa. Grant Cash, York, Pa., owns the January 2015 daughter of A A R Ten X 7008 S A. She first won owned junior champion.

### **Reserve Champion Bred/Owned**

Cedar Hill Chasity Grace 715 won reserve grand champion bred-and-owned female at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Junior Angus Show, Jan. 8 in Harrisburg, Pa. Dakota Mayle, Dillsburg, Pa., owns the March 2015 daughter of EXAR Classen 1422B.

### **Grand Champion Owned Female**

Beaver Creek Scaara 687 won grand champion owned female at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Junior Angus Show, Jan. 8 in Harrisburg, Pa. Samuel Parr, East Berlin, Pa., owns the March 2016 daughter of EXAR Classen 1422B. She first won junior calf champion.

### **Reserve Junior Champion Female**

Beaver Creek Scaara 544 won owned reserve junior champion heifer at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Junior Angus Show, Jan. 8 in Harrisburg, Pa. Samuel Parr, East Berlin, Pa., owns the winning heifer.

### **Reserve Intermediate Champion Female**

Sunset Farm Fiona 1501 won owned reserve intermediate champion heifer at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Junior Angus Show, Jan. 8 in Harrisburg, Pa. Zachary Wasser, Ottsville, Pa., owns the winning heifer.

### **Senior Heifer Calf Champion Female**

PVF Proven Queen 5271 won owned senior heifer calf champion at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Junior Angus Show, Jan. 8 in Harrisburg, Pa. Cailey Dahlquist, Washington, Pa., owns the winning heifer.

### **Reserve Senior Heifer Calf Champion Female**

Freys JZ Lucy Girl X120-C108 won owned reserve senior heifer calf champion at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Junior Angus Show, Jan. 8 in Harrisburg, Pa. Jade Zimmerman, Reinholds, Pa., owns the winning heifer.

### **Reserve Junior Heifer Calf Champion**

Double C Rosebud 1602 won owned reserve junior heifer calf champion at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Junior Angus Show, Jan. 8 in Harrisburg, Pa. Daniel Rohrbaugh, Seven Valleys, Pa., owns the winning heifer.

### **Grand Champion Angus Steer**

Just Enuff Cupid Moose won grand champion steer at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Junior Angus Show, Jan. 8 in Harrisburg, Pa. Grant Fitzgerald, Seven Valleys, Pa., owns the August 2015 son of MCC Cupid 414.

**2017 101<sup>st</sup> PA Farm Show – Harrisburg, Pa.  
1/9/17 - 119 head shown - Open Show  
Judge: Tom Turner, Somerset, OH.**

### **Grand Champion Cow/Calf**

Just Enuff Grid T Tequilla won grand champion cow-calf pair at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Angus Show Jan. 9 in Harrisburg, Pa. Just-Enuff Angus, Bethlehem, Pa., owns the March 2011 daughter of TC Grid Topper 355. A July 2016 bull calf sired by Hoover Dam completes the winning pair.

### **Grand Champion Bull**

Cherry Knoll Bootlegger 1503 won grand champion bull at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Angus Show, Jan. 9 in Harrisburg, Pa. Fred Frey, Drumore, Pa.; Frey Family Angus, Quarryville, Pa.; and Jade Zimmerman, Reinholds, Pa., own the January 2015 son of Wright SCC Bootlegger 0522.

### **Reserve Grand Champion Bull**

Beaver Creek Am Classic 626 won reserve grand champion bull at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Angus Show, Jan. 9 in Harrisburg, Pa. Beaver Creek Angus, Thomasville, Pa., owns the January 2016 son of Dameron C-5 American Classic. He first won junior calf champion.

### **Senior Champion Bull**

Beaver Creek Tip-Top 428 won senior champion bull at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Angus Show, Jan. 9 in Harrisburg, Pa. Beaver Creek Angus, Thomasville, Pa., owns the winning bull.

### **Reserve Junior Champion Bull**

Rains Set In Stone BGFP878 won reserve junior champion bull at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Angus Show, Jan. 9 in Harrisburg, Pa. Dale Rains, Mercer, Pa., owns the winning bull.

### **Reserve Senior Bull Calf**

Keifers Big Mike C98 won reserve senior bull calf champion at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Angus Show, Jan. 9 in Harrisburg, Pa. J.H. Keifer Farm, Bangor, Pa., owns the winning bull.

### **Grand Champion Female**

KCC Lady 315D won grand champion female at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Angus Show, Jan. 9 in Harrisburg, Pa. Mackenzie Curtis, Landisburg, Pa., owns the March 2016 daughter of Dameron C-5 American Classic. She first won late junior calf champion.

### **Reserve Grand Champion Female**

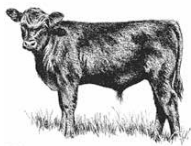
Rains Skylight Pearl FIDP won reserve grand champion female at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Angus Show, Jan. 9 in Harrisburg, Pa. Dale Rains, Mercer, Pa., owns the February 2016 daughter of Dameron First Impression. She first claimed early junior calf champion.

### **Junior Champion Female**

K W H F Sammie won junior champion heifer at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Angus Show, Jan. 9 in Harrisburg, Pa. Kyle Kerr, Bangor, Pa., owns the winning heifer.

### **Reserve Junior Champion Female**

Cash Barbaretta C508 X002 won reserve junior champion heifer at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Angus Show, Jan. 9 in Harrisburg, Pa. Grant Cash, York, Pa., owns the winning heifer.



**2017 101<sup>st</sup> PA Farm Show – Harrisburg, Pa.**  
**1/9/17 - 119 head shown - Open Show**  
**Judge: Tom Turner, Somerset, OH.**

**Intermediate Champion Heifer**

Sunset Farm Fiona 1501 won intermediate champion heifer at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Angus Show, Jan. 9 in Harrisburg, Pa. Zachary Wasser, Ottsville, Pa., owns the winning heifer.

**Reserve Intermediate Heifer**

Just Enuff Magnet Merida 519 won reserve intermediate champion heifer at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Angus Show, Jan. 9 in Harrisburg, Pa. Nikolas Wasser, Ottsville, Pa., owns the winning heifer.

**Senior Heifer Calf Champion**

BVF Miss Belle 101615 won senior heifer calf champion at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Angus Show, Jan. 9 in Harrisburg, Pa. Clay Myers, Wellsville, Pa., owns the winning heifer.

**Reserve Senior Heifer Calf Champion**

PVF Proven Queen 5271 won reserve senior heifer calf champion at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Angus Show, Jan. 9 in Harrisburg, Pa. Cailey Dahlquist, Washington, Pa., owns the winning heifer.

**Reserve Early Junior Heifer Calf**

LPA Pristine Reba won reserve early junior heifer calf champion at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Angus Show, Jan. 9 in Harrisburg, Pa. Kali Rankin, Centerville, Pa., owns the winning heifer.

**Reserve Late Junior Heifer Calf Champion**

Rains Skylight Dazzle FIFm won reserve late junior heifer calf champion at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Angus Show, Jan. 9 in Harrisburg, Pa. Chance Rains, Mercer, Pa., owns the winning heifer.

**Premier Breeder and Exhibitor**

Beaver Creek Angus, Thomasville, Pa., won premier breeder and exhibitor at the 2017 Pennsylvania Farm Show's Angus Show, Jan. 9 in Harrisburg, Pa.

**2017 National Western Stock Show Super (ROV)**  
**Angus Show – Denver, CO**  
**Jan 11-13, 2017 – Open Show**  
**Judge: Scott and Andrew Foster, Niles MI.**

Cherry Knoll Brennen 1609 won winter bull calf champion for Cherry Knoll Farm Inc., West Grove, Pa., and Wilmer Hostetter, Oxford, Pa.

**National Western Stock Show**  
**Angus Bull Sale Show - Denver, CO Jan 11, 2017**  
**Judges: Kyle Gillooly, Wadley, Ga; Andy Musgrave, Pittsfield, Ill; Jim Vietheer, Wilton, Ca**

Cherry Knoll Product 1501 win early junior champion bull for Cherry Knoll Farm Inc., West Grove, Pa.

**SAVE THE DATE - June 15-17, 2017**  
**PA Angus Breeders' Show**  
**Huntingdon, PA**

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**Prep Your DIY Calving Kit**

By Sara Brown February 09, 2017 | 6:52 am EST

Before calving season starts, save time and stress by putting together the supplies and equipment you might need to assist heifers and cows, says Glenn Selk, Oklahoma State University.

Items to put in your calving kit include: disposable obstetrical sleeves, non-irritant antiseptic, lubricant, obstetrical chains (60" and/or two 30" chains), two obstetrical handles, mechanical calf pullers and injectable antibiotics. Also have an iodine solution to treat navels of newborns shortly after birth. A flashlight and a roll of paper towels might also come in handy.

It might be helpful for you to have all these things and other items you might want packed into a 5-gal. bucket or bag so you can grab everything at once. Place that bucket in a location near the calving area.

Along with your kit, develop a plan of what to do if problems arise. (See example at left.) Make sure all family members or helpers are familiar with the plan. Talk to your local veterinarian about your protocol and incorporate his/her suggestions. Write it out, laminate it and post copies near feed and veterinary supplies, in your calving kit and on the wall near the calving stalls.

Visit: [www.Drovers.com/calving-kit](http://www.Drovers.com/calving-kit)



To watch a video with Glenn Selk's advice for what to include in your calving kit.

*Note: This story appeared in the February 2017 issue of Drovers.*

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# 24th Annual Pennsylvania's Finest

## *Angus Female Sale*

**Friday, March 31, 2017**

**Approx: 2:30 pm Following Bull Test Sale**

**Held at the Livestock Evaluation Center, PA Dept. of Ag  
Pennsylvania Furnace, PA**

### *These Breeders Will Be Represented:*

**Cash Family Angus, York, PA**

**Double C Farm, Greencastle, PA**

**Ebony Farm, West Sunbury, PA**

**ErReR Hill Farms, Friedens, PA**

**GND Angus, West Alexander, PA**

**Grand View Farm, Tyrone, PA**

**Hain Farm, New Freedom, PA**

**Hawthorn Valley Farm, Richland, PA**

**Herr Angus Farm, Nottingham, PA**

**JK Cattle Co., Conneautville, PA**

**Just Enuff Angus, Nazareth, PA**

**New-Paradigm Farms, Chittenango, NY**

**Lavigne Angus Farm, Foster, RI**

**Mitchell Farms, Reinholds, PA**

**Oak Grove Angus Farms, Frenchtown, NJ**

**Penn State University, University Park, PA**

**Rains Angus, Mercer, PA**

**Rutledgedale Farms, Tyler Hill, PA**

**Slaytons' Beardance, Bedford, PA**

**Smeal Farms, LLC, Houtzdale, PA**

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Dear Angus Breeder,

I hope everyone has had a great start to the New Year!

If you were able to attend the National Western Stock Show (NWSS) this year, I hope you enjoyed the new format to the bull and foundation sale. The all-new evening event was hosted in the historic Stadium Arena, and a crowd of nearly 2,500 packed the arena to celebrate Angus in the West. The National Western Angus Bull Sale was another tremendous success, featuring 45 lots of high-quality bulls, and the evening's fundraisers for the Angus Foundation generated \$265,750 for education, youth and research.

For more highlights, I invite you to watch [The Angus Report online](#) and read stories in the pages of the March *Angus Journal*.

Please be sure to check out the regional calendar, listed below, for all of the upcoming sales and events this spring. If you have an event that needs added to the calendar, please do not hesitate to let me know.

3/31/2017: Pennsylvania PT Bull Sale – Pennsylvania Furnace, PA

3/31/2017: Pennsylvania's Finest Female Sale – Pennsylvania Furnace, PA

4/28/2017: McKean Bros. PT Angus Bull & Female Sale – Mercer, PA

Take care,

**Chris Jeffcoat**

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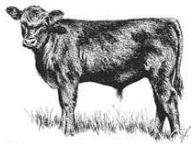
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# Beef Production Efficiency and Herd Expansion

By **John Nalivka** February 14, 2017 | 4:00 pm EST

USDA's annual Cattle Report found a 2% increase in the total cattle inventory on Jan. 1, 2017. That's no surprise. When good forage conditions and record profits cross paths, the end result is herd expansion.

Not just herd expansion, but rapid herd expansion! In fact, even though producers culled and sent to harvest 8% of the beef cow herd, they also calved an additional 4% more heifers over those that USDA had indicated were expected to calve at the beginning of last year. These heifers represented a 14% increase in the number of heifers retained in 2014 and bred in 2015, the largest number since 1991.

So, when the numbers are crunched and the smoke clears, this has been the most rapid herd expansion since the early 1990s. From 2014's 60-year low, the U.S. cattle inventory has grown 6% compared to a 4% increase over the 4 years from 1990-1994. And indications are that expansion will continue through 2017, at least. The number of heifers expected to calve (call it bred) was up 2% from the prior year. Again, this 2% increase in those bred heifers is compared to last year's 10% (6% reported by USDA + the additional 4% needed to get from the 2016 beef cow herd to this year's cow herd).

For those who don't care for all of this number crunching to analyze how quickly herd expansion occurred, the price of bred heifers over the previous 4 years might be proof enough!

Another key factor affecting production and your business is production efficiency. We know how much increased carcass weights alone have added to beef production over the past few years. Those heavier weights are not a temporary phenomenon. This is a trend as evidenced by the fact that in 2015, we produced as much beef as we did in 1975 with 43 million fewer cattle.

Using beef production per cow as one proxy to measure production efficiency, the industry went from 416 lbs. per cow in 1975 to 614 pounds in 2015, a 48% increase over the four decades, or a 1.2% average annual gain.

This gain in production efficiency can be attributed to nutrition, genetics, animal health, feed quality, feed conversion, and last but not least production management, just to name a few factors. And that trend is true across U.S. agriculture in crops, livestock, dairy, and poultry production.

Agricultural production efficiency is significant and important, not only to producers but to consumers as well. Simply put, we can produce more with less, i.e. more beef with fewer cattle. And this beef is increasingly of higher quality, thus value. Markets are sensitive to production efficiency and market response reflects that efficiency. This is where we are at in 2017 and going forward.



## Fewer Hurdles to Better Feet

*Angus partners with universities to assess foot scores for breeders.*

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ONLINE: Foot scoring guide, [Listing of participating universities](#)

A newly announced partnership now makes it easier than ever for Angus breeders to collect foot scores.

The American Angus Association announces its collaboration with participating universities to assess foot structure on behalf of breeders who seek help in assessing their herds. The new service allows animal science students and judging team participants to collect foot scores as they visit Angus operations. It is available to all Association members, and compensation is voluntary and at the discretion of breeders.

Angus Genetics Inc. (AGI) Genetic Service Director Kelli Retallick says it's a helpful step in acquiring the valuable data needed to develop genetic selection tools for selecting animals with proper foot and leg structure. The program, she says, is a win-win for both breeders and universities.

"We hope members take advantage of this partnership to bring a young person onto their operation to help with foot score collection," Retallick said. "We think it will be a great service for breeders who simply do not have the extra manpower on hand to call foot scores during yearling weight collection or pregnancies checks."

Retallick says producers should first think about collecting foot scores when they're collecting yearling data — then maintain records on those animals as they age.

"Taking only one score on each individual only gives a snapshot in time, while repeated measures allow us to analyze which animals maintain solid footing or get significantly worse with age," she says. "This gives us a better understanding of the variation in foot types in the Angus population. It's why multiple scores are encouraged on animals, year after year."

The American Angus Association began accepting foot scores in 2014 to eventually develop an expected progeny difference (EPD) for structure.

To date, approximately 7,700 foot scores have been collected, with approximately 75% of these scores derived from yearling-age animals. More holistic data across the population will allow the Association to develop a reliable tool for commercial users of Angus genetics to select the right bull for their operations, Retallick notes.

To get started, breeders can simply reach out to a participating judging coach to request a student's assistance for on-site collection. "Students then gain valuable contacts within the Angus industry and familiarize themselves with data management and performance programs," she says.

Contact information and scoring materials are available at [www.angus.org](http://www.angus.org).

### Simple scoring

The Association's simple foot scoring system characterizes cattle for two traits: foot angle and claw set. Both scores are ranked on a 1-9 scoring system with 5 being ideal. An animal characterized as a 5 for foot angle would have a 45-degree angle to the pastern. Animals that are extremely straight in their front-end and up their toes would score a 1, while an animal with a very shallow heel and extremely long toes would score a 9. ([Click here for examples.](#))

Animals must have symmetrical claws with some space between them in order for an animal to be scored with an ideal claw set, or a 5. Animals scoring a 9 would have extreme scissor claw or screw claw with the curling and crossing of both claws, while animals scoring a 1 for claw set would have extremely weak, open or divergent claws.

Contact the Association's Performance Programs department at 816-383-5100 with further questions about foot scoring or the university partnership. [Go online to find the list of participating universities.](#)

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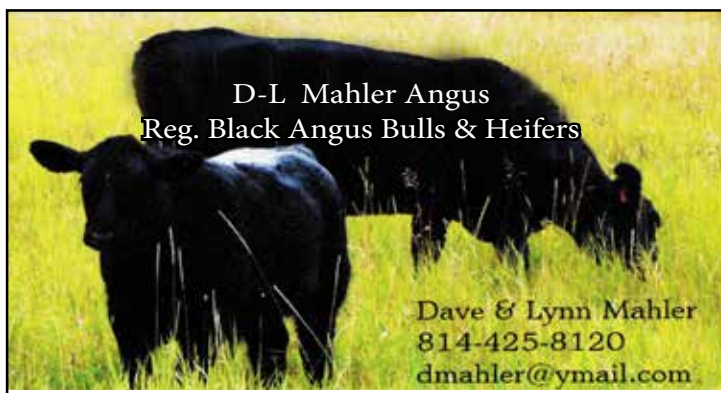
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